

Dear NU Community,

At this time of the semester, I start to pray diligently for the number of students who will be traveling around the world on mission trips with NU. With fourteen mission trips going out from Campus Ministries, representing nearly 90 students, 130 students who travel on the weekends in ministry with the Choralons and over forty senior nursing students currently in several countries, we must be in prayer. I get so excited just knowing that in a few short weeks, NU students will be fulfilling a significant part of the mission of Northwest University, which prompts us to demonstrate "empowered engagement with human need." I am so grateful for the work of the Holy Spirit, who has given us that empowerment.

In Matthew 20:1-19, Jesus tells a very intriguing story of a landowner who pays as much to those who have come to work for him at the end of the day as he did to those who worked all day. Some would find this unjust and unfair, mainly if those who worked all day for the same wage as the others who only worked for an hour or two. The point of the story is to show the generosity of the landowner. The landowner loves his workers, no matter when they started to work, and he treats them all the with care and kindness. The point of the story is to demonstrate the kind of love that God has for every person in the world. For us, we may have known God for a long time, but there are many who don't know him at all. My prayer is that during this season of mission work, people will come to know the love, kindness, and generosity of our God the same way that we do. Will you also pray that way as well?

Jesus, use us as a demonstration of Spirit-empowered engagement to meet the needs of the people in the world. Please strengthen the students, staff, and faculty who are preparing for this coming season. I pray for resources, increased faith, and a vision for lives to be transformed. In Jesus name, Amen.

COMING UP THIS WEEK

- Mon, Feb 5** | Chapel: Nina Hanson | Butterfield Chapel Balcony, 10 & 11:20am
- Mon, Feb 5** | Pursuit | Butterfield Chapel, 8:30pm
- Wed, Feb 7** | Chapel: Terry Tarsiuk – Why Suffering? | Butterfield Chapel, 10 & 11:20am
- Wed, Feb 7** | Movie Night: Selma* | Argue HSC 104, 7pm ***Spiritual Life Credit offered**
- Thurs, Feb 8** | Courageous Conversations* | Gray/Beatty Lounge, 7pm ***Spiritual Life Credit offered**
- Fri, Feb 9** | Chapel: David Thomas – Why Hell? | Butterfield Chapel, 10 & 11:20am
- Sun, Feb 11** | Chic Chat and FellaShip* | Butterfield Chapel and Argue HSC 104, respectively, 7pm ***Spiritual Life Credit offered**

This week is Multicultural Education & Awareness Week on campus. I encourage you to engage in these events and conversations!

multicultural education + awareness week

February 5th - 9th, 2018

Tuesday

Food Gallery
Perks Lounge
5pm

Wednesday

Movie Night: Selma
Argue HSC 104
7pm (Spiritual Life Credit)

All Week

"Would You Say it if You Knew?"
Pecota Lounge

Thursday

Courageous Conversations
Gray/Beatty Lounge
7pm (Spiritual Life Credit)

Friday

Fashion Show Fundraiser
Chapel
7:30pm



Blessings,

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