

COMMUNION WITH GOD

LEADERS NETWORK



Networking to Serve Christ

Constitution & By-laws

From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Ephesians 4:16

Dear fellow laborer in the body of Christ,

Thank you for your interest in obtaining licensing and ordination from *Communion With God Leaders Network*.

Forms which need to be completed for licensing and ordination can be found in the back of this catalog. Please review this catalog and complete these forms.

The steps you must take are:

- 1) The following three courses need to be taken from Christian Leadership University in order to qualify to be licensed by *Communion With God Leaders Network*. It is required that you enroll in CLU and **take these courses first**, and then complete number 2) below.

REN 103 Communion With God - 3 credits - This course teaches you how to clearly hear God's voice, see divine vision and journal (write out what God is speaking to you). The Holy Spirit is the Wonderful Counselor, and when you can hear His voice on a regular basis, He provides wonderful counsel to your heart. Eighty percent of the counseling needs of a church will disappear once they are taught the course *Communion With God*

C0U202 Counseled By God - 3 credits - This course builds upon *Communion With God*, teaching you how to journal through the main emotional issues that trouble you (anger, fear, guilt, condemnation, accusation, inferiority, etc.).

C0U301 Prayers That Heal the Heart - 4 credits - This course teaches a series of seven specific prayers that will break bondages within your heart caused by spiritual forces. These prayers include breaking generational sins and curses; severing ungodly soul ties; removing negative beliefs and inner vows; healing traumatic scenes; and casting out demonic energy that has connected itself to these inner wounds of the heart and soul. The entire healing process is sealed by doing an intensive meditation on biblical passages that bear on the issues being healed so God can grant you illumined insights from His Word.

To order the above three courses, you will need to enroll in Christian Leadership University. This can be done at www.cluonline.com/apply. The mailing address for Christian Leadership University is CLU Fulfillment Center, 3792 Broadway St., Cheektowaga, NY 14227.

- 2) Complete the forms for licensing. One year after you have received your license, you can request that your license be upgraded to ordination.

The uniqueness of Christian Leadership University is their Spirit-anointed, lamad-fashioned curriculum package. The lamad learning experience begins by encouraging you to take courses that deal with the real-life issues you are facing. It draws you into interaction with the Holy Spirit concerning these issues, and results in your life being transformed by His power. CLU is #1 in Lamad Education.

Lamad – Real Life, Biblically-grounded, Revelation-based Learning

Real Life – Birthed from real life issues and taught from real life experiences.

Biblically – grounded – You see your life’s experiences in the light of Scripture.

Revelation – based – God speaks to you in each and every learning experience.

“I cannot tell you how much these courses have touched my life and ministry. My prayer life has become anointed and I have been receiving more visions than ever. God is moving in a mighty way! Praise God. I praise Him for leading me to this University. I had such a burning in my spirit to take courses and I thank Him for that also.” Denise Balasa

“I am TOTALLY enjoying the coursework. I honestly believe that EVERY Christian needs to have this information.” Joy Miller

Section I

Constitution

A. Our Mission:

A network of people who have purposed to be faithful in stimulating one another to disciple all nations, until all things are restored under the ever-increasing government of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

* **“Go Ye Therefore and Make Disciples of all Nations”**

Jesus - Matthew 28:19

* **“Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end,** upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.”

Isaiah 9:7

B. Our Vision:

1. For every believer to know the privilege of knowing the voice of God personally (Jn. 5:19, 20, 30; 8:26, 38; 10:27).
2. For every believer to know the privilege of living in a close personal relationship with two or three other believers who lead by example and instruction (Matt. 18:16, Phil. 3:17, 1 Peter 5:3).
3. For the Church, the body of Christ, to lead as Christ did and not follow the world order; to be above, which is to be Spirit-led, and not underneath, which is to be controlled by others; to be strong and secure enough to lend and not have to borrow; hereby becoming world-changing leaders and kingdom-builders (Deut. 28:1-14; Matt. 28:19; Isa. 9:7; Ps 110:1; Heb. 10:12-13; Acts 3:19, 21).
4. For the ministry of Christ to be fulfilled in the fivefold functions. Therefore we seek to complement and encourage one another's giftings and ministries (Eph. 4:7-11; also see the “one another” Scriptures listed in the appendix).
5. For every believer to be renewed and cleansed for the Holy Spirit to fill and flow through. Therefore, we earnestly seek after healing power for the body, soul and spirit, the overcoming power of discipleship and deliverance, the enlightening power of teaching to illuminate our understanding, and the enabling power of the Holy Spirit to equip us to do all things in and through Him (Col. 1:11; 1:27-29; 2:9-10; 2 Cor. 4:1-18).

6. For all vocations of all believers to be seen and expressed as ministry (Ps. 24:1). God actually sees government as “a minister of God” for righteousness. The Bible teaches that **everyone** in the Church is a king and a priest unto the Most High God (Ps. 9:8; Rev. 17:14; Ps. 50:10; Rom. 13:4; I Pet. 2:9).

C. Our Purpose:

1. To be a covering and network to individuals who ascribe to the vision and mission of *Communion With God Leaders Network*.
2. To seek and share biblical truth, using the leaders' paradigm as a guide for discovering truth (see appendix).
3. To ordain qualified ministers of the Gospel and license qualified local church elders and leaders in the body of Christ.
4. To be a covering and to license and ordain people who see their vocations as ministries.

D. Our Beliefs:

1. We affirm the Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

2. Our view of Holy Scripture

We believe the Bible is the inerrant, authoritative divinely-inspired Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16).

Even as Jesus “opened the Scriptures” to the disciples on the Emmaus road (Luke 24:32), so today we need the Holy Spirit to assist us by “opening the Scriptures” to our understanding.

3. Our view of unity and diversity

We require unity in the essentials, which we accept as that which is written in the Apostles' Creed and the above-stated view of Scripture. We allow for and even encourage diversity in the non-essentials, which we believe is the rest of our growing, developing theology. We honor those who disagree without becoming disagreeable, noting that the Bible declares that all Christians "have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts" (2 Pet. 1:19).

E. Our Commitment to One Another:

We will strive by God's power working within us to be closely related to at least two or three others in the network and express to them the "one another" commands from the New Testament (found in appendix).

Section II

Articles and By-laws

A. A De-centralized Structure

1. Relationships will not be legislated from a hierarchy, but will arise naturally from the grassroots, as members within the group recognize those God is calling them to relate to and receive from (Luke 6:12-17). (See appendix on “Traditional Hierarchies Versus Networking”.)
2. Relationships will grow, change and expand naturally as the Holy Spirit directs. We encourage members to establish mentoring, apprenticeship, and discipling relationships among themselves, where they can live out the “one another” commands in the New Testament. Jesus’ relationship with His disciples lasted for about one-and-a-half years before it changed. We are committed to relationships being free to grow and change according to each individual’s inner sensing.
3. De-centralized leadership must be maintained throughout the life of this organization.
4. Only enough money is to be collected to maintain a secretary to input proper data and to mail informational packs, etc. No additional paid leadership is allowed. If people want to serve in full-time capacities mentoring others, it shall be non-paid. We do not want a hierarchy for people to climb, nor any rewards for those who climb it, other than the reward of having given your life away to others, which is in itself enough reward. The leader who is ready to do this full-time should have demonstrated

one aspect of his leadership capacity by becoming financially independent.

B. Maintaining a Multitude of Counselors/ Mentors

1. “In the multitude of counselors there is safety” (Prov. 11:14)
2. When two or three gather together in Jesus’ name, Jesus is in their midst, and at the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. (Matthew 18:16-20)
3. Since relationships and authority are not artificially legislated from man but biblically ordained, it is imperative that members establish and utilize counseling, mentoring, and accountability relationships from God’s leading within their hearts.
4. Authoritarianism is prohibited. Servant leadership is required (1 Pet. 5:3).
5. We will gather together, if possible, to stimulate one another to faith and good works. It is recommended that meetings be led by the Holy Spirit. It is recommended that you stay in relationship with the two or three counselors and mentors God has led you to be related to. This will speed you on the way to the fulfillment of your God-ordained destiny. Our definition of “receiving counsel” or “receiving mentoring” can be found in the appendix entitled “Our Definition of Receiving Mentoring”.

C. Stimulating One Another to Fulfill Our Destinies

1. We will honor the “one another” commands found in Scripture.
2. We will help others discover and confirm their giftedness.
3. We will help them find the ministry/vocation God has for them.
4. We will not seek to put new wine into old wine-skins.

D. Maintaining a Non-exclusive Attitude

1. We will not be exclusive, assuming we have all truth, but will with meekness of heart examine all that God is saying to His entire Church worldwide.
2. It is encouraged that individuals receive input from one counselor/mentor who is outside their church or immediate peer group, so they do not become ingrown. Remember, counselors need to be ahead of you in the areas you are receiving counsel from them, else their counseling is likely to be of little true value in bringing you to the place of fulfilling your destiny.
3. We encourage you to read with an open heart and mind and honestly grapple with the best arguments and research of those who hold ideas differing from your own. This precipitates a depth and breadth of understanding.
4. Since we are a non-exclusive network, one can have relationships in other denominations and fellowships.

