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## UESI Mentoring Month - November

*"Follow my example as I follow the example of Christ"  
 (1 Corinthians 11:1). ERV*

*"Keep putting into practice all you learned from me and saw me doing, and the God of peace will be with you." (Philippians 4:9a) TLB*

**U**ESI ministry is built on the backbone of one-to-one discipling. Mentoring is one of the core aspects of our ministry to nurture our students as well as graduates. There are plenty of Biblical examples, prophets and leaders successfully mentored younger people for God's kingdom. In the New Testament, Apostle Paul stands out as a great mentor. The mentor serves as a role model and a trusted listener. Like Jesus, he/she must be a selfless and servant leader to see that the mentee grows and succeeds.

Jesus nurtured the twelve disciples and many more disciples. Jesus also chose the three - Peter, James and John to be in his inner circle. This intense 1:3 mentoring is the model for our Micro Prayer Cells (MPC). This MPC plays a vital role in the spiritual growth of a new believer at various levels: (1) A Believer to become a Disciple, (2) A Disciple to become a Disciple-maker, (3) A Disciple-maker to become a Shepherd-Leader. Senior student's role is pivotal in this relationship to connect the new EU student to a graduate in MPC. The Graduate in MPC is responsible for nurturing and overall development of three students.

MPCs need to have mutual sharing with trust. Mentors need to be available at the time of need, prioritising and balancing his/her schedules. The mentors have to depend on the Holy Spirit to mentor through their exemplary lives. The mentor should carefully correct the mentee in the light of the Word of God, needs to appreciate publicly and correct privately. We sometimes make the mistake of doing the opposite - correcting our mentees publicly and then say sorry privately.

#### Purpose of UESI Mentoring Month

NEGF Member Care Cell has been observing "Mentoring Month" since November 2017 to Exhort, Empower and Encourage UESI members: Students, Graduates and Staff.

- ◆ To exhort the UESI Constituency on the Biblical pattern of Mentoring.
- ◆ To empower the Mentor-Mentee relationships with mutual accountability in all the Local EU & EGF fellowships by means of Micro Prayer Cells (MPCs).
- ◆ To encourage EU leaders, EGF members and Staff to mentor students to be an effective witnesses with Christ-like character and skilful hands.

We would like to request every UESI member to collect the "E-booklet of UESI Mentoring Month" from your local EU/EGF Committee and use in your EU BBS and EGF Cell the Bible studies & Quality Tools to enhance the quality of individuals and ministry.

#### Expectations from UESI leaders:

- ◆ Help all the committees in your area to finalize MPC list.
- ◆ Be part and involve in your Micro Prayer Cell (MPC).
- ◆ Circulate E-Booklet of UESI Mentoring Month.
- ◆ Plan & implement Mentoring Month Activities

UESI Thrust Area for 2021-24 is Caring & Growing. Let us implement this in our local EUs and EGFs with a biblical pattern. God bless UESI both in quality and quantity: 'Growin' and 'Grow-out'!



**D. R. Moses,**  
 NEGF Chair  
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# UESI Thrust Area - 'Caring & Growing' (2021-24)

## UESI Core Value 4 - PERSONAL CARE

Right from its inception, UESI as a movement has been giving importance to caring for individuals, following the pattern of Jesus Christ who chose twelve and spent time with them (Mk 3: 14) Individual care (Lk. 15: 3, 8, 20), and the preciousness of every person should overpower us. One individual affects another. Concentrating on individuals helps us save money and effort. It brings in great dividends.

Individuals are more important than systems and structures. Each individual is unique and is expected to contribute to the building up of the kingdom of God. In the society, individuals are treated as number of heads or tickets in the bus, roll numbers in class rooms, bed numbers in the hospitals or prisoner numbers in jails.

Personal care to individuals and discipleship may overlap one another in their purpose and goal. Many senior graduates and staff workers all over India could testify that what they are today is the result of the time and efforts invested in them by their seniors in nurturing and mentoring them when they were students or young graduates and staff workers. The vision statement also mentions how discipling is vital.

*Making disciples is not an option, it is a command.* Camps, conferences, Christian homes and visiting hostels offer ample opportunities to care for individuals and systematic discipling.

Christian homes are one of God's important strategies to spread His Kingdom on earth. They are a prerequisite for the Church. Christian open homes and UESI as a movement go together. UESI was born in the living room of Mrs. and Prof. Enoch. Nagpur EU, Warangal EU and Visakhapatnam EU, to mention just a few, were born in the homes of graduates. Christian homes are and should continue to be centres of learning for students and young graduates. Christian families need to be role-models in their lifestyle, in the relationship between spouses, in bringing up children, in their ministry through their homes and interpersonal relationship with others. Each couple decides what ministry they should have for students, how much of time to be allotted and also the limits to which a home should be open.

Increasingly we hear of students performing badly in school, having suicidal tendencies, succumbing to peer pressure and going astray. School authorities and psychologists attribute the gap in the parent-children relationship as one of the reasons. Therefore, the role of Christian homes where there is love, freedom, closely knit relationship between parents and children where children are brought up in the fear of the Lord, cannot be over emphasized. India has no hope if we do not buildup Christian homes.

