

CAMPUS MINISTRY Areopagus



Spring 2023

Thanking God for your support as we disciple & care on campus



- **Discipleship & Faith**

- Fall's Tuesday "Questioning Christianity" apologetics study
- Spring's study on the gospel of Matthew (Bruner's *Matthew* commentary)
- Sunday 7am study "Disciplines of a Godly Man" (Hughes) -led by Joel Copley
- Early AM Bible reading, Wed & Fri, w/ 2 graduate students
- ISU Friday noon prayer time (200yrs of *National Collegiate Day of Prayer*)
- Began a new Doctrine 101 class and *Calvin's Book on the Christian Life*
- Sharing the gospel (the greatest!)



- **Relationships**

- One-on-one coffee times (students over a lot/ Valentine bowling/Resurrection meal)
 - Once a month Meal & Game night hosted by Trinity families - great mix!
 - Fun inroads into intl student lives -baby shower, 30th bday, (new foods!)
 - In Fall - two large dinner events for international students and families
- Students are beginning to send prayer texts - friend in accident, health concerns



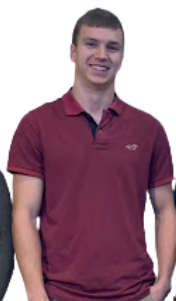
- **Service**

- Friday afternoon conversational English time -usually 20 international students for 90 minutes of dialogue and relationship
- Arranging for mattresses, beds, coats, layette and other household items for three new international families, with financial help from Trinity CRC
- Provision of transportation and other concrete helps- many of our students share in the life of service and the life of the church



- **"Every Square Inch"**

- Veritas Forum Special Lectures: March 6-7 With Dr Joshua Swamidass
"AI and What Does it Mean to Be Human?" "Origin of Humanity: Adam, Eve, and Evolution?"
- Faculty & Grad group just beginning - studying Dr. Justin Bailey's *Interpreting Your World: Five Lenses for Engaging Theology and Culture*.





Join in Prayer for Areopagus...

Praises:

- The **gospel is bearing fruit!** God is causing disciples to be made, relationships to be formed, persons in need to be served, and His good news to go forth.
- God placed Areopagus within a **fantastic community of partners-in-ministry.** We work with and learn from Trinity CRC, Bridges International, InterVarsity, an ISU student-run prayer team, as well as support from Resonate & an association of Campus Ministers

Requests:

- For **students** as they approach mid-terms - that through the stress and demands God would draw them to himself and deepen hunger for His Word and His ways.
- For **wisdom and transformational power** in our studies— whether in Matthew's gospel or the Young Men's Discipline group or the Bailey study. After Spring Break, we began Calvin's *Booklet of the Christian Life*. In the summer, we may study the Minor Prophets.
- For international students and others **investigating Christianity** – hoping to begin a simpler meal and movie gospel discussion group ("*The Chosen* and Chai")
- Nuts & Bolts: updating and learning technological tools- website, Facebook, DonorSnap
- For the whole Copley family as we **adjust** to our new life, rhythms and demands

Thanking God for this promise => "I will instruct you & teach you the way you should go." Ps 32:8



“Stand at the crossroads. Ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is.” Jer 6:16

Areopagus meets people at the crossroads of life. Whether coming to Iowa State from across town or across the ocean, whether working towards an advanced degree or supporting a loved one in their

studies, we intersect with people at a crucial time of their life and decision-making.

Areopagus desires to help people at those crossroads discover the “good way” of the gospel of Jesus. In so doing, we grow disciples in a Christian worldview to bless all facets of life at Iowa State University.

*Thank you for your prayers and gifts towards these ends.
For the honor and joy of serving Jesus Christ, Lora*

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