E. Maintaining an Attitude of “Coming Alongside,” Not Accusing.

1. We will seek Scriptures daily to prove those with new ideas are “so,” rather than seeking to prove them wrong (Acts 17:11).
2. “For the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.” Revelation 12:10

F. Handling Disputes and Disagreements

1. Matt 18:15-18 will be followed at all times. If anyone has a problem with a brother, he will **go to the brother** to work it out, rather than talking about him behind his back. If they cannot work it out, they will get two to three others (who are mutually agreed upon) to go with them and again seek to work it out. Only if these two efforts fail will it be brought before the gathered community to resolve. Failure to obey these steps will be grounds for reprimand, and/or removal from the network.
2. Disputes that cannot be settled with two to three counselors will be extended to each of the initial counselors’ two to three counselors. Again, the process is networking, rather than legislated authorities.
3. It is agreed that disputes between members of *Communion With God Leaders Network* will not be taken to a court of law, but will be handled within the network.

G. Rights, Services, and Rules of Communion With God Leaders Network

1. We maintain the right to license and ordain qualified ministers. See appendix for more information.
2. We maintain the right to remove any individuals from this network who do not adhere to its beliefs, policies and bylaws. See appendix for more information.
3. We have the right to recognize those whom God raises up as leaders in our midst.
4. We are only a network of related individual believers. We will maintain no legal control over one another’s business, church or personal lives or properties. Anyone may remove him/herself from participation in this group by simply sending a letter to the headquarters stating his/her desire to withdraw.

5. To remain an active member of the network, you need the witness of two or three others who confirm the integrity in your life in Christ and with whom you counsel, that the gospel of Christ be without reproach.
6. We will do all in our power to assist in mentoring, training, and apprenticeship.
7. We will seek to maintain an updated membership list so you can build relationships with others who are pursuing the goals of *Communion With God Leaders Network*. We encourage members to serve one another, obeying the “one another” commands in the New Testament.
8. We may have conventions of worship, prayer, and Spirit-led ministry as the Spirit directs. Each local gathering of *Communion With God Leaders Network* may establish meetings and activities which best meet the needs of the participants.

H. Opportunities for Involvement in Communion With God Leaders Network include the following:

1. **Licensing or Ordination**, which is open to any individual meeting the New Testament standards of an elder, sensing the call of ministry, submitting endorsements from other ordained ministers, and being approved by the licensing/ordination committee.

This reflects both a demonstration of Christian maturity, and a willingness to do their life’s work as “ministry” unto the Lord. We feel every vocation of life can be done as a ministry unto the Lord, and be an act of discipling that area unto the Most High God.

I. License and Ordination

1. General Overview

The call of God that results in a life of ministry is given by God. It may be recognized by man, but it is given by God. Licensing and ordination are man’s recognition of this divine call.

Since we consider all of life to be a ministry unto God, all people who have embraced God and His purposes for their lives are actually ministers unto the Most High God. And thus, all people with this heartfelt passion may be

recognized and set apart by this organization unto the specific vocation/ministry God has called them.

Individuals who desire licensing or ordination with *Communion With God Leaders Network* may complete the appropriate forms at the end of this catalog.

2. Qualifications

The qualifications of an elder are clearly listed in Timothy and Titus and are required of anyone being licensed or ordained. In addition, pastoral recommendations must be submitted and approval of the licensing/ordination committee received. The courses **COMMUNION WITH GOD, COUNSELED BY GOD AND PRAYERS THAT HEAL THE HEART** from Christian Leadership University are required to be successfully completed.

We accept both men and women for licensing and ordination.

3. Licensing

- a. Licensing with *Communion With God Leaders Network* is sought by completing the forms and stated requirements at the end of the catalog.
- b. Licensing status must be reviewed and renewed every two years as a way of helping us maintain the highest standards of excellence throughout the network. Renewal is sought by completing the forms and requirements at the end of the catalog.

4. Ordination

- a. Designed for ministers who have proven themselves in ministry and have been previously licensed with *Communion With God Leaders Network*. Ordination is sought by completing the forms and stated requirements found at the back of the catalog.
- b. Those who have already been ordained by a recognized ministry and desire to transfer their ordination to *Communion With God Leaders Network* must complete the appropriate forms and stated requirements at the back of the catalog.

J. Suggested Categories For Licensing and Ordination

1. There are a variety of networks of specialists who are restoring their field of specialty as a ministry unto the Lord Jesus Christ. These include, but are not limited to:
 - * Ministers of the Gospel
 - * Ministers of Christian counseling
 - * Ministers of missions & evangelism
 - * Ministers of healing
 - * Ministers of health and wellness
 - * Ministers of business & entrepreneurship
 - * Ministers of the Christian arts
 - * Ministers of worship & music
 - * Ministers of intercession
 - * Ministers of Christian education
 - * Ministers of the prophetic

K. The Executive Board of Elders

1. **Purpose** of the Executive Board of Elders: To insure that the principles of this document are maintained throughout the network.
2. **Term of office:** Four years. An individual is allowed to serve consecutive terms.
3. **Qualifications:** Eldership qualifications found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9.
4. **How selected:** The Executive Board of Elders will be appointed by the Advisory Board of Communion With God Ministries. A list of names will be presented to the members of *Communion With God Leaders Network* for a period of one month to give opportunity for any comments by the affiliate members. Any comments must be presented in writing and signed in order to be accepted. The Advisory Board of Communion With God Ministries will then make a decision based on the New Testament precedent of elders appointing elders.
5. **Number on the Executive Board of Elders:** Three or more, as needed.

