# SUNSET International Bible Institute Tristen Herbert's Support Letter

### Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you so much to all of you who have supported me financially and in prayer over the past two years. I am have the end of my Adventures in Missions (AIM) commitment and now I am looking toward starting school at Sunset International Bible Institute (SIBI) in August. **The purpose of this letter is to raise support for the time I will be attending SIBI. I am seeking \$2000 in monthly support for the three years of school.** I have decided to be an AIM assistant and mentor the incoming AIMers, this will require me to extend my studies another year on top of SIBI's normal two.

For those who don't know me, my name is Tristen Herbert, and for the past two years I have studied in the AIM ministry while serving in Arlington, TX. With SIBI around the corner, I am reaching out to my current supporters and new congregations, as well as friends and family, to continue this vision God has given me toward ministry. I grew up in Port Orchard, WA and moved to Texas in 2016 along with my parents who attended SIBI. Upon joining AIM, I was sent in June 2020 to Woodland West Church of Christ (WW) with a team of four. Our time in Arlington officially ended in August, and I decided to stay on longer and continue to gather experience in ministry. I currently serve as the College Ministry Intern there. My time is split between serving the WW body and assisting the Tri-C at UTA, a local college ministry supported by WW. Both ministries enable me to see different sides of what it means to serve in the Kingdom, and challenge me to learn and grow through experience.

#### How to support:

### Sunset will collect and manage all funds outside of Venmo.

I have three ways to support me financially.

- Preferred method: Mail to 3723 34th St Lubbock, TX. 79410 % financial office (for Tristen Herbert)
- 2. Online SIBI: https://bit.ly/3J7cCzi (for Tristen Herbert)
- 3. The Venmo app (QR Code available)

I would love to stay in contact and thank anyone who supports me! Sunset will not distribute funds to me until registration in August '22 but will still collect and hold onto anything sent before then.

### Monthly Support Goal: \$2000.

To meet this I need at least three congregations who can support me \$500 in monthly support, and the final \$500 to be split by individuals and congregations who would like to support but cannot commit to a large amount. This will cover any financial costs while living in Lubbock.

#### Largest expected costs:

Rent, utilities, insurance, car payment, gas, groceries, fellowship/ministry costs (taking an AIMer out to a meal, etc.) class fees, school books, mission trips with the AIM class, and Area church. *Budget breakdown available upon request.* 



## My Mission

From AIM and now to SIBI, I have devoted my life to learning how to be the light of the world found in Matthew 5. I am dedicated to sharing with fellow believers that they too are called to be a light, and it is not just for those who minister. And I am dedicated to sharing with unbelievers that Jesus Christ has died upon the cross for them and waits to have a relationship with them. We in the body have a message to spread, and the lives we live shall be testament to the World that Jesus saves!

Continue to pray that God will raise up workers for the Lords harvest. Pray for the workers currently in the field.

Luke 10:2



### The Vision

I am enrolling into the Sunset International Bible Institute to continue my education. I plan on studying Youth and Family Ministry in the three year program. While I am not sure where I will be headed after graduation; I know that kingdom work is strongly needed in the US, so I plan on staying domestic and working as a youth or college minister. My approach to ministry is one of connection and fellowship, building relationships that lead to conversations about one's faith. Letting people know that I genuinely care about them and who they are, but more importantly that God does as well. I believe that SIBI will give me the biblical knowledge and training that I need to further a life dedicated to ministry.



# "Training Whole Persons to Communicate the Whole Gospel to the Whole World, Wholly to Please God

-The mission statement of Sunset International Bible Institute

The legacy of SIBI is a strong heritage of sending out graduates who "Preach the Word" of God. I am proud to continue my journey with this amazing school.

# **Updates and Final Thoughts**

I love working in ministry and serving the Kingdom! It is the most spiritually rewarding experience you can find. A really exciting update is **that WW has asked me to stay on staff and continue to work with them in a paid internship to bridge the time between AIM and starting SIBI. My job will be to help WW establish a young adult ministry.** 

This offer has affirmed how God is pleased and is taking care of me. I will also get the opportunity to mentor the new Arlington AIM team for their first three months here. Overall, I wish to continue pursing God's kingdom work with everything I have! Using the hard-earned lessons from serving in Arlington and taking them to wherever God calls me. To accomplish this goal, I will need financial partners who can walk with me through my time in Lubbock. It's hard to believe that I graduated from the AIM ministry in March of this year. I am no longer able to say that I am an AIMer. A weird thought to have after living the role for so long. But I can say without a doubt that the AIM ministry has changed the course of my life forever. From the lifelong friendships that define my favorite memories, to the challenge of taking my faith seriously. Being an AIMer was one of the hardest and most rewarding experiences of my life, and it has opened a whole world of opportunities to pursue.

I wrote a letter to AIM explaining why I wanted to be enrolled in the program, my plan was to use this ministry to gather experience, and AIM delivered. I believe firmly that our God is active in our lives, and when you ask

Him to reshape you then be prepared to *"let go and let God"*. Looking back, I can see how He has walked with me every step of the way! Our Father is a holy and personal

God and He continues to walk with those who seek to know Him.

Romans 1:16

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile."



Thank you for considering joining me on my mission. And thank you for being apart of my journey this far! Your prayers and encouragement mean the world, may the Lord bless you and keep you! Aiming to serve, Tristen Herbert

#### References: <u>AIM Coordinator</u>/Mentors

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