



Doorstep **News**

MAR/APR 2020
VOLUME 24/ISSUE 2
SERVING INTERNATIONALS
ON CAMPUS



INTERNSHIPS

KATE COLE

ISM, INC BOARD SECRETARY, LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

International Student Ministry, Inc. (ISM, Inc.) is in search of American college students to help TEST-PILOT our new internship program!

Volunteers will work with ISM leaders in developing an internship program for ISM, Inc. By participating, you will help create a program for American college students and future leaders in international ministry on campuses across the United States.

Starting in the fall of 2020 working with site directors and leaders in ISM, volunteers will serve full-time on a two-member team, for a three-months.

Participants will live in ministry housing in two partnering communities in Michigan. Students will review and implement all aspects of international ministry

at a thriving ISM site for one month. Then students will assist in the development of a new campus ministry in Michigan's UP as well as help define the final internship program.

This opportunity is a n a mazing way to gain hands-on experience in international ministry and leadership, while working in a global environment. Volunteers will experience what it truly means to serve others as Jesus did. This is an unpaid volunteer opportunity offering a stipend for your participation.

For more information visit our website. Apply online or download our internship application at <https://www.isminc.org/internships>.



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ENJOYING A VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

GATHERING

AUGUSTA MENNELL, ISM DIRECTOR
SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY/ PENNSYLVANIA

The Korean meals that All Saints serves to college students are so much fun. Students get to eat spicy homemade dishes made by Jo Dublin, a Korean-American Christian who loves to share her cooking with students.

The time students spend at the meal is relaxing. Students don't need to rush. They talk with each other about their classes and their plans for after graduation. They even have time to play ping-pong and foosball (tabletop soccer).

This mealtime is special for All Saints, too, because campus ministry gets to know the students. We invite them to come in and visit. We tell them we'd like to hear about their families and their plans for the future. It is especially satisfying to connect with students who say they used to go to church but no longer do.

We invite them to come in and tell us why they no longer attend. They may have left God, but He has not left them. Campus pastor Rev. Larry K. Loree encourages students to let him know how he can help them. He lunches weekly with students on the Grove City College campus and is working to arrange such lunches with Slippery Rock University students.

Years ago, at a meal, Kenzaburo from Japan came up to me and asked if he could come to

my office for time to study the Bible! It led to his baptism in church. Sorrowfully, he died after he returned home. His parents still write. The faith All Saints shared with their son has never been forgotten.

Chris and Samantha are another example of what has been done because of SRU orientations where we met. This couple makes us smile from ear to ear. Their enthusiasm is so great that they come to study at 8:00 a.m. if the 3:30 p.m. time slot is not available! They are having fun studying the Bible and they are growing in their faith. They know why they are Christians. They are able to defend their faith. They are just another example of how valuable it is to attend the orientations and spend time to welcome students.

The truth is that the meals are a great way to spend a Saturday evening, but the real meaning behind them is the hope of introducing students to people who want to share the Christian faith with them. Campus ministry is aware that this is an opportunity to help student deal with the danger of losing their faith. Meals at All Saints open doors to faith. We know this is true because it has happened.

PEER LEADERSHIP

I'M HUNGRY

DORINDA WERNER

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SALT & LIGHT CAMPUS MINISTRY

Hunger. A common denominator for most university students. Therefore, we all know that providing good FOOD at our meetings and Bible studies is important.

At the beginning of the fall semester, I was almost put into shock, when a student I had never met before, came to our Salt & Light Room and when I offered him a Chick-Fil-A sandwich, he said, "no thank you, I'm really hungry for God!"

Well, have a seat... we offer spiritual food here too!!

Hunger for God. Is also a common denominator for most university students, whether they openly express it or not! One of my favorite things about campus ministry is the time we spend together in God's Word.

Due to ever-changing schedules, rather than a regular set meal time and Bible study, I keep the students informed of the block of hours that I will be on campus and available. They drop in when they can, and after some important "how's life" conversations, we jump into God's Word... whether they just have 15 minutes or 45 minutes.

A simple way to lead a Bible study is by using the **Sword Method**.

The Bible is the Sword of the Spirit (Eph. 6:17) and is sharper than a double-edged sword which pierces the soul Hebrews 4:12.



On a white board, draw a Sword with the Scripture for the day written inside it.

Read the scripture out loud, once or twice... then ask these questions:

Sword points up – Ask what does this Scripture tell us about God (Father, Jesus, Holy Spirit)?

Handle is held by people – What does this Scripture tell us about people?

On one side of the sword – What does this Scripture tell us to do?

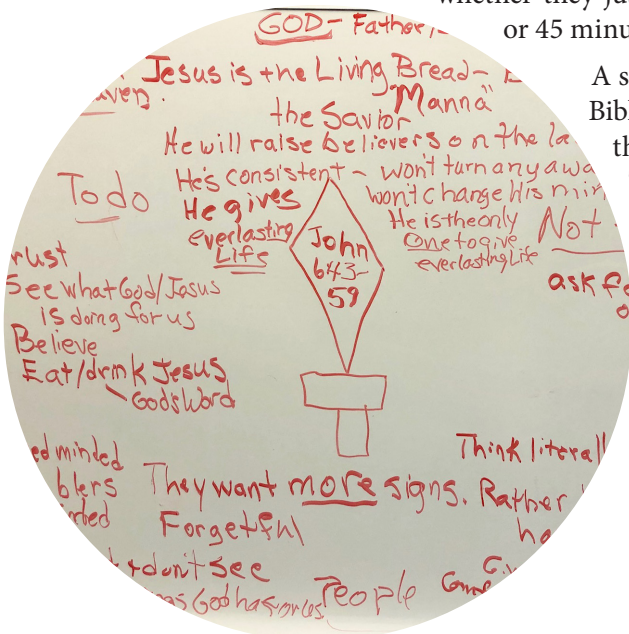
On the other side of the sword – What does this Scripture tell us not to do?

Finally, it is good to ask – What did you learn today that you want to apply to your life?

Close with a prayer for God's help with applying God's Word to our lives.

This is a simple way to study and one that students can do on their own, or as they lead their own Bible study in their dorms/apartments.

This week, we finished studying John 6. Verse 35 says; Then Jesus declared, "I am the BREAD OF LIFE. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry." Let us take our student's hunger for God seriously and show them that it can be satisfied by feasting on God's Word!



WORD



Prefer the
*Doorstep***News**
online?

Email us at
isminc@isminc.org
and request to get on
the email list.

E-MAIL: ISMINC@ISMINC.ORG

WEB SITE: WWW.ISMINC.ORG

FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/ISMCOMMUNITY

*Doorstep***News**