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To Whom It May Concern,

Hello, my name is Curtis Miller. I am the Director of TC Groups at Transformation Church in Indian Land, SC. TC Groups is our small groups ministry at TC.

It's a pleasure writing to you in reference to Jake Studebaker. I met Jake late in 2015. He had seen our Pastor at a conference he had attended years earlier with his Dad and had been intending to connect. His family had moved from out of state and hadn't settled on a home church yet. Jake decided to come on his own to one of our teen nights. It had been a rough day for Jake. Earlier that evening, a baseball teammate of his had been seriously injured in a freak accident on the field. Jake asked for prayer and we spent some time with him praying and then he stayed and hung with the High School group for the evening. The next day, Jake stopped by the church to just have some quiet time. He thanked us for praying with him and shared a little on where he was in his walk with God. That was the beginning of getting to know Jake.

Jake's teammate is doing well now and as for Jake, he is not just a regular attender at TC. He comes to Teens weekly and serves on our Hospitality Team on Sundays. Just in the few short months I've known Jake I've seen an inquisitive young man with a genuine desire to know God and serve Him by serving others! A natural overflow of gratitude! He is eager to help with the simple things which tells me he's growing into a good leader. Christ's example of leadership was serving others.

I had the incredible honor of baptizing Jake on February 7 as our church celebrated 6 years. I've seen a definitive decision in Jake to seek God, walk with God. The really cool thing is seeing him grow in his identity in Christ. The realization that who Christ is and all Christ has done is attributed to those who believe. At TC we let the teens know all the time that they are not the church of tomorrow, they too are the church of today. Jake is living on mission with Christ!

I hope this gives you a little more insight into this young man who has been a joy for me to get to know. I know he seems very excited about this opportunity. I pray it will be a positively memorable one!

Blessings!

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