

Because Every Student has a Story

Storyline



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Sometimes we have to wait years to see any fruit or a return on an investment. Every week over 600 students attend one of 20 clubs that YFC Hawaii runs. There are rare events when there is seemingly instant reward for our efforts. I want to share one of those stories with you of Sam from Kalani High School. Sam graduated last year but spent his last two years in YFC Hawaii's Campus Life program.

Daniel Ko

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"At first I didn't want anything to do with the YFC CORE club at Kalani. I grew up in church and got hammered by all this religious stuff in 7th and 8th grade. I just wanted to be left alone and not have to deal with it. I didn't want anyone to know that I was a Christian. That's what I did at home and at church. I was sitting around at lunch and my friend told me to come and grab a piece of pizza at club. I went, got the pizza and found something different than I expected. This wasn't the in your face stuff I expected. It was real, crazy and lots of people were there. Another friend asked me to become a (student) leader. By then I was all about it. Club began to explode.

Things began to change inside me. Club was the place that I found God. I began to share the Gospel at club. Over time 30 people responded to the word of God. It was incredible. People were going to church, camp and getting baptized. After graduating I started going to a Bible study at YFC. My leader asked me to come back to Kalani as a college intern. I took a long time to say yes. Now I'm so glad. It's amazing! There are over 70 kids each week. I help run a Kalani Bible study at a nearby church and so many kids show up. The whole thing changed my life."

Sam is one of six interns, most of who have come through Campus Life, who serve at one of our many Campus Life clubs. Imagine what stories like Sam's we will have five or ten years from now.