

# re you (or do you know) a high school student who is ready to explore ministry?

"Our community here in Elkhart and the community of !Explore are helping me to become the person I want to be."

— Brenda Gorostieta Balcazar, Prairie Street Mennonite Church and Elkhart Baptist Church, Elkhart, Indiana; 2019 participant

"I learned that to truly be able to understand Scripture, understanding its context is invaluable, and to be a member of Christ means to be willing to have these tough discussions."

Philip Krabill, Belmont Mennonite Church, Elkhart, Indiana;
 2019 participant

"!Explore helped me feel more comfortable asking difficult questions, and to make more time to read the Bible."

Phoebe Williams, Living Water Community Church, Chicago;
 2019 participant



## !Explore is for young people

to learn, worship and test gifts for ministry.

### !Explore is for congregations

to affirm the gifts of youth and learn from their passion.

**!Explore:** A Theological Program for High School Youth is a program of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS) in Elkhart, Indiana, USA. Since 2004, the summer program has provided a context for nearly 175 high school students to strengthen their leadership skills and deepen their faith.

#### Group experience (June 27 - July 13, 2022)

 Join with peers in a 17-day experience of worship, spiritual practices, service, and study of a theological question. Participants in !Explore 2022 will attend Mennonite World Conference in Indonesia with nine Indonesian youth, explore theological questions and lived faith together, and visit parts of beautiful Java Island.

#### Congregational experience (100-hour internship)

- Work alongside your pastor in a mentoring relationship.
- Test your gifts, practice leadership skills and engage further with spiritual disciplines and theological questions.

#### Program details

- Youth who are in grades 10, 11 or 12 in the 2021–22 academic year may apply for summer 2022.
- Ten to 15 youth participate.
- Congregations, participants and AMBS each have a role to play in covering expenses for !Explore 2022 at MWC in Indonesia. Generous financial support is available!

• Each participant receives \$500 from their congregation and \$500 from AMBS.

#### Application information

 See ambs.edu/explore for application forms, information and deadlines.

• Email: explore@ambs.edu Phone: 574.296.6225

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