*Home is the base where character is built up, leadership qualities and other talents are recognized and encouraged.*

Some students come from broken homes and homes which lack understanding of the newly found faith of their children. So taking care of their spiritual, sometimes physical and academic needs, will mean a lot to them and young graduates in their early stages of Christian life.

Unmarried research scholars, young graduates and staff workers have also disciplined students through their open rooms/homes.

Professional college hostels have also provided opportunities to senior students to nurture and disciple junior students in a residential set up.

In addition to Christian homes, graduate fellowships and individual graduates also play a key role in building up and caring for individuals. UESI is one of the few movements of IFES, which is blessed with a network of graduates which gives solid support to students. Graduates are the backbone of the UESI movement. Their love for and involvement with students, however limited sometimes in quality and understanding, deserve recognition and appreciation. Any deficiency in the quality of their help could mainly be attributed to lack of systematic and caring ministry to individual graduates and groups over the years. They have been at the giving end without any inputs to replenish their depleted resources. The NEGF needs to continue to play a vital role in this area of ministry to graduates who in turn will minister to students.

Mentoring is the need of the hour especially for young believers from other faiths. Mentoring is a costly ministry but a fulfilling one. It is not a glamorous ministry nor will it be recognized or reported. It is a beautiful relationship between the mentor and the mentee with God in the centre.

We need mentors at all levels, to care for us and for us to be accountable. Mentoring, if done prayerfully with dedication, there will then be no dearth of quality leadership in EUs, EGFs and National committees.

Mentoring or caring for individuals is not being considered as a priority in general by staffworkers, graduates and students for various reasons. There will be no motivation if they were not first mentored properly by others. Everyone is busy, both spouses are working and so there is no time for ministry through Open Homes as it was in the earlier years. Of course, the pressures on homes are more and different today. Also, it is not a glamorous ministry for others to see, recognize and appreciate. Another reason could be that it is costly in terms of time, effort and money and

not many are willing to pay the price and get involved.

A sense of belonging and owning the ministry will be the natural result of deep care provided to individuals. Individual care is key to the ministry among students in pioneering and unreached areas.

*Care for individuals is costly in terms of time, energy and money spent for them. But it is worth it when we see them grow in the Lord even after they leave college, find a job, get married and establish Christian homes.*

One of the natural results of caring for the person would be these individual students would be motivated to bring fellow students to the Lord. The spontaneous fervour for personal evangelism and nurturing and discipling students is not seen much in general among students and graduates with more emphasis being given at times for mega activities. As the ministry expands, more departments come up and more activities are undertaken, the one-to-one focus is dying out. We seem to be goading the students to do personal evangelism and graduates to mentor and nurture young lives, through workshops on Personal Evangelism and teaching on mentoring which were not needed in the earlier decades. Students and graduates who want to make the Word relevant to fellow students and graduates will continue to face the opposing forces of materialism, power politics and different ideologies.

Quality is more important than quantity. It is a fundamental principle adhered to by the UESI over the years. Evaluating by quality primarily and not by quantity is Jesus' way. The question is not how many work but how well the work was done and what happens to the individuals who attend the programmes.

The quality of the movement can be gauged by the quality of members who are being discipled and nurtured. Discipling is complete and meaningful only when our believing graduates and staffworkers are willing to marry believers from other faiths and communities.

We need role-models in the way students are nurtured and built up, for the coming generations to emulate this important core value of caring for individuals. As Paul says, we have many teachers, but few fathers (and mothers) (1 Cor. 4: 15).

### Questions for Reflection

Think of a few who played a vital role in your spiritual journey and lift them up before God in gratitude.

1. What are some reasons for not giving importance to personal evangelism in your life and schedule?
2. Mention some aspects/approaches adopted when you were mentored that encouraged you.
3. What attitudes would you avoid in nurturing your juniors/young people?

*From the Book Core Values, written by Miss. Prema Fenn, former staff of UESI*

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# GS SPEAKS - HEART TALK

***There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the LORD. The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but victory rests with the LORD. Proverbs 21:30&31 (The NIV Bible)***

The world was taken aback to hear the news of Hamas attack on Israel, which baffled the political & religious world. The question which came to my mind was, "how did Israel miss such a plot, had the intelligence failed?" Questions such as these push us to the corners and raise concerns over human intelligence and smartness. This proves that there is no greater intelligence or mind than the mind of God- who is omniscient.

We might be experts and well equipped but there is a limitation to human intelligence and wisdom. The world needs people like Joseph and Daniel who could interpret dreams and visions with God's help and lived to their times. This calls for our attention in building young generation of students and graduates who would think, feel, and experience the presence and power of God and be vessels of truth and justice in a broken world.

We had many state and regional level programs in the month of October. As I hear the reports from different states, I can affirmingly say that the Lord is at work. Let us pray and take efforts to ensure that our conferences will not end up as events, rather it would stir and spur our hearts to be intentional in our being and doing.

The month of November is observed as mentoring month in UESI. Mentoring is nothing new, we have a rich legacy of students, graduates and staff

engaging both in the formal and informal ways in building students for the greater cause of the kingdom of God. The practice of "Micro prayer cell" is a beautiful example.

In the Bible we see good patterns of mentoring- Jethro & Moses; Moses & Joshua; Paul and Timothy; Jesus & His disciples are a few to mention. Jethro, looking at the struggles of Moses admonishes him and enables his efficiency. Joshua walked in step with his leader Moses and his consistent walk with God and Moses made him effective in being an effective successor. Apostle Paul and Timothy is another beautiful example for us. It can be seen how Paul was so open to accommodate Timothy with all his limitations and build him in the Lord. An intentional consistent engagement builds him up in the knowledge of the Lord and later became the elder.

In the last couple of weeks, I have been talking to some of our senior graduates. I rejoice in the Lord for each one of them, for their stories reflect the work of God in their lives through the lives of their staff workers and graduates. One of the most common elements they shared was the effort of those in walking extra miles with them in building them as responsible citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven thus making them responsible to the vision and mission that God has given.

Having such godly patterns both in the Bible and in our constituency, let us reflect and see if we have limited mentoring to an activity or an intentional engagement with the students and graduates done in a consistent manner.

We have stepped into a new decade, let us prayerfully consider being intentional and creative in our approach in building students and young graduates as leaders for the campuses, Church and society, enabling them to have the Bible as their framework for all their beliefs and behaviours. Like the sons of Issachar, let us be men and women doing things knowing our times.

Vision 2030 is being planned and would appreciate your prayers as OPED works on the same along with the SPEC and state ECs.

By the time this newsletter reaches you the staff training would be on, praise God for 21 staff registered for Staff Training 2023 from 8 states. Appreciate your prayers for the staff under training- that they would get a clear vision for the ministry that God has called them for and commit themselves for the same. Pray for the health of resource persons and participants, and the participants to have a meaningful training and learning experience.

**Jacob Varghese  
General Secretary, UESI**



## OBITUARY

**Mr. S.A. Daniel**, former UESI President, former UBS Finance Director, suffered a paralytic stroke and was admitted in Yashoda hospital, Hyderabad and promoted to glory on 8-Oct-2023.

S.A. Daniel is one of the pioneers of UESI ministry, and a humble, sincere, dedicated, exemplary leader who was cherished by countless UBS alumni, graduates, students and former UESI Staff. He was an asset to UESI and UBS.

**Bro. Surendra Parmar**, then UESI GS, says that as UESI President, seen him as a visionary, compassionate, able leader, excellent administrator, people person, and a servant of God who knew God's word and communicated to it faithfully.

**Bro. Joseph Jacob & Laila**, as the first Staff for Maharashtra, mentioned about SAD Uncle family: SAD Uncle, who was always GLAD & known for his hearty laughter, Sandy aunty's hospitality with a gentle and quiet spirit, Denita's calm and composed presence, Darina's culinary expertise, especially the desserts, Dantina's motherly affection in the background, Debbie's breezy and casual outlook on life, Delighta's childlike playfulness.

Pray for the comfort of his wife Mrs. Sandy Celestina and five daughters Denita, Darina, Dantina, Debbie and Delighta.

Please send the reports, advertisements, announcements, and news of national departments, zonal, and State level in max 250 words with event name, dates, participant number: Students & graduates, objective, topics, result and one photograph to [intouch@uesi.in](mailto:intouch@uesi.in)

**Note:** For EUs, Special events like Ruby Celebrations, can be given if space permits.

## UESI STAFF TRAINING 2023

06 Nov - 8 Dec 2023  
(HIGH FIELD KOTAGIRI)



**Skillful Hands Ps 78: 72**

### STAFF LIFE

- Personality development & effectiveness
- Skills development
- Relational dynamics

### STAFF & ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

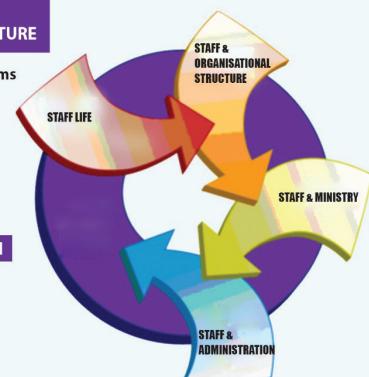
- UESI Vision, Mission & Aims
- Policies and HR terms

### STAFF & MINISTRY

- Ministry challenges & development
- Creativity

### STAFF & ADMINISTRATION

- Finance Management
- Reporting
- Accountability
- Planning & Execution



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# God is at Work!

Glory to God! He is at work in Chhattisgarh. Praise God for our State 15<sup>th</sup> Annual EU & EGF Conference from 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at Rajnandgaon. Altogether, 168 people participated - 29 graduate families, 32 single graduates, 42 students, and 65 children participated. The conference went well with the theme: "Shine as the Lights in the World – Phil 2:15-16." The fellowship with people from across the state was filled with warmth and nostalgia.



Chhattisgarh EU & EGF State Annual Conference 21<sup>st</sup>– 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023

God greatly used the speakers - Br. Tejor Tiewsoh, Br. Jacob Varghese UESI GS, Sis. Jesse Varghese, Br. Amos Avula SSIC – CG, Dr. Mon Abraham, and CEF Staff for Children's program. The Word of God has ministered, kindled, and provoked the participants through various sessions – Devotions, Expositions from the book of Philippians, Witnessing, Graduates' Involvement in Student Ministry, and Finding God's will. State EC leadership, Conference committee, graduates, students, and staff have fruitfully toiled towards the purpose and success of the conference. It is our prayer for all the participants from now on to be involved more fervently and actively at the grassroots level by witnessing, mentoring, practicing the open home ministry, and impacting their respective EUs and EGPs.

## Themes for Campus Link



### Nov - Dec 23 Unity in Diversity

Word limit - Article = 1400 words maximum,  
Poem = 16 lines maximum

You can upload your articles, testimonies, short stories, Bible studies, anecdotes, jokes, poems and cartoons based on the themes to:

<http://campuslinklive.org/submit-for-cl/>  
Email Id: campus.link@uesi.in

# UESI Tentmakers Conference 2023

Organized by NEGF Tentmakers Cell (TMC)

UESI Tentmakers Conference 2023 was held from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 at Caleb Institute, Gurugram, Haryana, with 70 delegates: Tentmakers, Missionary Students, and Invitees. The theme "Review-Renew-Recommit" from Rom 12:1-2 was fulfilled. The sessions: Keynote by Mr. James Sebastian, devotions by Prof. Stephen Victor, Bible Expositions by Mr. Emmanuel Ratnaraj and final challenge by Dr. Emmanuel Shubhakar.



Plenary sessions: Mr. D. R. Moses and Mrs. Beulah spoke on "Facing the crisis" and Mr. Sunder Singh Babu took session on "Member care to Tentmakers." Special seminar for families was led by Rev. Dr. B. Sunder Singh and Dr. Geeta Singh, whereas for singles was led by Dr. Emmanuel Pilli and Mrs. Phoebe. There was a blessed time of sharing in groups the struggles as tentmakers and praying. There was intercession for 65 focused cities.

CEF Staff from Agra engaged 35 children with activities, Bible stories and songs. God helped in every way and met all our needs: speakers and finances. We hope that this Conference will give a fresh impetus to the establishment of the Word of God in our lives and give a new thrust to the UESI ministry in the North Indian States

- *Ratna Raju Ravela, Coordinator, UESI TM Conference 2023*

## UESI-Telangana State Triennial Conference 2023

The UESI-TS State TRICON with the theme 'Regions Beyond' was held from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> October at Ashirwad Global Learning Centre, Ghatkesar, Hyderabad, with around 2000 delegates including children.

Dr. P John Paul gave the key note address. Expositions and devotions were led by Bro. John Victor and Bro. Philip Cherian. Plenary sessions were: Christ like Discipling, and Christ-centred Relationships, Torch Bearers (for Students) and Family in God's Mission. There were 13 elective seminars: Student Initiative, student as mission field, premarital considerations, wholistic Mission, facing religious fundamentalist, pioneering and outreach etc.



Everyone was touched and blessed by HIS word. Children were taken care of and their performance on the last day was a happy time. In the TRICON-23, there were decisions to be Full timers-9, Tentmakers-42, Missionary Students-70, Mission Mobilisers-32, Pioneers to the TS unreach ed Districts, to be Mission-agents at their Profession in TS-189.

God has been gracious in obtaining venue for such a large gathering and security permissions as Election Code is in operation.

- *Mr. Deva Sundar, TRICON Coordinator*

## Goa State Leadership Training Camp

The State LTC was held from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2023 at Shalom Residency, Sancoale, Goa. The resource persons were Dr James Samuel, Dr Pradeep Ninan, Ms. Deiel, Adv. John, and Bro. Jose Thomas. The topics covered leadership lessons from Moses, Joseph and Daniel, PBS and GBS, Evangelism Workshop, Character of a Christian Leader & political leaders, UESI history, Doctrines and Aims of UESI and Teamwork in God's Kingdom.

"LTC made a huge impact on my life from the teachings, session, worship, Bible study etc. I was challenged by the lives of Joseph and Daniel who were faithful in their time and humility of Jesus with an attitude of servant. I feel privileged to be part of LTC & UESI" - Justin, Dempe College

"LTC made a major impact on my life, especially the leadership qualities from the lives of Joseph and Daniel, and epistle 2 Timothy to develop a good attitude, to be faithful and make a difference in the lives of students. I am privileged to be part of UESI and Goa LTC 2023" - Riya, Panaji



- By Temjen, 3<sup>rd</sup> yr, Engineering, Goa College of Engineering

## Goa South ICEU CMOP

Goa South ICEU CMOP was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. 23, Bro Jose Thomas, National Missions Staff from Kerala took sessions on UESI history, doctrines and core values, the roles and responsibilities. Members were divided into two groups (South & North) and discussed the ministry on campuses, shared views and ideas for upcoming programs and closed the session with thanksgiving.



