

SCHOOL OF PASTORAL CARE

The School of Pastoral Care is a unique ministry devoted to the restoration of the healing ministry in the churches. The School was established in the belief that the spiritual power practised by the Apostles in the tri-fold ministry of preaching, teaching and healing is not only needed in today's world, but should have a much larger place in the life of the church.

The aim of the School is to help Christian leaders, both lay and clergy, reaffirm the reality of the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives so that complete healing, full restoration of God's harmony in their lives, can take place.

The ability to know the spiritual power of Christ, as practised by the Apostles, in our own lives and to help others to lay hold upon it is the heritage of every Christian. The School seeks to introduce Christians to a deeper understanding of the power of the Holy Spirit in the healing of physical, mental, social and spiritual ills.

COURSE SUMMARY

Topics might include, but are not limited to: Biblical and theological basis for Christian healing; The Prayer of Faith; The Integration of Medicine, Psychology and Spirituality in the Healing Process; The Sacramental acts of Unction, Eucharist and Reconciliation; The Healing of Memories and Relationships.

ECUMENICAL MINISTRY

Christians interested in healing, clergy and lay, nurses, doctors and other health care professionals attending any Christian church are welcome to attend.

TYPES OF SCHOOLS

The Parish Training Weekend acquaints students with a basic knowledge of the Church's teaching on healing and can be tailored to give an in-depth study of a particular theme.

The Introductory School affords a setting where attendees gain an understanding of the basic tenets of the healing ministry and how to put this into practical, everyday situations through the use of a practicum in Healing Prayer often described as the Prayer Clinic.

The Five Day School is usually held at a conference or retreat centre. In addition to the topics suggested above in the course summary, the curriculum includes presentations given by a theologian, a medical person, and a person dealing the psychological aspects of healing on a variety of other related topics. Prayer Clinics offer 'hands-on' training and practice praying for one another.

The Advanced School is custom designed for those who have experienced previous Schools of Pastoral Care or who are involved in praying for others and wish to pursue in-depth teaching on particular aspects of the healing ministry. For example, an Advanced School may be dedicated to the many aspects of the Healing of Memories, or Generational Healing. All lectures would focus on those specific topics in depth for a deeper understanding of God's operation in those areas.

INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY

Schools are offered in all provinces and territories in Canada and in every state of the USA.

HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The idea and inspiration for the School of Pastoral Care resulted from the work of noted author Agnes Sanford and her husband, the Reverend Edgar L. Sanford. Since the beginning in 1958, the School's founders travelled all over the United States, Canada and other parts of the world, to share their insights with interested men and women. The Sanfords trained other leaders to carry on the work of the School and therefore this ministry has now continued uninterrupted for more than 40 years.

Ms. Sanford's books, both fiction and non-fiction, are well known throughout the Christian community and many are related to the healing ministry.

MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT

For all persons engaged in the healing arts who desire to learn more about the integration of medical, psychological and spiritual realities as they relate to human abilities and God-given gifts.

EXPECTATIONS

Those who attend can anticipate increasing their individual awareness of the spiritual powers inherent in the teachings of the New Testament. Special attention is given to the development and integration of one's own individual wholeness of body, mind and spirit.

Healing is a collaborative ministry involving all members of the body of Christ, rather than only the work of a few specific individuals, no matter how gifted the individual may be.

What Alumni Are Saying

I attended a School of Pastoral Care in May of 2002. The lectures, prayer clinics, worship, and evening prayers were incredible! The sense of community that developed throughout the week was truly amazing. I received healing for a sore neck that usually would have required the services of a chiropractor. Also, I was able to surrender all to the Lord and let Him be in total control of my life. Since then I have spent a lot of time in His Word and have drawn nearer to His presence. I have since ministered Christ's healing power to over 100 people. He has captured my heart to be used by Him to bring total restoration and wholeness to His people. May God be glorified in all that I do!

Sue Peterson, Duluth, MN

Attending a School of Pastoral Care was definitely a turning point in my life. Having the opportunity to re-commit myself to the healing ministry of Jesus Christ was a very deep and personal experience. Being a part of God's community and seeing His interaction in the body was phenomenal. To have individuals from different countries, different races and different denominations come together as the Body of Christ was a holy experience. To witness the loving co-operation between the pentecostal and the conservative members of the group touched my heart deeply. I experienced what truly the Church as the Body of Christ should represent. I strongly recommend attending a School of Pastoral Care for strengthening your inner being with power through the Holy Spirit, just as Paul's prayer for us in Ephesians 3.

Judy Johnson, Duluth, MN

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