Latest Course: "Marriage and Family" Postponed!

Crescentia DeGoede September 29, 2015



It is the Back-to-School season. Are you ready for the 2015-2016 Continuing Education Year!? You don't have to worry about what to wear or which Marvel character will go on you lunchbox because all our courses are ONLINE. All you need is your computer, Wi-Fi, a mic and some earbuds...

Oh yeah, you also need to register.

Dr. Luonne Rouse will be guiding us through our next course, "Marriage and Family." Dr. Rouse has designed this 5 week course to answer questions such as: What role does the local church play for its families? What impact would I like my ministry to have on families? How do the individuals and families of my community enhance the capacity of our local church? How do I effectively assess if I am meeting the needs of the families I represent, and what can the church do to serve them more efficiently?

Marriage and Family Ministries

- Examine how your church structure supports marriage, families, and family life.
- Understand more clearly the purpose of family education, family worship, youth ministry, small groups, etc., and how they in turn support the capacity of the church.
- Learn about the impact marriage and family ministry has on the family unit.
- Develop a concise perspective on the individual within the context of a dynamic family system.
- Learn and explain the principles of marriage and family ministry, methods in marriage and family ministry, and implications of marriage and family ministry for the Unification Church.

Class Details

- The course fee for Marriage and Family is \$165.00 plus a \$25 registration fee.
- Scholarships are available. More information is available in the online course application form.

Dr. Luonne Rouse will offer this class starting on Tuesday, October 20th 2015, and ending Tuesday November 20th 2015. The original starting date of Monday, September 28th was postponed.

- Classes are from 8:00pm-10:00pm ET
- You can read Dr. Rouse's Bio below
- Read the course syllabus below
- Apply Today!

Required Texts (Need to purchase before the start of class)

- The Divine Principle
- Milan Systemic Family Therapy: Conversations In Theory And Practice by Luigi Boscolo, Gianfanco Cechin, Lynn Hoffman, & Peggy Penn. Purchase on Amazon.

Other courses coming later in the 2015-2016 year:

- Congregational Development
- Pastoral Care
- Worship & Liturgy
- Unification Thought
- Church Growth

If you have any questions about this course, or the application process, please contact us at <u>info@</u> <u>leadwithimpact.org</u>.

Sincerely,

The Ministry & Education Team

Instructor

Dr. Luonne Abram Rouse, married to Marie L. Rouse, speaks readily of the theological implications of individual cases while paralleling processes within the clinical arena. He is able to service the unique needs of clients from a variety of backgrounds (religious, racial, economic and cultural) with responsive, compassionate care and genuine ability to incarnate a spiritual dynamic helpful to clients and peers. He opened the Metro Counseling Service in Harlem, New York (2004-2010). In 2011, Dr. Rouse moved the A-Rouse Refocus Marriage & Family Therapist Service to Manhattan, New York and Huntington, NY. He is an Adjunct Professor at the Unification Theological Seminary – Ministry Departmen

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MIN 5502 MARRIAGE and FAMILY MINISTRIES

FALL 2015

Monday 3-5 PM and Tuesday 8-10 PM (CLASS BEGINS & ENDS ONTIME)

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Course Description

This course examines the polity of the church and community in relation to families and family life. It will not deal with counseling but with the ministerial dynamics involved between the family unit and the larger church. Utilizing case studies, the course will look at family education, family worship, the family and youth ministry, the family in small group ministry, and ways that families can buttress the work of the church.

Course Outcomes

These areas are addressed in the Marriage and Family Ministry course. Each student will strive to have made progress by the conclusion of the continuing education course in:

- 1. An understanding of the impact of marriage and family ministry on the family unit.
- 2. Develop a concise perspective on the individual within the context a dynamic family system.
- 3. Evaluate personal formation within the context of the family of origin.
- 4. Present identified unique developmental stages, history and cultural relatedness.

- 5. Write out a master plan in marriage and family ministry for Unification members, including suggestions of resources for a wide range of family systems;
- 6. Explain the principles of marriage and family ministry; methods in marriage and family ministry; implications of marriage and family ministry for the Unification Church.

Required Texts (The Divine Principle is a required text in all class sessions):

Required textbooks may be purchased online. For any inquiries regarding the site, services provided or products offered, please Amazon or Barnes and Nobles.

Please note that the views expressed in the textbooks do not necessarily represent the views of the professor or of UTS. It is expected that even in places of disagreement with the textbook, one will reflect upon and think critically regarding one's own views, rather than simply dismissing views that may run counter to one's own.

Luigi Boscolo, Gianfranco Cecchin, Lynn Hoffman, Peggy Penn. Milan Systemic Family Therapy: Conversations In Theory And Practice, Basic Books, Inc., 1987, ISBN:13: 978-0465045969 -10: 0465045960 (Not available by ebook)

Recommended reading:

Monica McGoldrick, Joe Giordano, John K. Pearce. <u>Ethnicity & Family Therapy</u>.

Robert T. Michael, John H. Gagnon, Edward O. Laumann, and Gina Kolata. <u>SEX in America: A Definitive Survey</u>.

Reverend Sun Myung Moon. <u>As A Peace-Loving Global Citizen</u>. Allen Wilcoxon , Theodore Remley , Samuel T. Gladding. <u>Ethical</u>, <u>Legal</u>, and <u>Professional Issues in the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy (4th Edition)</u>

Course Requirements

- 1. Class attendance and participation.
- 2. Reading assignments.

3. Weekly critical-reflective-analysis providing insight to the class on a crucial area of marriage and family ministry. Students are encouraged to do a one page reflective paper after each class session.

READING ASSIGNMENTS AND CLASS SCHEDULE:

Fall Term September 28th & 29th – October 26st & 27th

(A Brief Devotional will offered at the beginning of each class session)

1st Class session: Page 3-28 From Psychoanalysis to Systems

2nd Class session: Page 29-92 The Crying Boy

3rd Class session: Page 93-182 The Family with a Secret

4th Class Session: Page 183-252 The Anorectic Store

5th Class Session: Page 253-330 The Girl Who Got Stuck to Her Mother

Burning Issues:

- FORMS OF MARRIAGE
- REGULATION OF MARRIAGE
- THEOLOGY AND MARRIAGE
- MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE
- COMMUNICATION
- CONFLICT RESOLUTION
- DIVORCE
- EXTRA-MARITAL AFFAIRS
- PRE-MARITAL SEX
- PREGNANCIES

Important Tools for MARRIAGE AND FAMILY MINISTRY

- 1) Leveling Messages
- 2) Listening Skills
- 3) Caring Attitudes
- 4) Empathic Approaches
- 5) Mutual Respectful Exchanges
- 6) Self-disclosure

- 7) Group Dynamics8) Boundaries9) Problem-solving Skills