- Neha Lamani, South ICEU Secretary, Law College, Goa campus

## Goa State EGF Program

Goa State EGF Program was held on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023 with a theme on "Be a millionaire: Here and There." Mr Franky Fernandes enlightened the participants with biblical truths like 'God is the owner of all our riches and money, and we are stewards' to alter our spending habits and grow in the fruit of Spirit especially Self-control, be faithful and suggested to read "Treasure Principle" by Randy Alcorn.



- Sneha, South ICEU Mission secretary

## Gujarat State CMTC-23, Module II

State CMTC module II was organized on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023, at UESI Gujarat state Office Nadiad. Total 14 student leaders participated in the camp. Students who attended national CMTC in previous years were also invited to the camp, out of which three students participated in the camp. Mr. Priyavadan Gohil (Ahmedabad) shared devotional messages and Mr. Prakash Kant (Ahmedabad) led into the doctrinal teaching. SS Mr. Arpit Khristmukti led the session on practical talk of Stewardship and Mrs. Preeti Khristmukti taught PBS. Mr. Steven Parmar & Mrs. Orlinsana Parmar led the sessions of students Initiative and Core value of UESI. All students were given time to share their learnings and decisions they took, which they can implement in their local ministry. It was very blessed time for all students and resource persons.

- Mrs. Orlinsana Parmar, Camp Director

## New comers' gathering

By the grace of God, Evangelical Students' Fellowship (OFUESI-Canada) were able to come together for the new comers' gathering on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.



It was hosted at the residence of Mrs. Grace and Mr. Anup Chauhan. A total of 39 people attended this event. The event commenced with a warm welcome to all who recently arrived in Canada in the past few months. Following this, a worship session was led by Mr. Rejoice Christian. Mrs. Carol Harry then conducted the first session, focusing on the 'Importance of Fellowship.' After lunch break, an informative session was presented by Mr. Sebestin Christian. During the event, attendees gained valuable insights into the significance of fellowship in this country. Newcomers also received practical advice on work culture and daily life routines.

- Rachel Parmar, Secretary, EST OFUESI, Canada

## Resource Persons Development Program - (Phase-I)

Training Department of UESI Gujarat organized an RPDP for preparing teachers of Inductive Bible Study during 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023 at UESI Gujarat office.



21 graduates participated from various parts of the state. Sessions were organized for learning to study and teach various types of literature in the Bible: Narrative, teaching and epistles, prophecy, poetry and wisdom. They were handled by Mr. Bhailal Solanki, Mr. Rajesh Kshirsagar, Mr. Masuk Chauhan, Mr. Arpit and Mrs. Preeti Khristmukti.

The participants have been assigned to read the book "Let the Bible Speak" and make notes from it, along with assignments of IBS of various kinds of Bible literature learnt during Phase-I. Other genres of Bible literature and dynamics of Group Bible Study would be taught, God-willing, in Phase-II during February, along with preparing participants to lead the teaching of IBS.

"I had learnt IBS during CMTC, but this was a refreshing learning experience, an in-depth study, challenging me to be a curious student of the Word." – Nelson Rana, Graduate.

"The RPDP has increased my love for God's Word" – Steven Parmar, Staff.

# Prayer Diary

First Sunday

Tuesday

Last Friday

First Saturday (National Dawn Prayer@5 am)

NOVEMBER 2023

**16** NEGF  
Pray for the month of November observed as Mentoring month – Effective use of Mentoring Month booklet by every graduate and staff; improvement in EU-to-EGF transition efforts by states; Evangelical Graduate newsletter work; 65 focus cities in North India.

**17** UESI Training Department  
Thank God that all modules at Study centre completed successfully. Pray for ongoing Staff training; Training Department Committee meeting in November; IBS booklet script writing work to be completed before December 2023; North East NMTC from Jan 13<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> in Makunda.

**18** Uttarakhand  
Thank God for Uttarakhand Spiritual Life Conference on 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> Oct; UK Staff fellowship 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Oct; Two DTCs at Roorkee and Dehradun catering to 40 students; State dawn prayers started from Sept 21<sup>st</sup>; New contacts all over the state.

**19** Uttarakhand  
Pray for Discipleship Training camps at Kumaun, Uttarakashi, Srinagar and follow-up of students; Christmas outreach in the state; UKEGF, UKSPEC, UKECHO, UKSSC, UKSDC and Regional committee meets in November; 3<sup>rd</sup> staff module and training; Preparation for decentralization; Need of 2.5L each month.

**20** Bihar  
Thank God for Evangelistic camp conducted at Patna & Muzaffarpur; Bible study restarted at NMCH campus; Prayer cell started at Central University of South Bihar; Whole night prayer at Gaya observed by 3 students and 1 staff; UESI Prayer Day observed at Bhagalpur, Purnea, & Patna.

**21** Bihar  
Pray for Upcoming pre-Christmas programs; Evangelistic retreats at Bhabua & Parsa Bazaar; Prayer walks in unreached districts; More local leaders to be raised in the state; Bihar staff fellowship scheduled from 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> November; A suitable place to buy for Bihar EGF office.