6. How the Executive Board of Elders arrives at decisions:

By prayer, fasting, discussion, and consensus.

7. **Payment:** No payment shall be given for an individual's service on the Executive Board of Elders. Power and money should never be combined. It is too easy for corruption to occur.

L. Termination of Communion With God Leaders Network

1. In the event of termination of this network, all goods, equipment and financial reserves must be passed on to one or several other 501C3 churches or ministries. The Executive Board of Elders may choose these entities.

M. Termination

1. The Executive Board of Elders shall be responsible for terminations.
2. Any member found in violation of this constitution and bylaws will be subject to termination, after two successive attempts have been made and failed to remedy and restore the situation.
3. Gross violation may be grounds for instant termination.

Appendix A - One Another Commands

I. Love One Another - (Appears to be the most important since it is commanded 19 times in New Testament)

“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another”

John 13:34.

“By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another”

John 13:35

“This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you”

John 15:12

“These things I command you, that ye love one another”

John 15:17

“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another”

Romans 12:5

“Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another”

Romans 12:10

“Owe no man anything, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law”

Romans 13:8

“For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another”

Galatians 5:13

“With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love”

Ephesians 4:2

“And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another; and toward all men, even as we do toward you”

1 Thessalonians 3:12

“But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another”

1 Thessalonians 4:9

“And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works”

Hebrews 10:24

“Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently”

1 Peter 1:22

“Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous”

1 Peter 3:8

“For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another”

1 John 3:11

“And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment”

1 John 3:23

“Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God”

1 John 4:7

“Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another”

1 John 4:11

“No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us”

1 John 4:12

“And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another”

2 John 1:5

2. Members One of Another

“So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another”
Rom. 12:5

“For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit”
1 Corinthians 12:8

“As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God”
1 Peter 4:10

3. Preferring One Another

“Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another”
Romans 12:10

“That no one of you be puffed up for one against another”
1 Corinthians 14:6

“Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another”
Galatians 5:26

4. Same Mind One Toward Another

“Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits”
Romans 11:25

“Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like-minded one toward another according to Christ Jesus”
Romans 15:5

5. Not Judging One Another

“Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in his brother’s way”
Romans 14:13

6. Edifying One Another

“Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do”
1 Thessalonians 5:11

“And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works”
Hebrews 10:24

“Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another”
Romans 14:19

7. Receiving One Another

“Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God”
Romans 15:7

8. Admonishing One Another

“And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another”
Rom. 15:14

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord”
Colossians 3:16

“But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin”
Hebrews 3:13

9. Not Going to Law One with Another

“Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?”
1 Corinthians 6:7

10. Caring for One Another

“That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another” 1

Corinthians 12:25

11. Serving One Another

“For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another”

Galatians 5:13

12. Not Biting and Devouring One Another

“But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another”

Galatians 5:15

“Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge”

James 4:11

“There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?”

James 4:12

“Complain not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door”

James 5:9

13. Forbearing One Another

“With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love”

Ephesians 4:2

14. Speaking Truth to One Another

“Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another”

Ephesians 4:25

“Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds”

Colossians 3:9

15. Forgiving One Another

“And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven you”

Ephesians 4:32

“Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye”

Colossians 3:13

“Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much”

James 5:16

16. Submitting to One Another

“Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God”

Eph. 5:21

“Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble”

1 Peter 5:5

17. Assembling Together One with Another

“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching”

Hebrews 10:25

18. In Summary

“To sum up, let all be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; not returning evil for evil, or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing. For let him who means to love life and see good days refrain his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking guile. And let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears attend to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

1 Peter 3:8-12

Appendix B - The Leader's Paradigm

- For creative decision-making
- Built upon the skillful interaction of the six pillars
- For discovering truth

