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The following categories and specifications might help as you check out our opportunities: Ministry Type is specified with every MTW Global Support Ministry opportunity, and will help you see the area of serving in this particular location at a glance. Let this help to guide you as you pray for direction in this journey.



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**Medical/Political Climate:** We use this to help determine the level of risk a missionary assumes when stepping into a new culture. Lucky for you, MTW insures your trip while you are serving overseas. And we always make safety a priority.

**Low Risk** is used for anyone traveling within the United States or a major city in the developing world. We call it "Low Risk," because the climate is non-threatening and there is little or no risk within this area.

**Intermediate Risk** refers to a risk associated usually in a developing country, or in travel outside of the city. For intermediate risk, we see there is opportunity to encounter risk, but the environment is relatively stable.

**Substantial Risk** is associated with having few Western amenities available and a marginal medical system. Political unrest is sometimes present, with a possibility of infectious disease.

**High Risk** involves possible exposure to environmental extremes, such as altitude or heat. Travel to remote areas is also considered High Risk. Additionally, these projects involve few Western amenities available and a marginal medical system. There are possibilities of contracting infectious disease.

**Project Level** is a rating to help find the best match possible; please note the project level in each location to see if it is an appropriate fit for you and your team.

**Level 1:** These trips are appropriate for Junior High age and up. There are no language barriers, and a minimal cross-cultural setting. No missions experience is required.

**Level 2:** A Level two project is designed for Junior High age and up. There is a moderate language barrier and moderate cross-cultural environment. Missions experience is helpful, but not required.

**Level 3:** Level three projects are best for Senior High and up, as there are some language barriers and a challenging cross-cultural setting. Missions experience is helpful.

**Level 4:** These projects are for adults and some mature senior high. There are increased language barriers as well as an intense cross-cultural environment, requiring prior missions experience.

**Estimated Cost per Week:** The cost associated with each opportunity is estimated for one week, except where a ten-day or two-week cost is indicated. This does not include travel to and from the field, but does include food, lodging, ground transportation (for most locations), and ministry expenses. All costs are estimates and will be adjusted for each individual applicant and team upon being approved through our department.



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# One, Two & Three-Week Opportunities

## Asia

### Japan: Chiba

10 Days & Two Weeks

**Urban Ministry Type:** Pre-Evangelism, Teaching English, Construction, Developing Friendships, English Day-camps

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk **Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost** (For 2 Weeks): \$975-\$1100

This project offers ten days to two-week opportunities, working with an MTW church plant in Chiba, Japan. Teams would help with small projects to assist the missionary team. The dates are flexible.

### Philippines

10-Days & Two Weeks,

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk **Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$835-\$935 (10 days);

\$1066-\$1166 (Two weeks)

Teams can host VBS for the children at the Ang Bahay Parola "Lighthouse" street child homes.

Light work projects are always needed at the street child homes as well. There are opportunities for pastors or teaching elders to guest lecture at the local reformed seminary and to do seminars or retreats for our national pastors and leaders. This would be a huge blessing to the pastors and leadership of the local churches.

### South Asia: Bhogpur Children's Home

**Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism, Teaching English, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low-Intermediate Risk **Level:** 3

**Cost:** \$700-\$900 (in-country airfare included)

Short-term teams can serve at the Bhogpur Children's Home, which provides education and a safe living environment for underserved children. Two-week teams are needed to help lead and facilitate youth retreats, VBS, and English camp. Construction experience needed for work projects to improve campus facilities.

### South Asia: Theological Education

**Cost:** \$550-\$750

**Urban Ministry Type:** Theological Education

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low-Intermediate Risk **Level:** 3

Ordained pastors and teaching elders are greatly needed to teach theological education seminars to Indian church-planters. Seminars are held year-round. Please contact MTW for list of teaching topics and more details.

### Taiwan: San Yi

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Teaching

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost** (2 weeks): \$505-\$605

This two-week trip involves serving in various ways with Hakka Chinese Outreach. Contact MTW for current information concerning the dates of this project.

### Taiwan: Taipei

**Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism, Teaching

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost** (2 weeks): \$750-\$850

Get involved with the Teaching English Ministry with Christ's College. Contact MTW for current information concerning the dates of this project.

## Caribbean

### Cuba

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Theological Education, Sports (baseball)

**Level:** 3-4

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate risk

**Cost:** \$1,235 (includes airfare from Miami, FL to Cuba)

One and two-week teams will work in the central and western part of Cuba. There is a variety of ministries in which teams can take part: sports (baseball), construction, Bible schools (must have a Spanish speaker), theological training (must be a Spanish speaker), music ministry, and other ministries. Teams are needed for Spring and Summer of 2012. There is also an invitation for ordained pastors and elders to teach theological seminars for training church planters and pastors (must be a Spanish speaker).



### Haiti

One - Two Weeks

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS, Medical ministry

**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk

**Level:** 4

**Estimated Cost:** \$680-\$750/week

Teams will work with MTW missionaries in a variety of ministry opportunities. Current needs include evangelism, ESL, leadership training, VBS, medical clinics, construction, church planting, and youth ministry. There is a need for year-round involvement.





# One, Two & Three-Week

## **Jamaica:** **Caribbean Christian Centre for the Deaf**

One Week

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Deaf Ministry, Children's Ministry

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$742-\$782

Serve with Caribbean Christian Center for the deaf through construction projects and ministry to the deaf students (elementary through high school). Opportunities exist for ministry to hearing children in local orphanages as well.

## **Jamaica: Ministries in Action Partnership**

One Week

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Sports & Music outreach

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

Estimated cost: \$750

Working with Ministries in Action missionary, Billy McKillop, teams can serve in either Montego Bay or Mandeville ministry sites. There are many opportunities including construction, children and youth ministry, VBS, leadership training, mentoring, and sports outreach.

## Central America

### **Belize**

**Rural Ministry Type:** Work Projects, Construction, Evangelism, VBS, Sports Camps, Medical Ministry

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate - Substantial

**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$800- \$900/week

Serve in church planting and mercy ministry activities alongside nationals and MTW missionaries. There is a need for teams from February through October. This site fills up quickly so contact the office early.

