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ENDORSEMENTS

The New Jersey School of Ministry has been recognized and endorsed by the Executive Presbytery of the General Council of the Assemblies of God as a member of the Association of Assemblies of God District Schools of Ministry.

The School has also been endorsed by the Ministry Network Presbytery of the New Jersey Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God as the official ministerial training program for those seeking credentials through the New Jersey Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God.

DISCLAIMER

Courses completed through the New Jersey School of Ministry that are required by the Assemblies of God for ministerial credentials meet the educational requirements of the General Council for the respective ministerial credential level. It is important to emphasize that the NJ School of Ministry only provides courses that meet the educational standards required by the General Council of the Assemblies of God for ministerial credentials. The school is not involved in the process of credentialing ministers. The school only provides a copy of the completed coursework to the General Council via an official transcript.

Moreover, completion of courses does not guarantee that a ministry credential will be granted, nor that preferential treatment will be given to those completing the required ministerial training courses through the School of Ministry. The Credentialing of ministers is a process separate from completion of the educational requirements offered by NJ School of Ministry.

Other than the required coursework needed for ministerial credentials, there are additional requirements that the General Council of the Assemblies of God mandates: Such requirements include, but are not limited to:

- Pastoral Recommendation
- Ministerial Recommendation
- Friend and Employer References
- Character and Relational Standards,
- Criminal and Financial Background checks,
- Ministerial experience (Internships)
- Sectional and Presbyter Approval
- Credential Exams
- General Council approval

ACCREDITATION

The NJ School of Ministry is not accredited by the US Department of Education. However, the school has been recognized and endorsed by the Executive Presbytery of the General Council of the Assemblies of God as a member of the Association of Assemblies of God District Schools of Ministry (www.adsom.org)

Also, the school is recognized and endorsed by the Ministry Network Presbytery of the New Jersey Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God as the official ministerial training program for those seeking credentials through the New Jersey Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God.

Furthermore, Pillar College (formerly Somerset Christian College), which currently is the only US Department of Education Accredited Christian College in NJ, has agreed to work with the Network Schools of Ministry concerning students who desire to transfer to an undergraduate program at Pillar College. Students may receive up to 24 college credit hours completed through NJSOM.

In addition, the University of Valley Forge has partnered with the NJ School of Ministry to offer students who desire to transfer to an undergraduate program at UVF. Students may receive up to 24 credit hours completed through NJSOM.

The school is currently seeking to partner with additional colleges who are currently recognized by the US Department of Education in order to gain academic recognition. For more information about partnerships schools click on the link: www.njschoolofministry.com/partnership-schools.html

GENERAL INFORMATION

The New Jersey School of Ministry is a vital part of our commitment to healthy leaders, churches and ministries. Knowledge gleaned from the classroom experience becomes a valuable tool that the Holy Spirit can use to further the purposes of God. Clergy and laypersons who understand not only “what” to do but “why” to do it are far more effective.

NJ-SOM seeks to integrate spiritual information, relationship building and academic achievement to provide a unique learning experience. Students not only acquire knowledge necessary for obtaining ministerial credentials, but also develop the spiritual vitality, character and skills essential for effective ministry.

Statement of Purpose

The NJ School of Ministry exists to offer courses for adult individuals:

(A) For those seeking **PERSONAL ENRICHMENT**: Our program is for anyone who wants to deepen his or her understanding of Scripture, theology, and ministry. The program is designed to help you grow as a Christian and become more skilled in ministry so that you can better serve your local church and community.

(B) For those **CURRENTLY IN MINISTRY** who want to sharpen and improve their ministry skills, and advance to the next credential level. The school is committed to developing healthy leaders, Churches, and ministries by offering the best available training. We provide a low-cost ministry training option that provides live interaction with instructors. The learning environment provides the opportunity to ask questions so that you can gain clear, culturally-relevant answers that communicate Biblical truth.

(C) For those interested in fulfilling the educational requirements needed to pursue **MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS** with the General Council of the Assemblies of God. Students not only acquire knowledge necessary for obtaining ministerial credentials, but also develop the character and skills essential for effective ministry. want to deepen their understanding of Scripture, theology, and ministry.

The school seeks to promote a unified purpose for ministry within the Fellowship, providing a doctrinal and practical instruction based upon common core values and shared ministry goals. The faculty and leadership of NJ-SOM fully subscribe to the Statement of Fundamental Truths of the Assemblies of God and commits NJ-SOM to proclaim and support the principles and polity of the Assemblies of God. NJ-SOM commits itself to provide training courses that meet the NJ Ministry Network and General Council education requirements for ministerial credentials.

Furthermore, NJ-SOM seeks to fulfill the mission of the Assemblies of God – New Jersey Ministry Network and is committed to the development of healthy leaders, churches, and ministers.

What is NJ-SOM?

NJ-SOM IS a Ministry Network Sponsored and Ministry Network Operated ministerial training program that enables individuals to complete the educational requirements of the fellowship for credentialing.

NJ-SOM IS about helping those who want to grow in their understanding of the Bible and ministry, but who cannot break away to pursue a four-year degree. It provides the instruction, interaction, and accountability that are not available through correspondence courses alone.

NJ-SOM:

- (1) IS for those who need to complete their educational requirements for credentialing within the Assemblies of God.
- (2) IS for Lay persons who may not be interested in credentials or full-time ministry but who want to learn more about the Bible and improve their ability to serve Christ and their church.
- (3) IS for Lay leaders who want to expand their understanding and develop additional ministry skills.
- (4) IS for current credentialed ministers who want to improve their skills while advancing to the next credential level.

NJ-SOM seeks to provide the student with the highest quality instruction and resources possible in a practical and cost effective way. It is a local, economical, and lifestyle achievable alternative to residential learning at a Bible College.

What are the Benefits of NJ-SOM?

