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LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY

A Witness and a Welcome



In the fall of 2010 Lutheran Campus Ministry at Denton met Wednesday evenings at the Wesley Foundation building on the UNT campus. Each week we had a meal at 6:00 p.m. and toward the end of that hour, we finished worship preparations with students writing their petitions for prayers. The lights were bright in the chapel as we put things in place. A young woman walked in and asked what we were doing. Students told her about our weekly meal and worship and invited her to stay. They offered food and began to introduce her to the group. She said that she had come in because the light was on. Her dorm was next door, and I assumed that she normally came to Wesley programming and was simply interested in what was happening on Wednesday.

The new student worshipped with us and participated in the discussion. As we finished worship and shared the peace, she sat still, put her head down and began to cry. Two of our student leaders went to her side. They simply sat with her for a long time. As the rest of us began to pack our worship materials, our guest talked with the two students. Finally, we said goodbye and invited her to come again.

The next week, the same young woman arrived far ahead of our 6:00 p.m. meal. She helped set up for supper and for worship. Clearly one of her spiritual gifts was that of service. I've never attended any event where she wasn't involved in set-up or clean-up.

Along the way, I learned that her church background was Assembly of God and that she had never been in the Wesley building before that first visit to Lutheran Campus Ministry. She came in ***simply because the light was on!*** On that evening, when darkness surrounded her and weighed on her heart, the light of Christ called her into a faith community on campus.

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