

Evangelism: Abundantly Sowing the Seed

Scheduled modules

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Course Description

Evangelism is one of the essential core skills of church planting and multiplication. This training module is designed to assist you in developing necessary attitudes, skills and knowledge to be effective in evangelism within the context of establishing healthy, relevant, multiplying churches. We will have the benefit of newer and veteran workers learning together, bringing fresh ideas and the wisdom of years of experience.

Themes included in the evangelism module are:

- * Evangelism that leads to multiplication
 - Intentional spiritual conversations
 - Gospel contextualization in cultures of shame, guilt, and fear
 - Getting to the root of why we hesitate to share the good news
 - What does it mean to disciple the lost

When you have completed this module, you will have:

- * Worked through the roots of any hesitancy to share the Gospel
 - Developed some innovative and culturally sensitive ways to share the Gospel
 - Applied a working model of contextualization to specific issues of evangelism
 - Reviewed evangelistic approaches that contribute to the multiplication of churches
 - Grown in appreciation of abilities and insights of your fellow workers

Who Can Participate?

Any field workers and sending country staff, whether currently engaged in direct church planting ministry or not, may sign up to take this class. A computer and the ability to connect to the Internet are the only technical requirements necessary to begin.

Course Creator:

Evangelism: Abundantly Sowing the Seed was developed by the training department of World Team, a sister mission. World Team is in the process of making the course agency-neutral and has graciously allowed SEND missionaries in limited numbers to join the course.

Your Course Leaders:

Your course facilitators will be less of a teacher and more of a guide and resource throughout your online learning experience. Expect your facilitators to read and respond to your posts with encouragement and probing questions. When you have a question about the logistics or are having difficulty keeping up, contact your facilitators. A course administrator manages the technical and logistical aspects of an online course so that learning can take place. He is available to help you be comfortable with the online setup and software. Do not hesitate to contact your administrator if you have any difficulties. Your course administrator is: Ted Szymczak

Course Structure

Evangelism: Abundantly Sowing the Seed is 5 weeks long plus an introductory week to online learning. Each week is divided up into subsections. A subsection may include an article for reading, a short video, a downloadable worksheet and a forum discussion. Each subsection will normally take 15-45 minutes to complete. All the material is presented online, and will be a mix of text, audio and video.

Expect to spend about 6 hours each week working on the different learning activities for that week. You should plan to participate in the course every day (not including weekends). If you miss a day, be sure to not let two days go by without checking in.

This is an asynchronous course, so there are not specific times you need to be online. Participants will be in several different time zones around the world, so there is not one set time when everyone is on at the same time. The assignments have due dates, but each student decides at what time each day they will work on those assignments.

One of the keys to successful learning in an online course is interaction in online forums with the other participants in the course. It is vital that you faithfully post your responses on time and reply to the posts of other participants. We want you to engage with each other as well as with the subject matter. Don't be afraid to articulate your unique ideas, think critically, or ask challenging questions of others in a godly manner. Of course, your words of encouragement to fellow participants are always welcome.

You will not receive a grade from your facilitator or from SEND U. Your success in learning will be measured by you and your local co-laborers as they notice your renewed and more strategic engagement in evangelism.

Course Calendar

Week	Lesson	Theme/Activity
0	Orientation	Course orientation Personal introductions Content overview
1	Engaging Your Neighbors: Evangelism that Leads to CPM	Engaging in spiritual conversations Practicing “shema statements”
2	The Gospel and Culture: Tearing Down Barriers and Building Bridges	Culture: for and against the Gospel The Gospel for shame, guilt and fear cultures Developing and practicing contextualization of the Gospel
3	Examining Yourself	Examining personal hesitation Self-assessing personal motivation in evangelism
4	The Priority of Multiplication	Finding “a person of peace” Developing or adjusting your CPM strategy toward a multiplication mindset
5	Review and Release	Reviewing lessons learned during the course Establishing an ongoing plan for engaging in evangelism with local accountability

Registration: Info and application form at:

<https://www.grow2serve.com/resources/evangelism-abundantly-sowing-seed/>

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