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gished themselves as thoughtful theologians and intentional pastors. They are gifted communicators. Their abilities to build meaningful relationships are excellent – in spite of the limited time-frame that they are invested in their context. They are capable of honest reflection and critical evaluation.” - Valerie Burton

“The women and men who have completed the residency program have defined themselves as life-long learners. These young congregational leaders recognize there is far more to local church ministry than what can be learned in the classroom. They operate with wisdom, expertise and humility beyond their years. They have distin-

# ARE YOU READY?

THE MINISTERIAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM  
IS THE BEST NEXT STEP

YOU CAN TAKE AFTER SEMINARY!



# DO YOU...

- Have an openness to mentoring and lifelong learning?
- Sense a call to congregational ministry?
- Possess gifts and abilities to function in a congregational ministry setting?
- Share the core values of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship?



IF SO, YOU ARE AN EXCELLENT CANDIDATE FOR THE MINISTERIAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM!

Ministerial Residents serve the first two years beyond seminary in a teaching congregation allowing residents to hone their ministry skills and encouraging the rhythms and practices for long-term health and excellence in ministry.

RESIDENTS ARE PLACED IN TEACHING CONGREGATIONS THAT CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE THE FOLLOWING:

- A level of congregational health that allows for a positive ministry experience;
- A commitment to the nurturing and development of calling and ministry among their parishioners;
- A clear partnership with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship;
- A commitment to provide the resident with a wide range of ministerial opportunities, under the guidance of experienced pastors.

THE MINISTERIAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM IS THE CAPSTONE OF A PERSONAL, SPIRITUAL, AND EDUCATIONAL PILGRIMAGE CONTRIBUTING TO THE READINESS OF YOUNG MINISTERS TO ACCEPT THE NEXT CALL.

## THE PROCESS...

The 2008 cycle of the Ministerial Residency program is open to graduates of residency partner schools who complete studies between May 2007 and May 2008.

### Residency Partner Schools:

Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond  
Campbell University Divinity School  
Logsdon School of Theology  
McAfee School of Theology  
Truett Theological Seminary



Resident candidate applications are available at each theological school. A completed application and current ministry resumé should be shared with the campus contact person for the Residency Program.

Teaching Congregations will schedule interviews during the Spring '08 semester (Feb – May) with the help of campus contacts and the Program Coordinator.

Up to 10 residents will be selected to begin work in a ministry setting by June 2008.