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# South Africa-Indian Ocean Division Leadership Cohort to Graduate



March 21 marked a momentous occasion when completed project dissertations from the SID Leadership cohort were officially approved. Dr. Skip Bell, DMin Program Director and the cohort coordinator, Dr. Denis Fortin, Seminary Dean, and Dr. David Penno, DMin Project Coach, had the unusual pleasure of signing the dissertations en masse. The cohort launched in the summer of 2007 with twenty-seven members; sadly, one was lost in January, 2008 when Pastor Maxwell Marova succumbed to a sudden illness. Congratulations to all the cohort members who have supported one another and completed their DMin journey together!

### It's Time for Summer Semester Registration

An important reminder for current DMin program participants: Registration is required for each of the three semesters that comprise an academic year; this is true for the duration of your program. Summer semester this year begins on May 2, and registrations for the summer will be prepared the first week of April. Andrews staff will enter your registration for you, but we can do this only if you make sure you have financial clearance to register. If you are not sure whether your account is up to date, please contact Vicki Thompson at Student Financial Services to confirm you are cleared for summer; call her now at 1-269-471-3428, or email vlt@andrews.edu.

# **Urban Ministry Cohort Field Trip in Chicago**

Braving the cold, eighteen enthusiastic Urban Ministry cohort participants plus DMin faculty and staff experienced a day-long field trip on March 1. They visited churches serving various population segments in the north side of Chicago, walked the site of the infamous Cabrini-Green public housing development, and oriented to some transforming neighborhoods on the south side. The tour gave some real-world insights



into the daily-living challenges faced by the urban poor, and showed how the ministries of service organizations can adapt as neighborhoods change.

### **ReCharge!**

#### A Writer's Workshop for Doctor of Ministry Students June 6-9, 2011 Andrews University

Looking for a fresh start in your DMin project? Want some help with academic writing, or style/formatting issues in your project? Just need a bit of encouragement? Come to ReCharge!, a Doctor of Ministry writing workshop to be presented by Dr. Jeanette Bryson. It is just for DMin students this summer. Register at 269-471-6130. The cost is \$100. That is all for the week! Travel costs are on your own. Call now!

### Coming this Fall: the 2011 DMin Conference

This year's Doctor of Ministry conference will meet at the Andrews University campus **September 26 & 27**. Seminary faculty, DMin adjunct faculty, concentration coordinators, and various division, union and other representatives are invited to attend. This year's discussions will focus on integrating DMin education with field work. Save the date on your calendar! For more information or to reserve your place, contact Alicia Boling at the DMin office: 269-471-6130, <u>gulliver@andrews.edu</u>.

**Coming in 2012** (details to be announced soon): **Evangelism and Church Growth** concentration, launching a new cohort in March, 2012.