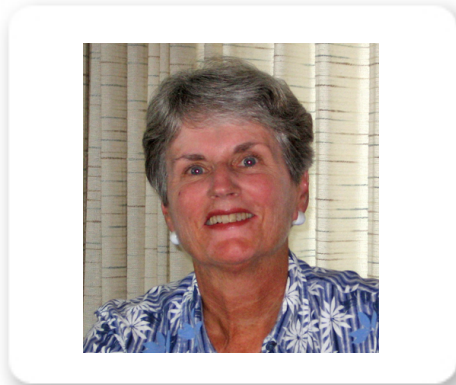


Introducing . . .



Karen Beach

Campus - International Students

FIELD

Karen and her husband Carl had a very fruitful and rewarding ministry in church planting while serving under WorldVenture. As time approached for Carl to retire, they knew they wanted to continue working with the Chinese in Minnesota. That was especially made clear after meeting several Chinese scholars in China who had studied in the United States but nobody had told them about the Lord.

This really burdened their hearts to continue in some type of ministry that would have an impact on them. At the time they didn't know that there were so many mainland scholars in Minnesota, but the University of Minnesota actually has the largest amount of graduate students from China.

In November 1999 the Beaches were appointed with Missions Door and began in 2000 to work with Mainland Chinese students at the University of Minnesota.

Karen says, "It has been so exciting to see students' interest in Christianity and be able to share the claims of Christ with them."

FAITH

Karen was raised in a Christian home in Minnesota and found the Lord at a young age. After becoming a registered nurse, she worked in Greenwich, Connecticut, where her faith took on a new meaning as she cared for many wealthy patients. They had everything money could buy but they didn't have the joy of the Lord.

It was not long after that she was led by the Lord to go to Hong Kong as a short-term missionary nurse. That year and a half turned into 31 years of ministry, as she met Carl shortly after arriving in Hong Kong.

FAMILY

Karen has three married children and four grandchildren.