

# The Lowedown



*A monthly newsletter from Dave & Jennifer Lowe • Special Christmas edition*



## Fall Semester Coming To A Close Dave & Jen to be in Fresno, SoCal, SanFran during break

**T**he last day of classes here at the University of Arizona is Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>. It's hard to believe that our first semester is already almost over. Overall, it's been an eventful time of adjusting to Arizona and beginning our ministry.

Some of the highlights:

- Jennifer and I pulled into Tucson on August 21st. God graciously provided an apartment two days later.
- In October, we had 60 students attend our Fall Conference. The theme was: *Take A Step*. Students were challenged to take the next step of faith in their spiritual development. A couple of students who attended were involved in some Bible studies although they had not yet trusted Christ for their salvation. One student named Dave came up just for the day on Saturday. During the afternoon, he got involved in a basketball game and sprained his ankle so severely that he had to be taken to the hospital. After getting X-rays, Dave insisted that he wanted to go back to the conference, despite the fact that he was supposed to work at the front desk of his residence hall. After getting someone to work his shift, he came back to the conference on crutches. At the end of the conference, each student filled out an evaluation. In response to the question, "What was the best part of the conference?", Dave wrote "I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior."
- Campus Crusade was the only non-Greek group to place in this year's homecoming contest (We placed 5<sup>th</sup>). We also won the most spirited award. Who said that Christians can't have fun?
- One of the students in my Monday night Bible study came to me and ex-

pressed a desire to share his faith and be discipled. I began meeting with Dave to train him in evangelism and to get to know him better. One day as we were out on campus sharing with students, we ran into Charlie, another student in our Monday night group. Charlie asked us what we were doing. After telling him that we were doing evangelism, he said, "That's really cool! Can I do that too?" I'm now meeting every week with Charlie, as well.

- In November, we sponsored an outreach which featured *Word Power*, a drama team based in Phoenix. In all, 5 students indicated first-time decisions for Christ, while many more indicated recommitments or interest in growing more in Christ.

- Jennifer's Friday afternoon Bible study has been a real encouragement. Three of the women are seriously considering summer missions opportunities. Another woman has indicated strong interest in discipling and training others!

- I was able to conduct a spiritual interest questionnaire in the ΦΓΔ (FIJI) fraternity house here at the U of A. The response was pretty encouraging. Several house members indicated an interest in receiving a free Bible and/or getting more info. While I still have a lot of guys to get back with, I have met with one guy who is interested in getting into a Bible study next semester.

- We have about 20 students attending our annual Christmas conference in San Francisco, including four students from our Bible studies!

Praise God for all that He has accomplished through us this semester!

**T**wo weeks after visiting family and friends in California for Thanksgiving, we'll be back for the in-between semester break.

The last week on campus is a time for us to wrap up our Bible studies and challenge students to Bible study and discipleship commitments for next semester.

It's also a time to have some fun and hang out time with students before we leave for break.

After having a staff party on Friday, a Christmas dinner party with our Bible studies on Saturday, and an evaluation time on Monday, Jen and I will be packing up for the long semester break.

We'll be in SoCal for only a few days, where we'll visit my two brothers and their families. My parents will also be there as we celebrate Christmas as a family.

From there we'll head on to Fresno where we'll spend Christmas day before heading off to San Francisco for our annual Christmas Conference from Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> through Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.

After the conference, Jen & I will make the long trek back to Tucson, where we hope to be back by Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>. School starts on January 12<sup>th</sup>, so we'll have about a week to plan, prepare and get ready.

Jennifer and I want to thank you for making our ministry possible. We hope that the Lord will richly bless you during this holiday season!

Happy Holidays!

