

THE KINGDOM
OF GOD HAS
COME NEAR

INTERVARSITY
2013-2014 ANNUAL REPORT





Friends, by God's grace, it was a fruitful year for InterVarsity. Despite challenges in campus access, I can say with certainty that God's kingdom is expanding. We had the most growth we've ever experienced in the number of participants and new believers. For this, we are deeply thankful and dependent upon the Lord.

Still, there is more to do. We want to see all 4,000 U.S. campuses renewed, because we believe campus ministry is the most strategic ministry in the world, impacting lives, culture, and history. I say this with awe and humility, knowing that it is God who guides, empowers, and provides opportunities for us to bear witness to his very near and present kingdom.

Thank you for your faithful support of InterVarsity. May our chapters continue to bear fruit and be faithful to the Lord on campuses in the coming year.

Alec Hill

President,
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship



STUDYING THE BIBLE

“The Mark study at Chapter Camp completely changed my view on how to read the Bible. As soon as we’d go on break, I’d find myself furiously writing in my journal about all the things I’d learned that I totally never got before, but always wondered about. The last night studying Mark I found myself sobbing because the Bible was just so amazing and coherent, and it showed how powerful God was — something that I’d missed in my Bible readings every other time.”

Holli

InterVarsity Student,
California State
University–Northridge



In a recent study, **47%** of college students surveyed said they rarely engaged with God’s Word before participating in InterVarsity. After getting involved, **85%** said they engaged with Scripture weekly.



REACHING OUT

“I think the hardest part is trying to get people [to stop] because a lot of people are busy. But once you get people in, **it’s pretty easy having a normal conversation with them about spirituality** in general, and seeing where they are, and trying to cater to that.”

Kayla

InterVarsity Student,
University of California–Los Angeles,
in reference to an evangelistic outreach like
the one in the illustration on the left-hand page.



A record **3,517** people
committed their lives to Jesus as
Lord and Savior for the first time.



GROWING ON CAMPUS

“We took this planting model and started running with it. . . . The second you begin to embrace that **God’s doing all sorts of things in people** and on our campus and we’re only sort of seeing a slice of it, all of a sudden ministry becomes this joyful hunt—**what’s God doing, how is he inviting us to partner with him, what’s the next thing?** It’s become very exciting, dynamic, and fun. And I love it.”

Steve Marks

Campus Staff Worker,
University of Southern California,
& Chapter Builder



519 people gave their life to
Jesus as a result of chapter plants.



LEADING IN RECONCILIATION

“When I got on campus I met Andrew Givens, my staff worker. His adamant stance that **there is no gospel without multiethnicity** changed my whole life. Fast forward to a few months ago. . . . Five White students in a pick-up truck began to harass me. . . . I had a choice about how I could respond. And the Holy Spirit empowered me to show the love of Jesus. I think that’s when I realized that Jesus has this whole thing rigged—his love is so transformative, so overwhelming, so compelling. It changes you. You love differently. I think maybe that’s the gospel. **Being loved by Jesus, makes you love like Jesus.**”

Brent Campbell

Campus Staff Worker
& Former Student Leader,
University of North Carolina-
Wilmington, pictured at left



50% of InterVarsity’s core students and faculty identify themselves as an ethnic minority or multiracial person.



BECOMING COURAGEOUS

“As I’ve studied the book of Acts, I’ve noticed that when the church was pushed out of the temple, they moved into people’s homes. When they were pushed out of homes in Jerusalem, they spread into synagogues in Judea, Samaria, and the rest of the Roman Empire. . . . When they lost access in one place, they found new places and new ways to proclaim the gospel. **Students at universities in the U.S. who have been kicked off campus have discovered that they’re more confident in the gospel.** They’ve found that their chapters can grow and thrive in these limitations.”

Greg Jao

Director of InterVarsity’s Response
to Campus Access Issues



InterVarsity chapters are currently de-recognized on **25** campuses for refusing to sign a non-discrimination policy that forbids the use of religious criteria for leaders.



