

DEAR FRIEND,

Right now, colleges nationwide are buzzing back to life as students return for the fall semester. As they do, InterVarsity can celebrate significant strides across each of our Forming Faithful Leaders initiatives: **7,335 student leaders** developed, **101 new chapters** planted, and **185 new campus staff** mobilized through Summer 2025. Hallelujah!



For God's glory,



CAMPAIGN PROGRESS **\$39.3M as of 7/31/2025**

Current Gifts

\$23.5M raised

\$46M Total Goal

Legacy Gifts

\$15.8M raised

\$32M Total Goal

These numbers reflect countless prayers lifted and lessons learned, as well as our resolve to keep learning. Indeed, even as God uses InterVarsity to form Gen Z, He continues to form us, too, as lifelong students of the mission. **Thank you**—each life changed is one you've helped touch.

STRATEGY 1

DEVELOP STUDENT LEADERS



InterVarsity staff **Tim Craig**, left, leading Bible study among the hundreds of InterVarsity students gathered at Basileia 2025, our NY/NJ Region's spring retreat.

Impactful **off-campus experiences** represent one of the most strategic ways we can activate students on-campus as missional leaders. Through your campaign giving, we mobilized nearly \$500,000 in scholarships last year to help thousands of students attend InterVarsity conferences, global programs, and retreats that will shape them for years to come.

Case in point: At **Basileia**, our NY/NJ Region's five-day spring retreat, students took significant steps of faith—including into leadership! We saw **80 students** sign up training to learn how to start Bible studies at their school, **89 students** gather to learn about full-time ministry with InterVarsity, and, best of all, **36 students** make first-time decisions to follow Jesus.

Events like Basileia both spark new breakthrough and help solidify the life-change already in motion on campuses across the NY/NJ Region, campuses like Monmouth College in New Jersey. There, student leaders with Athletes IV helped plan an outdoor worship night this spring, where **40 people** made decisions to follow Jesus. Praise God!

Work in Progress: For a generation uniquely impacted by anxiety, effective discipleship takes a skillful mix of supporting *and* challenging students. Pray for our staff as they offer Gen Z a place to both experience belonging and exercise bold faith.

STRATEGY 2

PLANT MORE WITNESSING COMMUNITIES



Check out the QR code above for a video spotlight of Moraine Valley's InterVarsity chapter, shown on-stage earlier this year at the Ambition Planting Conference.

Focused on partnership, InterVarsity's **Underserved Institutions Cohort** is reshaping how we reach culturally distinct campuses often overlooked by collegiate ministries: Tribal Colleges, Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs), Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs), and Community Colleges.

Chicagoland Area Director Colleen Degen joined the cohort longing to reach **Moraine Valley Community College**, a vibrant campus with large communities of both Muslim and commuter students. Colleen's team is already seeing fruit, including four students who made first-time decisions to follow Jesus this year!

Work In Progress: New ministry at underserved institutions requires a skilled planter, a dedicated coach, and patient preparation—an overlap that can take more time to find than we anticipated. As we recruit for future cohorts, please pray for the right staff, coaches, and campuses to connect.

STRATEGY 3

ACCELERATE MINISTRY



Our July 2025 'Intro to New Testament' cohort, on-site at Western Theological Seminary in Holland, MI.

A key focus of our Accelerate Ministry strategy is ensuring all staff receive the **theological training** needed to engage campus evangelistically, shepherd students effectively, and grow personally as disciples.

As part of our **Theological Formation** efforts, we are pursuing seminary partnerships to make theological training more accessible to all staff. This July, we piloted our first offering of an introductory New Testament course through Western Theological Seminary, paving the way for future trainings.

Work in Progress: Through revamped student internships, another Accelerate Ministry strategy, we have mobilized 84 student ministry interns since 2024, boosting staff teams nationwide. Early results, though, are unclear whether internships will produce long-term hires at scale. Pray our leaders may discern how best to keep engaging and equipping these interns and other candidates called to serve with us.

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR:

- The thousands of college-age attendees expected at **Urbana 25** this December. Pray God would use this year's gathering in Phoenix, AZ to help them find their place as lifelong participants in the Great Commission. Learn more about Urbana 25 at urbana.org.
- **New Student Outreach.** The opening weeks of the year are pivotal for student leaders as they learn to take risks and invite classmates to explore Christian fellowship. Pray these leaders might grow in faith as they welcome others—and that those invited would taste Christ's love.