

## NORTH AMERICA & OCEANIA

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### AUSTRALIA

- As we seek **to see increasing numbers of new believers in our field ministries**, please be praying that we would be able to: (1) showcase and learn from those seeing evangelistic fruit in CCCA; (2) provide a development program in evangelism for key emerging leaders; and (3) see every team (including HQ & ND Office) reporting their monthly statistics and receiving feedback.
- One of our key needs at this time is in **the arena of caching leaders to build movements**. Pray that we would be able to provide the needed training and development for all Ministry Leaders, and as these various Ministry Leaders interact on a regular and on-going basis as a peer group in training, that their effectiveness would increase and we would see an increase in fruit (decisions for Christ, labourers entering the harvest, resources, etc.) Pray for wisdom, discernment, and guidance for those facilitating the training for these leaders.
- Our heart is to propel movement builders by **providing effective leadership and structures**. One of the key things we are pursuing is to implement a name change and branding process in CCCA; pray for God's guidance and wisdom as we have some obstacles in our desired pathway. Pray also for the new teams that have formed with our new leadership (National Leadership Team and Headquarters), that they would lead effectively and for God's glory.

### CANADA

(Power to Change)

*Business Domain:*

#### **LeaderImpact**

- Please pray for Garth Jestley, who joined the ministry on March 1<sup>st</sup>, as the **new National Director** responsible for all Canadian and international operations. Garth and his wife, Mary, come with years of experience in business, life and missions. The vision: 12 Global Exchanges each year, built on a foundation of 300 weekly groups meeting across Canada, by 2018.
- Please pray for **additional staff and many more volunteer leaders**, both in Canada and abroad, who have a mission-driven, Spirit-led passion to reach lost leaders in the marketplace. There are so many looking for meaning, purpose and intimacy beyond the noise and glitter or market-defined success and there are many new centers asking for support.
- Please pray for a **breakthrough in South America**. In May, Christian business and ministry leaders are gathering together in Medellin, Colombia, from all across South America for one week of training and evangelism. With Medellin as hub and model, pray that the LeaderImpact franchise will springboard to new model cities across the continent.

*Church Domain:*

#### **Breakthrough Prayer**

- Pray with the volunteer team in Langley for God to raise up city leaders across Canada, who will in turn form teams (in two new cities by June 2015) to both pray and share God's love in their local communities. Thank God for several new prayer groups in the metro Vancouver area, and pray for the ministry as they plan a **prayer rally for late May**. Please ask God to bring the right people to the rally in order to expand the number of people **praying regularly in groups for the domains of their cities**.

#### **Connecting Streams**

- Ask the Lord to raise up new volunteers and key staff for the ministry. Pray that those considering this would know the call is of the Lord, would follow through and would be placed

well for growth and expansion for themselves and the ministry. Pray for **national expansion** of Connecting Streams to Langley, Saskatoon, Toronto and Edmonton.

- Please pray for the teams as they go into their venues, that they would **apply the teachings of 'how to share the gospel'** that they received at the Training Event, that they would go with a God-confidence not a self-confidence, and for unity and good relations in the teams.

Education Domain:

### **P2C-Students**

- Please pray that the staff and student leaders of P2C-Students **would live in the Spirit**, and that they would live free, abundant lives, rich in love and grace (Romans 8:1-15).
- Praise God for the young lives that are being changed as the gospel is taught, shared and lived out on the campuses of Canada. Pray for the leaders, that as they live in the Spirit, they would be **blessed with much fruitfulness** (Psalm 128:1-2).
- Praise God for the **more than 250 students going** on short-term missions from Canadian campuses this summer. Pray Matthew 9:35-38 for the student ministry of Canada.

Family Domain:

### **FamilyLife Canada**

- **HomeBuilder Network** – Please pray that God would raise up labourers coast to coast, and raise up couples who will be passionate and intentional about bringing help and hope through Jesus to the marriages and families of their communities. May He change Canada through transformation of marriages and families who understand His love, forgiveness and power.
- **Development of New Resources** – Praise God for the development and very positive rollout of the new Weekend Getaway material this past Fall and Spring. Pray for God's wisdom and blessing upon a new mentoring resource and two new HomeBuilder resources for next year.
- **Donor Relationships** – Praise God for the donors who are faithful in giving to the staff and ministry. Ask God to bless them and raise up more committed Christ followers who will joyfully and generously give so that FamilyLife Canada is fully funded.

