



CAMPUS MINISTRY

CONNECTING CAMPUS TO CHRIST

What an exciting time of your life!

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE 18-21 YEARS OLD?

The world is your oyster! New horizons, new opportunities, so many doors open for you. How exciting to go off to college, finally become a grown up, and begin YOUR life!

However, the devil knows how to strike when the iron is hot. There is perhaps no better time for him to attack than when a young adult goes off to a public college or university. No one is waking you up in the morning to go to church on Sunday. There are plenty of opportunities to forgo a Godly lifestyle and experience all the world has to offer. Faith can be tested. Faith can be tried. Faith can even be lost.



THAT'S WHERE WELS CAMPUS MINISTRY FITS IN.

In 1920, the first campus ministry program began at the University of Wisconsin—Madison. **For 100 years, thousands of young adults have found spiritual comfort, community, and encouragement through WELS campus ministries around North America.** WELS Campus Ministry, a ministry of WELS Home Missions, continues that legacy by providing resources and support to congregations that serve these college students during a critical transition point in their life.



HOW CAN I HELP CONNECT STUDENTS TO CHRIST?

Support WELS Campus Ministry

About 30 congregations receive funding from WELS Campus Ministry for their campus ministry programs every year. There is one full-time campus ministry at Wisconsin Lutheran Chapel in Madison, Wisconsin – where it all began 100 years ago. With your financial support, WELS Campus Ministry will continue to help grow and support campus ministry programs for years to come. Two needs that have been identified include:

1 SEED MONEY FOR NEW CAMPUS MINISTRY PROGRAMS

It is a joy when a congregation calls and shows interest in starting a campus ministry in their area, and it's even better to be able to say that there is funding available through WELS Campus Ministry to help kickstart their program. There is huge opportunity to start new campus ministry programs around North America. Two that are just getting started are located at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

2 CAMPUS MINISTRY MISSION COUNSELOR

The Campus Ministry Committee and Joint Mission Council would like to call a full-time Campus Ministry Mission Counselor to coordinate current campus ministry efforts, visit with and encourage high school students to connect with a campus ministry, work with congregations to start and maintain active campus ministry programs, and equip domestic and international students to share their faith with family and friends wherever they call home.

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So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

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COLOSSIANS 2:6-8

HOW CAN I SUPPORT WELS CAMPUS MINISTRY WITH MY FINANCIAL GIFTS?

Send checks payable to “WELS” with “Campus Ministry 100” in the memo line to:

WELS, Attn. Gift Processing
N16W23377 Stone Ridge Drive
Waukesha, WI 53188-1108

Donate online: wels.net/cm100gift
To give appreciated assets or through your will: 800-827-5482



DO YOU KNOW COLLEGE-AGE LUTHERANS?

Encourage them to sign up with WELS Campus Ministry at **wels.net/cm100** so we can share their information with the local campus pastor and send/ e-mail them free copies of *Meditations* devotions and *Forward in Christ* magazine.

HOW CAN I HELP CONNECT STUDENTS TO CHRIST?

Get involved

Every WELS member and congregation, no matter your location, can be involved in WELS Campus Ministry:



DO YOU LIVE IN A COLLEGE TOWN? IS THERE A TECHNICAL OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE NEARBY? Consider starting a campus ministry program in your area.



DON'T HAVE A COLLEGE IN YOUR AREA? Support your congregation's college students while they're away.



Visit **wels.net/cm100toolkit** for a complete Campus Ministry Toolkit, filled with new ideas and resources for you and your congregation to use to get involved.

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