

100 Years of Wesley Foundation at Purdue Campus Ministry 1917-2017

A Letter from a Wesley Parent:

Dear Friends of Wesley Foundation,

Some inevitable truths: time passes, things change, and parents worry!

When our children go off to college, we wonder whether they'll be okay. Will they adjust to new academic rigors? Will they meet people who will become friends? Will they eat well? Will they remember the values you hold dear?

College can be scary. Purdue is big. How will your child fit in? The bad news is you don't know! The good news is Wesley Foundation! Regardless of a parent's or student's affiliation with a church, Wesley can be family.

My children couldn't be more different, yet both found a home at Wesley Foundation at Purdue. My son has participated in their recreation ministries where he has met people from all backgrounds and majors, and become friends with those he would have never even been exposed to otherwise. Playing flag football, Frisbee, basketball, wallyball and other sports has allowed him to stay physically active. It has given him an outlet for stress and been a source of consistency in his life. My daughter has met some of her closest friends through the Women of Wesley, Colorado Spiritual Retreat, and all types of get-togethers. She even went on a week-long bike ride from Indiana to Niagara Falls with Wesley's Bikers for Jesus. Both Mary Lynn and Mason have been involved in leadership roles in the annual Winterization project to help area senior citizens.

I couldn't be more proud of how successful their tenure at Purdue has been. Wesley Foundation has been an important part of that experience. From friendships and service opportunities to pancakes and late movies, Pastors Glen and Lana have been there for my students. And they will be there with open arms for countless other students, regardless of where those students come from or what they believe or don't believe or don't know that they believe. Wesley Foundation will be a safe place to grow in their faith and be in a caring community.

I hope that you consider supporting this important campus ministry, especially for their 100th anniversary!

Margaret Dennis

Mother of Mason (Class of 2018)

and Mary Lynn (Class of 2017)