Government Domain:

### **Christian Embassy**

- **Student Leadership Forum, April 27 – May 1**: Students will interact with the Christian Embassy staff, Members of Parliament, Ambassadors and business leaders. May they gain vision and scope of how God is working in each of these contexts.
- **Cycling4Water presentations July – August**: May doors open for Robert Montgomery to present this project to a large group of Members of Parliament in the near future. Pray for Mike Woodard as he presents to possible donors locally, and prepares for the journey.
- Please pray for preparations for and the impact of an **Ambassador Business Tour in BC, 20-23 May**. Pray that as new Ambassadors and diplomats are appointment to Canada, their hearts would be tender and responsive to Jesus. Pray that Christian Embassy team members would have opportunities to connect with them soon after arrival. Please pray for the Christian Embassy team to be bright lights and living testimonies to national and international leaders.

*Humanitarian Domain:*

### **GAIN and JESUS Film**

- Give thanks and praise God for the **tremendous harvest of souls** through the ministry of GAIN and the *JESUS* Film church planting strategy. Please continue to pray for the new believers to stand steadfast in the midst of persecution from family members and their communities.
- Pray for **ongoing discipleship and church planting efforts** through the *JESUS* Film church planting strategy. Pray (1) that partners on the ground, church planting teams and local

churches would be united in vision to see new believers become multiplying disciples for Christ and (2) for effective ongoing church planting and multiplication.

- GAIN's Water for Life Initiative continues to make **inroads with hard-to-reach communities and people groups** through the provision of clean drinking water. Please pray for protection for the staff and workers, and their witness for Christ as they work in environments that are hostile to the gospel but are in tremendous need of clean water.

#### *Media & Technology Domain:*

##### **TruthMedia, The Life**

- Please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as the ministry looks at ways of having greater and greater **spiritual impact online**.
- Please pray for wisdom and partnerships as the team prays into **strategies to expand** the ministry from reaching thousands, to reaching millions.
- Please pray for health and strength for the **leadership team and their families** as they keep busy schedules.

#### *Sport Domain:*

##### **Athletes in Action**

- Please pray for wisdom for each of the divisions of AiA as to how the ministry can see their vision come to life - having a spiritually multiplying disciple on **every team and in every sporting community** in Canada.
- **Soccer camps director**, Clarke ,Glover was concussed severely. His doctor has taken him off ministry duties. Paul Ballard and team have picked up the added work. Please pray for all.
- Please pray for the **Sport Aid Run in Paraguay**. Albert Martens (Mentorship and First Nations Ministry Director) will be running 300km in Paraguay in March – during 15 days of running. Albert is working alongside Graham Roxburgh (AiA National Field Director) and Harold Cooper (AiA Projects Coordinator), who are helping with transforming communities through sport (soccer), feeding of needy people and church planting in partnership with GAIN, Jesus Responde (a ministry in Paraguay), and the local church in Paraguay.
- Please pray for the pro ministry: NHL Chaplaincy that is currently going on with the Calgary Flames, Vancouver Canucks and Winnipeg Jets. Please pray for preparations for CFL Chaplaincy, which are underway for June, and two events (Pro Chaplains conference and Pro event) are **scheduled for late April and early May**.

#### *Ministry Services:*

##### **Finance Department**

- Please pray that the team will find a suitable (qualifications and personality/attitude) maternity leave replacement for the role of **Cash Management Administrator**.
- Please pray that the team will continue to have **servant hearts** and work harmoniously and with a spirit of cooperation not only amongst the team but with other ministries. May they be **blessed with good health and be guided by the Holy Spirit** at all times.
- Please pray that the team will continue to find ways to save costs and run the department more **efficiently and effectively**.

#### FIJI

- Praise God for more than 1,600 contacts during **orientation week** at the University of the South Pacific (USP) even though not allowed on campus! Our staff, students and STINTers got very creative and set up right outside the gates where the buses drop students off.
- Pray for all these **contacts** - that everyone would be able to get a chance to respond to the gospel.

