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Dear Friends and Family,

As I enter my senior year at Crossroads College, majoring in Intercultural Studies as well as Family Youth and Community, I am looking for God's guidance as to where He wants me after graduation. I chose to attend Crossroads College because of its strong academics and also because of the many opportunities for ministry and personal leadership development. My time at Crossroads has brought me amazing opportunities as well as a tight knit community I quickly grew to love! I am a member of Ambassadors, which is a missions group here on Campus, and serve in the children's department, called kidcity, at my church here in Rochester. I also am a member of the Crossroads Chorale and Adoration. I believe the best way for me to have an impact for Christ is to use my abilities with kids to reach families through them. My plan right now is to work with children in cross-cultural missions.

In regards to personal leadership development, I have been given the opportunity to return to the Philippines for the month of June 2012. I will be going by myself and meeting up with the missionaries I helped last year at the Central Philippine Bible College and City Church in Cebu. I will be participating in ministry to Filipinos and help with several local ministries.

I believe God is calling me to this short-term mission opportunity because we are living in a broken world. After last June when I went to Cebu for the first time and experienced my first missions trip in another culture, it was confirmed that missions is what God is calling me to. The people there had such great hearts for God and were so welcoming. It was incredible to see that, even though they may not live in conditions we consider to be "good", they still are on fire for God. This last year, I studied Romans 10:14-15 and the passage reminded me that our ultimate goal is for others to call upon the Lord; without someone there to tell them about the Lord, how are they to know?

I will leave on May 31 and get back to Minneapolis on July 1. My trip will cost me \$3,000. This will include my transportation, food, and lodging. I will admit to being a relatively poor college student, yet I believe God has called me to sacrifice out of my own pocket and have been saving for awhile in order to go and minister to the Filipinos; I plan to pay \$1,500 of the \$3,000. To cover the remaining \$1,500, I am asking if you would prayerfully consider giving \$25, \$50, \$100 or any other amount towards my trip. I also need people to pray for me during my mission experience. Any money I raise over \$3,000 will be donated to Central Philippine Bible College and City Church.

If you desire to be part of my ministry, please let me know by March 16, 2012, if at all possible. To give towards my trip, simply enclose a check made payable to **Crossroads College**, for tax deductible purposes, along with the enclosed response card in the envelope provided. I would also appreciate hearing from you indicating your commitment to pray for me.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to impact lives for Christ halfway around the world!
In Christ,

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