

# **Ministerial Association**

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**How We Can Serve You When We Are In Your Field**



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The seminars/lectures/workshops described in this pamphlet cover a wide range of subjects and interests for church leaders. As continuing education events, they are designed to be practical, informative and spiritual. Each person brings a wealth of experience and insight to their presentations.

Our goal is that this guide will provide you with valuable information as to what each individual can share with your workers when we are in your area of ministry.

**Key to seminar/lecture/workshop information:**

**TIME:** Hours including discussion time for that seminar/lecture/workshop.

**EQUIPMENT:** Items needed such as an overhead projector, a flip chart or a chalkboard. Please provide markers or chalk as needed. Some seminars/lectures/workshops need specialty items such as video projectors/players and slide projectors.

**PARTICIPANT COST:** The cost per person attending the seminar/lecture/workshop is listed if there is any.

**MATERIALS:** Items needed to successfully complete the seminar/lecture/workshop. Some have nothing, others have handouts that will be provided, a few have handouts that will need to be duplicated by the sponsoring organization. A small number have books or manuals that need to be purchased.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT:** All of the seminars/lectures/workshops qualify for CEU credit and have been assigned an event number. To obtain CEU credit, transfer the event number to a CEU credit request form and forward to your Ministerial Secretary.





*James A. Cress  
Ministerial Association Secretary*



## **B**ringing People to Decision

A practical seminar designed to help pastors more effectively lead people to discipleship. Participants will learn how to invite people to Jesus Christ, how to make effective invitations and public calls, how to help a person take the first spiritual steps, principles for preparing baptismal candidates and how to conduct soul-reaching services.

*Time: Four hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart  
CEU: GCM7473 (.4 CEUs)*

## **D**eveloping a Church Growth Vision

A practical seminar designed to introduce principles of church growth which bring results. Participants learn twelve necessary factors for growth to occur along with circumstances which prevent growth. Diagnostic discussion of specific circumstances provides immediate application of the principles in the ministries of participants.

*Time: Three hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart  
CEU: GCM7474 (.3 CEUs)*

## **E**valuation of Your Church and Your Pastoral Leadership

A practical seminar on the subject of performance self-appraisal which provides each participant with basic skills in determining their own effectiveness as well as tools for evaluating their congregation. Each participant will discover a diagnosis of their own church's condition as well as learn a process for moving out of repetitive cycle of "doing it the way we always have."

*Time: Two hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart  
CEU: GCM7475 (.2 CEUs)*





## **H**ow to Become an Effective Ministerial Secretary

An instructional seminar specifically designed for those who have been elected as Conference or Union Ministerial Secretaries. Instruction includes a job description for the Ministerial Secretary, areas of emphasis that must be included in the Ministerial Secretary's role, issues surrounding training for ministry and how to effectively pastor pastoral families.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7592 (.3 CEUs)*

## **H**ow Pastors Can Encourage Their Spouses

An instructional seminar designed to improve the support pastors give their own spouses and families. Instruction includes identifying issues that challenge pastoral spouses along with creative responses to such situations. Resources and other areas of available help are discussed along with practical suggestions for implementation.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7476 (.2 CEUs)*

## **H**ow to Understand Yourself and Those You Lead

An interactive seminar designed to help pastors and their spouses understand their own leadership styles and how they impact those with whom they work. Instruction includes a self-evaluation instrument by which participants discover their own leadership style and how to effectively manage and relate to those they are called to serve.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*Participation Cost: \$5.00 each for instruments*

*Materials: Provided by leader*

*CEU: GCM7477 (.4 CEUs)*





James A. Cress

## **P**astoral Ethics in an Unethical World

In this workshop you will learn how to cultivate a character that is honest, faithful, just and morally clean. Discussion items include: What to do when it seems there is no right answer, the perilous path to inappropriate actions, and the impact of integrity (or its lack) upon the pastor's personal life, home, congregation and community. A dynamic presentation that will keep your ethical edge sharp.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7478 (.3 CEUs)*

## **N**ew Member Assimilation

An evangelistic seminar designed to help pastors conserve the harvest of individuals who are won to Christ. Instruction includes a basic understanding of what new members need in order to remain active in the congregation along with specific strategies for integrating members into the active life of the church.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7479 (.2 CEUs)*

## **P**lanning a Balanced Preaching Schedule

A practical seminar designed to help pastors become more effective preachers by emphasizing planning and balance in sermon preparation. Instructions include how to establish a balanced menu, how to maintain a high level of spirituality in preaching, preaching to people's needs and preaching with purpose.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts to be duplicated*

*CEU: GCM7480 (.3 CEUs)*





## **R**eclaiming Inactive and Former Members

An evangelistic seminar designed to help pastors effectively reach out to those who once attended but who no longer fellowship with the church. Instruction includes general principles for developing a ministry to inactives along with specific plans which have proven successful in reclaiming such individuals to active participation.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7481 (.2 CEUs)*

## **S**exual Ethics for Church Professionals

Designed to inform pastors of their responsibility to perform ethically in matters relating to human sexuality. Instruction includes factors that make pastors particularly vulnerable to sexual temptation as well as discussion of appropriate and inappropriate behavior for church professionals.