- A. Students benefit from the relational connectivity of the classroom setting on two levels, peer-to-peer and mentor-to-peer. Lifelong, beneficial relationships develop between students as they study together.
- B. Students benefit from the practical wisdom of instructors who are experienced in ministry and knowledgeable of the subject of study.
- C. Students benefit from courses that are recognized and meet the educational requirements of the General Council for ministerial credentials.
- D. Students benefit from being able to attend a conveniently located study center:
 - * Bridgewater (English) * *Asbury Park (Spanish)*
 - * Middletown (English) * Clifton (English) * *Bridgewater (Spanish)*
 - * Hamilton (English) * Toms River (English) * *Clifton (Spanish)*
 - * Scotch Plains (English) * *Union (Spanish)*

Academic Programs

A. Ministerial Studies Diploma:

Upon completion of the Ministerial Studies Diploma (which includes all three levels of study), the student will have met the academic requirements of the U.S. General Council of the Assemblies of God. Successful completion of the Ministerial Studies Program should prepare the student for credentialing interviews, and tests. At the end of this three-year program, the student will have mastered the basic Bible content (Old and New Testament), theological principles, and practical ministry skills for service in a church or leadership position.

1. A three-year study program which requires the completion of 25 courses.
2. The program is broken into “Eight-Study-Units”(A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H).
**Each Unit consists of three courses.
3. After the successful completion of “Eight-Study-Units” the student will receive the Ministerial Studies Diploma.

B. Individual Ministry Tracks:

Students who do not wish to pursue the Ministerial Studies Diploma may pursue an individual ministry track (Level I Certified, Level II Licensed, Level III Ordained).

1. Level I (Certified): Upon completion of the Level One Ministerial Certificate, students will have received a working knowledge of biblical study methods, studied several New Testament books, and gained basic ministry skills. A student should possess the academic requirements to apply for Certified Minister status in the U.S. General Council of the Assemblies of God.

2. Level II (Licensed): Upon completion of Level Two Ministerial Certificate, a student should have gained a mastery of specific Bible content, systematic theology, and developed valuable ministry skills. A student should possess the academic requirements to apply for Licensed Minister status in the U.S. General Council of the Assemblies of God.

3. Level III (Ordained): Upon completion of Level Three Ministerial Certificate, a student should have gained mastery of several books of the Bible, learned advanced theological concepts, and have developed administrative skills required for various ministerial roles. A student should possess the academic requirements to apply for Ordained Minister status in the U.S. General Council of the Assemblies of God (*Students should be aware that in order to apply for Ordained Minister status, they must have held a credential at the Licensed level for a minimum of 2 years and have served full-time in a ministry role*).

New Jersey Campuses

Students may choose to attend classes at any of our NJ Campuses. Students who desire to accelerate their studies, may do so by attending more than one location and/or by completing courses through Global University (Berean).

TOMS RIVER, NJ

First Assemblies of
God
800 Bay Ave.
Toms River, NJ 08753

MIDDLETOWN, NJ

Middletown Assembly
of God
628 Palmer Ave.
Middletown, NJ 07748

CLIFTON, NJ

Templo Calvario
352 Clifton Ave.
Clifton, NJ 07011

HAMILTON, NJ

Capital Assembly
1380 Whitehorse
Hamilton Square Rd,
Hamilton NJ 08690

BRIDGEWATER, NJ

Evangel Chapel
505 NJ-28,
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

SCOTCH PLAINS NJ

Evangel Church
1251 Terrill Road
Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

***For English classes
contact 201-768-6860**

***For Spanish classes
contact 973-694-2938,
Ext. 245**

Course Schedule

I. Each course meets once per week and is taught for one hour.

COURSE SCHEDULE SAMPLE ONLY:

Saturday Courses 9AM-12:15 NOON (See Other Campuses for different days and Times)

1st Course: 9:00 - 10:00 AM (5 min. break)

2nd Course: 10:05 - 11:05 AM (10 min. break)

3rd Course: 11:15 - 12:15 Noon

II. Courses are held in the Fall, Winter, and Spring semesters.

A. Fall, Winter, and Spring Semesters (12 weeks per semester)

In the Fall, Winter, and Spring semesters, each course shall require a minimum of 12 hours of in-class instruction with a qualified instructor. Students should be prepared to devote a minimum of 2-3 hours of study outside of the classroom, per course, per week. Those enrolled in three courses per semester should be prepared to devote a minimum of 7-10 hours of study per week outside the classroom.

*Spanish Courses are not offered during the Summer Term.

Ministerial Studies Diploma				
Unit	Semester (Example only)	Level I (Certified)	Level II (Licensed)	Level III (Ordained)
A	<i>Fall</i> 12 weeks Sept-Dec	Intro to Hermeneutics	Evangelism	Prayer & Worship
B	<i>Winter</i> 12 weeks Jan-Mar	New Testament Survey (Level I)	The Book of Romans	Pastoral Ministry
C	<i>Spring</i> 12 weeks Apr-Jun	A/G History, Governance, Missions	Eschatology	Church Administration, Law, and Finance
D	<i>Fall</i> 12 weeks Sept-Dec	Old Testament Survey	Homiletics	The Corinthian Correspondence
E	<i>Winter</i> 12 weeks Jan-Mar	Synoptic Gospels	Intro to A/G Missions	Poetic Books
F	<i>Spring</i> 12 weeks Apr-Jun	Relationships & Ethics in Ministry	Prison Epistles	Preaching in Cultural Context
G	<i>Fall</i> 12 weeks Sept-Dec	Intro to Theology	Acts of the Apostles	Pentateuch
H	<i>Winter</i> 12 weeks Jan-Apr	Spirit Empowered Churches	Conflict Management	
I	<i>Spring</i> 12 weeks Apr-Jun	Pentecostal Doctrine	Effective Leadership	
MI*	a) Internships begin after one year of studies. B) Duration: 3 Months	Min 191 – Beginning Ministerial Internship	Min 291 – Intermediate Ministerial Internship	Min 391 – Advanced Ministerial Internship

*Ministerial Internships are only required if students are pursuing credentials with the Assemblies of God.

Ministerial Internships

Ministerial Internships are only required if students are pursuing Ministerial Credentials with the Assemblies of God. Students may complete their Ministerial Internship requirements through Berean School of the Bible.

