

World Missions 304 Associate Degree Level



Classroom Hours: 24 (minimum)

Description/Overview:

This course clearly defines missions as well as the structure and objectives of Global Missions in the United Pentecostal Church. Elaborating on the Great Commission it answers the question of who should be involved in missions and outlines the missionary's role in both the national and indigenous church.

Objectives:

At the end of this course students will be able to:

- 1.) Define “missions.”
- 2.) Establish the Great Commission as the basis of authority for the church.
- 3.) Reflect upon world and region statistics and our mission as a church.
- 4.) Understand the responsibility of every member of the church to be involved in World Missions.
- 5.) Explain the calling and the work of a missionary.
- 6.) List the Biblical purpose, goals, and objectives of the missionary in the country where he or she labors.
- 7.) Discover, define, and understand the principles on which the New Testament church was established while showing their relevance to the church today.
- 8.) Emphasize the importance of both burden and vision as necessary elements in order to see a harvest of souls on the mission field.
- 9.) State a Scriptural point of view of the call of God and learn how to recognize the call of a missionary.
- 10.) Determine the prerequisites of those called to be missionaries, show why they are important to the work, and understand there must be a time of preparation beforehand.
- 11.) Exhibit a clear understanding of why the United Pentecostal Church International exists and what it seeks to accomplish in the world through Global Missions.
- 12.) Describe the structure of Global Missions, understand the daily operation of the division and the function of its staff.
- 13.) Restate the role of the missionary in the national church.
- 14.) Show that Satan causes confusion as to the true purpose of missions.
- 15.) Recognize the responsibility of the missionary as a steward and the importance of his faithful accountability to God, to the sending churches, and to the organization.

Topics/Concepts:

- What missions involves: going forth, being sent forth, doing, and reaching.
- The church’s two-fold responsibility to the Lord and to the people for whom He did.
- The Great Commission as the great co-mission. He that goes with us and before us is greater than what is in the world.
- The growth and history of the early church.
- The habit and importance of giving as it relates to World Missions.

- What a missionary is and what they are not.
- The Biblical purpose of missions, what it is, and which verses define it.
- The self-propagating, self-supporting, self-governing nature of the church.
- The purpose of the incarnation.
- Characteristics of people known to be called by God as missionaries.
- The structure of Global Missions, its purpose, the staff who work there, and their particular jobs and tasks.

Recommended Primary Textbook(s):

World Missions, G. Randy Adams

Recommended Alternatives:

Missions Basics (OMTC), Dorsey Burk

Sensing God's Direction, James Poitras and Bruce Howell

Overview of Lessons available in the Recommended Primary Textbook:

1. What Is Missions?
2. What Is the Great Commission?
3. Mission Impossible?
4. Everyone Must Give or Go
5. What Is a Missionary?
6. What Are the Missionary's Objectives?
7. Indigenous Church Principles of the New Testament Church
8. The Burden and the Vision for the Harvest
9. What Is the Missionary Call?
10. What Are the Prerequisites of Being a Missionary and Doing Missionary Work?
11. What Are the Objectives of Global Missions, UPCI?
12. What Is the Structure of Global Missions?
13. What Is the Missionary's Role in the National Church in Its Beginning?
14. What Is the Missionary's Role in the Indigenous Church?
15. Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing
16. Tactics Satan Uses to Keep Missions off Balance

17. The Missionary as a Steward

18. A Full Circle of Missions

Languages Available:

English, French and Spanish

Course Packet Resources:

Power Point

Answer Key

Additional materials available on request to gats@upci.org

Comments:

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