



Discipleship Training

JANUARY 2016

Friday, January 8, 7-9pm and

Saturday, January 9, 8am-4pm.

The training will take at place at Messiah Christian Reformed Church located at 2900 Springdale, Hudsonville, MI 49426.

Facilitating this training are highly trained staff members Dean Vander Mey, SFM Executive Director, and Paul Tamelng, SFM Director of Domestic Ministries and Steve Prince.

Please address questions regarding the structure and content of the training to Nancy Beaver at 616-726-5400 or nancyb@setfreeministries.com.

If you sense the Lord calling you into this type of ministry, the first step is to have your own freedom appointment, if you have not already done so. This is a requirement before coming to the training. After the training you will be provided with opportunities to sit in on sessions with experienced ministers of grace as an apprentice, learning how to conduct a Freedom Appointment by leading an appointment yourself – one step at a time, before being a minister of grace with a session on your own. Our apprentice program is a great way to grow with the support of others, and finding what role you are best suited for, either being an encourager or prayer partner.

To schedule a freedom appointment and/or receive a training registration packet, please call the Set Free Ministries office at 616-726-5400.

Come expecting God to work in your life as you interact with His Word. Come seeking His direction as to where He would have you serve in bringing people to freedom in Christ.

BEFORE COMING TO THE TRAINING

In order to enhance the experience of Ministers of Grace Training, we have set up some criteria to be completed before coming.

1. *If you are coming for training a **completed freedom appointment is required.*** Please contact Nancy Beaver at Set Free Ministries at 616-726-5400 or go to our website at www.setfreeministries.com and click on Freedom Appointment Application, download, print, fill out and return so a date may be set. *Please allow 2-3 weeks to process your request.*

A training registration packet may also be downloaded from our website under training information, download, print, fill out and return. *Please have your pastor fill out and return to us the Pastor's Recommendation form.*

2. It is highly recommended that you read the *Discipleship Counseling and/or Victory Over the Darkness* before your freedom appointment. These books will help you understand who you are in Christ, who God is, and understand more about spiritual warfare. We also suggest that you read *The Invisible War* by Chip Ingram and *Bondage Breaker* by Neil Anderson.
3. Review the list of spiritual gifts enclosed with this letter and have an idea of what spiritual gifts you may have.
4. The cost for the training is \$40.00, payable to Set Free Ministries *with your application*, either by check, Visa, or Mastercard.

MINISTER OF GRACE APPLICATION

This data is for the confidential use of Set Free Ministries. It will not be released to any agency or organization, but is solely for the use of Set Free Ministries. All information and participation is voluntary. *Please **return this application by January 1, 2016.***

Date of Application: _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____ (home/cell) _____ (work)

E-mail _____

Birthdate _____

Gender: Male Female

Church currently attending: _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Pastor's Phone Number: _____ Cell: _____

Do you have any prior training in freedom ministries? Yes No If yes, please explain.

Have you had your own personal freedom appointment? Yes No

What prompted your interest in freedom ministries?

Why do you want to be trained to be a minister of grace?

What do you consider to be your spiritual gifts?

Please list the current ministries or areas of service in which you are involved.

How long have you been a Christian? _____ How did you become a Christian?

Describe your relationship with God, other than your salvation experience, and how it has grown.

Please return this form to Set Free Ministries by January 1, 2016 to the attention of Nancy Beaver. 700 36th Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49548.

Fax (616) 726-5404 or email at nancyb@setfreeministries.com. Thank you.

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Evaluation Date _____ Evaluated by _____

Approved as a minister of grace Yes No

Approved as an apprentice Yes No

Redirect to another ministry

PASTOR/SPIRITUAL LEADER'S RECOMMENDATION

PLEASE RETURN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2016

Dear Pastor/Spiritual Leader:

The person listed below has applied to become minister of grace in freedom ministries. The applicant has received training to enable him/her to guide others through the *Steps to Freedom in Christ*. We recommend that this person be spiritually mature, free in Christ, living a balanced life and committed to the authority of Scripture and the study of God's Word. This person has named you as his/her spiritual leader and feels that you know him/her well enough to give him/her a recommendation. Please be as honest as possible in your assessment. All information received will be held in confidentiality.