### **Honduras**

One - Three Weeks

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Work Projects, Medical Ministry, VBS, Evangelism

**Medical/Political Climate:**  
Intermediate - Substantial

**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$641/week

Working side-by-side with full-time MTW missionaries in La Ceiba, Short-term teams can make an impact through assisting the current ministries of work projects, medical ministry, teaching, VBS, youth ministry, ministry with local orphanages, elderly outreach, church leadership training, and other evangelistic outreach. There is a need for year-round involvement.

### **Mexico, Acapulco: Sobre el Puente**

One & Two Weeks

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$620

Work with the street children of Acapulco as a means of evangelism and church-planting. Dates are flexible for this trip, so please contact MTW for more specific availability.

### **Mexico, Acapulco: Casa Hogar**

One & Two Weeks

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$643 (One Week-Dorms); \$800-\$900 (2 weeks)

Work at the Casa Hogar orphanage doing construction, evangelism and VBS with the children of the orphanage. A family friendly project (project activities and lodging adaptable for small children). Dates are flexible, contact MTW for availability.

### **Mexico, Ciudad Victoria**

One & Two Weeks

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Teaching, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$620-\$700 (One Week)

Assist Presbyterian Church plants in various ministries, as well as with the Christian school in teaching and VBS. Dates are flexible for this trip, so please contact MTW for more specific availability.

### **Mexico, Guanajuato**

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$600

Teams will participate in updating facilities as well as the construction of new facilities for a camp site on the outskirts of Guanajuato. There are great opportunities for VBS, sports, adult and teaching ministries. Dates are flexible for this trip; please contact MTW for more information.

### **Mexico, Monterrey**

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Teaching, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$770

Serve with a Presbyterian Church plant through construction, evangelism, teaching, and Vacation Bible School. Dates are flexible for this project, so please contact MTW for more specifics.

## Cultivating the Back 80

Dave Hebert is a former MTW missionary to Japan. He is currently leading short-term trips to the field and working on special projects.

A tenant farmer was working 100 acres of good soil. The farmhouse he lived in was in the center of his fields, so he could easily keep track of the general health of his crops as they developed. He first plowed and seeded all 100 acres, then gave them all a soaking. Weed-pulling was time consuming and laborious, but as all good farmers know, you have to stay on top of the weeds or they'll soon be on top of the crops. Life was good, the work was hard but satisfying, and the farmer was generally pleased with the work of his hands.

But as he grew older, he became more and more easily satisfied by the looks of the crops closest to the farm. There was so much work to do with 100 acres, and it only seemed natural to give those closest by the most water, the most fertilizer, and the most time to weed-pulling.

Of course the acres not so close to the farm didn't do as well as the close ones, but at least they were alive, even if they weren't too pretty to look at. But what's a man to do? It costs a lot to run a farm. Even if the back 80 was not doing so well, when the living room chair was positioned just right, he couldn't even see back there. In fact, when he had guests over for supper on Sunday afternoons, he sat them by the big bay window and hardly

a meal went by without someone commenting about how healthy looking his crops were. So, it was no great surprise when the farmer's brothers offered to invest in his holdings. After all, they had supped often enough to taste the quality of his crops. They knew what he was capable of. Why, just look out the front window!

You don't have to be an experienced farmer to see who the fool is here. Only a farmer who didn't care about all of his land would farm this way. Why do we sometimes act this way in missions? Do those people groups closest to us and least-expensively reached need the gospel any more than those far off? Of course not. But people groups whose geography is hard to reach, whose language is difficult, whose customs are so different from ours deserve the full effort of our mission force too. We need to be careful stewards of the resources God has entrusted to us.

My challenge as you consider becoming personally involved in foreign missions is this: cultivate the back 80. The cost may very well be greater, in terms of comfort, finances, preparation, and access to stateside family and resources, but we must commit to the global need of the gospel of Jesus with a sense of equity and balance that truly considers the entire world.

# One, Two & Three-Week

## Mexico: Progreso

Mentored Trip for Youth Groups

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction & Children's Ministry

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** Approximately \$600

Join us in a new partnership in Merida, Mexico! Teams heading to Merida will serve alongside "Jesus" Presbyterian Church, part of the National Presbyterian Church of Mexico. Iglesia Jesus has been in Progreso for over 100 years and has a huge presence in the community. It is also the site for San Pablo Theological Seminary. Serve the children in Progreso through youth and children's ministry and help with construction on Iglesia Jesus' community and retreat center.

## Mexico: Reynosa

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS, Medical

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 2/3

**Estimated Cost:** \$540

Serve alongside Isaiah 55 Deaf Ministries in construction, evangelism, and Vacation Bible School. This is considered a family friendly project; activities and lodging may be more easily adaptable for small children.

## Nicaragua

One Week

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Work Projects, Evangelism, VBS, Community Outreach

**Medical/Political Climate:** Substantial Risk  
**Level:** 3/4

**Estimated Cost:** \$970/week

Work with MTW missionaries doing mercy ministry and economic development on a working pineapple farm. Teams may take part in such ministries as construction/work projects, vacation Bible school, evangelism, teaching at the Ministry Outreach Center. There is a need for year-round involvement.

## Greece: Corfu

**Type:** ESL, Mercy, University Outreach

**Level:** 3

**Medical/Political Climate:**

Intermediate risk

Creative outreach opportunities abound in Corfu, Greece. Groups are invited to participate in a wide array of ministries from practical work projects around the church to providing seminars for the community. The church's goal is to build relationships with the communities around them through creative outreach and teaching.

## Greece: Volos

10 days & Two weeks

**Type:** ESL, Mercy, University Outreach

**Level:** 3

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate risk  
**Estimated Cost:** \$700-\$1000

The Greek Evangelical Church in Volos desires to be the hands and feet of Christ through practical ministry, such as picking up trash on the side of the road. Their call is clear—to have and show a servant's heart to the people of Volos. The Lord has graciously provided a way for the church to reach out to the community, and has earned the respect of the government and community. Groups are invited to participate alongside the church as they continue to build relationships and reach out to the city of Volos.

