The Call to Stronger Service in Your Current Church

Discerning God's call requires prayer, scripture, and talking with pastors, counselors, trusted mentors and friends.

Not everyone is called to pastoral ministry. God calls certain men and women to serve as supportive lay leaders in their local church.

If you are called to serve your local church or wish to discern where God is leading you, the School of Ministry is ready to journey with you. Are You Ready to Take a First Step? We're Ready to Help You Take It.

START YOUR JOURNEY, BY CONTACTING

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TABCOM SCHOOL OF MINISTRY



"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15



"This [experience] has given me the opportunity to explore God's call on my life in a supportive, informal way. The instructors and classes are first-rate, and in my first year as a student, I have found many practical answers to my spiritual questions." —First Cohort Student

Program Overview

The School of Ministry meets six weekends each year in a semester format (February-April and September-November). Typically, each weekend consists of one session Friday evenings and two sessions on Saturday.

Two weekends per year will also include a Saturday overnight with a visit to a TABCOM church and meeting with church leaders and the congregation following Sunday morning worship.

Three courses are offered each semester with homework assigned in between meetings. Completion of the Program each "Year" includes a summer internship between the Spring and Fall Semesters and Winter project.



The TABCOM School of Ministry provides affordable and practical learning opportunities that equip lay leaders and called individuals to serve more effectively in TABCOM congregations.

Curriculum Overview

YEAR 1: FOUNDATIONS

PERSONAL REFLECTION SPIRITUAL, BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS

YEAR 2: COMMUNICATION

COMMUNICATION PRACTICUMS "MESSAGE" DEVELOPMENT & DELIVERY FEEDBACK, COACHING & MENTORING WORSHIP LEADERSHIP INTROSPECTION AND REFLECTION

YEAR 3: LEADERSHIP

ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH LEADING VS MANAGING DEVELOPING SELF AND OTHERS STIMULATING CHURCH GROWTH ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT



PARTICIPANTS MUST BE RECOMMENDED BY THEIR HOME-CHURCH PASTOR. CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION CONFERRED TO THOSE WHO COMPLETE THE FULL COURSE OF STUDY

Equipping the Ministry of Tomorrow...Today

The church of Jesus Christ never stays the same because God is always creating. In what direction is our God leading? Churches of tomorrow will need more lay leaders who know their faith, are highly skilled and give priority to God's call on their life. Pastoral leadership will become increasingly "tentmaking," composed of persons with a second, often secular, employ. New models of leadership are emerging, with more emphasis on quality functioning and practical effectiveness. TABCOM's School of Ministry aims to prepare persons to minister effectively (both in pastoral and lay roles) in the church that God is building!

> "The School of Ministry has been a wonderful, practical way to learn and grow in Christ while serving bi-vocationally. With my busy schedule, the weekend, retreat-style learning not only fits in perfectly, but allows uninterrupted time to concentrate on my studies!" —First Cohort Student