



## Meet the Interns

**Joy Savage** is originally from Bluffton, Ohio. She graduated from Bluffton High School in 2004. At BGSU, she majored in Integrated Language Arts Education. She graduated in December of 2008 and received her license to teach English Language Arts to grades 7-12. Joy has been a part of ACT since her freshman year at BGSU in 2004 when her neighbor in the dorms invited her to campus worship. During her time as a student, she enjoyed being a part of ACT's small group studies, retreats, leadership, and mission trips. She began her internship this January after graduation. As an intern, Joy leads a Bible study on the book of James. The studies are one-on-one or with up to 3 students. These studies give students a chance to be discipled on a more individual basis and to work Bible study into their own schedule. After completing her internship, Joy plans to move to warm and sunny South Carolina. She plans to be involved in ministry for the rest of her life - both as a volunteer and possibly as staff.

ACT has played a huge part in preparing her to be a leader in the church after leaving Bowling Green.



**Joy Savage,**  
ACT @ BGSU Intern



**Ben Posta,**  
ACT @ BGSU Intern

**Ben Posta** is currently a Junior at Bowling Green State University, majoring in Psychology. He will be graduating (hopefully) in May of 2010. Ben has been in ACT since before his freshman year at BGSU when his friend Dave Lefton, an ACT BGSU alumnus, took him to a food giveaway to help out. Ben immediately involved himself in ACT upon arriving at BGSU the following Fall. He has been helping out since he signed up for his first ACT leadership position (refilling the pop machine). Since then he has participated in the cleaning ministry, the film ministry, written the weekly connection, led various Bible studies with his roommate Ben Bauer, and gone to six retreats and two short-term mission trips with ACT. He is currently the head of the prayer ministry, leads a bible study at his apartment on Tuesday nights, and leads Sunday Night Worship. When he graduates, he has little idea where he will be going. Possibilities include: going to

seminary, living in Toledo, moving to Europe, and becoming a homeless man. Whatever he does, he wants to do full-time ministry. Ben enjoys listening to ska music, playing video games, reading books, studying theology, long walks on the beach, and Star Wars movies. Ben will probably live to be 120. Just a guess, but who knows?

UT: Here at UT, we are experiencing the valleys and mountaintops of ministry. We recently had winter retreat at Lake James Christian Assembly in Indiana. This retreat is a joint effort with The Ohio State University, Ohio University, Bowling Green State University and The University of Toledo. In keeping with this year's emphasis, the theme was "Taking the Whole Gospel to the Whole Person to the Whole World". It is always a great time to come together with students from other ministries and other colleges worshipping one Lord-Jesus Christ.

We did recently lose our worship leader. We thank him for his service to the ministry and wish him the best with his upcoming marriage. We are pressing on and looking toward who God has in store for us next.



This semester has brought on a lot of bonding together with the students and reaching out to new students. We had a high school musical party, many dinners at the UT house and some great one-on-one time. The students are going to be doing another coffee and donut giveaway for finals to reach out to the students on campus. We are also going to do some service projects at the Toledo Botanical Gardens to help reach out to our community. Thank you again for your prayers and support. God is here. God is with us.

BGSU: It has been a very good year for ACT@BGSU. We knew that we were in a rebuilding year as so often happens with campus ministry. While that process usually takes its time, it is always rewarding to sit back and see the growth take place. We have seen a growing passion for worship. The students have enjoyed a variety of speakers this year who have challenged us as we have looked at various Bible characters who were "Nobodies Who Became Somebodies" because of an encounter with God. There has been a growing desire for knowing the Bible. Joy Savage, one of our interns, has 10 students in one-on-one discipleship studies on the book of James. The MOD (Master of Discipleship) studies continue to grow. The men's group this year has chosen to have a discussion group on major topics for their study this year. The women are watching an excellent video series by Andy Stanley about how to make good Godly decisions. It is entitled "Defining Moments". As a result, we are seeing all kinds of decisions being made. Several students have made the decision to be baptized. Others are rededicating themselves to be more serious in their discipleship. Some are considering going into full-time ministry or going to seminary after graduation. Others have a growing desire to go into overseas missions. One is joining a new church plant in South Carolina. ACT has always said that the real success of a campus ministry can be seen by what students are doing for the kingdom five years after graduation.

Please be in prayer as we have two food giveaways @ BGSU to wrap up the semester. Again we are expecting anywhere from 1000 to 1200 visitors for each giveaway. We will have our weekly cookout and Bible study over the Summer as well.

Rather than be in some sunny area like Florida for Spring Break enjoying the sunshine, we are sitting in New Hampshire at Restoration House Ministries looking at yesterday's five inch snow for Spring Break. The real question is why? Why would a group of students choose to work in the snow rather than play in the sun? These are the kind of students we have at ACT.

Restoration House Ministries is a church planting and leadership training ministry for the New England area. We chose to come here because this is a huge mission field. In a recent Gallup survey, the six New England states were among the top ten in the country of "least religious states". They need Jesus and we came to help out in any way we can. We helped a new church plant set up and break down for their worship service in a hotel in the heart of Boston, spring cleaned a church building for a major outreach event, helped with phone survey work for a campus ministry and held a prayer walk at the site of a second church plant in the Boston area. One day was spent helping the Restoration House clean up from an ice storm.

ACT has a heart for missions whether it is in New England, New Orleans, Appalachia, Haiti or next door. Our desire is for our students to develop that heart for missions wherever God may put them. Maybe they will consider becoming a part of a church plant in a major metropolitan area like Boston as tent-makers. It might be in a third world setting like Haiti as a teacher of English as a second language. It might be on a campus like BGSU or UT in a campus ministry. Hopefully, wherever God puts them they will challenge the churches with the same mission's passion.

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