

NEW STAFF 2016

transforming college students
to transform the world



Emily Bingham will minister to students at Lorain County Community College in partnership with Avon United Methodist Church. Emily earned

her B.A. from Franklin & Marshall College and her M.Div. from Asbury Theological Seminary. "I believe college has the potential to be one of the most formative periods in a person's life and faith," says Emily. "Powerful things happen when college students are open to being transformed by Christ and participating in His plan to transform the world."



CCO Fellow **Devon Bradford** will
work with students
at Shippensburg
University of
Pennsylvania. A 2016
graduate of Allegheny

College, Devon majored in Psychology and Religious Studies. "I experienced firsthand the incredible blessing of having a CCO staff person help me discover my talents and passions," says Devon. "More than anything, college students need to be shown that they are loved unconditionally, supported wholeheartedly, and cared for dearly."



Esther Chiang is a CCO Fellow who will reach out to students at Philadelphia University and St. Joseph's University. Esther graduated from Bryn

Mawr College in 2014 with a degree in Growth and Structure of Cities. "In the last couple of years, I've come to deeply understand the brokenness in myself," says Esther. "I want to walk with college students so that they can take off their masks and heal."



Amanda Cooper is a CCO Associate who will reach out to students through her role as Director of Adventure Education at Ligonier Camp and

Conference Center. "Working with the CCO offers a great opportunity to speak into the lives of college students," says Amanda. "Working at camp and being connected with the CCO allows me to be in contact with and equip collegeaged staff to spread the Gospel in their everyday lives as they move out into the world."



John Cunningham will work with students at the University of Pennsylvania through a partnership with City Church Philadelphia. John earned his under-

graduate degree from John Brown University and his M.Div. from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. "I want to work for the CCO because of its commitment to the work of the local church," says John. "It's not just in a generic values statement—it's the structure of how the organization operates on the ground."



Peter Dunne will minister to students at St. Joseph's University in partnership with Citylight Church. Peter has earned degrees from Montgomery

College and Philadelphia University and has most recently served as Assistant Director for Housing Operations at St. Joseph's University. "Working with the CCO provides an opportunity to step through a unique door that God has opened at St. Joseph's University," says Peter. "The CCO's vision for and experience with building kingdom partnerships between local churches, college students, and campuses closely embodies what I have learned about effective campus ministry."



Nick Forrester will reach out to students at Penn State Scranton and Marywood University. A 2014 graduate of Summit University, Nick has

most recently served as College Life Director of Northeast Pennsylvania Youth for Christ. "My goal and desire is to walk alongside students, offering spiritual guidance and life coaching, helping them navigate through the inevitable trials that they will face during their years in college," says Nick. "I want to connect with students and enable them to be the best people that they can be."



CCO Associate
Nicholas Garrety will
minister to students at
Penn State Brandywine.
Nicholas is a 2013
graduate of Penn State
University, where he

majored in English. "College can be the most transformative time in a person's life," says Nicholas. "I long to see Christ be the driving force in students' lives as they pursue their futures. The CCO does an excellent job of leading students towards making important decisions during this pivotal time in their lives."



Jen Golden is a CCO Fellow who will work with students at The University of Akron. "I have had the wonderful opportunity to study the field of Adventure

Education while at Messiah College," says Jen. "I have been trained to share life with people, and I can see no better way to live that out than to use my training in a ministry setting. I hope that, as I live alongside college students who are going through hurt, struggle, risk, and rejection, as well as growth, friendship, discovery, and direction, I may be able to purposefully influence them towards Christ."



CCO Fellow Evan Gourley will reach out to students at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Evan graduated from Grove City College in 2016

with a degree in Biblical and Religious Studies. "I want college students to understand the importance of fostering and being a part of an intentional community," says Evan. "I want to help college students realize the vital importance of the church and their involvement in the workplace."



Lee Haney will work with students at Robert Morris University in partnership with First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown, where he also serves as Director

of Youth and Young Adult Ministries. Lee graduated from Thiel College in 2008 with a degree in Religion. "College students are our future leaders and world shapers," says Lee. "They are also among the least reached people with the Gospel of Christ. I want to change the world by changing the people who will one day run the world."



