

STANDING IN THE GAP

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To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ

OPENING THE DOOR TO A NEW ACADEMIC YEAR AND GOD'S WORK



The new school year is in full swing. One full week of classes has come to an end following the Labor Day holiday weekend. God is already working as both chapters have seen many new faces who are hearing about the life God has to offer. Many returning Gappers are being welcomed back. Praise be to God for allowing us to do such important work! Please continue praying for all of the leaders and those on our campus.

And you will say in that day:
“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted“ - Isaiah 12:4

-Natalie Norris; Standing in the Gap Communications Manager

SVSU Update

By Nate Polzin

One of the greatest strengths of Standing in the Gap over the past quarter-century or so has been our focus on developing the gifts and talents God has given to each one of us. Nowhere is that strength more on display than in the leadership development program Gap has used over these years. The way God works through our student leaders to nurture other college students in their faith is a true blessing to be a part of.

This year, SVSU has a young but dedicated student leadership team. There is only one senior in the group, and almost half are new to leadership this semester. Though they do not have the experience that most former leadership teams have had, they are enthusiastic and hard-working! Gap is off to a great start already this fall and I expect great things throughout this semester!



Many readers of this little article served on Standing in the Gap leadership teams of the past. The way you sought Jesus and followed the Holy Spirit as He led your growth contributed to the overall impact Gap had on your campus. A new generation has risen to continue that work! I praise God for all those who have moved on from Gap leadership into positions of influence in their churches, workplaces, communities, and especially their homes! That legacy continues as Gap continues to nurture leaders on the campuses of NU and SVSU!

With your prayers and help, we hope to expand Gap to other campuses in the next couple of years!

God bless you all,
Nate



Northwood Chapter Update

By Gabriel Nelson

Hello everyone! The work at Northwood University continues! This year, we've brought on several new student leaders, and the ministry is set to have a great year.

Meanwhile, at the Midland Church of the Brethren, we are planning to begin a program called "Adopt-A-Gapper," in which students from the ministry are paired with folks from the church for fellowship and discipleship. I'm excited to see what God does with both ministries over this school year!



The first meeting went well. We had a lot of freshmen, and record attendance for the Student Union. There, Joe, Kady, and Lily led worship, and I preached on how the world and Satan are set against us, and how important the good news is in light of this bad news. Afterward, we went to Late Night at the cafeteria on campus.

Please be praying that God empowers the Christians at Northwood with boldness and confidence to spread the gospel wherever they go. Also, ask that the Midland Church of the Brethren is supplied with all we need to continue partnering with Standing in the Gap for the long haul. Thank you, and God bless!

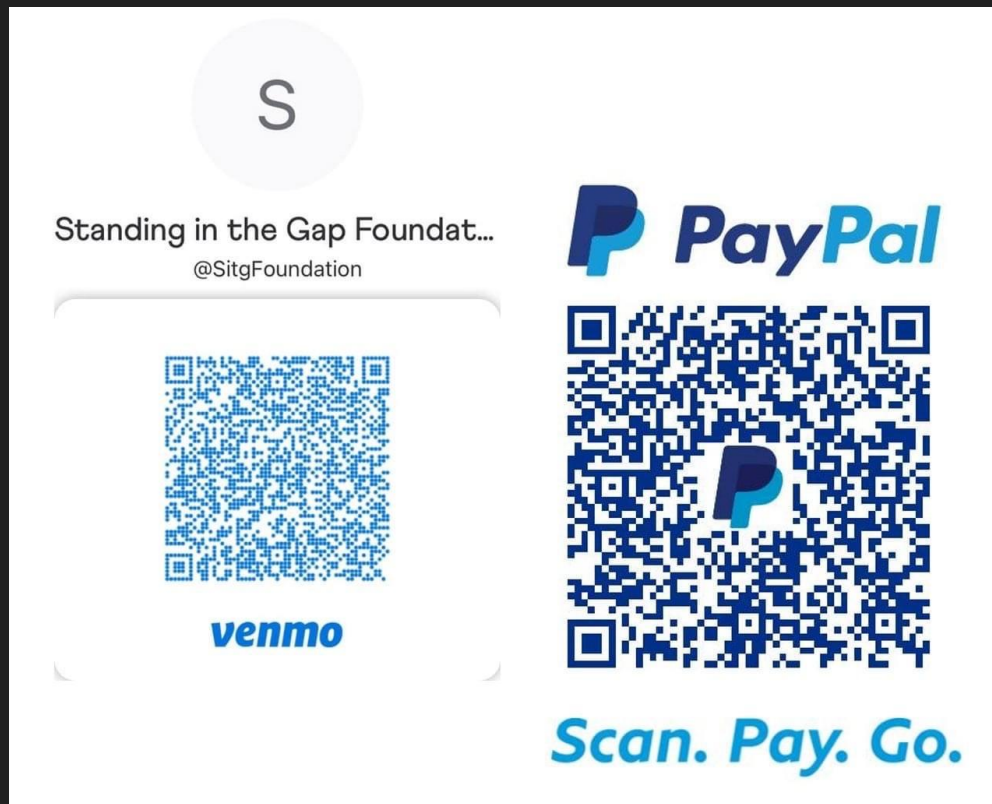


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