Internship Opportunity: Central UMC in East Charlotte is a community of faith, building followers of Jesus Christ. The church is involved in reaching out to the International community in Charlotte, NC. Currently, we are ministering to people from El Salvador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Africa, Afghanistan and Myanmar as well as American born. Our East Charlotte community has dozens of linguistic and cultural groups living within walking distance to our church. Many of them are refugees. If you are a student who would like the opportunity to be exposed to and work in this kind of ministry, please write to Rev. Michelle Chappell at revmichelle.chappell@gmail.com. It is the hope of Central United Methodist Church to embrace the diverse people who live in our community and we strive to share God’s good news with them.

Description of some of the areas of service for the Intern:

The opportunities for an intern to work alongside a full-time bilingual (Spanish/English) Associate Pastor whose focus is outreach in the multi-cultural community in which the church is located are multiple. The gifts and the qualifications of the student intern, however, will determine in part where he/she will serve and develop. Some of the areas where she/he might serve are:

- Summer English for Speakers of Other Languages classes for Adults- In summer 2014, there were 21 Spanish speaking families ministered to with the English classes.
- Summer literacy program for children so that their reading skills will remain on level during the summer, in Summer 2014 there were 28 elementary age children registered in the Literacy program and another 15 Latino children under 5 years of age.
- Immersion in the Hispanic/Latino and International community with home visits and apartment Bible study (English/Spanish) or other languages that the student intern might speak.
- Assisting in worship with translation of the message in Spanish.
- Ministry with adults, youth and children in a variety of situations.
- Team work with the 5 core Latino families who are members of Central UMC.

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