*Time: Compact Seminar - two hours; Full seminar - six hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart; Videoprojector/player for full seminar*

*CEU: GCM7482 (.2 - .6 CEUs)*

## **I**ntroducing Change in Your Congregation

A practical seminar designed to help pastors lead their congregations through change. Instruction includes a theological basis for understanding change, initiating and implementing the process of change and evaluating the results of change with their members.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7483 (.2 CEUs)*

## **W**hat Do Ministerial Interns Need?

Issues surrounding implementation of a successful internship for beginning partners.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7601 (.2 CEUs)*





*Sharon M. Cress  
Associate Ministerial Secretary  
Shepherdess International*

## **E**xpectations and the Pastoral Wife

A practical seminar about realistic expectations of the pastoral wife within the local congregation, and how to cope with the demands of many different entities. Areas of emphasis include: expectations of the local congregation, expectations of the local conference, expectations of the spouse, expectations of the family, and, most importantly, what does the Lord expect. A seminar for pastoral wives or pastoral couples.

*Time: Two hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart  
CEU: GCM7484 (.2 CEUs)*

## **P**ace in the Parsonage

A seminar dealing with different personality types and our preferences and how they mold our ministry, our marriage, and our outreach in the community. This seminar is designed for pastoral couples together. It focuses on how the relationship with each other effects the local church. A very participative seminar.

*Time: Three - four hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart  
CEU: GCM7486 (.3 - .4 CEUs)*

## **S**tress and the Pastoral Family

A seminar designed to practically and realistically look at the unique stresses of the pastoral family, and realistic ways to resolve them. Many times just identifying the stresses and looking at doable ways to solve them releases many pressures. A seminar for pastoral couples or ministers/spouses individually.

*Time: One - two hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart  
CEU: GCM7487 (.1 - .2 CEUs)*





## **T**eam Ministry

A seminar to look at the different ways couples can minister together in a variety of circumstances. This seminar takes into consideration all roles in which the pastoral couple may find themselves due to finances, culture, children, conflict considerations and other situations.

*Time: One - two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7490 (.1 - .2 CEUs)*

## **W**itnessing & Outreach

A practical seminar for all church members on living a "godly life in an ungodly world." This seminar will help members identify witnessing opportunities, without a "formal" program.

*Time: Two - three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7488 (.2 - .3 CEUs)*

## **S**piritual Gifts: For All Church Members

A seminar to discover how your particular interests and gifts can help you witness and love others into Jesus.

*Time: One hour*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7489 (.1 CEUs)*





## **C**oping With Criticism

A seminar for pastors and spouses which uses Biblical stories as examples of turning criticisms into a positive. This seminar uses a three-step process for evaluating criticism to know if it is valid. A must for pastoral families.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7491 (.2 CEUs)*

## **M**ission and the Pastor's Wife

This seminar emphasizes the importance of knowing what we are about. If we do not have a plan for our life, someone else will give us a plan—and it is usually their agenda not ours. How can we be assertive as to God's plan for our life when everybody else seems to think they own us? This seminar stresses the importance of having a personal mission so that our life will reflect what God and we know is important.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7492 (.3 CEUs)*

## **P**riorities: When is the Urgent the Most Important

A seminar designed for pastors and spouses dealing with keeping our focus where it should be when all around us, members and others are trying to direct energies to their agendas. How can we keep our priorities in tune with Jesus' priorities for ministry.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector and flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7602 (.2 CEUs)*





## **P**assion is Power

Life in the ministry is often governed by trying to meet the expectations of other people – family, church members, general public. As pastors' wives, is it our lot in life to simply lurch from church to church, life circumstances, age or situation just trying to eek out a short-term result to some crisis? Without a personal life mission statement of what we are really about we can become derailed, disillusioned, distraught, and depressed. Jesus created each person with a reason for being. What is mine? In their book, "Repacking Your Bags," Leider and Shapiro state that the number one deadly fear of people is having lived a meaningless life. For pastors wives, this can be particularly frustrating because it seems we are trying to live it for everybody else. Jesus' mission statement was "I am come that they might have life, and have it more abundantly." Everything He did was geared to that statement. What does Jesus really have in mind for you and me? He gave us abundant lives, let's find them!