**22** Sikkim  
Thank God for safety & protection on students & graduates during the flood; State EC core attended the orientation program; New area Bible study group. Pray for preparation for Pre-Christmas program; Upcoming exams of students; Upcoming State EC meeting; More contributors towards state's financial needs.

**23** UESI Finance and Administration Dept. (FAD)  
Thank God that staff salary for October was disbursed; Staff salary revision policy draft sent to all states for inputs. Pray for need of November: approx. 1.3 crore (including accumulated deficit); Monthly gap of 10-12 Lakhs to be met; All states to contribute regularly.

**24** UESI Finance and Administration Dept. (FAD)  
Pray for Work and implementation of centralized accounting software; Inner Working Manual (Part 4) Finance and Admin Manual-TG to start the work; Northfield property – needed finance, identify and finalize property, development and local committees; Salary revision TG to bring out revision in staff salary.

**25** UESI UP  
Thank God for all the hard work, regular meeting and preparation by the UESI-UP 38<sup>th</sup> State Conference team; His provision for the month of September, 2023. Pray for appointment of a new State Secretary for UP soon; Monthly financial needs of the state.

**26** UESI UP: North West Region  
Thank God for night vigil held successfully on 1<sup>st</sup> October at Bareilly; The North West RCT meeting was held successfully on 15<sup>th</sup> October. Pray for Prayer Yatra at Amroha & Bijnor; Believers Retreat on 27<sup>th</sup> November at Bareilly.

**27** UESI Gujarat  
Thank God for State CMTC conducted in two modules (May and Sept); RPDP for IBS in October was attended by 21 participants; International student contacts and their involvement in fellowship groups; SSC prepared and released movie on the Biography of Prof. Enoch.

**28** UESI Gujarat  
Pray for need of new leaders and mentors for the new generation of students; Effective functioning of state departments and cells; Fresh graduates to involve in EGF; Need of staff, coordinators and short-term workers; EU students who moved abroad to continue in the fellowship and ministry.

**29** UESI Andhra Pradesh  
Thank God for the State Level program on "Creative and Contextual Bible Studies" conducted meaningfully from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> October at UESI-AP Study Centre, Nambur; All DT Camps in the State were conducted meaningfully and effective.

**30** UESI Andhra Pradesh  
Pray for follow-up of the students who attended the DT camps; Effective and intentional implementation of LRP-2030 in UESI-AP; 6 contact centres may grow towards becoming functional ICEUs (Seetampeta, Kurupam, Yelamanchili, Tadepalli, Atchampet, Gudur).

**1** Haryana  
Thank God for protection of all the UESI staff workers, graduates and students while reaching out to others; Tentmakers conference from 21<sup>st</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> Oct at Gurugram. Pray for complete gospel to be proclaimed in Haryana and not just the healing and prosperity gospel.

**2** Punjab  
Thank God for 38 students attended the Bathinda Region Evangelistic camp, 15 students accepted Christ; One day retreats at Jalandhar and Jalalabad on 24<sup>th</sup> October; CMC Ludhiana EU Freshers' Meet was attended by 120 students; Opening in UCI Jalandhar for programs and regular fellowship with students.

**3** Punjab  
Pray for Pre-Christmas celebrations in various centres to be effective in reaching out new students; MPCs to be implemented; Mentoring to be systematic and active involvement of graduates at grass-root level; Monthly financial need of 90k; Need of 2 local coordinators to strengthen the ministry.

**4** UESI Tamil Nadu  
Thank God that 201 student leaders attended the State Student Leaders Meet held at Coimbatore from 21<sup>st</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> Oct; 45 ICEU Senior Advisors participated in the State Senior Advisors Meet on 22nd and 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct and for the decisions to strengthen the ICEU ministry.

**5** UESI Tamil Nadu  
Pray for consistent follow-up to motivate students to abide by the decisions made in SSLM, so that they will be great witnesses for the historic faith; Senior Advisors to focus on their role and strengthen the ICEU ministry in developing radical disciples to impact the Church and society.

**6** UESI Kerala  
Thank God for the prayer focus meeting and prayer rallies in the pioneering centers; The new initiative to start area groups and conduct home-based camps; Impact of the Urban Ministry Training program at Ernakulam on the ministry.

**7** UESI Kerala  
Pray for provision of more staff workers to support the ministry; The urgent need of a family to care for the UESI Centre near Kozhikode NIT; Follow-up of students who attended DTCs and the preparations for the next year's CMTC.

**8** Chhattisgarh  
Thank God for 8 Evangelistic Camps organized at various centres through which many students have accepted Christ as their Saviour; State Conference was organized fruitfully; EGFs are meeting regularly. Pray for proper follow-up of all students who attended the Evangelistic camps.

**9** Chhattisgarh  
Pray for all senior students to mentor newly born again students; God may raise genuine & committed disciples who can witness in their campuses & homes. Graduate families may take mentoring & open home seriously; Urgent need of 2 coordinators & 1 staff family.

**10** UESI Telangana  
Thank God for TRICON 2023 was conducted successfully with the theme "Regions Beyond"; The "Radical Series" was translated in Telugu and released in TRICON. Pray for Ministry in 33 districts and concentration on 11 focus districts; New staff undergoing training.

