

PRAYER

"Rejoice always, pray
without ceasing,
give thanks in all
circumstances; for this is
the will of God in Christ
Jesus for you."

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

PRAYER AND PRAISE

JANUARY 1-12, 2020

**INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP CENTER/UNIV OF WI-MADISON
JUDY TANG/IFC DIRECTOR**

- Praise God for a wonderful Christmas Party with 235 international friends and volunteers! Internationals put on a nativity play, enjoyed a potluck dinner, performed special music, sang Christmas carols, received a Bible in their own language, learned about the true meaning of Christmas, and had a wonderful time in conversation and fellowship!
- Pray that God would continue to provide the funds necessary for the International Friendship Center (IFC) to connect internationals to life in the US and life in Jesus Christ!
- Pray that our international friends would find the IFC a welcoming, warm, and wonderful place to practice English, make friends, and learn about the Bible.

JANUARY 13-26, 2020

**UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS/AUSTIN
MARCIA MITTWEDE, ISM DIRECTOR**

- Thank the Lord for the baptism of Junko (Japan) in November. Ask the Lord to protect her and continue to help her grow in her faith.
- That the Lord would continue to open doors to share the Gospel with many who don't yet know Jesus.
- That we would declare the Gospel boldly and trust God with the results.
- In thanksgiving for the many who are attending English and Bible classes, that the Lord would be honored in all that is said and done.
- For the Holy Spirit to continue to draw internationals to Jesus as they read and study His Word.

JAN 27-FEB 9, 2020

**FRIENDSHIP HOUSE/ MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
RICH BEARUP/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

- We ask for prayers for all of volunteers -- teachers, board members, conversation partners -- who serve throughout the year. We also request prayers for all of our students who, directly or indirectly, are hearing God's word and seeking to fathom a first-time, greater or new understanding of Jesus. May God abundantly bless the many International Student Ministries throughout our nation.

FEBRUARY 10-29, 2020

**SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY/ PENNSYLVANIA
AUGUSTA MENNELL, ISM DIRECTOR**

- Campus pastor, Reverend Larry K Loree, Jr., has started a discussion group at Grove City College. It is called "Lunch with Luther", designed to attract Lutheran students from the collage. Please thank God for the joy this group has in meeting with Pastor and with getting to know fellow Lutherans better. The students prefer to meet weekly instead of the original idea if meeting monthly.
- Pray for more baptisms, especially for those students who have been dedicated rather than baptized.
- Thank God for the faithful attendance of Cho, an international student. He comes every Sunday to worship. He is from a different denomination so we like to share the Lutheran catechism teachings with him.
- Thank God for the time given to campus ministry to pray with students who are struggling with finding jobs, with relationships, feelings of hopelessness, and even the painful memories of being bullied in high school for one student.
- Please pray for a Buddhist mother from Bangladesh. She has met Christians and has been very impressed with their kindness to her. She has even been comfortable enough to attend the student meal at All Saints. She plans to bring her husband, who is a professor, with her to the next meal. Pray that the Holy Spirit opens her heart to Jesus.