## Latvia

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** University Ministry, Evangelism, Theological Education, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$550-\$700

Serve with national pastors in a church-planting setting, through university ministry, theological education and VBS



## Ukraine: Belgorod

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Teaching, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$435 (1 week); \$600 (10 Days); \$800 - \$825 (Two weeks)

Come alongside a Ukraine church to assist in teaching ESL, youth outreach, evangelism, and VBS. Skilled construction workers only needed.

## Ukraine: Kherson

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Teaching, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$705-\$805 (10-Days) \$786-\$886 (Two weeks)

There are opportunities to be part of the Teaching English Ministry. Dates are flexible for either a 10-day or two-week trip. Contact MTW for more information on dates and availability.

## Ukraine: Odessa

10 Days

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Teaching, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$724-\$824

Work with the Evangelical Reformed Church in Odessa, through construction, VBS, and the Teaching English Ministry. Dates are flexible for this 10-day trip, so contact MTW for specific availability.

## Europe

### Czech Republic

English Camps

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Teaching English

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$600-\$700

Spend a week teaching English at an English Camp in the Czech Republic along side MTW missionaries. Field accepts partnership churches only.

### England: Tranmere

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$700-\$1000

Come serve along St. Catherine's in Tranmere, England through evangelism and community outreach. Opportunities available February through August.

## Greece: Athens

**Type:** ESL, Mercy, University Outreach

**Level:** 3

**Medical/ Political Climate:** Intermediate risk

Join MTW in a new partnership with First Evangelical Church in Athens. First Church sponsors an organization called "Helping Hands," a community outreach center located in a heavily populated area with immigrant and refugee families. At Helping Hands, immigrants receive a free meal, and have the opportunity to learn the Greek and English languages. Outreach can take place through Bible Studies, computer training, tutoring, English clubs, music and art lessons. Teams may participate in hosting community festivals in local parks to build relationships between the church and community. First Church regularly visits the local university with a long-term vision to plant a church and develop an RUF ministry there. Teams are invited to bring their creativity and gifts to this emerging ministry.

# One, Two & Three-Week

## North America

### Arizona: Tohono O'Odham Reservation

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

Serve the Tohono O'Odham Reservation through construction, evangelism, senior programs and VBS. There are videos available upon request with more information about this ministry.

### Arizona, Tucson

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

Serve the Hispanic community in the southern Tucson area through construction, sports ministry, evangelism, and VBS. Videos are available upon request with more information about this ministry.

### Canada: Hobbema, Alberta

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low-Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

This project involves work with Rev. Marcus Tool and a Church plant on four Cree reserves. It allows for an opportunity for cross-cultural missions and relationship building. There are videos available upon request with more information about this ministry project.

### Canada: Moose Factory, Ontario

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low-Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$490 (Does not include on-site transportation)

This project involves partnering with a Cree Gospel Church on a tribal island on the Moose River. Ministries include VBS, evangelism, sports, elders programs and construction. It allows opportunities for cross-cultural missions and relationship building.

### Georgia, Dalton

**Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism, VBS, Construction, Sports Ministry

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 1

**Estimated Cost:** \$400-\$450

Teams will serve alongside a local PCA church with a focus on reaching out to the Hispanic community. Dalton is great for youth groups as well as those seeking a domestic cross-cultural mission trip.

### Georgia: Gainesville

**Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 1

**Estimated Cost:** \$360

Work in Hispanic outreach with Westminster Presbyterian Church through evangelism and Summer Day Camp programs during June.



### Georgia: MAC

**Rural Ministry Type:** Training

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 1

**Estimated Cost:** \$375-\$400

Mission Adventure Camp (MAC) is a high-energy adventure camp for junior high students. Youth groups from across the country will converge at the Ridge Haven Camp & Conference Center

for a power packed five-day, six-night experience of a lifetime! Through the challenges of outdoor adventure activities, team-building initiatives, service projects, small group dialogues, and powerful teaching from guest speakers, students will be confronted with the call to live a life sold out to God with a heart of compassion for the world.

### Minnesota: Chippewa (Red Lake) Reservation

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 2

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

This project offers VBS, construction, youth, and fishing ministries to the Chippewa Indian Reservation. A video with more information about the trip is available upon request.

### Nebraska: Omaha Reservation

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

Get involved in a cross-cultural ministry here in the United States with the Omaha Indian Reservation, through construction, evangelism and VBS. There is a video available upon request describing more details about the ministry.

### New York: Operation Exodus

**Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$635-\$735

Serve the children of Washington Heights together with Operation Exodus Inner City. Teams are needed in June to help with tutoring students and ministry through an after-school program. July and August teams will help with a Summer Achievement program for school-aged children which will involve tutoring, arts and crafts, sports and leading daily worship.

### New York: Reach New York

**Urban Ministry Type:** Evangelism, VBS, Teaching English

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$600-\$650

Serve with multi-ethnic church plants reaching out in New York City. Ministry opportunities include VBS, community outreach, teaching English.

### North Carolina: Cherokee

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Outreach, VBS, Sports Camps, Bible Camps

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 1

**Estimated Cost:** \$465 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

This family friendly project offers opportunity for a cross-cultural experience for youth and adults. The project involves relational outreach through service to the community and Tribal agencies.

### Washington: Colville Reservation

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS, Music

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

This cross-cultural project will involve ministry to the Colville Indian Reservation through construction, evangelism and VBS. There are videos available upon request.

### Washington: Lummi

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$415-\$430 (Does not include on-site Transportation)

This cross-cultural project will involve ministry to the Lummi Indian Reservation through construction, evangelism, health fair and VBS. There are videos available upon request.

# One, Two & Three-Week

## West Virginia: Fairmont

**Rural Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS, Sports Camp

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Level:** 1

**Estimated Cost:** \$475 (Does not include on-site transportation)

This family-friendly project provides opportunities for families with young children, as well as youth and adults, to serve alongside Christ Community Church by reaching out to their community through construction, VBS, and relational evangelism.



## South America

### Chile: Osorno

One & Two Weeks

**Rural & Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$625

Working with the national church in Osorno, Chile. Dates are flexible, so contact MTW for more information.

### Chile: Vina del Mar

Two Weeks

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Teaching

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$750-\$950

This project will give participants an opportunity to work in construction, evangelism, and teaching with an MTW church plant.