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7604 (.3 CEUs)*

## **H**ealing Your Inner Wounds

Clergy families experience dealing with "emotional vampires" members who drain them dry and leave scars that take a long time to heal, if ever. Every church has some. How can we get through these attacks, properly heal our wounds, and although we carry the scars, find comfort and hope in Jesus and His promises. Feelings that are buried alive never die. How to transform these undesirable feelings into growth.

*Time: Ninety Minutes*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7605 (.2 CEUs)*





Sharon M. Cress

## **W**ho Moved My Cheese?

This is based on the new bestseller by Spencer Johnson adapted for the pastoral family. How can we deal with change in a positive way and learn from it. Parables and discussion make this a very "involved" seminar.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7606 (.2 CEUs)*

## **R**unning on Empty—How God Fills You at the Low Points of Life

This seminar is about life in the ministry which has its ups and downs and how to smooth it out a bit. Even though we have chips and dents in us, we can find the high points of ministry again and be renewed. This seminar focuses on the lives of Elijah and Elisha as biblical examples. How can we keep our cutting edge when we feel worn and weakened?

*Time: 90 Minutes*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7607 (.2 CEUs)*





*Willmore D. Eva*  
*Associate Ministerial Secretary*  
*Ministry Magazine*



## **M**oving Local Churches Into Action

A biblically sound yet practical approach to bringing the local church member to evangelistic and other action. This seminar is based on the spiritual and human principles that motivate people from within. It covers participative, biblically-based local church visioning, mission development, along with specific planning.

*Time: Four hours*  
*Equipment: Marker/chalk board or flip chart*  
*Materials: Provided by facilitator*  
*CEU: GCM7499 (.4 CEUs)*

## **R**evitalizing Pastoral Morale

This presentation takes a positive approach to the question of pastoral morale. Issues covered include: The causes of flagging pastoral morale, the pastor's marriage, the impact of opinions and criticisms of parishioners, the pastor's opinions of himself and his performance. What the pastor, the local church, and the field can do to improve morale is also addressed.

*Time: Three - four hours*  
*Equipment: Marker/chalk board or flip chart*  
*Materials: Provided by facilitator*  
*CEU: GCM7500 (.3 CEUs)*

## **E**njoying Your Bible

A seminar designed for laity in a campmeeting or local church setting. The seminar offers practical principles for interpreting, understanding, and enjoying the Bible from a *devotional* point of view. User-friendly methods of approaching both the Old and New Testaments, tools of study, settings, and scheduling study are explored.

*Time: Three - four hours*  
*Equipment: None*  
*Materials: Provided by facilitator*  
*CEU: GCM7501 (.2 - .4 CEUs)*





## **T**he Practical Role of Theology in the Life of the Local Church

This seminar attempts to make the Bible practical in the life and mission of the local church. It attempts to legitimize the role of the pastor as a theologian, giving the local minister a base from which to operate as a practical theologian within his/her congregation. Principles of biblical exploration and interpretation will be explored from the pastoral viewpoint, while time is allotted to small-group discussion aimed at applying what is encountered within a typical congregation.

*Time: Five hours*

*Equipment: Flip chart and setting in which break-out groups can gather*

*Materials: Provided by facilitator*

*CEU: GCM7502 (.5 CEUs)*

## **I**n-field Ministerial Training Ministerial Internship Plan

This consultative presentation is designed for union and/or conference/mission ministerial secretaries and administrators. It may also be adaptively presented to benefit groups of ministerial interns and their supervising mentors. It seeks to provide more intentional ways of providing for the ministerial training of young pastors/evangelists. The basic approach focuses on a more structured field situation in which selected, experienced pastors act as mentors to younger ministers.

*Time: Three - four hours*

*Equipment: Flip chart or marker/chalk board*

*Materials: Provided by facilitator*

*CEU: GCM7593 (.3 - .4 CEUs)*

## **T**he Ministerial Secretary: Called to Christian Leadership

For the enrichment of functioning ministerial secretaries and for those new to the ranks of Ministerial Association work on the conference and union levels, this structured yet interactive seminar looks at the specific personal and leadership challenges of being a ministerial secretary. Maintaining personal growth patterns, relating to pastors and their families, creating effective pastoral meetings, training young ministers, and coordinating evangelism are a few of the issues covered.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Provided by facilitator*

*CEU: GCM7594 (.3 CEUs)*





## **R**enewing the Pastoral Call

Especially designed for ministers' meetings, this presentation centers on a highly realistic view of the pastoral call. It aims at reviving and renewing a genuine sense of calling in the light of the real pressures of day to day contemporary ministry. Seminar content depends largely upon Eugene Peterson's book, *Under the Unpredictable Plant* (Eerdmans).

