

We long for the day when no student graduates without engaging with the life changing message of Jesus



Students

Celebrating 50 Years of Ministry to Students!

Staff Conference: Celebrating 50 years

We are celebrating the ministry legacy for the past 50 years of Power To Change this year. We hope to spend some time remembering and celebrating what God has done at this milestone. At the same time we will also prayerfully look ahead to how and in what ways we are to trust God in the next steps of ministry. May we have prepared hearts and eyes to see where God is leading us into the future to engage the people around us with the gospel and to encourage Christians to experience the fullness of what God has for them in a walk of obedience and faith.

This is a time where the whole family can come and join in the ministry experience so we're excited that the kids can be a part of this instead of Mike just going off somewhere on his own. However this is a costly experience for the family with travel, conference fees, lodging, child care, etc. Would you consider an extra gift to help offset these costs? Thank you for your support!

2017-18 Results:

Currently there are 96 universities in Canada and over 160 Colleges With a total of over 2.1 million students. Of these, 370,000 are international students. Right now I oversee 8 Full time and 3 part time staff working with IS at 8 campuses in 6 cities. They are working with 67 Christian students who have engaged about 1000 IS this year, seeing 19 receive Christ.

Another 3 staff are on leave while 4 more are raising up a team of supporters to begin ministry to international students. Unfortunately another 2 who had been accepted decided to step down because the process of raising support was slow and discouraging. For those still raising up partners, I get excited about the possibility of them all working with students at the same time, so please, please pray especially for those raising mpd:

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Ministry Partnership to UBC.

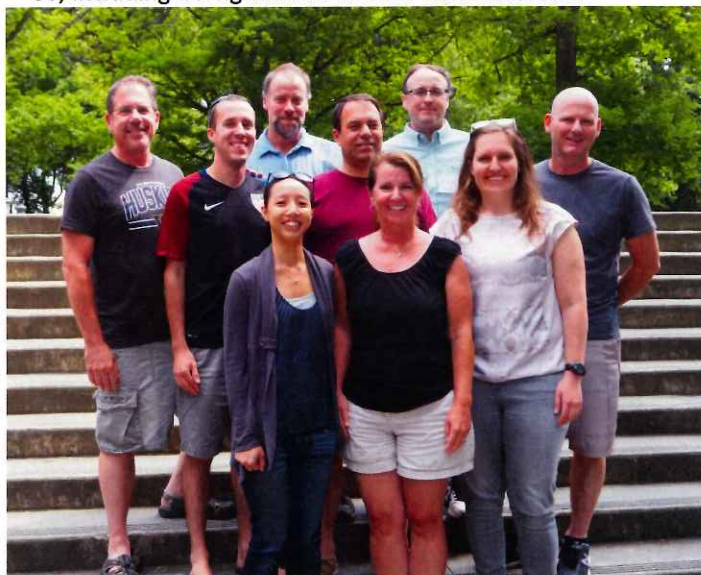
After connecting at the Bridges conference in Houston, a group from the USA went to Vancouver this summer to partner with us to explore developing a ministry to International Students there. We have staff at UBC seeking to help all students have a relationship with Jesus and to build a multiplying group of disciples and this includes international students. However, UBC is in the top 3 universities when it comes to enrolment of international students with 16,000+ IS enrolled. This is about 25% of the student population.

There are other ministries there working with international students and the P2C staff we have at UBC seek to partner and collaborate in prayer and ministry opportunities, but still out of the 16,000 students the other ministries can engage only a few hundred a year.

After this short trip the staff inspired several students to do more to reach IS and there were many significant spiritual conversations had with IS. There are also others from the US who want to

come up to do something similar in Windsor, Toronto and Montreal. Please pray that these help our ministry grow in significant ways.

Below: P2C Staff Evelyn and Mike with Bridges staff from the US, including a long time co-worker from East Asia.





Please pray for our little ones that they would grow into men who:

-Know and love God.

-Love and bless others.

Please pray for us as parents, that we would be:

-Wise.

-Full of patience.

And that our home would be:

-A life-giving place.

-Full of peace.

Not only for our family but for all who come through our doors.

Home Front!

Lots going on around our place. Some activities have ended. (school, baseball, soccer, running) and summer fun is here (spray parks, freezies, and playground time). We are loving the warm weather and it is fun to see the kids thinking about watering the plants and what kinds of birds are landing in the yard.

Stories from the field:

Calgary: Jay, a Chinese Masters students became a Christian in Sept and immediately began reaching others, not just Chinese but also his Iranian lab mates. He was praying for the doors to open for a Phd at the U of C so he could stay and continue campus ministry. God answered that prayer and he will be around to help lead for the next four years!

London ON: Ella began studying the Bible with us last September. When her mother came to visit from China, she joined the Bible study as well. After 3 weeks her mom decided to believe in Jesus, but Ella didn't think it was real. However, they kept studying the Bible. Then in February Ella's mom was at my (the staff member's) home where she fully committed herself to Christ and then Ella became a believer in early March. Ella will remain to study here and her mom will return home a new Christian!

Bo Comes To Faith!

From time to time we will meet new immigrants from China. Having lived over there we are always interested in welcoming them. Mike has been meeting weekly with one man: Bo (name changed), who has been here less than a year. He has really enjoyed attending church and learning about God. In mid-May he received Christ and is now growing in his faith. When we first met he thought life came from aliens, but now he believes it all comes from God. He's married with two daughters. Pray for his wife and kids to come to faith too! We have seen 3 Chinese immigrant men come to Christ in the last couple of years. There is a lot of openness still among those just arriving to Canada.

Thanks for walking this journey with us, we are thankful for you.

Gratefully,

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