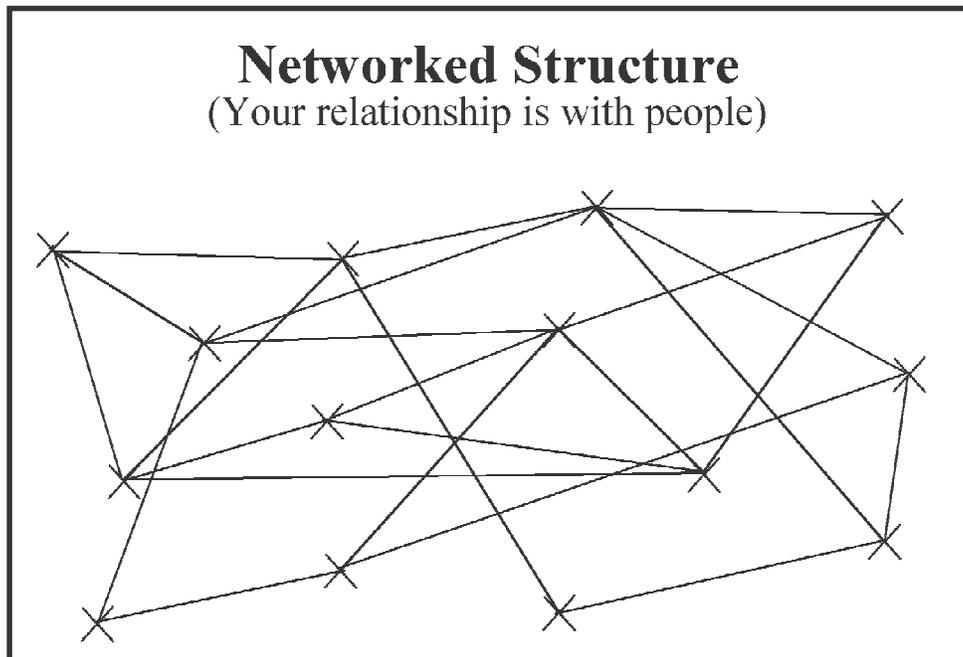
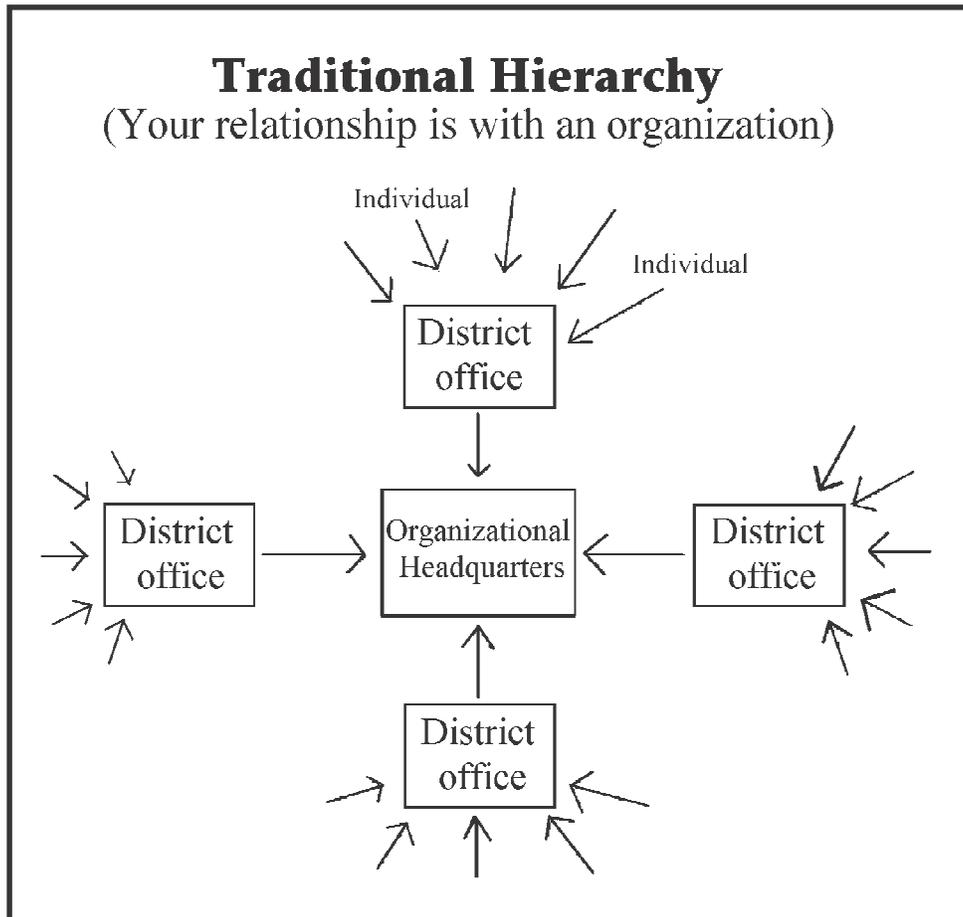


