

OUTLINE OF AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Evergreen Center, Inc.

Purpose

The purpose of an internship with Evergreen Center is to prepare young people for future ministry at home or abroad.

The training will focus on the “how-to” of a daily time in the Word of God and prayer, with additional emphasis on discipline, character development, and living in the power and anointing of the mercy of God.

Length of Program

Interns must commit themselves to five and one-half months (per term) of residence in the Discipleship Program. During that time, the training will take priority over other things, such as family, vacations, recreation, dating, etc.

At the completion of one term of training, the intern may apply for an additional term, for a total of eleven months in all.

Fees

For each training period of five and one-half months, the fee will be \$ 3,500 per intern.

This fee includes tuition, housing, utilities, one common prepared meal per day (lunch), and food stocks in the interns’ kitchen sufficient for a simple breakfast and supper each day.

All funds should be paid in full by the first week of class. On a case-by-case basis, they may be paid in monthly installments by an approved fee schedule issued by our accountant. If paid monthly, the first payment will be \$700, followed by equal payments of \$700/month.

Any intern who withdraws within three weeks of the program from the start of the term, will receive a *pro rata* refund.

Housing

Evergreen Center will be the place of residence during the internship, in rooms assigned by the staff. There are five studio apartments available, suitable for two-person occupancy, including married persons with no more than two children under age six.

Each apartment will have its own full bathroom. There is a small common kitchen for all interns. Laundry facilities are available for all occupants.

The apartments are furnished, but interns must provide their own bedding and linens.

Qualifications for Candidates

Each candidate must provide in writing a clear testimony of salvation.

Any candidate who has experienced the Baptism of the Holy Spirit should also give written testimony of that experience. Evergreen Center is a “Pentecostal” school.

Each intern should have a sense of God’s calling on his life, a strong conviction of wanting to serve the Lord “full-time” (but not necessarily to a specific place or kind of ministry).

No candidate should apply who has outstanding debts.

Known medical conditions and dental work should be taken care of prior to entry into the training program, if possible.

No candidate may have family ties or commitments that could interfere with the training at Evergreen Center (such as an ailing parent, a prior commitment to a family vacation, etc.).

Each potential intern must describe his/her relationship with Jesus Christ, dealing with the following issues (questions may be answered in writing or by personal interview):

- Who is Jesus?
- Does He speak to you? In what ways?
- Are you conscious of His direct leading in your life, especially in response to any consecration you have made to Him?
- Have you made specific promises to Him?

Schedule and Curriculum

Monday through Friday:

- One hour of private time alone for the Word of God and Prayer, usually 7:45-8:45 a.m. Only the Bible will be read and prayed over during this hour.
- One to one-and-a-half hours of guided prayer and Bible reading with staff members, 9:00 -10:30 a.m. We use the New King James Version during that time.
- Classes, work assignments, and scheduled study time are part of the daily routine. A school-term calendar will be issued at the beginning of each term.

Monday Evenings: Class

Tuesday Evenings: Prayer Meeting

Wednesday Evenings: Public Bible Study

Thursday and Friday Evening: Prison Ministry, for both men and women

Sundays:

- Public Prayer Meeting, 9:15 a.m.
- Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
- Outreach in the afternoon, usually bi-weekly

Curriculum: The Bible Classes will concentrate on various books of the Bible, as well as Topical Studies taken from the Bible. Subjects usually include: Theology; Israel; Missions; Practical Aspects of the Ministry*; one of the Prophetic Books; etc.

Assigned Reading: Each intern's required reading includes (among other books):

- *Radiant Glory*, the biography of Martha Wing Robinson, by Gordon P. Gardiner
- *What the Bible Teaches About Mercy*, by Rex Andrews
- *Meditations in the Revelation*, by Rex Andrews
- *The Practice of the Presence of God*, by Brother Lawrence
- *In His Steps*, by Charles Sheldon
- *The Heavenly Man*, by Paul Hattaway
- *Autobiography of Madame Jeanne de la Mothe Guyon*
- *Faith Home History*, by Rex Andrews
- *Chasing the Dragon*, by Jackie Pullinger

* This class will be given at a separate time on a rotating basis so that each intern takes the class once during their internship. Attention will be given to the individual calling of each intern.

An assortment of audio messages will be available for interested interns. See the staff for details.

Memorization: All interns are required to memorize any five of the following ten Scripture passages during each term:

1. I Peter 1
2. Psalm 110
3. Psalm 27
4. Joel 2:27 – 3:2
5. Isaiah 64:1-4
6. II Corinthians 6:16 – 7:1
7. Psalm 24
8. Jeremiah 31:31-34 (or Hebrews 8:8-12)
9. Philippians 3

10. Galatians 5:22-26

11. I Thessalonians 5:23-24

Books, Study Materials, Maps, Etc.

Each intern needs either Bible software or a Strong's Exhaustive Concordance and should know how to use either or both. A Bible Dictionary is also very helpful; *e-sword* includes one in its software program and also contains a complete set of maps pertaining to Bible places. It is not necessary to be familiar with the Hebrew and Greek languages, though reference works suitable for English readers can be helpful. See Pastor Detert for details.

