

Week 10
7th Nov

Lancaster and Loughborough

Please pray that we would work hard to engage with students from China who make up almost half of the international students in Lancaster. There are nearly 4,000 international students in Loughborough where we are in touch with a group of South Asian students, but they only come to one-off events. We have been reading the Bible with a Turkish student and a Chinese student separately. Please pray that God will reveal himself to them both.

Sally Miller, Centre Team Leader, Lancaster
Tim Stanyon, Centre Team Leader

Week 11
14th Nov

Sunderland

In recent months we have been encouraged to see deepening friendships with several Muslim students from India. Join us in praying for an open door to share the good news of Jesus with them. Please also pray for opportunities to invite more international students from India along to our Globe Café.

James Adair, Centre Team Leader

Week 12
21st Nov

Sunderland

Give thanks for answered prayer as we have seen students from across East Asia attending our student

Globe Café. Please pray for the growing number of Malaysian students arriving in Sunderland. Pray we would see more attend our Globe Café, and for a growing relationship with the Malaysian Student Society.

James Adair, Centre Team Leader

Week 13
28th Nov

Nottingham

Pray for a deeper understanding of how to minister to South Asian students as we see growing numbers of Indian students at our activities – there are over 1,200 students from India here in Nottingham. Pray that we would meet Christian international students at the 'welcome' activities and that we would be able to encourage them in their faith while they are in Nottingham.

Madeleine Bonicel, Centre Team Leader

Prayer Diary

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Europe

Week 1
5th Sep

Italy, France, Germany, Spain and Romania each account for over 10,000 international students but numbers from European countries attending international student events are often quite low. Pray for ideas and strategies that effectively engage those from these largely secular countries.

Week 2
12th Sep

Dundee and Belfast

Thank God we can once again have a weekend away in the Highlands! Pray for a good and safe holiday with opportunities to make friends and to share the gospel appropriately. Pray for sufficient volunteers and for students to book. Pray particularly for a clear gospel presentation on Sunday morning. Belfast iVision takes place on Saturday 1st October. This is a wonderful chance to provide vision for ministry and to equip local volunteers.

Ruth Farquhar, Centre Team Leader Dundee, Kim Becker, Senior Staff Worker

Week 3
19th Sep

Exeter

This week is Freshers' week at Exeter University, and at many other universities up and down the country, and Friends International will be running a number of welcome events for students in conjunction with Christian Unions. Pray that many international students will come along and that we would already be able to start building meaningful friendships with them.

Helen Morrissey, Centre Team Leader

Africa and Middle East

Week 4
26th Sep

Numbers of international students from Ghana, Egypt, Zimbabwe, Morocco, Kenya, South Africa, Cameroon, Uganda, Algeria and Sudan all increased in the last year. Pray as we seek to do better to welcome and involve African students at Friends International events across the country.

Week 5
3rd Oct

Sunderland

Give thanks for the large numbers of Nigerian students arriving in Sunderland and across the country. It has been encouraging to meet believers among them who are keen to settle into local churches. Please pray while here they would grow in their knowledge and love of Jesus. Please also give thanks for deepening friendships with several students from Egypt and pray that we would have opportunities to share Christ with them.

James Adair, Centre Team Leader



Week 6
10th Oct

Nottingham

Praise for the relationship with University of Nottingham as we will be starting a weekly Globe Café on the Jubilee Campus. We hope this will make the café more accessible to students who wouldn't want to visit a church. Please pray for the practicalities and ongoing positive connections with the university. Please pray for H, an Iraqi scholar, and his wife and child as they are connecting with us, that they would grow curious about the love being shown to them.

Madeleine Bonicel, Centre Team Leader

Week 7
17th Oct

Glasgow

There are significant numbers of Kuwaiti, Saudi and Omani students in Glasgow every year, but they seem uninterested in most of our activities and churches find it hard to know how to reach out to them. Please pray for us to gain a better understanding of these hard-to-reach cultures and pray that we would find opportunities to engage with them in a meaningful way.

Rebecca Davies, Centre Team Leader

Asia

Week 8
24th Oct

A disproportionate number of the international students arriving from the Philippines head to Northern Ireland, more than anywhere else around the UK. Pray for a significant and culturally appropriate welcome. Fewer students arrived in the UK and Ireland in 2020-2021 from Thailand, Malaysia, Taiwan, South Korea, Vietnam, Indonesia and Singapore. Pray for those who would like to come but are delayed by changed global realities.

Week 9
31st Oct

Glasgow

In Glasgow, last year five Chinese students committed their life to the Lord. We also had 10 Chinese believers attend our Philip Project. Pray that more Chinese students would hear about Christ, and for good numbers to attend our Philip Project in 2022-2023. Glasgow has 1300 international students from India. We've recently made contact with a local Tamil church, that we hope will help us reach this Indian contingent. Please pray for this partnership and that many Indians will come to get to know the Lord.

Rebecca Davies, Centre Team Leader

