

Missionary Preparation Extension Program *At* THE MASTER'S MISSION



"The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust them to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." 2 Timothy 2:2

- **ARE YOU SERIOUS ABOUT SERVING THE LORD BUT UNSURE OF THE “HOW’S”?**
- Excited about sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ, yet concerned about the unknowns of the mission field?

Missionary Preparation Extension Program

at ***The Master’s Mission***

Spend a semester learning what it takes to do missions.

Earn up to 14 hours of elective credits. Study & work along side missionary candidates from:

Kenya Israel India

USA Congo GERMANY

(the number of international candidates in each class varies from year to year)

The Master’s Mission is a missionary training and sending organization that prepares missionaries to go to effectively meet the challenges of cross cultural missions. It is located on 1500 acres in the midst of the Smoky Mountains in North Carolina.

Costs: Tuition, Board and Travel to and from Santa Clarita, CA, is about the same as your resident semester costs at The Master’s College.

See Dr. Tom Halstead for details

Missionary Preparation Extension Program at The Master's Mission:

Missionary Preparations I *

A specialized field involvement program offered at **The Master's Mission**, Robbinsville, NC, during Fall Semester. The student participates in classroom studies and practicums along side the missionary candidates in training. Biblical studies include Scriptural Foundations for Cross Cultural Missions and The Family and Missions. Technical areas of heavy construction/mill work and mechanics are introduced. The student is evaluated and supervised both at the mission and with an on-campus advisor. Ministry practicums are assigned within the local churches and Native American Indian community. Reading, writing and practicum assignments are required. See **Missionary Preparations I - Course Descriptions** for more information. (14 hours of credit are awarded for satisfactory completion)

Missionary Preparations II

A specialized field involvement program offered at **The Master's Mission**, Robbinsville, NC, during Spring Semester (Missionary Preparations I is not a prerequisite). The student participates in classroom studies and practicums along side the missionary candidates in training. Biblical studies include Biblical Principles of Missions Ministry and The Family and Missions. Technical areas of mechanics and community planning and management are introduced. The student is evaluated and supervised both at the mission and with an on-campus advisor. Ministry practicums are assigned within the local churches and Native American Indian community. Reading, writing and practicum assignments are required. See **Missionary Preparations II - Course Descriptions** for more information. (14 hours of credit are awarded for satisfactory completion)

Missionary Preparations - Summer Session

A specialized field involvement program offered at **The Master's Mission**, Robbinsville, NC, during Summer Session (Missionary Preparations I & II are not prerequisites). The student participates in classroom studies and practicums along side the missionary candidates in training. Biblical studies include doctrinal issues influencing cross cultural mission work. Technical areas in building construction are introduced. The student is evaluated and supervised both at the mission and with an on-campus advisor. Ministry practicums are assigned within the local churches and the Native American Indian community. Reading, writing and practicum assignments are required. See **Missionary Preparations - Summer Session - Course Descriptions** for more information. (7 hours of credit are awarded for satisfactory completion)

* The student, who has fulfilled his other course requirements and with the approval of his advisor could take both Missionary Preparations I and II during the his last Fall and Spring semesters. This would allow the qualified student to receive the type training necessary that would enable him to embark for the mission field upon graduation. The student electing or needing additional theological studies could take one semester of training (either section) or the summer session with the option of returning after seminary for additional missions training as desired or needed.

Missionary Preparations I - Course Descriptions

Fall Semester

at The Master's Mission

(14 hours)

Bible & Missions Curriculum:

Scriptural Foundations for Vocational Missions (3 hours)

A consideration of Biblical truths which are foundational to cross cultural missions, including the issue of Scriptural authority, a survey of the program of God throughout history, and a discussion of the Scriptural rationale for bearing the Gospel to all the world.

The Family and Missions - Part I (1 hour)

A careful study of issues relating to the missionary's responsibility to give leadership to his family, with special attention to the unusual demands made upon a family in a cross cultural setting.

Men's Technical Curriculum:

Heavy Construction/Mill Work (3 hours)

An introductory course in the basic design theory and construction techniques of small dam, road, and airstrip construction; the basic practices of timber management and the set-up, operation, and maintenance of portable sawmills; with emphasis on designs and techniques appropriate for the limited resources of developing countries.

