"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! Psalm 133:1, For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore" Psalm 133:3b

Our Staff Conference was held April 22-26 at Country Lake Christian Retreat Center in Underwood, Indiana

Our morning worship time each day was from the book of Romans and was brought to us by Rev. Richard Hogue

As brothers and sisters of Christ, we share his honored relationship to the Father and every blessing that flows from that relationship.

Afternoon and evening sessions consisted of workshops and lectures designed to strengthen our campus ministry work.

Topics included:
- How U.S. student Ministry should respond to the current state of affairs
- Practical tips for preparing students to return to China
- Practical ways to tell the COM story.
- How best to evangelize the new and different Chinese students and scholars
- How and when to involve more volunteers in your campus ministry
- How to develop and build strong and healthy ministry teams

We came away from this conference with a renewed spirit and commitment to our team at the University of Michigan and to reaching more Chinese scholars and their families with the Gospel. We are also highly motivated to expand the International Ministry outreach here in Ann Arbor and surrounding communities.

We received a surprise award on the last day of the conference. “The President's Giant Slayer Award” for continuing a strong campus ministry while enduring personal challenges.
Meet Ms. PanPan: She received her name at the Staff Conference from many suggestions made by the COM Staff. She is very kind and loving!

COM Theme Song
A Task Unfinished (in part)

"Facing a task unfinished
That drives us to our knees
A need that, undiminished
Rebukes our slothful ease
We, who rejoice to know Thee
Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee
To go and make Thee known

We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord"
https://www.gettymusic.com/facing-a-task-unfinished

Prayer request:

- For us to have good health to continue our work
- For more trained Staff to join our Michigan Team
- That our children and grand children will will seek a close and living relationship with Jesus
- That the Lord’s grace and mercy will be poured out on the students and scholars and cause them to believe the Gospel

We thank you so much for partnering with us and sharing this life changing ministry with us.

Lynn and Mary

COM Team Leaders
The University of Michigan

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