### Peru: Cusco

One Week

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Evangelism, Teaching, VBS

**Medical/Political Climate:** Substantial Risk

**Level:** 3

**Estimated Cost:** \$750

This project will give participants an opportunity to serve with the MTW church plant. There is also an opportunity for a side trip to Machu Picchu, though this is not included in the estimated cost amount listed above.

### Peru: Lima

**Urban Ministry Type:** Children's Ministry, ESL, Medical

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Level:** 3/4

**Estimated Cost:** \$575-\$750

Serve alongside the Lima church planting team to expand their ministry in the capital city of Peru. Some of the ministry opportunities include children's ministry, ESL in a local university and medical ministry. Teams may also have the

opportunity to visit House of Glory (home for pregnant at-risk girls).

### Peru: Scripture Union

**Urban Ministry Type:** Construction, Children's Ministry

**Medical/Political Climate:** Substantial Risk

**Level:** 3/4


**Estimated Cost:** \$595 (based on 20 people)

This project will give participants the opportunity to serve in one of 5 Scripture Union locations. Most projects will include construction or maintenance of new or existing homes for street boys. There are roughly 40 boys living in each home.



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# Medical Opportunities.

## North America

### Dalton, GA

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Availability:** Open to inquiry

**Project Ground Costs:** to be determined

Grace Presbyterian Church has a heart for ministering to the surrounding community, especially the Hispanic population. Dr. Wiley Smith has joined them in ministering to the medical needs of those who cannot afford medical care. Teams stay in a "team house" on the church property. Opportunities are available from two days to one week. (Medical doctors need to be licensed in Georgia to serve here.)

### Hobbema, Canada

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk

**Availability:** usually Spring and fall

**Project Ground Costs:** \$750-\$800

Teams minister to the Cree Indian community through community health teaching and counseling. Typically, a spring and fall team serve each year. Past teams have held marriage and parenting conferences, while a future team will minister to the senior citizens.

## Caribbean

### Trinidad

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Availability:** January 21-28, 2012 and more

**Project Ground Costs:** \$775-\$825

We are assisting Covenant Reformed Evangelical Church in ministering to the needs of Trinidadians. There are various opportunities in communities with varying degrees of healthcare access.

### Haiti

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk

**Availability:** Various year-round

**Project Ground Costs:** \$550 or \$680

Our focus in Haiti is assisting national pastors Esaie Etienne (in Gonaives) and Jean Paul (in LaPlaine). Medical teams are able to help meet the great need for medical care in this under-developed country. Many teams have traveled to Haiti since the earthquake in January 2010, and multiple opportunities will be available in 2012.



## Central America

### Belize

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Availability:** Year round

**Project Ground Costs:** \$550-\$600 (one week)  
\$770-850 (Two weeks)

The Presbyterian Medical Clinic is an established facility which MTW helps support. The clinic is currently in search of a full-time doctor but in the meantime staffing the clinic with short term visiting physicians and nurses. A dental suite is available for dentists and hygienists. Opportunities exist for visits from one week up to several months.

### Bolivia

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Availability:** To be determined

**Project Ground Costs:** To be determined  
Bolivia is a fairly new field for MTW medical ministry. At the request of one of our regular team members, we sent a team to Bolivia in 2009. Teams serve in areas where missionaries Earl and Rosie Adams are ministering.

### Costa Rica

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Availability:** Open to Inquiry

**Project Ground Costs:** \$700 (one week)

MTW church planters are new to Costa Rica and are working with national church planters. These national partners have requested medical teams both to care for their church members and to reach out to the community. Teams will work in rural areas outside of San Jose. Be part of a new work as Costa Rica will be considered a new medical field for 2012!

### Ecuador

**Setting:** Urban and rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk

**Availability:** Open to inquiry

**Project Ground Costs:** To be determined  
MTW medical teams serve alongside their missionaries in reaching out to the needy in Guayaquil.

### Honduras

**Setting:** Urban and Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Substantial Risk

**Availability:** August 11-18, 2012

**Project Ground Costs:** \$650 (one week)

The work in Honduras is growing rapidly with the construction of an established medical facility in progress. A full time missionary nurse is on the ground and presently conducting weekly clinics and health education in the community of Armenia Bonito in La Ceiba. Join her and her family for these clinics.



# Medical

## Acapulco, Mexico

**Setting:** Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$550-\$600

Medical teams will hold clinics in local churches and at the orphanage, Casa Hogar. Optometry and dentistry services are in high demand and can further help the church in mercy outreach. Our annual goal is to send a medical team in the spring and one in the fall.

## Monterrey, Mexico

**Setting:** Urban and rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$900

In 2007 we sent our first medical team to Monterrey to minister among the less fortunate in Monterrey city. There are opportunities to serve in Monterrey as well as communities within a short drive of the city. One of the beautiful aspects of serving in Monterrey is the opportunity to serve along with Mexican medical professionals who are also involved in reaching out to their own country.

## Reynosa, Mexico

**Setting:** Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry  
**Project Ground Costs:** to be determined  
Teams work alongside Isaiah 55 ministry to the deaf and travel to nearby areas to provide general medical care to communities in need of assistance. Smaller teams (20-25) are preferred;

however they are open to teams of varying size and specialties throughout the year. Reynosa would love to host a dental team in an area near a prostitute community.

## Guanajuato, Mexico

**Setting:** Urban and Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$755

In 2008 MTW purchased a campground on the outskirts of Guanajuato. It is MTW's desire to begin a church and multiple other outreaches there. Medical teams (large and small) can be of assistance by creating a bridge between MTW and this new community. A special request has been made for a dentist on a medical team or a dental team.

## Peru: Huaraz

**Setting:** Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry  
**Project Ground Costs:** To be determined

Teams work with local missionaries who minister to the Quechua people. Because manual labor is a part of their everyday life, there are many health issues that are related to that lifestyle. Individuals with language skills are especially desired in this area. The missionaries are also interested in finding an intern. They could also benefit from having a long-term eye surgeon on the premises.

# Africa

## North Africa

**Setting:** Urban and Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** Dates to be determined  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$1400/2 weeks  
For the past several years, MTW medical teams have served in a North African country providing care through clinics to both believers and non-believers. Within the last year, an established clinic has opened providing opportunities for service from 1 week up to several months.

