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he believes and why. As Jarid puts it, "If you want to learn about your faith, you need to go to Open Heirs." Jarid is also constantly humbled by the idea that God would choose us to communicate His love. Open Heirs is a ministry where students are able to

see God work through them all the time.

If you are interested in becoming involved in Open Heirs, there is always room for more volunteers. There is no special training needed to join, so people are welcome to become a part of this ministry at any time during the semester. The team meets every Friday night at 5:45 in ENS 245 and then splits up to head to the different cities. If you have any questions about Open Heirs, contact Jarid Mayo or stop by the Christian Ministries office.

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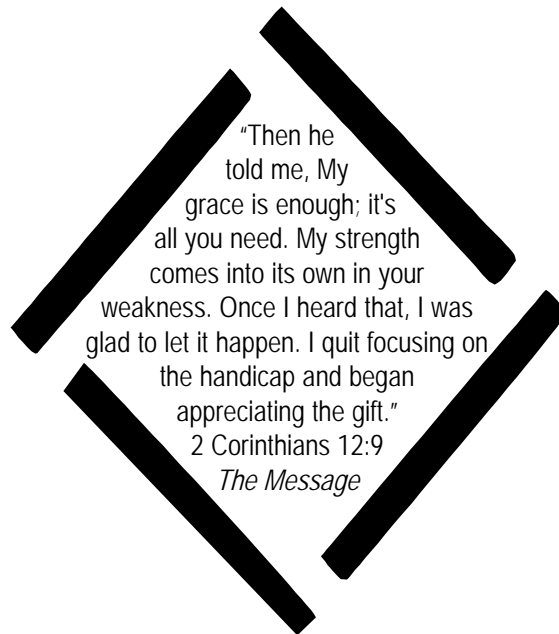
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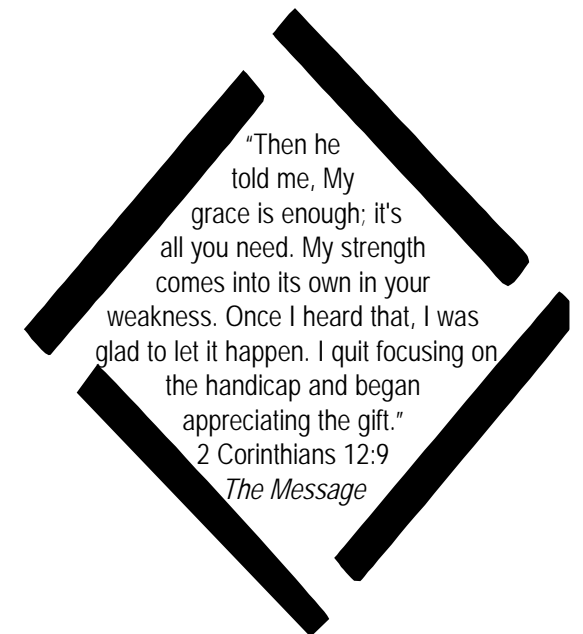
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