

## **PAID INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION**

### **PURPOSE**

For the intern, this is an opportunity to gain practical ministry experience, to work in an atmosphere of personal and professional guidance and support, to test their gifts and call to vocational ministry, and to develop spiritually and theologically. For the church, the intern brings practical help and energy to the youth ministry and provides additional relational ministry to the youth of our congregation and provides a role model to the young men and women of our church.

### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

The youth intern will be accountable to (primarily) and the Administrator and the Pastor(s) of the church.

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The overall objective is to present and show by example the gospel of Jesus Christ to young people and to encourage them in their growth through the study of scripture, prayer, service, and fellowship. Specific activities may include:

- Plan and carry out activities with youth, including opportunities for urban outreach and ministry in Jackson
- Develop relationships with youth, parents and volunteer staff through individual and group contact, mail, e-mail, phone, social media and in the community.
- Meet regularly with the Pastoral Staff for prayer, planning, communication and evaluation.
- Assist the church leadership and staff in planning and executing ministry programs. These include Bible studies, youth groups, special events, retreats, and outreach ministries.
- Assist the church in maintaining a ministry presence in social media outlets.
- Accompany and/or lead youth meetings and outreach projects, special events and/or mission trips and act as a chaperone for male youth.
- Maintain personal, spiritual and professional growth.

### **TIME & TRAVEL COMMITMENT**

Anticipated start and end dates are primarily Fall 2017 to Spring 2018 (negotiable for flexibility). An intern able to stay and participate in Summer ministry is a plus. The internship will require at least attending weekly services including most Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, and other single days or evenings events as needed. Intern will be expected to have his/her own means of travel. Any leave time the intern desires should be requested from and arranged with the Associate Pastor and leadership team in preferably 2-3 weeks in advance.



## QUALIFICATIONS

- Growing commitment to the Christian faith, the body of Christ, and God's work in the world.
- Ability to work effectively with youth, exhibiting creativity, understanding and patience.
- Ability to verbally articulate personal faith and a Christian world view.
- Eligible applicants may be attending seminary or be in the process of discernment about a call to ministry and be 18 years or older. Applicants will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
- **Intern will be expected to lead, chaperone, build healthy relationships and community with youth in a transitioning (predominantly) African-American neighborhood.** All qualified applicants will be considered and reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

## COMPENSATION

Compensation will be provided for participating in this ministry opportunity. Details of compensation can be discussed during the interview process.

## EVALUATIONS

The Pastoral Staff will assess performance during the internship at planned intervals and the end of the assignment. Additional assessments can be provided in accordance with the intern's academic institution requirements if the intern is receiving Field Experience credit.

## HOW TO APPLY

Apply online for the position at: [ssbaptistchurch.com/jobs](http://ssbaptistchurch.com/jobs). The online application will require that you submit your **resume (PDF or .docx)**. **In addition to the application, please provide a recent photo (digital preferred), 2 letters of recommendation from non-related individuals (1 must be from clergy)** to Reginald Glenn via email ([reggieglenn@ssbaptistchurch.com](mailto:reggieglenn@ssbaptistchurch.com)).

## CONTACT US

If you have questions about the internship or our church, please call (601) 372-9161. You also contact Pastor Reginald Glenn [by email](#).