

Dear MARCHA CD members and MARCHA Southeast Friends, Please work to identify and encourage Hispanic/Latino/a UM Young adults to apply for this GBCS internship. Read the email from Albert Otshudi Longe an Ethnic Intern last year from Africa University. Albert writes well of his experience. Emma Escobar was a GBCS Intern in 2011 as well and had a positive experience.

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Subject: 2012 Ethnic Young Adult Internship

Greetings Dear Bishops,

It is with pleasure that I am mailing you with regards to the Ethnic Young Adult Internship.

I am Albert Otshudi Longe, 20, from the Central Congo Episcopal area and I am a student at Africa University. I am a former Ethnic Young Adult Intern.

This year in June, I had the opportunity to participate in the Ethnic Young Adult Internship that is sponsored by the General Board of Church and Society in Washington DC, USA. The Ethnic Young Adult is a program that trains young adults to handle advocacy work for social justice in various placements around Washington DC. The interns come from the five ethnic minority caucuses of the United Methodist Church, Native Americans, Pacific-Islanders, Hispanic/Latinos, African Americans and Asian Americans. The program challenges young adults to live out their faith.

The internship has transformed me and strengthened my ability to advocate for social justice and be a voice of the voiceless.

The internship only takes young adults, ages 18-22 years who would have completed at least one-year of college or university education. The General Board of Church and Society covers the cost of the internship and participation of selected applicants.

The next round of internship will be in June 2012 and the application deadline is February 1, 2012.

The internship has been a source of inspiration for me and i believe will also be for the many youths of Africa who are serving God. I would ask that you circulate the attached application to your episcopal areas and encourage youths to

participate in the program. It will be a great joy to have my fellow African brothers and sisters participate in the program, and i would appreciate if you would recommend your youths to the program.

The interim internship Coordinator is Samuel Ahn, e-mail: [sahnwts@me.com](mailto:sahnwts@me.com), and he is willing to have African youths in the intership. Feel free to contact him at any time.

It is my hope and prayer that the Lord is your help in your ministry and my heart will be filled with joy to have many African youths participate in the internship.

Grace and Peace be with you,

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\*For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jeremiah 29 vs

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