

## AFTER THE DINNER AND BEYOND:

## HOW TO ENGAGE YOUR FRIEND(S) IN SERVING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

God has put you in a position of influence among those in your circle of Christian friends. Pray and ask God to show you who He may be calling to serve internationals. Then pray about how you might be able to expose them to your ministry to internationals.

- ➤ Host an IFI After-Banquet party and invite friends who came to the banquet and those who didn't. Talk about what they learned, answer their questions, and encourage them to get involved. (IFI has resources and ideas for you.) Email Leila at: <a href="mailto:l.gardner@ifipartners.org">l.gardner@ifipartners.org</a> for more info.
- Invite a friend(s) to come to help make food for an IFI Bible Study on Friday night. Invite your friend to go with you to drop off the food and/or to serve the food and observe the Bible Study. For more info and sign up visit: <a href="https://www.ifipartners.org/small-groups/">https://www.ifipartners.org/small-groups/</a>
- Invite them to serve students with you. Have internationals over for a meal (Easter, Thanksgiving, or Christmas Holiday) or anytime. Ask your friend to come as well and bring a dish of food.
- ➤ Invite them to meet your international friend(s) by coming along when you meet or do an activity together.
- Invite your friend to check out IFI by coming to an IFI event to serve with you. There are several events throughout the year, visit: <u>columbus.ifipartners.org/events</u>.
- Ask for prayer in your small group for your international friend(s) or the IFI ministry. You can also invite your group to pray for students who are studying the Bible. Visit: <a href="https://www.ifipartners.org/small-groups/">https://www.ifipartners.org/small-groups/</a>.
- Talk with folks in your church group about your ministry to new international students and see if your small group wants to do an IFI outreach together! Email: <a href="mailto:leila@ifipartners.org">leila@ifipartners.org</a> if you have questions.

Thank you for your heart to involve your friends in reaching internationals!