Missions Update

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MISSIONS FOCUS: Ashley Bauer-Yuen, InterVarsity, Asian American Staff

Our Missionaries, their health and ministries affected by Covid-19

From today's bulletin

This morning, we are privileged to welcome Ashley Bauer-Yuen and her husband, Matt to our services. She has a table in the lobby for questions/information about her ministry or about InterVarsity. Please stop by and say hello!

Ashley regularly sends updates to which you can subscribe. Some highlights from her latest newsletter (December 13) She is planning and helping coordinate IV's Asian American Staff Conference, March 1-4, 2022 in Southern California.

Some of the projects she is working on: Communal Evangelism, Resource Blogs, and Southeast Asian Scripture Guides.

Prayer Needs: 25% more funding (about \$10k) to be fully funded; Asian American students. To read more of her updates, please see our website. To contact: ashley.bauer@intervarsity.org

For more updates, visit <u>bacbc.org/missions</u>.

To read recent newsletters, see below! (December 2021, November 2021, October 2021, August 2021)

Thank you for reading about and praying for our missionaries, countries and people locally and globally!



Ministry Updates! Loving Asian America & 75% funded!

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Ministry Updates

Developing resources for Asian American Ministries







Planning the upcoming AAMSC Conference!

I am excited to be this year's Asian American Staff Conference plenary coordinator. I will be helping execute and plan the main conference sessions that will play a key role in developing and caring for all our Asian American staff who will be coming from all across the country. We are excited to safely gather together and dive into the theme of Loving Asian America.

Additionally, I will be planning and creating a pre-conference space for Asian American staff who work directly with Asian American students on campus. It will be a time to equip staff with resources for their ministries and to provide direction on how to navigate topics that are important to students today.

Projects in the works! *sneak peak*

It's been a busy season for the Asian American department! As we look towards the new year, we've been dreaming of new resources and tools that can help Asian Americans minister to students.

Here are a few projects I have been managing and developing. Feel free to email me about them!

- 1. Communal Evangelism
- 2. Resource Blogs
- 3. Southeast Asian Scripture Guides

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who has supported me in my new role this year! It's been amazing to see new and long time supporters continue to support me and my work. I love the opportunity I get to be a part of developing resource.

Prayer Requests

Pray for my funding! With pledges I'm **75%** funded! Which means I still have about **\$10,000** more to raise for my budget. Please pray that as the year is coming to an end, that God will provide financial support.

<u>Pray for Asian American students</u> - The last couple months of school have shown us that many students are still transitioning and adjusting to being back on campus and in community. Asian American students especially are learning to re-engage with scripture, finding consistent community, and understanding what's important to them.



Highlights:

Matt & I cut down another Christmas tree! Well...our friends Chris and Anna did. But the tradition continues!



Ministry Updates! Spoke at Cornell & Learning from GenZ

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Cornell University with the AAIV Chapter

A few weeks ago, I virtually gave a talk with the Asian American Intervarsity chapter at Cornell University. It was the first time in a while since a gave a talk! It was fun and I'm learning that I really enjoy it.

The topic was *Doubt & Skepticism:* In times of uncertainty. We dove into the story of Moses and one particular conversation with God. Realized that doubts are as unique as someone's story and background, God is intentionally present with Moses in his uncertainties, and when we take risks in our uncertainties we begin to add form and shape to our faith.

Resource Projects: Communal Evangelism

Contextualized evangelism training for Asian American students on campus.

This resource has already been developed and tested with AA chapters. We are now designing the resource as an on-campus training, where staff can use it as part of their leadership/evangelism training. We will be partnering up with our IV media team to create visual assets. Training will be ready for next academic year.

Learning to develop better resources for GenZ

Our department has been in conversations about learning how to develop resources for GenZ students. We've learned a lot of valuable things so far.

We are specifically wrestling with the question, how do we create better resources for Asian American GenZ students. We spent time and will continue to learn from our staff about AA GenZ students and what they value or care about.

