

## Registration Form

### Ministry in an Urban Context January 2-12, 2018

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### I will be taking this course for:

TRIM Credit \_\_\_\_\_

EFSM Credit \_\_\_\_\_

Two Cont. Ed. Units \_\_\_\_\_

#### Course fee: \$295.00.

payable to: **Brethren Academy**

Registration deadline: **November 1, 2017**

Congregational Life Ministries will offer a  
\$300 travel grant to each registered  
Academy student.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND FEE TO:  
Brethren Academy  
for Ministerial Leadership  
615 National Road West  
Richmond, IN 47374

As an attendee of this event, you may be included in still photos, video taped footage, news articles, informational brochures or other media used to interpret the mission and purpose of Bethany Theological Seminary, the Church of the Brethren, and the Brethren Academy.

#### Course Withdrawal Refund Policy:

- 100% of course fee prior to the registration deadline
- 50% from the registration deadline to the first day
- No refunds will be given once the class has begun.

*Exceptions require the approval of the  
Director of the Brethren Academy.*

For more information contact:

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January 2-12, 2018  
Travel Intensive  
Atlanta, Georgia

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# Ministry in an Urban Context

## *Course Description*

This course represents an educational partnership with Pastor Bruce Deel and City of Refuge Ministries©, along with Congregational Life Ministries of the Church of the Brethren. This course will also explore the ministries of other faith based groups in metro Atlanta that will expose students to a variety of styles and strategies for addressing the complex issues of ministry in large urban contexts. This will be an immersive urban experience with a focus on the ministries of care in Atlanta dedicated to the goals Jesus outlined in Matthew 25.

Students will also be introduced to the networking approach to capacity building that is necessary for partnerships that minister with marginalized communities in the city. This will involve an exploration of the “collective impact” that results when leaders from the three main sectors - non-profit, public and government - advocate for the voiceless through collaborative efforts.

## *Course Goals*

- *Think critically* about the complexities of ministry with marginalized communities in an urban context.
- *Identify* the major challenges of ministry with marginalized populations in an urban context.
- *Define* the core theological concepts that inform ministry in an urban context in a manner that reflects an understanding of ministry that is *inspirational, incarnational and improvisational*.

## *Instructor*



## **Joshua Brockway**

Joshua Brockway is the director of spiritual life and discipleship and co-coordinator for Congregational Life Ministries of the Church of the Brethren. He holds a PhD in Church History from The Catholic University of America and has served in ministry in Indiana and the city of Atlanta.

## *Travel Grant*

The Church of the Brethren Congregational Life Ministries Office will offer a \$300 Travel Grant to each Brethren Academy student enrolled in this course to assist with travel costs to/from Atlanta.

## *Required Reading List*

- Florida, Richard . *The Urban Crisis*. New York, NY: Basic Books, 2017.
- Lupton, Robert D. *Toxic Charity: How Churches and Charities Hurt Those They Help (and How to Reverse It)*. New York, NY: HarperOne, 2011.
- McBride, Jennifer M. *Radical Discipleship: A Liturgical Politics of the Gospel*. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2017.
- Theoharis, Liz *Always with Us? What Jesus Really Said about the Poor*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2017.

## *Participants*

This course is offered at the Academy level and is open to Brethren Academy students (TRIM and EFSM) and pastors.

For TRIM students, successful completion of this course will earn two Academy Level units in **Ministry/Ministry Skills** studies and complete the requirement for the **Bethany Seminary Experience** and **Ecumenical Experience**. Pastors will earn two continuing education credits (2.0 CEUs).

This course will be held in conjunction with a graduate level course taught by Bethany’s Coordinator for Ministry Formation, Dan Poole.

There are five (5) spots available for Brethren Academy students.