*Time: Five hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Provided by facilitator*

*CEU: GCM7595 (.5 CEUs)*

## **P**astoring Theological War Zones

A biblically oriented and practical seminar taking up the question of doctrinal and lifestyle conflict in the local congregation, and how a pastor might deal with it. A more long-term approach is advocated which relies on a purposeful, functional yet strongly spiritual approach. While a brief review of some of the available conflict management literature is available, the subject matter is not oriented along those lines. A significant amount of interaction is designed into the seminar/workshop.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Provided by facilitator*

*CEU: GCM7596 (.4 CEUs)*

## **P**astoral Care: With Emphasis on Pastoral Visitation

Beginning with a brief biblical/theological description of the background of pastoral care and visitation, this seminar goes on to cover such issues as life management in daily ministry, planning the pastoral day, integrating personal and pastoral planning, visiting with purpose, the mechanics of visitation, the professional side of pastoral care and the personal characteristics of successful pastoring, to name some of what is covered.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Provided by facilitator*

*CEU: GCM7597 (.4 CEUs)*





*Peter J. Prime  
Associate Ministerial Secretary  
Evangelism and Church Growth*



## **P**rofiles in Ministry

An essentially inductive approach to the study of pastoral ministry, its growth and development. The process adopted is intended to expose participants to a variety of ministerial profiles in the form of case studies with a view to having them determine for themselves the basic constituent elements of ministerial success. Ultimately, participants should be equipped to undertake a more sensitized introspection and intelligent improvement of their own ministries, as well as their own overall personal development.

*Time: Four hours  
Equipment: Chalkboard, Flip chart  
CEU: GCM7576 (.4 CEUs)*

## **P**reaching Models

For the preaching of the cross . . . is the power of God. (1 Corinthians 1:19)  
The presentations are largely interactive in design and are intended firstly, to empower the participants as persons, and secondly, to enhance their skills and effectiveness in preaching. Participants would be exposed to a wide variety of homiletical forms and would be assisted to reflect meaningfully on the relevance and applicability of these to a post-modern context.

*Time: Three hours  
Equipment: Chalkboard, Flip chart  
CEU: GCM7577 (.3 CEUs)*

## **Q**ualitative Leadership

The ultimate goal or challenge of leadership is the optimum growth, development and productivity of the total fellowship (especially of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged).

In this workshop participants would evaluate selected models of leadership. They would be able to evaluate their own leadership styles and will be equipped to practice leadership in ways that are responsive to their own settings and consistent with their unique gifts.

*Time: Four hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector, screen, Flip chart  
CEU: GCM7578 (.4 CEUs)*





## **E**vangeli**stic** Models

The workshops would serve as an evaluative and educational forum for the comparative study of a variety of evangelistic models and practices and their effectiveness in a variety of particular contexts. By means of video or live presentations, evangelists and their strategies would be studied and evaluated so that participants could enhance their own skills and methodologies in evangelism.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: VCR & TV monitor*

*CEU: GCM7579 (.4 CEUs)*

## **S**mall Group Dynamics

During the 1960s and 1970s there was a re-discovery of a major social dynamic that accounted for the prolific growth, both quantitative and qualitative, of the early Christian church. Moreover, it was noticeable that wherever this dynamic was adopted and employed, that the growth experienced in the early Church was replicated.

Small groups/home cells, as a social dynamic of church growth, is vitally significant and as such should become an integral component in the life and structure of each congregation.

Participants in the workshop, in addition to being exposed to the current findings on small groups, would themselves be engaged in the actual practice, leadership, and management of small groups.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7580 (.4 CEUs)*

## **C**hurch Planting, A Church Growth Strategy

Participants would examine the technique of church planting as a church growth strategy, both in terms of membership conservation and multiplication. Additionally, they would explore its applicability to establishing the Church's presence in new and unentered places and communities.

Missiological models would be described and evaluated with a view to developing church planting strategies that are flexible, relevant, and effective.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: VCR & TV monitor*

*CEU: GCM7581 (.4 CEUs)*





## **A** Simple Strategy for Total Church Mobilization and Evangelistic Involvement

There is an absolutely critical need for very simple programs in personal evangelism to be developed for the benefit of the rank and file of the membership of the Church. Such programs, in order to be truly all-inclusive in scope should have the barest minimum of structure and should require the barest minimum of formal training.