Mechanics - Part I (1 hour)

A program of instruction in diesel engines, gasoline engines and drive trains, designed to equip the student to perform maintenance and repair on a variety of vehicles, machines, and power plants utilized on the mission field.

Women's Technical Curriculum:

Home and Family (3 hours)

A consideration of the unique challenges and difficulties intrinsic to the life of a foreign missionary; special emphasis is given to the demands upon missionary children, and to Biblical strategies which anticipate and minister to those demands.

- **Bible & Missions Class** periods are 90 minutes long.
- **Technical sessions** are 2 hours in length.
- **Practicums** - After lunch, the candidates are involved in practicums, giving the student "hands on" experience in a wide variety of technical disciplines and procedures in operating a mission base. Ministry practicums are conducted in local churches and in the Native American Indian community. (3 hours credit awarded with successful completion of all work in both technical and ministry areas)
- **Guided Reading and Research** as coordinated with The Master's College. (3 hours)

Missionary Preparations II - Course Descriptions

Spring Semester

at The Master's Mission

(14 hours)

Bible & Missions Curriculum:

Biblical Principles of Missions Ministry (3 hours)

An overview of mission work as practiced in the New Testament, with special attention to the ministry of church planting in both rural (remote areas) and urban areas.

The Family and Missions - Part II (1 hour)

A careful study of issues relating to the missionary's responsibility to give leadership to his family, with special attention to the unusual demands made upon a family in a cross cultural setting. (Part II is not dependent on Part I)

Men's Technical Curriculum:

Community Planning and Management (3 hours)

An introductory course in basic community planning in undeveloped areas. Topics include health and environmental considerations, the enhancement of traditional enterprise and the development of new enterprise appropriate to local resources. Much of this course is devoted to the design, installation and maintenance of water systems.

Mechanics - Part II (1 hour)

A program of instruction in diesel engines, gasoline engines and drive trains, designed to equip the student to perform maintenance and repair on a variety of vehicles, machines, and power plants utilized on the mission field. (Part II is not dependent on Part I)

Women's Technical Curriculum:

Missionary Life (3 hours)

Introduction to some of the practical demands of living in a cross cultural setting, whether rural (remote area) or urban; instruction is given in basic health and first aid, food purchasing and storage, provision of drinking water, gardening, small animal husbandry, and other selected topics.

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Missionary Preparations - Summer Session

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Summer Session

at The Master's Mission

(7 hours)

Bible & Missions Curriculum:

Doctrinal Issues Influencing Foreign Mission Work (3 hours)

A study of specific areas of doctrine which relate to the work of foreign missions, and/or which have been sources of difficulty and debate among those involved in foreign mission work.

Men's Technical Curriculum:

Building Construction (1 hour)

An introductory course in the basic design and construction of residential and light commercial buildings with special emphasis on materials and techniques utilized in developing countries.

Women's Technical Curriculum:

Field Ministries (1 hour)

Instruction in areas of support ministry necessary to foreign mission service: topics include youth and women's ministries, office management, and communications.

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The Master's Mission

You have become part of a unique ministry. In its twenty-third year, the Lord has enabled The Master's Mission, in partnership with its supporting churches, to begin training a new generation of mission ministers characterized by their love for the Word of God and the technical ability to open new work around the world. Graduates of The Master's Mission now serve in Africa, Germany, India, Israel, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Alaska, Romania, CIS (former Soviet Union), and the United States.

The Master's Mission training base is situated on 1500 acres in the mountains of North Carolina. Facilities include an 8000 square foot training center containing mechanical and carpentry shop bays, class room with drafting tables, dining hall and kitchen and faculty offices. The women's technical center contains a class room, faculty office, laundry and children's playground. The training base includes a barn, gardens, pastures and goat pen, a saw mill site, a rock crusher/sorter, and 10 acre lake. Faculty and guest housing, storage facilities, an FM radio tower, and an office building, serving the administrative staff and candidates clerical needs, complete the campus. Candidates live in twelve modern cabins, but without electricity. Each cabin is served by gravity water, wood heat, propane oven and range and water heater, kerosene refrigeration and lighting.

The Master's Mission, formerly known as **Mission Ready**, was incorporated in the State of Illinois in the City of Springfield on the 18th of October, 1979, for the purpose of religious education and missionary work and support. The Master's Mission is a 501 (c) (3) tax exempt organization for IRS purposes.

