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**Discover**  
with We Care Program

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# welcome

There are some decisions in life that change us forever. In the moment they seem small, but as time continues, they become who we are. Six years ago I joined the Discover team offered by We Care Program. While ministering to men in prison, I saw Christ in a new way: full of grace and compassion, extending His arms to the forgotten. I grew in my relationship with Christ, and with the help of mentors, I discovered my strengths and the calling for which God created me. I am indebted to We Care for challenging me to cultivate a hunger for Christ and the lost. I personally invite you to join our team this year, to discover Christ and yourself in a new way. You will be challenged, stretched, and challenged some more, but looking back you will be able to say this was a life-changing decision. If you are interested in being a part of this year's team, contact me at 251-368-8818 or [discover@wecareprogram.org](mailto:discover@wecareprogram.org). Completed applications need to be submitted no later than July 31. I trust that God will give you clear direction as you seek to do His will.

In Christ,  
Blaine Copenhaver, *Discover Director*





kendall nissley, parkesburg, pa

## ministry assignment

The eight-month term starts in mid-September and ends in the middle of May. After a week of orientation, We Care will give you a ministry assignment and place you alongside an experienced chaplain. While ministering in the prison, you will have the opportunity to build friendships, teach a Bible study, counsel new believers, lead worship, evangelize one-on-one, and serve the state chaplain by assisting him with many responsibilities. Ministry assignments will be different for each volunteer depending on experience and gifts.

Most importantly, you should:

- Live under the influence of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God.
- Speak to the men with love and compassion.
- Humbly serve, leading by example.
- Be the person God called you to be.

## spiritual formation

The goal in the Discover program is not just to minister to men in prison but to help discover your God-given gifts and abilities. During the internship, the team will meet together regularly for a time of prayer and accountability. They will study topics such as spiritual disciplines and evangelism. Time will be spent helping you identify your spiritual gifts and strengths, along with coaching you as you write out your life purpose statement.

Discover participants are eligible for up to 9 credit hours through Rosedale Bible College, Irwin, OH.



discover team, 2010-2011



richard & marj heatwole  
host couple



## location

The team will be based in Atmore, Alabama, and be lodged at the We Care Program headquarters, where host couple Richard and Marj Heatwole will provide home supervision, hospitality, and meal arrangements. (Some meals may have to be planned and prepared by the team.) Interns will be asked to consent to the policies outlined in the Discover Handbook, a copy of which will be given to you upon hearing of your serious consideration.

## social

Interns are encouraged to get involved in a local church and community outreach. We Care will plan occasional events for team-building and relaxation.

## finances

Each team member will need to raise approximately \$4,000 to cover room, board, monthly allowance, and other expenses related to this ministry opportunity. Funding is normally solicited from the home church, family, relatives, and friends. We Care will give some direction in this fund-raising effort, if needed. During the term, transportation will be provided to and from ministry assignments, but we suggest team members bring their own vehicles for personal use. Members are also responsible to provide their own health insurance coverage for the length of the term. (If paying for insurance premiums creates a financial burden, We Care asks that the intern's home congregation pick up the cost of the health insurance premiums during the term. In cases where that is not possible, We Care may reimburse some or all of the health insurance premium expenses.)



hans stutzman, hilliard, oh



tony nisly, partridge, ks

## testimonies

Patrick Overholt - Most of what I did in prison was just being there, someone the men could talk to, whether encouraging them or just giving them an ear to vent.

Paul Sensenig - I learned to lean on God more and listen to the Holy Spirit more. I also felt I grew in the area of discernment.

Sheldon Histan - I'm learning what it means to be a leader and how that role fits into my life.

Ben Cline - [Discover] challenged and strengthened my faith.

Kenton Bucher - It stretched me to take some steps out of my comfort zone and teach a Bible study/sermon!

