
“YES, THESE BONES CAN LIVE!”

Ezekiel 37:3

A TRAINING CURRICULUM TO ENABLE CONGREGATIONS
TO FULFILL THE GREAT COMMISSION

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FULFILLING THE GREAT COMMISSION

This Training curriculum was born out of an acute need in mainline denominations. It addresses three chronic problems now being experienced in thousands of congregations throughout North America:

First, numerical decline

Second, the skill base necessary to address this particular challenge

Third, a balanced theology that embraces: Scripture, Sacrament and Spirit

For several decades the mainline churches have slowly declined numerically, but retained enough membership to keep the doors open and pay the bills. Unfortunately, more and more congregations are struggling with a shortage of people and resources to continue. Many children raised in these churches are gone, the elderly are not being replaced when they go to glory, and the unchurched culture is basically not interested in what we are offering or doing. In essence we are no longer the “salt” or the “light” in our world.

This leads us to the second problem: the skill base needed to reverse these trends. Many of us in ministry have not had much training in evangelism, healing, casting out the demonic, spiritual warfare, making disciples. We believe this training curriculum will teach congregations how to walk in newness of life and truly become healthy and life-giving centers of Christianity. We actually train clergy and laity in ministry models that work.

Lastly, the skill base necessary requires the power of the Holy Spirit and the ability to minister the Kingdom of God through “proclamation” and “demonstration”. We believe the church is uniquely called of God to touch broken humanity with His power that has been given to the church through the Holy Spirit. Therefore, much of our training helps people become more familiar with the work and ministry of God the Holy Spirit.

The *Yes, These Bones Can Live* initiative is designed to provide the skill base training and equipping necessary for both clergy and laity to successfully address the specific challenges they are currently facing with the Word of God, the Sacraments of God and the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Twenty-Three Tasks

- 1. ESTABLISH A DAY OF INTERCESSION AND FASTING.**
 - 2. SIX TO TEN NAMES TO PRAY FOR**
 - 3. VISIBLE OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY**
 - 4. ASSESSMENT OF YOUR BUILDINGS**
 - 5. YELLOW PAGES AD**
 - 6. WEBSITE AND CYBER WORLD**
 - 7. YES THESE BONES CAN LIVE TRAINING MANUALS**
 - 8. MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA**
 - 9. VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS**
 - 10. NEWCOMER ASSIMILATION**
 - 11. ESTABLISH A HEALING MINISTRY**
 - 12. FIELD TRIPS AND TRAINING CONFERENCES**
 - 13. ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP STYLES**
 - 14. THE ALPHA COURSE**
 - 15. FELT NEEDS**
 - 16. SMALL GROUPS FOR THE PARISH**
 - 17. CROWN MINISTRY**
 - 18. EVERY MEMBER A MINISTER**
 - 19. QUARTERLY CHURCH ACTIVITIES TO INVITE THE COMMUNITY**
 - 20. BIBLE STUDIES FOR EVERY MEMBER**
 - 21. MINISTRY TO THE POOR**
 - 22. SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND INTERCESSION**
 - 23. WRITING YOUR OWN TESTIMONY**
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