



New Growth



With each new year comes growth. We have learned from childhood that you can tell the age of a tree by counting the rings of growth on the cross section of the trunk. You might not know that some animals show similar patterns. You can estimate the age of some fish and turtles by counting rings of growth on their scales. The rings are produced by seasons of prosperity and nourishment that occur during the calendar year. I for one am glad that we can't look at people and just count something physical to tell our age. Sure, a few less hairs on the head and an additional wrinkle or two might suggest one is getting older, but thankfully they don't correlate perfectly with age. Our community too shows annual growth. It seems like each year there is visible growth in service to each other, our campus and our community. I can think of few campus communities where service is as central to their mission as it is in our community. May 2013 be a year of prosperous growth in service to one another, our neighbors and our God.

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord..." (2 Peter 3:18)

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