**Prayer, Mission, Justice: Studies in New Monasticism**

9 Month Internship – September – May

Purpose: *To equip disciples of Jesus to live with loving, prayerful and missional intention in their communities.*

**Internship Components**

1. Book studies – Read one book a month. See list. The books cost between $15 and $20. They will be available for purchase each month or you can order or borrow your own. Schedule time weekly for reading!
2. Practical Exercise – Practical Exercise arising out of learning from the book that month. These are first steps and practical experiments to apply the learning.
3. Dinner Conversations – 2 Dinners a month, on Monday nights. Dinner 1 will be a table conversation with a local practitioner. Dinner 2 will be a group debrief/reflection of your practical exercises. All the dinners are pot luck (you decide what you will bring) and all start at 6 pm and end on or before 9:00pm. We meet at the home of Sue and Tony Carr, 59 Robinhood Drive in Dundas. Google map or call them (905-628-4068) for directions.
4. Reflection – We have created a Google community. You are required to post personal reflections on your reading/journey *once a week* on the on-line community message board. The practitioners will also have access to this online community and may start conversations, and make comments. Reflections are due on or before Friday of each week.
5. Prayer – Two hours a week either in the GOHOP prayer room at 541 Barton or at your church prayer meeting(s). Time in the prayer room will be scheduled with you.
6. Independent project – You will chat with Peter to put together your independent project. The goal of this project is to activate you in an area where your passions converge with the new learning you are doing and allow you to pursue it further and deeper. A ‘show and tell’ report will be given to the group upon completion. More information will be provided at a later date.
7. Spiritual Direction – During your internship you will meet regularly with a Spiritual Director or mentor. These times will be scheduled for mutually convenient times and locations in discussion with your Spiritual Director, who will be assigned to you.
8. Retreats – There will be a one day Orientation Retreat in September and a full weekend
Spiritual Formation retreat in the spring. Both will be in Hamilton and facilitated by Andy Groen. Food will be provided on a pot luck basis for the weekend retreat. Interns will share any other costs of the retreat. See dates below. Details will be provided at our dinner conversations.

**Cost**: The cost of the internship to Interns is $650., which will need to be paid up front with monthly post-dated cheques made out to GOHOP.***A nonrefundable deposit of $200****. will be required upon acceptance to secure your place in the program. The remainder can be paid in $50 increments.*

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**TOPICS**

(Guest practitioners, *books* and/ or order may change. Reasonable notice of sale will be given)

September. Spiritual Formation

*Soul Feast by Marjorie J Thompson*

Dinner Conversation with Andy Groen

October. Spiritual Disciplines

*How to Pray by Pete Greig*

Dinner conversation with Aisha Reventar

November. Hospitality

 *Making Room by Christine D Pohl*

Dinner conversation with Ian & Margie Stuart

December. Community

*Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dinner Conversation with Matt Pamplin

January. Intimacy

*Good and Beautiful God by James Bryan Smith*

Dinner Conversation with Diane Albert

February. Church Unity

*Streams of Living Water by Richard Foster*

Dinner conversation with John Bowen

March. Justice

Pursuing Justice by Ken Wytsma

Dinner Conversation TBA

April: Identity

*Orphan, Slave, Son* by Ben Pasley

Dinner Conversation with TBA

May. Missional Living

*Thin Places* by Jon Huckins with Rob Yackley

Dinner Conversation with Kevin Makins

 **Dates**

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Sept 9 Dinner conversation – guest practitioner.

Sept 14 (Saturday) One day Orientation Retreat, 9am-3:30 pm

Sept 23 Dinner conversation – assignment

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Oct 7 Dinner conversation - practitioner

Oct 21 Dinner conversation – assignment

Nov 4 Dinner conversation-practitioner

Nov 18 Dinner conversation - assignment

Dec 2 Dinner conversation - practitioner

Dec 16 Dinner conversation - assignment

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Jan 6 Dinner conversation - practitioner

Jan 20 Dinner conversation - assignment

Feb 3 Dinner conversation - practitioner

Feb 24 Dinner conversation – assignment

Mar 9 Dinner conversation - practitioner

Mar 23 Dinner conversation - practitioner

Apr 6 Dinner conversation – practitioner

Apr 17-19 *Spiritual Formation Retreat (Fri 7to 9 pm, Sat 9am-9pm, Sun 9am to after lunch)*

Apr 27 Dinner conversation - assignment

May 11 Dinner conversation – practitioner

May 25 Dinner conversation - assignment