

Living Stones L.A. Church
Student adoption proposal

The program – The student adoption program urges the local church to adopt students from Eternity Bible College into their family and to treat them as family through the extent of their education. Each individual Church would clearly communicate both what they commit to as a Church to the student and what they are expecting from the EBC student during their time as part of their Body. The ultimate goal of the program is to partner with Eternity Bible College to help ensure and encourage EBC's mission to teach students to live and die well.

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Our Mission: Bound together through and for the Gospel, we are a diverse People who collectively seek to fully proclaim by word and deed the supremacy and worth of Jesus Christ by being and making His disciples.

Our Vision: to be a reconciled and reconciling multi-ethnic, multi-lingual, multi-class, Gospel-Centered community.

• **We commit...**

- To adopting a student into our family with no obligation to stay a part of Living Stones church post-graduation.
 - This means that we commit to walking with a student emotionally, spiritually and practically throughout the entirety of their education as long as they remain a part of the Living Stones family.
- To helping the student relocate to the West San Fernando Valley/Canoga Park area (or surrounding area).
- To provide a mentor who will meet EBC's mentor requirements and will be intimately involved in all aspects of the student's life.
 - These aspects include but are not limited to: emotional, spiritual, work, practical day to day life, decision making process, financial stewardship and struggles, sin issues/struggles etc.
- To exhort and correct the student to living a more Christ-centered life through the process of life on life discipleship.
- Not to provide a "free ride" but to utilize each student as a vital part of the life of our Church.

• **We expect....**

- That the student be open to living interdependently with the Body.
- That the student relocates to the West San Fernando Valley, particularly the Canoga Park or immediate surrounding area.
- That the student become an active, participating member of the Living Stones Family.
- That the student would work as he/she is able in order to help with the cost of their personal financial needs and the financial health of the Church in general.
- That the student be actively involved in discipleship within Living Stones church i.e. both being discipled and discipling at least one other person as appropriate.
- That the student understands that this program is a commitment to partnership for this particular season of their life.
- That the student and his/her family (where applicable) be willing to complete an informal interview process with Living Stones LA's EBC church affiliate representative and one or more of Living Stone's Elders.
- That the student remains active in their studies at EBC throughout the course of this partnership.

• **We do *not* require the student...**

- To have a job/living arrangements prior to relocating
- To be single (married couples/families are welcome!)
- To remain at Living Stones church post-graduation.
- To have a car/mode of transportation (circumstances may change as assets are available to the Body).
- Be currently involved in a local church.

***If you are a student or know a student that you believe would be a good fit for Living Stones' "Adopt a Student" program or for any questions about Living Stones church, EBC affiliation, or the "Adopt a Student" program in general please contact Ernesto Duke at 818-963-3853 or ernesto@livingstonesla.org*