



PMCP8303 Developing a Global Missions Strategy
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Division of Pastoral Ministries
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Mission Statement

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Leavell College prepare servants to walk with Christ, proclaim His truth, and fulfill His mission.

Seminar Description

The purpose of this seminar is to examine and explore how to create a biblically based intentional missions focus in a church which includes evangelism, missions, and reproduction through church planting. The mission concepts in Acts 1:8 and other biblical passages will be explored including the importance of witness empowered by the Holy Spirit, the meaning of being Christ’s witnesses, and intentional sharing of the gospel in the local, regional, and international context. These concepts will be applied to new church planting efforts and existing congregations.

The Seminar is in conjunction with the NOBTS hosted IMB 8 Steps of the Missions Continuum Workshop: Expanding the Reach of the Church to the Mission Field

Description (Short Version):

The Eight Steps of the Missions Continuum is a workshop designed to help a pastor, church, or sending agency to strategically expand their capacity to fully embrace the Great Commission. Using Scripture as the foundation for the workshop, the process leads participants evaluate where they are on the continuum and develop plans to mature their missions sending process to expand their missions capacity. The transformation mentioned in Romans 12 cannot be achieved by reading alone. The workshop provides the opportunity to unpack the concepts with like-minded individuals, including discussion regarding current missions and church realities, studying the principles of Scripture, and leading to a true transformation of the heart and mind to

focus on God's plan for His Church to share the gospel with every language and people. The goal is to work toward more healthy churches that fully embrace God's call to be involved in His Mission: the Great Commission.

Workshop Facilitators:

Hal Cunnyingham, Ed. D.

35 years with IMB, South America, East Asia

Amanda Dimperio, D. Min.

20 years with IMB, South America

Student Learning Outcomes

The student who satisfactorily completes this seminar by fulfillment of the requirements should be able to:

1. Apply a biblically based intentional missions focus to the local church and its ministry.
2. Demonstrate appreciation for the missions opportunities which are available to churches, particularly Southern Baptist churches, through the local association, state conventions, North American Mission Board, and International Mission Board.
3. Build a strategy to advance the Great Commission in the ministry context.

Course Textbooks

Cunnyingham, Hal and Dimperio, Amanda. (working title) *8 Steps of a Church Missions Strategy*. Richmond: IMB, 2022.

Garrison, David. *Church Planting Movements: How God is Redeeming a Lost World*. Monument, CO: WIGTake Resources, 2004.

All seminar participants read and complete the assignment described under # 4 on pages 4-5.

Course Teaching Methodology

A variety of teaching methods will be utilized such as workshop presentations, discussions and learning activities. Other teaching methods include small and large group discussion, multi-media presentations, utilization of missions related websites, and other communication mediums.

Course Requirements

Pre-Seminar Assignment

1. Textbook Reading:

- a. Seminar participants will read the required textbooks: The IMB 8 Steps book (The pre-publication pdf form will be sent to students upon registration) and David Garrison's book.

b. Participants will write and submit a five to seven page, double-spaced typed paper (minimum of five full pages of text excluding cover page or Table of Contents) for teaching outline of each book.

1) Synopsis - Discuss the major themes of the book. This does not have to include every single theme or chapter of the textbook. This section should be approximately two pages.

2) Teaching points-Choose ten to twenty key teaching points from the book. Using materials from the book explain each teaching point and its application in the lives of people where you minister. Write from the perspective you are teaching a group these insights. The teaching points should be approximately five pages to eight pages in length.

During the Workshop Assignments

1. Participate in all April 7-9 IMB Workshop activities:

All seminar participants will be prepared to participate in all 8 Step Workshop activities. The schedule for April 7-9 activities and discussions will be shared by mid March.

Post-Seminar Assignment

1. Missional Church Strategy:

Each seminar participant will research and write a missional church strategy designed to enable a local church to move to the next level of the 8 step continuum strategy,

The strategy paper should include be a minimum of fifteen full pages in the body of the paper to a maximum of twenty double spaced typed pages in proper Turabian form. (The body excludes cover page, table of contents page, endnotes, or Works Cited bibliography.) To demonstrate a wide variety of resources have been used to compose the strategy use a minimum of twelve to fifteen different sources in addition to the Bible. These sources may include the textbooks for the seminar and other resources introduced during the seminar. It may include some internet sources in addition to hard copy material such as books, commentaries, reference books, journal articles, and other sources.

Sources used in composing the strategy should be cited in footnotes or endnotes. One source may be cited several times but counts as one source toward the number of different sources.

A separate bibliography of Works Cited in the paper should be included with each different source used in the paper.

Using your ministry context or a Southern Baptist church which you have detailed knowledge to develop a 8 step mission strategy. (If serving on the mission field outside of North America, you may use a national church for the case study.) The strategy will express a missions ministry which includes participation in missions in their community, state or region, North America, and internationally.

This assignment will be evaluated by the ProDoc Writing Assessment Coordinator, Phyllis Garrett. As a service to you and the professor, She will evaluate the assignment re: grammar, writing style and Turabian formatting. *Please email the assignment, in a Word document, to pgarrett@nobts.edu. She will evaluate the document by inserting comments and email the edited document back to the student. After revising and correcting the assignment, upload into Blackboard."*

Due Date: The missional church strategy should be posted on the correct Blackboard Assignments folder by Thursday, May 19, 2022, 11:59 P.M. Please, email your paper to Mrs. Garrett as soon as possible but no later than May 2.

2. Participation in an on-line BlueJean's discussion. April 28 (9AM -Noon)

Dates

1. The teaching points' assignment, executive summary, and Text Book assignments are to be posted on the correct Blackboard Assignment folders by **Wednesday, Apr. 6, 2022, 11:59. PM**
2. **Attendance in IMB 8 Step WorkShop live on campus Apr 7-9, 2022.**
3. **BlueJeans attendance of discussion Apr 28 (9AM-noon)**
4. The missional church strategy should be posted on the correct Blackboard Assignments folder by **Thursday, May 19, 2022, 11:59 P.M. (Please submit to Mrs Garrett at pgarrett@nobts.edu by May 2 for assessment and improvement.**

IMB Workshop Schedule

(To be emailed to registered workshop participants in mid-March

Regular Seminar Evaluation:

Teaching/Executive Sum papers: 35%

Workshop and BlueJeans participation: 30%

Missional Church Strategy and discussion 35%

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