

# New Beginnings

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### Fall Kick-off Meeting Students

Hello! We hope this finds you well as summer draws to a close and fall settles in. We are all back to our school year rhythms here with University students entering their second week of classes. It's great to have campus full again.

We've spent much of the last 3 weeks engaged with students during early move-in, welcome week, and the start of classes. Over the University's welcome week we had a chance to meet over 200 students interested in Illini Life and we've worked with our staff and student leaders to make sure every one of those individuals received an invite to church, small group, and the special events we have hosted. It's an exciting time with so much potential for Gospel conversations and supporting those who need a church home on campus. It's been especially encouraging to see students who accepted Christ last year jumping in to invite others this year.

At our first service on the school year we had over 80 people in attendance, that is a 60% increase from our average attendance last school year. Our on-campus small groups each had over 20 students attend the first week.

We're so thankful for the excitement and momentum of the new school year and eager to be used by God to impact this generation of students for Jesus. To that end, each Friday we're still hosting our Free Coffee tent on the main quad. It's provided a great place for students who are spiritually interested to begin talking with us and learning about Jesus, and eventually come to church or small group and continue to move toward faith in Christ.

New this year, we've paired our evangelism time with the Free Coffee tent. We wrap up coffee tent at noon and then at 1PM we return the heart of campus to engage in Spiritual Conversations and share the Gospel with students in and around the Illini Union and Main Quad.

We invite you to pray for the 200+ students we've met so far to find a church home and follow Jesus in their college years. And we invite you to pray for our times of outreach and evangelism on Fridays from 9am-2pm each week.

### Continued Support Needs

We are so thankful for many of you responding to our needs for additional support, replacing lost support and accommodating the growing needs of our family. It's a joy to be partnered with you all in this Gospel work. If you'd like to increase your gift, start a gift, or have further questions about our work we'd love to talk to you about that.

### Prayer Requests

- Praise God for the 200+ students we had a chance to meet and invite to church.
- For continued growth of Illini Life and opportunities to share Jesus with students on campus.
- For additional monthly support.

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#### Where We Live

**ILLINI LIFE WELCOMES YOU!** TIMES & LOCATIONS: ILLINILIFE.ORG/MEET

**BIBLE STUDIES**

- Ike Group** • Mondays at 7:30pm
- Off-Campus Group** • Tuesdays at 5:00pm
- Grad Group** • Thursdays at 6:00pm
- LAR Group** • Thursdays at 7:30pm

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Every Sunday  
Huff Hall 112  
10:30am

**FREE COFFEE**

Every Friday on the Main Quad  
10:00am - noon