Applicant's Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone: _____

Church Name _____

Pastor's Name _____ Church Telephone _____

Pastor's email address _____

1. How long have you known the applicant?
2. To your knowledge is the applicant now or has she/he been in the recent past under church censorship or discipline?
3. To the best of your knowledge, is the applicant now or in his/her past been involved in the occult?
4. How long has the applicant been a believer and, from your perspective, what is his/her level of maturity?
5. How does this person relate to others?
6. Does this person have a hard time keeping confidence?
7. Does the applicant have problems submitting to leadership or coming under the authority of others?
8. To your knowledge are there any unresolved issues in this person's life that would be detrimental to him/her or others if they were to go into this type of ministry.

My final recommendation for this applicant to minister in guiding others through the *Steps To Freedom In Christ* is:

- Strongly Recommend
- Recommend with some reservations – please use other side to explain
- Do not recommend at this time

Signed_____Position_____Date_____

Comments:

Please return this completed form before January 1, 2016:

Set Free Ministries, 700 36th Street SE Grand Rapids, MI 49548 attn: Nancy Beaver

Phone: (616) 726-5400 Fax: (616) 726-5404 email: nancyb@setfreeministries.com

Spiritual Gifts Definitions

Administration: The special Spirit-given ability to design and execute a plan of action through which a number of believers are enabled to work effectively together to do the Lord's work.

Creative Ability: The special Spirit-given ability to communicate truth and advance God's kingdom through creative means such as music, drama, visual arts, graphic arts, and writing skills.

Discernment: The special Spirit-given ability to know whether a certain word, action, or motive has its source in God, sinful flesh, or Satan.

Encouragement: The special Spirit-given ability to effectively encourage, comfort, challenge, or rebuke others to help them live lives worthy of God.

Evangelism: The special Spirit-given ability to present the gospel to unbelievers in clear and meaningful ways that bring a positive response.

Faith: The special Spirit-given ability to know with certainty that God wills to do something and is certain to do it, in response to prayer, even when there is no concrete evidence.

Giving: The special Spirit-given ability to contribute significant personal and material resources to the Lord's work freely, cheerfully, and sacrificially.

Healing: The special Spirit-given ability to serve as an instrument through whom God brings physical, emotional, and spiritual healing in an extraordinary way.

Hospitality: The special Spirit-given ability to love, welcome, and graciously serve guests and strangers so that they feel at home.

Intercession: The special Spirit-given ability to pray faithfully and effectively for others for extended periods and to see many specific answers to those prayers.

Interpretation of Tongues: The special Spirit-given ability to interpret into known language a message spoken in tongues.

Knowledge: The special Spirit-given ability to receive from God knowledge that is crucial to ministry and that could not have been obtained in other ways.

Leadership: The special Spirit-given ability to lead others by seeing and casting a vision, setting and communicating goals, and inspiring and directing people to work together toward those goals.

Mercy: The special Spirit-given ability to feel genuine empathy and compassion for hurting people and to translate that feeling into cheerful acts of service.

Miracles: The special Spirit-given ability to serve as an instrument through whom God performs extraordinary works as an expression of his presence and power.

Prophecy: The special Spirit-given ability to receive and communicate a message from God so that believers may be edified and encouraged and so that unbelievers may be convinced.

Service: The special Spirit-given ability to see and meet the needs of others by willingly helping them in practical ways.

Shepherding: The special Spirit-given ability to keep watch over, care for, and feed members of the body of Christ, guiding, admonishing, and discipling them toward spiritual maturity.

Speaking In Tongues: The special Spirit-given ability to speak in sounds and utterances previously unknown to the speaker.

Teaching: The special Spirit-given ability to clearly and effectively communicate biblical truths and information that helps believers mature in faith, building up the body of Christ.

Wisdom: The special Spirit-given ability to see situations and issues from God's perspective.