

# Chi Alpha Newsletter

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## What a semester it has been! We can't wait to tell you all about it!

Welcome to our semesterly newsletter! We are so excited to highlight what has been happening on campus at NDSU through Chi Alpha.

We have had another amazing fall in Chi Alpha. From welcome week to senior night we have seen such momentum and hunger in our students throughout the semester. So many incredible stories to celebrate - God has truly moved in a powerful way on campus this year.

We will use this newsletter to look forward to next semester, share impact & metrics, talk about our 2025 Alumni Gathering, share event highlights, give an opportunity for year end giving, and highlight contact info so you can stay connected with us!

We are so grateful for your continued prayers and support for Chi Alpha at NDSU! We hope and pray that you have had a great 2024 and that God will richly bless you in 2025. Thank you and we love you!

♡ NDSU Chi Alpha  
Staff & Interns

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## Looking Forward

As we reflect on the exciting semester we just finished, we cannot help but look forward with anticipation to spring semester! We want to share a couple main highlights that we are looking forward to in the spring.

Firstly, Commissioned Conference! Instead of SALT this year we will be participating in a winter conference in Rochester, MN that is focused on reaching the nations! There will be marketplace, chi alpha missionaries, and world missionary speakers. Be praying for this experience!!

Secondly, spring break mission trips! In response to growing number of applicants we will be adding two trips this year (Baton Rouge, LA & Minneapolis, MN) alongside our existing trips (Fort Yates, ND & Camp Hope, AK). We are so pumped for another year of missions!

Finally, marketplace week!! For the first time we will be hosting a marketplace week at the end of the semester with marketplace dinners, guest speakers, and practical equipping for how to translate their faith into the marketplace. We are pumped for this!!



## Impact & Metrics

Almost 40 students water baptized

Over 100 students choosing to follow Jesus

24 small groups meeting weekly

Expanding from 1 weekly gathering to 2 weekly gatherings

Nearly 200 students attended Fall Retreat

4 Mission Trip Teams with over 50 students going on trips



## 2nd Annual Alumni Gathering

Join us for our 2nd Annual Alumni Gathering!! We are excited to announce that it will take place over NDSU Homecoming Week 2025. They have not officially announced the dates yet but we expect it to be one of three possible weekends:

- September 13th
- September 27th
- October 11th

We are so excited to make this an annual tradition in our ministry and so look forward to seeing you!!

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## Event Highlights



### Welcome Week

Welcome week was incredible. Many of our students were welcome week leaders for freshman on campus. We hosted a Sunday Service on campus, Bonfire at the Bakkegard's, First Chi Alpha Service, and Pizza in the Park. We made many new connections and laid a solid foundation for a great year!



### Fall Retreat

Fall Retreat was amazing. Pastors Mark & Danielle Erickson were our guest speakers and they crushed it. We had nearly 200 students there and over 30 get water baptized. Lakewood has made tons of improvements to camp as well so it continues to be a great venue for the retreat!



### Bring-a-Friend

Kay Lewis shared her testimony and it was a powerful night!! We had our highest attendance of the year with 319 students and heard countless testimonies from what God did through the night. We are excited to welcome Steve Pavek for our next Bring-a-Friend night in January so be praying for that as he comes to share!



### Christmas Party

Round 2 at The Lights skating rink was a success!! We had hundreds of students come through to enjoy the night of skating, snacks, hot cocoa, and the Grinch movie. Many students that won't come to service will come to the Christmas Party so we love getting to make those new connections!

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## Year End Giving

None of what we do in Chi Alpha is possible with the prayers and support from friends, family, and alumni. It is not lost on us how impactful the continued commitment is to what we are able to see God do on campus every year. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the ways you have invested in Chi Alpha.

We are committed to planting the flag for Christ on NDSU's campus until every student that comes through our campus has an opportunity to know Jesus and become like Him. We love the work that God has called us to here at NDSU and work hard to steward well what God has trusted us with.

We ask that you would prayerfully consider a year end gift to NDSU Chi Alpha this year. All gifts can be completed on our website at [ndsuchialpha.com/give](http://ndsuchialpha.com/give).

We pray that God would bless you richly in 2025 as he continues to bring His kingdom to the earth through each and every one of you. We love you!!

*Thank you for reading!*

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