

Dear ETP Applicant,

Below you will find recommendation and application forms regarding your participation in the Evangelist Training Program along with basic information about the program.

There are three forms for you to hand out (one to your pastor, spouse, and friend) and one form for you to fill out personally.

These forms will help both me and you in the process of deciding if God is calling you into this program in your life right now.

My request would be that you would give these to the above named people and ask them to return them to me when you feel the timing is right for you to enter the program.

Also, I have included a **two page application which I am asking you also to fill out and return** to me at the address below. I tried to keep it short!

If there are any problems or questions about this, please feel free to give me a call, 951/653-0737.

Thank you.

In Him,

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Recommendation for Evangelist Training Program – Pastor

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this questionnaire regarding the potential participant in the Evangelist Training Program. We are seeking those who truly are called to such a position and your **honest** responses would be greatly appreciated.

Name of person you are evaluating:

1. How long and in what capacity have you know this person?

2. In what ways has this person proven themselves to have been reliable in a church ministry situation of which you are aware?

3. What qualities have you seen in this person which would qualify them as a potential Evangelist?

4. List four other words which you would use in describing this person to someone else who didn't know them:

5. In which area would this person need the most growth in terms of becoming either a better leader in the church or in terms of becoming a staff person at a church or in terms of becoming a church/planter evangelist?

6. How Spiritually mature have you found this person to be and in what ways do they need to grow in their walk with the Lord?

7. Would you recommend them for the Evangelist Training Program and why or why not?

I hereby wave my right to read the above materials and allow the person filling it out to send it confidentially to Rev. Breems.

Signature _____

Recommendation for Evangelist Training Program - Friend

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this questionnaire regarding the potential participant in the Evangelist Training Program. We are seeking those who truly are called to such a position and your **honest** responses would be greatly appreciated.

Name of person you are evaluating: _____

1. How long and in what capacity have you know this person?

2. List four other words which you would use in describing this person to someone else who didn't know them:

3. In which area would this person need the most growth in terms of becoming either a better leader in the church or in terms of becoming a staff person at a church or in terms of becoming a church/planter evangelist?

4. How Spiritually mature have you found this person to be and in what ways do they need to grow in their walk with the Lord?

5. Would you recommend them for a program designed for those who are trained for evangelistic leadership in the church either at a volunteer or paid staff level? Why or why not?

I hereby waive my right to read the above materials and allow the person filling it out to send it confidentially to Rev. Breems.

Signature _____

Spousal Questionnaire
Regarding the Evangelist Training Program

Dear Spouse,

It would be greatly appreciated if you would be willing to **honestly** answer the following questions concerning your spouse's participation in the Evangelist Training Program. Please be honest. Hiding feelings you might have now will only make matters worse later on. Your spouse has been asked to allow you to answer these questions and send them to me confidentially.

Thank you,

Pastor Al Breems (Director of the Evangelist Training Program)

Name of your spouse: _____

1. How would you describe the way you are feeling about your spouse's participation in the Evangelist Training Program?

2. What are your greatest concerns about your spouse participating in this program? _____

3. How do you feel about a potential \$50/month cost for the program? _____

4. Do you honestly feel that God is calling your spouse to do something like this? Why? _____

5. In what areas do you feel your spouse needs to grow the most in terms of their role as an evangelistic leader in the church?

6. How would you feel about your spouse potentially going into either part of full time Christian ministry as an occupation?

7. How would you like it if you and your spouse became a church planting couple responsible for starting a new church? _____

8. What questions or concerns do you have about the program?

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Signature _____

Application For The Evangelist Training Program

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Marital Status: _____

Children (names & ages): _____

Occupation : _____

Home church: _____

Pastor(s) _____

Please describe in one paragraph where you grew up and the quality of your childhood spiritually, economically, and emotionally. _____

Please describe when and how you accepted the Lord into your life: _____

Please lists areas of involvement in ministry in the life of the church from the past: _____

Please lists areas of involvement in ministry in the life of the church from the present: _____

When it comes to serving the Lord in the church, what is your "passion" and why? _____

What gifts or strengths do you feel the Holy Spirit has given you in terms of ministering to other? _____

Why are you interested in the Evangelist Training Program? Have you sensed a calling from the Lord? If so, how so? _____

How interested or serious are you about the Evangelist Training Program? _____

What do you feel are the greatest barriers for you to participate in this program?

Have you asked a pastor to become your coach? If so, whom did you choose and why did you choose them? _____

If you are married, have you and your spouse discussed your participation in this program, and have you both been praying about it? If so, please describe where you perceive your spouse to be in terms of your participation in this program?

To what extent have you personally prayed about this?

What questions/concerns do you have about the program?

