

January 8, 2020

Dear Uncle Jerry,

I hope you and Aunt Cynthia are doing well and are enjoying the empty house again. As for me, things are great! I just wrapped up my first semester in college at UA, and so far it looks like they're going to let me come back next semester. I've gotten involved with an incredible ministry here called Chi Alpha. I have made some of my best friends through this ministry and I've also been learning so much about who God is and who I am in Him. I feel like I am a completely different person, and I am so excited about the next step that God has for me, which is why I'm writing you this letter.

This summer, Chi Alpha will be taking a team of students on a month-long mission trip to South Asia. As a ministry, we have been learning about God's heart for his children and how we are called to carry the gospel to the ends of the earth. This is why we are going to South Asia. In the particular area where we will be serving, less than 2% of the population are Christians. I can't help but feel compelled to go to them and show them the Father's love. My heart breaks for these people and my desire is for them to know God as I have come to know Him. But I can't do it alone.

This is where you come in. In Romans 10, Paul is speaking of all the people who have not yet heard the gospel when he says "how will they know unless someone tells them, how will they tell them unless they go, and how will they go unless they are sent?" Part of what Paul is saying is that senders are a vital part of any missionary effort, and without people who are willing to support missionaries in both prayer and finances, ministry does not happen. Will you prayerfully consider partnering with me in the things that God wants to do in southern Asia? In order to follow this call, I need to raise \$3,500 for travel, living and ministry expenses. I also need a team of people who will commit to pray for the team and I while we are gone. In partnering with me in prayer and financial support, you become an active part of what God is doing in Asia, and I know that lives will be changed because of your sacrifices.

I have enclosed a self-addressed envelope and a slip with all of the information you need to make a donation. Thank you so much for your time and consideration. I hope this excites you as it much as it does me and I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Sincerely,

Josh Ellen

Donation Specifics

- Make checks payable to Chi Alpha Campus Ministry.
- My name should not appear anywhere on the check.
- Write MY name on a post-it and enclose it with the check. Include YOUR email address if you wish to receive a gift receipt via email.
- For online giving, visit alabamachialpha.com/give-to-student
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