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Hearts *Prepared*

How God is moving in the hearts of First Semester students

Am I preparing my heart for the battlefield? But more importantly than that, am I going to use what I have learned to make a difference? We can have all the knowledge that we want but unless we apply and use it, it really has little value to us. I want to take what I learn here at IGo and apply it to the rest of my life, so that wherever God calls me, I'm prepared and equipped to be used by God. *Seth*

Cultures are beautiful and each brings a part of God to the world. He created cultures and they are amazing. I really enjoy studying cultures and learning about their needs. I knew there were resources out there, but before IGo, I was totally oblivious to all of them. I can feel a change in my heart, and I feel like my heart is opening toward the thought of going somewhere to be a missionary. The thought is scary but also exciting, because I know God can work through normal people—I don't have to be perfect but I know I want to be involved in some way. *Janet*

Knowing that millions across the world have never had a chance to hear the gospel, I believe that my prayer needs to change from, 'What is the will of God?' to 'God, where can you best use me?' We know that we are called to scatter the gospel across the world, so that each ear hears the name of Jesus. Some of us will serve in our home communities and others will be called to remote villages. Am I willing to say yes to that call? *Abigail*

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Missions should be an essential function of the church. The disciples were not sitting in their churches doing nothing, they were out ministering to people and their churches were growing. We as Christians should feel an urgent need to tell those who have never heard and to make disciples of those who have heard. *Landon*

We must realize the importance of spreading the Good News. Too often I live my life as if there is no need for further evangelism in the world. But the opposite is true. There has never been a greater need for more people to take the Gospel to people who have never heard. Missions should not be seen as optional. *Lyndon*

God is working in mighty ways to prepare people groups for His word; we need to complete the task in taking the gospel to them. I want to be a part of this. I want to partner with God in praying for His people groups and for His preparation and I want to be part of the going and doing. I don't know what this looks like, but I feel God pressing the weight of the lost nations upon my heart. *Christiana*

I think I am beginning to understand to a greater degree the purpose of the Gospel and of missions. It is to bring glory to God. There is a stirring in my heart--how can I portray the glory of God to others? How can I glorify God in my life from day to day? *Amanda*

I am challenged in my life to see the mission God has called me to. I do not want to fail the "course." I think it is amazing how the Bible, although 66 books, has 1 theme. God seeks to be glorified in every corner of the earth. *Shannon*

It's easy to get discouraged sometimes because it feels like I have a burden for the unreached but there is nothing practical I can do right now. But I am reminded that I can pray. I am at a place in life where I still have a lot of freedom when it comes to time, and I can spend much time in prayer for the unreached. *Jenna*

My desire is that I would not forget what I am becoming aware of. I've been thinking about what I'll do when I go home and I want to take back a mindset of how important it is to have a heart for all nations. When we pray that we could be given a heart that is after God's heart, we are also praying that we would have a heart for all the peoples of the world. It's very important to me that I don't lose that. *Tucker*

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IGo Network of Volunteer Educators Serving Thailand (INVEST)

English For Life (EFL)

This INVEST ministry currently serves at two large government high schools, three government elementary schools, and Christian English programs where they can teach the Bible. It is their goal to build relationships in the schools and invite Thai students to come learn about Jesus at various programs run by local Thai churches.



White Elephant Center (WEC)

This INVEST ministry helps the local Thai church operate WE Club, which is a Saturday English club. English tutoring is offered along with Bible studies for older students and community involvement events such as a Christmas market.



Threads of Gold (ToG)

This INVEST team exists to aid women and girls who have been exploited or are at risk of exploitation in Thailand by providing skills training and job opportunities.



Wisdom Tree Home (WTH)

This INVEST team serves as caregivers and English teachers for the Wisdom Tree Home, which is a Christ-centered, bilingual daycare/preschool located in Chiang Mai. Wisdom Tree Home is an outreach of the local Thai church. Their mission is to consistently train, teach and nurture children from a Christian worldview and build relationships with the parents or guardians.



VCS Homeschool (VCS)

This INVEST team assists the EFL and WEC teams with English programs, but primarily focus on Christian education for the children of volunteers. They operate a daily homeschool group that provides a Christian school atmosphere.



Macedonian Teaching Ministry (MTM)

MTM is actively working to equip native church leaders throughout Asia and beyond to reach their own cultures and unreached people for Jesus Christ. Stephen Burkholder, Raymond & Naomi Burkholder, and Rich & Nicole Moore are conducting pastoral leadership training conferences as well as two-week Bible schools in Nepal, India, Myanmar, and beyond, thereby reaching the unreached by equipping and mobilizing native Christians and pastors. For more information about MTM, visit <https://mtm-global.org/>.



Educate. Qualify. Unite. Inspire. Prepare. (EQUIP)

EQUIP is a partnership ministry between the stateside EQUIP Committee, IGo and the local churches. Clinton Weaver and Leslie Hoover oversee twenty-one orphan homes in Asia. They visit the children's homes and provide accountability and encouragement. EQUIP is currently partnering with twenty-one churches in caring for 160 orphan children.





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OUR MISSION

The purpose of IGo is to provide students with a cross-cultural setting in which mission work, Biblical teaching and personal discipleship can take place simultaneously.

We believe that it is more beneficial to be training missionaries overseas rather than in the affluent Western setting. IGo provides students with opportunities to travel and minister in Asia, with regular returns to the classroom for teaching and mentoring by instructors. The focus is not solely theoretical; instead it addresses the everyday issues a student experiences in ministry.

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Church Donations	50,383.09
Business Contributions	62,560.98
Personnel Support	178,724.70
Tuition Income	63,970.35
Scholarship Contributions	21,000.00
Field Income	4,481.52
Interest Income	272.87

TOTAL INSTITUTE INCOME 414,855.74

Administrative Office & Travel	17,988.85
Field Office Supplies & Equipment	6,620.13
Utilities	5,832.76
Thai Staff	27,674.26
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Building Rent	8,854.74
Student Travel / Food	78,900.98
Building & Vehicle Maintenance	5,482.95
PR Printing & Postage	11,067.61
Seminars / Library / Misc.	15,494.39
Payroll	233,383.38

TOTAL INSTITUTE EXPENSES 400,798.41

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