

How to Use This Guide

- Pray through one theme each day.
- Include first-year students, international students, and campus groups (Ignite, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Young Life, InterVarsity).
- Walk the campus or pray from your home/church.
- Record Scriptures, impressions, and answered prayers.
- Use on a rolling four-week schedule throughout the fall semester.

Week 1 — God's Presence Draws Us Near

Focus: God's presence is our foundation. (Exodus 33:15)

- First-Year Students — Courage, community, open hearts (Joshua 1:9; Psalm 68:6)
- International Students — Welcome, safety, clear next steps (Leviticus 19:34; Acts 17:26–27)
- Ignite Student Leaders — Wisdom, compassion, spiritual strength (Colossians 1:28–29)
- Unity Among Campus Ministries — Serve side-by-side (John 17:21; Ephesians 4:3)
- Campus Awakening — Openness to God and His Word (Isaiah 64:1–2)
- Personal Surrender — Walk in step with the Spirit (Romans 12:1–2)
- Quick Connections — Students find a local church and on-campus ministry (Psalm 84:10)

Week 2 — God's Presence in Every Season

Focus: Trusting God in joy and in silence. (Psalm 22:1; Matthew 28:20)

- Transitions — Peace for the lonely or homesick (Psalm 34:18)
- Stress & Mental Health — God's comfort amid academic pressure (Philippians 4:6–7)
- When God Feels Distant — Steadfast hearts (Hebrews 10:23)
- Meaningful Conversations — Spirit-led moments in dorms, classes, cafés (Acts 8:29–31)
- Cross-Cultural Friendships — Understanding and unity (Ephesians 2:13–14)
- Strength for Student Leaders — Endurance and joy (Galatians 6:9)
- Breakthrough Encounters with Jesus — Life-changing moments across campus (John 4:28–30)

Week 3 — God's Presence Through His People

Focus: Students live as God's dwelling place. (2 Corinthians 6:16)

- Courage to Speak — Clear, loving witness about Jesus (Acts 4:29–31)
- Faith-Building Friendships — Iron-sharpens-iron relationships (Proverbs 27:17)
- Integrity & Holiness — Distinct lives in thought, speech, and action (1 Peter 2:9)
- Hospitality — Open rooms, shared meals, generous hearts (Romans 12:13)
- Raising New Leaders — Students who disciple others (2 Timothy 2:2)
- Gospel Reach Beyond PLU — Seniors and grads sent well (Acts 1:8)
- Renewed Vision — Clear, Spirit-led strategy for every campus ministry (Habakkuk 2:2–3)

Week 4 — God's Presence as Encounter

Focus: God's presence breaks in with power, signs, and bold witness. (Acts 1:8)

- Boldness in Faith — Live courageously for Jesus (Acts 4:29–31)
- Holy Spirit Encounters — Fresh fillings, dreams, and encounters (Joel 2:28–29)
- Opportunities to Witness — Open doors in conversations, classes, and dorms (Colossians 4:3–4)
- Signs and Wonders — God confirming His Word (Mark 16:20)
- Freedom & Deliverance — Freedom from addiction, shame, and fear (Luke 4:18–19)
- Joy in Evangelism — Natural, joy-filled sharing of faith (1 Thessalonians 1:5–6)
- Kingdom Breakthrough — Tastes of revival on campus (Acts 8:5–8)

PLU Snapshot (for Prayer)

- Enrollment: ~2,700 undergraduates; ~200 graduate students
- Residence Halls: Harstad • Hinderlie • Hong International • Kreidler • Ordal • Stuen • Pflueger • Tingelstad • South Hall (apartments)
- International Students: Middle East — Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates; Asia — China, Vietnam, South Korea, Japan, India; Europe — Norway, Sweden, Germany, UK; Africa — Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa; Americas — Mexico, Brazil, Canada
- Athletics (NCAA D-III): Basketball, Soccer, Track & Field, Cross Country, Baseball, Softball, Football (men), Volleyball (women), Swimming, Tennis, Golf
- Popular Majors: Nursing • Business • Education • Biology • Psychology • Communication • Computer Science • Kinesiology/Exercise Science • Environmental Studies • Music • Political Science

Key Fall Dates (through November)

- International Student Arrival: Wednesday, August 27, 2025
- New Student Orientation: August 30 – September 3
- First Day of Classes: Tuesday, September 2, 2025
- Engagement Fair: Thursday, September 4, 2025
- Family Weekend: October 11–12
- Midterms: October 20–24
- Thanksgiving Break: November 26–30