The Master's Mission admits qualified candidates of any race, color, national and ethnic origin, to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to candidates at the training center. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin, or handicap, in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other training center-administered programs.

TMM Training Philosophy

TMM puts all its missionary candidates through a “Remote Area Missionary” training program.

We believe this program provides the most comprehensive, stressful missionary training possible in a one-year training period. While only about 60% of our missionaries serve in remote areas, this program is designed to prepare and equip missionaries qualified to serve *in all types* of foreign mission work. Our desire is that our graduates develop new work wherever they go. The skills they learn here will help them be wise stewards of the Lord’s resources. The ability to work with their hands, as well as oversee the construction of new mission bases and projects, *whether remote or urban*, will give them added platforms of ministry with those they work among. The technical curriculum provides not only practical skills that might prove necessary on any mission field but also teaches flexibility and adaptability to various conditions found overseas.

TMM’s Bible and Missions curriculum gives candidates a practical understanding of the Word of God.

Fundamental to the training program is the *study of God’s Word*. Each of the sixty-six books are reviewed annually and daily classes emphasize those passages which relate to missions, discipling of believers, and establishing churches. The missionary must be able to utilize the Bible in all aspects of ministry. He must have a working knowledge and understanding of how its message applies to daily living, family life, and church governance.

The Bible and Missions curriculum is taught by the staff of The Master’s Mission and is supplemented each year by a number of guest instructors, such as Charlie Liebert of *Creation, Dinosaurs, and the Flood*), Herb Samworth (*The Scriptorium: Center for Christian Antiquities*), Gary Vaterlaus (*Sola Scriptura*), Dan Hayden (*Truth and Grace Ministries*), Martha Peace (*author, The Excellent Wife*), Clearcreek Chapel Biblical Counseling Instructors, Russ McKendry (*pastor The Master’s Bible Church, Denver, CO*), and Jim Neiwheiser (*pastor Grace Bible Church, Escondido, CA*).

TMM Practicums are extensive, but not exhaustive.

Hands-on experience is provided in as many areas of study as is possible in a given year. Candidates will develop general competency in many disciplines, but will become specialists only through on-going experience on the field.

Fundamental to the training in the practicum is the development of a biblical work ethic in the missionary. In this they model a distinctive of Christian conversion and living which is usually absent in the cultures in which they take the gospel. They must be diligent in work and ministry and they must strive for excellence. The work we do for the Lord should be our best (Jer. 48:10; Eccles. 9:10; Eph. 6:5-8; Rom. 12:11; Col. 3:23; Prov. 12:27). This aspect of discipling, i.e., the modeling of a godly work ethic, must be recovered by our contemporary cross cultural missionaries.



The Master's Mission

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Application Form

Check the session for which you are applying:

- Missionary Preparations I - Fall Semester
- Missionary Preparations II - Spring Semester
- Missionary Preparations - Summer Session

Personal Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: __ (____) _____ Email _____

Birthdate: _____ Anniversary: _____

Spouse's name: _____ Spouses Birthday: _____

Children (include ages): _____

Please describe the general health of you and your family. Include any major health problems in the last five years.

Have you or your spouse ever been separated or divorced? _____

Church Information:

What church do you currently attend: _____

Pastor and/or associate: _____

What do you consider to be your home church? _____

Home Church address: _____ Phone: _____

Home Church Pastor and/or Associate: _____

List your current church responsibilities: _____

List your past church responsibilities: _____

College Information:

Your student ID number: _____ Major: _____ Spouse's major: _____

Class Status: _____ Anticipated graduation date: _____

Employment Experience:

	Employer	Start/finish	Job Description
You:		to	
		to	
		to	
Your Spouse:		to	
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Spiritual Affirmations:

How do you know you are a child of God?

Why do you believe God is leading you into missionary service?

Based on the qualifications for church leadership listed in I Timothy 3:1-10 and Titus 1:6-9, are there any areas of your life that might disqualify you? Please explain.

Do you affirm the doctrinal statement of **The Master's College**? In what areas do you disagree or need further study?

Date of Application: _____

Signature: _____



RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO DR. TOM HALSTEAD. HE WILL FORWARD IT TO THE MASTER'S MISSION FOR PROCESSING.

The Master's College Recommendation:

Advisor's signature: _____ Date: _____

Comments (use back if necessary): _____