

Momentum Campus Ministries

Ministry Report: May 2026

I have never really had a desire to ride a bull. I was watching a rodeo on TV a little while ago, and I just can't imagine getting strapped onto a creature named High Steaks or Sir Loin (yes, those are real names and that is no bull) and then desperately trying to hold on for dear life while getting tossed around for what seems like forever but is actually only 8 seconds. I am not sure what would have to happen in me for a desire to stirrup, but I just can't imagine doing that for fun. Looking back on this ministry year, it kind of felt like riding a bull. We strapped ourselves in for a new season in September, and in some ways that seems so long ago, but in other ways it went by so fast! This year, more than ever, we spent most of our time just keeping up with all that God has been doing. It was another big year of growth and expansion, with record numbers of students coming out (especially first years), greater attendance at our weekly worship night (average of 190), more discipleship groups (huddles) than ever before (42), and missional houses that just kept forming (13 planned for the fall of 2026). At times, we felt like we were just trying to hang on, but it was an amazing ride, one that we took great joy in, because we knew that God was steering everything and everyone toward Him. What got us in the saddle every day was a powerful mission to be an incredible community where young adults experience Jesus and His transformation. And as we look back on the ride, we are so grateful that God invited us to join Him on this phenomenal mission where so many lives were transformed, including our own. We are also so thankful for all of your support in making this ride happen, and I hope this report gives you a glimpse of some of the amazing things God has been doing. Your partnership in our mission is making a difference in the lives of so many young adults. Thank you for investing in us as we invest in them!

Steve Kooy, Executive Director of Geneva House & Momentum Campus Ministries

Testimonies

In the sidebars of this report, you can hear first hand from students about how God shaped them this year.

"God has been so faithful this year, teaching me to be dependent on Him in the surprises that come in life. I have learned to be dependent on God who is sovereign over all things, outside of time, and is my provider."

"I was blessed to have a one-on-one mentor who walked me through a lot of ups and downs with ministry leadership this year. It was very helpful to have someone who could ask me good questions, process the emotions I was feeling, and work with me on how to move forward in hard situations."



Year-end Launch Retreat at Camp Iawah

Here is a quick snapshot of our mission work on campus this semester:

- Huddle Discipleship Groups (42)
 - Queen's (38)
 - SLC Kingston (2)
 - Royal Military College (1)
 - Trent (1)
- The Well Worship (180–200 people)
- The Well Small Groups (60–90 people)
- Saturday Socials (10–20 people)
- Grad and Beyond (120+ people)
- Ministry Houses (10)
- Refresh Retreat (150)
- Launch Retreat (60)
- Education Student Ministry (20+ people)
- Commerce Student Ministry (15+ people)
- Newcomer Ministry
- Prayer Groups
- International Ministry
- Discover Christianity
- SLC Socials
- SLC Thrive Support Groups (42 people)
- 1-1 Mentoring and Discipleship
- Leadership Development
 - (including 30 student interns)

* Numbers refer to the amount of groups unless noted as people.



“There are not a lot of students I see long term who aren't improving in their ability to handle their challenges, and/or process their traumas and pasts.”

“The best thing about this year has been helping students and young professionals grow in their faith and introduce Jesus to those who don't know Him, both through our Wednesday international group at The Well and our online Discovery Group.”



Ministry Activity Snapshot

Huddles

Huddles are discipleship groups of 5–6 people learning to follow Jesus, listen to the Spirit, and live out God's mission in their lives. We see so much transformation as we witness young adults become passionate followers of Jesus. (<https://www.genevahouse.ca/huddles>)

The Well

The Well is a weekly young adult gathering at Bethel Church. Queen's, RMC, and SLC students join with young professionals for small groups, worship, testimony, and prayer, finishing with Timbits and social time. Small groups are designed to reach both Christians and non-Christians. This semester, groups included an Inductive Study of Ephesians, Methods and Guides for Understanding Biblical Texts, and Becoming an Emotionally Healthy Disciple of Jesus.

International Ministry

The Kingston International ministry hosts a weekly small group of students at the Well, an online bible study for deeper conversation and prayer, and a daily Audio Bible group to engage with scripture regularly.

Grad and Beyond

Grad and Beyond (G&B) is a community of over 120 grad students and young professionals who meet weekly in life groups of 10–20 people to study the God's Word and fellowship. G&B is run in partnership with Bay Park and Bethel Church. (<https://www.genevahouse.ca/grad-students>)

Saturday Socials

Saturday Socials are weekly community building events at Geneva House in Kingston where young adults come to have fun and build relationships. They are a great place for students to bring their non-Christian friends where they can experience how fruitful Christian community can be.

Education Student Ministry

Our monthly gathering of Christian students studying to be teachers is led by a Queen's professor and 2 education students. This group provides a great space to make connections and to discuss their calling to be teachers.

Commerce Student Ministry

Every 2 weeks, Queen's commerce students gather to talk about how to live out their faith among their peers and in the field of business.

