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DOCTOR OF MINISTRY



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What We Look for in a Doctor of Ministry



These words from Herbert Anderson describe what we are trying to develop in a Doctor of Ministry:

"The essence of pastoral work is to live fully in the joys and struggles and sometimes harsh realities of the people with whom we minister, discern the presence of God in the midst of daily living, help people find themselves in the biblical stories, and then find authentic ways for linking faith's wisdom to the human story."

The Doctor of Ministry is a competent clergy person who embodies faith's wisdom. He or she is able to demonstrate outstanding competence in their ministry through knowing, being, and doing. They possess vision and discernment, holding ability to understand and to act in both the totality and the particularity ministry practice demands.

May God shape and bless our commitment and yours!

Skip Bell, DMin
Professor of Church Leadership
Director, Doctor of Ministry Program

Pastoral Ministry (Spanish) to Launch New Cohort in September

The application deadline has been extended by two weeks, to mid-July. It's not too late! Contact the DMin office now to get more information and to obtain an application. **Call 1-888-717-6244.**

Annual Award for Excellence in DMin Research



We are pleased to announce the newest recipient of the Doctor of Ministry Excellence in Research award. Dr. Rodney Mills, an alumnus of the Andrews program as of May, 2009, conducted his project during his tenure as pastor for The Milwaukee Central church in Wisconsin. The title of his project is "An Evaluation of the Implementation of Natural Church Development Within Seventh-day Adventist Churches in the United States."

Dr. Russell Burrill, who worked with Rodney as his project advisor, says "Rodney has done definitive research in the area of Natural Church Development (NCD) revealing the astounding success of Adventist churches that actually improve their health through the NCD process. Administrators and pastors should consult this work to discover the advantages of utilizing the NCD process in bringing a church to health and growth."

Rodney currently lives in San Antonio, Texas, where he serves as pastor for the Scenic Hills Adventist Church.

Plan **NOW** for joining the Doctor of Ministry program in 2009 or 2010!

Cohorts are forming for concentrations in

2009

- Pastoral Ministry (Spanish)

2010

- Leadership (for NAD)
- Discipling and Spiritual Formation
- Family Ministry
- Youth Ministry

Don't wait! Call or email **NOW** to apply!