Please visit: www.Globaluniversity.edu to enroll in the Berean School of the Bible ministry internship. The student must contact Berean School of the Bible and enroll in the Credential level he or she desires to pursue (e.g., Certified, Licensed, or Ordained). After the student has registered with Berean and has received the appropriate Ministerial Internship study materials, he or she should schedule time with an Assemblies of God Mentor/Pastor to go through the materials (SEE PASTOR/MENTOR QUALIFICATIONS BELOW). The goal of this exercise is to learn what Berean expects of both the Mentor/Pastor and the student. Throughout the duration (3 Months) of the student's Ministerial Internship he or she should meet regularly with his or her Mentor/Pastor.

Pastor/Mentor Qualifications:

The pastor/mentor must be one who is fully cooperative and supportive of the ministries and policies of the NJ Ministry Network of the Assemblies of God. The pastor/mentor may want to include another minister who has outstanding qualifications to give the intern the "best practice" experience in a given area.

An appropriate and qualified pastor/mentor must:

- Be an Assemblies of God Ordained credential holder or credentialed one level above the credential the student is seeking (except, of course, for ordination).
- Not be a relative of the student.
- Have demonstrated a proven ministry of cooperation & integrity.
- Have a minimum of 5 years of pastoral experience.
- Willingly invest significant time in the intern and the internship process.
- Refuse to serve as a mentor in those areas in which they lack the expertise or if their involvement is not in the best interest of the student.
- Refer students to others who have greater expertise in areas when it is in the best interest of the student.

Selecting a Pastor/Mentor: Students are to select an “appropriate and qualified” pastor/mentor who meets the standards outlined above. In addition the student is encouraged to:

- Seek a pastor/mentor who exemplifies “best practice” in ministry.
- Recognize that more than one pastor/mentor may be needed.
- End the relationship if the pastor/mentor is unwilling or unable to commit the time needed, comply with DSOM standards or fails to carry out other responsibilities.
- Recognize that their pastor may not be the best pastor/mentor in all areas and seek their recommendation for someone who can better serve.
- Develop a positive working relationship with their DSOM, pastors/mentors, based on mutual respect and passion for ministry.

Pastor/Mentor & Student Interaction: The pastor/mentor and student are to meet together at the beginning of the internship and plan a feasible working strategy to fulfill the requirements. Non-structured interactions between the pastor/mentor and student are strongly encouraged.

- The pastor/mentor and student should meet and work together as close as their *life schedules* will allow during the internship.
- The duration of the student's Ministerial Internship should be at least 3 months.

***IMPORTANT:** There may be reasons that certain individuals will not be able to meet the qualifications for obtaining ministerial credentials with the Assemblies of God. Here are two possible reasons. 1. If you or your spouse has ever been divorced, or 2. If you have ever declared bankruptcy. If you have answered yes to either reason, it is strongly recommended that you contact your presbyter directly to discuss prior to enrolling in a Ministerial Internship.

Credentialing of Ministers

NJ-SOM is NOT the same as credentialing. While NJ-SOM certainly helps applicants meet the educational requirements for credentialing, the Credentialing of ministers is a process separate from completion of the educational requirements. Credentialing within our Fellowship is an altogether different process with its own exams, paperwork and interviews. Students interested in seeking credentials should read the below credentialing criteria as well as contact their senior Pastor and/or Presbyter for more information. Questions related to the credentialing process can also be answered through the Credentialing department of the New Jersey Ministry Network: 609-747-7878.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. WILL I BECOME A CREDENTIALLED MINISTER AT THE TIME OF GRADUATION?
 - a. No, completion of the courses, does not guarantee that a ministry credential will be granted, nor that preferential treatment will be given to those completing the required ministerial training courses through the School of Ministry. The credentialing of ministers is a process separate from completion of the educational requirements.

2. ARE MINISTERIAL INTERNSHIPS REQUIRED OF ALL STUDENTS?
 - a. No, Ministerial Internships are only required if students are pursuing Ministerial Credentials with the Assemblies of God. Otherwise, students are not required to do a ministerial internship.

3. IS THERE A REASON I SHOULD NOT PURSUE MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS?
 - a. Only those with a call of God for active ministry should pursue ministerial credentials with the Assemblies of God. Credentials are not for everyone nor should every student pursue them. If a ministry does not require credentials, one should not pursue them.

4. WHAT ARE SOME TYPES OF MINISTRIES THAT REQUIRE MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS?
 - a. Lead Pastor; Executive Pastor; Associate/Assistant Pastor; Youth Pastor; Children's Pastor; Missionary; Full-time Evangelist; NJ Network Official, Chaplain.

5. WHAT ARE SOME TYPES OF MINISTRIES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS?
 - a. Helps Ministry (greeters, ushers, parking lot attendants, etc.); Praise & Worship leaders, Singers and Musicians; Altar Workers; Telephone Counselors; Sunday School teachers; Nursery Attendants; Small Group Leaders/teachers; Food Pantry Attendants; Men's & Women's leaders in a local assembly; those in a Support Role such as Secretaries, Administrative Assistants, Bookkeeper, Treasurer of the church, café attendants, etc.

6. ARE THERE RESTRICTIONS TO OBTAINING MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS?

- a. There may be reasons that certain individuals will not be able to meet the qualifications for obtaining ministerial credentials with the Assemblies of God. Here are two possible reasons. 1. If you or your spouse has ever been divorced, or 2. If you have ever declared bankruptcy. If you have answered yes to either reason, it is strongly recommended that you contact your presbyter directly to discuss prior to enrolling in a Ministerial Internship.

Levels of Credentials within the Assemblies of God

[New Jersey Ministry Network Presbytery thoughts: We certify a CALL, license a MINISTRY, and ordain a PROVEN MINISTRY.]

Levels of Credentials (General Council Bylaws, Article VII. Ministry):

Three classifications of ministry are recognized and transferable among all Assemblies of God districts/networks: the ordained minister, the licensed minister, and the certified minister. All ordained, licensed, and certified ministers holding current credentials are authorized to perform the ordinances and ceremonies (sacerdotal functions) of the church.

