



Campus Ministry in Our Central Texas Conference

“Campus Ministry is somewhat of a window through which we learn and prepare for more effective outreach and ministry to the next generations of adults. As the extension of the United Methodist Church, Campus Ministry is an abiding presence of the church, a familiar haven for some and a new found home for others. It exemplifies the love of Christ as students struggle with significant life issues.”

~ Campus Minister

Student Thoughts From Central Texas Colleges & Universities

- “One of the most important contributions made by Campus Ministry lies in the area of developing friendships. This is a place to meet other people with similar interests. The friendships I have developed through Campus Ministry have made a big difference in my student life.”
- “Campus Ministry has given me guidance, faith, hope, leadership, strength, friendship, life, wisdom, and spirituality. Thank God for it.”
- “Campus Ministry draws students of different ethnicities, cultural and religious backgrounds to join for worship and fellowship, exchange of ideologies and cultures which is a crucial part of an educational experience. Students from all over the world gather under one roof, with one common focus.”
- “Campus Ministry has provided real personal growth for me. For example, I used to see people of different races and cultures merely on the outside, but now I know them as real people. Even though the skin is different, I know we’re all the same on the inside; I really appreciate that. Now I’m free to be myself.”



Enlightening Facts About Campus Ministry

- There are more than 16 million college students in the United States.
- 70%-80% of entering students across the nation have no religious background or faith connection
- United Methodist Campus Ministry is inclusive, providing spiritual formation, leadership development, worship, and service to all
- Campus Ministry programs are located at two United Methodist Universities: Texas Wesleyan and Southwestern and six other locations: Hill College, Navarro College, Tarleton State University, Baylor University, Texas Christian University, and the University of Texas at Arlington
- Provides spiritual support and encouragement for students who are often far from home, a Christian voice at the time and place where students are exposed to many forces which oppose or deny Christ, enables mentoring relationships, spiritual growth and peer ministry among students and staff
- Avenues for mission, service, outreach, worship, Bible study, prayer, food, fun, fellowship, relationships, counseling, and retreats
- Meets young adults where they are, as most are making life shaping decisions of faith and vocation

“Offer Them Christ” Capital Priorities:

It is hoped that approximately \$5 to \$6 million can be raised in our conference-wide initiative. The recommended formula for distribution of funds raised is as follows: 85% Church Growth & Development; 15% Capital Improvements at our Campus Ministry Facilities. Individuals, congregations, corporations, and foundations will be invited to participate.