Esther Hunter will minister to students at La Roche College through a partnership with Memorial Park Church. An inspirational speaker,

author, worship leader, and consultant, Esther earned her MBA from Cameron University. She has more than 15 years of experience as a keynote speaker for conferences, seminars, workshops, and university student groups, offering practical insight about living an authentic lifestyle of worship. "Reaching students with the Gospel of Jesus Christ is both a passion and a mandate for my life," says Esther.



CCO Associate Zach Jew reaches out to students at Grove City College, where he also serves as a Development Officer. "I have known about

the CCO since my freshman year at Grove City College through my Resident Director," says Zach. "I have had the opportunity to mentor and disciple dozens of students as an admissions counselor, lacrosse coach, and overall older staff member on campus. I want God to use me as a conduit for the transformation of students' hearts and minds as they attend Grove City College."



Rebecca Kennedy is a CCO Fellow who will work with students at Penn State University Park. A graduate 2016 graduate of Grove City College, Rebecca

majored in Biblical and Religious Studies. "I'm excited about discipling students who have already begun their walks with Christ and reaching those who have yet to meet Him," says Rebecca. "I look forward to the challenges I will face, because I hope to grow a lot and to learn how to do ministry effectively and powerfully."



Jinsoo Kim will reach out to students at West Chester University in partnership with Christ Community Church. Jinsoo earned a degree in Philosophy

and Religion from Richard Stockton University in 2013. "My personal mission is see Christ invade academia, the working class, business, and all other areas of the professional world," says Jinsoo. "Young adults are missing the emotional and intellectual permission to follow Christ. It is my prayer to be used to guide those in college who may be facing those hurdles."



CCO Fellow Ryan Kindell will minister to students at his alma mater, The Ohio State University. "During college, and especially through the CCO's

Jubilee conference and Ocean City
Beach Project, God has grown my
leadership ability and my passion for
college students," says Ryan. "I love the
CCO's vision of transforming careers to
more than just a chance to make money,
but rather as a way to participate in
God's work of restoration of our spheres
of influence. The vision of Christianity
as an opportunity to bring healing
and restoration to a broken world is
what really drew me to doing ministry
through CCO."



Ethan Knaub is a CCO Associate who reaches out to students at Elizabethtown College. Ethan graduated from the University of

Valley Forge in 2014 with a degree in Theological Studies. "I want to provide an opportunity for students to have a greater understanding of the Christian faith," says Ethan. "I want to be available to minister to college students."



Kyle Landiak will work with students at Penn State Harrisburg in partnership with Middletown First Church of God. Kyle graduated from Cairn

University twice, with a B.S. in Biblical Studies and an M.S. in Counseling. "Working for the CCO has the potential to allow me to pursue a long-term ministry prospect that is intentional, unique, and missional," says Kyle. "By reaching out to college students, I can provide them with things that I may have missed as a student and further build up the local community in which I live and work."



CCO Associate Jeff Ledebur will reach out to students at the University of Pittsburgh at Titusville, where he also serves as Learning Center Director. A

2009 graduate of Westminster College, Jeff majored in political science. "I was fortunate to be surrounded by amazing CCO staff people as a college student, and those friendships, relationships, and mentors are some of the most valuable God has placed in my life," says Jeff. "If I can share a fraction of what was given to me with others, and encourage them into a closer relationship with Jesus, then God wins."



Christopher
Mathewson is a CCO
Associate who works
with students at Point
Park University. "I
believe the CCO is
uniquely positioned

to have an enormous impact in the lives of young adults as they form their view of themselves, of God's kingdom, and of the role they are called to play within His kingdom," says Christopher, who first encountered CCO alumni during his undergraduate years at Calvin College. "I am excited about the opportunity to walk with young adults on that journey."



Ashley Mikoda is a CCO Fellow who will minister to students at the University of Findlay. Ashley graduated from Indiana University of

Pennsylvania in 2016 with a degree in Religious Studies. "I love that the CCO gives students the opportunity to engage in the local church and to experience how supportive and essential a church family and community is," says Ashley. "God has shown me the need for His power and grace on my own college campus, and I wish to allow Him to use me as a vessel to glorify His work in this world with college students."



