



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
CORPUS CHRISTI



SPRING 2019

While many other campus ministries seem to be winding down for the year, RUF at TAMUCC seems to be getting busier. The next few weeks will provide us with opportunities to share Christ in many different aspects of campus life.

On April 10th, we will be holding our first RUF Olympics, which will team up an existing RUF student with a non-RUF student to compete in “feats of athleticism,” “feats of awkwardness,” and “feats of . . . are you serious?” The goal of this event is to get non-RUF students exposed to RUF and build relational capital so that we have the opportunity to speak Christ into their lives.

On April 15 through April 18, we will join with other campus ministries in celebrating resurrection week. TAMUCC RUF students will be participating in a 90 hour prayer vigil for our campus. Aaron Wright, from 1st Presbyterian Church



and I will also be leading public Bible studies about the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. We also have the opportunity to lead a campus-wide worship service on the Wednesday evening prior to Good Friday. Would you take a moment and pray that these events would bring glory to God and that His name would be praised through our efforts? For more information on this week, you can visit www.rezweek.org.

The following weekend, RUF students will be volunteering at the Coastal Bend Crisis Pregnancy Center, sorting clothes for their resale shop. Last year, the Coastal Bend Crisis Pregnancy Center helped save over 400 babies from abortion. Our students love serving alongside such a wonderful, life changing ministry!

Then, during the week of finals, we will be distributing “finals survival kits,” which have been wonderfully supplied by our friends over at First Presbyterian Church in Corpus Christi. This will again provide for an excellent opportunity to share the love of Christ with the campus.

BIBLE STUDY

This Spring in our Large Group Bible Study, we have been looking at objections people have to Christianity. Objections we examined included:

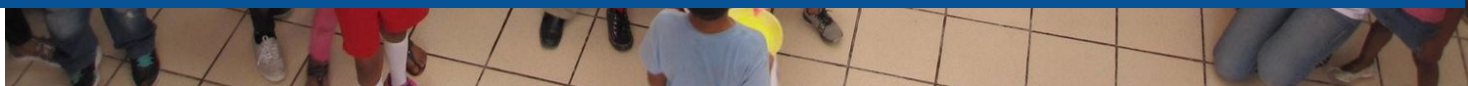
- Can we trust the Bible?
- Doesn't science disprove Christianity?
- How can a loving God condemn people to hell?
- Isn't Christianity a straightjacket?
- Why would a good God allow suffering?

The response from the students has been overwhelmingly positive. Many of the RUF students have never studied apologetics before. The result is that they are bringing their friends to discuss these objections. We have had many fruitful conversations with students because of this Bible Study. This study has provided both the students and I with an opportunity to share the gospel with other students.





2019 RUF MISSION TRIP: ISAIAH 55 MINISTRIES, REYNOSA MEXICO



This June, RUF students from TAMUCC will be serving in Reynosa, Mexico alongside medical missions teams from Corpus Christi and San Antonio. Isaiah 55 Ministries is a ministry that is located between the red light district and the town dump in Reynosa. Isaiah 55 runs a school for deaf students as well as a vocational school that teaches life skills to students who are deaf and students who are able to hear. The vocational school teaches skills such as: computers, sewing, metal-working, and wood-working. They also help with the upkeep of the local soccer fields in Reynosa.

We have decided to serve in Reynosa this year for three reasons:

1. The missionaries in Reynosa are dear to our hearts—Tim and Kristy Holliday are the parents of Lydia, one of the TAMUCC RUF students. We will partner with them as they serve the marginalized people of Reynosa.
2. Regardless of the press being shown about the United States' border with Mexico, we feel that we are called to go to the border and serve others in the name of Jesus. It is not a political issue. It is a compassionate and Christian issue. Jesus, at the end of the parable of the good Samaritan commanded us to "Go and do likewise." That is what we intend on doing.
3. Reynosa is only three hours away from Corpus. This will save each student almost \$800 in airfare. This will also allow us to take almost twice as many students this year than we did to the Dominican Republic last year.

Would you please consider supporting a student to serve in Reynosa this summer? Please pray for the safety of our students as well as their ability to minister to those in need. The cost for each student is \$750. We would love to take 10 students this year. All donations are tax deductible. I am including an envelope if you would like to give. Should you give by check, please write TAMUCC in the memo line.

Thank you for your support of RUF at Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi!