- Pray about the **registration process** at USP - that we would be able to be officially back on campus and can book rooms for weekly meetings again.

## GUAM

- Pray that our **staff of three** would make significant progress in their support raising so that they can be fully engaged with the campus ministry again.
- Pray that the Singapore campus ministry would be able to send a number of students on a **project in September** to the University of Guam and that there would be a good number of men on that project.
- May talks with the Philippines and Singapore about a **partnership** with Guam would go well, and they would want to send STINTers in the near future.

## PAPUA NEW GUINEA

- Praise God for the Australian project that came in February to teach our students and young staff how to do discipleship. Pray that they will continue to use what was **modeled** for them.
- Pray for the **Easter student training conference**. Pray that many students would register to come and get excited about the movement and want to be a part.
- Pray for our **young staff** to step up and really own the ministry now, since it has been almost two years since our director died.

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

(Cru)

### Athletes in Action

- **Campus expansion** on 75 new campuses: Pray for greater boldness for the thousands of coaches and athletes standing up for Christ on the college campus today; for the 55 SportLinc campuses and the student-athletes leading the ministry at these local levels; and for a new multiplier paradigm that will help us connect with and resource millions of "like minded but unengaged" Christ followers.
- **Global acceleration** targeting Brazil as a model country: Thank God for completion of *The Prize* soccer film, the 50+ language translations and partnership with the JESUS Film; ask Him for 300 million and more viewing before and during the World Cup this summer; and pray for the 15 AIA new staff members in Brazil who will lead movements of adult volunteers and capitalize on the interest and enthusiasm around the World Cup and 2016 Summer Olympics.
- **Lenses Institute** (AIA's major cross-cultural diversity initiative): Pray for God's Spirit to create fruit that will remain as a result of AIA staff members going through the five-day institute; pray for strength and encouragement for local leaders of this effort.

### Cru Campus

#### **100% Sent:**

- Pray for God's blessing to raise up **leaders for every part of the ministry** (Matthew 9:38).
- "The whole campus to the whole world."

#### **AIA on Campus:**

- Ask **God to raise up** 75 new athletic ministries, 150 new laborers, and to fill roles on the executive team and regional directors.

#### **Bridges International:**

- Pray we would be a ministry that is (1) **full of faith**, (2) with all our teams (national to local) praying on a regular schedule, (3) all about taking the gospel to every international student studying in the U.S., and (4) staffed by believers all taking large steps of faith.

### **Campus Field Ministry:**

- Pray that all NDs would experience the **balance** of coaching-to-shepherd, and coaching-to-strategy; after one year, may all NDs say they improved in this experience (Psalm 78:72).
- Pray that **all ND seats would be filled**; we want to gain five to fill them and lose none. We need key MTL roles filled around the nation, especially women MTLs.

### **Cru High School:**

- Please pray that God would give us **50 new staff, interns, and STINTers** by July 2015.
- Please pray for supernatural growth in the **spiritual health and vitality** of all our people (middle school and high school students, college and other volunteers, parents, teachers, staff members at every level)

### **Ethnic Field Ministry:**

- National Team
  - Two regions have **ND seats remaining** for God to fill.
  - \$400,000 in **tactical/scholarship money** is needed for EFM students/movements.
- The Design Movement
  - Pray for **five new movements** across the nation.
  - Pray for two new South Asian **interns** and one South Asian **staff member**.
  - \$10,000 in **new funding** is needed.
- Destino
  - Praise God for **92 Destino staff members!** Pray for the training of 62 Anglo staff to be effective in cross-cultural ministry. Pray for development of 30 Latino staff as leaders. Our staff is young; pray for them to fill key leadership roles as they mature.
  - We are expanding from one to **two Destino Winter Conferences** in January. Pray for the adjustments and for more students to attend as a result of the change.
  - Latino students represent 17% of all college students in the U.S. They are the **largest ethnic minority group**, so pray the Lord sends laborers into the harvest.
- The Epic Movement
  - Pray about the transition of our **LD Director** on our Executive Team, that we will be able to fill her position with the "right" person and for team unity throughout the process.
  - Pray for 25 more fully funded new **staff to join us** next year and 3 full STINT teams.
- The IMPACT Movement
  - Pray about hiring a **new CEO** who is godly, of integrity, and fills all the job requirements by December 2014.
  - Pray as we seek the Lord regarding our focus, values and **IMPACT's future** structure.

