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FOR COLLEGE AGED STUDENTS.

2016

Details about the internship

What is an intern? One Hope interns are college aged guys and girls who are pursuing the Lord and are seeking to learn more about urban ministry by spending their summer pouring themselves out and being poured into at Springs of Grace Bible Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

What is Springs of Grace Bible Church like? We are a church family made up of people from different backgrounds, races, and economic means who have been brought together by the glory of the gospel of Jesus. We are going hard after loving God with all our hearts, minds, and souls, and we are taking seriously the command to love our neighbors as ourselves. About a 120-150 people regularly attend Springs of Grace. For more information on Springs of Grace Bible Church, including our doctrinal statement, please see our website www.springsofgrace.church

What is One Hope? One Hope is a nonprofit organization birthed out of the ministries of Springs of Grace Bible Church in 2008. It is under the leadership of a board and the elders of Springs of Grace. For more information about One Hope, please see our website www.onehopetulsa.com

Why should I do urban ministry in Tulsa? The area of Tulsa our church is located in is diverse racially and economically. Our local neighborhood is a mix of whites, American Indians, African Americans, and Hispanics. Our local schools are all failing to meet state and national standards. Tulsa exploded with racial tension in 1921 in perhaps the worst episode of racial violence our nation has ever seen. Almost a hundred years after the Tulsa Race Riots, the city is still affected by prejudice and racial tension.

Where will I live? Most interns who are from the Tulsa area live at home. If you are an out of town intern, then housing will be provided for you either at the church building or with a church family/One Hope staff member at no charge to you.

How much will I be working? The nature of urban ministry makes it very time consuming. This is reflected in the hours the interns spend working. Because of camps and other events, hours vary, but interns usually have one day off a week. The internship is intentionally designed to be a comprehensive program where you maximize your time by being poured into through Bible Studies, urban ministry training, discipleship by staff, etc, and by pouring your life out in ministry to our church and neighborhood. It is very difficult to get the most out of the internship and also maintain a part-time job or take summer classes.

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What will be the most valuable part of my summer as an intern? Interns have the unique opportunity to study principles of urban ministry and to learn about passionate pursuit of Christ, while actually working those things out in ministry to real people in the context of the local church. Doing this kind of ministry alongside others who are pursuing Christ as well results in close and spiritually edifying relationships.

What will I learn if I intern? We want to grow your passion for God-centered urban ministry in the context of Christ-centered, biblically saturated church life. The intern program intentionally aims to instill in you a lifelong commitment to live for great causes not the next great comfort. We want to teach you how to ask the right questions and how to find the answers in Scripture. Some of the urban ministry topics we plan to address this summer include:

- A framework for understanding poverty
- How to help the poor without hurting them
- Understanding homelessness
- The breakdown of the family in the inner city and the response of the family of God
- Help and hope for mental illness and addictions
- Jesus' heart for exploited women/prostitution/human trafficking
- Making sense of suffering in the context of inner city ministry
- The causes and effects of sexual sin/pornography/homosexuality and Gospel hope
- Educational issues/the inner city school
- Racial reconciliation

What kind of ministry will I be involved in? Interns have the opportunity to be involved in a variety of ministries to people of different ages and backgrounds. Some of these ministries include:

- Doing practical acts of service for families in the church who need help
- Visiting homes in the neighborhood surrounding the church building
- Staffing a summer tutoring program for at-risk students in Pre-K through 8th grade
- Developing relationships with the children in the tutoring program and their families
- Sharing the gospel and building relationships with the homeless
- Coaching at sports camps and clinics for youth and children
- Staffing a youth camp
- Putting on a Vacation Bible School and other events for the community
- Investing in friendships with adults, youth, and children in the church
- Raising awareness about human trafficking
- Running a Girls Club that provides a support system for girls at risk for being sexually exploited and a Sports Club that provides a support system for teenage boys
- Reaching out to teen moms

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What types of Bible studies and worship services will I be a part of? Interns have the opportunity to be a part of all of Springs of Grace's summer services in addition to intern specific prayer and training times. A typical week includes the following:

- Sunday School, Sunday Morning, & Sunday Evening Worship Services
- Monday Evening College Bible Study
- Wednesday Evening Summer Fest (a meal & evangelistic service for our community)
- Weekly Youth Events
- Weekly Intern Girls/Guys Discipleship Groups
- Weekly Intern Bible Study, Intern Book Study, and Intern Worship Service
- Daily Intern Prayer Times

Past summers have included studies of 1 Peter, the Gospel of John, Hermeneutics, 1 Corinthians, and the life of Joseph. Reading has included *Don't Waste Your Life*, *The Gospel According to Jesus*, *The Sinfulness of Sin*, *The Roots of Endurance*, *Give Them Grace*, *Bloodlines*, *Loving the Way Jesus Loves*, *God is the Gospel*, *Let the Nations Be Glad*, *Side by Side*, and various missionary biographies.

Who should intern?

College aged guys and girls:

- With a desire to minister in the inner city in the context of the local church
- Who are intentionally impressionable and humble, wanting to learn and grow
- Who desire to love God with their heart, soul, mind, and strength, and want to obey the call to love their neighbors as they love themselves

What will my responsibilities be if I intern?