Restored/Freedom Fight

This small group ministry brings students on a journey of healing and freedom in the battle against pornography and other sexual strongholds.

Mentoring/1-1 Discipleship/Counselling

We invest deeply in the next generation. Our staff spend a lot of our time caring for and shepherding young adults through all sorts of challenges and experiences. It is where we feel like we really make a difference. Seeing God transform lives brings us so much joy and gives us so much hope for the future.

Refresh Retreat

Every January we host an interfellowship, city wide young adults retreat called Refresh. It is an amazing 2 day discipleship event with worship, speakers, and workshops.

Campus Light

Campus Light is a monthly worship gathering held at St Lawrence College where students gather to praise God and pray with one another in Spirit and truth.

Leadership

We have so many incredible leaders on our campuses serving as team members, team leaders, student interns, staff interns, and staff. They are an amazing group of students, young professionals, and seasoned ministry leaders who are so gifted and passionate about God's mission.

Campus Highlights

There is so much we could share with you about how God has been moving, but here are some brief highlights from each campus.

Queen's University

God has been moving in big ways on the campus of Queen's University, and, as mentioned earlier in this report, we have seen record attendance at the Well, in our huddles, in houses, and among leaders. We had more staff (13) and student interns (30) than ever before, and these amazing leaders have been so good at inviting others to join our community and investing in others to help them find deep community and come alive in Christ. The amazing multiplication of leaders has led to a multiplication of discipleship on our campus, and God has changed so many lives because of it.

St Lawrence College (SLC)

This semester carried much of the same rhythm as the previous one, as our team continued to navigate changes in student and staff dynamics while staying attentive to the needs of each individual student. One encouraging development was seeing new student leaders step up and take ownership of launching a Monday evening fellowship on campus — a space focused on building genuine relationships and studying the Bible together. Our Christian huddles and one-on-one support continued to be a meaningful and consistent part of how we care for students. This semester also brought a growing awareness of spiritual resistance, and we are grateful for the reminder to lean into prayer and trust the Lord for perseverance as we continue to share the love and truth of Jesus through our ministry

Royal Military College (RMC)

The focus for the Winter semester was to support interns internally as missional leaders (huddles and Bible studies), encourage local church attendance, and pray for the campus to receive the gospel. We met bi-weekly and prayed over the campus as our two interns started their own Bible study. We have seen increased RMC representation at the Well and year-end banquet. We look forward to what the Lord will do in September with ministry hopes and plans as we pray!

Loyalist College

Our ministry to Loyalist College is in a rebuilding stage, and we are working on developing a key partnership with Maranatha Church to revive our on-campus presence. Exciting meetings are taking place, and we are hopeful to see staff leadership in place by September 2026!

Trent University

Micah House is going strong as residents continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus. We teamed with InterVarsity campus ministry our residents serve on that leadership team. This semester, we partnered with other campus ministries to host a worship night on Trent campus in the main theatre room. It was beautiful to see 200 students praise the name of Jesus in this space. We plan to continue to work with other Christian student groups to share Jesus at Trent.



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"I love this community and I am so thankful for this opportunity as I have seen how much my faith has grown!"



"God taught me the importance of patience and grace towards other people, and I've definitely seen growth in my patience throughout this year. I noticed less burden in my heart and resentment and anger throughout this year."

How did God shape you this year?

I learned how to cook a lot better through my missional house experience. I also grew in navigating hard faith conversations with my housemates, dealing with conflict, learned how to better pray for one another, how to let go of control, and to have patience. I learned that a steady presence in my relationship with Jesus and with my housemates goes a long way.

God shaped me this year by telling me that I don't need to be perfect and I don't need to handle all my problems on my own. I can give the fight to him and put faith in a God who loves me and knows what's best for me. There were many times this year where I felt guilty about not meeting my perfectionism standards, and I began to hate myself for it or feel extremely sad for long periods of time. I felt restless and this hurt some of the relationships I had as I wasn't in a good place to support others. But God helped me recognize that I was never meant to put this much pressure on myself, but that my brokenness can lead me to depend on God and grow closer to him in faith.

I spent a lot of time this year in a season of waiting. He really convicted me about my desire to make decisions on my terms and not His. So I spent a lot of time in prayer and just trying my best to trust Him while waiting. It definitely wasn't easy, but through that, He's grown my trust in Him, so that I go to Him first when making choices, even choices that I "could" make by myself.

This year I felt that God was stretching me in different areas of ministries and the different ways I am capable of serving. I felt obedient to that call to be stretched and that forced me to further put my trust in Him and know that the Lord will provide. I made it through another year thanks to His provision, and I learned where my limits are to avoid burnout and being stretched too thin. With everything I was involved with, it was easy for prideful thoughts to slip in, and I needed to be reminded again and again by Him to serve humbly, slow to speak, and quick to listen.