### **Faculty Commons:**

- May God raise up FC **Context Directors** for every region; only five regions do now.
- Pray that every USCM team sees a **professor come to Christ** in the coming year!
- Ask God to raise up hundreds of Campus staff members who want to begin to invest in building **whole campus movements**.

### **Fund Development:**

- Campus Ministry **Summit** Expansion - pray for 30 couples and \$500K (year 1), and 45 giving units and \$750K (year 2).
- **E2 Forum** Expansion - may God grow us from 17 to 30 forums (includes both national and international).

### **Global Mission:**

- God raised up the **team for all** of our priority locations this year!
- Pray for **Eastern Europe Expedition** STINT team to launch eight movements in eight different countries in one year as a pilot effort that could be duplicated in other areas around the world in future years.
- Pray about connecting with and mobilizing Christian university students and faculty to **go internationally** to reach students and faculty with us.

### **KCCC:**

- We praise God for **fruitful ministry in Boston**. We launched the ministry there a year ago, and this year we had more than 90 students show up at the gatherings.
- Pray for our **winter conference**, which will be held in five different cities. Pray that 3,000 students would attend the conference and 900 would commit to summer projects.
- We will launch the ministry in **Stanford University** this month. Pray that key student leaders will be connected to the ministry.

### **Keynote:**

- Pray we would have five new partnerships or opportunities to use Keynote **artistic outreaches and communication training**.
- 90% of our Keynote staff are at 90% of their **support** goals!

### **Leadership Development (LD):**

- Pray for **1,200 laborers** by September 2014.
- We desire to **collaborate** as a team to go after increased effectiveness and sharpen each other's leadership.

### **Operations:**

- Pray about the **budget transition**.
- Ops **recruiting** - 50 Global Missions Ops Interns; 75 students on Ops summer projects.

### **R & D:**

- Pray about clear and effective outworking of what will happen to **CruPress and CruPress Green** in the transition of these assets to Cru.org. These have been the primary vehicles of delivery for our ideas and resources.

### Christian Embassy, D.C.

- Pray that in all of our ministry spheres (Capitol Hill, Pentagon, Diplomatic Community, Presidential Appointee) we would be casting strong **vision and equipping** believers to reach out to their peers.
- Pray that all in the above spheres who have heard the gospel--and are now processing it--would **find Jesus Christ** as their Savior and Lord.
- May God create a new **spirit of humility and cooperation** among those in our government (White House, Congress, the Supreme Court, etc.) that would break the partisanship impasse and result in true service for our country.

### Christian Embassy-United Nations

- Pray for a **strong finish** to this ministry season, that United Nations diplomats and the wives of diplomats would be drawn more and more toward the Lord. Pray that what they have experienced and learned this year will have a strong impact on their diplomatic work and on their personal lives.

- Pray for the preparations for the **International Prayer Breakfast**, which will occur on opening day of the U.N. General Assembly (September 16). Pray that the diplomats on the steering committee will build a strong program, and that the Prayer Breakfast will set the tone for subsequent U.N. meetings. Pray that more diplomats will connect with the Christian Embassy as a result of the Breakfast.
- Pray for **increased funding** for the ministry.

### Cru Digital Strategies

- Pray for the software development over the next two months to God Tools to allow the mobile app to display **Knowing God Personally in 20 languages**. Pray for wisdom in setting priorities and designing tools plus **a new, improved Cru.org**
- Pray that we would be successful at resourcing and empowering millions of laborers, using technology **to advance the Great Commission in an authentic, loving and effective way**.
- This year we are **helping students advertise their summer project assignment** along with helping them raise support. We automatically create a personal website with information and pictures about their summer project. There is also a "Give" button that allows donors to easily give online, which moves the thermostat upward to reaching their needed goal. Pray that this tool gives a boost to their MPD efforts.

### FamilyLife

- Pray that FamilyLife can effectively engage and inspire a **movement of HomeBuilders**. Pray our staff will seek God for the impossible and that God will increase our faith.
- **I Still Do** - pray the Lord would guide tens of thousands of couples to fill the three arenas to the brim! **Love Like You Mean It (LLYMI) 2015 Cruise** - pray the Lord would draw the final 100+ couples to fill up the boat.
- Thank God for these Hosted Event resources (**Art of Marriage** and **Stepping Up**) that help churches and communities build God-honoring marriages around the world.

