### Newsletter

# Summer 2024 Baptist Campus Minis



The end of the spring semester allows students and leaders to gather in Myrtle Beach to build relationships and continue to learn how God is changing lives to change the world.

The theme for the 2024 BCM Beach Retreat was relationships. Students were challenged to reflect upon all their relationships as they listened to Bob Goff's video series Love in Chaos during our morning sessions. Following the video, students answered questions and discussed in small groups. The small groups provided another opportunity to be intentional about building relationships and creating community.

Fellowship time on the beach, in the evenings, and around meal times were important to students and leaders. We are thankful to Lydia Nutter as she led worship for us. And thank you for your continued support and prayers for BCM.

> **Kevin Sions** Northern Director of BCM

#### BCM at Davis & Elkins thrives in first semester | Brett Rinehart

BCM at Davis & Elkins College began its first semester during the spring of 2024. On January 30th, D&E BCM held its first gathering and Bible Study in the Myles Center and was attended by eight students. We soon adjusted times and location and received permission to meet in the Chapel at 9:00pm on Tuesdays.

We became an official student organization during this semester and hosted a candy outreach event in March. Several students also served at a prom for students with special needs. D&E BCM ended the semester strong with an ice cream sundae bar and country line dancing. Overall, it was a great first semester on campus, we have a strong and dedicated leadership team, and we are prayerfully looking towards God's plans at D&E.



## Glenville BCM grateful for a blessed year | Lance Linden



Glenville State's BCM has so much to praise God for. Over the past year, our BCM was blessed to have its highest regular attendance ever. The Lord blessed us with many new faces who became regular attendees and contributors to BCM. Based off of the "All In" study by Mark Batterson, many students jumped out of their comfort zones by stepping into leadership roles, sharing their testimonies, giving messages, starting discipleship groups, and planning outreach events such as bonfires and cookouts.

One of our freshmen decided to get baptized—not only was he baptized, but his mom, brother, and sister drove over two hours to join him in the waters of baptism! This is just one of the amazing things the Lord has allowed our BCM to be a part of this year.

### Tech students share at prayer breakfast | Anthony Pratt

On Saturday, February 10th, some guys from BCM at WVU Tech attended the Greenbrier-Raleigh Association Men's and Boy's Prayer Breakfast at Mount Jackson Baptist Church in Athens. The BCM students shared music, testimonies, scripture, and prayer. God is on the move at WVU-Tech!

BCM at Tech appreciated the invitation by Area Minister Reverend Jon Villers and host Pastor Brad Starcher.



### **Prayer Focus:**

- 2024 grads entering the workforce
- Summer ministry opportunities
- Associates and volunteers: past, current and future
- New students for the fall semester
- Student leadership at each campus

# Help us connect with students!

Do you know a student at one of these campuses?

- Concord University
- · Davis & Elkins College
- Glenville State College
- Fairmont State University
- · Marshall University
- Potomac State College
- · West Virginia University
- WVU Institute of Technology

Help us get in contact with them!

Send their info to Kayla at 304-422-6449 or kayla@wvbc.org.

## Alumni Spotlight



BCM helped me socially by making it easy to make friends that had a similar mindset to me. I met all of my close, Jesus-loving friends in BCM and we are still friends to this day. It also helped me spiritually by making me get out of my comfort zone when I led prayer before BCM, greeted others at the door, led an I-team, and was challenged to consider why I believe what I believe.

BCM gave me the skills I needed to

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demonstrate God's love through relationships with my students and the Biblical confidence I needed to lead Bible study on my own.

**Fondest BCM Memories:** Worship service on Wednesday nights was great, but I really made connections with people and got a deeper knowledge of God's Word in I-teams. We would have sleepovers, make dinner, throw surprise birthday parties, and were bridesmaids in weddings together.

**Advice to current students:** Take advantage of all the people there and the opportunities you have for community right now because you don't have as many outside of college.

Help us connect with other BCM alumni! wvbcm.com/contact

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