

When do classes begin?

New classes begin in September and continue until June. Classes meet for two hours weekly, with class time determined by the leaders and class participants.

What is the cost?

To cover the cost of text books and two retreats, the cost is \$500 per student. A monthly payment schedule may be arranged. Partial scholarships may also be available by re-

Enrichment Events:

Spiritual Disciplines Retreat
September 22, 23, 2006

Leadership Assessment Workshop
April 13, 14, 2007

High Adventure Camp, May 3-6,
2007

What are the outcomes?

- ◆ Personal spiritual growth
- ◆ A clearer understanding of who God has made you to be
- ◆ A support network of fellow disciples
- ◆ Transferable leadership skills
- ◆ Affirmation of your current ministry role
- ◆ Discernment of vocational calling and direction for continuing education
- ◆ Begin the route toward Commissioned Pastor designation

What past participants are saying:

"Through defining moments in my life story and in mentoring relationships, my eyes have been opened to see God's working in my life...I am better equipped to provide leadership in many areas within my job, church, and family." Kevin Verschuure, "Emerging Leader" 2003 participant and Pella employee, Sioux Center, IA

"The curriculum and group interaction in Leaders for the Harvest drew us closer to the heart of Jesus, and it allowed us to acknowledge and appreciate the strengths in which He has given to each of us. It is amazing to see the impact for the Kingdom that takes place in individual lives, our church, community, and beyond as people participate in this process." Pastor Jon Nelson, Trinity, Orange City, IA

To learn how your church might become a local Leadership Center or to enroll as a student, please contact a Heartland Synod staff member or the Leaders for the Harvest Coordinator:

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Year 1 Training

Emerging Leaders

A lay leadership training course for those seeking God's call in their lives



Learning to be a Biblically Centered Leader

Do You Ever Wonder?

- ◆ What is God calling me to do?
- ◆ How does past experience prepare me for what lies ahead?
- ◆ Is there a way to sharpen my ministry and leadership skills without becoming a full time student?
- ◆ How can I be more intentional in my spiritual growth?

“For we are what He has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.”

Ephesians 2:10



Emerging Leader Classes may be for you!

If you are asking any of these questions, you might be interested in a new program offered in several area churches. It is a high commitment class which meets two hours weekly in order to help Christian disciples go deeper in their faith and to equip them to follow God's leading wherever that might take them.

Through intentional time with a mentor, assigned reading, class interaction and a few weekend retreats, you will be challenged and equipped to more effectively lead others. As a result of your own skill development and spiritual growth you will be better prepared for whatever God has in mind for you and have a better understanding of your unique spiritual gifts and calling.

“Helping leaders discover who God is, who they are, and what God can do through them as they develop in ministry and produce the next generation of Christ-like leaders.”

Dr. Randy Reese, Vantage Point 3

Tell me more. . .

Who should enroll?

- Volunteer leaders in the church
- Youth/education and other church staff
- Elders and deacons
- Anyone seeking to discern God's calling in his/her life
- Those desiring to better equip themselves for effective Christian service

How do I learn more?

Begin by contacting the Synod of the Heartland Office, 612 8th St., Orange City, IA 51041 (712)737-2028 and ask for Dan DeVries or talk to any Synod staff person.

Where are classes offered?

Emerging Leader classes are currently being held in Adventure Life, Altoona, IA; First Reformed, Maurice, IA; First Reformed, Orange City, IA; New Life Reformed, Sioux Center, IA; Third Reformed, Pella, IA; Orchard Hill, Cedar Falls, IA; Good News, Okoboji, IA; Peace Reformed, Eagan, MN; Trinity, Orange City, IA; Westview, Waukee, IA; and Reformed Church of Plano, TX.