

JUL/AUG 2018 Volume 22/Issue 4 Serving Internationals on Campus

PRAYER AND PRAISE

UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL / COLLEGE STATION, TX Lydia Schinnerer and Rev. Paul Hoemann, ISM Co-directors

- Rejoice, thanks and praise to God for Yuanyuan "Flora" Kou (China) and Yi "Frank" Zhao, both very active in our ministry, being able to attend the 2018 In-Depth Conference in St. Louis. While Frank is already a baptized Christian, Flora has not yet professed a faith in Christ. We pray that the Holy Spirit will soon enable her to do that.
- We ask that God would raise up another American student co-director for the fall 2018 semester, to work alongside Lydia Schinnerer.
- We ask the Holy Spirit to bless our classes and activities for the summer months; and that he would lead and direct us as we put together our fall conversation class schedule.
- We ask that the Lord would continue to raise up faithful financial partners so that our ministry of friendship and hospitality to internationals at Texas A&M University will continue for a long time!

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-AUSTIN & AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE AUSTIN, TEXAS

MARCIA MITTWEDE, ISM DIRECTOR

- Thanks to God for continuing to raise up people to support ISM in prayer, with finances and as volunteers.
- For the Lord to bring to us those students He wants involved in our program this fall.
- For the Holy Spirit's direction in all we do as we reach out to new students and continue to help those who are returning.

ST. LUKE'S / KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY Liz Beikmann

- Prayers of thanksgiving for many host families that stepped forward during the past school year to help host internationals
- Prayers for a family member of one of the students battling cancer
- Prayers for safe travel for new students as they begin their journey to join us for the upcoming school year.



FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY / BIG RAPIDS, MICHIGAN BETHEL LARSEN, VOLUNTEER

- Praise God for twenty years of involvement in International Student Ministry! It continues to be a great joy!
- Pray for good opportunities to reconnect with returning students.
- Pray for good connections with new students, for good conversations and opportunities to express the love of Jesus.
- Pray for those students who have moved on, for God to open before them the Door that no man can shut.

FLINT INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS / FLINT, MI Kate cole / director

- Thanksgiving for faithful volunteers.
- Thanksgiving for students whom we can share the Gospel with in words and actions.
- Prayer for a volunteer to take over the teaching responsibilities of our Conversational English Class.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY / DETROIT, MI Bob Dickhudt / ISM Director

- The ISM @ WSU continues every Thursday throughout the summer. We never know who or how many scholars will join us. Some of the wonderful surprises include a Grandmother from China coming in with her little grandchild, scholars that continue to come and are very interested in Bible study and knowing more about Jesus and new folks suddenly coming through the door. How blessed we are, week after week, as we pray, and invite YOU to pray with and for us.
- Lord, please keep on bringing students, parents, grand-parents and little ones up to our 7th floor meeting room, and,
- please continue to give us the ability to make these folks so far from home feel very welcome, and "at home" with us, and,
- please send Your Holy Spirit to "guide our tongues" and touch hearts to make the big change that leads to "the abundant life" here, and the joys of heaven in the future.
- Finally, Lord, we pray for believers now back in China facing big challenges as they seek to follow Jesus in their daily living where being a believer is not easy.

FRIENDSHIP HOUSE MSU, EAST LANSING, MI Rich Bearup / Executive Director Friendshiphousemsu.global

We give thanks to God for the experience and safe return of our four International friends from the In-Depth Bible Seminar. This is a wonderful annual opportunity to immerse seekers in God's Word and salvation. We also request prayers for the 35 volunteer teachers who will be teaching for us this summer. We ask prayers for new and returning members of our Board of Directors, including: Dennis Meier, President; Rev. David Dressel, Vice President; Karen Vaughan, Secretary; Dr. Jeff Andresen, Treasurer; and Members Bill Benson, Lisa Hoesl, Pastor Rich Moe, Jan Poellet and Elizabeth Sutton. Two behind-thescenes staff for whom we ask your prayers are Sandra M. Cita (Assistant to the Director for Programs & Students) and Deb Kamm (Assistant to the Director for Finance). We also ask God's richest blessings upon all of the students, teachers and other volunteers of all International ministries.



ST. LUKE'S / UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS Rick Milas

• Please pray for the incoming international students, that the Holy Spirit work mightily through the Gospel to bring many to faith in Christ and the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation that He won for all.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE / TRINITY LUTHERAN BESSIE FINK

- Pray that God would provide opportunities for making contacts and building relationships with the incoming internationals this summer.
- Pray that God would bless the summer events, meal and band concert in June, trip to the zoo in July, welcome meal in August.
- Pray that God's people would bring their gifts for the work among the internationals on campuses throughout the U.S. and here at SIUE.
- Thank you for the wonderful volunteers God has prepared at Trinity to serve among the internationals and for the many household gifts of God's people for the incoming students.

WE ARE HONORED TO PRAY FOR AND WITH YOU. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR REQUESTS TO ISMINC.ORG/PRAY OR EMAIL US AT ISMINC@ISMINC.ORG. THANK YOU!