

Dear NU Family,

While working on a project this past week, I spent some time thinking through our mission statement here at Northwest University. It says; "We, the people of Northwest University, carry the call of God by building a learning community dedicated to spiritual vitality, academic excellence, and empowered engagement with human need." So much of what we do captures the heart of this statement, but I especially focused on the words "empowered engagement with human need." This week is our Global Missions Emphasis week on campus, and we are focusing our attention on the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of humanity. While we recognize there are many needs in the world, the greatest need people have is to experience the love of Jesus. I am reminded of Proverbs 11:30, which says: "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and whoever captures souls is wise." The empowered engagement of our human effort to serve humanity must come out of our connection to the vine of Christ, who gives us a heart to minister to those in great need. I enjoyed hearing Pastor Eugene Cho from Quest Church in Seattle speak in chapel this past Friday. He quoted Francis of Assisi: "It is no use walking anywhere to preach unless our walking is our preaching." In all our comings and goings, the love of Jesus is expressed through our words and our actions.

Jesus, I pray you will draw us to You as we draw strength and power from you as the vine. Help our community to see the needs of the world and to make a difference by being a part of Your solution. Amen!

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Mon, Oct 9 | Chapel: Jess Steinruck | Butterfield Chapel Balcony, 10 & 11:20am

Mon, Oct 9 | Pursuit | Butterfield Chapel, 8:30pm

Tues, Oct 10 | Interactive "Walk in Their Shoes" Experience | All day on campus

Wed, Oct 11 | Chapel: JoAnne Ramos | Butterfield Chapel, 10 & 11:20am

Wed, Oct 11 | Taste of Missions | Perks Lounge, 7pm

Thurs, Oct 12 | Missionary Panel* | Pecota Lounge, 7pm ***Spiritual Life Credit Offered**

Thurs, Oct 12-Fri, Oct 13 | AG World Missions Reps available for meetings | Sign-up here:

<https://doodle.com/poll/xmagtkxhac7escet>

Fri, Oct 13 | Chapel: Marcy Pohlreich | Butterfield Chapel, 10 & 11:20am

Fri, Oct 13 | AG World Missions Meet-n-Greet | Pecota Lounge, 5-7pm

A complete schedule of Global Missions Emphasis Week is attached. We look forward to seeing you at these events as God stirs our hearts for His purposes and glory!

Blessings,

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