Great Lakes Region
EMERGING LEADERS COHORT

Disciples Leaders for the Next Generation

Growing Together. Rooted in Christ. Equipped to Shepherd.



"Go and make disciples!" Matthew 28:19

"To be conformed to the image of Christ" Romans 8:29

"Entrust to reliable people" 2 Timothy 2:2

The Great Lakes Region Emerging Leaders Cohort is a two-and-a-half-year discipleship and leadership development program for key emerging leaders from our region (Toledo and surrounding chapters). Together we will learn, grow, and be equipped to become Bible teachers and shepherds for students and young adults, for the glory of God and the mission of UBF.



DEEPEN YOUR FAITH
Solid biblical and doctrinal foundation and a vibrant relationship with God

DEVELOP LEADERSHIP
Become a Christlike disciple-maker for campus ministry and the next generation

LEARN TO SHEPHERD
Grow in pastoral care, compassion, and wisdom to serve students and young adults

BE PART OF GOD'S MISSION
Embrace UBF's global vision and learn with leaders from across North America



REGIONAL GATHERINGS IN TOLEDO
Our Great Lakes Region cohort will meet in person in Toledo about every other month for fellowship, discussion, and prayer. Pastor Steve and Pastor Greg will help facilitate the cohort along with the regular UBF instructors.



PROGRAM LENGTH
2.5 years
(begins with a new cohort each year)

ONLINE + IN-PERSON
Learn through online courses (about 3 hours per week) and join a 2-hour online meeting roughly every other week, plus in-person regional gatherings in Toledo about every other month.

COHORT SIZE
5-8 people
from the Great Lakes Region chapters

CURRICULUM
20 topics over two years including Bible, leadership, pastoral care, evangelism, missions, and more. (See the website for full list of courses.)

COST
$300 per year
(UBF Headquarters tuition). Your chapter is encouraged to help with the costs if needed.

WHO CAN APPLY?
- Post-graduates with a solid Bible study history and desire to serve Christ's mission
- With some shepherding experience
- Recommended by your chapter leader.

Learn More & Apply

TENTATIVE START DATE
January 2027
Apply by November 30, 2026

https://ubf.org/emerging-leaders-cohort/
Visit the website for detailed information, curriculum, application process, and deadlines.

QUESTIONS?
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