Chapter FOCUS Week

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How many times have you wished you had the time to study the Bible, pray, and focus on doing God’s will, without all the distractions you normally face?

Chapter FOCUS Week is a time to join others from your chapter for leadership training, Christian growth, and vision forming. Together you’ll be better equipped to grow in your relationship with God and to engage your friends and campus with the gospel of Jesus.

Each day you’ll spend time in the training track you have chosen, work and play with friends, worship, and hear excellent Bible teaching.

Our goals in Chapter FOCUS Week are:
TO MEET and be transformed by the Lord.
TO GROW together and be equipped as witnessing communities.
TO ADVANCE the gospel, starting with the university.

Chapter FOCUS Week (Choose one of these tracks)

HOPE HAS ITS REASONS
Facing a skeptical professor or doubting friend? Wanting to introduce your sorority, your fraternity, or your dorm to Jesus? Have your own questions? We face many questions about and objections to the Christian faith: “It’s offensive to claim Jesus is the only way.” “How can a good God allow evil and suffering?” “You oppose homosexuality, so you can’t be loving.” “God doesn’t belong in the classroom.” Working together, we will seek to understand these obstacles to faith, look for answers to these challenges, and learn how to lead our friends closer to Jesus. We will develop biblical and relational responses to issues like homosexuality, the rejection of faith’s role in our society, and the exclusivity of Jesus. Each of you will also have an opportunity to work on a question of your choice and get the help you need in order to “give reasons for the hope that is within you.”

THE EDGE
The edge of what? You may be on the edge of a major breakthrough in your growth as a Christian. Maybe you recently became a Christian or maybe you are on the edge of becoming a Christian for the first time. Whatever you are on the edge of, this track will help you over the edge into a new place of growth in your faith in Jesus. Some of the topics we will cover include:
• What it means to give God 100%
• How we can find healing from our own brokenness through worship
• How to build healthy relationships
• What an authentic relationship with Jesus looks like

THE AMAZING RACE
Grow your faith by giving it away. Many of us long to experience God more deeply, to be more convinced of the power of the gospel and the love of God. We desire to be naturally bold in sharing our faith. Yet we may struggle with doubts or lack of excitement about our personal experience of Jesus. We may be unsure how to speak about Jesus effectively and attractively. This track will help you experience the good news of Jesus more deeply and communicate more enthusiastically the message of God’s amazing grace.
You will learn to:
• Rely on the power and presence of the Holy Spirit
• Get beyond superficial conversation and into deeper spiritual dialogue with your friends
• Speak about Jesus naturally and persuasively
• Lead a Group Investigating God (GIG) on your campus
• Help your chapter gain a passion and vision for reaching the lost on campus
Come run with us the amazing race, learning to receive and share amazing grace!

SMALL GROUP LEADERS TRAINING
This track is designed to prepare students to lead small group Bible-centered witnessing communities on campus.
• Learn to lead others in finding the central truth of a scripture passage and applying it to everyday life
• Become more effective in strengthening interpersonal and small group relationships
• Grow in motivation, skills and vision for personal and small group witness
• Learn to shepherd a small group following the biblical model of leadership
• Lead a small group Bible study and learn by observing other leaders
ENCOUNTERING GOD
As believers, we desire to worship God with all of our heart, mind, soul and strength. We know what it is to have our hearts filled with praise and adoration towards God and yet we seek to know more of him still. In Encountering God, we will explore our worship of God through:
• Deepening our experience of God’s presence
• Seeking to understand God’s response to our own pain and suffering and that which we see in the world around us
• Growing in our understanding of God’s character and attributes

PURSUITING THE KINGDOM OF GOD:
BECOMING AGENTS OF JUSTICE
AND RACIAL RECONCILIATION
Living as a kingdom Christian and as a racial reconciler is both a joy and a challenge. There is tremendous joy in building deep relationships with Christian brothers and sisters of other ethnicities. There is a real challenge as one faces issues of prejudice and racism in oneself and in one’s culture. In this track, we will seek to recover a broader biblical understanding of God’s vision for God’s people and world—reconciled, restored and flourishing. We will explore personal ethnic identity development and current problems with race and injustice in our Christian communities, our society, and ourselves. In addition, we will suggest ways to actively pursue racial reconciliation and justice personally and through the lives of our chapters.

