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***SBC21 National Network of Young Adults Coordinator
Accepts New Appointment***

(HOUSTON, TX) APRIL 11, 2022: Strengthening the Black Church for the 21st Century today announced the departure of Nathalie Nelson Parker, the founding coordinator for the SBC21 National Network of Young Adults (NNYA) program. Nelson Parker has been appointed beyond the local church and will serve Gammon Theological Seminary as their Recruitment and Retention Specialist beginning July 1, 2022.

“Nathalie leaves an incredible legacy of innovation, impact and realized vision, said Dr. Michael L. Bowie, Jr., SBC21 National Executive Director. “Under her leadership hundreds of students and young adults have answered their call to ministry and are currently enrolled in seminary or serving within our local churches and communities. “I believe Nathalie is now moving into a greater call as she recruits and create spaces for young people to continue to discern how God is calling them to ministry and service,” Bowie said.

Nelson Parker came to SBC21 under its Academy of Intern Program and was later appointed to her current position. The goal of the NNYA program is to develop transformational leaders as they hear, discern, and respond to God’s call upon their life.

This transition has created an opening on the SBC21 team for an innovative, creative, and energetic leader who will continue to grow programs to resource young adult pastor and leaders within and beyond the United Methodist Church. Learn more about the position and apply @ <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/about/job-listings/national-network-of-young-adults-director-strategist>.

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