

Ideas for Large Groups and More

Scripture Engagement

- Preach on one of <u>these passages</u>, weaving in <u>stats</u> and <u>stories/quotes here</u> (or better yet, some of your own!)
- Preach on a <u>passage here</u>. End with training using a <u>3x3</u> such as *Building Friendships* or *Conversation Partners*. Order a 3x3 for each student.
- Invite a pastor from an immigrant or ethnic-minority local church to preach.
- For smaller groups, turn <u>these passages</u> and questions into a discipleship cycle, using <u>this guide</u> for ideas. Debrief the week after.

Prayer, Worship, & Testimonies

- Make praying for the nations a regular part of large groups, ex. ones represented by international students in your chapter or highlighted by current events etc.
- Invite an international student to share their story of meeting Jesus in the U.S., of becoming a seeker, or of their experience in the U.S. An interview format works well. (Need help finding one? Talk to an ISM staff).
- Invite a student who has studied abroad to share about their experience. Follow by comparing/contrasting their experience with international students on your campus.
- Incorporate testimonies of persecuted Christians via Open Doors or local Christians.
- Invite international students to be the emcee, even if it's on a one-time basis. (See tips on international <u>leadership development here</u>)
- Use the <u>Diverse Worship Matters</u> video series and invite international students to teach songs in their language.

Food, Fun & Misc. Ideas

- Turn these stats into a game of trivia. Winners get international candy or swag.
- Host an international potluck each semester or quarter in place of regular large groups.
- Host a culture night in place of large group. Have int'l students share food and culture. Precede or follow with teaching on God's value for different cultures.
- If there's an ISM chapter in your area, consider joint large groups every semester, combining summer small groups, or joint service projects or urban plunges.
- Show this 3-min video. Challenge American students to make international friends.
- Partner with the international center on campus to host an event (e.g., for a holiday)