LOVING GOD’S STORY: A BIBLE SURVEY
In reading the Bible, we often can’t see the forest for the trees! The Bible can appear to us as disconnected pieces of a jigsaw puzzle and we aren’t sure what the picture looks like when the pieces are assembled. This track will help you see the big picture. You will see the whole of scripture and how it fits together. Span the centuries and hear stories in the Bible afresh. See how each piece fits into the whole. Along our journey you too will find your own place in God’s magnificent story.

LEADERSHIP TEAM
This is a week for your chapter leadership team to pray, build relationships, seek God’s purposes for your campus and plan for the coming year. You’ll meet with God, work as a team on the planning process, and catch a vision for how God can use your chapter on campus. Biblical teaching, vision casting, conversations with chapter leaders from other schools, and training in biblical leadership combine to make a life-changing week.
Requirement: at least 4 of your leadership team members for the coming year plus your IVCF staff member or other resource person must participate together.

MARK I
Come live with Jesus in chapters 1–8 of Mark’s Gospel. Using a manuscript study format, we will meet Jesus together in a new way. If you:
• Want a fresh, up close and personal encounter with Jesus
• Want to learn more about the nature and values of God’s Kingdom
• Want to learn Bible study skills to enrich your personal and group Bible study and worship then Mark I is for you!

MARK II: THE KING WHO SERVES
Mark II is the continuation of Mark I (Chapters 9–16). Dive into the rest of the story. Meet Jesus in the climax of his life, death and resurrection. See the unfolding tragedy as his enemies and his followers struggle to understand who he is and what to do with him.

CREW
Is it really significant spiritual service to clean bathrooms, haul firewood and slice mountains of vegetables? Yes! Work alongside Cedar Campus staff and crew as we make it possible for others to sit at Jesus’ feet. This week-long practicum in serving as Jesus served is ideal for graduating seniors about to enter the “service industry” of their careers.
Because of your work schedule, you will not always be free when students in other tracks are free. However, all Crew Track participants will be able to attend evening worship, exposition and chapter prayer.
The only requirements are:
• A desire to serve God and others whole-heartedly
• A willingness to work hard and learn new skills
• A joyful and uncomplaining spirit (by choice or nature!)
• A humble and teachable heart
• OR, a desire for growth in any of these areas!
The cost for this option is the $25 registration fee for Chapter FOCUS Week.
SLT School of Leadership Training

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More information: www.cedarcampus.org

PREPARATION FOR A LIFETIME

Making God the central priority of your life, being a more effective influence for Christ on campus and being a better student leader are what the School of Leadership Training (SLT) is all about. SLT is designed to help you prepare for a lifetime of service as a disciple of Jesus Christ. In the context of God’s beautiful creation at Cedar Campus you will experience:

- solid biblical teaching
- concentrated time with other Christian students and InterVarsity staff
- time alone to reflect upon God
- training in Christian leadership

We spend thousands of dollars and years of our lives preparing for a career. Yet we often spend little time and money learning the most important aspect of life—loving the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength and our neighbor as ourselves. The School of Leadership Training offers a month to do just that.

CHARACTER AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The focus of this training will be twofold: building Christlike character and developing leadership skills.

Through a combination of morning workshops, individual study, role play, personal interaction with staff, and practice of leadership skills, you will experience some of the best training InterVarsity has to offer.

Personal Life of a Leader...
Learn the spiritual disciplines and godly character formation that are foundational to Christian discipleship and imperative to Christian leadership.

Interpersonal Life of a Leader...
Understand and experience (1) healthy friendships (2) Christian community and (3) the responsibility of leaders to initiate relationships.

