

SY 2009-2010

Berean School of Ministry

MINISTERIAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CHURCH PLANTERS

First Assembly Roxas Missions, Incorporated
Roxas City, Capiz, Phil.

*Only those
who dare
to go too far*

*can hope
to know how far
they can go.*



Because Eventually Radical Equipping Affects Nations

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Our Reason for Being:

It is because of our commitment to church planting and missions that Berean School of Ministry was started in 1986. We motivate, train and mobilize leaders. We are training the church for the great commission. We are majoring in church planting, because that's what Jesus is doing ever since, that's what the Holy Spirit empowerment is for, and that's the reason the church is still on earth! We know how to do it and we have results.

Description:

1. It is a TRAINING school. The mentoring system is used to disciple individual students, providing direct contact and consultancy. We provide not just classroom and academic knowledge but also a variety of practical opportunities to develop competencies in ministry skills.
2. It is a SHORT-TERM school. We seek to facilitate fast but maximum learning within the time allotted for each course. We employ teaching-learning principles, teaching by objectives, and maximum student participation. It is well known that a short-term school can preserve your initial zeal and vision for ministry and missions better than a long-term school.
3. It is a CHURCH school. The natural setting of the ministry training is the local church. It is not a seminary that is separate from the church but a component of the church; hence the church and the school are one. Students adopt the FARM church as an integral part of their one-year training exposure. We see this as a major determining factor in the dynamics of our training program and emphases. We seek to discern God's current move in the Church and make constant adjustment to be in step with God's Spirit.
4. It is a PIONEERS' school. We aim to train those who will be able to start and pastor a local church. The Church Planting subjects are taught from a growing and fruitful experience in church planting. Sending is part of our philosophy. We train and facilitate the sending of our graduates.
5. It is a TRAINORS' school. We train students with the view that they will train others also, especially their own people and church workers in the future. The lessons were prepared to be transferable in a local church setting. We provide a well-written set of handouts in expanded outline form for each course.
6. It is a MISSIONS-ORIENTED school. Motivating students for world missions and missionary work is a major and an integral part of the training program. We seek to provide students the basic perspective and preparation for a missionary work. We can vouch for our graduates as they go to the field as missionaries.

The kind of training we give is described in these five M's:

1. **MORALS** - we believe that the minister, above all, needs more than just academic qualifications. He needs the spiritual character development to qualify in the ministry.

2. **MESSAGE** - we believe that the minister must have full-gospel information needed to communicate 'the whole counsel of God'. We give effort in assisting students develop productive learning habits and diligence in the study of the Bible. We emphasize the principle of learning spiritual truths by the help of the Holy Spirit and promote faithfulness to the Word of God as the absolute measure for faith and practice.
3. **METHODS** - we believe in learning the principles and strategies of ministry that can yield God's expected results. The practical methods we learn in evangelism, church planting, missions, discipling and pastoring are derived from Scriptures and valuable experiences of proven ministers and ministries.
4. **MOTIVATION** - we believe that God provides the motivation that makes the minister powerful, faithful and victorious servant of God. We learn a God-centered approach to ministry that designates God as the foundation and reason for being and the Holy Spirit who gives direction and propulsion in ministry.
5. **MISSIONS** - we believe that God wants us to do the work He designed us to do in the Body of Jesus Christ and in the world. He helps us discover our portion in the work of God, enables us to do it, and gives us success. We believe we are fellow-workers with Him.

Who Can Go To Berean?

Those who intend to plant a new church and pastor it, thereby adding to the existing workforce of our Assemblies of God movement.

Requirements For Admission

1. Must be at least 23 years old.
2. Personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, evidenced by a changed life.
3. Proven ministry in his local/home church for at least two years prior to application, particularly in some form of ministry in the Word, as a Bible Study Leader, or a Sunday School teacher.
4. Proof of intention to plant a new church after completing the training program, by way of testimony and letter of affirmation from sending church, section or district. Genuineness of intention will be evaluated during interview.
5. Endorsed by his local pastor as a submissive supportive member of the local church, and showing evidence of a sound moral character.
6. At least a High School graduate and must pass the English measurement test proving a workable knowledge of the English language – in speaking, writing, reading and listening with comprehension. Non-passers will be placed on a three-month academic probation period.
7. Certified by a physician to be physically and emotionally fit.
8. Must show proof of financial support for his schooling. A pledge of support must be submitted along with the application.
9. Have made arrangements for his lodging for we do not maintain a dormitory
10. Must be able to pay the minimum admission fees required on registration day.

Supports & Sponsorships

The sending local churches and/or districts are primarily responsible to support the schooling of their students. BSM will initiate to ask for the voluntary sponsorship of our AoG churches and partners for students' tuition fees and board &/or lodging and will grant such sponsorships to truly needy students.

Application & Registration:

1. Accomplish application form and the following required documents.
 - Recent 1x1 ID picture (2 copies)
 - Photocopy of birth certificate
 - Medical certification of sound health
 - Photocopy of High School, College Diploma/or proof of College education
 - Letter of affirmation from sending church, section/district of church planting plans after BSM training
 - Endorsement by home church pastor as to moral and ministerial qualifications of applicant
 - Testimony of conversion experience & calling to plant and pastor a church (Use BSM Testimony Form)
 - Pledge of support from sponsor/s (Use BSM Pledge of Support Form)
2. Send by mail or email as attachments. All applications must be received by BSM on or before June 30, 2009.
3. Wait for a notice from the school that your application is accepted (by, phone, email or sms)
4. Come to get the English Measurement Test and for personal interview
5. Register officially. Be ready to pay the required initial fees.

Relevant Dates, SY 2009-2010:

Application, Qualifying & Registration Days	May 5 – June 30, 2009
English Measurement Test & Interview, registration	July 1-3, 2009
Classes Start	July 7, 2009

Annual Fees

The total school fee is P35000, to be paid on registration day. If the student is unable to pay the whole amount, he should however pay at least P1500. The remaining P2000 can be paid in monthly installments @ P250.00 for 8 months.

Lesson Materials: P200/Mo. For 10 mos.	P 2,000
Teaching Materials & Library Fee	700
Registration Fees	150
Insurance & Contingency Fee	100
Student Activities Fee	150
Graduation Expenses	200
Yearbook	200
TOTAL	P3, 500.00

In addition to the school fee, the student is also required to raise a missions budget of P3500 for one month OJT in church planting. This is payable in full on registration day or in ten (10) P350.00 installments throughout the school year,

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