Those who have the spiritual oversight of the Church should devise ways and means by which an opportunity may be given to every member to act some part in God's work. (9T, p. 116)

This program has been developed to fulfill the imperative of the foregoing Spirit of Prophecy reference, and is calculated to effect transformational changes on the personal and corporate church levels in the areas of spirituality and evangelistic activity.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7582 (.2 CEUs)*

## **D**eveloping and Implementing a Spiritual and Evangelistic Master Plan

The objective of this workshop is to equip participants to formulate, implement and manage integrated spiritual and evangelistic master plans for their respective churches and communities. The plans will incorporate some of the basic elements of strategic planning within the framework of our spiritual promise and realities.

The over arching vision is facilitated in developing and implementing plans to achieve the fullest spiritual empowerment and development of church leadership and membership for the expeditious and complete evangelization and spiritualization of their entire populations in preparation for the Second Advent of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, screen*

*CEU: GCM7598 (.2 CEUs)*





## **S**piritual Disciplines and the Dynamics of Personal and Corporate Spiritual Formation

This encounter exercise seeks to address specifically the crying needs for a more informed, intentional, and pervasive approach to spirituality for the Church on a whole. Discussions will include such subjects as (1) the nature and essence and practice of spirituality; (2) the disciplines and their relation to spiritual formation on both the personal and corporate levels.

Participants should themselves be spiritually empowered as well as equipped to empower their families, churches and communities.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, screen, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7583 (.4 CEUs)*

## **C**hild Sexual Abuse - A Pastoral Perspective

The incidence of child sexual abuse is neither a recent phenomenon nor is its prevalence peculiar to any geographical area, ethnic group, social or cultural class. Historically, it is evident in Greek and Roman and medieval societies. However, its recognition as a major social problem is as recent as the 1970s.

Participants would examine a biblical and psychological model of human wholeness and would be led to an understanding of human dysfunction or brokenness, in general, and child sexual abuse, in particular, within the framework of the model. The study of child sexual abuse is aimed to sensitize participants for an informed response to the problem.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, screen, flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7584 (.4 CEUs)*





## **C** onflict: Its Essence and Resolution

In the promotion and development of meaningful inter-personal relationship, and the optimum organizational functioning within the current conflict-habituated human climate, an informed understanding of the basic essence of conflict and its resolution is critically imperative. To facilitate and insure that this vital sensitivity with its corresponding application skills are realized, participants in this workshop would be actively involved in a number of practical exercises designed to reinforce and complement the theoretical underpinnings of the subject matter.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, Flip chart*

*CEU: GCM7585 (.3 CEUs)*

## **T** he Basic Dynamics of Wholeness/Humanization and Brokenness/De-Humanization

What are the essential elements as well as the basic nature of human wholeness or broken-ness? This is the fundamental question that this seminar explores. Participants would be introduced to both a biblical and its corresponding psychological definition description of the two diametrically opposite states of human wholeness and broken-ness. From the insights thus gained they, the participants, should become more sensitive and informed practitioners in relating to human broken-ness and more skillful in facilitating the general development of human wholeness in others.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, screen, Flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts*

*CEU: GCM7622 (.4 CEUs)*





## **T**herapeutic Intervention: The ABC of Therapy— Pastoral Perspective

Therapy should not be considered as the exclusive domain of the professional therapist. For if pastors in their unique roles are not part of the therapeutic solution then they are unwittingly a part of the human dysfunctional problems that persist among the members of their congregations. Without assuming the roles of professional therapists, pastors must acknowledge that their work is nonetheless as fundamentally an engagement in therapeutic activity. Accordingly, for pastors to function intelligently in their capacity as "lay therapists" they must have a meaningful understanding of the nature of therapy and the essential operational principles of therapeutic intervention. This seminar is intended to give the participants such an exposure and to foster in them such a sensitivity.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector, screen, flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts*

*CEU: GCM7623 (.3 CEUs)*

## **P**erspectives on Parenting—The Support/Control Paradigm

The demands of parenting are multifaceted and very complex. How do parents adequately mentor a child prenatally and from birth through all the intervening stages of growth to mature and responsible adulthood? How are the developmental philosophies and principles adapted and applied to the uniqueness of each child and in the uniqueness of each circumstance? Participants in this seminar would examine two significant variables with a view to determining their bearing on child development or under-development.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts*

