

Re: Candidates for the 8th Cohort of the Emerging Leaders Cohort (ELC)

Dear North American Chapter Directors and Leaders:

Greetings in Jesus' name!

The Emerging Leaders Cohort program, a unique opportunity, is an HQ-level education and discipleship for key emerging leaders of UBF chapters in North America and worldwide. It provides a platform where key leaders meet with senior staff/leaders to build up relationships, learn and grow in God's word, and embrace God's vision for the future of UBF.

We are seeking 5-8 candidates for the 8th cohort (the Holy Team), which begins in October 2024. **The application deadline is July 31.** The candidates should be disciples who have the following:

1. A testimony of God's grace in their life
2. A solid Bible study history
3. At least one year of shepherding/Bible teaching experience in UBF
4. A desire to serve Christ's mission, especially in campus ministry
5. A recommendation from their chapter leader
6. An undergraduate degree

The course requires about 3 hours of work per week and a 2-hour meeting roughly every other week throughout the year, with major religious holidays off. It's a 2-and-a-half-year program with 20 topics (noted below). Each course averages 5-6 weeks. Sessions are facilitated by about 20 UBF staff/leaders in North America.

The program entails an annual fee of \$300 in addition to the cost of books (usually one book per session, averaging \$20 per book for eight sessions per year). Each chapter is encouraged to assist with this cost if necessary. Financial assistance will be considered necessary case-by-case, especially for participants outside North America.

Here is an outline of the 20 sessions:

Year 1: God and His Reign; Essential Theology; Ministerial Person and Calling; Grace and Faith; Worship; Inductive Bible Study; Walking by the Spirit

Year 2: Prayer; Evangelism; Preaching; Community of Christ; Marriage and Family; Apologetics; Counseling

Year 3. Spiritual Warfare; Leadership; Ethical Topics; Multicultural Ministry; History of Missions; Student Missions and UBF

We deeply appreciate your support and involvement in this process. Please pray about it and let us know as soon as possible if you have any candidates. Please call or email us with any questions regarding this program.

Qualified candidates should complete the application form by July 31. The form can be found at <https://forms.gle/aJthFEE9NwvHfdtC9>. Please ensure all required fields are filled out.

(Here are some testimonials: <https://youtu.be/q8l-yEhoZSI>)

Grace and peace be with you!

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