A person in a white dress

Description automatically generated with medium confidenceHey Jeff,

How have you been? It’s been a while since the last time I saw you. I hope that you’re going to do great in the finals and have a wonderful summer.

Hey, I want to share with you an opportunity that I have this summer. I am involved in a campus club at ASU called Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. This summer, Intervarsity is hosting a one-month program in Provo, UT to teach and train young men and women how to have thoughtful, gracious, and friendly conversations about faith and religion with people from another faith tradition.

It seems like people today struggle to have civil conversations about religion, politics, and social issues. Our culture has become very contentious and divisive. Many people fear those who think or believe differently. As a Christian, I know Jesus taught his followers to “love God and love your neighbor as yourself”, so this program will focus on loving our neighbors and building bridges with people of a different faith. We will be learning about the LDS faith and the LDS culture in the context of friendship to better understand them as neighbors. We will have interfaith dialogue events with students from BYU, participate in local LDS Wards and local Interdenominational Christian Churches in Provo, and we will take some classes at the LDS Institute of Religious Studies to learn more about the LDS faith. We will learn about their faith and culture from them, they will learn about our faith and culture. We will have guest lecturers, training on crossing cultures, and many informal conversations and activities.

I have been accepted to participate in this program with 14 other college students and really want to go. The dates are May 26-June 27, 2023. The program costs $2,200 per person for room and board and program costs. I am inviting people I know to sponsor me to be a part of this program. I am wondering if you would be interested in helping me participate in this special program by giving a one-time gift of $25, $50 or $100? If you can’t, no worries. Just thought I’d ask.

If you would like to give towards this learning experience, you can use this link: <https://give.intervarsity.org/home?v=1&utm_campaign=home&g=48328,o,0>

Any gift given here is tax deductible. Intervarsity is a non-profit organization.

If you would like to receive an email update from me about the program, just let me know.

Thanks for reading my letter and for your friendship,

Sincerely,

Nhi Duong.