



FORMER MISSIONERS SAY

"Students in Mission gave me a glimpse of how a community can function and through this a better understanding of what the Church can be."

"SIM has shaped my view tremendously on the church's purpose and how we are supposed to help as Christians."

"SIM is a summer of learning, coping, enjoying personalities, discovering mission, meeting the Church, struggling, playing and understanding."

"SIM is a great way to get started in mission and non-profit work. It allows you to learn more about yourself and people that you might not normally connect with while you get closer and connect with God."

"The SIM program will stretch and grow you in ways you never could have imagined, but every second of it is worth it to see the smiles on the faces of the people you are serving."

"The SIM community gave me enjoyment, friendship, togetherness, and concern for one another and a sense of unity."

"SIM gave me a chance to put into practice my concept of mission in an environment that was new to me. It gave me an opportunity to help meet people's needs..."

Students in Mission

SIM

2018

46th Year

Mission and Outreach

Spiritual Formation

Intentional Community

Faith in Action



***A ministry of the South Carolina
Conference of the United
Methodist Church***

WHAT IS SIM?

Students in Mission is designed for United Methodist young adults between the ages of 18 and 24 who have completed at least one year in an institution of higher education. It is an opportunity to serve as a missionary for the summer in authentic mission sites within the state of South Carolina. SIM is a meaningful experience in intentional Christian living, faith in action and spiritual formation.

The program is sponsored by the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. The mission sites are developed by local churches, districts, urban and rural ministries, community centers, and social services agencies.

For the summer of 2018 there will be a number of challenging and personally fulfilling mission sites located around the state. Missioners will be assigned to a geographic cluster, covenanting to learn and grow together as they witness and experience Christ at work in the world.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE?

Students in Mission proposes to expose young adults to the mission of the church; to encourage and develop vocational discernment of young adults; to assist the church in carrying out specialized ministries; to stimulate the church in developing new ministries; to extend the missional outreach of the church; and through young adults, to make the church aware of needs in South Carolina.

HOW MUCH WILL I BE PAID?

Each missioner who is selected will receive a **\$2,750 stipend** (before taxes) from the SC Conference of the United Methodist Church upon completion of the program. **Housing, meals, and incidental expenses will be furnished by the mission site.**

IMPORTANT DATES

APPLICATIONS DUE

February 28, 2018

INTERVIEWS

March, 2018

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENTS

March, 2018

ORIENTATION & TRAINING

May, 2018

MISSION WORK

June 4 - July 27, 2018

FINAL EVALUATION

July 28, 2018

Download the SIM application at
www.winthropwesley.com/sim/

Questions and applications may be sent to
Rev. Ricky Howell at
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HOW DOES THE APPLICATION PROCESS WORK?

Interested students must submit a completed application, at least 3 references, and a non-refundable \$15 application fee before **February 28, 2018** (see application for details).

Applicants will be asked to schedule a video or phone interview with the selection committee in March (date and time to be determined). Interview results and site assignments will be announced by the end of March.

WHAT IS REQUIRED OF ME?

Prior to beginning their assignments, all missioners must attend an Orientation and Training Session at the South Carolina United Methodist Conference Center in Columbia, SC in May. Assignments will officially begin in early June and will continue through the end of July. Missioners will also be required to participate in at least one Reconnect Meeting as part of the program and to attend a final evaluation at the end of their service.

Participants in the SIM program will be expected to fully commit to the program and treat their service as they would a job or other important obligation. Missioners and sites will jointly develop contracts detailing the schedule, duties, and other requirements expected of the sites and missioners. Conflicts with the requirements of the program and/or site may be negotiated with site supervisors and SIM coordinators before the start of the missioner's service.