



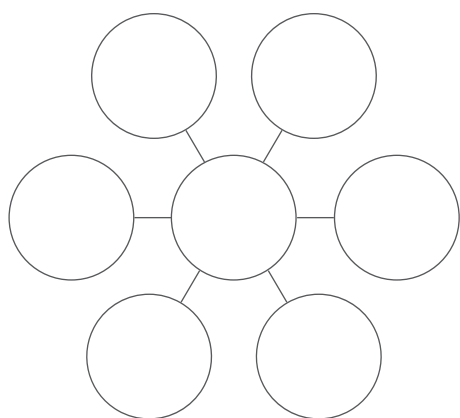
## 2 Plus Prayer Card

Pray for new faith for 2+ international friends and for the courage to help them grow towards Jesus.

### 1 PRAYER MAP

#### Open Your Eyes

Take two minutes to fill out this prayer map. Write your name in the middle and list all the non-Christian international friends you see regularly (*one name per circle*). Jesus has put them in your life!



### 3 THRESHOLDS

#### Discern

You are on a journey of Faith-exploration with your friends! The 5 Thresholds describe the phases of a typical faith journey. The descriptions in the box on the right can help you discern helpful next steps to take with your friends.

Word of wisdom: your friends may go back and forth between the thresholds, or skip a threshold. Don't panic... enjoy the journey!

Take time to pray and discern where your friend(s) are at after each time you see them. Pray with your accountability partner for your friends to move towards Jesus.

### 2 LISTENING PRAYER

#### Your Fields Are Ripe For Harvest

Ask God, "Who are the two non-Christian international friends in whom you want me to focus my prayer and energy?"

List their names below:

Pray for one minute: ask God, "How do you want me to pray for them? How might I invest in these friendships?"

Ask the Holy Spirit, "Help me to pray daily for these friends."

### 4 ENCOURAGING OPENNESS

#### Life Changing Questions

International students often become curious without being personally open. These questions can help your friends move toward openness.

Start with these two questions:

- A. What's your spiritual background?"
- B. What has surprised you the most about Christians?"

Invite them to look at Gospel passages with you, and ask:

- C. How is learning from Jesus challenging your personal values and relationships?"
- D. What are some challenges or barriers that might keep you from thinking about following Jesus?"

*I commit to pray \_\_\_ time(s) per month with my accountability partner \_\_\_\_\_ (name)*

## FIVE TRESHOLDS OR PHASES OF THE JOURNEY TO JESUS



### TRUST

Your friends have begun to trust you, but don't trust Christians in general.

#### Next Step:

Invest in your friendships and build trust. Spend time together and introduce them to other Jesus-followers.



### CURIOUS

Your friends have questions about Christianity, but it may not be personal.

#### Next Step:

Create safe space for them to ask questions. Ask them open-ended questions.



### OPEN

Your friends may enjoy Christian community and may like Jesus too, but they probably don't think that following Jesus is an option for them personally.

#### Next Step:

Ask them questions "C" and "D" under ENCOURAGING OPENNESS. Pray with them and help them bring their questions and barriers to Jesus.



### SEEKING

Your friends likely need your help to courageously identify and overcome their barriers to following Jesus.

#### Next Step:

Help them count the cost. Encourage them to try living out the words of Jesus to see that he is trustworthy. Explore stories of other internationals who have decided to follow Jesus. Encourage them to keep taking steps forward.



### FOLLOWING

Your friends have been seeking God, and now seem ready to consider following Jesus.

#### Next Step:

Ask them, "May I share how someone becomes a follower of Jesus?" Share the gospel. Discern whether to make a direct or indirect invitation to put their trust in Jesus.