The Leader's Paradigm for Discovering Truth

Pillar #	Key Verse	How Experienced...	How Compared...
Pillar One — Illumined Scriptures (Luke 24:32)	<i>And they said one to another, Did not our hearts burn within us, while He talked with us by the way, and while He opened to us the scriptures? KJV</i>	This pillar is experienced as the Holy Spirit illumines Scriptures to us — we sense them leaping off the page or just coming to our attention spontaneously.	This pillar could be viewed as enhanced Biblicism. We go beyond studying the Bible with our intellects only, asking for the Holy Spirit to illumine Scriptures to our hearts and minds.
Pillar Two — Illumined Thoughts in One's Mind (Luke 1:3)	<i>It seemed fitting for me as well, having investigated everything carefully from the beginning, to write it out for you in consecutive order, most excellent Theophilus (NASB)</i>	This pillar is experienced as the Holy Spirit guiding our reasoning process through spontaneous impressions. It is obvious that Luke's gospel was more than simply investigative research of his own mind, as what he wrote has stood as the Word of God for 2000 years.	This pillar could be viewed as enhanced rationalism. We go beyond simple rationalism to allowing the Holy Spirit to guide our thinking process (through combining intuition and reason) rather than guiding it ourselves.
Pillar Three — Illumined Witness in One's Heart (Mark 2:8)	<i>And immediately when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, He said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?</i>	This pillar is experienced as an impression perceived in your spirit. Deep inner peace or unrest is often part of this experience.	This pillar could be viewed as enhanced hedonism in that one is doing what "feels" good; however, in our case, we are going with the "feel" within our hearts, rather than the "feelings" of the flesh.
Pillar Four — Illumined Counsel of Others (Prov. 11:14)	<i>Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counselors there is safety.</i>	This pillar is experienced as one asks his/her spiritual advisors to seek God for confirmation, additions, or adjustments in the guidance he senses God has given him.	This pillar could be viewed as enhanced humanism, as we are receiving counsel through others; however, we go beyond people's wisdom and ask them to impart the wisdom of God to us.
Pillar Five — Illumined Understanding of Life's Experiences (Matt. 7:16)	<i>Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?</i>	This pillar is experienced as one asks God to give him insight and understanding concerning the fruit life is demonstrating. God gives him revelation as to what has caused the fruit.	This pillar could be viewed as enhanced empiricism, in that we are examining life carefully; however, we go beyond our own limited understanding of life and ask God to give us His understanding of what we are seeing.
Pillar Six — Illumined Revelation from God Through Dreams, Visions, Prophecy, and Journaling (Acts 2:17)	<i>And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.</i>	This pillar is experienced as you receive direct revelation from God through dreams, visions, and journaling. Journaling is the writing out of your prayers and God's answers.	This pillar could be viewed as enhanced mysticism; however, we go beyond just "any" spirit-encounter as we pursue Holy Spirit-encounter.

THE OBJECTIVE: To have all six pillars in agreement before making decisions.

Appendix C - Traditional Hierarchies vs. Networking



Appendix D - Biblical Precedents of Multi-Gifted Leaders

1. Deut. 28:1-14 - Covenant blessings which are available to us.
2. Abraham - a business leader, political leader and Father of Faith.
3. David - a business leader, political leader and spiritual leader.
4. Solomon - a business leader, political leader and spiritual leader
5. Jesus and the apostles were all multi-gifted leaders

Appendix E - Our definition of “receiving mentoring”

1. A mentor is personally chosen as a result of the witness of God in your heart. When God is seeking to stimulate growth in specific areas of your life, He will draw you to **a person who is ahead of you, more skilled and mature** than you, in those areas.
2. You will be **seeking to receive an impartation of knowledge, wisdom, and skills** from this mentor during your relationship with him.
3. You will be asking for his insight and reflective, prayerful advice concerning various issues you bring to him.
4. You are not required to obey this advice, but to weigh it carefully and prayerfully, and respond in the way God is directing you.
5. Our belief is that one moves more quickly toward the fulfillment of God’s destiny for his life by having and honoring the input of a multitude of properly gifted and Spirit-chosen mentors. In the multitude of counselors there is wisdom and safety.
6. We are careful to avoid the extremes of domination and control on the one hand, and of pride and independence on the other. We are committed to having our hurts healed so we can walk in balance between these two extremes.
7. Our counselors/mentors/disciplers usually change as God matures one gift within our lives and moves on to the development of another.

Appendix F - How to Discover an Outstanding Mentor

Jesus, the Master Trainer, used apprenticeship. Jesus took twelve men and called them to be with Him.

To be successfully apprenticed to leadership in a particular area, one should look for a person with apostolic abilities. An apostle is a leader who can demonstrate all five heart motivations in his life. He should be able to demonstrate the following:

- * the ability of an apostle to create
- * the sensitivity of a prophet to discern
- * the skill of a teacher to instruct
- * the care of a pastor to love
- * the zeal of an evangelist to motivate

1. The ability of an apostle

You should look for a person who **has demonstrated the ability to create what you want to learn to create**. For example, if you want to learn how to move mightily under the anointing, you want to be mentored by a person who can himself move mightily in the anointing.

How to find this person: Look at the accomplishments of the person. Was he given what he has, or did he build it himself? Is he currently modeling the behavior you want to cultivate?

