



Small Group Opportunities 2024

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

- **HOST A MONTHLY GATHERING WITH INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** You decide the date and time. One group member needs to be an approved and trained volunteer.
- **PRAY FOR AN IFI BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP:** One person receives email with requests from a Bible Discussion leader. The whole group can pray together regularly for specific students who are studying the Bible.
- **PROVIDE FOOD FOR A WEEKLY BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP:** Group members prepare food dishes, such as a main dish, vegetable dish, side dish, and fruit. Then drop off food at a designated location. In some cases groups can stay and serve food. Groups can serve one-time, quarterly, monthly, or weekly.

WINTER

LUNAR NEW YEAR PARTY

Friday, February 16 6:00pm-9:00pm

Volunteers needed to serve food and make traditional Chinese dishes

SPRING

VOLUNTEER TRAINING DAY

Saturday, March 16 8:30am-1:00pm

Help provide/serve snacks, drinks, & door prizes

FINALS CARE PACKAGES FOR STUDENTS

Friday, April 8-12

Prepare care packages for students that will be handed out before the final examinations week

IFI ANNUAL BANQUET

Saturday, April 27 5:45pm-8:30pm

The annual awareness and fundraising event! Groups are needed to assist with set up and check-in for guests.

YEAR-END PARTY

Saturday, May 4

Help students celebrate by providing finger foods and giftcards

SUMMER

WELCOME BAGS - NEW STUDENTS

July 31

Prepare welcome bags for new students

**IFI WELCOME PICNIC

August/September (TBD)

Help new students to feel welcome and experience an American picnic. Bring home-cooked sides, serve food, check-in students, set up, run games, and clean up. 4 groups needed.

INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

Thursday, August 15

Help Indian Students celebrate their Independence Day through set up, checking in students, and clean up. 2-4 groups needed.

IFI WELCOME PARTY

Tuesday, August 20

Ohio Union on OSU Campus

Help welcome new students through set up, check-in students, and clean up. 2-4 groups needed.

REVERSE SHORT TERM MISSION TRIP

August 17- August 20

Go on mission with members of your small group by welcoming new international students at the Welcome Picnic and Indian Independence Day.

FALL

HOCKING HILLS DAY TRIP

Saturday, October 12

Volunteers and students drive to Hocking Hills and spend the day hiking. 1-2 groups needed to provide and serve dinner for 150 people.

PUMPKIN CARVING

Friday, October 25

Groups help by donating medium-sized carving pumpkins and preparing treat bags that will be handed out to students at the Pumpkin Carving event.

FINALS CARE PACKAGES FOR STUDENTS

Tuesday, November 26

Prepare care packages for students

**CHRISTMAS FOR INTERNATIONALS

December 13

Prepare Christmas cookie treat bags

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** Tentative Date