## West Africa

**Setting:** Urban and Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** February, May, July, & October  
**Project Ground Costs:** Variable depending on the country  
In 2010, MTW conducted a training for West African nationals from 4 different countries to teach them how to host medical teams. Since then, we have received requests for medical teams in several of these countries. Join us as we minister to some of the poorest and most underserved people in West Africa. Clinic sites are selected by the local churches as a strategic way to reach out to unbelievers in the area.

## Ethiopia: Addis Ababa

**Setting:** Urban  
**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry



**Project Ground Costs:** \$955 (1 week), \$1350 (2 weeks)  
Our AIDS ministry in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia provides our participants with opportunities to serve alongside missionaries and national workers to minister to the families affected by this devastating disease. Opportunities are presented to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through home visits and mobile clinics. One/Two week and internship opportunities are available.

## Kenya: Nairobi

**Setting:** Urban  
**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiry  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$950  
MTW's goal is primarily to serve the people inhabiting the slum areas in and around Nairobi, working alongside pastors of the African Evangelical Presbyterian Church. The burden of disease in these areas is huge due to overcrowding, malnutrition, poor sanitation and limited access to healthcare. Typically two medical teams serve in Kenya each year.

# Europe

## Bulgaria

**Setting:** Urban  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Availability:** Open to inquiries  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$800  
The MTW team in Sofia partners with many national pastors in the surrounding cities and towns. These pastors have found that medical teams are

an excellent way to make the church known in that area. Teams work alongside a missionary doctor and missionary occupational therapists. Clinics are often set up in the church, but opportunities also exist at orphanages and in prisons.



# How to Save a Life



A young patient receives treatment.

*“Through this trip I learned just how weak I am spiritually and how much I need Christ to face everything in my life—my marriage, my career.”*

When Adam and Ellen Hoover signed up for a medical mission trip to Ethiopia with Mission to the World last summer, they weren't sure what to expect. “I had a vague idea of what it would be like,” recalls Adam, a second-year medical student at the Medical College of Georgia. “I expected to see desperate medical situations, especially in terms of the AIDS crisis. But at the time, my expectations were faceless.”



Once in Ethiopia, it didn't take long for Adam and Ellen, a nurse, to put a face to the needs. “As we drove through the city streets, we saw dozens of people lying on the side of the road. We thought maybe they were homeless or just sleeping. We later learned that many of those people were HIV-positive and had lost all desire or motivation to live.”

Hannah Warren, a third-year medical student at East Tennessee University, also served on the trip to Ethiopia. She says that the shame and fear associated with HIV costs many people their families and their connections to the community. “Individuals who are HIV-positive are the most vulnerable in society.”

For Hannah, going to Ethiopia was going home. Hannah grew up in Africa, spending most of her life in Kenya and Ethiopia. The mission team also worked with Hannah's parents, Andy and Bev Warren, who run the HIV/AIDS Care and Treatment Project in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The project provides home-based care for people infected with HIV and their families.

“Basically, whatever they need, we try to provide,” Andy explains. “Before the introduction of the anti-viral drugs, people got really sick, really fast. The majority would die within one year. Now, with better treatment, they are living longer, and thus, the needs are more extensive.”

Short-term missionaries play a crucial role in ensuring that medical treatment reaches the sick. “The medical teams are great,” Andy says. “They come in and see people in clinics throughout the community. They help us further our network with local churches. And because the people here get used to seeing us, when outsiders come in and give them attention like they've never gotten before, we see great things happen.”

Drs. Ted and Sharon Kuhn, who lead MTW's Medical Department, explain that the medical mission trips, especially the student trips, are not just about treating the sick. “We answer the needs of the missionaries and church planters throughout the world for medical support, but a key part of the trips for students is building up experience that they would never get in a classroom.”

The students work alongside medical professionals, learning about communication, treatments, and patient care. “Students gain valuable knowledge on these mission trips that directly relates to their future practices,” says Sharon. “They come away with increased insight into looking at the whole person, and they learn that not everyone is like themselves. They begin to see the need not just to hear the symptoms, but to look deeper at what's behind them: the spiritual, emotional, financial, and cultural factors. They observe listening and compassion at work and they are able to see how much better they can care for the patient.”



In addition to the medical experience, Sharon emphasizes the opportunities for spiritual



growth for the team members. “They are seeing firsthand the power of God to heal, and how He is allowing them to be a part of His healing plan.”

Hannah lists the fellowship and spiritual encouragement as one of the strengths of the trip. “I was really grateful for the opportunities for prayer, teaching, and discipleship among the team.” Hannah was also thankful for the time to share her faith with the patients. “The evangelism was the hardest part and the best. I'm used to doing the medical care, but seeing the hopelessness of some of the patients really challenged me to talk about my faith more than I ever have before.”

Ellen relates, “Through this trip I learned just how weak I am spiritually and how much I need Christ to face everything in my life—my marriage, my career.”

Sharon and Ted stress the importance for the students to learn early in their careers how to use their gifts and talents to bring glory to God. “On the trips, they get a live example of how to incorporate their faith and their practice. Ultimately healing is not through pills, but through God's amazing grace.”

# Medical

## Asia

### Philippines: Manila

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** Intermediate Risk  
**Availability:** Feb. 2012, 2 weeks

**Project Ground Costs:** \$1000/2 weeks  
 Adequate medical care is not readily available to the average Filipino. Through mobile clinics, teams are able to make many contacts for outreach for the churches. Teams are also able to encourage and care for the members of the church body.



### Southeast Asia

**Setting:** Rural

**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** January/February, 2 weeks  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$1800

The medical ministry of MTW has been working in a particular Southeast Asian country for the past several years in conjunction with a national pastor. Mobile clinics and community health training courses are held once a year. Teams work in both the capital city and in remote village areas.

### South Asia Region

**Setting:** Rural & Urban

**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** Variable depending on the country  
**Project Ground Costs:** Variable depending on the country

MTW sends medical teams into three south Asian countries. In all three of these countries, medical teams work alongside national pastors to provide much needed medical care and community health teaching. Mobile clinics are held in both rural and urban areas. We have found that medical teams in these areas draw positive attention to church plants and also provide credibility for the pastor with local government officials.

