

Bridges Bulletin



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Whew! We have made it through the flurry of activity that comes with the start of a new school year and have settled into some degree of normalcy. Starting mid August we had a table set up daily near the union to promote Bridges and the upcoming activities we had planned. A few days before classes started we were part of a lunch activity specifically for international students to learn about religious groups on campus. Then the night before classes started we participated in a massive fair called *Passport to ASU* that took place throughout several campus buildings, exposing students to more than 800 student organizations available for them to participate in (photo 1). A few days later we hosted a Welcome Party to introduce internationals to the variety of services and activities that Bridges offers. (Photo 2) The following Friday was our first Bridges meeting where we gave away a bicycle to a lucky first time attendee (Photo 3), and the next day we loaded up a charter bus for a trip to the Grand Canyon. (Photo 4) Like I said ... WHEW!

In addition to an upcoming gold panning trip and a Fall Festival in the mountains our next big push is for students to attend the Vision winter break conference. Vision is a 5-day conference for International and American students to experience Personal Growth, Global Community, and Spiritual Conversations - this year it will be in Washington D.C. Please join me in praying for many to attend this life-changing event.

Throughout all these activities, the real goal is relationships. We want to take advantage of every opportunity to build trust and friendships which can lead to spiritual discussions. I've had the privilege to have a few deep discussions with students. Some of the questions they have asked me in the last week include "What is the purpose of life?" from a South Asian, and the sincere question "Will I get rich if I'm a Christian?" From a Chinese student. Good stuff!

As always, thank you very much for your part in what we are able to see God doing, by your prayer and financial investments.

