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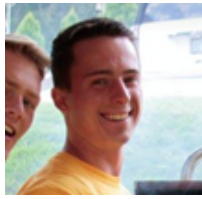
I hope Christmas has been wonderful and that you are looking forward to what 2018 holds! These last couple days before the New Year is a crucial time of giving for the ministry of RUF at App State. So, I asked a few RUF students to share why they believe this ministry is worth your support. Here's what they said:



RUF provides community in a world where we're increasingly cut off from one another. It provides a structure so that we can get connected to people who encourage us in Jesus and help us know him more. It provides a place where we're free to be messy and not have all the answers. - Caroline, junior



RUF is a community where people of all backgrounds have a place to grow, learn, love, and be loved. College campuses are often filled with people who are lonely, who need community more than they may know, which is why it's so important that there's a space for so many different individuals to come together and learn about the gospel of Jesus." - Sarah Jayne, junior



The growth I have had in my relationship with Jesus in college has been greater than any other point in my life so far, something that is the opposite of many people my age. This wouldn't be the case without the community I've been embraced by in RUF the last 4 years. -Trevor, senior



College is when students decide to make their own decisions about their faith so it's a crucial time to have spiritual support. RUF provides a place for those who are unsure or grounded in their faith to seek comfort. I love that there's always something to do. Bible studies/large group/parties for holidays whatever. RUF IS JUST GREAT" - Hannah, sophomore



RUF is a safe place for college students from all backgrounds to ask questions, to find community, and grow together. It is not a place for perfect people, but somewhere messy and broken sinners can learn to love the Lord and love each other. It is a group of people recognizing their need of the cross and actively helping each other move towards Jesus. - Lissy, senior

God is at work in RUF. Please consider making a tax-deductible gift before 2017 ends so that we can continue to reach students for Christ and equip them to serve. Especially with the tax code changing for 2018, this is a vital time for you to support this work.

Thank you for your prayer and support. May our God bless you richly in the New Year!

- Chris Horne