



Announcing Permanent Executive Director of Johnson Service Corps

On behalf of the JSC Board, we are excited to share the news that Interim Executive Director, Julia Tyler, has accepted the permanent role as Executive Director at Johnson Service Corps.

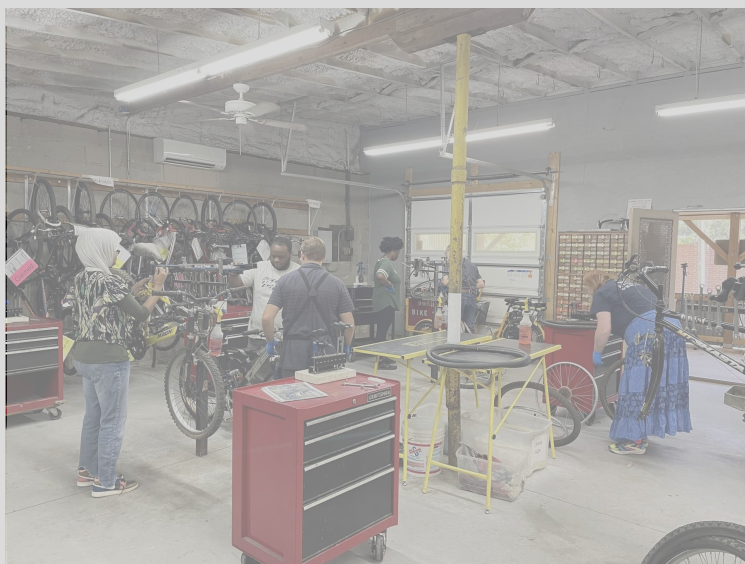
Julia Tyler is honored to lead JSC into its next era. She also celebrates and will build upon JSC's 23 years of history- 23 years of love and relationships invested into JSC. Julia is called to JSC's vision of developing strong, moral leaders who are inspired by God, service, love. JSC is positioned at the intersection of justice and spirituality, which is Julia's area of expertise and vocational calling.

Julia believes in JSC's mission to provide a year of servant leadership, meaningful service, communal living, and rigorous spiritual practice to Gen Z young adults. She is inspired by each of the young adults who have answered the call towards personal and spiritual growth, and building a world of more justice and love. She is honored to steward JSC into its next chapter and to work with so many talented and open hearted people who believe in the mission and vision of JSC.



Housewarming Party!

What a welcome to our new JSC Fellows! The food, the hugs, the house blessing, the singing- what a wonderful introduction for our fellows and our wide JSC community. Thank you to everyone who warmed up the house and hearts of this year's cohort. (More photos on [our Facebook page.](#))



JSC "Helping Hands" Community Care Team

We're looking to build a team of JSC volunteers to support sundry and sometimes last minute needs that arise for JSC. This insider team may be asked to provide or brainstorm occasional and practical support for Fellows, such as airport rides, moving help, or party and event set up and clean up.

Please email admin@johnsonservicecorps.org if you'd like to join the "JSC Helping Hands" google group.

JSC Communications

You can now view all our Fellow bios on our JSC website [here](#). You can also view the monthly Fellows' blog post [here](#).

Welcome, Jae Richardson!

Jae Richardson is the Group Therapist for Johnson Service Corps Fellows. Jae is a JSC alum and a licensed clinical social worker at Radical Healing in Durham. Jae is a Black, femme healer, energy worker and educator. Jae uses collaboration, affirmation and empowerment to support others in their own healing work and practice from a social justice, holistic and afro-spirituality framework. Jae also integrates skills from CBT and DBT into her counseling work. Her passion towards individual and collective healing stems from her own trauma work. Jae's desire to break down generational traumas runs deeply and vibrationally. As marginalized individuals, she believes we must heal our communities on a spiritual, vibrational, and psychological level, and she is honored to walk with these fellows in their journey towards finding the ancestral power within them.

Fellows will meet weekly with Jae to process their experiences at their Partner Organizations, practice communication skills with one another, deepen their understanding of covenantal relationships, and learn how to live in intentional, beloved community. No small tasks.



Welcome New JSC Board members:



Treasurer, Joseph A. Smith, Jr.

Mr. Joe Smith is a retired lawyer, having practiced for over 40 years. He was North Carolina Commissioner of Banks from 2002 to 2012 and Monitor of the National Mortgage Settlement from 2012 to 2018. Mr. Smith is a past Fellow of the Global Financial Markets Center at Duke Law School and is currently a director of the Center for Community Self-Help, sponsoring organization of the Self-Help Credit Union, Self-Help Federal Credit Union, and Center for Responsible Lending. He has been married for over 40 years to Elizabeth Marion Smith, with whom he lives in Raleigh, North Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Raleigh and are the parents of two grown sons and two rapidly growing grandsons. Mr. Smith is honored to be associated with Johnson Service Corps, which seeks to develop the servant leaders our society desperately needs.



Leslie McClellan

Leslie and her husband Adam attend St. Philip's Church in Durham and are the parents of two Gen Zers -- ages 17 and 24. She's lived in the Triangle area for about a quarter-century and spent much of her time working on a variety of education, outreach and nature projects in the community. The goals that the JSC board discerned last year are part of what draws her to the organization, and she's excited to join in the work.



Donya Rose:

"Young adults are our future, as a society and as a planet. It's a privilege to be part of an organization that supports a group of them as they begin to realize their potential and live into the contributions that will bring them joy while bringing forth a better world? As a mother of four young adults, I'm aware of how their opportunities and challenges can be both exciting and daunting. I believe the work that JSC does in the community matters, and the work the participants do in their own hearts and character matters even more."

Highlights from JSC Orientation:

- Volunteering at the [Durham Bike Coop](#) and [El Buen Pastor](#)
- Partner Organization site visits, including Diocese House tour
- Neighborhood Prayer Walk and Yoga
- Bus day around Durham- Cocoa Cinnamon, Scrap Exchange, Main Library
- Insight dialogue meditation
- Daily Prayer Practice with Henry Kennelly
- Making house meals and making the house Covenant
- Fellow-led daily spiritual practices
- [Paperhand Puppet](#) Show and Durham Bulls Game
- 24 hour screen free fasts from Friday nights to Saturday nights
- Commissioning at Chapel of the Cross, The Advocate, St. Titus
- Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray history talk with Rev. Keith Esposito
- Professional headshots photo shoot
- [NC Freedom Park](#) in Raleigh
- Art as spiritual practice with Deb Wulliger
- Compline with Day Pritchard
- Morning Prayer with Rev. Marion Sprott
- Identity and diversity writing workshop with Sara Graybeal
- Zumba with Jose at O2 fitness
- Flower Arranging as spiritual practice
- Climate, Body, Spirit workshop with Emily Stewart
- Episcopal 101 class with Rev. Mary Cat Young



Your support makes a difference to our organization, to the nonprofits we partner with, and, most importantly, in the lives-- hearts, bodies, minds, spirits, and leadership-- of our young people. We are because of you.



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