### Cambodia

**Setting:** Rural and Urban

**Medical/Political Climate:** High Risk  
**Availability:** Fall  
**Project Ground Costs:** \$800/week  
 Under the Khmer Rouge regime in the 1970s, all but 30 medical professionals were killed. Opportunities abound both for mobile medical clinics in village areas and in the capital city of Phnom Penh. You will join with MTW missionary doctors and nurses already working in the area. While ministering in the villages, you will also mentor Cambodian medical students who often accompany the teams as interpreters.

### Advanced Medical Leadership Training

**Setting:** Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Substantial Risk  
**Availability:** Spring  
 Project Costs: \$1100

AML is a week long training event that seeks to provide participants with the skills to meet the challenge of effective medical ministry in the developing world. This is accomplished through seminars, workshops, and clinical practicums. This event is open to medical and non-medical individuals. It is a required training for all who desire to be team leaders on an MTW medical team. CME credits are usually available.

### Disaster Response Training, Tennessee & Pennsylvania

**Setting:** Rural  
**Medical/Political Climate:** Low Risk  
**Availability:** Spring & Fall  
**Project Costs:** \$595  
 Disaster Response Training (DRT) qualifies individuals for the extremes of disaster response overseas. DRT topics include field safety awareness, water treatment, outdoor skills, a mock clinic, handling material resources, land mine recognition, spiritual and physical preparation, and ministering to the physical and spiritual needs of disaster victims.



## MTW Disaster Response Ministry

MTW's Disaster Response Ministry (DRM) is a unique area of ministry that is both physically and spiritually demanding. Our volunteers respond rapidly to calls around the world to bring medical care, crisis counseling support, and engineering/construction assistance after a disaster strikes. This opens up incredible opportunities to show the eternal truths of the gospel...even in closed countries that otherwise would not have been accessible. Our prayer is that even in these extreme circumstances, God will use our hands to show His love.

To serve on a DRM team you must attend a six-day training seminar held each Spring and Fall. *Want to know more?* Visit [www.mtw.org](http://www.mtw.org) or contact us at [response@mtw.org](mailto:response@mtw.org)

**2012 Training Dates:**  
**Spring: May 1-6, 2012 – Valencia, PA • Fall: TBA**



Review the listings of opportunities for serving for a summer or one to eleven months on the mission field, supporting the work of current MTW missionaries and ministries. Enterprise and other sites may be available in addition to the opportunities below. For the most current list please contact us via e-mail at [go@mtw.org](mailto:go@mtw.org), or call 678-823-0024. [www.mtw.org/internships](http://www.mtw.org/internships) >>



**THRIVE** A mentored 2 month summer internship designed to help students Thrive in their missionary experience. Thrive interns will be under the leadership and encouragement of an experienced mentor as they serve in a variety of ministry opportunities. The goal is not only to be mentored and serve along side other interns but to make an impact in the world and learn more about the global church.

# Internship Opportunities.



Phillip served in Thailand, is currently studying full time at RTS Jackson and working part time with RUF at Jackson State.

## Central America

### Belize

**Timeframe:** Summer, 1-11 months

**Cost:** \$2,500 - \$3,000

Use your medical training to serve in a medical clinic in Belize.

### Honduras

**Timeframe:** Summer, 1-11 months

**Cost:** \$3,000 - \$4,000

Interns will help coordinate summer teams, build relationships with nationals, and be responsible for ministries that fit their gifting (construction, children/youth ministry, discipleship, work projects, and more). A solid grasp of the Spanish language is required.

### Guanajuato, Mexico

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$3,500-\$4,000/ including airfare

Interns will help build relationships with the local community by helping with vacation Bible school, teaching English classes, sports ministry,

coordinating summer teams, and other kinds of youth ministry. Conversational Spanish is highly recommended.

### BEAMM - Reynosa, Mexico

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** 2,500-\$3,000

Assist the Isaiah 55 Deaf Ministry during the summer by overseeing volunteers and ministries of the summer teams.

## North America

### BEAMM (Various Locations)

**Timeframe:** Summer, 1-11 months

**Cost:** \$2,500-\$3,000

Interns needed for various responsibilities. Some including leading music worship, youth ministry, and outreach ministries for a Spanish church-planting movement. Other opportunities include Seminarians needed for theological teaching or interns to teach English as an outreach for local churches. Spanish skills are helpful but not needed.

### Cherokee, NC

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2,500-\$3,500

Interns will focus on discipleship/mentorship programs with the Cherokee boys and girls and/or help coordinate and assist summer teams and work crews. Bringing your own car is required.

### Clarkston, GA

**Timeframe:** Summer, 1-10 months

**Cost:** \$2,500-\$3,000/ including airfare

Serve alongside the MTW church plant team by helping with youth programs, community sports outreach, teaching English, tutoring at-risk kids, and much more!

### Fairmont, WV

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2,000-\$3,000

Interns will help with construction, work projects, coordinate summer teams, vacation bible school, and other important camp logistics. Bringing your own car is highly recommended and would be a great help to the ministry.

### New York City - CCMI

**Timeframe:** July

**Cost:** \$2,500-\$3,000 including airfare

Interns will help with the childcare program for MTW missionaries, teach cross-cultural skills, participate in hands-on ministry in an ethnic church, and be part of a discipleship program.

### New York City- Operation Exodus

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$3,000-\$3,500/ including airfare

Interns will assist MTW project administrator with hosting summer teams working with children from Operation Exodus. Duties will include grocery shopping, meal preparation, traveling

with the teams, and assisting with the youth and children's ministry at Exodus.

### New York City- Operation Exodus

**Timeframe:** Summer, 6-10 months

**Cost:** \$3,000-\$3,500/ including airfare

Interns will help with Operation Exodus in it's youth and children's ministry, tutoring, creating Bible curriculum, and much more according to your gifts!

### New York City- Open Door

**Cost:** \$3,000-\$3,500/ including airfare

**Timeframe:** Summer

Interns will teach and lead ESL ministry to the adults, vacation bible school to their children, and share Christ to the families through Christ-centered support groups. Conversational Spanish and previous leadership experience is strongly recommended.

