



## CONNECT MINISTRY TRAINING LEARNING OUTCOMES

### COURSE LEARNING OUTCOME (CLO):

The desired outcome of Connect Ministry Training is for each Participant to be effectively equipped to communicate clearly across cultures and prepare them to be effective in Discipleship and as a member of a Church Planting Team that grows followers of Jesus on to maturity.

### MODULE LEARNING OUTCOMES (MLO):

#### **Module 1: God's Narrative - Genesis to Christ**

To understand the overview from God's Word starting at Genesis, of His interactions with men and women throughout history, right up to the life of Christ. The Participants will gain an appreciation and be able to discuss God's Word as one entire, seamless description of what He has revealed about Himself, about the Spirit world, about Creation, about humans and His intentions for them.

#### **Module 2: God's Narrative Continues - Acts**

To understand the continuation of God's Meta-Narrative story, firstly by looking back at the Biblical Narrative from Genesis to Christ from a totally new perspective: from the point of view of the identity change that has taken place for a believer. Learning what the Narrative says about their new identity, their access to God and their coming together with other believers? To understand and be able to discuss Acts in terms of how God's Word describes the events that shape our understanding of our history as a Church, our shared identity, our mission, the Spirit's work, and the completion of God's Revelation in the New Testament.

#### **Module 3: Living in God's Narrative - Romans & Thessalonians**

To understand how the significant letters of Romans and 1st and 2nd Thessalonians fit into God's Narrative. To both understand and discuss what the Apostle Paul wanted to convey to these new churches about who God is, His plans, His purposes and how the very same truths relate to us today.

#### **Module 4: Communication and Culture**

To understand God's desire to communicate clearly, and what it is that He wants to communicate. The module emphasises how all human communication takes place within the context of culture. By way of an in-depth exploration of culture; the Participant will be able to discuss what culture is, and how we can understand it along with the importance of having an objective understanding of our own culture. The Participant will be able to make comparisons between different cultures in specific areas, such as concepts of time, areas of obligation, styles of communication, and social relationships. The Participant will be able to discuss the principles of acquiring another language and culture and the importance of becoming a clear communicator in another culture.

#### **Module 5: Language and Linguistics**

The Participant will understand and be able to discuss the more technical areas of language and linguistics. By understanding basic concepts, the Participant will complete practical exercises in the following areas: phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, language and meaning, semantics, pragmatics, language and identity, languages and dialects, language change and language families.

#### **Module 6: Culture and Language Acquisition**

The Participant will understand and be able to discuss key elements that make up every person's worldview helping them to evaluate and understand the foundations of their own worldview. Several cultures are used as examples to see how different areas of culture can come together to give a cohesive picture. Guidance and advice is given in the area of adjusting to a new culture. The participant is introduced to a practical guide for culture and language acquisition through – Becoming Equipped to Communicate. Participants are given the handbook and are guided through a series of very practical, real-life exercises in their own community to give them an understanding of what they will face in language and culture acquisition.

#### **Module 7: Word, Identity, Life, Discipleship (W.I.L.D.)**

The Participant will understand and be able to discuss principles of Discipleship and Church Planting by examining the four different lenses of the W.I.L.D. framework. (Word, Identity, Life, Discipleship). They will be able to answer questions concerning the need for tangible goals for those involved in Church Planting and Discipleship. The Participant will understand and be able to discuss the realities of each of these areas of growth as they examine different real-life contexts and ministry examples provided.

#### **Module 8: Resourcing the Church**

In Resourcing the Church, the Participant will develop an understanding of the foundational principles of communicating "meaning" in another language and culture as opposed to a more literal approach. The Participant will learn and understand Bible translation principles by way of various practical examples and exercises to equip the Participant to teach or translate God's Word in another cultural context. The Participant will be introduced to the vital area of Literacy and be able discuss; what it is, how it affects the church in particular, and how to develop and nurture a community literacy project. Finally, the Participant will understand and discuss the development of Bible teaching resources for the church, presenting the Participant with the principles of teamwork and a careful, collaborative approach.

#### **Module 9: Real Church Case Studies**

Returning to the W.I.L.D framework of Module 7, the Participant will understand and be able to discuss how the principles learnt in Module 7 relate to any situation in which God's Word is being shared and discipleship is taking place. The Participant will understand the applications from the four W.I.L.D. areas, in the form of case studies of church planting and discipleship efforts among previously unreached or unengaged people groups. The Participant will be able to discuss the wealth of valuable insights from church planters and first-generation church leaders and the challenges described, and also the amazing fruit they've seen in the areas of God's Word, Identity, Life and Discipleship.

#### **Module 10: Exploring Your Ministry Context**

By way of an assignment project, the Participant will gain an understanding of the culture and context of the specific ministry allocation they are intending to move to, through researching, exploring and detailed discussion of the relevant people group and area in which they hope to locate.

### **TUTORIAL LEARNING OUTCOMES (TLO): - EACH TLO IS MENTIONED AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH TUTORIAL.**

#### **i.e. Tutorial 1.1: God's Narrative – Genesis to Christ. The Master Storyteller**

The Participant will understand and be able to discuss the real and relevant issues of God's inherent right and desire to communicate with man.