



LEADERSHIP

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

An eight-month program that equips rural pastors with the tools to become Community Chaplains. Training focuses on incarnational leadership and preparing pastors to minister with compassion and wisdom in homes, hospitals, and workplaces—becoming tangible representations of Christ in their communities.

Our goal: Minister with a listening ear, lead people to Jesus Christ, and transform lives.



COHORT GOALS

- ✓ Complete weekly Reading, Writing & Relating assignments
- ✓ Post homework in the LMS by Sunday midnight prior to class
- ✓ Engage with your Cohort Partner (assigned in Week 1)
- ✓ Interact on the Forum with peers' posts
- ✓ Attend and participate in all live Zoom classes



CLASS SCHEDULE

Time: Mondays, 8:00 PM CST (unless otherwise noted)

Format: Live Zoom classes + asynchronous assignments

DATE	FOCUS AREA	FORMAT
 Aug 31	Orientation	1-hour Zoom
 Sept 7, 14, 21, 28	Personal Assessment	Online Class
 Nov 2, 9, 16, 23	Community Assessment	Online Class & Cohort Study
 Jan 11, 18, 25, Feb 1	Spiritual Leadership	Online Class
 March 8	Immersion Preparation	Online Class
 April 5–9	Springfield Immersion	In-Person



Absences: If you must miss class, notify Dr. Kim via email and watch the recording. Complete all assignments as usual.



PROGRAM COSTS

Estimated Total:

\$1,395

+ travel
Digital Book Option

\$1,438

+ travel
Paperback Option

ITEM	DIGITAL OPTION	PAPERBACK OPTION
Empower Chaplaincy Course Fee	\$1,250	\$1,250
Required Books	\$40	\$83
AG Ecclesiastical Endorsement Fee	\$45	\$45
LMS Platform (BGU) Fee	\$60	\$60
Travel for Community Assessment	Varies	Varies
Springfield Immersion (lodging/meals covered)	Travel only	Travel only



Meals and overnight stays during the Springfield Immersion are covered. Students arrange their own travel.



SPRINGFIELD IMMERSION WEEK

APRIL 5–9, 2027

MON	Travel to Springfield, MO
TUE–WED	Chaplaincy Intensive & Commissioning Dinner
THU–FRI	Rural Church Tours & Anointing Service
SAT	Travel Home



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REQUIRED READING

- 1 *The Most Powerful People in the World* – Dr. Robert Lenthum (\$15 Kindle / \$20 Paperback)
- 2 *Starting Well* – Clinton & Leavenworth (\$10 Kindle / \$15 Paperback)
- 3 *The Person Called You* – Bill Hendricks (\$10 Kindle / \$15 Paperback)
- 4 *Rethinking Outreach: A Field Guide* – John Hughes (\$15 Kindle / \$20 Paperback)
- 5 *Thriving in the City* – T. Aaron Smith (\$5 Kindle / \$13 Paperback)



Please obtain either digital or print versions of the books.



PAY-AS-YOU-GO PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- Application Fee: (Due ASAP) \$50.00
- Orientation (Due by Aug 31) \$300.00
- Class 1 (Due by Sept 7) \$300.00
- Class 2 (Due by Nov 2) \$300.00
- Class 3 (Due by Jan 11) \$300.00

TOTAL TUITION: \$1,250.00

(Does not include personal travel expenses)



LMS SETUP & SUPPORT

Platform: BGU Certificates Platform

- 1 Click the "Create Account" button
- 2 Follow prompts to confirm your email and set a password
- 3 Use Google Chrome for best experience

Support: Contact Kathy Pierburg –

✉ kathy.pierburg@bgu.edu



Do not create multiple accounts.



ECCLESIASTICAL ENDORSEMENT APPLICATION

Apply here: [AG Chaplaincy Endorsement Form](#)

Requirements:

- Discussion Questions (attached)
- 2024 Release Form (you and your spouse, if applicable)
- Official Transcripts – emailed or mailed to: Chaplaincy Ministries, 1445 N. Boonville Ave., Springfield, MO 65802 or ltardie@ag.org
- Signature Page of Tithe Policy (attached)
- Headshot photo of yourself and spouse (if applicable)
- \$45 Application Fee – Pay at: giving.ag.org (Account 705101)
- DocuSign Background Check Form (sent via email)



Endorsement Levels:
chaplaincy.ag.org/Ecclesiastical-Endorsement



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- ✓ Stay engaged and accountable to your cohort and partner
- ✓ Submit all assignments on time through LMS
- ✓ Be spiritually and mentally prepared for weekly participation
- ✓ Keep your focus on Christ—our ultimate Chaplain—as you walk this calling

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