## South America

### Lima, Peru

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$3,500-\$4,500/ including airfare

Interns will focus on teaching English, helping with the church youth ministry, coordinating summer teams, and ministering at the House of Glory home for abused and abandoned teens. Conversational Spanish needed.





# Internships

## Intern to Missionary: Recruiting from Within

Stephanie Pike

Philip Stenberg

*Jeremy and Amanda Ross learned about the lifestyle of missionaries in the country where they planned to serve. Stephanie Pike discovered a love for the people of France and a long-term call to the mission field. Philip Stenberg found a unique way to use his God-given talents and passions to advance the kingdom.*

to go on a 10-day mission trip to Lyon, France. By the end of the trip, Stephanie had agreed to return as an intern to work at the American School. During her six months in Lyon, Stephanie found herself thinking of returning long term.

They were in different fields at different times, but these men and women all found that God worked in their lives in unique ways during their time as MTW interns. They, like many others, found their internship to be only the beginning of their involvement in the mission field.

"These thoughts just wouldn't go away," said Stephanie. "My internship gave me a firsthand view of the need and a heart for the people of France. I realized that many of them may not know anyone else who can tell them about Christ."

"Internships are often a stepping stone to either long-term missions or to greater missions involvement as a church member or leader," said Jack Beall, director of MTW's Church Resourcing. "An internship can be a milestone time with far-reaching impact." (MTW's Internship Department provides opportunities to assist long-term missionaries in the field for as little as one month or as long as 11 months.) Jeremy and Amanda Ross were confident of their call to career missions before they went to Lima, Peru, for six weeks in the summer of 2003. The missions pastor of their home church encouraged them to explore that field as a possibility by going there as interns.

Philip Stenberg grew up going on yearly mission trips with his family. After college graduation he began to think about ways to be involved in missions on his own. Two weeks later, an e-mail from his church about a trip to Ethiopia appeared in his inbox. Philip went on that 10-day trip in the summer of 2004, and later took a leave of absence from his job to do a three-month internship in the African nation.

"I really resonated and connected with the people of Ethiopia," Philip said. "I went back the second year specifically thinking about ways I could be more involved and make more of a difference."

"It took maybe a day for us to know that we wanted to be there long term," said Amanda. "We loved the team, the vision for ministry, and most of all the people of Lima." Since they knew they wanted to return as career missionaries, Jeremy and Amanda took advantage of their time in Lima to learn as much as they could. They shadowed missionaries, visited the market, and checked out schools. Their six weeks helped them prepare for their move to the field as long-term missionaries.

For now, Philip continues to work in the States. He plans to lead a 10-day trip from his church to Ethiopia this summer, and he looks forward to future missions opportunities where God can use his business skills and experience to help the church.

Whether investigating the mission field or confirming a call to missions, an internship can be a valuable and life-changing experience. Jeremy, Amanda, Stephanie, and Philip all agree—an internship is a great way to join God in His work around the world.

Stephanie Pike was working for St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Orlando, Fla., when her sister persuaded her

### Africa

#### Ethiopia

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$7500- \$8000/ including airfare

Work with the children's ministry and youth program of the MTW AIDS Care & Treatment project in the slums of Addis Ababa. Assist with tutoring programs, pre-school programs, bible programs, and learning about cross-cultural mercy ministry.



of ministries including, university ministry, children's ministry, music, discipleship and teaching English.  
**Cost:** \$1000-\$4000/ including airfare

### Asia

#### Cambodia (Phnom Penh)

**Timeframe:** 6-11 months

**Cost:** \$2000-\$2500/ including airfare

Serve at Grace Christian Center through teaching English, leading Bible studies, discipleship and building relationships with the 200 students who come to the center daily.

#### Japan: Chiba

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$6500-7500 / including airfare

Use your gifts in music or sports to make natural connections in our university ministry. Help lead Bible studies, teach English and support local churches. No language requirement.

#### Japan - Chiba school

**Timeframe:** 6-11 months

**Cost:** \$1000-\$2000/ including airfare

Interns interested in teaching are needed to assist at an international K-12 school, various subjects are available and all gifts can be used!

#### Japan - Nagoya

**Timeframe:** 6-11 months

Interns in Nagoya Japan will participate in a number

#### Taiwan (Taipei)

**Timeframe:** 6-11 months

**Cost:** \$2500-\$3500/ including airfare

Use your ability to speak English as an outreach tool to college students! You will participate in teaching English, building relationships and help with various responsibilities around the church. Advanced teaching opportunities also available for those with bachelor's and masters degrees.

### Europe

#### Bulgaria (Sophia)

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2000 - \$3000/including airfare

Drink from "The Well" and savor all that God has for you. Learn, study, grow, enter into complex changing cultures, and engage in relational outreach to teens and young adults in community with MTW team members and Bulgarians in Sofia. Ministry opportunities include church planting, evangelism and teaching English.

#### France (Marseille)

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2500 - \$3500/including airfare

On this mentored site, interns needed to serve in various church ministries including publicity, maintenance, teaching English, helping with music activities, and relational work with youth. Interns will live with French host families. Must be at least eighteen years old. Conversational French skills are necessary.



Thrive Mentor, Josh Martin (left), his family and 5 Thrive interns; Summer 2011; Acapulco, Mexico

"Having a mentor on site while in Mexico has been a great help and blessing because I have been able to talk about all the things I have been learning with someone who offers a lot of wisdom, gospel centered advice, and tons of Chris Farley quotes!"

—Hardy Reynolds, 2011 Thrive Intern

Hardy Reynolds was one of five interns serving in the Acapulco Thrive location under mentor Josh Martin. Josh is currently the RUF Campus Minister at Louisiana State University.



# Internships

## Greece

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$8000-\$8300/ including airfare

Work alongside national pastors in mercy ministry as they minister to refugees and immigrants. Serve through teaching English, music, art, and sports. Also possible university ministry.

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discipleship, cross-cultural ministry, and various aspects of church planting. As our interns are equipped to serve, they invest in the lives of students at the University of Transylvania by participating in the leadership training courses, film and book discussions, hiking and social events, teaching ESL, and one-on-one follow-up.

