



EDEN HIGH SCHOOL SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTRE LEADING STUDENTS TO LEARN OF CHRIST AND LIVE IN CHRIST

God Is Breaking Through!

As an SLC team, we are truly blessed to serve in a ministry that allows us to live within youth culture in real time! Every day we get to be part of a unique story as God moves within a public high school and we've seen Him "break through" in significant ways! We have prayed faithfully for the Holy Spirit to anoint Christian teens with a passion for evangelism and there is no doubt that He is stirring hearts. We are meeting with many students who are searching for answers to life's troubling questions and many of these meetings are because students are inviting them to make these connections! Recently, I met with a student who described how God was burdening his heart to challenge his Christian friends to see the need to reach the lost. It was beautiful to get on our knees and pray for this clear burden for discipleship and evangelism. Students are confessing sin and seeking accountability and it's humbling to see such raw passion for Jesus! Meghan and Kezia can also attest to this move of God as they disciple students, and share the gospel with many who are showing up, looking for purpose and direction. Please continue to pray that more students will be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit for the harvest at Eden is ready!

Life Groups are happening almost every day and help inspire 100+ students with Biblical teaching on faith and life!



- Students are inviting unchurched friends into faith conversations about Jesus!
- The SLC space is regularly full of students! They are making this their hangout and it's leading to great connections!
- 265 students attended our Fall Grade Retreats, with many making significant commitments. 60+ Volunteers served in a variety of ways.
- Our Meet Jesus Life Group introduces students to Jesus and His Gospel! This was key in helping one student come to Christ, and they are now inviting friends!
- We continue to gather daily for The First 25 (chapel) and pray every Thursday as a community!

IT IS OUR DESIRE "TO CONTINUALLY GROW AS A CHRIST-CENTRED CATALYST AT EDEN HIGH SCHOOL FOR LIFE TRANSFORMATION AND SERVICE."



"AND THIS IS MY PRAYER: THAT YOUR LOVE MAY ABOUND MORE AND MORE IN KNOWLEDGE AND DEPTH OF INSIGHT, SO THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO DISCERN WHAT IS BEST AND MAY BE PURE AND BLAMELESS FOR THE DAY OF CHRIST, FILLED WITH THE FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT COMES THROUGH JESUS CHRIST—TO THE GLORY AND PRAISE OF GOD."
(PHILIPPIANS 1:9-11)



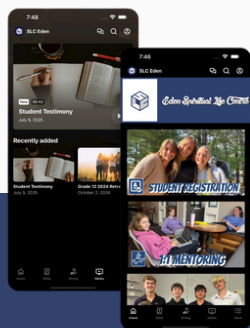
As we serve within a public high school, there have also been many challenges over recent years, with opposition hitting new levels. But God has been faithful in sustaining His work at Eden. We are currently in transition with a new administration and early connections have been positive. We are hopeful that we can continue to build bridges with our school leadership and the school board. Please pray for a meeting on February 12 at 1pm as we share why the SLC is so valuable for our students.

I referenced a student coming to Christ this year and her name is Carmen. God miraculously rescued her out of deep despair and has transformed her life, and now she is sharing Jesus with others. Here is a quote from her recent testimony given at our annual SLC Banquet:

"On January 10 I went to my first Outpour Friday, and I had a personal encounter with Jesus. I was pouring out my heart and I truly felt His presence. I saw God and was totally overwhelmed by His love and grace for me. That was the moment that fully pushed me off the fence. After experiencing a love like this, how could I not want him? I was also invited to be part of a new life group called Meet Jesus for people who were exploring Christianity, and we were able to have some good conversations about faith that were really helpful for me too. This year was also my first time going on a retreat, and it is one of the highlights of my life so far. I faced quite a few physical challenges while I was there, but I was still able to enjoy my time with friends and worshipping God. The theme was Breakthrough, and although I wasn't really looking for one, God gave me a breakthrough anyway. (Isn't that just like Jesus?) I felt a clear invitation to be baptized. So much so that I got baptized this past Sunday!"

As I close, I want to thank our Partner Churches; Cornerstone, Scott Street and New Hope, for their financial generosity and additional resources! I also want to thank the Eden Advisory Board for their support and partnership as they allow us to wholeheartedly serve. Lastly, for Meghan and Kezia who so faithfully love and serve the students of Eden! It is a joy to labour together to fulfill our mission of "leading students to learn of Christ and live in Christ!" On behalf of the team, may God bless you!


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