THE TIMOTHY INITIATIVE

MOBILIZING YOUNG BELIEVERS FOR CROSS-CULTURAL MISISONAL ENGAGEMENT

Overview

The Timothy Initiative offers select high school students an opportunity for in-the-field ministry training in our local ministry context. We desire to train and encourage students to move beyond "doing missions" to *living missionally*. In addition to gaining valuable ministry experience, each TI graduate will receive a small scholarship on behalf of Grace Church and the Big House to celebrate their investment and launch them into their next season of life and ministry.

Vision

The Timothy Initiative aims to reflect God's redemptive love for the nations by mobilizing young believers to take the good news of Jesus to the ends of the earth.

Mission

By God's grace, we seek to equip next generation leaders for cross-cultural missional engagement through *learning*, *serving* and *leading*.

- ➤ **Learning:** Students participating in the Timothy Initiative will learn about God's heart for the nations through a variety of formats. This would include attending Big House team meetings, meeting one-to-one with ministry mentors, studying through and discussing resources on missions & evangelism, and (potentially) attending a missions conference or training each year.
- > **Serving:** As the gospel engages our hearts, it activates our hands. The Big House provides an incredible cross-cultural ministry avenue for students to take what they're learning and begin to have a Kingdom impact in their own community. From tilling soil in our garden ministry to planting gospel seeds in the hearts of our littlest neighbors through VBS or our after-school program, the service opportunities abound!
- ➤ **Leading:** In addition to learning and serving behind the scenes, students will be delegated significant leadership opportunities that align with their ministry passion, gifting and skill set. This would include helping plan and carry out neighborhood outreach events, presenting missions updates as the student liaison between the Big House and Grace Church, leading ESL Bible studies, sharing the gospel through our children's ministry programs, designing promo materials or developing video content, doing translation work, or recruiting other students for local missions engagement. However God has gifted you, we'll plug you in!

Please note: The Timothy Initiative is not a job or an internship! What makes the TI unique is the layers of *investment*. Of course, we are excited about the many opportunities our students will have for inthe-field ministry experience, but the hands-on mentoring relationships from multiple Grace Church ministry leaders is what we pray will truly have a lasting impact.

Eligibility

Eligible candidates are high school students who are currently trusting Jesus for their salvation, invested in disciple-making relationships, and taking advantage of existing leadership development opportunities (Catalyst Communities, Big House outreach functions, GSM service opportunities, etc.). Contact Pastor Scott for further details or application information (641.590.3745).