Thank you for taking the time to fill this out!

Information about the Evangelist Training Program

Who is the Director?

My name is Al Breems, and I have been a Christian Reformed Pastor for 25 years and currently pastor Oasis Community Church in Moreno Valley, CA that is very evangelistically oriented. The church was planted, i.e., started from scratch by my wife and I in Jan. of 1991. I was appointed the director of this new program which designed to help find, train, and encourage evangelistic leadership within the Christian Reformed Church in July of 1995. Currently, I continue to be a Pastor at my church, Oasis Community Church, while I direct the Evangelist Training Program.

How do I know if this program is something for me or if I am really cut out for it?

If you have a heart for reaching those in this world who are lost, and if you really desire God to use you in the church to be a leader in that effort, then this program is potentially for you.

Where would this program lead me?

There are many directions into which this program could lead you:

- * Helping some people become trained to be effective and dynamic volunteer leaders in their local church with an evangelistic outlook
- * Helping some people become trained to take on either a part-time or full-time staff position in a local church or possibly even a Christian organization which is evangelistically oriented
- * Helping some people become trained to become a full-fledged evangelist pastor who would possibly begin a whole new ministry or church or would be able to pastor an existing congregation

Which of these would apply to you would become apparent as you would progress through the program and as the Lord would speak to your heart.

How much time would be involved in this ministry?

I know most of you already have a full-time job as well as responsibilities in your local church, the time requirements for this program would be kept to a minimal. Here's roughly what I'm thinking right now:

- * **weekly local ministry (2-4Hrs./week)** -- part of your current participation in the life of your local church would qualify for this; perhaps there would be an area of ministry suggested for you to begin or get involved in some way
- * **bi-weekly meeting with your coach (1&1/2hrs. each)** -- each of you would be assigned to a coach, usually an ordained Pastor, who would meet with you every other week to discuss your weekly ministry involvement and your walk with the Lord
- * **a monthly meeting with other participants (2hrs. a month)** -- these would include a study of the character of an evangelist, the biblical foundations for an evangelist, and the theology of an evangelist
- * **monthly studying or class preparation (1-2 hrs./week)** -- for each month there would be required readings and preparation of a presentation for class

The goal in all the above is not to exceed a requirement of more than @6-8 total hours of your time a week each month. And again, some of this time would be spent in ministries in which you may be already currently involved.

CURRICULUM FOR EVANGELIST TRAINING PROGRAM

PHASE ONE : CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

Students in this phase will be trained in the basic character traits needed for front line leadership responsibilities in the church. The areas which will be covered are as follows:

- Month 1: A Heart For Lost People
- Month 2: A Heart For Prayer
- Month 3: A Heart Of Faith
- Month 4: A Servant's Heart
- Month 5: A Heart of Purity
- Month 6: A Heart for one's Family
- Month 7: A Heart of Perseverance
- Month 8: A Leader's Heart

PHASE TWO: BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS

In this phase students will be trained in the basic background, historical roots, main themes, and tie in to Christ as well as to our lives today of the different books of the Bible in such a way that they will better be able to teach the truths of these books to those who are new to the Bible or Christianity. The curriculum for this phase will be as follows:

- Month 1: The Pentateuch
- Month 2: The Former Prophets
- Month 3: The Writings
- Month 4: The Major Later Prophets
- Month 5: The Minor Later Prophets
- Month 6: The Gospels
- Month 7: The Pauline Epistles and Acts
- Month 8: Other New Testament books

PHASE THREE: DOCTRINAL FOUNDATIONS

In this phase, students will be trained in taking the truths of the Bible and being able to organize and systemize them in such a way that they will be able to teach them again to those new to such truths or systematic ways of thinking about them. The curriculum for this phase is as follows:

- Month 1: Teachings about God
- Month 2: Teachings about Humanity
- Month 3: Teachings about Christ
- Month 4: Teachings about Salvation
- Month 5: Teachings about the Church (part 1--doctrine & polity)
- Month 6: Teachings about the Church (part 2--history)
- Month 7: Teachings about the End of History

CURRICULUM FOR EVANGELIST TRAINING PROGRAM (cont.)

PHASE FOUR: SYSTEMS AND STRATEGIES

In this phase, the student will be taught as to how to strategize about setting up key ongoing reproducible systems in the life of the church. The curriculum for this phase is as follows:

Month 1: Mission Statements and Core Values

Month 2: Prayer Support Systems

Month 3: Worship

Month 4: Children's Ministries

Month 5: Youth Ministries

Month 6: Outreach

Month 7: Assimilation

Month 8: Small Groups

Month 9: Pastoral Care

Month 10: Leadership Development

Month 11: Staff Development

Month 12: Birthing a Daughter