

## Integrating Your Service Year

### Simplicity

- Create a budget that ensures, regardless of income, you continue to live simply. Use disposable income to tithe, support local organizations, or support your post-grad service program.
- Continue to rely on public transportation, bicycling, walking, as your primary means of transport.
- Meal plan.
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### Service/Social Justice/Solidarity

- Commit to volunteer on a regular basis (look for local organizations similar to your ministry site).
- See what kinds of social justice programs/groups are available through your local place of worship.
- Sign up for action alerts with advocacy groups in your area or for causes close to your heart.
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## **Faith**

- Organize your own faith-sharing group to meet regularly, or find one that already exists through your local place of worship.
- Set up an e-faith sharing group with your community-mates or others with a similar faith perspective.
- Identify faith communities in your new hometown that live their faith in ways that feed your spirituality.
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## **Community**

- Start your own community night with other former volunteers/friends in the area (gather for a meal, faith sharing, social justice discussion).
- Establish a 'team,' local or electronic, of people who can be support (Former volunteers, mentors, counselor, spiritual director, advisors).
- Look for intentional living environments
- Establish a regular e-group with your post-grad service community (What's App Group, Email chain, group text)
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