

Change You Can Believe In

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So, I'm one of the last people left in the dorms now that almost everyone has left for the summer. And, in two days, I will officially be a college graduate. Wow! Now, when I fill out forms and they ask 'What's your level of education?' I don't have to check some college. I can actually just go ahead and check bachelor's degree. Nice feeling.

I have to say that my Mount Olive College experience really has been the best time of my life. One of the most interesting things about college is the change you see in people. You get thrown into a community with a bunch of people you don't know and no one knows what's going to happen. It's like a reality show, except it usually lasts for four years.

In the time I have spent in college, I've seen students turn their life around and dedicate it to their faith, or someone comes back from summer and has lost a lot of weight, and even a lot of friends whom never would have thought they would come out married at the end of it all. Life is all about change.

So, as students go home for the summer, I hope they make it productive. Come back new and improved. Life will change but it will be up to you to decide how it will change. Make a commitment now, because before you know it, you will be walking across that stage stepping into the real world.