



## ENGAGING THE UNIVERSITY ACROSS THE SIM WORLD

Imagine a city with thousands of people between the ages of 17-40, a city with people from all parts of the globe and all backgrounds, the rich and the poor, the hungry and the gluttonous. A city where most of the people in it have left their families behind, a city of strangers and yet a city with one common denominator – each one is hungry for an education, each one has hopes and dreams, each one is seeking to be better than when they first arrived in the city. Some fulfil their dreams; others find those dreams are dashed. Some survive and thrive; others drop out and can no longer cope. Some have the time of their lives, others lose their lives. Welcome to the city of the University! **Engaging the university is such a dynamic and exciting area for SIM to be involved in** and there are so many opportunities and ways in which we are already doing so and other areas we hope to engage in. It is a core mission field of many unreached people from across the globe and down the road, from the city and the rural bush.

**Would you consider partnering us?**

### Plans for 2015-2017

1. To partner churches and student organisations in serving the university
2. To look for the GAP and ask how we can be engaging
3. To mobilise an army of students to be engaging with Gods World in mission
4. To engage with the Diaspora as International students cross over nations

### *How will we achieve this?*

- My role as Global Coordinator for Engaging Universities causes me to travel widely to both encourage our missionaries already involved in the university, to meet up with others who are engaging in the university to find out what they are doing and how we can partner them. To ask people where they see the gaps to be and to consider with the country director what role SIM can have in engaging.
- Providing training and resources for those already engaging in the university or wanting to
- Reaching the unreached by pioneering into new entity countries – ones in which missionaries cannot go BUT we may be able to serve the university there by providing a need.
- Reaching the unreached who have come to study in a given city from an unreached people group in that country OR from another country
- Through discipleship, outreach, providing student centres, cafes, teaching English as a second language, computer classes, counselling and so the list could go on of ways we could be engaging
- Putting on conferences like IGNITE ([www.ignite.org.za](http://www.ignite.org.za)) in partnership with others to mobilise the younger generation to be reaching out in mission on their doorstep and further afield. Living lives of missional integrity



## Would you prayerfully consider if you could financially partner us?

**We are looking to set up a project which will help enable all of this to happen. Our needs for the next year include.....**

**\$23,500** to allow me to explore openings in Asia and Africa this year

**\$7500** to cover conference costs – some known costs are for myself and one other to go to IFES World Assembly in July; to enable students to go to IGNITE who wouldn't otherwise be able to afford it

**\$7500** as a discretionary fund to kick start new initiatives in engaging the university (for example we are pioneering in Asia and West Africa some possibilities

**\$7500** to enable mission mobilisation through publicity, website and so forth

**\$600** to train and equip student workers (Ethiopia and Zimbabwe are known countries for this year)

**\$600** to cover admin costs throughout the year

**\$33,000** to develop a team to work with Emma – this would be IF we were to employ a national for whom raising 100% support would not be possible

Dear Partner

I have been working with SIM for the past 2 years thinking through how we can be engaging the universities across the countries we work in. There have been many encouragements as doors are opening up for us to reach out in mission. As the ministry grows within SIM, so our need for finances grows. I get a small amount from SIM International but this only covers 7% of the budget needs for the coming years as the work expands. Therefore, this year I have had to set up a clear ministry budget to cover all the financial needs, which I have outlined on the left. Would you prayerfully consider if you could partner me in contributing to this venture?

Whether it be \$15 or \$1500 every little bit counts. If I found the following donors a good proportion of the costs would be covered:-

5 donors giving \$1500

10 donors giving \$750

30 donors giving \$250

50 donors giving \$150

200 donors giving \$40

500 donors giving \$15

A further amount would be needed if we found the right team member but from a context where they are unable to raise all the finances.

If I look at the full amount it can feel overwhelming but if I look at it broken down it seems far more possible. Is there a part you could play in partnering me in this exciting ministry to bring transformation to individual lives and communities in the university world?

Thank-you for considering this and I look forward to hearing from you.

Every blessing,

Emma



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