**11** Himachal Pradesh  
Thank God for PBS workshop in Una; State DTC at Sunder Nagar. Pray for effective follow up of students who attended the DTC; HP EGF Committee Meeting; Planning and execution of Pre-Christmas programs throughout the State.

**12** IFES South Africa: Students' Christian Organization  
Thank God for the student groups that have been revived and for the positive response to outreach efforts. Pray for the staff internship program for prospective staff members, for program funding and for more graduates to get involved.

**13** IFES Guyana: IS/IVCF Guyana  
Pray that God will continue to grow relationships that were strengthened or started in the recent team visit; Ongoing partnership and conversations between Guyana and Inter Varsity USA towards restarting Bible and Life Camps and Manuscript Bible Study Trainings for tertiary students.

**14** IFES  
Thank God for the ministry that has grown in the Bahamas and pray that SCM's participation in IFES would bring new blessings both at home and for the wider global fellowship; Four new member movements at World Assembly 2023.

**15** IFES Taiwan  
Pray for the leaders of CEF Taiwan - may they be filled with the Holy Spirit as they steer the movement into a new season; God's protection and encouragement for our faithful brothers and sisters in Francophone Africa and MENA as they minister in challenging environments.

# Mentoring through Micro Prayer Cell (MPC)

**M**PC is our UESI strategy to mentor students. Micro Prayer Cell or 1:3 Mentoring is a strategy derived from Jesus' model of mentoring Peter, John and James. We have this 1:3 for the students and graduates to meet regularly for prayer and fellowship. Similarly, in UESI, we expect every graduate to mentor 3 students (one Sr. student and two new EU students). This small group is called a Micro Prayer Cell (MPC). A Micro prayer cell consists of a graduate, a senior student and two junior students.

This MPC plays a vital role in the spiritual growth of a new believer: Believer → Disciple → Disciple-maker → Shepherd (Leader). Senior student's role is pivotal in this relationship to connect the new EU student to a graduate. The graduate in-charge of the cell is responsible for nurturing and overall development of these three students. We request all the Graduates and Sr. students to get E-Booklet of UESI Mentoring month and use the Bible studies and quality tools to educate your fellowships on Mentoring through MPCs.

## My MPC (Micro Prayer Cell)

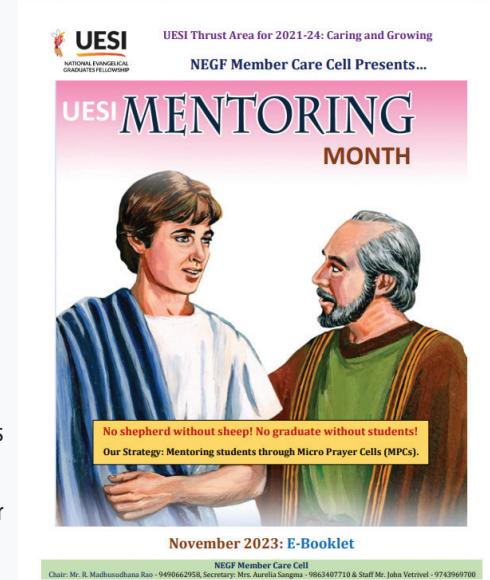
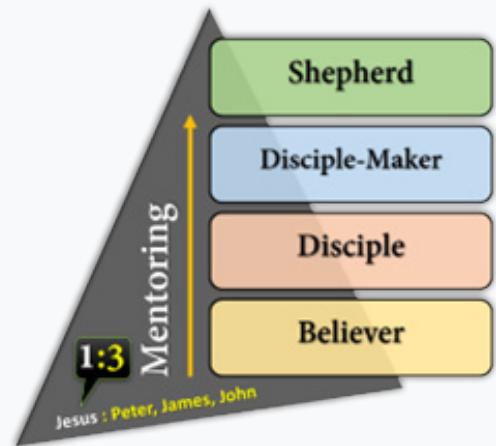
- My MPC is a team of four people (Maximum). I will discuss with my Sr. advisor regarding my MPC.
- Sometimes, only one student may be available. I will start my MPC with this one student. Later God will provide me other two new students.

## My initiative in my MPC

### My MPC Card

1. My Name (Graduate): \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name of EU Sr. Student: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name of a New Believer: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Name of a New Believer: \_\_\_\_\_

- I will Ask Sr. Advisor / EGF Secretary about my MPC students.
- I will write down names of My MPC members in **MPC worksheet**.
- MPC – Prayer, informal discussion, topic for the day, clarifying doubts, prayer for one another.
- My MPC is an offline initiative; If students are away from city, then we meet online.
- I will go through "**UESI Mentoring Month Booklet**." I will equip myself in the suggested topics to discuss in my MPC.
- My MPC Whatsapp group: This will help new believers of my MPC to approach me or Sr. student for any doubts, quiet time sharing, guidance or prayer support.
- To be regular and systematic, I will keep record of my MPC visits and discussions.