CCO Fellow Meagan Nazario will reach out to students at the University of Pittsburgh. Meagan graduated from Edinboro University

of Pennsylvania in 2016 with a degree in applied media arts, focusing on cinema. "God used the CCO to rock my world in college," says Meagan, "I love everything they stand for, and I believe in their vision of redemption and restoration for the whole world."



Michael Niebauer is a CCO Associate who ministers to students at Penn State University Park. Michael is a pastor and church planter with the

Anglican Church in North America, and he was ordained a priest in the ACNA in 2013. "I have heart for college students and the Church," says Michael. "I hope to plant new churches in partnership with the CCO in the coming years."



Tom Pappalardo is the CCO's Vice President for Development.
Tom comes to the CCO from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, where he served as

Vice President for Advancement and Marketing. With over 35 years of experience in higher education, fundraising at colleges including Grove City College, Skidmore College, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the CCO brings together two of Tom's passions: college students and the transforming power of the Gospel of Jesus. "In partnership with churches and others, the CCO has and continues to present the good news and disciple generations of college students, who are tomorrow's leaders," says Tom.



CCO Fellow Brandon Rathbun will work with students at Penn State University Park. Brandon graduated from York College of Pennsylvania in

2016 with a degree in Communications. "College is a time of great transformation," says Brandon. "I look forward to walking alongside college students and helping them through these influential years of life."



Larry Redmond will minister to students at Lincoln University in a partnership with Willowdale Chapel. Larry majored in Chemistry and

Accounting at Villanova University, and he earned a degree in Advanced Biblical Studies from Faith Bible Institute. "I have always had a strong desire to help youth as they travel through life's difficult times," says Larry. "I believe that when we encourage our youth and give them a healthy environment to grow in, they can become key components in transforming the world."



Kaleigh Ritter is a CCO Fellow who will work with students at Carnegie Mellon University. "For students in college, especially student-

athletes, people place identities on them, saying they are no more than just a swimmer or student or engineer," says Kaleigh, who participated for four years on the University of Pittsburgh's Division 1 Swim and Dive Team and recently competed in the Olympic trials in Omaha, Nebraska. "I want to work with college students to help them find their own identity in Christ."



CCO Fellow Nicole Russo will minister to students at Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania. A 2016 graduate of the University

of Pittsburgh, Nicole majored in Marketing. "I want to help college students see the joy having Christ in one's life brings," says Nicole. "I love that God created us to have different passions. We are meant to cultivate different parts of His creation, and I am so excited to walk alongside college students as they unlock these parts of God's world by learning inside and outside the classroom."



Andrew Ryckman
reaches out to students
at Marion Technical
College and The Ohio
State University in
Marion through a partnership with Trinity

Baptist Church. Andrew earned a degree in Religious Education and Youth Ministries from Davis College in 2011. "It's important that during their college years, students know the validity of having faith in Christ as they pursue an education towards who God designed them to be," says Andrew.



CCO Associate Katie Ryckman is a CCO Associate who will work with students at Marion Technical College and The Ohio State University in

Marion. Katie graduated from Davis College in 2012 with an Associate's Degree in Bible and Theology. "I have a desire to pour out the love of Christ to people and help them see their worth in the eyes of God," says Katie. "The CCO gives me a great opportunity to reach out in that way to college students who need to know these truths during a time when they are deciding who they will be for the rest of their lives."



Kyle Schumacher will reach out to students at Gannon University through a partnership with First Presbyterian Church of the Covenant. Kyle serves

as co-director of the Kirk House, a community living situation for students who want to deepen their Christian faith. Kyle graduated from Kent State University in 2013. "My college experience was so instrumental to my faith becoming my own and learning what it means to serve and follow Jesus in every area of life!" says Kyle. "Since college, I have felt a call to continue to serve young people and help them learn and understand who Jesus is in the same way CCO staff did for me."



