

the Zechariah project

TILL CHRIST IS FORMED IN YOU

WHAT IS IT?

An internship programme where you will be working with the Dublin pastors in the the City of Hope initiative. The focus of the work is discipling in an urban context.

WHO IS IT FOR?

Anyone who has time to invest in discipling others and a desire to grow in their own discipleship to Christ.

WHEN DOES IT RUN?

There are 3 periods you can apply for:

1. July 1 to August 30, 2013
2. September 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014
3. July 1 to September 30, 2014

WHAT WILL I DO?

Interns will focus in three main areas:

1. Developing and discipling evangelistic contacts.
2. Supporting special projects and mission team activities.
3. Helping out in a local church or church plant.

WHAT WILL I GAIN?

An essential component of the internship programme will be growing you as a Christian leader with the vision and skills to disciple others. This will include:

1. Training for your specific responsibilities.
2. Leadership and character development.

3. Developing a personal discipleship plan with a pastor as your coach.
4. Directed reading.
5. Biblical teaching on a wide-variety of topics related to your work.

THE INTERNSHIPS

There are two types of internship available, full and part-time.

A full internship is where you will be involved in ministry in Dublin for six hours every day with a day off each week. One of these days will be for worship, feedback, training and organisation with all the pastors and other interns. All mornings except Sabbaths will be for your own use.

SAMPLE PROGRAMME							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sabbath
AM	Personal time for study or work						Ministry
2-5	Day off or ministry	Day off or ministry	Ministry	Ministry	Group prayer, worship, and training for all interns.	Ministry	
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A part-time internship will be similar to a full internship but with less hours—a *minimum* of 6 hours a week, Sunday to Friday, plus the weekly day for teaching (afternoon and evening).

FINANCES AND SPONSORSHIPS

1. Participation in the programme is free.
2. For each period of internship, there will be four sponsorships of up to €300 per intern per month for those in a full internship. There are no sponsorships for those in a part-time internship.
3. For those on a full internship, you can supplement your income by working in the mornings/day off, or finding further support from family and friends.

TRANSPORTATION

1. Each intern is required to have their own transportation for visiting contacts.
2. Transportation will be at the intern's own expense.

THE BIBLICAL VISION

Under Zerubbabel, a remnant had come out of Babylon for the purpose of rebuilding the temple and Jerusalem. The whole of Jerusalem had been totally destroyed by the Babylonian army 70 years before. But with the return of the remnant to Jerusalem, there was renewed hope that God would restore His people as they started to rebuild the temple. However, the people who lived around Jerusalem quickly discouraged the remnant with the result that they stopped building.

About 15 years later, God called the prophet Zechariah to encourage the remnant to return to restoring the temple. For when the temple would be finished, God could dwell in Jerusalem and His people would be revived by His presence. Their restoration would make such an impact on the surrounding nations that God foretold, “ten people from all languages and nations will take firm hold of one Jew by the hem of his robe and say, ‘Let us go with you, because we have heard that God is with you.’” (Zechariah 8:23)

Living with the remnant in Jerusalem, Zechariah declared to their relatives still in Babylon, “Come! Come! Flee from the land of the north,” declares the Lord, “for I have scattered you to the four winds of heaven,” declares the Lord. “Come, Zion! Escape, you who live in Daughter Babylon!” (Zechariah 2:6-7) This call to leave Babylon was not just a call to escape God’s judgements coming to Babylon, but a call to join the remnant in Jerusalem in rebuilding the temple and the city. So the call to come out of Babylon was actually a call to come into the rebuilding programme—to restore the place of God’s presence.

Unfortunately, this vision of transformation and international witness through God dwelling among his people in Jerusalem was never fulfilled.

But it can be today.

In our time, God desires to dwell in human hearts. In the same way the temple in Jerusalem was broken down and needed to be rebuilt so God could dwell within, so people today have broken lives which can be transformed as they learn to make it the place of God’s personal presence. The New Testament describes that such transformation happens as we work with God so that people may be “conformed to image of His Son” (Romans 8:29). We are called to work like Paul for the Galatians, “until Christ is formed in you” (Galatians 4:19).

God’s people have a critical mission to prepare others for the return of Jesus by teaching them how to grow in Christlikeness. Like Zechariah, we have a message for our spiritual relatives living in spiritual Babylon. As the last prophetic message given to the world declares, “Come out of her, my people,’ so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues” (Revelation 18:4) And like Zechariah, this call is not just to come out of a bad place, but to come into the presence of God—ultimately in the New Jerusalem.

Consequently, the Zechariah Project focuses on this prophetic mission to equip people to rebuild broken human lives. For when God restores the temple of the human heart and dwells within, people will reveal the image of God “with ever increasingly glory” (2 Corinthians 3:18). And when this happens, it results in a cosmic and eternal witness to the goodness and love of God.

Join the journey!

APPLICATION FORM Please hand in to your local pastor.

FULL INTERNSHIP				
YOUR SELECTION Please tick	SESSION	PERIOD	APPLICATION DEADLINE	REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP Please circle
	1	July 1 to August 31, 2013	June 15, 2013	Y / N
	2	September 1 2013 to June 30, 2014	July 1 2013	Y / N
	3	July 1 2014 to September 30 2014	May 31 2014	Y / N
PART-TIME INTERNSHIP				
YOUR SELECTION Please tick	SESSION	PERIOD	APPLICATION DEADLINE	
	1	July 1 to August 31, 2013	June 15, 2013	
	2	September 1 2013 to June 30, 2014	July 1, 2013	
	3	July 1 2014 to September 30, 2014	May 31 2014	
YOUR DETAILS (PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPS)				
NAME				
EMAIL				
MOBILE				
ADDRESS				
WHAT TRANSPORTATION WILL YOU USE FOR YOUR INTERNSHIP?				

For any questions, email gavin@adventist.ie or call 087 413-2517