I. Certified Minister

- (1) *General requirements.* They shall show promise of usefulness in the gospel work. They shall devote full or part time to Christian ministry and, at the discretion of the NJ Ministry Network credentials committees, may remain under the supervision of a pastor or a ministry coach or mentor. They shall show evidence of a divine call and be actively engaged in some aspect of ministry and proclamation of the gospel, except in case of ill health or advanced age.
- (2) *Pastoral requirements.* In the event a certified minister is serving in a position as the pastor, he or she shall be expected to advance to the ministry license level within 2 years of acceptance of the pastorate. This shall not apply to any minister who has reached the age of 65 or older, or whose certificate has been issued on a provisional basis. Any exceptions shall be at the discretion of the NJ Ministry Network credentials committee.
- (3) ***PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATION: Exception for Provisional Issuance.*** A Certificate of Ministry may be issued on a provisional basis to a person who has not met all the credential requirements but who is deemed by the credentials committee to be essential to the continuity of a church or ministry. The reason for such a provisional issuance must be ministry driven, and the justification for its use is terminated when the minister ceases to be involved in the ministry for which it was initially granted unless the minister accepts another qualifying assignment. Other limitations are:

- (a) The ministry certificate on a provisional basis will be issued for 1 year and shall not be renewed more than two times.
- (b) A person who has been granted the Certificate of Ministry on a provisional basis must meet the qualifications for a ministry certificate within a 3-year period.

[Those enrolled in the New Jersey School of Ministry and have completed 1 year of studies (equal to any 9 DSOM courses) are eligible to apply for a *Provisional Certificate*].

II. Licensed Minister

Qualifications for license shall include clear evidence of a divine call, character and preparation suitable for that calling, practical ministry experience, and an evident purpose to devote one's life in service to the proclamation of the gospel.

III. Ordained Minister

Qualifications for ordination are outlined in the New Testament (1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:7-9):

- (1) Applicants must be 23 years of age or older.
- (2) They must have met all the requirements in making application and in completing the prescribed application form.
- (3) No person may be ordained to the ministry until he or she has shown evidence of a divine call and has held a ministry license and has been actively engaged in ministry and proclamation of the gospel for at least 2 full consecutive years immediately prior thereto.
- (4) Ordination Initiative: *"The right of initiative in requests for ordination shall be placed in the hands of the NJ Ministry Network presbyters. The presbyter shall observe the work and ministry of those within his section. When he deems ordination advisable, the presbyter shall make the request for ordination to the Credentials Committee."* New Jersey Ministry Network Bylaws Article V. Section 3d.

Credentialing Process

The following is an overview of the steps involved in credentialing. The timeline varies for each applicant depending on the time it takes for him/her to complete each step.

STEP 1 – Recommendation from Pastor

STEP 2 – Connect with Presbyter

STEP 3 – Preliminary Interview

STEP 4 – Educational requirements reviewed

STEP 5 – Application Packet - Forms, exam – interview

- a. Completed application packet – sent to presbyter.
- b. Reference – sent to NJ Ministry Network Office
- c. Examination taken with Presbyter
- d. Oral Interview – Sectional Committee
- e. Application completed packet – sent to the NJ Ministry Network Office – reviewed & prepared for New Jersey Ministry Network Presbytery approval and approval of credential with General Council.

STEP 6 – NJ Ministry Network Presbytery approval

STEP 7 – General Council – Executive Presbytery approval – Springfield, Missouri

College Credit / Transfer Students

Credit for work done in other academic institutions of equal standing may be transferred where such work parallels courses at the New Jersey School of Ministry. To qualify for transfer credit a student must request the other academic institution to send an official copy of his or her transcript directly to the New Jersey School of Ministry. **No more than 50 percent of the courses required for a diploma or any credential level (Certificate Level I, II, III) may be transferred into the school.** Transfer credit is granted only for courses in which a grade of “C” or better has been earned. In all cases, the New Jersey School of Ministry reserves the right to determine whether it will accept transfer credits from another academic institution.

PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS

Many districts/networks of the Assemblies of God offer a School of Ministry. 32 district/network schools are part of an Association of District Schools of Ministry (ADSOM). ADSOM Schools have a “Partnership Agreement” with the several Assemblies of God Universities/Colleges. This simply means that you can complete individual tracks of courses (i.e. Certificate of Ministry, Ministry License, or Ordination) and transfer the credits from an Association District School of Ministry to a partner AG University/College for college credit. Most of the Partnership Agreements with AG Universities/Colleges will recognize the completion of a specific ministry track (approximately 9-10 ADSOM courses) and transfer up to 9 credit hours per ministry track completed.

***IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Each Partner School has specific requirements that may change from other AG Universities/Colleges. This section of our website is intended to provide information about which specific AG Universities/Colleges have provided a Partnership Agreement with ADSOM schools. If you are interested in transferring credits to a partner AG University/College, you should contact that specific school and receive their specific qualifications. The following Assemblies of God Universities/Colleges have either a fully defined Partnership Agreement or are currently in communication with the ADSOM and are considering the development of such a partnership:

Copy/Paste Link to Learn More:

<http://www.dsomassociation.com/partnership-schools/>

Partnerships Schools List:

- Evangel University – Springfield, Missouri
- Northpoint Bible College - Haverhill, Massachusetts
- Northwest University – Kirkland, Washington
- Southeastern University – Lakeland, Florida
- Southwestern Assemblies of God University – Waxahachie, Texas
- Trinity Bible College – Ellendale, North Dakota
- University of Valley Forge – Phoenixville, Pennsylvania
- Vanguard University – Costa Mesa, California
- Western Bible College – Phoenix, Arizona

Also, Pillar College (a non-AG Partnership School) has agreed to work with the District Schools of Ministry concerning students who desire to transfer to an undergraduate program at Pillar College. Students may receive up to 24 credit hours completed through NJSOM.

The New Jersey School of Ministry is NOT liable for credits that do not transfer to any academic institution. No college or institution is obligated to grant college credit for courses completed through NJ-SOM. It is at the college or institution's discretion to decide if transfer credit(s) will be granted to a student or not. The New Jersey School of Ministry accepts transfer students from A/G affiliated institutes, colleges, and seminaries. Courses taken at a non-Assemblies of God institute, college, or seminary will be evaluated on an individual basis.

Student Code of Ethics, Conduct, and Honor

Students are expected to conduct themselves in a Christ-like and biblical manner at all times, in both their personal conduct and pursuit of their studies, striving to maintain the highest of ethical standards, including honesty and integrity. Failure to adhere to such standards may result in the student's dismissal from NJ-SOM, subject to the decision of the school's administration.