Skills of a Leader...
Develop skills that will increase your effectiveness as a student leader in your chapter and on campus.

Mission of a Leader...
Understand the kind of world we live in, its effect on your life, and how to influence others for change.

LIVING AND LEARNING IN COMMUNITY

You will be part of a family group that meets daily to discuss the teaching, to pray together and to help one another apply what you are learning from God. During the course of the month, the family group members get to know one another well, learn the qualities of relationships and provide a supportive context in which to learn and grow.
Bible teaching and worship are central to the SLT program. Each day a Bible expositor speaks from the Scripture, clarifying its content and making application to contemporary student life and to qualities of Christian leadership. Students respond to what they are learning through thoughtful and heartfelt worship.

PERSONAL TIME WITH GOD
Time is set aside daily for personal quiet time with the Lord, including an extended period of time each Sunday to commune with God and allow the teaching to soak in and become a part of your life. Through this time of personal Bible study, prayer, meditation and journaling, patterns are set for the rest of your life.

RECREATION
Situated on the shores of Lake Huron, Cedar Campus provides a wealth of outdoor activities. Volleyball, sailing, basketball, swimming and hiking are offered as elective classes in the afternoons.

(Other elective classes – anything from swing dancing to basket weaving – may be offered by SLT students and InterVarsity staff as time, energy and talents permit!)

In addition to these classes there is ample time to take part in recreation on your own. Interested in attending SLT 2005? Contact your InterVarsity Staff Member.

SLT SPEAKERS

Mack Stiles has served as the Southeast Regional Director for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and is currently with InterVarsity Link serving in the Middle East. With his wife, Leann, he has co-directed more than a dozen short-term mission trips in Kenya, the Middle East and Central America. He is the author of Speaking of Jesus (IVP 1995), Seventeen Things My Kids Taught Me About God (IVP 1998), and has co-authored along with his wife, Mack and Leann’s Guide to Short Term Missions (IVP 2000). Mack is a gifted communicator and teacher and captures the attention of his audiences with riveting stories. Mack is married to Leann and they have three boys.

The Reverend Michael Wilcock was formerly director of pastoral studies at Trinity College, Bristol. He has now also retired from many years of pastoring churches in the United Kingdom, most recently St. Nicholas’ Church, Durham. He is the author of several Bible commentaries in The Bible Speaks Today series published by InterVarsity Press including, The Message of Chronicles (IVP 1987), The Message of Judges (IVP 1993), and a two volume set, The Message of Psalms (IVP 2001).

Lisa Espineli Chinn first came to the US as an International graduate student from the Philippines. She has an MA in Communication from Wheaton Graduate School in Wheaton, Illinois. After graduation she worked among International students in Philadelphia and returned to the Philippine-IVCF where she served as a campus staff member and started the Literature/Media Department and the Grad Team Ministry. In 1979 she joined IVCF-USA and worked with college campuses in the greater Washington DC area. After 3 years as a Campus Staff Member she served with her husband as staff of International Students Inc. Lisa has worked among International students for over 20 years in various capacities. Lisa was an Urbana ’03 Bible teacher and has been serving as International Student Ministries Director of IVCF/USA since August 2000. Lisa is married to Leiton and they have a married daughter, Lani (Brian); Eric, a junior in college and Lea, a senior in high school.
General Information

WHAT TO BRING
Clothing for variable weather. Temperatures in Upper Michigan can range from 40–70°F through May/June.
- Money for books, snacks, IFES offerings
- Bedding or sleeping bag
- Towel, toiletries
- Camera
- Flashlight
- Swimsuit
- Bible, notebook
- Musical instrument
- Your own mountain bike and helmet to use on nearby trails (a full set of bed sheets is available for an additional $4.00 per person/per week—at Cedar Campus only)

OUR SECOND SITE
During our larger weeks we also use Timber Wolf Lake (TW). See page 8 for details.