*CEU: GCM7624 (.3 CEUs)*





Peter J. Prime

## **S**pouses and Other Family Members Relationships— The Circumplex Model

Is there a rational and inclusive instrument by which the myriad relationships in a family may be effectively assessed or determined? Moreover, does the instrument have both a descriptive and prescriptive function? The circumplex model is one such instrument that adequately satisfies these inquiries. In this seminar participants will be given a hands on experience in using the instrument diagnostically and prescriptively in facilitating the remedying of family relational fractures and deficiencies.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, Flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts*

*CEU: GCM7625 (.4 CEUs)*

## **C**hurch Growth Evaluation Instruments

Church Growth is the axis on which the fulfillment of the Great Commission revolves. As such, Church Growth must never ever be taken for granted, for it is as scientific in scope as it is spiritual in nature. The Church Growth evaluation instruments are specially designed to address as objectively as possible the scientific dimension of the spiritual task of the Great Commission and to enhance in an intentional and methodical fashion the consummation of that task.

Participants in this seminar in addition to being exposed to the variety of Church Growth Principles and evaluation instruments will be expected to become adeptly skilled in their use and application to any given number of church and community situations.

*Time: Four hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, Flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts*

*CEU: GCM7626 (.4 CEUs)*





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## **T**he Modality of Grace and the Modality of Law

Participants in this seminar would examine the modality of grace not only in its theoretical and philosophical dimensions but more so from the *modus vivendi* and *modus operandi* perspectives. In respect of the latter, biblical as well as extra-biblical case studies would be examined with the intent of unveiling more and yet more of the eternal mysteries of the exceeding riches of His grace. In this respect participants should experience the personal freedom and spiritual empowerment that none can deny, and by the same token reproduce similar experiences in the people they disciple.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Chalkboard, flip chart*

*Materials: Handouts*

*CEU: GCM7627 (.3 CEUs)*





*Joel Sarli  
Associate Ministerial Secretary  
Elders & Ministerial Training*



## **P** rinciples of Church Growth

Practical application of church growth principles in the context of the Adventist congregations. Instruction includes Biblical theology of the growing process, implementation of updated methodology of evangelism and revitalizing of the local congregation. Included are strategies to reach secular society in a pluralistic culture.

*Time: Six hours  
Equipment: None  
CEU: GCM7513 (.6 CEUs)*

## **M** obilization and Training of Local Congregation

This seminar is designed for pastors and laity as well. Instruction includes a short theological discussion of the theology of the priesthood of all believers, plus practical suggestions on how to inspire and motivate the members for action and increase the participation of the members in the program of the church.

*Time: Six hours  
Equipment: None  
CEU: GCM7514 (.6 CEUs)*

## **P** astoral Issues

A practical seminar on the main ethical and theological issues a pastor is facing today. This seminar is designed to help pastors to be updated and at the same time aware of some potential problems they can face in their daily activity.

*Time: Six hours  
Equipment: None  
CEU: GCM7516 (.6 CEUs)*





## **P**reaching Authority and Topical Expository Preaching

A seminar designed to help preachers use Biblical material in appropriate ways as the basis of preaching. Two main areas are covered: (1) the emphasis in the value of the Biblical materials as a source of authority and (2) topical expository sermon as one option in sermon preparation.

*Time: Six hours*

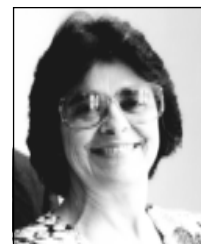
*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7517 (.6 CEUs)*





*Margarida Ferreira Sarli  
Shepherdless Seminars*



## **H**ome/Church Leadership for the Pastor's Wife

This seminar is designated to teach pastor's wives to integrate the whole family in the husband's and father's ministry.

qThe family's influence. Right kind of companion.

qEstablishing priorities in a pastoral family life.

qLove is the solution. Children need to be loved unconditionally, but also they need to be taught to love, and to serve not only to be served.

qTwo words are key to parental discipline: consistency-not just be an occasional act, but a constant factor in all your parenting of teaching.

qCommunication - instructions communicated in generalities instead of specifics create an atmosphere of uncertainty.

*Time: Two - Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector*

*CEU: GCM7586 (.2 - .3 CEUs)*

## **P**astor's Wives and the Psychology of Character Development

This seminar compares psychologists researches and experiments about development of the character and their conclusions with Ellen G. White books.

qDefining character. The importance of character.

qResponsibility for character formation.

qDiscipline and character development. Three types of discipline and the results, and what Ellen White says about it.

qChoice making and character development.

