



Students

Discover Conference
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Discover God.
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***“Declare His Glory among the Nations, His marvellous deeds among all people”
(Psalms 96: 3)***

Dear friends!

A Happy New Year to you all! I trust that you and the family are well. My family and I are doing great. The last time I wrote in detail, I was still on partnership development. The Kenya trip was fairly good and by God’s grace, I was able to raise some funds. Thank you so very much for your support and the gifts you are sending.



Discover Conference

Over the Christmas break, we had a very successful Student Conference with over 400 students attending from various campuses in the Eastern part of Canada. Several staff that work with International students and myself and Emily had a parallel conference called *Discover Conference* that was geared towards new students from outside Canada. It was incredible and we really saw the hand of the Lord move in the lives of these students.



Discover Round Table Group Discussion

About 37 international students attended, who originate from China, Iran, Japan and Korea. Most of the talks were apologetic in nature, for instance, topics on the existence of God and if the Bible is true amongst others. We also had deep interactive conversations around table discussions. 4 international students indicated a decision to accept Jesus at the Discover conference most of them Chinese from mainland China. One of the Chinese girls who asked a lot of questions and was struggling eventually gave her life to Christ a few days after the conference. Another girl who had given her life to Christ last year wanted to get more involved and even go on a mission project to East Asia this year. One intern is planning to go to East

Asia as a missionary and another student involved in our movement is joining staff. Such are some of the great things the Lord is doing!

Last week I received a cool story about one of the students, Rock Cao from mainland China living with a family during his studies in Canada, John and Leslie Bellinghams at the Niagara College where we don’t have a ministry presence. In the words of John, “

Rock returned home a changed man. I can’t believe the transformation that is taking place both in his demeanour, his focus on prayer and reading God’s Word each day. When he went back to Campus, Rock designed a poster and gathered 10 students to meet for a Bible Study. The following day he went to the college administrator and talked about forming a club. They responded positively. That night John found him filling out an application for club status on the dining room table. He has now gathered 20 students, and they are meeting together with John and Rock.”

What an amazing story! To God be the Glory! We had our first International Student fellowship on the 11th January this year seeking God’s face through worship and praying. Together we asked God to touch the nations represented on the University of Toronto. There are over 11,000 international students from over 140 nations. Please join us in praying for a great revival among international students this semester.



An awesome night of Worship & Prayer

Thank you so much for your partnership as we serve God in reaching the nations through International students. May the Lord bless you and make His face shine upon you throughout this New Year.

Your Missionaries,

Ken, Emily, Natalie & Eva

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