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**A Ministry Update
from the Brakes**

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Hinge Season

The end of October in New Hampshire is marked by a gradual shift from fiery reds and vivid oranges to bare branches and stubborn brown leaves. On campus, students are breaking out fleeces and jackets. Midterms and the ensuing panic have hit and receded... and in campus ministry, we're thinking about the now and the oncoming, juggling the tension of wanting to finish this semester well, but knowing we need to plan for next semester.

There's a lot to celebrate: for the first time ever, we had students from 5 NH campuses gather at our Fall Getaway (*see above photo*) at the beginning of Oct (including 2 from Keene! Thanks for praying for that!) It was such a joy to see all the students connect, pray for each other's campuses, and go deep with each other during split men's and women's times. Then last week during the monthly UNH faculty lunch I (Emily) co-host, my InterVarsity colleague and I were dreaming with one of the professors about ways to connect students and professors that could open up opportunities to talk about spiritual beliefs. What a blessing to know professors scattered across campus who are joyfully thinking about how to share Christ!

On the personal level, we're thinking and planning for next semester differently than usual because Baby Brake #3 is due at the end of March! Baby is doing well and Emily is finally (hopefully?!) after 18 weeks getting over nausea. Both Samuel and Sophia are very excited about a new member of the family, as are we. We'd love your prayers for pregnancy to continue to go well and for lots of wisdom in preparing for the big transition at home, while also handling our roles in campus ministry.

Grateful for your faithful prayers for us!

Edward & Emily



ALL TREAT
NO TRICK!

Baby Brake
#3
due March 2025!

Both kids are excited about a new sibling (even if Samuel doesn't look it in this photo!)

S&S Scoop

Sophia turned 4 this month! She requested a sloth cake, in honor of her beloved stuffed sloth that travels pretty much everywhere with her. She loves counting to 100 (with some help), building with blocks and is busy practicing baby skills on her doll so that she will be a good big sister. Samuel continues to thrive in 1st grade and is really enjoying piano lessons with one of our Cru students. Both kids love pumpkins and all things fall in NH!





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