Dan & Becky Guenther

Your missionaries to college students in Northwest



Fall Chi Alpha launch – ministry and prayer

Greetings in the name of Jesus! We're so excited to tell you what God's up to this semester. Read on!





Becky: Across the Pacific Northwest, our Chi Alpha groups are in Fall Retreat season. If campus ministry is a bit like starting a new ministry every fall, then the Fall retreat is where the new students really become committed believers. Retreat is a powerful time of bonding, while learning about and worshipping Jesus. Invariably, some of these newcomers decide that our incredible God is worthy of their full devotion. You can see the first night of our CWU ministry in the photo. Please pray for God's Spirit to work this month, to draw hundreds of new students into personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Our daughter Hannah recently painted a picture of the CWU Chi Alpha house, which we will proudly hang on the wall. Recently, we came up with a list of projects that Dan completed on the Chi Alpha house over the past 28 years... remodeling the bathrooms, cutting down trees, installing lawn irrigation, painting the exterior, new flooring, rewiring the entire house, converting a carport into office space, fixing plumbing, dealing with flooding, building new bedrooms, setting up fences, paving the parking lot, and (just this summer) building two sheds in the back yard. It has been a labor of love. Ministry houses are a big draw for students, where daily life-on-life mentoring, prayer, and ministry happens. Please pray for fruitful ministry in the CWU Chi Alpha house this year!

Super quick praise report: our Oregon State ministry is purchasing a new Chi Alpha house near the OSU campus, with the help of many churches in Oregon. Photos coming next time!



WWU: Dan and I visited the WWU campus last week, to encourage and train Chi Alpha staff, pray for the outreach, and visit our daughter Hannah. (She's a junior now). What a delight to see almost 200 Chi Alpha students gather to worship in a lecture hall at WWU... the very same lecture hall Dan and I brought students to when we were training for ministry.

SPECIAL NOTE: one of our goals before we move to join the national team in August 2026 (in Missouri) is to connect with as many of you as we can! Don't be surprised if you get a call from Dan or I. **We look forward to seeing you in the next few months!**



New ministry at Whatcom

Dan: This fall, Chi Alpha replanted a ministry at Whatcom Community College in Bellingham WA. The ministry is off to a roaring start, under the fresh leadership of a young missionary, Stevie Cairns. We are delighted to see Stevie thriving as a team leader and pastor on this campus.

For several years, Whatcom has denied access to Chi Alpha, due to a hostile administration on the campus. This time around, we have great favor. You can see Stevie in the lower left of the photo here, praying with our campus Directors in Washington. Please pray for effective, growing outreach at Whatcom with both American and international students. We've seen great fruit here in the past.

Additional prayer... our feet in two worlds

Becky: As our ministry expands this year, it's clear we have a foot in two worlds already! Dan is regularly meeting with his team of Regional Directors, who oversee Chi Alpha groups across the country. There are 10 Regions in Chi Alpha, totaling about 270 campuses.

Similarly, I (Becky) have started coaching our nationally-appointed missionaries while they raise their budgets. Of the 16 Chi Alpha missionaries I (Becky) was coaching this summer, 12 reached full budget and are back on campus reaching university students. It is a joyful moment for each of them to turn their attention to campus! Let's go reach students! I've also added a couple new missionaries recently. So at the moment, I'm helping 6 Chi Alpha missionaries from Alaska, Alabama, Tennessee, California, and Colorado.



Dan at last week's Chi Alpha Director training

At the same, we continue to assist here in the Northwest during the transition. We have two big events coming....

LIGHT is our annual training for Chi Alpha missionaries and interns in the region. Usually we have about 100 Chi Alpha leaders from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska. This year Dan & I will share our final encouragements after serving these leaders for 20+ years.

Northwest SALT Conference happens in January! We are anticipating 400 college students to sign up and be challenged to participate in Jesus' global mission. The worship is always so powerful. At last year's SALT, we had exactly 100 students commit to give a year of their lives to ministry, plus many salvations. Becky will also help with the missionary kid program for one last time (and will likely cry as I say goodbye to kids who I have prayed over and invested in for years!). Please pray for a record number of students to sign up for SALT.

More family news next time. We are working hard to help Hannah and Caleb figure out their next steps in life. And we love that they love Jesus as young adults!

Thanks for being part of our team,

Dan & Becky

GUENTHER COUNTDOWN

40 weeks until we move 13 projects on our house \$1047/month left to raise 2 young adults to launch and 1 lifetime to give!