

The National Center for Family Integrated Churches

Expanded Explanation

Internship 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Consider an exciting internship opportunity with the National Center for Family Integrated Churches.

The NCFIC Internship is a men's discipleship program consisting of personal study, local church involvement, and ministry to churches around the nation through conferences and internet communications. We desire to be faithful to Paul's admonition to Timothy,

"And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also". 2 Timothy 2:2

We are working on a significant expansion of the ministry of the National Center for Family Integrated Churches. The NCFIC was founded on September 11, 2001 and after eight years of ministry and laying a foundation, we believe that now is the time to give the NCFIC a distinct internet presence. This will allow us to *clarify* and *amplify* the message, *increase* the services, *multiply* the theological resources and *extend* the reach of the ministry.

This expansion includes the following:

1. Spinning the NCFIC web site out as a stand-alone resource.
2. Locating the offices of the NCFIC in Wake Forest, NC.
3. Getting to work on a big build-out of the web site content in audio, print and video.
4. Adding new functions and capabilities to the web site.
5. Adding employees.
6. Discipling interns.

These young men will not only be learning about the biblical doctrines of church and family, they will also be hard at work communicating the NCFIC message and providing the manpower for furnishing various conferences.

A Season of Communication and Clarification

The family integrated church message is sweeping the nation and there is much still to be said and done. Our objective is to enter into a higher level of development of the NCFIC. Our purpose is to encourage churches and families to be faithful to scripture by conducting conferences and producing and disseminating a diverse set of theological and practical resources. These resources are necessary to assist these churches in overcoming the typical growing pains, establish a biblical ecclesiology, clarify our message and answer our critics.

Our Message

Our central message is the doctrine of the sufficiency of scripture and how it applies to the discipleship of families, and the building of healthy churches. Interns will not only be built up in the faith through their involvement in communicating the message and interacting with mentors here in Wake Forest and around the nation, but they will also help continue to clarify and establish the architecture of the message. That architecture is simply, the biblical doctrines of church and family.

Benefits for the intern

Interns will leave the program having had the following experiences:

1. Full participation in the life of a local church and with the elders of that church to minister and be ministered to.
2. Study of critical books on the subject of ecclesiology and Church history.
3. Communication of the message of the NCFIC through audio, print and video communications.
4. Interaction with leaders from around the country.
5. Producing and participating in conferences on key subjects relating to church and family.
6. Engaging in scripture memory relating to church and family issues.
7. Joining us at NCFIC conferences.
8. Interns will benefit from the application process by listening to five messages on the subjects that are the focus of the NCFIC.

Age of interns:

Intern applicants must be no younger than eighteen and no older than 25. All applicants must have the blessing and support of their parents.

Housing:

The interns will be housed in a loft dormitory located directly across the street from the offices of Hope Baptist Church and the NCFIC in Historic Downtown Wake Forest, NC. The address of this facility is 215 South White Street, Wake Forest, NC 27587. It is located on the second floor above “The Olde English Tea Room.”

Costs:

There are no costs as interns will be supported by gifts from friends of the ministry.

Food:

The intern must cover his own food costs. We will schedule interns to eat in the homes of church families twice per week and the home of Scott Brown once per week.

Books:

The intern will be required to purchase the correct editions of the books and CD’s on the book list.

Note: the book list may go through some changes between now and the launching of the internship.

Church Involvement

As part of their training, interns will be required to fully participate in the body life of Hope Baptist Church. Regular meetings include Sunday morning worship, Wednesday night prayer meetings and Tuesday morning men's Bible Study.

Before coming to Wake Forest to participate in the program, interns must read the Hope Baptist membership package, and doctrinal statement. Interns must also be in agreement with and sign the Hope Baptist church covenant, effective for the duration of their internship. They will be required to function as if they were members of Hope Baptist church while here. It is not required that they subscribe to every point of the Hope Baptist extended doctrinal statement, but that they do embrace historic Christian doctrine and agree to refrain from causing division on any points they may disagree with.

Curriculum:

- Daily Exercise
- Involvement in Hope Baptist teaching experiences
- Involvement in NCFIC conferences
- Involvement in research and communication of the message of the NCFIC
- Reading and Study Regimen

The following books will require a written book review and discussion time with Scott Brown at the conclusion of the reading.

- Master Plan of Evangelism, Robert Coleman
- The Sovereignty of God, A.W. Pink
- The Expository Genius of John Calvin, Steven Lawson
- Knowing God, J.I. Packer
- The Deliberate Church, Mark Dever
- How God Wants Us to Worship Him, Joe Morecraft
- Institutes of the Christian Religion, John Calvin (2 Vols. Edited by John T McNeill, 2006, Westminster John Knox Press)
- The Christian Ministry, Charles Bridges
- Lectures to My Students, Charles Haddon Spurgeon
- Audio sermon selections

Notes: Please purchase the most recent edition of these books

The reading list may change

Daily Schedule:

- 6:00AM Workout regimen
- 7:15 AM Interns gather for daily corporate scripture reading, and scripture memory recitation.

Breakfast

- 8:00AM Daily work begins at the Offices of the NCFIC

Reading and writing

Researching and producing NCFIC communications

- 12:00PM Lunch and personal discipleship

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- 5:00PM NCFIC Offices close
- 6:00PM Dinner
- 7:00—9:00PM Study Time
- Scripture recitation and prayer before bed.
- 11:00PM Curfew

Experiences

The calendars for the NCFIC and Hope Baptist are full of helpful experiences.

How you can help:

You may not have an intern to send to us, but you can help us in other ways.

The internship program alone will cost the NCFIC approximately \$60,000 in 2010. We are in need of monetary and manpower resources. Please prayerfully consider a donation to the NCFIC. Funds donated to Vision Forum Ministries must specify that the gift is for the NCFIC.

We believe that the church and the family are both holy institutions deserving our most excellent attentions. Please join us in prayer for the beautification and the proper functioning of church and family in our generation.

To contact us please send an email to Peter Bradrick, in the care of pbradrick@ncfic.org

Sincerely,

Scott Brown – Director of NCFIC