#	Date of visit	Topic discussed with student(s) in MPC	Remarks/ Result
1			
2			
3			

## Topics for my MPC

**Refer:** MPC worksheet given in the Mentoring Month Booklet.

1. Develop Rapport and Intimacy, 2. Salvation Experience, 3. Assurance of Salvation, 4. Quiet Time, 5. New Life, 6. New Habits, 7. Temptations, 8. Use of Gadgets and social media, 9. Word of God, 10. Prayer, 11. Obedience and Faith, 12. Intimacy with God and Worship, 13. Friends, 14. Studies, Excellence Preparing for Future, 15. UESI Ministry – Vision, Aims, Values and Involvement, 16. Stewardship of Money

**After DT Camp:** 17. Justification, 18. Sanctification, 19. Personal Evangelism, 20. Church, 21. Christian Literature and media, 22. More topics related to discipleship, leadership, UESI ministry.

For more details, please refer to UESI Mentoring month booklet 2023.

**By NEGF Member Care Cell.**

# Easy Come, Easy Go !

We discussed about the prodigal son and the issues with this request of trying to get his share of the inheritance in the last month. The prodigal son wasted away all that his father had labored hard to provide for him.

Let's connect it with our daily life. We also get blessings from the Lord. We use the God given job, our education, our business acumen, our corporate strength, and many others in exchange for money (I mean the paycheck or the salary which we received at the end of month), but then we use up this money in frivolous spending. As in the case of the prodigal son parable, the money strangely evaporates from our bank account more quickly than it took to earn it.

I have seen in students, especially in the urban areas living with significantly huge pocket money. The amount which they spend on their birthday parties or cooked up events is far more than what an average salaried person spends. Its also driven by the students' peer group who demands them to spend at par with each other or more.

As stewards of God's provisions, whether students, graduates, or staff, do we consult the owner before we enjoy the money. As Isaiah 55:2 says, "Are you spending your money on what doesn't satisfy you". Excessive spending and high consumer debt, along with world financial market turmoil, have left many in want.

The young man in the parable realized that being in his father's house as a servant was far better than living in current position. How about us? Are we looking for a change in our spending habits? Do we desire optimizing our spending? Do you realize that when we are aligned with God's will and serve him through our work and abilities, use our resources as per His consent, we are far more in agreement.

If we acknowledge this fact, and repent for our sins, He will certainly forgive us and also help us to live victoriously above that sin of overspending (referring to 1 John 1:9).

One of the practical ways to overcome from this habit of overspending, is to come up with a written plan. Our God is a God of plans. He is concerned about our day-to-day lives and our future, reassuring us that His plans are to prosper us and to give us a hope and a future (Jer 29:11). So, let's make an itinerary/plan at the start of the month of what are the areas you want to spend. You could also add your contributions for God's work in this list. Review the plan at the end of the month based on the actual expenditures. Compare and contrast the plan vs actual expenditures. Repeat this every month.

There is a beautiful verse in Psalm 112:5 which says, "Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice." This verse should be an encouragement for anyone who feels that he/she is not able to manage his expenses.

UESI also creates an annual budget to make an estimation of what is the expected expenditure before the start of the financial year. This is reviewed at department, FAD and board levels. Finally, it is approved at the AGM level. Any deviations from this numbers are an action for review at each of these levels. May God enable us to manage our personal as well as our organizational expenditure with prudence and help us in making corrective actions.



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Remember **Northfield Conference Center** still requires more than Rs. 5 Crores for purchase of land and putting up a basic structure for camps. Please pray and participate as the Lord leads.

As mentioned in the earlier Intouch editions, UESI is maintaining a **Corpus Fund** which is an endowment fund. The interest from this is used for Operational expenses. The current target is Rs. 1 Crore. Prayerfully consider contributing a lump sum amount.

Please note the bank account details to send your contributions through online transfer / NEFT / EFT or write your cheques in favour of UESI and deposit locally. We request you to send your details such as name, place, date of remittance, purpose, amount (and address if contributing for the first time) through an e-mail to [contributions@uesi.in](mailto:contributions@uesi.in) or SMS details to 0944 5431478.

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April - October 2023 (in Lakhs)		
Avg. Month Income	28.44	
Staff Salary	28.65	70%
Pension	0.58	2%
Staff Future Benefit (EPF, NPS, MUT)	3.41	8%
Reimbursement	0.57	1%
Admin Expenses	1.24	3%
Shifting	0.33	1%
Northfield (Allot)	1.71	4%
Dept. Expenses	0.93	2%
Highfield Support	0.37	1%
Children Education	0.80	2%
AGM Expenses	1.68	4%
Mediclaim	0.58	2%
Avg. Month Expenses	40.85	
Avg. Month Deficit	12.41	
Total Accum. Deficit	86.87	

Projected Expenses for November 2023 (in Lakhs)	
November 2023 Salary	29.17
Pension	0.58
Reimbursement	1.00
Admin.	1.50
Staff Future Benefit (EPF, NPS & MUT)	3.50
Department (Staff Travel, Study Center)	2.00
Northfield	2.00
Highfield Support	0.35
Total Projected Expenses November 2023	40.10
Deficit upto October 2023	-86.87
Total funds Required in November 2023	126.97

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