

A.C.C.M.A place of formational-encounter for the Christian on mission

Welcome to this class on Christian Leadership! And thank you for allowing us to be a part of your life journey as you continue to look to Jesus to shape you – soul, body and mind – for greater service in and for His Kingdom.

ACCM is a ministry of Grace Communion International that was designed and developed by the leadership of Grace Communion Australia and is being used in other national churches of the GCI family to help equip the saints to more effectively join Jesus on mission. We in the US ministry are delighted to partner with our colleagues in Australia in making ACCM classes available to interested interns here in the U.S. (Attached is a short article on ACCM, its history and objectives.)

About the class

Christian Leadership: Foundational Perspectives, Principles & Practices for Lifelong Growth as a Leader

The title for this class pretty much captures its focus. It challenges us to adopt a lifelong perspective of our life and to be people committed to lifelong learning. As your instructors and fellow lifelong-learners, we are concerned with helping each of you reflect on key foundational elements that can contribute to growing as leaders across a lifetime. As Christ followers living in a world of radical, adaptive change, what are the perspectives we need to have? In what ways do our imaginations need to be re-framed for effective engagement with an increasingly secular world? What principles and practices can help us cultivate the conditions for people to encounter Christ in transformative ways? And, vitally important, what formational practices do we need to make a part of our personal life routines if we are to avoid burn out and, instead, live a life of Kingdom-flourishing?

We hope you will come ready to share your own learnings and willing to learn from the life experiences of others as we explore these themes together.

Course Expectations

• The class will span a total of 10 weeks, beginning Monday, November 9, 2015 and ending Friday, January 15, 2016

- You will need to attend a three day seminar in Dallas from Thursday, December 10 to Saturday December 12. Greg and Charles will arrive on Wednesday, December 9 and we encourage you to come in on Wednesday afternoon so we can have dinner together and spend some time connecting.
- You will be required to read 2 books to write a short review on them. Be sure to use the attached Book Report Guideline to guide you in doing the book report.
 - o In the Name of Jesus Reflections on Christian Leadership, Henri Nouwen, book review emailed to Greg and Charles by Sunday, November 29, 2015
 - Leadership Jazz The Essential Elements of a Great Leader, Max De Pree, book review emailed to Greg and Charles by Sunday, December 6, 2015
- You will also need to read (no written review required)
 - *One article to be read before the weekend seminar*
 - o Selected excerpts read by end of class, January 15, 2016
- An Integration paper, due January 15, 2016

To Register

To register for the class, go online to http://www.ambascol.org and register for the Christian Leadership course. The cost is \$150. Once you have registered, please let Greg Williams know at Greg.Williams@gci.org.

Addresses to use if you have any questions and to submit your assignments: <u>Greg.Williams@gci.org</u> charles.fleming@gci.org

Looking forward to our time together. Greg and Charles

PS We are finalizing housing arrangements with an Embassy Suites near the DFW airport. This hotel can comfortably provide double occupancy for the rooms. They have an excellent breakfast buffet, and a suitable room to host all of our classes. Once you have registered please contact Greg for housing information,