FOCUSING YOUR LEADERSHIP
Clarifying Your Personal Calling
2DMC 803 Leadership Core
January 17-21, 2005
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COURSE DESCRIPTION
The purpose of this class is to bring intentional focus and renewal to the personal calling of those leading the church and missional ministry today. Transformed leaders are better able to bring transformation to ministry and structures. The course will provide a strategy for intentional personal renewal and leadership development of leaders and those they lead.

The process of leading in today’s climate of change involves a need for an integrative approach that includes both personal renewal and corporate change. What’s more, thriving in a climate of rapid-fire change requires leaders to take risk, lead from the base of spiritual authority and courageously take God’s people to destinations few have traveled.

1 Chronicles 12:32 describes a portion of David’s mighty men who both understood their times and knew what Israel was to do. The same types of leaders are needed today. Leaders who know God deeply in order to recognize His voice as they seek to lead God’s people forward. The revitalization of ministry structures (local churches, mission agencies, and para-church ministries) is a spiritual process.

This class will be a combination of lectures, small group discussions and experiential learning activities. Interaction with the professor is encouraged, and additional time will be allocated for personal and ministry consultation. This course is meant to move from clear theological reflection to practical implementation.

THE INSTRUCTORS
Terry Walling is vice president for church revitalization at Church Resource Ministries (CRM). Terry’s fourteen years of pastoral experience assist him in consulting church leadership and developing revitalization strategies that help bring renewal to local churches. Prior to assuming this position, Terry served as vice president for United States ministries with CRM for five years, and from 1988 through 1993 he and his family launched and directed CRM’s work to renew churches and plant new churches in Australia.

Terry served as Senior Pastor of Community Baptist Church in Yorba Linda, California. He is a graduate of Point Loma College and attended Talbot Theological Seminary. He has authored resources on personal renewal and corporate revitalization which include:
Focusing Leaders, the Focused Living Resource Kit, Focused Ministry, Advancing Leaders, and Maximum Health.

Assisting Terry in this class will be Brad Sprague, also of Church Resource Ministries.

Brad has extensive experience in bringing personal clarity and focus to leaders. He is champion director with CRM and a top life-consultant with LifePlanning. Brad has co-authored the resource Advancing Leaders with Terry Walling. He served as church planter of two churches and on the ministry staff of Saddleback Community Church with Rick Warren.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

The 15-20 page integration paper is due by April 29, 2005. Please mail to the RTS D.Min. Department; 1231 Reformation Drive, Oviedo, FL 32765.

Complete the 2000 pages of new (not read before) required reading from the recommended list or choose from the additional list to supplement if necessary. A one-page per book standard reading report is due on the first day of class, January 17, 2005.

Purchase the Focused Living Resource Kit, and listen to audiotapes one and two found in Focused Living. Also, preview the three workbooks “Perspective,” “Focus,” and “Mentoring.”

**READING LIST**

**Required Reading** (2000 pages in Leadership Development)

Quinn, Robert E. Deep Change. San Francisco, CA: Jossey Bass Publishers,
1996. 232 pages.


Schwarz, Christian A. Natural Church Development. Carol Stream, IL: ChurchSmart Resources, 1996. 128 pages


Additional Books to supplement reading: (Corporate Revitalization)


Walling, Terry. *Focused ministry Resource Kit*. Carol Stream, IL: ChurchSmart Resources. 238 pages.


Extended Reading:


