# Pastoral Duties 316 Associate Degree Level



#### Classroom Hours: 24(minimum)

#### **Description/Overview:**

The duties of a pastor supersede church work and stretch into his personal life, his family, his finances, and his ethics. This course studies both personal and publics aspects of ministry, explaining how a minister should behave as a husband, father, counselor, administrator, and manager of finance.

### **Objectives:**

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

- 1. Express the importance of a minister maintaining a healthy personal life.
- 2. Clarify the role a minister should play in his own home, with his own family.
- 3. Identify the dangers a minister's personal life might encounter.
- 4. Restate the vital role honesty and integrity play in a minister's handling of his finances.
- 5. Define "ministerial ethics" as it relates to every aspect of a minister's life.
- 6. Explain and expound upon the biblical role of a pastor.
- 7. Consider that pastor as the head of an administrative team.
- 8. Summarize the various aspects of the financial management of a church.
- 9. Differentiate between teaching and preaching.
- 10. Clarify the special services a minister performs and how those are to be handled.
- 11. Understand the necessary qualifications of proper pastoral counseling.
- 12. Establish the laws that effect ministers specifically and how to follow them.
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## **Topics/Concepts:**

- The various aspects of a minister's personal life: calling, character, devotional life, fellowship, priorities, self-discipline, self-motivation, continuing education, stewardship of the body and pitfalls.
- The minister's calling and how his family fits into and plays a part in that.
- A minister's role as a spouse.
- How a minister should handle compensation and taxes.
- A minister's relationship with his community, pastor, laity, evangelists, other pastors and churches, district organization, general organization.

- The proper pastoral handling of evangelism and missions.
- The administration of a local church, establishing a leadership team and selecting personnel.
- The various aspects of the financial management of a church: cash control, bookkeeping, budgeting, reporting, and fund raising.
- The preacher delivering each message as an ambassador of Christ.
- The qualifications and legalities of, general considerations relating to, and proper procedures concerning weddings.
- The various types of pastoral counseling.

#### **Recommended Primary Textbook(s)**

The Pentecostal Minister, J. L. Hall and David K. Bernard

#### **Recommended Alternatives:**

Making Full Proof of Our Ministry – Ralph Reynolds Pastoral Studies (IABC), Ralph Vincent Reynolds Ministerial/Pastoral Duties (OMTC) – Ralph Reynolds & William Cole

#### Overview of Lessons available in the Recommended Primary Textbook:

Foreword – Nathaniel A. Urshan The Minister's Personal Life – Cleveland M. Becton The Minister and His Family – Charles R. Grisham The Minister's Finances – Jesse F. Williams Ministerial Ethics – E.L. Holley Pastoral Leadership – J. T. Pugh Church Administration – Kenneth F. Haney Church Finances – Ken Gurley Preaching and Teaching – David F. Gray Special Services – Clark E. Lott Sr. Pastoral Counseling – Robert D. Trapani The Minister and the Law – David K. Bernard

**Languages Available:** English, French and Spanish

#### **Course Packet Resources:**

Power Point Answer Keys Additional materials available on request at gats@upci.org

#### **Comments:**

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