

PERSONAL & CORPORATE OUTREACH (EV501-CM, 3 credits)

(Taught in Cantonese as part of the Chinese Ministry Programs)

Rev. Kar-Park Chan

Course Description:

This course seeks to explore evangelism as congregational outreach and growth of a Chinese church. It includes examination of the role of the "evangelist" in equipping a congregation to share the Christian story with its community, to seek a response to the Christian message, and to assimilate persons into the life and ministry of the church - discipleship. The course will include communication theory and skills, outreach methods and approaches, and models for assimilation of new members. Discussions move from the introduction of the disciplines of evangelism and church growth from their biblical basis and theological foundations to a study of strategies, methodologies, and trends with a focus on their direction, strategy, and practical application in the local context. The course will discuss nurturing new believers and the importance/application of discipleship training in a local church setting.

Dates:

Credit & Audit students attend two extended weekends:

Weekend #1 – September 13-15, 2007 (Thu 7-10:30pm; Fri 7-10:30pm; Sat 9am – 6pm)

Weekend #2 – November 1-3, 2007 (Thu 7-10:30pm; Fri 7-10:30pm; Sat 9am – 6pm)

Location:

South Chinese Alliance Church, 6508 - 31st Ave. Edmonton

Instructor: Rev. Kar-Park Chan (DMin)

Senior Pastor of Richmond Chinese Alliance Church; MDiv/DMin (Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary). In addition to 18 years pastoral experience, Kar-Park was a full-time lecturer at Malaysia Bible Seminary for two years and involved in other C&MA training locations in South America.

Textbooks:

Required Reading:

Ed Silvoso, Prayer Evangelism Over Your Home, Neighborhood, and City. 2000. Regal Books

Billy Graham, 1984. Peace With God. Word Publishing. (Online copy of this book is available at http://www.ccel.us/PeaceWithGod.toc.html courtesy of The Evangelical Christian Library).

Recommended Reading:

Bill Hybels and Mark Mittelberg, 1996. Becoming a Contagious Christian. Zondervan.

Terry Gooding. Paths of Gold: Praying the Way to Christ for Lost Friends and Family . Nav Press

Ed Silvoso. 1997. That None Should Perish: How to Reach Entire Cities for Christ Through Prayer Evangelism. Gospel Light

Don Walton. 2002. Praying in the Harvest: How to Pray for the Lost. Green Key Books

Jim Clark. More Than We Could Ask: Reaching Upward to God and Outward to Others. Faithworks / Stl

Evelyn Christenson. 2003. Praying God's Way: Proclaiming Jesus Christ as the Answer to Every Human Need / Harvest House Publishers /

Course Requirements:

- 1. Attendance: students are expected to attend all sessions
- 2. Assignments:
 - a. Read the required textbooks and write on each a reading report of 3-5 pages.
 - b. Develop a one year outreach plan for a small or medium size urban Chinese church (as detail as possible including tools used Alpha, 3E etc)
 - c. Develop a Discipleship Training curriculum for a small or medium size urban Chinese church (samples will be available)

Note: for assignments (b) and (c) above, you are encouraged to develop the projects with your local church in view. If such programs are currently in place, a detail evaluation, review, or critique of these programs will be accepted.

Composition of the final grade:

Attendance: 30%
Reading report: 10%

3. One year outreach plan project: 30%4. Discipleship Training project: 30%

Note: There is no final exam

Assignment Due Dates:

All assignments are due on December 19, 2007

Submission of Assignments and Exams:

Students must submit their completed assignments and exams to the course instructor either by mailing or email.

Mailing address:

Pastor Chan, 10100, Number One Road, Richmond, BC, V7E 1S2.

Email:

Forward assignments as attachment in Microsoft Word format (Chinese characters in BIG5 format acceptable) to pc@rcac.ca. Students should retain a backup digital copy and a hard copy of all assignments and exams. A hard copy of all assignments and exams with any notations and evaluation will be returned to students via Ambrose Seminary Calgary office. Students must provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope (of sufficient size and postage) to the seminary office to enable them to return the graded assignments. Unclaimed and/or undeliverable papers will be held for one year from the due dates, and then destroyed.

Email address: pc@rcac.ca

Term paper format: A Manual; for Writers of Term Papers, Theses and Dissertations, by Kate L. Turabian (5th edition).

Course Outline:

- Biblical bases for evangelism
- The primary importance of evangelism through the local church
- Evangelism, discipleship, church growth/health
- Conquering your community for Christ
- Preaching the whole gospel
- Invitation for response
- Prayer and evangelism
- Understand the times for evangelism
- How to train God's people to win the lost around them

- Outreach in action
- Cultivating contagious lifestyle
- Empowering new believers
- How to build an evangelistic church
- How to communicate the gospel in the Post-Christian time

Other Information

1. Extensions for the completion of course work are not available from the instructor. Only those students who encounter a serious and unforeseen emergency that prevents the completion of course work may submit a request, in writing, to the Registrar's office at least two weeks prior to the due date.

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2. Add/Drop Policy

Students may withdraw from this classes and receive a full refund only prior to the second class session (i.e., before 7:00 pm on Friday). No tuition refund will be issued after this deadline.

Students may voluntarily withdraw or change their registration from credit to audit, without academic penalty, only prior to completing 70% of the course. Students who withdraw from a course after this deadline will receive a grade of "F."

All Registration changes must be made through the Registrar's Office by completing a Registration Revision Form. Forms are available in the Registrar's Office or can be downloaded from www.ambrose.edu

3. Course Extension or Alternative Exam Requests

Students may not turn in coursework after the date of the scheduled final examination for the course unless they have received permission for a "Course Extension." Alternative times for final examinations cannot be scheduled without prior approval. Requests for course extensions or alternative examination times must be submitted to the Registrar's office two weeks prior to examination week) noted as the "Last Day for Alternative Exam or Course Extension Requests" on the academic calendar). Course extensions are only granted for serious issues that arise "due to circumstances beyond the student's control."

4. Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty Policy.

The seminary maintains a zero tolerance policy on plagiarism and academic honesty. Plagiarism and academic dishonesty can result in a failing grade for an

assignment, for the course, or immediate dismissal from the seminary. Even unintentional plagiarism is to be avoided at all costs. Students are expected to be familiar with the policy statements in the current academic calendar and the student handbook that deal with plagiarism, academic dishonesty (cheating), and the penalties and procedures for dealing with these matters. All cases of academic dishonesty are reported to the Academic Dean.