### Cru Inner City

- Pray for a **major conference** that Cru Inner City is hosting from July 22-25, called Creating Options Together. Pray that more than 200 urban partners will attend from around the US, to begin their own urban ministries: <http://www.hlic.org/creatingoptionstogether>
- Pray as we partner and expand internationally into **Western Europe and Spain specifically**, everything done under and through Agape Europe ministry leadership
- Pray that God would **raise up new ethnic staff** to serve full-time, part-time, on our internship programs and on spring/summer projects led by Cru Inner City.

### The JESUS Film Project

- Praise God for the more than **1,200 translations** of the *JESUS* film. Continue to pray for the translation and recording of the film for the 800 language groups with 50,000 or more speakers who still need to hear about Jesus.
- Praise God for the **recent Blu-ray release** of the *JESUS* film. Pray that this film in high definition with a completely new musical score in Dolby 5.1 surround sound, will draw many to the Savior.
- Pray for individuals to participate in **mission trips** sponsored by The JESUS Film Project and pray for those who are organizing these trips. Many of the trips take the gospel to the "hard to reach" areas of the world.

### Josh McDowell Ministry

- Please pray for Josh and his son, Sean, as the foundation is being laid for the **Heroic Truth Experience** - an outreach to ground parents and young people in what they believe, why it is true and how to live it out. Pray for wisdom, creativity, logistics and all that goes into the planning and launching of HTE.
- Pray for Josh and members of our staff who will **travel to China, Mongolia, and Korea in May**. There will be a book distribution of 2,300 sets of six books in Chinese seminaries.
- Pray for those who have **learned about forgiveness and sought healing** as a result of watching *Undaunted—The Early Years of Josh McDowell*. Pray they will continue to learn and grow in their Christian faith.

### Cru Military

- We are working hard to **launch the E-Kit**, our web-based community mobilization/ministry kit to provide resources for grassroots movements among the military community (Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, veterans, retirees and their families) across the U.S. The E-Kit provides a five segment road-map: (1) why the need is great; (2) what believers uniquely bring to the table; (3) the specific struggles and pain the military deals with; (4) answers to the “how to minister” questions; and (5) practical examples from those already doing it. Pray that we will be able to make any adjustments recommended by the several Beta test locations in a timely fashion, and that we will launch the E-Kit before the end of May 2014. Pray that use of the E-Kit will spread rapidly in churches across the country so that movements will spring up nationwide.
- Pray for the Cru Military National Directors (26 nations) planning on attending the Association of Christian Military Fellowships' **(AMCF) Global Interaction** in November 2014, in South Africa. We're also asking the Lord to help us respond to Dickson Obwoya, Ugandan National Director, who has asked Cru Military to participate in the 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of CCCI ministry in Uganda by re-initiating Military Ministry Uganda.
- We praise the Lord for His faithfulness in bringing our **new Executive Director**, Joe Ludwikowski, and his dear wife, Lydia, to lead Cru Military! Pray that the Lord will richly bless them as they focus on completing their ministry partner development by May 1. Pray for them as they prepare to attend Mid-Career New Staff Training the second week in May and move from Georgia to our headquarters in Virginia. The change of leadership will take place May 30.

### New Life Resources

- Pray that *New Life Resources*, the **publishing and materials distribution** ministry of Cru, can effectively serve and support the ministries and individual staff members of Cru, as well as churches and individual Christians with a heart for ministry, by providing resources, tools and strategies needed to accomplish the visions for spiritual movements God has placed on their hearts.
- Lift up in prayer the development and continued refinement of the public ([www.crustore.org](http://www.crustore.org)) and the staff-only ([www.crustaffstore.org](http://www.crustaffstore.org)) **sites** that make it easy to find and acquire the resources that will enhance the ministries of staff, churches and individual believers with a heart for ministry.
- May NLR **marketing strategies** be successful in cultivating relationships, so those we serve look to *Cru* as a key resource for materials to accomplish the ministry God has given them.