In the classroom, students should be respectful of their peers and instructors. Behavior that is disruptive to the learning process and disrespectful to others will not be tolerated and will be addressed, first by the instructor of the class, and if necessary, by the administration. Students refusing to be cooperative may be dismissed from the school. Students are expected to complete the required course assignments of their own effort. While it is reasonable and beneficial for two or more students from the same family, church or community to study together, it is essential that each student's work be his/her own.

Student Policies

1. **Registration:** Registration operates on a class-by-class basis. Students must attend the semester session for which they have registered. Students are NOT permitted to transfer their registration to a future NJ-SOM semester or course.

2. **Attendance:** Students are expected to attend all class periods. A failure to attend class and/or a pattern of arriving late will adversely affect the final grade.

****Punctuality:** Students should plan to arrive several minutes before class begins.

* **Class Schedules:** Each class meets for one hour, once per week. During the Fall Semester, classes are in session for 12 consecutive weeks (Sept.–Dec.). During the Winter Semester, classes are in session for 12 consecutive weeks (Jan.- Mar.). During the Spring, classes are in session for 12 weeks (Apr. -

June). Each campus offers a different set of courses each semester, so students who desire to complete multiple courses from a particular ministry track (e.g., Level I Certified, etc.) in the same semester, may do so by taking courses at multiple campuses. Although it is not required to take multiple courses at one time, it does provide a path for students to finish their studies more quickly. Students also have the option of simply choosing “one” location to attend for the duration of their studies. It is strongly recommended that students choose a campus location that fits their schedule and travelling requirements.

E.G.,

Hamilton, NJ Classes meet:

Saturday’s 9AM-12:15 NOON

Level I Course 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Level II Course 10:05 - 11:05 AM

Level III Course 11:15 - 12:15 Noon

4. Student Expectations

- a. Students are expected to come to class on time, be alert, participate in class discussions, and take notes.
- b. Students are expected to devote a minimum of one-hour of study outside the classroom per week, per course. Students will complete the assigned readings before coming to class in order to have a working knowledge of the concepts that will be discussed in class.
- c. Students are expected to turn in all assignments at the start of every class.
- d. Students are expected to bring their Bible and textbook to every class.

5. Add / Drop Periods

The add/drop period is the first three weeks of the fall, winter, and spring semesters. During this time, you may add and drop individual classes. Classes dropped during this period will receive a 100% refund of the tuition. ***“Registration Fees, Other Fees, and Online Bank Fees” are non-refundable.*** There is no add/drop period after the third week of the semester. **There are no refunds after the add/drop period or third week of class.** Books are non-returnable and non-refundable. **** Students who withdraw during the add/drop period are NOT permitted to transfer their tuition to a future NJ-SOM course or semester (Registration is on a class-by-class basis) and is valid only for the semester they are registered in.**

6. Removal: Students who consistently fail to complete assigned course work, are disruptive or uncooperative or treat faculty or other students disrespectfully may not be permitted to register for future NJ-SOM sessions.

7. **Plagiarism:** Plagiarism and cheating are serious violations of NJ-SOM ethical standards. Students who breach these standards will be dismissed from NJ-SOM or subjected to disciplinary action.

*A student who submits written material as his/her own work which has been copied in whole or in part from another person's paper without acknowledgement is guilty of plagiarism. Material, whether published or unpublished, copied from another writer must be identified by the use of quotation marks and documentation with specific citation of the source. Paraphrased material must likewise be attributed to the original author. Copying another student's paper, with or without his/her permission, or using his/her ideas with only minimal reworking is plagiarism, as is copying of material from printed books and magazines without giving credit to the original source. Any student who submits a plagiarized paper or who permits another person to copy his/her work is subject to disciplinary action.

8. **Grading:** All NJ-SOM Courses are graded on the following scale.

A+ 97-100	B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69
A 94-96	B 84-86	C 74-76	D 65-66
A- 90-93	B- 80-83	C- 70-73	F 0-64

9. **Failure:** A student who achieves less than 65% in any NJ-SOM course will be required to re-take the course or submit additional work. Requests to submit additional work must be approved by the school faculty in conjunction with the NJ-SOM Director. If additional work is successfully completed, the student's grade for the course will be no higher than a C- unless otherwise noted.

***The deadline for submitting additional work must be made within a one-month period from when the student received the "F". Work submitted after the *one-month deadline* will not be accepted, and the final grade will remain an "F". In such cases where a student misses the *one-month deadline*, he or she, may reverse the failing grade by re-taking the course either through NJ-SOM or Global University (Berean). www.Globaluniversity.edu Only courses with a "Passing Grade" will be allowed to transfer to NJ-SOM.

10. **Incomplete Grades:** Students who receive an INCOMPLETE for a course must either re-take the course or submit additional work. Requests to submit additional work must be approved by the school faculty in conjunction with the NJ-SOM Director. The deadline for submitting additional work must be made within a one-month period from which the student received an "Incomplete" for the course. Any work submitted after the one-month deadline will not be accepted and the final grade will remain an INCOMPLETE until the course is re-taken.

11. **Course Make-Up:** Students are responsible to manage their schedules so that they can attend NJ-SOM courses as scheduled. However when emergencies and other unavoidable scheduling conflicts occur, students are encouraged to complete the course through Berean studies offered by Global University or at one of our campuses.

12. **Visitors:** Only registered students may attend NJ-SOM classes. While family and friends are welcome to accompany students they are not permitted to attend the sessions. Individual exceptions to this policy may be made by the on-site principal or instructor if the visitor's presence does not in any way impede the session. Visitors may be asked by the instructor to leave the session at any time and for any reason.

12. **Audit:** Individuals may audit a course and will be charged 50% of the Tuition fee (\$105.00 per course, includes \$10.00 Administrative Fee). They must register as an "Audit." No transcript or record of their attendance will be kept.

13. **Age Restrictions:** You must be 18 years or older to attend the School of Ministry. However, if a student is under 18 years old, or 18 and still in high school, their parent or legal guardian must attend all class sessions with the student.