CCO Associate
Chelsea Skaggs will
work with students at
Kenyon College. After
graduating from Mount
Vernon Nazarene
University in 2010 with

a degree in Psychology and Sociology, Chelsea worked in the adolescent behavioral health field through Teach for America. "When my husband and I returned to Ohio to start a family, we knew we wanted to open our home and hearts to college students," says Chelsea. "These students will be the leaders of our world, and when they pair their skills with the love of Christ, there is so much they can do!"



Mike Skaggs will minister to students at Kenyon College through a partnership with Journey Church and the McIlvaine Fund. Mike graduated

from Purdue University in 2009 with a degree in Psychology. "Working for the CCO is a tremendous opportunity to reach college students with God's transforming love," says Mike. "How great would it be if they had the chance to encounter something so incredibly life-changing for themselves and the world they are about to step into?"



David Slebodnik will reach out to students at Geneva College in partnership with The SOMA Gathering. A 2008 University of Pittsburgh graduate,

David earned a degree in Anthropology and Spanish. "In a seemingly complex and confusing world, we are called to live out a simple message—love God and love others," says David. "I have the joy of daily living this message out creatively and passionately with college students."



Andrew Stauffer will work with students at Youngstown State University through a partnership with Tabernacle Evangelical Presbyterian Church,

where he will serve as Director of High School and College Ministry. Andrew graduated from Liberty University in 2014 with a degree in Religious Studies. "To have the opportunity to share Jesus Christ with college students is an honor," says Andrew. "I am excited that God chooses someone like me to use in building His Kingdom here."



CCO Associate Leah Stauffer will reach out to students at Youngstown State University. A 2014 graduate of Kent State University, Leah earned

a degree in Teaching English as a Second Language. "I want to work with the CCO because I love Jesus and desire to see Him change the hearts and lives of people at college and in the world, from every nation and background," says Leah.



Randy Stratton will minister to students at Columbus State Community College and Columbus College of Art and Design through a partnership

with Hillcrest Baptist Church. Randy graduated from Kenyon College in 2016 with a degree in Psychology. "I think college is a defining period where people look for purpose and direction," says Randy. "I want to do all I can to share the love of Christ with college students and stand by them as they go out and do the same for others in the world."



Dustin Sutherland is a CCO Associate who works with students at Butler University and also serves as a member of the CCO's Experiential Designs

team. Dustin earned a certificate of completion from the National Outdoor Leadership School, and he loves to encourage students to encounter God in the wilderness. "I want to work for the CCO to help make an impact on the next generation of leaders," says Dustin. "I want to see students live out the Gospel in every area if their lives."



CCO Associate Rob
Terracciano reaches
out to students at
Brookdale Community
College. Rob earned
degrees from Brookdale
and from Rutgers

University, and he works as a physical therapy aide for Kessler Rehabilitation Center. "College was an instrumental time for me, when I learned that my faith should shape every area of my life," Rob says. "I want to work with the CCO because I have a passion for college students and I want to be able to walk through life with them and disciple them as they navigate the questions and difficulties of life."



Brittany Tinney will work with students at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne through a partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of

Northeast Indiana. Brittany graduated from Evangel University in 2013 with a degree in Psychology. "I am passionate about bringing true hope and purpose to college students," says Brittany. "This is the point in their lives where they are discovering who they are and what they are called to, and I do not believe that they will find that apart from Jesus Christ."



CCO Fellow Katelyn Van Meerbeke will minister to students at Point Park University. Katelyn graduated from Geneva College in 2016 with a degree in

communication disorders and a minor in psychology. "I want to work for the CCO because I love college students and discipleship!" says Katelyn. "I have a passion to work alongside students during this time of questions and growth, to encourage them in their walk with the Lord."



John Wilhelm is a CCO Fellow who will work with students at his alma mater, Robert Morris University. "College students are our future, and equip-

ping these students to live out their faith in all aspects of their lives is my passion," says John. "Without the impact that the CCO had on my life, my faith and walk with Christ would not be where it is today. I want to use my experience as a way to give thanks to God for how He changed my life through this organization, and to be a guide to college students as they navigate their faith during their crucial college years."