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Faith Walkers 2015

Honors Reflection

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This winter break I had the opportunity to go the Faith Walkers Conference with New Song church in Asheville, North Carolina. Faith Walkers is a conference sponsored by members of the Great Commission churches and ministries that rallies young people, couples, parents, and families to be devoted to Jesus Christ and the Great Commission. Each year, in December, Christians from Great Commission churches gather to be inspired to live passionate lives for their Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I found the conference to be absolutely amazing! I loved it and had so fun and learned so much.

My goals for the conference is to delve deeper into the Bible and learn and understand the Christian faith more thoroughly. As well as to be able to take what I’ve learned from the conference and learn to integrate it into my life, grow deeper with friends and fellow Christians going on the trip with me, and to be able to connect with other all around the country with the same idea and mind set with myself. My end goal was to come back more fully informed and knowledgeable and I achieved that and more. I was able to gain knowledge and was able to connect and grow relationship wise with my future roommate and new friends. It was such an amazing experience. The amount of time I was able to bond and fellowship with others was phenomenal. I would trade those four days for anything. The experience changed me and I was able to change and mature in my spiritual life.

The first main session kick started the evening and was amazing. The band that played phenomenally and it was amazing to have the opportunity to see so many people worshiping and praising all at the same time. It was amazing to see some people brought their whole families with them and they were all worshipping together.  The topic for the conference was defining moments. How has the biggest moments of your life affected who you are today. The whole conference built off that topic. The sermons encompassed them into their lessons as well as the songs sang at the conference. Some of my favorite sermons were the sermon on how Life Isn't Fair, but neither is Grace and standing up for your faith. We also had the chance to hear testimonies from amazing godly ladies and saw how God had shaped and impacted their lives all throughout the 4 days. One of the most impactful parts were doing small group seminars. They were small group topics that we got to choose to go that were about things that interested us. For example, I went to a dating seminar that talked about having a Godly relationship with your potential spouse. They jwere extremely interesting and powerful because it was such a different dynamic than what in large sessions and more intimate.

 Now that the experience is over, I plan on jumpstarting my spiritual life and continue on this spiritual high into second semester. I hope to be a light in my Cincinnati community and to my friends. I want to show God’s love to everyone around me and have it guide my life in everything I do. I want to be known for showing the fruits of the spirits which are love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, patience, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. I want people to look back and see me as someone who made a positive impact on their lives and not a negative one. This conference really allowed me to take time out of my crazy life, sit down and reflect on how the last 4 month have gone and whether or not I’m staying true to my values and not being swept away by the world and new environment. This trip really opened my eyes and heart and allowed me to take everything that occurred the first semester and digest it. I really hope I’m able to go back next year!