

Regional Ministry Associate

Mid-Atlantic District, Church of the Brethren

Mission Statement: *We the people of the Mid-Atlantic District declare this mission to be ours: to proclaim the faithfulness of God; to promote spiritual growth; to foster unity and fellowship; to call, equip, and support leaders; to strengthen all our congregations for vigorous mission as we extend ourselves to a broken world; and to affirm and be guided by the principles of peace making.*

Description

The Mid-Atlantic District seeks individuals to serve the district as a Regional Ministry Associate (RMA). This is a part-time stipend position with an expected work commitment of 5-10 hours per week. Each RMA will be assigned to engage with approximately one third of the congregations in the district with the geographical division being based upon the locations of the selected candidates. The RMAs ministry will support and complement the efforts of the District Executive Minister (DEM), regularly checking in with the DEM to share information and receive feedback. This position reports to the DEM with an annual review and is accountable to the District Leadership Team.

Qualifications

- Membership in a Church of the Brethren congregation
- Reside within or adjacent to the Mid-Atlantic District
- Ordained or licensed through the Church of the Brethren
- Prior pastoral ministry experience
- Willingness to participate in ethics training
- Working knowledge of MS Office, Zoom, and email communications
- Reliable transportation

Responsibilities

- Maintain regular communication with assigned congregations, developing authentic relationships with pastoral staff and laity
- Make congregations aware of resources available to them
- Support congregations in creating and sustaining healthy ministry programs
- Connect congregations with neighboring Church of the Brethren congregations, the Mid-Atlantic District, and the broader denomination
- Monitor the overall spiritual, financial, and organizational health of congregations to ensure optimal vibrance and vitality
- Attendance – physically or virtually – at quarterly District Leadership Team meetings
- Be accessible to other district staff – DEM, Administrative Assistant, and other RMAs – for timely and reliable communication

Compensation

- \$8000 annual stipend
- Travel mileage reimbursed at standard IRS rate – maximum of 250 miles/month without prior approval

Inquiries and applications will be received by the District Office at aamad@brethren.org; 443.960.3052.