



## Diploma of Ministry

The Diploma in Ministry provides basic and practical training in biblical studies, theology, and church ministry. After successfully completing this curriculum, the student will be able to function successfully in a church ministry context.

### Specific Program Objectives:

- Comprehensive development in character, skills, and knowledge for effective ministry.
- Life development and lifelong learning orientation.
- Recognition of and participation in the centrality of the local church in the plan of God.
- Master Scripture relevance to church and leadership development at an initial level, particularly through study of the biblical theology of Acts and the Pauline Epistles.
- Reflect on contributions of leading scholars regarding church and leadership development.
- Address basic issues related to church and leadership development and analyze Scripture and other contributions related to those issues.
- Formulate conclusions and personal applications regarding those basic issues.

The Diploma of Ministry is offered by distance education to existing leaders rooted in local churches, church networks, and other ministry organizations to help them be trained and recognized as part of a ministry leadership team that is one-minded in ministry vision and philosophy. Out of this team would come those who commit themselves long term to local church leadership of those who desire to train to be part of a missionary team involved in planting or establishing churches in other areas.

The Diploma of Ministry is offered at the undergraduate level. Credit earned in the Diploma program may be applied in its entirety to degree programs if the credit matches the requirements of the degree program.

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The Diploma of Ministry is a 90 semester credit hour program (30 plus the Associate of Practical Theology) that provides the basic educational background and training in biblical studies, theology, and Christian ministry. After successfully completing this curriculum, students will be able to serve in a church ministry context.

### **First 20 Courses & Ministry Practicums from Associate of Practical Theology Program**

#### **Additional 10 Courses & Ministry Practicum:**

***LS 301 The Leader's Foundation (3 Credits)*** - The Leader's Foundation focuses on forming a godly self-image and proper foundation for leadership. It reviews the foundational elements of the Christian faith and emphasizes the need for a leader to have his or her identity and motivation rooted in being a child and servant of God.

***LS 302 The Leader's Freedom (3 Credits)*** – The Leader's Freedom focuses on obtaining steps to freedom from hurt, bondage, and unhealthy living. It presents seven steps to freedom: facing our bondages, relinquishing control, exposing the roots, embracing responsibility, developing discipline, overcoming temptation, and moving on to maturity.

***LS 303 The Leader's Example (3 Credits)*** – The Leader's Example focuses on embracing and modeling the basic principle of discipleship. It presents Jesus as our discipling example, as well as following, being like, abiding with, and growing for our example. It presents how to overcome common discipleship obstacles and keys to discipling others.

***LS 304 The Leader's Calling (3 Credits)*** – The Leader's Calling focuses on discovering your calling and role in God's Master Plan. It presents God's desire for our worship and His continuous plan to reach the world. Key principles are presented related to discovering your call, preparing, being tested, and walking in the proper timing of your calling.

***LS 305 The Leader's Potential (3 Credits)*** – The Leader's Potential focuses on reaching your potential by maximizing your spiritual gifts and personality mix. It shows how understanding yourself and those around you will help you find your PLACE in ministry and maximize your strengths to reach your greatest potential.

***LS 306 Leading with Outreach (3 Credits)*** – Leading with Outreach focuses on reaching those around you through Spirit-led friendships. It shows how effective outreach includes a balanced, three-fold approach of sharing the spoken words of the Gospel, walking in the power of the Holy Spirit, and demonstrating a lifestyle that reflects the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

***LS 307 Leading with Mentoring (3 Credits)*** – Leading with Mentoring focuses on finding and providing effective mentoring relationships. It gives an overview of mentoring and what it should include. It 50 provides guidelines on how to have and be an effective mentor and how to avoid poor mentoring relationships.

***LS 308 Leading with the Word (3 Credits)*** – Leading with the Word focuses on using basic Bible study skills to prepare and share biblical messages. It presents the basic three components of inductive Bible study: observation, interpretation, and application of Scripture. It then gives practical guidelines on how to prepare and deliver biblically based messages.

***LS 309 Leading Team Projects (3 Credits)*** – Leading Team Projects focuses on learning to lead projects and reach goals with a team approach. It presents the basics of vision, planning, and goal setting, with tracking and delegation. It also presents forming, developing and mobilizing an effective team. It concludes with how to finish a project well.

***LS310 Leading with Teams (3 Credits)*** – Leading with Teams focuses on developing a diverse leadership team for ministry success. It reviews the traditional models and offers a biblical alternative. It gives principles for becoming an effective team leader and building a strong leadership team. Also presented are handling team conflict and transitioning to team leadership.

***MP301 Ministry Practicum III (1 Credit)*** – Contracted learning ministry including written description of preliminary plan and learning goals, report of actual experience, and evaluation and reflection of learning accomplished.

## **Financial Information:**

### ***Diploma of Ministry – 30 Semester Credit Hours + Associate of Practical Theology:***

- Registration Fee: \$75.00 (to be submitted with application)
- Tuition Fee: \$100/Credit Hour (30 credits) = \$3,000.00
- Graduation Fee: \$ 165.00
- **TOTAL:** **\$3,240.00**

The total tuition and Fees will be payable through a schedule of payments for 24 months.  
For example: \$3,240.00 / 24 months = \$135/month

## **Ready to Enroll?**

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