Financial Policies

1. Payment in full (registration and books) must be received at the time of registration (No Payment Plans).
2. Checks returned for non-sufficient funds will be charged \$35.00.
3. Transcripts will not be released to any student who has an outstanding balance.

Registration

1. To register for classes visit www.NJSchoolofministry.com and select Academics, then Registration (**The Registration link is only available during registration periods throughout the year. The main page of the School of Ministry Website will list when registration periods are open (E.g. Registration for Winter Semester opens Dec.1; Registration for Spring Semester opens March 1, and Registration for Fall Semester opens August 1). Registration will remain open on the website until classes begin and then will close for maintenance until the next registration period begins.**)
2. Complete the Registration form, and mail with payment to: Attn: Enrollment Office, NJ School of Ministry, 430 Birchwood Road, Northvale, NJ 07647. (You must register 3 weeks prior to the first day of class)
2. You may purchase your textbooks through most book distributors such as Amazon.com or BarnesandNobles.
3. Registration is required on a class-by-class basis. Students are NOT permitted to transfer their current tuition to a future NJ-SOM course or semester.
4. NJ-SOM reserves the right to deny registration to any applicant who fails to follow its student Policies or meet its academic, spiritual or moral qualifications. Registration will be denied to those who do fail to meet their financial obligations to NJ-SOM.
5. NJ-SOM welcomes Christian students from other evangelical traditions. However, all course content and examinations are consistent with Assemblies of God doctrine and practice.
6. NJ-SOM reserves the right to deny registration to any person it deems not suited for this course of study.

Tuition

Academic Costs	
Tuition per course	\$185
Tuition per UNIT*	\$350
Audit fee per course (no grade assigned)	\$105
Other Fees	
Diploma/Certificate Processing fee	\$10
Transfer evaluation fee	\$10
Late fee	\$25.00

***Note:** A UNIT consists of three courses (one course from Level I Certified, one course from Level II Licensed, and one course from Level III Ordained). It is recommended that those enrolled in the Ministerial Studies Diploma program register for UNIT's so that they may finish the program within three years and for the cost benefit involved.

Course Descriptions

Old Testament Survey

This course is an introduction to the study of Old Testament. Emphasis will be placed upon the background, structure, and content of each book. This course is a study of beginnings. It shows how the ancient inspired Hebrew writers expressed in narrative form a record of God's saving deeds from the beginning of God's work with all humankind. From these narratives, students can see God's unfolding plan of redemption through what Christians believe to be God's revelation.

**Materials Required: *Encountering the Old Testament: A Christian Survey* (Baker Academics, 3rd Edition 2015), by Bill T. Arnold and Bryan E. Beyer ISBN-10: 0801049539.

New Testament Survey

An examination of the development of redemptive history throughout the New Testament in the context of its geographical and cultural background. Key themes and selected critical issues are discussed with a view to aiding students develop a biblically-informed worldview.

**Materials Required: *Encountering the New Testament: A Historical and Theological Survey* (3rd Edition, 2013). Walter A. Elwell and Robert W. Yarbrough, ISBN-10: 0801039649.

Introduction to Theology

A study of bibliology—the doctrine of Scripture, with a focus on the nature of revelation and the inspiration and authority of Scripture and the development and transmission of the canon; Theology Proper—the doctrine of God's existence, attributes, works, and the Trinity; Christology—the theology of the Person and work of Jesus Christ, including consideration of His names, nature, offices, humiliation, atoning death, resurrection, and exaltation; Anthropology—the theology of the human condition (origin, nature, and fall); and soteriology—the divine plan of salvation (regeneration, justification, adoption, sanctification, and deliverance) for the believer.

**Materials Required: *Systematic Theology: Revised Edition*, edited by Stanley M. Horton, ISBN-10: 0882438557.

Introduction to Hermeneutics: How to Interpret the Bible

This course will focus on the science and art of Biblical Interpretation. The aim is to foster and encourage a deeper understanding of the scriptures, as well as to engage the student in analysis and theological reflection through the use of various interpretive methods. The student will be given sample passages of Scripture to which he or she will apply the guidelines of biblical interpretation that they have learned.

**Materials Required: *How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth: Fourth Edition* Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart, ISBN-10: 0310517826.

Synoptic Gospels

This course is a study of the life of Christ from the viewpoint of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. This course will help students grasp the chronological progression and the spiritual significance of the important events in Christ's life. It enables the student to preach and teach about Christ with greater understanding and effectiveness, and it challenges him or her to follow Christ personally with greater dedication and stronger devotion in service to Him.

**Materials Required: *The Words and Works of Jesus Christ: A Study of the Life of Christ* by J. Dwight Pentecost ISBN-10: 0310309409.

Relationships and Ethics in Ministry

A biblical approach to the relationships that are important to the minister, both personally and professionally. It looks at temperament theory and its relevance to human relations. This course examines relationships and ethics in view of the minister's personal growth, ministry challenges, people in the community, and other ministers.

**Materials Required: *Ministerial Ethics: A Guide for Spirit-Filled Leaders* by T. Burton Pierce and Stanley Horton, ISBN-10: 0882433202.

The Local Church in Evangelism

A study of the contemporary history and practices of evangelism in the church, with an emphasis on the techniques and methods used in personal witnessing. The course also trains students in the art of lifestyle evangelism.

**Materials Required: *Spirit-Led Evangelism, by Che Ahn*, ISBN-10: 0800794427 and *The Way of the Master* by Ray Comfort ISBN-10: 0882702203.

Assemblies of God History, Missions, and Governance

A study of the historical development and governing policies of the Assemblies of God. The Fellowship's history in America and its worldwide missions program is told through stories of the personalities involved. Includes a study of the ecclesiastical structure of the Assemblies of God, with particular attention to the General Council Constitution and By Laws in relation to credentialed ministers, local churches, Ministry Networks, the General Council, and doctrines and practices that are approved and disapproved.

**Materials Required: *People of the Spirit* by Gary McGee, ISBN-10: 0882430998.

Spirit Empowered Churches

It's not a mystery why some churches grow, some remain stagnant, and others decline. The biblical principles for spiritual multiplication are evident in the pages of Scripture. This course points us to the heart of dynamic church growth: creating Spirit-empowered disciples who are involved in five activities—connect, grow, serve, go, and worship—to change individuals, families, and communities with the love and power of God's mighty Spirit. Combining a strong biblical approach with inspirational insights and personal stories, Garrison shares the Acts 2 church model that can renew the spiritual vitality of your congregation. The church of Acts 2 turned the first-century world upside down for Jesus. God wants to use your church to do the same today.

