

*Remembering Jordan*  
Lutheran Campus Ministry, University of Alberta

On July 16, Jordan Wilson, resident at Martin Luther House in Edmonton this past year, was taken suddenly from us when he was hit and killed while working on roadside highway maintenance near his home in Three Hills, Alberta.

Jordan had completed his first year of studies in Science, spent an adventurous month in Ecuador building homes with “Help, Learn, Discover,” and was looking forward to returning to his studies and the community at Martin Luther House, his “home away from home,” and a new role on the Executive of the Lutheran Student Movement (LSM) as fund raising coordinator.

In the eulogy given by Jordan's parents, Steve and Yvonne, and brother, Blake, we heard that Jordan's last act was to push his co-worker from the oncoming collision, saving her life. Such a reflex was an extension of who he was. He went about life humbly from a faith in the Servant-Messiah, underscored in the careful notes recorded in his Camp Kuriakos New Testament.

Jordan and the LSM Executive had recently planned to explore as this year's theme, “Broaden Your Network!” God's network is already as big as the world God so loves. Jordan saw that Jesus calls us to discover how big by engaging in and serving it. He was to give the first theme presentation based on his Ecuadoran experience. And prepare a recipe to help us taste it—we joked about eating deep-fried guinea pig!

We grieve the loss of a vibrant young man who seized life. How will we remember him? We plan to dedicate the profits from LSM's Annual Charitable Hot Dog Sale to the Ecuadoran experience that inspired him. We will invite his companions to share a presentation on that experience. We will honour him by broadening our network, as he did, the network Jesus calls us to engage and serve. Blessed be Jordan's memory among us.

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