Consider a one-time gift this season to sustain Ashley's work to support AA staff and students.

Support Ashley's Ministry

Prayer Requests

- 1. **Pray as we discern resources for GenZ.** I've enjoyed learning a lot so far but I also want to steward all this learning well. It's a value of mine to bless the GenZ AA students.
- 2. **Pray for all AA Staff of AA chapters.** Many AA staff and students sprinted at the start of the semester. I get a sense there's a motive to make up for lost time and lost connections. Pray that God would fill the AA staff and AA students up as the semester will finish up.



Completed a Bible Study Series & Looking Ahead!

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Have you eaten yet? Small Group Series Completed

The Have you Eaten Yet? Small Group Series is now complete! With eight guides for Asian American small groups to explore God's hospitality, it will facilitate good conversation, story-sharing, Bible study, and reflection. We hope students will get a taste of God's welcome and care for them and their communities.



Upcoming Resources and Projects

Our next big project will be focusing on resources for the Asian American Ministries Staff Conference (AAMSC) this coming spring.

We will soon be working with the communications department to refine and add more to our evangelism resources.

Financial Support Updates

I am currently projected to be 75% funded! A special thanks to my long term ministry partners, new ministry partners, those who increased their giving, and grants.

I know there's still more to go but I've been very thankful for the generosity that has made it possible thus far!

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Prayer Requests

- Pray as we discern what to develop next. We are excited to develop more resources but discerning what AA staff and students need will be a big task. Pray for us as we survey and conversate with AA staff.
- Praying for a community. Since moving we've gotten to connect with new/old friends and family. However, we still haven't found a church community yet. Pray for us as we continue to check out different church communities here in the Twin Cities.

Personal Updates!

Matt and I took our first ever vacation together to NYC! We had so much fun and hope do more of in the future!



We saw Broadway shows and spent hours nerding out at four different museums!







New AA Resources ready for the Fall!

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Asian American Resources for the Fall Semester!



Check out our new resource library

Since starting the new resource role, I've been compiling resources for the fall semester. I helped edit, format, and organize the all different resources we had for Asian American students. This is the first time the Asian American Ministries Department has launched a resource library. We hope to expand it even more and host a resource library database on our website.

Our aim is to help IV honor and reach all Asian American communities on campus with the gospel to bless their communities and the world.

We've compiled here resources for Asian American planting, evangelism, Bible studies, and more. Included are also some specific resources for Pilipino, South Asian, and Southeast Asian communities.

Check out the Resource Library!

Have you eaten yet? Small Group Series

In addition to compiling resources for the library, I also completed a four part Bible study series for our outreach campaign.

Our hope is that Asian American students will develop deeper relationships with God and others in a way that is familiar to them in this series and gain a renewed sense of belonging and hospitality in the kingdom of God.



What's included in the series:

- Isaiah 25 & 55
- Luke 14
- Acts 2
- Story Sharing Guides

Check out the HYEY Series!

Financial Support Needs

I'm almost 40% funded. I unfortunately lost half of my financial support network when I transitioned into the new role. I've cut my hours back a little bit to offset some of the budget for this year.

Would you consider joining my financial support team or increasing your current monthly giving for this year?

If you have questions, don't hesitate to ask! If you're an AAIV UW-Madison Alumni and wondering if your financially supporting AAIV UW-Madison Chapter or my current work with AAM department, please let me know how I can help clarify anything about your support.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for my grandfather who had a stroke almost two weeks
 ago. He is okay and home now. Both Matt and I will be making trips to
 my grandparents and relatives once a week to help them out with their
 farmer's market stands, which is their main income-source until my
 grandfather feels physically well enough.
- 2. Pray for students and staff as they have already started planning for the fall semester! Pray that the resources made available will help equip them for this season.
- 3. Pray that the AAM Department and myself as we discern the need the next resource projects.
- 4. **Pray for my funding.** That my networks can grow as we navigate getting established into a community here in the twin cities.