



GROWING MINISTRY

with nursing students



Urbana, North America's largest student missions conference, has been guiding students in discerning their place in God's mission since 1946. Over **10,000** college students and alumni from the United States, Canada and beyond descended on St. Louis, Missouri, for Urbana 18, five vibrant days of multi-lingual worship, thoughtful speakers, in-depth Scripture study and compelling conversations about God's heart for the world.

Drawing on the book of Revelation, the theme of Urbana 18 was "Faithful Witness." As we dove into Revelation's exhortation to persevere in trials and share the truth of Jesus with those around us, we were strengthened in hope. All aspects of the Great Commission were addressed, showing how justice, compassion, and stewardship are integrated with evangelism and discipleship.

We have new brothers and sisters! The Lord moved over 300 students to make an adult decision for Jesus. Please pray for these new believers to grow strong in their faith as they return to campus. Many more committed to short, mid, and long-term missions.



Thank you for praying for NCF's first-ever "Healthcare Students and Professionals Lounge." We had 220 unique students come over 4 days, some returning several times. This was a great turnout – stretching us in our suite that was designed for 15 people max.

We had deep conversations about living out their faith in their vocation, held a dinner for students interested in learning more about NCF ministry, brought the medical mission themed seminar speakers in for Q&A time, and hosted a talk about spiritual care where we squished 27 people into the bedroom area (because it was bigger than the sitting room)! It was a privilege to coach and pray for these future world-changers!



Please continue to pray as we follow up with each of these students. Some are seeking God's direction in their lives and others are excited to start NCF ministry on their campuses.

Prior to Urbana we checked in with each of our current or "in process" chapters. This fall there were 107 student chapters active with 1,089 nursing students involved and 47 students made a first time or significant adult decision to follow Jesus! This is exciting. We hope that more groups can start this spring semester to reach more nursing students for Christ!

Thank you to everyone who prayed for Urbana and are praying for nursing student ministry! I also am grateful to my faithful financial supporters and to those who gave an extra year end gift to cover my Urbana expenses. God did provide!

Happy New Year! *Bonnie*

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