

My dear friends,

I hope you are doing well. I know these have been hard times the past several months. I look forward to reuniting with you in the near future.

I'm writing this letter to inform you that I am currently doing a one-year internship this Youth Unlimited (also known as Youth for Christ) till August 2021. I'm very excited for this new ministry opportunity. I humbly ask for your support. Youth Unlimited staff and interns are expected to fundraise their salaries through partnerships with churches and individuals, so it is my humble ask that you might partner with me for this journey. More important still, I would also ask that you partner with me in your prayers, that I may grow in this internship, serve effectively, and that the will of God will be fulfilled in my life, and the lives of those with whom I interact.

To provide you more details into my internship, here is an overview of what I will be doing. Throughout a fifteen-hour work week, my responsibilities will include working as an assistant leader in different YU Youth programs, participating in biweekly intern peer support cohort meetings, investing in my own spiritual growth and development, participating in various workshops and training sessions, and fundraising my support for the year internship.

My goals and desires for this internship are to move towards working in ministry full time with Youth Unlimited, to grow spiritually in my faith, and to discover where God is leading me within Youth Unlimited.

I am deeply grateful for the opportunity that this internship represents, as I have grown so much through my years at Youth Unlimited, but still have a passion to grow more. John tells us in 1 John 2:6 "Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did." We, as Jesus's disciples, are called to bring heaven down here on earth through the works and guidance of the Holy Spirit in our life. Mark 10:45 tells us "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." My aim is to live each and every day serving Him who came down on earth to serve us. In Mark, Luke, and Matthew it reminds us about taking up our cross and following Jesus. Our Lord Jesus calls us to deny ourselves and follow him and sacrifice and give up everything to follow him.

Below are a few words from Melissa Williams, the internship lead at Youth Unlimited.

"It is our pleasure to welcome Kirushanthan into our internship program with Youth Unlimited. You may know that Kirushanthan has been a part of YU programs for many years and even served as a summer intern paid by the government grants. He has proven to be a servant leader, respected by youth

and colleagues alike. This time is a little different. Kirushanthan is stepping out in faith believing that God has called him to this year of training and ultimately a missionary position on staff with YU. Just as God is calling Kirushanthan to this new journey in ministry, He will likewise call upon others to join his support team, to help support the work that Kirushanthan is entering into. Perhaps this is you! You may not be able to serve as Kirushanthan will but you may be able to uphold him in prayer or give financially. Over this year he will endeavour to raise \$16,254. This is a faith filled and sometimes a daunting task and I know that Kirushanthan would be so encouraged if you would consider partnering with him in this way. All of your gifts are tax deductible and stewarded well. Thank you for your continued support of Kirushanthan.”

If you'd like to learn more about this amazing opportunity God has provided me with, I'll have more information in the upcoming weeks. I'll be posting more updates on my website at <https://confessionsfromcrickets.ca/yuministry/>. You'll also be able to find a copy of this letter in PDF form on the website as well.

If you'd like to support me on this journey with Youth Unlimited. Please feel free to contact me at kkrish@yugta.ca or 416-907-4751. You may choose to donate in various ways. Some of the options are by donating online using the link below, donating via cheque (cheque written to Youth Unlimited), through credit card, or pre-authorized debit. The best way to support me on this journey is donating on a monthly basis. I have also included a link down below to donate online. Once again, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

<https://www.yugta.ca/kirushanthan-krishnapillai/>

If you'd have any prayers or would like to chat, please feel free to call or email me. I look forward to seeing and talking to you all in person.

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love to all of you in Christ Jesus.

Your Brother in Christ,
Kirushanthan (Cricket) Krishnapillai