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Overseas Position Summary

Position: Teacher of Bible/Theology at Kulp Bible College, Nigeria

Position focus:

Primary teaching assignments include one or more of the following: Brethren history and beliefs, Christian doctrine, Faith and Practice, New Testament. Teaching is at an academic level comparable to a U.S. junior college, but all students are experienced church leaders in their later 20s or 30s. Courses at this level are taught in English.

Specific Tasks:

1. Teach and lecture in classroom - about 15 hours per week
2. Develop and administer tests for student assessment
3. Assist in curriculum development
4. Participate with other faculty in school administration and supervision
5. Accept periodic leadership roles in the wider church, i.e., preaching and consulting on church issues.

Qualifications:

The position requires a masters degree in theology, a commitment to Christian beliefs and lifestyle, the ability to work under Nigerian leadership and the ability to live and work in Africa. The preferred candidate will bring experience in teaching Bible, theology, or Christian education, a willingness to learn conversational Hausa language, and previous experience in another culture. Because this institution is the primary training ground for Nigerian church leadership, membership in the Church of the Brethren is preferred and knowledge of its polity and practice is expected.

Position context:

Kulp Bible College is operated by *Ekkesijar Yan'uma a Nigeria (EYN)*, the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria. The college's primary function is to train leaders for the rapidly-growing Nigerian church. This school provides training for 180 students annually in multi-year certificate or degree programs. The school is located in a rural area near Mubi in northeast Nigeria, almost at the Cameroon border.

The curriculum includes agricultural training alongside its Bible and theology focus, since most pastors will farm for a living. The school is exploring academic links with Nigerian universities in order to gain a recognized credential. A women's program incorporated into the school's program teaches literacy, English, health education, income-generating skills, and Bible.

The campus is situated just off the main north-south road, with classrooms and housing situated about one-half mile off the road amidst large trees. Faculty housing, in a three-bedroom furnished mission house, is provided on the campus. The campus has fairly-reliable electricity from the national grid and an excellent water supply. Nearby Mubi is a major town with a good market and telephone access.

Compensation:

Salary, housing, vehicle, and basic medical insurance plan are provided. A two-year commitment expected. Candidates open to considering additional terms are preferred.

Available: Mid 2008

Contact: *Qualified candidates are invited to complete the General Board application form, submit a résumé and letter of application, and to request three references to send letters of recommendation to:*

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