



## **FOCUS Chaplain and Campus Ministry**

FOCUS missionaries work alongside campus chaplains and campus ministers at the college or university where they serve. In addition to these many chaplains around the country, **FOCUS also has nine national chaplains who offer pastoral care and support both on campuses and from the national office.**

### **Campus Collaboration and Chaplain's Role in Outreach**

FOCUS' outreach is designed to coordinate with the current programs of the campus chaplain and campus ministry. Our missionaries' goal is to meet students where they are on campus — in the dorms, on the sports fields, in the student union — and to bring them into the life of the Catholic campus community.

Campus ministers often work to meet the needs of the students who come through the doors of the Newman or Catholic Center. In this way, we accomplish together the same goal of helping students encounter Jesus and the fullness of the Catholic faith. FOCUS also trains students to go out on campus to their peers, allowing the reach of the campus ministry to stretch even further across campus.

*“Having FOCUS missionaries on campus is like multiplying our campus ministry by four or more. I have 14,000 students on campus, and there are only 24 hours in the day. Our Sunday Mass attendance and daily Mass attendance continue to go up.”* —Fr. Mike Schmitz, chaplain at the University of Minnesota-Duluth

### **FOCUS National Chaplains Responsibility and Availability**

Each National Chaplain priest has specific duties in the organization while offering pastoral care to staff, missionaries, campus chaplains, students on campus and benefactors.

They will celebrate daily Mass and other sacraments and participate in Spiritual Boot Camps, Team Director Summits, retreats, days of recollection and Interview Weekends.

*To speak with a FOCUS national Chaplain, or learn more about how these leaders serve alongside FOCUS, please reach out to our team directly at [pr@focus.org](mailto:pr@focus.org).*