**NEW MEXICO**

**SCHOOL OF MINISTRY PLUS**

**(NMSOM +)**

**2015-2016**

**ACADEMIC CATALOG**

**AND**

**POLICY MANUAL**

New Mexico Ministry Network

of the

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Dear Student ,

Welcome to the New Mexico School of Ministry Plus. We are glad to have you as a student in this new ministry of our Network.

**God has placed a call upon your life to serve Him in ministry.**

Your calling may be as a full-time minister and pastor or as an equipped layperson. We are here as a Network and as a school to help you process the call of God upon your life and prepare yourself to fulfill that call. NMSOM Plus is a selective leadership development track for ministers seeking to elevate their leadership skills.

NMSOM Plus instructors will invest in your life out of their experiences and knowledge. Classes are designed to be interactive in order to engage and stimulate your retention. I trust that you will find not only a friendly environment, but a class that gives you practical and useful knowledge that will enable your ministry to expand and be fruitful.

***Thanks for joining the journey!***



In Service to Christ, Our Lord,

Marcus W. McClain

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***PHILOSOPHY***

**Equipping the Called for 21st Century Ministry**

**What is New Mexico School of Ministry Plus (NMSOM +)?**

* NMSOM Plus is a network sponsored and operated program targeted for those in ministry who would like to build upon their current foundation of knowledge and leadership.
* NMSOM Plus is a selective leadership development track for ministers seeking to elevate their leadership
* NMSOM seeks to provide the student with the highest quality instruction and resources possible in a practical and cost effective way.
* NMSOM Plus gives educational direction, sets an atmosphere for the impartation of the Spirit, and guides the student’s spiritual development to equip them for effective ministry.

**What are the Benefits of NMSOM +?**

1. Establishes spiritual formation
2. Builds lasting relationships
3. Time measured and cost affordable
4. Practical in structure
5. Flexible and expandable in format
6. Certificate awarded upon completion of the track.

**Guiding Principles**

NMSOM Plus is a unique ministerial training opportunity operating in the Network and is guided by the following principles:

* NMSOM Plus is **not** a college or university. Individuals who are able to attend college or seminary are strongly encouraged to attend an endorsed A/G college or seminary for the absolute best in ministerial training ([www.colleges.ag.org](http://www.colleges.ag.org)).
* NMSOM Plus is **not** an accredited school. Students must not expect that the NMSOM courses will be accepted by any A/G college, Bible School, or other accredited college.
* NMSOM Plus is **not** the same a Berean or Global University correspondence education. Berean offers students correspondence courses that can be taken at any time and at the student’s own pace (www.thenewberean com). NMSOM Plus courses are only available at specific times.
* NMSOM Plus does **not** fulfill the credentialing requirements for the Assemblies of God. NMSOM Plus is an additional learning tool to build leadership skills for those in ministry or those seeking to go into ministry. ***Credentialing within our Fellowship is an altogether different process, with its own courses, exams, paperwork, and interview.*** Students interested in seeking credentials should contact the Network Executive Administrator’s office for additional information.
* NMSOM is for laypersons who may not be interested in full-time ministry but who want to learn and improve their ability to serve Christ and their church.
* NMSOM is for credentialed ministers who want to improve their skills and participate in an outstanding continuing education process.

***STUDENT INFORMATION***

**Structure**

Classes are conducted once a month, eight times a year, in a two-semester format. The classes take place on one Saturday of each month from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. Because the one-day format allows for just a brief lunch break, NMSOM Plus provides a box lunch and soft drinks to students as part of the $60 class fee. Certificates of completion will be mailed out after the last class of the course.

**Class Schedule, Saturday**

8:30 am Check in and head to Session 1

9:45 am Break

10:00 am Classroom Session 2

10:45 am Break

11:00 am Session 3

12:00 pm Box lunch on site

12:30 pm Class Room Session 4

1:30 pm Dismiss

Prior to class, each student is required to read through the class textbooks(s), and complete any work assigned by the instructor.