CULTIVATING BEAUTY

“Christians in general have this framework: we see the world colored through Christ. We see the world full of redemption moving towards hope, moving towards restoration. **The role of the artist is to convey hope** on some level, to convey something beyond that which we see. When Christians who make art can come together and start dialoguing about these things it brings a level of humility. . . . **The artist can realize as a community that they are capable of creating and communicating something that is ultimately larger than themselves.**”

Daniel Granitto

InterVarsity Student,
Art Institute of Chicago



1,699 arts students
participated in InterVarsity
this past school year.



LIVING WITH PURPOSE

“When I arrived at Hillsdale College as a freshman we almost had a nonexistent Athletes ministry that only had about 6-8 people involved in it. Since then the Lord has raised up numerous leaders. We have 140 student athletes involved and 12 outreach Bible studies on every single varsity sports team. . . . Within the context of Athletes InterVarsity, as a leader, **if the only thing that you accomplish is to help somebody recognize that the God of the universe has a divine agenda for them, that’s worth it.** That’s the purpose of it.”

Scott Lantis

InterVarsity Student Leader,
Hillsdale College



With **1,844** students involved throughout InterVarsity chapters, Athletes InterVarsity grew by 10%.



DEVELOPING INTEGRITY

“I want Tegu to be phenomenally successful from a commercial and marketplace standpoint. And if the Lord wills, I hope it’s used as a great tool and example for others, both in terms of inspiring them that they too can do something similar, but also in terms of inspiring a country and other developing countries that **business and the business community can be redeemed**, can be used in ways that are a blessing to society and, ultimately for Christians, a glory to God.”

Will Haughey

Greek InterVarsity Alumnus
& Cofounder of Tegu, a toy company
based in Honduras that fosters
positive change in the community,
pictured at left, in the center



3,029 Greek students
were involved in InterVarsity.



MINISTERING WITH COMPASSION

“When I got into the nursing program, it was so challenging. I wasn’t prepared for all that it would mean as far as not only learning skills but also working with people who are in really difficult times in their lives. As I moved on in my nursing career I had somebody challenge me to pray about coming on staff with Nurses Christian Fellowship to work alongside nursing students and help prepare them for lives of not only nursing but nursing as ministry. And **I was excited to be able to say yes to that call**, knowing that it was something God was preparing and equipping me for, and that **I could be a part of his work in the next generation of nurses.**”

Renee Lick

Campus Staff Worker,
Nurses Christian Fellowship



1,113 students and **125** faculty were
involved in Nurses Christian Fellowship.



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(2) Anyone who accepts (believes) $N \& E$ and Sees that $P(R/N \& E)$ is Low has a defeater for R .
(3) no one has a defeater for P has a defeater for any other belief including $N \& E$ itself.
(4) no one who accepts $N \& E$ has a defeater for $N \& E$.
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PRACTICING LIFELONG LEARNING

“Increasingly, I pray that hospitality, not glory, will guide my understanding of what it means to be a scholar and a Christian. When we strive to make our knowledge accessible to freshmen, we invite them to a table rich with ideas. When our classrooms or books model rational, loving dialogue, we provide a resting place in a world full of angry rhetoric. **And, when we challenge our colleagues and students to use their learning to serve others, we give them a gift more valuable than any diploma: we teach them how to love.**”

Bethany Bear

Assistant Professor,
University of Mobile



Graduate & Faculty Ministries
had a record-high **4,478** participants
this past fiscal year.



THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH I
MEN AND WOMEN TV

Jacob wrestling until daybreak with God his
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DISCIPLING THE MIND

“As an undergrad student at Grove City College, I was introduced by professors, classmates, and InterVarsity staff to the valuable resources published by InterVarsity Press (IVP). . . . When I graduated and joined InterVarsity staff 17 years ago I immediately began offering IVP’s resources to students and faculty at Carnegie Mellon University. By doing such I had the privilege of watching them grapple with ideas and draw nearer to the heart of God. . . . **What a joy to be part of a campus ministry with the unique blessing of a press at the forefront of that movement.**”

Thomas B. Grosh IV

Associate Director,
Emerging Scholars Network



InterVarsity Press published **126**
new books and currently has over
1,900 titles in print.