There are many ways that God has shaped me this year, and I think many of them fall under living in the church community. My relationship with the Church was often inconsistent for most of my life, and it is only now in Kingston that I have been able to step into a community I know I'll be in for at least a few years. So I've been learning to manage my relationships with Godly people, as well as with those outside the Church. The Lord has used Geneva House to allow me to learn how to build up and enjoy the people around me in a way that I was unable to do in previous communities, where I only had a few months to grow and develop with others.

God has been shaping me to become more rooted in His church, and I've found that there are many ministries that I have a passion for, skills that I have now and that I pray will be developed in God's timing. I've grown in confidence in my friendships, as I know that I am becoming a familiar face in Geneva House and beyond, and that is where I think the Lord wants me.

God shaped my understanding of missions through Urbana, the evangelism small group at the Well, and talking about missional living during Huddle. I've learned about the big things God is doing, but how calling entails where I am right now. This not only looks like bringing new people to Christ, but investing and raising up the labourers, too.

God has shaped me through the people I have met. I was able to grow my faith through Geneva House and all of the opportunities that I had. Huddles, the well, and missional housing are amazing opportunities that has and will continue to allow me to grow my faith!



How did our campus ministry help you this year?

My missional house was such a blessing. This was the first time I lived closer to campus, not with family. I learned so much about leaning into hard conversations, setting good boundaries, trusting God and being anchored to community in full seasons. One-on-one mentorship helped to bring added clarity and vision for future decisions. Her coaching and support got me through hard times with ministry leadership and helped me to see God's perspective through it all. I am very grateful for all the care and support I felt this year through the Geneva House community.

Geneva House was the highlight of my time in Kingston. My huddles, the Well, the education ministry, Refresh, and everything I got to be a part of made my year so much fuller. I am so thankful for the impact this community had on my life over the last few years.

Geneva has been a big blessing to me this year. It has given me a chance to connect with the broader community of Christian young adults in Kingston outside of the circles I usually spend time in. It's been such an encouragement and testament to God's hand at work that there are always new faces at the Well to meet and get to know. I've also really valued the testimonies each week. The Well focuses on sharing how God has been working in the lives of individuals and to hear of the Lord's faithfulness to others in times of both joy and mourning serves as a helpful reminder of His presence in whatever season I'm in. Slightly less tangibly, Geneva's existence as a strong and established ministry has been a help to me. Having Geneva as a steady foundation has made challenges seem less severe.

This community is just so special. Having so many friends and peers to encourage me and keep me accountable was such a blessing. I also loved being able to serve in a variety of ways and seeing how God was at work in the lives of others.

The campus ministry fills me with hope, in an environment like Queen's it is easy to get caught up in the brokenness of the world but when I go to the Well and see 100-200 of my peers worshipping the same God it fills me with hope and joy. In no other time of my life have I felt more supported by those who aren't my family and more connected to so many passionate Christians who want to seek the Lord.

I was blessed to have a one-on-one mentor who walked me through a lot of ups and downs with ministry leadership this year. It was very helpful to have someone who could ask good questions to me, process the emotions I was feeling, and work with me on how to move forward in hard situations. She always brought God's perspective into scenarios that seemed so big and overwhelming. That meant so so much to me this year and kept me grounded in my relationship with the Lord. The Well Small Group with Steve and Julia brought up so many good conversations for my boyfriend and I to discuss together. Steve, Julia, and Erin were very open to discuss all topics from a Biblical lens and be vulnerable about their struggles when dating, engaged and married.

It offered me a really positive community full of people who are on fire with Jesus and who have been extremely welcoming and genuine. I've had the opportunity to grow in my faith journey through worship and prayer.

THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING. MY LIFE IS CHANGED THROUGH THIS MINISTRY AND THE LORD



Thank you!



Steve Kooy
Executive Director

Thank you so much for all you do to support us in our mission. So many lives are being changed, and as we close the semester, we thank God for His incredible work and you for being part of it! Thank you for your partnership in our mission to disciple the next generation! Your investment in us is having an eternal impact, and it is such an encouragement to us. If you would like to know more about what we do, you can go to www.genevahouse.ca or www.momentumcampus.ca. And please help us by spreading the word about our ministry!



Prayer Requests

Thank you for remembering us in your prayers. Here are some ways you can pray for us right now:

- Praise God for 13 missional houses planned for the fall (12 at Queen's)
- Pray for leadership for our Loyalist ministry.
- Pray that students would become passionate followers of Jesus and effective Kingdom leaders.
- Pray for students struggling with emotional and mental health challenges.
- Pray that we live out our mission effectively every day to be an incredible community where people experience Jesus and His transformation.
- Pray that God would give our staff and leaders a refreshing summer so we are ready to jump into another ministry year

Our Team

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"Mentoring and supporting Christian students is the best part of my job. There are several students who are not Christian who I met regularly this semester. Planting seeds is a privilege."

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