



The Urban Ministry Institute
Equipping Leadership for the Urban Church



Application for Admission

Personal Information

Full name _____

Home address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home phone _____

Birth date _____

Sex Male Female

Marital status Single Married

Background Information

How long have you been a Christian? _____

Name of the church you attend _____

Denominational affiliation, if any _____

Are you a member of this church? _____

Who is the senior pastor of this church? _____

Your spouse's name _____

Christian? Yes No

Children's names and ages _____

1. I have completed:
- some high school
 - high school/GED
 - some college courses
 - an Associate's Degree
 - a Bachelor's Degree
 - other (please explain) _____

2. I am interested in :
- taking individual courses
 - working toward a **Certificate in Christian Leadership Studies** (32 credit hours)
 - working toward a **Ministerial Studies Diploma** (64 credit hours)

Educational Information

1. What does it mean to you to be a Christian?
2. What are some of the most important areas you have grown in since becoming a Christian, and what has helped you to grow?
3. In what ways and in what areas do you believe God is asking you to serve as a Christian leader? How are you currently living that out in your church?

Ministry Information

4. What is the most important thing God has taught you about Christian leadership?

5. How do you plan to use the training you receive?

6. Have you read and do you agree with our **Affirmation of Faith Statement** (see next page)? Yes No

Please give the name, address, and phone number of the pastor who will be completing your reference form:

Reference Information

I certify that all answers on this application are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsifying any part of this application may result in cancellation of admission and/or registration. Finally, I certify that I will live honorably and with integrity in conjunction with the standards God's Word gives for leaders. (It should, of course, be understood that any behavior which indicates that a student has disregard for the spirit of these standards, would be sufficient reason to ask him/her to withdraw from the Institute).

Certification and Signatures

(to be completed by all applicants)

Signature _____ **Date** _____

**Affirmation of Faith
Statement**

1. There is one living and true God, infinitely perfect in glory, wisdom, holiness, justice, power, and love, one in his essence but eternally existing in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. God sovereignly created the world out of nothing, so that his creation, while wholly dependent upon him, neither comprises part of God, nor conditions his essential perfection.
2. The books which form the canon of the Old and New Testaments are verbally inspired by God, inerrant in the original writings, the only infallible rule of faith and practice.
3. God created man in his own image, in a state of original righteousness, from which man subsequently fell by a voluntary revolt, and consequently is guilty, inherently corrupt and subject to divine wrath.
4. Jesus Christ, the eternal Son, became man without ceasing to be God by uniting to his divine nature a true human nature in his incarnation, and so continues to be both God and man, in two distinct natures and one person, forever. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, exhibited his deity by manifold miracles, fulfilled the requirements of the Law by his sinless life, shed his blood as a vicarious and propitiatory atonement for man's sin, was resurrected from the dead in the same body, now glorified. He ascended into heaven and now intercedes in glory for his redeemed as our great High Priest and Advocate, and as the head of the Church and Lord of the individual believer.
5. The Holy Spirit convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, through the ministry of regeneration and sanctification applies salvation and places believers into the Church, guides and comforts God's children, indwells, directs, gifts, and empowers the Church in godly living and service in order to fulfill the Great Commission, and seals and keeps the believer until Christ returns.
6. Every man, regardless of race or rank, who receives the Lord Jesus Christ by faith is born into the family of God and receives eternal life. This occurs solely because of the grace of God and has no ground in human merit.
7. The Holy Church is the one institution specifically ordained by God to function in the furthering of the Kingdom until Christ comes again. It consists of all those regenerated by the Spirit of God, in mystical union and communion both with Christ, the head of the body, and with fellow believers. Neighborhood congregations are the local manifestation of the Church universal. In obedience to the command of Christ, these congregations preach the Word of God, equip God's people for the work of ministry, and administer the Lord's Supper and baptism.
8. The Lord Jesus Christ will return bodily, visibly, and personally to receive his own, to conform believers to his own image, and to establish his millennial Kingdom. He will judge the quick and the dead and will effect a final separation of the redeemed and the lost, assigning unbelievers to eternal punishment and believers to eternal glory, enjoying conscious fellowship with him.
9. Man's chief end in life is to honor and glorify Almighty God. Personal salvation is a means to this end.