This seminar helps the pastor's wife to better understand her role in her family and in the congregation.

*Time: Three - Four hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector*

*CEU: GCM7587 (.3 - .4 CEUs)*





## **A** Pastoral Perspective: When Your Child Turns From God

This subject is very sensitive and needy in our days. This seminar target is to help parents that have a child or children astray not to feel a double burden, blaming themselves for their decisions after they have grown up. Also helps the parents let go of their parenting role. Cementing relationships, as of appreciation, communication, special celebrations, being there, etc. It underlines the reasons for hope and the promises and power in God's Word.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector*

*CEU: GCM7588 (.2 CEUs)*

## **L**ove . . . As Yourself!

This seminar shows how important it is for pastor's wives to love themselves in a proper way that they can educate their children with God's orientations that they develop respect for themselves. The main concern is to discuss why we act in such ways. It is well known to us that our behavior has its foundation in childhood. A childhood with too much condemnation, reproach, accusation can create in a child guilty feelings that will go on for a life time.

qHow do you see yourself?

qHow do you feel as a person?

In the end of this seminar there are two self-evaluation tests: Abilities/Strengths; Faults/Weaknesses. Also there are questions for reflection.

*Time: Two - Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector*

*CEU: GCM7589 (.2 - .3 CEUs)*





## What Pastoral Couples Should Know About Sexual Ethics

A seminar to be presented by a couple; a woman talking under her point of view; and a man under the man's point of view. This seminar is to help pastors and their wives to be alert with the enormous temptations, mainly the pastors can face because of their position.

The magnificent institution of marriage offers tremendous rewards if we enter into it wisely. Why do so many marriages fail? There are many reasons, but the main reason is a lack of preparation.

Every couple needs to see a marriage as a task-difficult to attain, but not unattainable. If you feel that "our love will take care of everything that stands in our way," you have a dangerous philosophy.

Ten commandments for wives.

*Time: Woman's part twenty minutes. All together Ninety minutes.*

*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7590 (.2 CEUs)*

## The Mother's Reward

"Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages."

A short lecture showing the privileges and rewards of motherhood. How God turned the things that Moses' own mother had to rear him and besides this great privilege she received a wage for doing the job.

A child's life is in his mother's hands.

If we don't truly have Christian homes, we will never have a church of power. The future of the church depends on children who do not choose to follow the majority.

The Egypt's princess gave Jochebed money for rearing Moses. God gave her the privilege of love and sacrifice. He gave her the privilege of training her child to be a great man in God's cause. Heroes come from the hands of consecrated mothers.

*Time: Twenty minutes*

*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7608 (.1 CEU)*





## **T**he Role of the Pastor's Wife

The art of growing with people; Qualities of the pastor's wife as a leader.  
The price of a distinguished position.  
Relationship between leader and followers.  
Christian leadership and the criticism.  
How pastor's wives should be competent and have vision and initiative to be Christian leaders.

*Time: Two hours*  
*Equipment: Overhead projector*  
*CEU: GCM7591 (.2 CEUs)*

## **W**hen God Came Back – Samuel

"And the Lord appeared again in Shiloh." I Samuel 3:21  
This devotional tells us how we can reveal God. Samuel made such revelation possible. God is infinitely eager to reveal Himself to every human soul.  
"The Lord appeared again" indicates that God had been away. God had gone. All they had seen of God they had seen in the personality of their great leader. Now, God had come back. How did God come? He came through human personality. We are made in God's image. Since man is kin to God, God can reveal Himself to him and through him.  
The Lord appeared again. He appeared, not in the splendors of his glory, but He appeared through Samuel.

*Time: Thirtyminutes*  
*CEU: GCM7609 (.1 CEUs)*

## **H**ow to Talk to Yourself

"What she said to herself was this..." Matthew 9:21.

If what we say to each other is important, what we say to ourselves is even more important.  
We become what we think.  
What we are saying to ourselves have an enormous influence in our lives.  
"Never allow yourself to talk in a hopeless, discouraged way. ... Talk and act as if your faith was invincible." *Education*, pg. 115.

*Time: Thirty-Fortyminutes*  
*CEU: GCM7610 (.1 CEUs)*





## **H**ow Failure Can Turn to Success

This devotional shows that there are two perspectives in relationship to failure: first is the human perspective; second is God's perspective.

As pastor's wives we should know that in our material world people equate success to the multiplication of material goods. We must be very careful in rating the success of material things.

True success is found in keeping the future life in view.

What is success in God's sight?

Perhaps that which you have deemed a failure, has in God's sight been a success.

