

# FIELD EDUCATION

## The Log



Week #   9  

Hours This Week:   45   Total Hours:  322  / 360

HOURS SPENT / TASKS & ACTIVITIES	REFLECTIONS    JOURNALING    THOUGHTS    PROCESSING
<p><b>8 hrs</b> - Sunday ministry</p> <p><b>8 hrs</b> - Saturday ministry (preparing for Palm Sunday ministry)</p> <p><b>5 hrs</b> - Friday office hours</p> <p><b>4 hrs</b> - Developing high-level production of online devotionals (test recording and filming)</p> <p><b>4 hrs</b> - Sermon prep / practice</p> <p><b>4 hrs</b> - Daily prayer and meditation (Daily Soul Care) as required by mentor</p> <p><b>4 hrs</b> - meeting with mentor throughout the week</p> <p><b>2 hrs</b> - preparation and leading weekly Genesis Bible study</p> <p><b>2 hrs</b> - creating digital content (online devotionals, preparing for online launch, managing fb)</p> <p><b>2 hrs</b> - Prayer Ministry</p> <p><b>1 hr</b> - Appalachian campus remodeling &amp; rebuilding main stage</p> <p><b>1 hr</b> - Connecting with church members (making calls, chatting online, inviting to church and Bible studies)</p>	<p>We covered Genesis 27 during our Bible study this week. Genesis 27 is the story of how Jacob receives Isaac's blessing by deceiving his father. While going through the Bible study, we were all able to identify that each character in the chapter (Isaac, Rebekah, Esau, Jacob) were all motivated by their own desires instead of seeking the Lord. As each character is motivated by their own desires and uses deceiving tactics, each person hurts another and causes dysfunction in the family.</p> <p>Through our Bible study, we were able to identify how we are the family of God similar to that of Isaac's. In anything that we do, if we are motivated by our selfish desires and gain, Genesis 27 will be repeated again through our relationship. After recognizing this, I gave the group an opportunity to confess their desires, temptations, and sins that they acted upon. It became a kairos moment where we forgave, blessed, and prayed for one another. It naturally led into a time of prayer and each of us knew that we became closer to the other through this time.</p> <p>I am far too often concerned about leading any ministry moment in the planned direction. Therefore, instead of allowing each member to participate and lead their own discussions, I ask leading questions to point the group to the theme that I have in mind. However, through this week's Bible study, I experienced the value of moderating instead of trying to take control as a leader. When given the space, each person had so much to share and it was much better to learn from each other through discussions.</p> <p>Through this time, I also had the opportunity to reflect what my motives are in ministry. Even as I am doing God's work, if I am motivated by selfish desires, I am in error. This will serve as an important lesson especially for my final week of internship where I will have the opportunity to preach on Sunday... I live for the glory of God and I intend to do so with everything that I do!</p>

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### MEETING(S) WITH MENTOR(S) || TOPICS OF DISCUSSION || REFLECTIONS

I met with my mentor four times this week to discuss how we can prepare for Palm Sunday and Easter. Furthermore, since my internship will be ending in a few weeks, we talked about how we can plan to end well and transition smoothly. Because there was so much planning we needed to do, we did not have a chance to do any Soul Care or self-awareness conversations. I will be coming in for a few extra hours next two Fridays and Saturdays to prepare for the two Sundays mentioned.

Because Gateway Alliance (Applachin) is a new plant and does not have any full-time staff besides pastor Mitch, for me to leave entirely would cause a big gap. Therefore, we discussed how I can continue to teach Bible studies after the internship is over. Also, we spoke of opportunities to possibly preach twice every quarter of the year. Nothing is set in stone just yet as he will need to speak with the elders first.

This semester was the most difficult and busiest I have ever had at ATS. In all honesty, although I am very much enjoying my time as an intern, I am glad that the +30 hr/week commitment will end in one week. I am planning to go on a vacation with my wife after graduation and I hope to do some processing and additional planning for the future. While I am excited about graduating from ATS, I am quite nervous about what to expect for the near future. I am continuing to spend time with God and openly communicating with my wife. I will be speaking with my mentor next week to see if he has any inputs or thoughts that can help.