

What our interns have said:

BILL SPOTS

Interning at a church with a congregation in excess of 28,000 allows access to a wide array of ministries. Although I serve as a Student Ministry intern, I have gained much experience in other divisions of the church. From Missions to Young Singles to Married Adults to Men's to Sports Ministries to Pastoral, the Intern Program has done a good job of exposing me to several facets of ministry.



BRENT RUSSELL

My internship at Prestonwood has helped me grow intellectually, emotionally, and most of all, spiritually, through the guidance and mentorship here. Through my internship, God has taught me a seminary's worth of education that will help me know how to connect and help grow the minds of future leaders of His Church. Without this internship, I would not have the confidence or spiritual depth that I now have in my ministry.



REBECCA BENSON

The Intern Program has allowed me the opportunity to practice the skills I am learning in seminary and to be mentored by various ministers who are equipping the next generation of those seeking to serve the Lord. From birthday parties for widows to leading Bible studies to counseling at summer camp, I am experiencing all areas of ministry and being further equipped to follow the path in which God is leading me.



LUIS LAMA

I have encountered a leadership team at Prestonwood that regards developing people as a priority. I believe that's what Christ calls the Church to do. It's really important for me, as a minister in training, to be around people who are serving unconditionally and with a strategic purpose.




PRESTONWOOD

Intern Program



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A Church to Call Home!
Dr. Jack Graham, Pastor



While at Prestonwood, as an intern you will experience dynamic worship, excellent ministry practice, and a myriad of service opportunities that will enhance your calling and prepare you for a lifetime of effective ministry leadership. You will also take part in a personal discipleship and mentorship program that will allow you to deepen your faith and strengthen the uniqueness and influence of your calling. —**Pastor Jack Graham**

I can think of no greater learning experience for a seminary student to embrace than the Prestonwood Intern Program. You will learn invaluable leadership skills, gain pastoral ministry experience and work alongside some of the greatest ministers in their field of expertise. If given the opportunity to serve in this great church and intern program, you must take advantage of it! —**Teaching Pastor, Jarrett Stephens**



FAQs

As expected, you likely have many questions about the Intern Program. For example:

How do I begin the application process?

The applicant should submit an intern application to Jarrett Stephens, Teaching Pastor, for review. The application can be downloaded at prestonwood.org/intern. It should be mailed to Prestonwood Baptist Church, 6801 W. Park Blvd., Plano, TX 75093, or submitted by e-mail to jknight@prestonwood.org.

Does an intern receive pay?

Yes, Prestonwood offers paid internships. Interns also receive a matriculation benefit to assist with the cost of purchasing books and materials.

What is the length of the internship?

We ask all interns to commit to a year of service. When the year is complete, we will evaluate whether an opportunity to extend the internship exists, to move up within the organization or to launch into a like-minded church.

Where do interns live?

All interns are encouraged to live close to the church and commute to school. If an intern cannot attain local lodging, the Intern Office keeps an active file of Prestonwood families that are available to serve as host homes. The intern is responsible for his/her food costs.

How many hours does an intern work weekly?

Most interns work about 25 hours during the week; in addition, interns are expected to participate in services on weekends. Due to the nature of ministry, there will be times when more is asked of all staff. The supervising staff minister will work with the intern to coordinate the work/school semester schedule.

Check out prestonwood.org/intern for answers and more details about this ministry.

REQUIREMENTS

- Committed follower of Christ
- Student in good academic standing at a local conservative seminary or masters level program with a biblical studies emphasis
- Student must be within 10 years of their high school graduation and must have obtained their undergraduate degree
- Assurance of God's call to church ministry
- Agreement to the Intern Covenant
- Membership at Prestonwood



BENEFITS

of the Prestonwood Intern Program

- Experience on-site practical training in ministry
- Work alongside 25 fellow interns
- Take seminary-credited classes on-site (optional)
- Work one-on-one with divisional minister in designated area of service
- Teach and lead on a weekly basis
- Have the opportunity to be discipled and grow spiritually on a personal level
- Have the privilege to disciple others and grow members of the Church in their faith
- Learn from monthly intern development meetings that include hearing from senior-level ministers and receiving free resources to help further education
- Receive payment from an endowment and \$450 each semester to go toward school
- Use on-site library for research and writing projects
- Live in host homes (optional)
- Learn methodologies and leadership practices from one of the largest churches in America
- Have the unique privilege of working with a multi-site campus (North and Plano internships available).