HEARING GOD

“We get the privilege of providing a place for more than 1,300 college students to come for a week to experience God in a place that they wouldn’t normally on a campus. **It’s not just Sunday school in the woods;** it’s a place where we get to show off—expose people to—God’s created word. . . . I believe it’s the distractions that are removed—some of that clutter—that allows God’s still small voice to be a little more audible here than perhaps in a campus setting.”

Scott Bale

Director, Cedar Campus,
located in Michigan’s
Upper Peninsula



InterVarsity hosted **7,031**
students and faculty at our three
retreat and training centers.



SERVING WITH HUMILITY

“The InterVarsity chapter at UC Santa Barbara made a decision in 2000 to come to Bosnia and we didn’t know 13 years later that we’d still be coming back. **We wanted to come as servants, to serve the Bosnian International Fellowship of Evangelical Students movement in a way that best fit the needs in Bosnia.** We also came wanting to submit to the movement’s leadership, not bringing our own agenda, not trying to promote our own program. I think that leads to effective partnership, probably because **that’s the way Jesus taught us to live.**”

Rob Knight

Former Surf & Turf
Divisional Director,
pictured at left



A total of **5,063** students were involved in domestic or international missions.



WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE

“Buddhism is the main religion in my country, Myanmar, so once you are born into a family, you are automatically a Buddhist, even though you don’t know what it really means to you. Around fourth or fifth grade, my best friend’s mom told me about the Bible. That was my first time hearing about Jesus. . . . At Urbana 09, **God told me that he wanted me to grow up in my family, know the culture, know the background, so that in the later future he would use me as a tool to share the gospel.** On that day I gave Jesus a chance to enter my life.”

Wai Wai Tun

International Student
& InterVarsity Leader,
University of Montana–Missoula,
pictured at left



The number of international students involved in an InterVarsity undergraduate chapter increased by **12%**.



INTERVARSITY'S MINISTRIES

Collegiate Ministries

Graduate & Faculty Ministries

- Black Scholars and Professionals
- Emerging Scholars Network
- Faculty Ministry
- Graduate Student Ministries
- Healthcare
- MBA Ministry
- Women in the Academy
and Professions

Missions

- Global Programs
- Global Urban Trek
- InterVarsity Link
- Study Abroad
- Urban Programs
- Urbana Student
Missions Conference

Strategic Ministries

- Arts Ministry
- Athletes InterVarsity
- Evangelism
- Greek InterVarsity
- International Student Ministry
- Nurses Christian Fellowship

Multiethnic Ministries

- Asian American Ministries
- Black Campus Ministries
- Latino Fellowship
- Native Ministries

Retreat & Training Centers

- Campus by the Sea
- Cedar Campus
- Toah Nipi

Twentyonehundred Productions



OUR INCOME & EXPENSES

(in thousands of dollars)

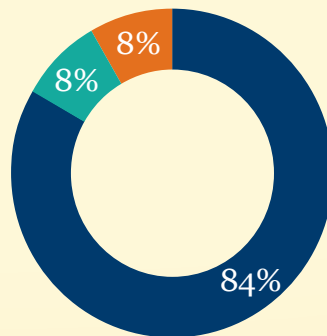
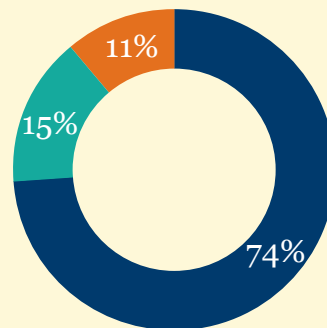
Income

• Donations	71,714
• Sales	14,099
• Conf. Fees & Other	<u>10,721</u>
Total Income	96,534

Expenses

• Program	77,738
• Admin.	7,712
• FR & Comm.	<u>7,554</u>
Total Expenses	93,004

Net Surplus 3,530



Our vision is to see
students and faculty transformed,
campuses renewed,
and world changers developed.