2. The sensitivity of a prophet

Your discipler must be able to sense what God wants to put into your life, where you are at this time, and the unique abilities God has placed within you. He will then minister to you out of this discernment, starting where you are and taking you the next step.

How to find this person: Sense his heart. Is it sensitive and discerning? Is he able to touch true heart issues and bring them forth?

3. The care of a pastor:

Growth occurs most quickly in a loving atmosphere. A pastor creates such an atmosphere of love in his surroundings. He desires to bind up the wounds you have experienced throughout life.

How to find this person: Does your heart feel accepted and loved when in his presence? Can you find others who have been healed by his touch?

4. The skill of a teacher:

Can this person share with you **step by step** the actions you must take to reproduce in your life what he has in his? Can he lay these steps out in order, understanding where you are and your personality, meeting you there, and taking you where you want to be?

How to find this person: Has he taught others? When you interview those who have been taught by this mentor, are they satisfied with their experience? Did it implant in their lives the ability to reproduce the skills of the mentor? Has the mentor written things out in detail? Is it clear and concise, and in a step-by-step fashion? Have you heard him teach? Is he a good teacher?

5. The zeal of an evangelist:

Does this person have a passion to pass on to the next generation the gifts God has grown within him? Does his heart burn with the desire to reproduce himself? Does he see it as a ministry, the extending of the Kingdom of God, to impart the gifts he has to others?

How to find this person: This person will be eager to spend time with you, imparting his gifts to you. You will not be viewed as a bother, but as one in whom he is investing.

6. Ask, Seek and Knock

It may take some asking, seeking, and knocking to find such a person. You begin by asking God to lead you to him. You also ask others who might know. Especially ask people who are in the field in which you want to obtain mastery. Ask, "Who are the leaders in this field?" Listen closely to their answers. Seek out the people they suggest. If they can't help you, ask who they know who might be able to. Continue this process until you discover the right person. You may find that it takes **two or three people to mentor you**, who together have the combined heart motivations represented in Ephesians 4:7-11.

Also, keep your eyes and ears open. You will have serendipitous encounters through conversations, the mail, phone calls, and so on. God is

active, giving you what you have asked for. Ask and you shall receive. When you ask in faith, you put out a spiritual magnet which draws the answer (or right people) to you. So keep your eyes and ears open and listen in faith, and see what (or who) God sends your way. And enjoy the journey along the way, for life surely is a journey.

7. Becoming a skilled mentor yourself

One goal each of us should have as we grow older is to develop the abilities to successfully apprentice the younger generation. It is therefore recommended that each member of The Christian Restoration Fellowship International set a goal to become an outstanding mentor as described above. We challenge you to become one of those to whom the next generation may look. If not us, then who? Paul said, "Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ" (1 Cor. 11:1).

Communion With God Leaders Network

Application for Affiliation and Licensing

This form is for individuals desiring to be affiliated and licensed with Communion With God Leaders Network.

Please print:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

Part A Affiliation Agreement

1. I _____ agree with and desire to be part of the mission, purposes, and bylaws of *Communion With God Leaders Network*, and request affiliation with *CWG Leaders Network*.
2. I hold to the Apostles' Creed, the inerrancy of the Bible, and the need for the Holy Spirit to reveal it to mankind.
3. I will seek to live out the "one another" commands listed in Scripture and other purposes of *CWG Leaders Network* to the best of my ability, and stimulate others to do the same.
4. I recognize that *CWG Leaders Network* has no legal rights over my life, church, business or properties and that I may disassociate myself from it at any time of my choosing by submitting a letter of such intent. Such disassociation will be immediate.
5. I realize that *CWG Leaders Network* reserves the right to dismiss any individuals or institutions from its ranks which it determines is not adhering to its ideals, policies and bylaws.
6. The two others whom I look to as my primary counselors, and am giving a Primary Counselor Recommendation Form (to be sent to *CWG Leaders Network*) are:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Part B License Application

1. Please submit a testimonial paper describing a) your conversion experience, b) any additional major experiences you have had with God, c) the call of God on your life, d) how you have been living out the call of God during recent years.
2. List all preparatory training you have received.
3. List the reasons you are seeking licensing or ordination at this time with *CWG Leaders Network*.
4. Please share any additional information you feel would be good for the licensing committee to be aware of.
5. Give a Pastoral Recommendation Form to your pastor, asking him/her to complete and return it to *CWG Leaders Network*.

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____

6. Complete the following scorecard about yourself:

I feel the call of God upon my life to serve as a minister in the field of _____
 (List area of ministry. See J on page 9 for examples.)

Please circle the appropriate response to the following characteristics given for an elder.

