NCF Call to Faith

NCF's vision is for nurses and students to know and follow Jesus in nursing. We do this through Bible study, invitations to faith, and resources for nurses and nursing students. We want our NCF student ministry groups to be places where everyone feels welcome: those who know Jesus and those who are curious. We encourage you to include a call to faith each semester in your meeting. We often do not know where a person is in their journey with Jesus. We must understand where they are on the journey so we can serve and love them well. Check out our Caregiver Bible Study that includes a call to faith on page 7.

What is a call to faith?

A call to faith is an intentional invitation at your NCF meeting for students to respond to Jesus in several ways, including an invitation to follow him for the first time.

Before

- **PRAY:** Ask God to move in powerful ways, and pray that God will prepare hearts to respond to him.
- **PLAN:** Your meeting and have a call to faith at a time in your semester that fits your academic schedule (usually mid-semester) and aligns with what you cover in your meeting.
- **PREPARE:** Calls to faith are not something we do daily; practicing what you want to share can be helpful, including how you'll transition to the response and connect it to the passage and your story during your meeting.

During

- **SET UP:** Say something like: "*As we close our discussion, I want to create a space for us to respond to God. We are all on a journey with HIm; some of us have been with Him for a long time; we have said yes to Jesus and accepted His death on the cross as our punishment for our rebellion. Some of us are still curious about Jesus, and we fall everywhere in between. Tonight, we will make space for you to identify where you are in your journey with Jesus and take the next step. We all have a next step to take.*"
- **PRAYER:** Have a prayer written; you can pray together, silently or aloud.
- **RESPONSE:** Have a few options on a response card so everyone responds:
    - I want to grow in my relationship with Jesus.
    - I want to start a relationship with Jesus.
    - I want to share my relationship with Jesus with ____ [name].
- **CELEBRATE** those who've decided to follow Jesus!

After

Connect with each person about what they shared on their response card and invite them to take the next step.