

**Dear ISI Family,**

Our Board of Trustees met in October via Zoom for our biannual meeting. The meeting began on October 22 with a rich time of prayer together, asking the Lord to impart his wisdom upon this group. Please allow me to share some of the highlights from our meeting so that you have perspective on the business items addressed:

- Our board is led by the chair, Steven Heinz, who coordinates all activities and discussions and ensures that the agenda is covered.
- We received excellent field reports from our two staff field representatives, Jason Casper and Calen Thomas. They each reported on ministry activities in their areas, and each report was followed by prayer for them and their ministry. A link to a separate memorandum from them with their report and observations can be found in this Monday's Weekly Message.
- Various board members shared devotionals and passages of scripture that applies to the time of transition facing ISI and the unique opportunities ISI has to make the Lord known globally.
- Ministry Milestone results and trends for School Year 2020 were noted as follows:
  - 47,596 students introduced to ISI
  - An estimated 5,693 decisions for Christ from field reports
  - 5,410 discipleship relationships that were developed
- Exciting ministry initiatives in each of the four (4) ISI U.S. regions including:
  - TRUE online conference in June - 43 students attended representing 24 countries, including 31 Christians and 12 from other backgrounds!
  - UT Dallas hosting an Online Big Howdy, though less than the in-person event, still ministered to hundreds of new students.
  - 2 SE/GL Region Zoom calls per month, bringing great fellowship and sharing and caring among staff.
  - The Northeast Bible Institute retreat was held in-person in Ithaca July 31-August 4th with 8 Christian students from 6 countries.

As usual, the board also took care of several administrative items such as approvals for those who receive a minister's housing allowance and review of upcoming personnel needs.

We continue to trust and rely upon the Lord's strength, as He tells us in Jeremiah 32, *"I am the Lord, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for me?"* We cling to this truth as ISI embarks upon a wonderful opportunity to reach new heights as we, through the grace of God, continue to carry His Gospel to the ends of the earth!

Together in Christ,

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