

The Center for Christian Leadership

The Center for Christian Leadership is a continuing education program of Anderson University School of Theology. The Center, established in 1972 by the General Assembly of the Church of God (Anderson, Ind.) is designed to:

- Create and offer non-degree courses for ministerial students, lay leaders, pastors, and anyone seeking personal development in their discipleship;
- Serve as a repository of Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for courses or studies completed by Center participants;
- Assist church leaders, pastors, or laity to become equipped for Kingdom service through directed, independent studies in Bible, leadership, and Christian ministry.

All Center programming is for continuing education (CEU) only and not for those seeking an undergraduate or graduate degree. Neither college nor seminary academic credit can be granted for work done through this continuing education program administered by the Center.

The courses available through the Center were written by School of Theology faculty or the faculty of Anderson University. While the courses offered by the Center are independent study, the participant in these courses is required to submit progress reports concerning their study and learning. The participant, by their signature, also attests to studying the materials provided via course registration to their fullest. CEUs are awarded upon satisfactory completion of study materials.

The Center for Christian Leadership has two study tracks leading to certification:

- [Christian Ministry](#) — Pastors, lay ministers or those interested in working within the local congregation are eligible to receive the Certification of Christian Ministry.
- [Aging Ministries](#) — Provides church leaders training in how to lead a proactive, developmental ministry through older adults.

Certification is granted upon satisfactory completion of 50 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) of study with the Center or other recognized continuing education program.

A person who wishes to enroll in the Center should download the Enrollment Form at <http://www.anderson.edu/sot/ccl/application.html>, print it, fill it out, and mail it in with a check to cover the enrollment fee. After a person is enrolled in the Center, they may purchase courses by visiting <http://www.anderson.edu/sot/ccl/forms.html> and downloading the appropriate order form.

Full details on all Center programming and activities are posted at <http://www.anderson.edu/sot/ccl/>.

The courses of study available from the Center are:

Church History and Doctrine

CHIS 1000 An Introduction to Church History 4 CEU

This study concerns the history of the church from the time of Jesus to the present. A textbook and workbook are provided for this course.

CHIS 2000 A Theological Study of the Church 4 CEU

This is a practical study of the doctrine of the church written in language that laypeople will appreciate. Bound manual with study guide written by Dr. Gilbert Stafford.

CHOG 1000 Core Teachings of Christian Theology 4 CEU

This is an overview of Christian theology. This course is helpful to those studying Christian theology or those interested in faith principles that guide the Church of God Reformation Movement. Bound manual with study guide written by Dr. Gilbert Stafford. *(Also available in Spanish.)*

CHOG 1100 Distinguishing Doctrines of the Church of God 4 CEU

This course shares a lifetime's reflection by Dr. John W.V. Smith, late historian of the Church of God. Smith captures in this reprinted work the doctrines of the Church of God as he studied them. The workbook was created by Dr. James Johnman. *(Also available in Spanish.)*

CHOG 2000 The Seven Doctrinal Leaders of the Church of God Movement 4 CEU

This course is a careful examination of the unique influence on the thought, teachings, and practice of the Church of God Movement by seven different ministers, writers, and teachers. Bound manual with study guide written by Dr. Gilbert Stafford. *(Also available in Spanish.)*

CHOG 2100 A Historical and Doctrinal View of Church of God Hymn Heritage 4 CEU

This course is a historical and doctrinal view of the hymnody of the Church of God. The study examines a history of the Church's most prolific songwriters, the history of Church of God hymnals and songbooks, and a doctrinal understanding through lyrics. Bound manual researched and written by David Neidert, MA. *(Also available in Spanish.)*

Biblical Training

BINT 1400 A Biblical and Theological Study of Revelation 7 CEU

Two books form the basis for this course. They are: A Common Sense Approach to the Book of Revelation, by Marie Strong, edited by Sharon Pearson, and Faithful in the Meantime, by Dr.

Barry Callen. These texts and study guides work through the Book of Revelation and present a theological context for interpreting apocalyptic material in the Bible.

BINT 1500 An Introduction to the Book of Acts 4 CEU

This course is based on the book by Dr. Fred Shively, professor of New Testament at Anderson University. The book serves as an introduction to Acts. A workbook accompanies this book, *The Widening Witness*, for understanding this important theological history of the Bible. (Also available in Spanish.)

BIBL 1000 An Introduction to the Bible 4 CEU

This study provides an overall survey of the Bible, including Old Testament, New Testament, and the Intertestamental books.

BIBL 1100 Life and Teachings of Jesus: From the Gospel According to Luke 4 CEU

This study provides an overview of the historical context of Jesus' ministry, an understanding of Jesus, an introduction to his teaching methods, and an introduction to Luke's Gospel. Unique features of this study are the questions for personal and spiritual growth that emerged from a four-month adult study using Luke's Gospel. Pictures from Israel (taken by the author) are placed throughout to help the reader see the context regarding Jesus' ministry, from Galilee to Jerusalem. Bound manual written by David Neidert, MA.

BIBL 2000 An Introduction to Archaeology of the Ancient Near East 4 CEU

A workbook for this course provides the student with an introduction to the science and techniques of archaeology. The student will also survey the histories and context of the Near East as it relates to the development of the people of Israel. Pictures from the Jeeninga Museum and sketches are included for understanding the context of archaeology. Bound manual written by David Neidert, MA. (Also available in Spanish.)

Theological Studies

THST 1000 The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit 4 CEU

This is a careful study of the biblical teachings of the person and ministry of the Holy Spirit. This study is highly informative and deeply personal for Christian growth. Bound manual with study guide written by Dr. Gilbert Stafford. (Also available in Spanish.)

THST 1100 Faith Development 4 CEU

This course is for pastors and lay leaders who want to deepen their understanding of their own faith and develop principles and practices for helping others grow in faith. The text used for the course is *Faith is a Verb*, by Kenneth Stokes. Study guide written by Dr. John Aukerman.

Pastoral Ministry

PLCR 1000 How to Prepare Biblical Sermons 6 CEU

The book, *How to Prepare Biblical Sermons*, by Dr. James Braga serves as the text for this course. The emphasis is on the practical step-by-step process of sermon preparation. Workbook written by Dr. Dwight Grubbs.

PCCS 1000 An Introduction to Pastoral Counseling 4 CEU

This is a general introduction to the field of pastoral counseling and care. A textbook and manual are provided for this course.

Leadership Studies

LDSHP 1100 Biblical Leadership Speaks 4 CEU

This course utilizes the book, *Living Leadership: Biblical Leadership Speaks to Our Day*, edited by Dr. Ken Hall. This anthology covers a variety of leadership lessons learned from some of the Bible's great personalities, such as Moses, Ruth, Jeremiah, Paul, and others. Both scholars and leadership practioners contributed to this book. Study guide and questions written by David Neidert, MA.