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**Praise God for the growth and ministry of CBC, Marion.*

**Pray for communities across Iowa needing a church that will share the good news of Jesus Christ.*

**Pray for God to lead more Iowa Baptist Churches to begin or support new church starts in their vicinity of the state.*

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**Pray that God would draw students to Salt Company through relationships and outreach activities.*

**Pray for other campus ministries sponsored by Iowa Baptist Churches.*

**Pray for the development of student leaders who will be leading Bible Studies, hosting outreach activities, and sharing their faith with fellow students.*

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