Special Prayer Meetings: As the need arises, there will be special times of prayer, either a half-day of prayer, or a full day of prayer (classes suspended as necessary). These prayer services will be instituted at the discretion of the staff.

Outreach Ministries: Every intern will participate in some kind of ministry outside of Evergreen Center. Opportunities for ministry may include: Sunday School; prison ministry; Hispanic outreach; Vacation Bible School; passing out tracts, etc. The staff will make assignments for ministry.

Work Schedule: Each intern will be required to assist with the upkeep of the property, including cleaning, repairs, maintenance, outside work, office work, etc. One or more of the staff members will supervise the Work Schedule.

Free Time: Saturdays will normally be the interns' "day off" to take care of personal business, laundry, shopping, etc. The only exceptions will be when Evergreen Center is holding a special event, such as large retreats, etc.

Intern/Staff Meetings: Twice each month the interns will have the opportunity to counsel one-on-one with a staff member to review rules, discuss problems, answer questions, receive pertinent updates and information, and go over memory work and reading assignments.

Public Speaking: All interns will give no less than two messages or talks per term in the public services. They will also be required to testify in the meetings at least twice per month.

Outings: The staff plans to arrange two "intern outings" during each term – times of recreation and fellowship aside from studies, classes, and meetings.

General Rules

Permission

For the first three months of training, interns will need permission to leave the premises. The intention of this rule is to teach discipline necessary for successful ministry.

After three months, permission will not be needed to leave the premises, but interns must notify the staff how long they will be gone, etc.

Transportation

Though interns are not required to have their own transportation, it is best if they do. Adequate outside parking is available.

Neatness

If you fail to keep your person and your living quarters clean and neat, you can expect to be corrected on this matter. “You can be sure of one thing about Heaven: It will be clean.” – Rex B. Andrews.

Diligence

Classroom and work assignments must be completed on time. There are very few God-given opportunities of service for lazy Christians.

Participation

Attendance at all scheduled functions is mandatory, except for sickness, emergencies, or parenting (see below).

Dating

Dating is prohibited during an intern’s term.

Dress

Standards of modesty will be established and maintained at the discretion of the staff.

For women, that means no tight-fitting clothing, midriff exposure, low-cut tops, no short skirts or shorts, etc.

For men, it means no tight-fitting clothes, no tank tops, and no drooping trousers or shorts. If in doubt, modesty means never dressing in a way that will throw a stumbling-block on a brother or sister’s pathway to purity.

Telephones

Since there will be no landline phone service to the intern apartments, it is advisable to obtain cell phone service. However, cell phones must be turned off during services and classes.

Interns may not use the Evergreen Center landline.

Computers and Printers

Interns may use personal computers, but it is unlikely that internet access will be available. Bible software programs are very useful for study purposes. Evergreen Center will make *e-word* software available for any intern wishing to use it.

Printers are also helpful for completing assignments neatly and legibly. Interns are encouraged to have their own. If this is not possible, Evergreen Center's printer can be booked in advance when needed; a small per page charge may apply.

Parenting

Except for the Sunday services, parents with children should expect to alternate their attendance at required classes, etc., but both parents should complete all classroom assignments. Work assignments will be adjusted to accommodate the needs of the children. Parenting while active in the training program requires exceptional consecration and sacrifice.

Electronic Devices

Television or Internet access is not allowed on the premises.

Any recordings and/or sermons or radio broadcasts must be played at a level that keeps the sound within the assigned living quarters. "Rock and Roll", "Rap", and similar music that over-emphasizes rhythm, will not be permitted. If in doubt, ask one of the staff.

It is ultra-important to maintain an "inward" atmosphere of love and worship in our hearts and in the building throughout the days and nights of training.

Ministry Placement

While the staff of Evergreen Center cannot guarantee placement of interns in any existing ministry at the end of their term(s), they will be praying and believing that God will open doors of ministry as He chooses.

"If you make a proper place for God in your life, God will make a place for you to serve Him."

Application Form for Entrance into Training Program, Evergreen Center, Inc.
Please attach a current photo with application

Full Name: _____

Current Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Married or Single: _____

Names and Ages of Children: _____

Physical Disabilities or Known Illnesses: _____

Current Phone Number or E-mail Address, or Both: _____

Are you willing to obey your teachers and staff members, as unto the Lord? _____

When difficulties arise (and they will!), will you confide in your teachers and seek their guidance first before taking matters into your own hands? _____

Will you be committed to the success of your fellow interns and pray for each of them consistently? _____

Each candidate must answer the following questions in writing:

1. What is your testimony of salvation? Of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?
2. What kind of training do you expect to receive?
3. What do you hope to gain from your training?
4. Many Bible Schools and seminaries are available to you for training that offer accredited academic degrees. Why do you want to train for the Lord's work at Evergreen Center?
5. Do you feel called to a specific ministry? Or to a specific location of ministry?

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Indicate what term you are applying for: July or January and year _____

[Staff Response: _____]

PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAMES AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THREE REFERENCES FROM PASTOR(S), FRIENDS, PREVIOUS EMPLOYERS, OR OTHERS WHO KNOW YOU WELL (but not relatives).

1. NAME (your pastor, if possible) _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

2. NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

3. NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____