

Join Us in the Work!

We are very grateful for the faithful partners in ministry who make this ministry to students possible. We are also happy to explore different ways for people to participate in InterVarsity's mission. If you'd like to be a volunteer or advocate for any of our ministries, or if you'd like to be a part of a semi-regular prayer group for the work in British Columbia, you can reach out to Dave (dstone@ivcf.ca).

SUPPORT FINANCIALLY

As our work continues, if you'd like to make a financial gift to any of our ministries, you can visit ivcf.ca/donate to support a staff member, a camp or workplace fund, or the British Columbia Ministry Cultivation fund for the whole region.

PRAY WITH US

Please join us in praying for these specific needs this spring:

-  **Pray that both new and returning campers will experience Jesus' love in the beauty of creation at camp.**
-  **Pray for the Camp team as they take on significant site development projects such as our dock replacement this year.**
-  **Pray for college and university students studying 1 Corinthians at our Spring Camp (April 29-May 3).**
-  **Pray for stability in housing to be provided for some of our campus staff in the Lower Mainland.**
-  **Pray for graduating and graduated students who are developing a theology of work with our workplace groups.**
-  **Pray for our regional team as we listen to God for direction in this new season and our staff as we navigate through ongoing change.**



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AN UPDATE FROM INTERVARSITY IN BC



Everything is Changing

By Dave Nguyen-Stone, British Columbia Director

It has been 19 years since I left home for university as a first-year student in 2003 (half my lifetime ago)! While I was away at university, I encountered the good news of Jesus in an InterVarsity community, and the effect was immediate! I could hear Jesus' voice in my classes as I navigated everything from Nietzsche, to global politics, to the ancient synagogue. I could see His face in the people I rubbed shoulders with during class. With InterVarsity, my experiences as a student leading a campus fellowship, and serving teenagers at Pioneer Camp, gave me the opportunity to learn about Jesus and apply his teachings as I served others.

While my life has revolved around student culture for nearly two decades, much of its face has changed dramatically. Screens and data have changed how we relate to one another. The global recession and the pandemic have shifted students' views of money, security, and purpose. Identity (how one is known) and justice (what is good) are at the forefront of most conversations. The question many ask of God is not whether He is true but rather if He is good. Thankfully, Jesus is consistently able and willing to speak to each generation and their pressing concerns.

Our context for ministry is ever-changing, as is our need to change and adapt in this season. The pandemic caused Pioneer to pivot into a family camping experience, introducing new families to our community for the past two summers. Our campus ministers have experimented with podcasts, Zoom conferences, and hybrid online/in-person community building. A workplace ministry for recent graduates has sprouted as we examine how we help youth and young adults through life's natural transitions.

A RESET

There is a large footprint and legacy of ministry in British Columbia, and we want to strengthen our ability to meet students in the transition points between camp and high school, the campus, and the workplace. Now seems like the right time to reset our ministry and grow a more collaborative regional ministry. We have a strong and growing camp ministry at Pioneer, eight campus fellowships across the province (with new fellowships on the horizon), and a burgeoning workplace ministry. With the development of a regional leadership team, the reset brings each of these

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ministries into closer collaboration within the province and opens the door to new partnerships. In the midst of everything changing around us, there is a real opportunity to grow in good directions when we work together.

There is a rich history of students, volunteers, staff, and ministry partners who have shaped ministry in British Columbia over the years. We hope to honour this legacy in new ways while stewarding our consistent aims. We're still committed to helping students Discover Jesus (Evangelism), live Undivided Lives (Discipleship), grow in Engaged Thought (Christian Thinking), develop a Global Vision (Mission), and have Growing Influence (Leadership). Through this regional reset, we believe we can hone our core values together so that we can better love, serve, and equip the next generation of children and young people!

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

Whether you are new to InterVarsity in BC, have been praying and supporting us from across the country, or have a long and storied history with us here in the province, we want to welcome you into our fellowship! Because we minister to children and young people, we need an inter-generational fellowship of people around us. Older and experienced voices are key in helping young people learn the way of Jesus.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS – MAY 13 & 14

During the second weekend of May, we will be hosting Community Meetings in Victoria (May 13) and Vancouver (May 14) for our ministry partners to hear more about the regional reset, meet our staff team, and hear about our hopes for the future. Our President, Nigel Pollock, will be joining us for these town hall-type gatherings, and we'd love to invite you to join us! You can join in person or via Zoom and can R.S.V.P. online at ivcf.ca/bc.

COME & SEE

Visit us at Pioneer throughout the year or connect with any of our campus or workplace ministers in the city. Our new Camp Director, Alex Meeking, would love to host you on Thetis Island. Campus Director Charis Goh would be happy to connect you with one of our many local campus ministries and staff. Workplace & Graduate Ministry Director James Allaway would love to have a coffee and conversation about vocation and calling. I would also love to connect with you to hear more of your story and connection with InterVarsity over the years and share more about the hope in Christ we hold for this generation of students.

Thank you so much for being a part of InterVarsity's story! We are excited for this new chapter to unfold!



Dave Nguyen-Stone
British Columbia Director

Our Team

Meet the team of staff who serve with InterVarsity at Pioneer Camp, on campuses, and in the workplace in British Columbia.

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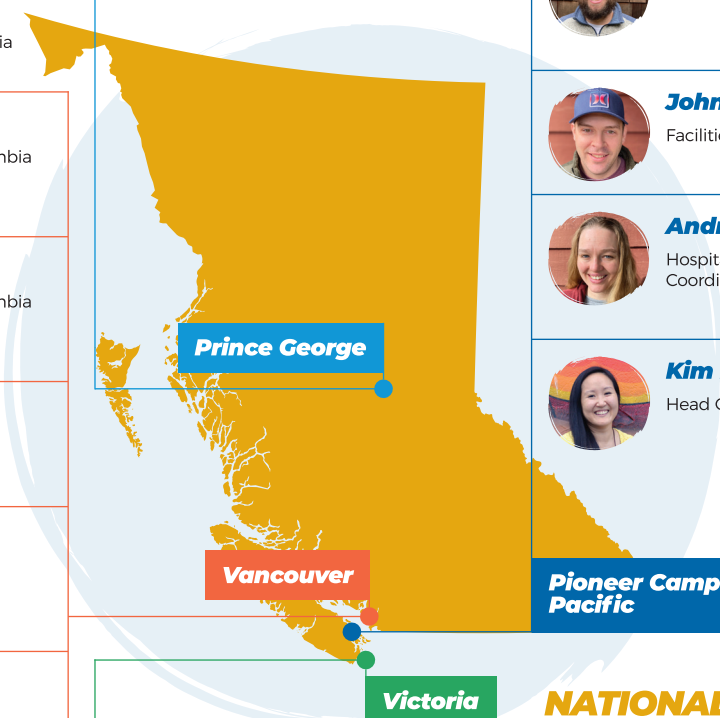
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