

# THE NEW YORK MINUTE

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## DIGITAL CONNECTIONS

### VIRTUAL MOMENTUM

Can you relate to us; this pandemic has been spiritually challenging. It's pressed us all, turned up the heat, exposed our hidden sins. Honestly, we thought our students wouldn't last, they'd evaporate & our movements would trickle. We couldn't have been more wrong.

While wrestling with serious doubt, isolation and grief, nearly all from last year stayed with us, committed to growing in faith and community. Even seeing new students step into leadership (Marysol & Irene continued, Jeffrey & Elijah joined). And it's all been virtual.

With all NYC universities educating virtually for the foreseeable future, virtual ministry is currently our only option. But it's afforded us some surprising advantages. With geography/commute time not a concern, not only do CCNY students attend more often and with more margin,

but CUNY students from across Manh. & BX have come. Students like Rebecca (Lehman) who's joined our leadership team. And Isaque (Hunter) and Wilson (Lehman) who are both freshmen joining discipleship groups with David. So far students from 6 campuses have joined us!

We challenged each student to ask for five minutes at the start of class to invite classmates to complete a spiritual interest survey (it's huge on 2 fronts: approaching profs about their Christian club & 'outing' themselves as Christians to their entire class). Jeffrey shared with his nearly 200-student Bio class, allowing us to connect and share the gospel later with several students! Rebecca shared with a freshmen mentoring group she facilitates, and immediately two asked to be followed up about their responses. Pray students take huge steps of faith, that even lead to grassroots gospel movements across all their campuses!

### Book

*Misreading Scripture With Western Eyes* by Richards / O'Brien

### Verse

For You are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with You. - *Psalms 5:4*

### Prayer

- God is using Marysol, Jeffrey, Irene, Elijah and Rebecca, (CCNY/Lehman leadership team) greatly!
- Continued openings for spiritual convos through surveys in students' classes
- Wisdom and capacity for good work/life balance with David's full time 'on campus' and Ashley's financial role
- Abigail is eating solids now! Emma is about to start potty training!

### NYC FAST FACT

CITY COLLEGE (CCNY) HAS LARGEST MUSLIM (& NEAR LARGEST JEWISH) STUDENT GROUP OF ANY CUNY SCHOOL