In His sight no one is a failure who comes through an experience a better person, with higher ideals and a greater love for God, and fellow men.

We must be ready to face adversity as part of the growth the Lord intended for us.

*Time: Thirtyminutes*

*CEU: GCM7611 (.1 CEUs)*

## **W**hen the Impossible is Possible

Our mission as pastor's wives is a "possible impossible" mission! because of the Lord we serve, because of the Holy Spirit, because of the people we love.

"Balanced by religious principle, you may climb to any height you please."

Our mission is so important that the Creator of the world gave His own life to make it possible.

Pastor's wives should remember that the Lord who called us has also made available the necessary strength for us to do the work.

*Time: Thirtyminutes*

*CEU: GCM7612 (.1 CEUs)*

## **T**he Other Self

This devotional advises pastor's wives to put themselves in the other person's place to correctly evaluate the other person's point of view about things. It is very important to see the world through the eyes of others. We should try to identify with others before judging them based on our own limited criteria. Pastor's wives capacity to see what others see, to feel what others feel, to share in the joys, disappointments, frustrations, expectations, and sadness of others has proven to be of great help to those who have made the most significant contribution to God's cause in this world.

*Time: Thirtyminutes*

*CEU: GCM7613 (.1 CEUs)*





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## **W** illiam Miller: the Man and the Message

This lecture and slide lecture presentation deals with the life and teachings of the great Advent Bible scholar and leader. This soldier-farmer who became a Bible scholar changed the religious landscape of the world. His life and work still offer inspiration for ministry today.

*Time: Three hours  
Equipment: Slide projector  
Materials: Handouts to be duplicated  
CEU: GCM7527 (.3 CEUs)*

## **K** eeping the Church Alive During the Week

An informative seminar for pastors on the subject of revitalization and outreach. You will learn how to choose and organize programs that appeal to members and the community.

*Time: Two hours  
Equipment: None  
Materials: Handouts to be duplicated  
CEU: GCM7528 (.2 CEUs)*

## **T** aking the "Who Cares" Out of Preaching

A practical seminar on effective preaching. Participants will learn to design and develop application-centered sermons. The instruction includes discussion of ways to increase a sermon's effectiveness and ways to emphasize application.

*Time: Three - five hours  
Equipment: Overhead projector  
Materials: Handouts to be duplicated  
CEU: GCM7529 (.3 - .5 CEUs)*





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## **E**nabling Church Members to Preach

This instructive seminar is equally useful to both pastors, who want to train lay members, and lay members who want training. Emphasis is given to practical steps in the preparation and delivery of sermons.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Handouts to be duplicated*

*CEU: GCM7530 (.2 CEUs)*

## **S**eminar Evangelism

A practical seminar designed to help pastors more effectively bring people to the point of decision. Instruction includes how to advertise, how to plan a variety of evangelistic seminars, and how to encourage people to make decisions.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: Overhead projector*

*Materials: Handouts to be duplicated*

*CEU: GCM7531 (.3 CEUs)*

## **E**liminating Sabbath Loneliness

This instructional seminar deals with the theological basis for the Sabbath as developed by other Christians. Emphasis is given to Theophilus Brabourne, a seventeenth-century English cleric, who, by his extensive writings, changed the political and religious landscape of England. This seminar will strengthen your faith in the Bible Sabbath.

*Time: Three hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Handouts to be duplicated*

*CEU: GCM7532 (.3 CEUs)*





## **R**elationships with Clergy of Other Denominations

This seminar addresses the issues of relationships with clergy of other denominations. A practical approach to our ministry in communities where other clergy function.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Handouts to be duplicated*

*CEU: GCM7574 (.2 CEUs)*

## **P**rofessional Ethics

This seminar deals with issues which pastors face on a regular basis: ethical relationships with members, the denomination, co-workers, and other aspects such as theological issues and ethics will be discussed.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: None*

*Materials: Handouts to be duplicated*

*CEU: GCM7575 (.2 CEUs)*

## **O**ther Pastors and Other Denominations

How do we relate to pastors of other denominations? Each of us has ongoing contact with clergy of other denominations and also with members of other denominations. This seminar will provide specific suggestions on how to relate to these clergy and their members.

*Time: Two hours*

*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7614 (.2 CEUs)*

## **C**ontinuing Education: Who Needs It?

Why should we bother with continuing education? Is not sermon preparation sufficient study for the pastor? This seminar will explore not only the need but also options available to a busy pastor.

*Time: One hour*

*Equipment: None*

*CEU: GCM7615 (.1 CEUs)*



