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Tallion bragging about Jesus at his team photoshoot



Tallion (L) with roommate and fellow wrestler, Mujin (R)

AUDIENCE OF ONE

God is doing something new at Marymount! Since day 1 the number of men involved has set records. Many, though not all, are athletes: baseball, wrestling and swimming.

Tallion (Jr wrestler) leads a bible study for 12 wrestlers on his team (of the 40+) through a classic series: Audience of One. Athletes are challenged to compete not to impress or show off, but to please God. Tight community resulted! Unprompted, they encourage each other to apply the study during the week, pray for each other, eat together! Many train together, making natural informal groups for discipleship. Marcus (new believer, no Christian background) trains with Tallion & Markeylen (nonChr).

One week Marcus reflected that when reaching out to his non Christian friends they were rarely available, but the Christians in the Bible study, almost always

responded favorably. Tallion helped, "When you've met Jesus, you see your need for fellowship."

On another week Markeylen complained about his girlfriend. Tallion had a thoughtful response, but to his surprise, Marcus spoke first. "It's because you don't come to Bible study enough! You don't have an audience of One," he said, punctuating his points with fist pounds on the table, "you have an audience of many!" They were both stunned! Then, later that night Markeylen texted them,

"No sentimentalism but I genuinely appreciate yall for always holding me accountable.. I never had older brothers before.. I have one but he don't come around.. so to get that from you guys I truly appreciate it man."

A week or so later, David and Tallion got to go through the gospel with them both. Praise God for the brotherhood He is forming on this team, grounded on Jesus. Pray for Markeylen to hinge his life on Jesus.

Book

Deeper by Dane Ortland

Verse

"Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners." - **Matt 9:12-13**

Prayer

- After an e-scooter accident, an MRI revealed David *did* fracture his arm. It has been 6+ wks. Praise for answered prayers; David has made a near-full recovery
- Pray for 10+ Marymount students to come to Winter Conference!
- Tallion's leadership & courage w wrestling team. Pray for new/multiplying faith
- ↑ work/life balance capacity
- Pray 2 Thes 3:1 over us.

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