The classroom instruction provides an overview of the material, practical applications, and opportunity for questions and discussion. Instructors use personal experience and a variety of teaching methods. Faculty members become natural mentors as they build relationships and share experiences with their students. Faculty advisors are available to provide accountability and guidance for students.

**Location**

During the 2015-2016 academic year, all NMSOM classes will be held at:

**Tramway Community Church**

**4800 Tramway Ridge NE**

**Albuquerque, NM 87111**

**Church Phone 505-890-9313**

**Textbooks**

It is the responsibility of the NMSOM Plus student to find and purchase the required texts. A list of required readings and materials is contained in this manual along with their authors and ISBNs.

***REGISTRATION***

**Enrollment**

Students are to register **no less than three weeks prior** to the start date of the course they wish to take. Registrations will be accepted in person at the New Mexico Ministry Network Office, by email, or by US mail only. Students may pay their class fee in person at the Network Office, at the NMSOM registration site, by mail, or on line at [www.nmministry.net](http://www.nmministry.net). If making payments on line, select the Giving tab and follow steps. Be sure to choose Network School of Ministry as the Purpose. There will be NO EXEPCEPTIONS TO REGISTRATION DEADLINES OR PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS.

Complete the registration and enrollment forms contained in this booklet and return them to the Network Office no less than three weeks prior to the course session.

It is critical that you plan ahead to arrive for class at the designated location by 9:00 am prepared and ready to learn. Arriving late to the classroom causes the student to miss valuable information, and causes disruption for the class and the instructor.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION FOR A COURSE IS NO LESS THAN (3) THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO THE CLASS SESSION. YOU MUST REGISTER USING A REGISTRATION FORM IN PERSON AT THE NEW MEXICO MINISTRY NETWORK OFFICE, BY MAIL, OR EMAIL ONLY. EACH CLASS MUST BE PAID FOR BY TTHE CLASS DATE IN PERSON AT THE NMSOM REGISTRATION SITE, AT THE NEW MEXICO MINISTRY NETWORK OFFICE, BY MAIL, OR ONLINE AT** [**www.nmministry.net**](http://www.nmministry.net)

**Fees**

- Tuition is $50 per class, which includes a box lunch.

- Textbook costs will vary depending on the book and the supplier.

- Class fees are refundable if the refund conditions are met.

- Tuition is transferable to another class for up to 1 year.

**Refunds**

Refunds must be requested one week prior to the class in order to receive a full refund. Refunds requested after the deadline will be given on a case-by-case basis, for those who were unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances. If the refund deadline cannot be met, the paid funds can also be credited towards the next available NMSOM Plus class. If you would like to receive a refund please email [jstubbs@nmministry.net](mailto:jstubbs@nmministry.net) or call the network office at 505-899-5399.

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| **Date** | **Class Name** | **Text** | **Author** | **IBSN** |
| 10-Oct-15 | Becoming the Leader You Want to Be | Boundaries for Leaders | Dr. Henry Cloud | 978-0062206336 |
| 7-Nov-15 | Next Steps for Great Leaders | Good to Great | Jim Collins | 978-0066620992 |
| 12-Dec-15 | Tools for Leading to the Future Part 1 | Advanced Strategic Planning Part 1 | Aubrey Malphurs | 978-0801091810 |
| 16-Jan-16 | Tools for Leading to the Future Part 2 | Advanced Strategic Planning Part 2 | Aubrey Malphurs | 978-0801091810 |
| 20-Feb-16 | Leading From Vision to Action | The Four Disciplines of Execution | Chris McChesney | 978-1451627053 |
| 19-Mar-16 | Leading a Group to Becoming a Team | The Team Approach | Steven Stowall | 978-0972462747 |
| 16-Apr-16 | Establishing Priorities for Leaders | Necessary Endings | Dr. Henry Cloud | 978-0061777127 |

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