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Dear Partners and Friends...

Greetings from FGCU & Florida Southwestern State College,

"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1 -KJV

START SMALL, GO DEEP, BRANCH OUT. That was the strategy our student leaders adopted for this season. And it's working! We were greeted by a very restricted environment on campus in August: screening apps to enter, masks while there, small gatherings only, social distanced only, one prescreened guest in a dorm room only, fewer than half of classes and labs done in person. The stated goal of the colleges was to complete a full semester. Yet Jesus told Paul in II Corinthians 12:9, *"My Grace is sufficient for thee: My strength is made perfect in weakness."* Problems can present opportunities. So we all have stayed healthy while growing quantitatively and qualitatively in this sort of season between seasons, used *Instagram, Zoom, Canvas*, grounded in spiritual disciplines, jumped through administrative hoops, heard salvation testimonies, nursing students praying for patients, even held an online scavenger hunt for fun. *More than conquerors* He has made us indeed. Romans 8:37.

METAVVERSE 2020. *Meta* is our *Florida Fall Conference*, usually in person... but this year due to *Covid* protocols: virtual. Nevertheless, we were thrilled to join 25 other campuses for an innovative weekend of inspiring worship, challenging talks and transformative prayer. After hours we had fellowship in a video game style space called *Gather.Town*, where we saw three students make first time decisions to follow Jesus as Savior and Lord and 38 more commit to pursuing some form of mission on campus or in the wider world.

WORLD CHANGERS. This edition's world changer alumnus is *Jose Diaz*. Under Jose's leadership the *FSW chapter* saw a marked increase in students giving their lives to Jesus. After transferring to *FGCU*, Jose was instrumental in facilitating the university's largest Christian concert gathering to date. Jose currently serves, along with his wife *Dana*, as *Director of Malachi Ministries*. Jose is an accomplished musician, evangelist and bilingual Bible teacher. Dana is a worship leader who has produced a Christian worship CD. The couple has ministered in over 35 countries.

THANK YOU - for your faithful partnership in our mission to college students. December 1, 2020 is *Giving Tuesday* in the United States. If you are not already donating to our ministry on a regular schedule, please consider making a generous gift to us on Giving Tuesday, or by December 31, 2020. Thanks again from all the students you have impacted, are impacting and will impact for Jesus!

Your Campus Missionary, Bill



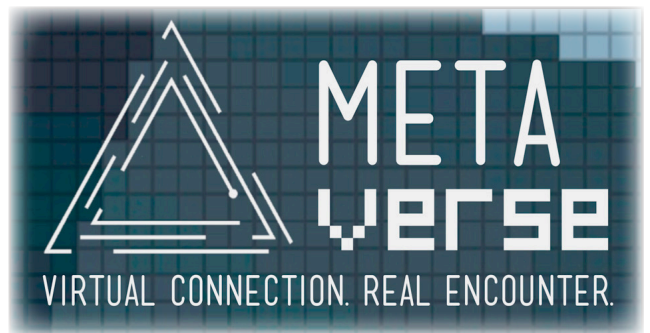
Bill shows up early for a Zoom meeting.



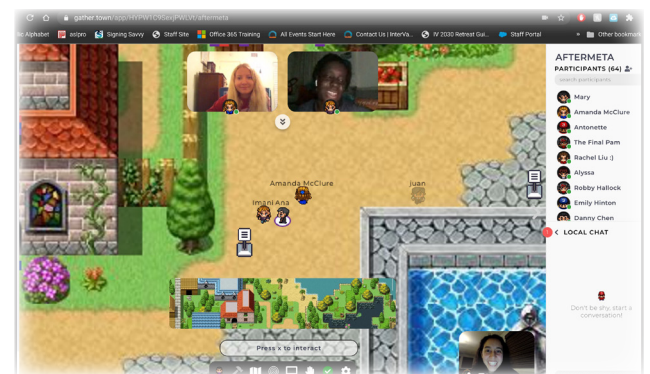
Ladies' Zoom Bible study.



Gentlemen's Bible study in PPE.



Metaverse Florida online conference.



Gather.Town virtual gathering spot.



FSW world changer alumnus Jose Diaz.