- You will have a variety of daily and weekly ministry responsibilities that will keep you busier than a full-time job.
- You will need to attend Intern Kickoff and Intern Exit Retreat.
- You will have a pre-interning reading assignment
- You will have weekly intern reading assignments and homework

Will I be paid? One Hope makes every effort to keep your expenses as low as possible. For out of town interns, most meals and all housing costs are covered. For further information about expenses and salary, please contact us.

How do I become an intern? Visit our website at www.onehopetulsa.com and select the Intern tab. Click on Intern Application. After your application is received, we will contact you for a phone interview, check your references, and arrange a background check.

Hear from Former Interns

“God has knitted me into a church family that reflects the heart of God. **I began to learn what it looks like to love the people God has given me to love and that following Jesus means dying to myself.**” - *Alissa Hill*, Ouachita Baptist University (Intern 2010, 2012-2013)

“Interning exposed me to what God can do and is doing in this city. It taught me that **Christ’s love is tough to mimic; but, man, is it beautiful** and is it necessary.” - *Malachi Blankenship*, University of Tulsa (Intern 2011-2013)

“Through interning at One Hope, God opened my eyes to my own selfishness and showed me that **serving Him with my life is the hardest yet most joyous and rewarding thing that I could ever do.**” - *Lauren Dunlap*, Oklahoma Wesleyan University (Intern 2013-2014)

“The internship has shown me where I needed to grow in love for people and pushed me to follow the call of the Gospel to deny myself and **follow Jesus in loving the lost more, not only in the inner city, but also in the rest of the world that is affected by the fall.**” - *Levi Franklin*, Boyce College (Intern 2013)

“**Interning taught me to go hard for the Lord**, serving the church whether you have much or little, giving Him everything you have within you.” - *Lincoln Beard*, Louisiana Tech University (Intern 2012)

“Through interning at One Hope God has taught me what true ministry really is by both the teaching of His Word and the example of fellow believers. **God has used the interns and kids that I have met while interning to impact me in such a way that the things I have learned will stick with me for the rest of my life.**” - *Jake Funderburk*, Rogers State University (Intern 2011-2015)

“The impact interning had on me was tremendous. **It grounded me in truth and brought about a deeper desire for the Word and prayer** so I could know the Lord more. It impacted the area of fellowship in my life. Striving side by side daily with the brethren taught me to have a continual abidance in Christ’s love and a constant dying to myself to stir one another up to follow Christ harder. Lastly, it impacted the way I view people on a day to day basis; **it made me develop a longing to see people come to Christ** and to see the people of the church have Christ as their greatest desire and treasure.” - *Mat Levenson*, Rogers State University (Intern 2013-2015)

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“Interning had **a lasting impact on my relationship with God**. It taught me the importance of our call to love God and love people. It taught me that **God will give me the strength to keep pouring myself out even when I feel like my strength has run dry.**”

- *Lauren Martin*, Vacaville Community College (Intern 2013)

“Interning was a great way to grow in my faith. It is a great way to know how to be a servant of Christ, and **you are constantly encouraged by the people you work with and the people you get to know in the church.**” - *Nathan Whitson*, Oklahoma Baptist University (Intern 2013)

“No other program I know of pushes you to love Him as much. **I grew that summer as a disciple of Christ more than I ever have.** Anyone looking to go deeper into the Word of God and form great relationships with the fellow interns all while living out what the Bible says should be a One Hope Intern.” - *Sam Castles*, Oklahoma Baptist University (Intern 2012-2013)

“While interning I had the chance to grow closer to like minded Christian college students while growing deeper in my love for and understanding of Christ. Interning gave me **the opportunity to focus on others over the summer** and become more comfortable evangelizing and loving others through Christ.” - *Mackenzie Moody*, Oklahoma State University (Intern 2013-2015)

“In addition to the massive blessing of being given a true family through interning (whose bond I share is truly closer than that of flesh and blood), the influence interning has had on my life can be summarized in two words: **Truth exemplified.**”

- *John Supica*, University of Tulsa (Intern 2008-2009)

“If you want to grow in your love for the Lord, the local church, and the lost, intern at One Hope. Not only will you gain practical wisdom and experience in urban ministry, your mind, heart, and hands will be “stretched” for the glory of God. Sometimes serving is the best way to learn about God and His people. A summer in Tulsa definitely did that for me and I encourage anyone who wants to love God more and better love those inside and outside the church to serve at One Hope.”

Amy Witt, Boyce College (Intern 2012, 2014)

OUR HEART FOR INTERNS

We want to teach you as much as
we possibly can in nine weeks.

We want you to leave tired and full and
more confident than ever in the power of
the Gospel to change hearts,
especially your own.

We want you to get messy doing ministry
in a church that is committed
to loving the inner city,
even when it's awkward and complicated.

We want you to learn to ask
the right questions, and we want
to wrestle alongside of you
about what it looks like to really love.

We want to pray together and dream
together and study the Bible together.

We want you to see that
we are worse than we thought,
but God is better than we hoped.

Still interested in
INTERNING?

We'd love to have
YOU to join vs.

What should I do if I have questions?

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The internship is a 9 week program:

Sunday, June 5th, 2016, through Sunday, August 7th, 2016.