**Materials Required: *A Spirit-Empowered Church: An Acts 2 Ministry Model* by Alton Garrison, ISBN-10: 1681540010

The Book of Acts

A thorough study of the content, purposes, principles, and applications of Acts. The course emphasizes the role of the Holy Spirit in the early church and today. Attention is given to the geographical, numerical, cultural, and theological growth of the church from Jerusalem to Rome. The journeys of Paul are examined as the background for his epistles.

**Materials Required: *Acts: A Logion Commentary* by Stanley M. Horton, ISBN-10: 0882433040.

Introduction to Pentecostal Doctrine

An examination of the four cardinal doctrines of the Assemblies of God: Salvation, Baptism in the Holy Spirit, Healing, and the Second Coming of Christ are examined at length. The person, work, gifts, and ministry of the Holy Spirit are the topics examined in this biblical study. Among the questions discussed from both the Old and New Testaments are these: Who is the Holy Spirit? What is the baptism of the Holy Spirit? How do I live a Spirit-filled life? Special emphasis will be placed upon the *Statement of Fundamentals of Truth* of the Assemblies of God as the framework for this study.

**Materials Required: *What the Bible Says About the Holy Spirit* by Stanley M. Horton. ISBN-10: 0882433598.

Prison Epistle: Ephesians, Colossians, Philippians, and Philemon

A practical study of the principles Paul wrote to the churches during his imprisonment. This course is an exegetical study of each book with special emphasis placed upon the doctrinal teachings of the Apostle Paul.

**Materials Required: *Ephesians – Philemon* (Expositor's Bible Commentary, vol.12 Hardcover) by Tremper Longman III, David Garland, William Klein., ISBN-10: 0310235030.

Introduction to Homiletics

A basic study of the principles of Christian preaching. The course emphasizes biblical exposition and deals with practical matters such as the preparation of sermons, the sources of materials, the construction of sermon components, the variety of sermon types, and the delivery of sermons.

**Materials Required: *Biblical Preaching: The Development and Delivery of Expository Messages*. Third Edition. Grand Rapids: Baker Academics, 2001. by Haddon W. Robinson, ISBN: 9780801049125

The Book of Romans

An in-depth study of the book of Romans. It focuses on Paul's systematic explanation of the gospel to the Romans and offers insight into the doctrines of sin, salvation, and sanctification. Students will learn how union with Christ and the indwelling Holy Spirit leads to spiritual growth.

**Materials Required: *Romans (IVP New Testament Commentary)*, by Grant R. Osborne, ISBN-10: 0830840060.

Eschatology

An advanced study of the doctrine of last things, including topics such as death, Resurrection and Rapture, views of the Tribulation, millennial views, judgment, and the final state of the righteous and the wicked.

**Materials Required: *Our Destiny, Bible Teaching on the Last Things* by Stanley Horton, ISBN-10: 0882433229.

Effective Leadership

The Twenty-first century is the most advanced age in history, but effective biblical leadership has never been more needed. This course is designed to provide a biblical approach to the principles of *Servant Leadership*. This course applies those principles to move each believer in corporate obedience and service to God, by sharing the tools and practical skills needed to be a servant leader with spiritual guidelines to live a life of integrity.

**Materials Required: *Spiritual Leadership: Moving People on to God's Agenda*. By Henry and Richard Blackaby. Broadman and Holman Publishers, 2001 Edition. ISBN-10: 1433669188

Conflict Management for Church Leaders

A biblical approach to conflict resolution. This course offers a scriptural way to deal with the inevitable occasions when conflict arises, particularly in a church setting. It offers practical principles for resolving the conflict in a manner that is pleasing to God. The lordship of Jesus Christ and his methodology in resolving conflict form the basis for this study.

**Materials Required: *The Peace Maker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict* by Ken Sande, ISBN-10: 0801064856.

Introduction to Assemblies of God Missions

This course is an introduction in the science of missions. It is a survey of the theology, history, and methods of Christian missions in general and within the Assemblies of God in particular. Special emphasis is placed upon recent developments, critical issues, trends, and missions as they are carried out through national and local churches.

**Materials required: *Missions in the Age of the Spirit*, by John V. York, ISBN-10: 0882434640.

Prayer and Worship

An overview of the biblical teaching on prayer and worship leads to practical considerations for cultivating intimacy with Christ in every aspect of life, from personal, private prayer to corporate celebration. Students will discover the joys and benefits of a dynamic prayer life and gain a fresh appreciation for the many ways in which the Holy Spirit makes prayer and worship both meaningful and powerful. An examination of some of the common challenges of prayer, such as learning to hear God's voice, the problem of unanswered prayer, and what to do when it seems God is not speaking, is followed by practical insight for becoming more effective and fervent prayer warriors.

**Materials required: *Penetrating the Darkness* by Jack Hayford, ISBN-10: 0800794532, and *The Reward of Worship* by Jack Hayford, ISBN-10: 0800794184.

Pastoral Ministry

An examination of pastoral ministry in three areas: preparation, responsibilities, and relationships. The unit on preparation focuses on a pastor's qualifications, devotional life, and personal life. A unit on responsibilities analyzes preaching and teaching, worship, pastoral care, leading, training, forming cell groups, and special services. The final unit examines a pastor's relationships with lay leaders, staff, work, and calling. This is a principle-centered study to lay a lifelong foundation for the pastoral ministry.

**Materials required: *Shepherding the Church: Effective Spiritual Leadership in a Changing Culture*, by Joseph M. Stowell, ISBN-10: 0802478212.

The Corinthian Correspondence

This course is an introduction to Paul's first and second letter to the Corinthians. A study of I&II Corinthians which sets the letter in the context of Paul's relationship with the church, the cultural context of the Corinthian church and the issues which prompted this letter. In studying each section the course will focus on identifying the issue in Corinth and then understanding Paul's response.

