

Prayer Letter of Campus Pastor Ken Vander Wall—Aug/Sept.,

Dear Friends in Christ,

What do you get when you combine an EARTHQUAKE, a HURRICANE and a NEW UNIVERSITY SEMESTER??!! ANSWER: Great opportunities to see God's GREATNESS!,

The EARTHQUAKE we experienced in New Jersey fortunately did not cause much suffering or damage. Carolyn and I were on the beach and simply thought the wind was shaking our chairs! Later we realized that it had been a quake! We marveled at God's greatness as we learned that people as far away as Michigan felt it!,

The HURRICANE was a different matter. It caused and is still causing a tremendous amount of suffering and damage. Carolyn and I were home and experienced minor inconvenience of water in our basement. It impressed us again with God's power and our weakness. The 9/11 anniversary reminds me of Psalm 121 which means so much at times of suffering. Our help comes from the God who made the hills and now controls everything else AND He is the "Father of compassion" II Cor.1:3!,

The NEW UNIVERSITY SEMESTER is once again beginning! This will be my 40th year on campus and I again am impressed with my own weakness and inability to control the ministry! Just as the EARTHQUAKE and the HURRICANE impress us with God's power so the new semester impresses me with my absolute dependence on that power. The WPU Christian Fellowship is using the Book of Acts in our Small Group Bible Studies and we begin with Acts 1:8: "But you will receive POWER when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth." Please pray for our witness!,

Tomorrow the WPU CF will do a PRAYER WALK around campus during which we will pray for God's POWER to be evidenced and experienced in every classroom, every professor's office, every administration office and every dorm! We are also doing a 20 Days Of Prayer to have God prepare us for this new semester! At the same time, all of the New York/New Jersey Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship staff are doing a 40 Days Of Prayer which extends into the semester. During those 40 days we are praying for at least 40 conversions!! Please pray for God to move mightily with His Holy Spirit!,

I am so pleased that the Servant Leader Team at WPU has decided to support Pastor Miguel Lau and his wife Janel who will be working for the International Justice Mission to fight human trafficking! Janel led the dance troupe that did the I Was Trafficked event last semester. Please pray for Christians to battle injustice around the world.,

We are desperate for the POWER of God which we saw in the EARTHQUAKE and the HURRICANE to be seen at Wm. Paterson University and Fairleigh Dickinson University during this NEW SEMESTER! Please pray for the FDU leaders as they plan.,

Thank you for praying and for supporting the ministry. I have been informed that the denominational grant for campus ministry has been cut even more by an additional \$2000. Please pray for all of the financial needs to be met!,

Love in Christ, Pastor Ken