

Outreach Ministry 2024-2025

The gospel offers hope and meaning to our lives. Our hope for outreach ministry this year is to offer a place and time where participants can gain confidence and become equipped to share the truths of the gospel with those around them, recognizing and making missional living a priority in their everyday lives. We want to do this by breaking down outreach ministry into two parts: learning and doing. We want participants to not only gain head knowledge on what gospel sharing looks like but also practice it.

Reflecting on the theme verse of the vision this year -- “And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.” -- we believe the outpouring of God’s love through us, followers of Jesus, by outreach and hospitality, is a crucial part of Christian living and a calling God has for all of his people. Our prayer is that by participating in outreach ministry, CCF members can be encouraged to boldly live out their faith, like salt and light on campus and in their communities.

Learning

Outreach and evangelism are not easy. Through workshops, discussions, and guest speakers, we want to provide a space where participants can learn how to share the gospel and feel equipped to do so with those around them. We also want to provide support and resources for those who are interested in missions. Some specific topics we want to explore include evangelism, prayer, missions, Gospel fluency, and more. Jesus says in Luke 10:2 “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.” We hope these meetings can be a place of encouragement and accountability for those who come to apply what they learned to serve the community and the people around them.

Hospitality → Openness to the Gospel.

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?

Isaiah 58:7 (ESV)

Being hospitable is not only about the act of serving others, but is also about showing God’s love, kindness, and generosity to those around us (especially those who do not know God). One cannot do outreach without being hospitable to others. While there are many different ways to go about outreach, a simple act of kindness or hospitality can spark a conversation or can lead someone to see God’s attributes in us as we are made in his image. By going *all in* as the year vision suggests, we are able to invest our spiritual gifts, and time into being hospitable to others

and pouring out God's love to the people around us to introduce more people to God as we are commissioned to do so.

Event ideas :)

- Community Outreach
 - Coldest night of the year walk
 - Soup kitchen volunteer
- Campus Outreach
 - Whiteboarding on campus
 - Holiday-themed outreach (eg. Christmas, Thanksgiving, Valentines day, etc.)
 - Participating in Relevant series with other campus fellowships

“He [Jesus] said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. 16 Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.’”

Mark 16:15-16 (ESV)