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## Ministry Interns

Twenty-one. That's the number of salvation decisions that Campbell Avenue Baptist Church in urban Lynchburg recorded in the fall of 2021. Pastor John Pickett had been praying for God to bring someone who could help kick-start the children's and youth ministries of Campbell Avenue Baptist Church.

God brought Sidney Johnson through an internship funded by the SBCV Vision Virginia Missions Offering. Sidney quickly began serving and enlisted others to help.

"Sidney and his team have turned our third-floor storage and junk rooms into a clean, painted, and beautifully decorated youth and children's suite," shared Pickett. "He has also developed a Saturday morning evangelistic outreach that has seen dozens of children, youth, and adults make decisions for Christ."

Sidney led a team of Liberty University students through outreach ministry in the neighborhoods surrounding the church. He teamed less confident people with more experienced participants.

When asked for what encouragement he would give to others who are struggling to share the Good News, Sidney advised, "The hardest thing to work through is rejection. I would say that about 1 in 20 responds positively."

...and so much more!

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