## Ireland (Kilkenny)

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2000 - \$3000/including airfare

On this mentored site, assist with children and youth ministry as well as local outreach and evangelism projects. Take part in annual VBS and annual soccer sports outreach ministry.

THRIVE

## Scotland (Glasgow)

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2000 - \$3000/including airfare

Serve alongside a campus minister in Scotland this summer as we serve with the Free Church in Glasgow. Ministry will include – VBS/kids club in a multiethnic setting, soccer sports camps, and many other areas of community outreach. Also includes opportunities for evangelism and ministry to International students.

THRIVE

## Latvia (Riga)

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$1500 - \$2500/ including airfare

The sun hardly sets in Latvia during the summer, so it is full of planned active involvement with young adults, teens and even children. Serve alongside veteran missionaries Carl and Becky Chaplin and young Latvian leaders Martins and Anda Martinson as you engage in outreach ministries, camps, sports, and other activities.

## Romania (Brasov)

**Timeframe:** Summer, 6 - 11 months

**Cost:** \$2000 - \$3000/including airfare

Interns would be mentored within the context of the team, including training in evangelism/

## Ukraine (L'viv)

**Timeframe:** Summer

**Cost:** \$2500 - \$3500 / including airfare

Come with your questions and we will work through the subjects of evangelism, gospel in cross-cultural context, calling, missions, how Christ relates to all areas of life, and more. The community of interns, alongside their mentors, will be responsible for planning and executing a week-long Mountain English Camp for 50 Ukrainian university students while following up with them through community outreach, hiking trips, and discussion groups.

“One of the most striking things about my time in Greece was the great cooperation of the body of Christ internationally. We worked with many nationals, British and Canadian missionaries—all awesome people—and it was so empowering to know that we were united in our work by the Holy Spirit. When you’re in a foreign country, needs seem so much more immediate and urgent, but there were also so many soldiers for Jesus right there in the midst of the battle to bring his kingdom to earth. Working as a missionary certainly is not easy, but when you have an infinitely powerful God and Commander backing you up, you know the weight you’re bearing is an infinitely important one. Growing the community of the church, bringing hope to children, and keeping the environment clean are all parts of what God calls us to do, and you can be a part of this work anywhere in the world! Awesome!”



*Tyler Rice  
Auburn University, Junior  
Intern in Greece*



*Victoria Byers  
UNC, Charlotte, Freshman  
Intern in Guanajuato, Mexico*

“My summer in Guanajuato, Mexico, was first of all surprising. Interns who travel there in the future should be prepared to encounter a severe contrast in locations. We lived right outside a village called El Tejaban but traveled to the cities of Guanajuato and Leon weekly. My favorite experience this summer was the week that the street “kids” came from Acapulco. I had to idea what to expect and this experience truly moved me. The street kids from Acapulco are actually a group of guys who range from 14 to around 22. The amazing thing about this week is that, for once, these guys have a roof over their heads, food in their stomachs, and beds to sleep in. This week, we lived along side guys who live such hard lives full of suffering and abuse. I have never appreciated my blessed life so much. God has truly been merciful to me to give me a family, a home, and many, many more comforts. Loving them unconditionally as God loves them can truly change their lives and yours.”

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“This past summer, I served with BEAMM (Border Evangelism and Mercy Ministries) on the Texas border. I am a Community Development major at Covenant College, and I decided to intern with MTW to complete the required summer internship for my major. My job for the summer was researching colonias, border neighborhoods with substandard housing, for the MTW missionaries. Let me say, it was quite an amazing experience—very eye-opening—in that I have never seen this kind of poverty before. I met people that didn’t own refrigerators and women who could not read. Much of what I saw caused me to challenge my perceptions on immigration and humane policies. It was an incredible blessing getting to work alongside the missionaries there and be a part of what God was doing in the Rio Grande Valley.”



*Laura Vickery  
Covenant College, Senior  
Intern in McAllen, TX  
(Mexican Border ministry)*

“Scotland was a place that I had always wanted to visit. Sitting in chapel at Covenant, I heard the statistic that only two percent of the Scottish population of five million claims to be evangelical Christians. I remember thinking, “I have to go.” I couldn’t get the idea out of my head. During my month long internship in Scotland, I was able to serve the congregation of Kilmallie Free Church though leading small group Bible studies for teenage girls, teaching Sunday school, helping with a community outreach mom’s and toddler’s play group, attending women’s Bible studies, speaking in three public school classes about the church in America, doing administrative work, and drinking countless cups of tea. I left with a greater dependency on God as my sustainer, a love for scones and IRN BRU, and the beginnings of beautiful friendships with people who lived an ocean away. It was such a blessing to serve with Mission to the World, and I look forward to continuing to serve with them in the future.”

*Since completing the summer internship, Emily has graduated from college and is currently approved to serve as a 2 year missionary in Scotland.*



*Emily Morris  
Covenant College, Senior  
Intern in Scotland*



*Maggie Drake  
Registered Nurse,  
At a children’s medical center  
Medical Intern in Belize*

“My trip to Belize was great. I went partially because I wanted to figure out if long-term missions was something God was calling me to and also because I wanted to serve God and love people in Central America. God taught me a lot about healing, patience, and convicted me of some things in my own life that I needed to change and work on. I really enjoyed working with the clinic and with the teams that came down during the summer. Belize is a beautiful country and the people there are amazing too. I know now that I have a lot of praying and seeking God to do about what he is calling me to in the future. I feel like at some point I will and do want to go back into missions, but I am not sure when. I will never forget my experience in Belize and hope to share my adventures to my friends and other people I come in contact with.”

“I first wanted to be an intern through MTW because I fell in love with one of their locations on annual trips with my church. I went to Acapulco, Mexico for 2 months and it was a truly enriching experience. I was able to form a close bond with the kids there, grow in my relationship with God, and have a new perspective on life now in the states. I was able to experience Mexican culture and live in the midst of it, which really improved my relationship with the Lord because I had to rely on Him for my provision. I can’t imagine not having spent my summer in Mexico!”



*Lauren Lu  
NC State, Freshman  
Intern in Acapulco, Mexico*