



# Church of the Brethren

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I am writing to invite you to consider participating in Ministry Summer Service (MSS), an opportunity for college students to spend nine weeks working in a ministry setting. MSS interns, all of whom are placed within the United States, use the time to test out ministry and discover how ministry might relate to their vocational choices. I select congregations and pastors who will provide strong opportunities for mentoring and learning. There are also placement sites that are church-related, like camps and district or denominational offices.

Next summer, I plan to have 8-10 college students exploring a call to ministry in a variety of settings. MSS orientation will take place **June 2 - 7, 2017**. Interns leave directly from orientation to spend nine weeks in a ministry setting.

MSS pays for your transportation to orientation and for your return home at the end of the summer. Your placement site pays your way from orientation to the project. In addition to covering your living expenses for the summer (food, lodging, and \$100/month spending money), a \$2,500 scholarship will be given toward your college tuition.

In past summers, these internships have been wonderful opportunities for young adults to explore ministry, develop their leadership skills, and gain rich experience. I'd like to invite you to prayerfully consider whether Ministry Summer Service might provide a setting in which you could work in the summer of 2017.

Applications (online at [www.brethren.org/mss](http://www.brethren.org/mss)) are due no later than **January 6, 2017**. However, it is helpful to have your application as soon as possible in order to arrange for the kind of ministry setting in which you would be most interested. If you have other questions, please contact me.

Grace and Peace,

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