

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
AGTS Northwest University Branch
PTHB 640 Developing a Culturally Relevant Church (3 Credits)
***Origins: The Mosaic Leadership Experience* – Los Angeles, CA**
Course Syllabus
Dr. Kent J. Ingle
May 20-25, 2006

Course Description:

This course is a leadership development experience designed to equip church leaders for mission in our diverse, pluralistic, urban, and multicultural 21st century context. It will involve reading and assessment, church observations, exposure to significant contemporary and emerging concepts, peer interaction and reflection.

Course Objectives:

The participant will:

1. Be equipped to create church in the emerging culture.
2. Develop mission strategies for their specific context.
3. Explore and apply skills in leadership and discipleship.
4. Develop their capacity for spiritual and personal growth.
5. Develop relationship with other leaders devoted to the challenge of communicating the gospel in emerging culture.

Pre-Session Phase:

All pre-session work is due at the first group session.

Read the following books:

Cole, N. (2005). Organic Church: Growing Faith Where Life Happens. San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.

Kallenberg, B. (2004) Live to Tell: Evangelism in a Postmodern Age. Brazos.

Martoia, R. (2002). Morph! The Texture of Leadership for Tomorrow's Church. Loveland, Colo.: Group.

McManus, E. R. (2001). An Unstoppable Force: Daring to Become the Church God Had in Mind. Loveland, Colo.: Group.

Sweet, L., B. McLaren and J. Haselmayer (2003). A is for Abductive: The Language of the Emerging Church. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.

Complete a report for each text which includes:

1. Your name and date on the first page.
2. A signed statement that you have read the books in its entirety as the first item of each report.
3. Three typed pages for each book containing your answers to the following questions:
 - What insights from the book are most helpful to you in ministry? Why?
 - What idea(s) in the book do you struggle with? Why?
 - What two or three concepts from the book do you think would be most helpful to other church leaders?
 - What is your personal assessment of the book?

Session Phase:

The schedule is tentative and may be adjusted.

Saturday, May 20, 2006

Fly into Los Angeles, CA (LAX) by 1:00 p.m. We will pick you up at the airport. We will go to the motel and check in, and then have our first group session.

Coast Hills Community Church

5:00 p.m. Attend service

Saddleback Community Church

6:30 p.m. Attend service

Following the service we will have dinner and a debriefing session.

Sunday, May 21, 2006

Mariners Church

9:00 a.m. Attend service

Newport Mesa Christian Center

11:00 a.m. Attend service

Following this service we will have lunch and a debriefing session

Mosaic Church

5:00 p.m. Attend service

Following the service we will have dinner and a debriefing session.

Monday, May 22, 2006

The Origins Experience – (Origins & Ethos Registration cost: \$299, \$349 after March 15, 2006)

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dinner and a debriefing session following each daily seminar

Tuesday, May 23, 2006

The Origins Experience

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 24, 2006

Ethos Experience

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dinner and final debriefing session

Thursday, May 25, 2006

Fly home in the morning from Los Angeles, CA (LAX)

Post Session Phase:

Choose one of the following:

1. Publishable article – the paper must be in a form publishable by “Enrichment or “Leadership magazine. You can find the guidelines on each journal’s web link.

Prepare one article of 7-10 pages from the following topics:

- Helping local churches connect with the culture
- Helping local churches reach postmoderns
- Helping local churches become more missional
- Helping local churches reach a multicultural context

2. Mosaic Church Reflection and Evaluation.

Prepare a 7-10 page reflection and evaluation paper on Mosaic Church. The Paper should answer the question: What could other local churches learn from the Mosaic Church?

3. Multimedia Project

Using the Origins/Ethos conference as a starting point, develop a brief multimedia (Web-based, PowerPoint, etc.) presentation that would accomplish

either of the following goals: making the emerging church comprehensible to the mainstream church, or, making the gospel comprehensible to a postmodern audience.

All work is due by August 15, 2006.

Class Grading Procedure

1. Course grades will be given based on completed work as follows:

Pre-session reading	20%
Pre-session writing reports	20%
Participation and interaction	20%
Post-session paper/project	40%
2. Pre-session and Post-session writing assignments to be typed quality and represent quality graduate level work.
3. All papers and projects should have the student's name and session dates on the front cover page.

Submit Assignments to: Northwest University
Att: Dr. Kent J. Ingle
5520 108th Street NE
Kirkland, WA 65802

NOTE: A change of grade fee (\$30.00) will be assessed on all work submitted past the postmark date, even when a professor has granted an extension. Late work may be penalized at the discretion of the professor.

Resource List

- Burke, Spencer and C. Pepper, *Making Sense of Church*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003.
- Carson, D. A. *Becoming Conversant With Emergent*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, available March 2005.
- Engle, Paul. Editor. *Exploring the Worship Spectrum*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House,
- Fleming, Dave. *Leadership Wisdom from Unlikely Voices*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2004.
- Forman, Rowland, Jeff Jones, Bruce Miller. *The Leadership Baton*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2004

- Kimball, Dan. Editor, *The Emerging Church*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003.
- _____. *Emerging Worship*. Grand Rapids: Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003.
- McLaren, Brian. *Adventures in Missing the Point*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003.
- _____. *New Kind of Christian*. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2001
- _____. *A Generous Orthodoxy*: Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2004.
- _____. *Finding Faith*. Grand Rapids: Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1999.
- _____. *The Church on the Other Side: Doing Ministry in a Postmodern Matrix*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2000.
- _____. *More Ready Than You Realize*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2002.
- _____. *The Story We Find Ourselves In: Further Adventures of a New Kind of Christian*. Grand Rapids: San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2003
- _____. *Reinventing Your Church*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1998.
- Oden, Thomas. *The Rebirth of Orthodoxy*. San Francisco: Harper Collins, 2001.
- Pagitt, Doug. *Reimagining Spiritual Formation*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2004.
- Sweet, L., B. McLaren, J. Haselmayer. *A is for Abduction: The Language of the Emerging Church*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003
- Sweet, L., M. Horton, A. Crouch, Frederica Matthews Green, B. McLaren, E. McManus. *Emerging Culture: Five Perspectives*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003.
- Sweet, Leonard I. *Soul Tsunami: Sink or Swim in the New Millennium*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1999.
- _____. *Jesus Dives Me Crazy: Lose Your Mind, Find Your Soul*. Grand

Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2003.

_____. *AquaChurch: Essential Leadership Arts for Piloting Your Church in Today's Fluid Culture*. Grove Publishing, 1999.

_____. *Summoned to Lead*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 2004.

_____. *Out of the Question...Into the Mystery: Getting Lost in the GodLife Relationship*. Waterbrook Press, 2004.

_____. *A Cup of Coffee at the Soul Café*. Nashville: Broadman and Holman Publishers

Taylor, Steven. *The Out of Bounds Church*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, available February 2005.

Webber, Robert. *The Younger Evangelical*. Grand Rapids: Baker Bookhouse Inc., 2004

Specific Data

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