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Hello,

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful fall! It seems it will be coming to a quick end and be winter before we know it!

I am writing for two reasons. The first is that I have the opportunity to represent Nurses Christian Fellowship at Urbana 06, InterVarsity's 21st Student Missions Convention to be held in St. Louis, December 27-31, 2006, where 25,000 students and young professionals will worship God and learn how God is accomplishing His purposes throughout the world.

Urbana 06 will provide opportunities for nursing students to connect with organizations that are seeking qualified healthcare professionals to serve all over the world. As part of a broad range of programming options, Urbana will offer a variety of healthcare-related seminars, as well as of a focused residential track exploring *Mission Through the Lens of AIDS*.

I will be working at an InterVarsity/NCF exhibit where students come to learn more about NCF groups, resources and mission opportunities. I am really excited to have this opportunity to talk to interested students face to face, equipping them with available resources as they seek God for direction.

Since I am a part-time employee, but will be working full time hours the week of Urbana, I need to raise additional support to cover my expenses that week. Would you consider sending in a special one time donation to help cover these costs as well as my work to communicate with students after the convention? I am enclosing a business reply envelope to make this easy.

The second reason I am writing is to let you know of some great praises and prayer requests for some of the nurses and students I have been working with. Would you join me in prayer for:

- Kelly, a senior at UConn. She has led the student group there and is concerned that the group will disband after her graduation. Pray that God would raise up a faculty advisor or student leader to step into her shoes.
- Dan, a nursing student who is balancing work and family by day and nursing school at night. He will be with the same 36 classmates for the next two years. Many of these "non-traditional" students are struggling with all that is on their plate. Pray for Dan as he seeks to minister to his classmates and start a student group at Nassau Community College.
- God has been bringing together many new groups in the greater LA area. We currently have 4 nurse groups and 5 student groups. A few of us have felt "nudged" to organize a combined meeting of some kind. Pray for Eithne and Elda, who have expressed interest in helping to coordinate this gathering.
- Pray for Barbara who is seeking another Christian nurse to meet with in the Montgomery, AL area.
- Pray for the nurses who are part of our recent-grad-listserv. Pray that God would use them in the circumstances in which he has placed them. Many are facing difficult situations, ethical dilemmas, and/or feeling stretched in giving the care they desire to as they are transitioning to nursing practice.

I appreciate your financial partnership and your partnership in prayer as I communicate with students and nurses around the country through hundreds of email messages! May God richly bless you!