

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY | SPECIALTY TRACK
GROWING AND
MULTIPLYING CHURCHES



The Goal

We love to see churches thrive and reproduce. Nothing excites us more than helping churches to win people to Christ, connecting them with fellow believers and encouraging them to grow to maturity in Christ. Talbot can help.

This track will give you the tools necessary to spark growth in your church and beyond. From basic biblical principles to the unique challenges of applying those principles in 21st century American life, you will be equipped to lead your ministry to a fresh revitalization of its missional purpose.



“As stewards of the gospel, our role is to take action to proclaim salvation in Jesus Christ. Christ’s call is always to action, a call to service.”

Dr. Gary McIntosh

PROFESSOR OF CHRISTIAN
MINISTRY AND LEADERSHIP

REQUIREMENTS

Qualified applicants will have a Master’s Degree in a Ministry-Related Area with a minimum 3.0 GPA from an accredited school as well as three years of full-time ministry experience since graduation. Give us a call if you have any questions. The cost of the program is reasonable and designed to fit your budget.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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NEW DOCTOR OF MINISTRY COHORT BEGINS JANUARY 2023.
TWO-WEEK RESIDENCY ON MAY 15-26, 2023.

APPLY NOW!

Strategy

FIRST RESIDENCY —

UNDERSTANDING CHURCH GROWTH AND OUTREACH

Since fruitful ministry flows out of a sound theology the program starts by exploring a biblical theology of mission and the foundational principles for growing and multiplying churches. Experienced teachers and consultants will demonstrate what has been learned from thousands of case studies and decades of research into how churches grow and proliferate to reach the mosaic of peoples in your neighborhood, city, or region. Discover reproducible principles to reach more people for Christ.

SECOND RESIDENCY —

HOW TO BUILD AND REBUILD A CHURCH

It is God's intention for the church to grow. Declining churches can find new life and a wonderful new future and healthy churches should be planting new communities of faith. In this residency the focus will be placed on discovering turnaround strategies for plateaued or declining churches. Leaders of healthy churches will be presented with models and strategies for planting more churches to reach receptive peoples. Learn practical strategies for leading change and managing the conflict that often comes when new vision emerges.

THIRD RESIDENCY —

UNDERSTANDING AND ADAPTING TO CULTURE

The world is undergoing major changes through immigration, technology, and societal changes. This residency will help you adapt to these changes. It begins by helping you understand the complexities and possibilities of ministry in an increasingly multi-ethnic society. And since our culture is increasingly post-modern, you will learn how to evangelize and minister among people who are absolutely convinced that there are no absolutes. Develop insights for consulting and coaching others to bring a missional focus to a ministry.

Faculty Mentors



DR. GARY MCINTOSH is Professor of Christian Ministry and Leadership at Talbot. He has served as a consultant for hundreds of churches in North America. Dr. McIntosh is also the Founder and President of the Church Growth Network, which provides a wide range of professional consulting services in the areas of church growth analysis, strategic planning, and generational change. He is the editor of the Growth Points newsletter. Having published over 100 articles and written over 27 books, he is a prolific writer and church growth expert.



DR. ALAN MCMAHAN has served in churches in North America and overseas throughout the Pacific Rim. He has also taught in the areas of missiology, church growth, leadership, organizational development and evangelism. He teaches in the doctoral program at Biola's Cook School of Intercultural Studies training graduate students from around the world in the effective means to develop leaders, grow churches, and serve cross-culturally. He has served as Vice President for the Alliance Theological Seminary, President of the American Society of Church Growth, President of the Great Commission Research Network and editor of the Great Commission Research Journal.

GUEST SPEAKERS

J.D. Payne, Ph.D.

Church Planting

Dave Page, D.Min.

Leadership

Warren Bird, Ph.D.

Leadership

Gordon Penfold, D.Min.

Church Revitalization

Gary Comer, Ph.D.

Evangelism

Parnell Lovelace, Ph.D.

Cultural Issues