



## **FOCUS Alumni: Launched into Lifelong Catholic Mission**

FOCUS' "main thing" is to launch students — and consequently missionaries — into lifelong Catholic mission. FOCUS exists to create and multiply disciples of Jesus Christ so that every person is known, loved and cared for.

Tens of thousands of students have been involved with FOCUS, who after graduation have the opportunity to move into parish life to continue their missionary work. Within this number, 732 have made decisions to discern Catholic religious vocations. By 2022, FOCUS expects — God willing — to have 75,000 students transitioned into many of America's 17,000+ Catholic parishes.

The FOCUS Alumni Relations department connects, inspires and equips FOCUS student and staff alumni with ongoing experiences, tools and resources as they continue in their roles as missionary disciples and endeavor to live out lifelong Catholic mission. Resources on [focusalumni.org](http://focusalumni.org) include a Job Board, networking opportunities for advice and connections with others across the country.

FOCUS Connect regional communities help alumni stay connected in areas across the country, such as Indianapolis, St. Louis, Denver, Chicago, Boston and Northern Virginia. In 2018, three regional events brought alumni together in Omaha, St. Louis and Baltimore.

FOCUS Alumni manages the Lifelong Mission Track at national FOCUS conferences. More than 1,000 people participated on the track at SLS18, including 300 alumni. Many are expected to attend SEEK2019 held Jan. 3 – 7, 2019. The annual St. Francis Xavier Alumni Award for Excellence in the New Evangelization will be presented at SEEK2019. Registration is open at [seek2019.com](http://seek2019.com).