**Materials required: *1 and 2 Corinthians* by Stanley M. Horton, ISBN-10: 0882438530

Preaching in Cultural Context: 12 Perspectives on Communicating that Connects

The purpose of this course is to help students and preachers present life changing messages that connect with the world around them. The course will focus on presenting messages that are true, clear, interesting, and relevant. Students will be challenged to present messages that are true to the intent and power of Scripture. The course will also examine the post-modern culture and offer help in making messages relevant to the needs and concerns of this audience.

**Materials required: *Text: Preaching To A Shifting Culture* by Scott Gibson, ISBN-10: 0801091624.

Poetic Books: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Songs

A study of the five books of poetry or wisdom—Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs. These books cover issues such as suffering, parenting, and the fear of the Lord, teaching us how to live. The course is designed to help the student in his or her own walk with God and in ministering to others who need instruction.

**Materials required: *Introduction to Old Testament Poetic Books* by C. Hassell Bullock, ISBN-10: 0802441572

The Pentateuch

An in-depth study of the first five books of the Old Covenant. This course will help the student to trace the nation of Israel from its beginnings until the time of its entrance into the Promised Land. Special emphasis will be devoted to God's relationship with His creation, Covenants, and the revelation of God's character are examined. The Pentateuch forms the foundation upon which the New Testament covenant is based and is an important study for anyone wishing to understand the entire Bible more completely.

**Materials Required: *An Introduction to the Old Testament Pentateuch* by Herbert Wolf, ISBN-10: 0802441564.

Church Administration, Law, and Finance

An introductory study of many principles, procedures, and techniques used in today's business world as they apply to the local church and its leadership. Attention is given to organizing and staffing functions of the church, practical methods of raising money for the church's expenses, keeping good records, and managing the church's money, facilities, and equipment. It also gives students a practical understanding of the law in order to recognize and resolve legal questions confronting pastors and churches today.

**Materials required: *Church Administration Handbook* by Bruce Powers, ISBN-10: 0805444904.

TEXTBOOKS (Course / Textbook / Author / ISBN)

- ❑ Old Testament Survey – *Encountering the Old Testament: A Christian Survey* (Baker Academics, 3rd Edition), by Bill T. Arnold and Bryan E. Beyer ISBN-10: 0801049539.
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- ❑ Prison Epistle: Ephesians, Colossians, Philippians, and Philemon - *Ephesians – Philemon* (Expositor's Bible Commentary, vol.12 Hardcover) by William Klein, ISBN-10: 0310235030.
- ❑ Introduction to Homiletics – *Biblical Preaching: The Development and Delivery of Expository Messages*, Third Edition by Haddon W. Robinson, ISBN: 9780801049125
- ❑ The Book of Romans – *Romans (IVP New Testament Commentary)* by Grant R. Osborne, ISBN-10: 0830840060.
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Statement of Fundamental Truths

1. The Scriptures are inspired by God and declare His design and plan for mankind (2 Timothy 3:15-17; Thessalonians 2:13).
2. There is only One True God-revealed in three persons...Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (commonly known as the Trinity) (Isaiah 43:10; Genesis 1:1).
3. In the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. As God's son Jesus was both human and divine (Revelation 1:8; Matthew 1:23).
4. Though originally good, Man Willingly Fell to Sin-ushering evil and death, both physical and spiritual, into the world (Genesis 1:26-27, 2:17, 3:6; Romans 5:12-19).
5. Every Person Can Have Restored Fellowship with God Through 'Salvation' (trusting Christ, through faith and repentance, to be our personal Savior) [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the AG] (Luke 24:47; John 3:3).
6. ...And practice two ordinances-(1) Water Baptism by Immersion after repenting of one's sins and receiving Christ's gift of salvation, and (2) Holy Communion (the Lord's Supper) as a symbolic remembrance of Christ's suffering and death for our salvation (Mark 16:16; 1 Corinthians 11:26).
7. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit is a Special Experience Following Salvation that empowers believers for witnessing and effective service, just as it did in New Testament times [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the AG] (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4,8; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31).
8. The Initial Physical Evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is 'Speaking in Tongues,' as experienced on the Day of Pentecost and referenced throughout Acts and the Epistles (Acts 2:4; 1 Corinthians 12:4-10,28).
9. Sanctification Initially Occurs at Salvation and is not only a declaration that a believer is holy, but also a progressive lifelong process of separating from evil as believers continually draw closer to God and become more Christlike (Romans 12:1,2; 1 Thessalonians 5:23).
10. The Church has a Mission to seek and save all who are lost in sin. We believe 'the Church' is the Body of Christ and consists of the people who, throughout time, have accepted God's offer of redemption (regardless of religious denomination) through the sacrificial death of His son Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:15).
11. A Divinely Called and Scripturally Ordained Leadership Ministry Serves the Church. The Bible teaches that each of us under leadership must commit ourselves to reach others for Christ, to worship Him with other believers, and to build up or edify the body of believers-the Church (Mark 16:15-20; John 4:23-24).
12. Divine Healing of the Sick is a Privilege for Christians Today and is provided for in Christ's atonement (His sacrificial death on the cross for our sins) [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the AG] (Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 8:16-17).
13. In The Blessed Hope-When Jesus Raptures His Church Prior to His Return to Earth (the Second Coming). At this future moment in time all believers who have died will rise from their graves and will meet the Lord in the air, and Christians who are alive will be caught up with them, to be with the Lord forever. [1 of 4 cardinal doctrines of the AG] (Romans 8:23; 1 Corinthians 15:51-52).
14. In The Millennial Reign of Christ when Jesus returns with His saints at His second coming and begins His benevolent rule over earth for 1,000 years. This millennial reign will bring the salvation of national Israel and the establishment of universal peace (Zechariah 14:5; Matthew 24:27,30).
15. A Final Judgment Will Take Place for those who have rejected Christ. They will be judged for their sin and consigned to eternal punishment in a punishing lake of fire (Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48).
16. ...And look forward to the perfect New Heavens and a New Earth that Christ is preparing for all people, of all time, who have accepted Him. We will live and dwell with Him there forever

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Director of Christian Education & Senior Adult Ministries and teaching staff at Calvary Temple Wayne, NJ (1999-2003).

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