INFORMATION FOR THE PHYSICALLY DISABLED
Unfortunately, facilities are not all barrier-free and buildings are not easily accessible for wheelchairs. Those using a wheelchair should plan to bring their own attendant to help them deal with these campus limitations.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- Cedar Campus offers a sauna for an additional cost of $1.00 per person per use.
- Timber Wolf Lake has many recreation options including a full gym, game room, mountain bikes and more.
- If you choose to attend two weeks of training, you may deduct $20 from the second week.

FINANCES
It is our goal to not make the cost of training a barrier to any student’s participation. Financial aid is available on a need basis. Arrangements must be made prior to arrival at training. Contact your local IVCF staff member for details concerning scholarships and other ideas for meeting your financial needs.
- The full cost of Chapter FOCUS Week is $348. A subsidized rate of $298 is available if you honestly cannot pay the full amount. The subsidized rate is available because of gifts from alumni and staff fund-raising efforts.
- Additional scholarship or deferred payment forms must be filled out completely AND approved by a staff member and/or area director BEFORE you arrive. If we have not received these forms by the time you arrive, you may not get financial aid.
- A registration fee of $25 must be sent with your registration for each event. It will be applied to your final cost (chart, page 7). Feel free to enclose your total cost, if you prefer. It will speed up your registration process and delight our office staff!
- If your registration is postmarked after the deadline (chart, page 7), you will be charged a late fee of $20 beyond the cost of the event.

NOTE TO PARENTS
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) has been working with students in America’s colleges and universities since 1939. Students have been attending summer programs at IVCF’s Cedar Campus since 1954.

InterVarsity serves a collegiate campus ministry dedicated to the instruction and training of students and faculty in the areas of evangelism, discipleship, and missions. Campus staff members are on hand to assist the students and student leaders of the InterVarsity chapters on their campuses. Through on-campus visits, small and large group meetings, seminars, weekend conferences, and summer training programs, students learn to be more effective in their own Christian walk, in their witness to those around them, and in prayerful consideration of their part in the worldwide outreach of the church of Jesus Christ. InterVarsity is distinguished by its indigenous approach, believing that students are the best suited to reach out to their peers.

If you would like more information and/or clergy and lay Christian references for IVCF and the programs it sponsors, write or call:

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Madison, WI 53707-7895
608-274-9001
www.intervarsity.org
**REGISTRATION**

**Due BEFORE you arrive:**
- The form, at right, with all three parts filled out completely.
- Registration fee ($25) enclosed for EACH registration.
- Scholarship or Deferred Payment forms, signed by your staff.

**Due WHEN you arrive at the training center:**
- The balance of your fees (total price minus registration fee).
- Late fee ($20) if applicable (see chart below for deadlines).

We begin with supper on the first day and end with breakfast on the last day. If you arrive after 6:30 p.m., supper is your own responsibility. Students are expected to attend the entire training time. No fee adjustments can be made for shortened stays unless arranged before the deadline.

**TO REGISTER:**
Fill out and send the right half of this page with a $25 registration fee* (check or money order made out to IVCF) to:

P.O. Box 425
Cedarville, MI 49809

or (only if applicable) to:
Timber Wolf Lake Registrar
2020 Hogback Road, Suite 3
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

*Please note: The registration fee is non-refundable.

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**School of Leadership Training:**
July 8–August 4, 2006

**DEADLINE:** June 23

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**This registration is for:**
- **CFW**
- **SLT**

(Complete separate forms for each event)

**Liability Release Form**

1. In consideration for being accepted and allowed to participate in this conference/project and activities associated with its program and location, I personally assume responsibility for my actions, and release InterVarsity Christian Fellowship/USA® (hereafter InterVarsity®), its Trustees, employees and agents from loss, injury or damage to myself or my property; provided that nothing contained herein shall exonerate InterVarsity, its Trustees, employees or agents from responsibility to act with reasonable care for the safety of myself or my property.

2. I give permission to InterVarsity to be photographed, recorded, and/or video taped and to allow this material to be used for publicity.

