

# Langford Letters

newsletter of Brian & Robin Langford with Cru

## On Sending And Receiving

For thirty years I have been on the receiving end of the freshman class. I've prepared and planned to welcome them and help them get connected. Brian and I and our Cru staff teams have prayed that the incoming Christian students would grow spiritually, that they would find community, and become disciples of Christ, not just consumer Christians. We've prayed and asked you to pray with us that God would prepare hearts and minds to receive the Good news that Jesus loves them and longs to be in restored relationship with them by forgiving their sin and making them new. We've all prayed that the students entrusted to us in Cru would be actively involved in these things.

Can I be honest? Being a **Sender** and not just a **Receiver** adds so much weight to these prayer requests! This week we send Jack and Nick to the University of Michigan. Jack is entering his 3rd year as a psychology major. He has great friends and is growing in all the right ways even though it hasn't been easy for him. Nick is moving into a dorm next week, eager and anticipating what comes next. And Brian and I find ourselves asking God for all these things for them. Even as we pray these things for them, our prayers for new and returning Spartans deepen.

*Will you join us in praying for the next several weeks?* They can be pivotal in the lives of students like Jack and Nick!



- **8/25 Cru Welcome:** a gathering for all interested students to learn more about us.
- **8/27 Sparticipation:** MSU activities fair. Cru will have a table and hope to connect with lots of students.
- **8/29 First Life Groups:** Bible Discussion groups meet in dorms across campus. Led by returning students and Cru Interns.
- **8/31 First Real Life and Root Beer Kegger:** The weekly, campus-wide meeting of Cru. Brian and I will be speaking at these throughout the semester. Our first meeting ends with a big party!
- **Each weekend in September** holds several social activities and opportunities to get connected: hikes, parties, bonfires, tailgates.