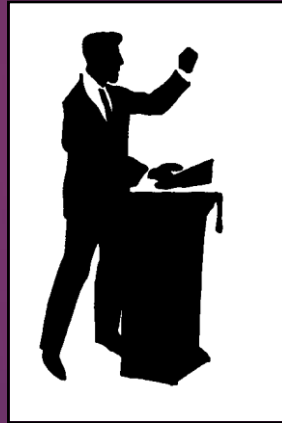


The Local Church Preacher Training Program



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The local church and preacher training

- ▶ The biblical pattern (2 Tim. 2:2)
- ▶ The worldly pattern: churches build a school (institution) to do its work of teaching the Bible and training preachers

Before you start a training program

- ▶ Does the local church really want this?
 - ▶ Will they encourage the trainee in what he is doing each week? Will they make the sacrifice?
 - ▶ Will they be willing to give him financial support?

Before you start a training program

- ▶ Are you going to commit to this and see it through to the end?
- ▶ Do you really have the time? He is watching you, not just learning from you
- ▶ Your wife and family will also be affected

Select a man, or men to train

- ▶ A man from the local church, or from another place
- ▶ Choose a conscientious, hard worker
- ▶ Talk to him in advance about what is planned and what will be expected of him

Select the amount of time for training

- ▶ A minimum of 3 to 6 months, or possibly 1 year
- ▶ As long as he can to stay

Select the place for study

- ▶ A quiet place for uninterrupted study
- ▶ You have to have quiet time away from family, church members, and your cell phone

Select the weekly schedule

- ▶ Make a general schedule: what is done on each day
- ▶ Make a specific list of weekly duties: what you will do and what he will do
- ▶ Print a copy of the schedule

Select the specific duties and responsibilities

- ▶ Preaching sermons
- ▶ Teaching Bible class
- ▶ Writing a bulletin article
- ▶ Speaking on a radio program

Select the specific duties and responsibilities

- ▶ Visiting church members during the week
- ▶ Personal evangelism
- ▶ Personal Bible reading and study

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- ▶ Etc. (the duties will change depending upon what the local preacher and church are currently doing)
- ▶ Print a copy of the duties

Select the biblical material to study

- ▶ What specific books of the Bible will be read and studied? (1-2 Timothy and Titus should be included)
- ▶ What topics, in or out of the Bible, will be studied?

Sample Weekly Schedule for the Preacher

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Local church activities	Personal time / Family time	Daily Bible reading Bible study Topic study	Daily Bible reading Bible study Topic study	Daily Bible reading Bible study Topic study	Daily Bible reading Bible study Topic study	Personal time / Family time
Lunch Break						
Visit church members	Personal time / Family time	Sermon/ class prep bulletin radio prog. etc.	Sermon/ class prep bulletin radio prog. etc.	Sermon/ class prep bulletin radio prog. etc.	Sermon/ class prep bulletin radio prog. etc.	Personal time / Family time
Supper Break						
Local church activities	Personal time / Family time	Visitation/ Personal evangelism etc.	Midweek worship service	Visitation/ Personal evangelism etc.	Visitation/ Personal evangelism etc.	Review sermon and class material

Follow-up after the training program ends

- ▶ Assess the program: What did the trainee learn and what does he still need to learn? What did you learn and how can you improve the program for the future? What would you do differently?
- ▶ Continue to provide the newly trained preacher with advice

Follow-up after the training program ends

- ▶ Continue to provide him with sermons, study materials, books, etc.
- ▶ Continue to provide him with places to preach
- ▶ Continue to provide him with financial support, if possible