3. I give permission to InterVarsity to obtain medical assistance in the event of an emergency. This permission will include the administration of medicines, surgical treatment, X-ray examination or hospitalization as might be ordered by a licensed medical doctor. I release and discharge InterVarsity, its Trustees, employees, and agents from any liability for any fault and rendered or treatment performed pursuant to this consent.

4. I understand that InterVarsity has a hostage policy that states InterVarsity should not yield to demands, including the payment of ransom or other extortions, issued through the use of hostage taking or extortion.

5. I, if I am under age 18 (if you are, please check here □), state that I am a mature minor (of college age and living away from parent/guardian) and have the capacity to consent to the terms of this Release.

**My ethnic heritage** (check all that apply)

- African American/Mark
- Asian
- Native American/Alaskan Native/First Nations
- Spanish/Latino
- Middle Eastern
- White/Caucasian
- Multi-Racial/Multi-Ethnic
- Other $_________

**SLT Questions:**
I think of myself as an:
- introvert
dd extrovert

I'm coming (see chart at left)

- Full Price $998
- Subsidy Price $898

**Personal Information**

- Male □ Female □
- First Name ____________________________
- Last Name ____________________________
- College Address City State ZIP
- Address good until / / 
- Phone ( )

**Dates of Training**

- School ____________ Year you will graduate ____________
- Chapter ____________
- Permanent Address City State ZIP
- Phone ( )

**Email Address**

- Email good until / / 

- Send my track assignment and general info to me by (Pick ONE):
  - E-mail to the above address
  - Regular mail to my permanent address

**In case of emergency, notify:**

- Phone ( )

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**Printed Name of Parent/Guardian Date**

**Signature**

I certify that I am competent to sign this Release, and have done so voluntarily.

** Arbitration**

Any claim or dispute arising from or related to this release shall be settled by mediation and, if necessary, legally binding arbitration in accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Christian Conciliation of the Institute for Christian Conciliation. A complete copy of the text of the Rules is available at www.HisPeace.org), subject to provisions of federal, state and local law governing arbitration, including, but not limited to jurisdiction and allocation and payment of costs. Judgment upon any arbitration decision may be entered in any court otherwise having jurisdiction. These methods shall be the sole remedy for any controversy or claim arising out of this release and I expressly waive my right to file a lawsuit in any civil court against InterVarsity for such disputes, except to enforce an arbitration decision. I certify that I am competent to sign this Release, and have done so voluntarily.

**Printed Name of Parent/Guardian Date**

**Signature**
CEDAR CAMPUS INFORMATION

Cedar Campus is a beautiful retreat center that includes three sites on several miles of Lake Huron shoreline. The beauty of the area and excellent recreational options (hiking, volleyball, basketball, kayaking, sailing, swimming) make it a unique place—but it is also special because thousands of students have met God and have seen their lives changed during their time at Cedar Campus. Participants are housed in dorm-style lodges and cabins.

CEDAR CAMPUS LOCATION

Cedar Campus is seven miles east of Cedarville, Michigan (35 miles from the Mackinac Bridge on Michigan Highway 134, which is intersected by I-75). Detailed information about travel and what to bring will be sent upon receipt of registration.

TIMBER WOLF LAKE INFORMATION

Located in the northern part of Michigan’s Lower Peninsula near Lake City, Michigan, Timber Wolf Lake sits on approximately 876 acres of beautifully timbered land. It provides an ideal setting to get away from the noise and distraction of everyday life. Timber Wolf Lake has three comfortable dormitories designed with a logging era theme. Each dorm has eight cabins with a spacious lobby, its own bathroom and a reading lamp at every bed. Handicap-accessible rooms are also available.

TIMBER WOLF LAKE LOCATION

Timber Wolf Lake is 20 miles from Cadillac, MI and 4.5 miles north of Lake City, MI on Highway M 66. It’s the next left after the Missaukee Mountain Ski Hill. Detailed information about travel and what to bring will be sent upon receipt of registration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, BROCHURES, OR PRICES, CONTACT:

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