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 - Very poor | 4 - Above Average |
| 2 - Below Average | 5 - Excellent |
| 3 - Average | |

1. Above reproach	1	2	3	4	5
2. Husband of one wife (or vice versa) (not married to two at the same time)	1	2	3	4	5
3. Temperate	1	2	3	4	5
4. Prudent	1	2	3	4	5
5. Hospitable	1	2	3	4	5
6. Inclined to teach	1	2	3	4	5
7. Not addicted to wine	1	2	3	4	5
8. Not pugnacious	1	2	3	4	5
9. Gentle	1	2	3	4	5
10. Uncontentious	1	2	3	4	5
11. Free from the love of money	1	2	3	4	5
12. Manages own household well	1	2	3	4	5
14. Not a new convert	1	2	3	4	5
15. Good reputation with those outside the church	1	2	3	4	5

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Your application will be reviewed by the licensing board when they have all the parts. Upon approval, you will be mailed a certificate suitable for framing, along with a wallet-size *Communion With God Leaders Network* ID Card.

Any questions, E-mail: leadersnetwork@cwgministries.org Phone: 715-434-6833

Mail this form and a check made out to CWG Leaders Network for \$100, along with your Life's Accomplishments and Services Available Form to:

Communion With God Leaders Network
 224 E Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, WI 54868.

Covenant Not To Sue

(Must be completed and signed by both parties and filed before licensing or ordination takes place.)

Agreement between:

_____, located at _____

and

Communion With God Leaders Network, located at 224 E Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, WI 54868.

I agree that licensing and ordination through the Communion with God Leaders Network sets me apart for the work of the ministry. It is the recognition that there is a call of God upon my life.

It is my responsibility to discover the laws of my country concerning licensed or ordained ministers, and to function within these laws.

I release Communion with God Leaders Network from all responsibility for any actions which I take. I am fully responsible myself for my actions, and my actions in no way implicate Communion with God Leaders Network.

_____ agrees to not initiate any lawsuit or action against Communion With God Leaders Network, their agents, employees, successors and assigns, and their respective heirs, personal representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns, and any and all persons, firms or corporations liable or who might be claimed to be liable, whether or not herein named, none of whom admit any liability to the undersigned, but all expressly denying liability, from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, causes of action or suits of any kind or nature whatsoever, which I now have or may hereafter have, arising out of or in any way relating to any and all injuries and damages of any and every kind, to both person and property, and also any and all injuries and damages that may develop in the future, as a result of or in any way relating to with regard to licensing and/or ordination.

Further, _____ may not be a part of any legal action against Communion With God Leaders Network, their agents, employees, successors and assigns, and their respective heirs, personal representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns at any point in the future.

This covenant does not indicate the guilt or innocence of either party.

This document is the only covenant between _____ and Communion With God Leaders Network, and any statements or provisions made by either party that are not contained in this document are neither valid nor binding.

Under no circumstances will I sue Communion with God Leaders Network, their agents, employees, successors and assigns, and their respective heirs, personal representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns or implicate them in any wrongdoing.

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____
(of applicant) (of applicant)

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____
(CWG Leaders Network) (CWG Leaders Network)

Communion With God Leaders Network Primary Counselor Recommendation Form

The following individual is seeking affiliation in "Communion With God Leaders Network." To assist us in our decision concerning their acceptance, we are asking you to complete the following recommendation and forward it to our office within seven days.

Thank you for your efforts.

Name of person seeking this recommendation is (please print):

_____ Phone _____

Your name & title _____

Address _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

I have known the applicant for _____ years.

Circle the appropriate number as it relates to your knowledge of and relationship to the individual (or institution) named above.

- 1. Completely disagree
- 2. Agree a little
- 3. Sometimes agree
- 4. Generally agree
- 5. Totally agree

- 1. This individual seeks me out for counsel at least three to six times during the course of a year. 1 2 3 4 5
- 2. I sense this person honors and prayerfully considers my counsel before acting, even though they may not always fully agree with it or incorporate all aspects of it. 1 2 3 4 5
- 3. I sense this person has an attitude of meekness rather than a "know it all" attitude. 1 2 3 4 5
- 4. This person honors God, putting Him first in his life, and is constantly seeking to overcome sin in his/her life. 1 2 3 4 5
- 5. This person is honest and trustworthy. 1 2 3 4 5
- 6. I would have no qualms about doing business with this person 1 2 3 4 5
- 7. I can fully recommend this person to be part of CWG Leaders Network. 1 2 3 4 5

List any further comments you have below or on back.

Signature _____ Date _____

Accomplishments and Services Available Form

To help us become a related group of individuals that effectively serve one another with the gifts God has cultivated within us, we share the following information. This information will be made available to the group at large.

A. Following are the key accomplishments God has wrought through my life:

B. Key gifts God has developed within me that I am willing to share to empower others:

Pastoral Recommendation Form

This form is to be used in conjunction with BOTH initial applications for licensing/ordination and applications for license renewal.

Regarding Licensing/ordination of (please print): _____

Address _____

Phone _____

This form must be mailed to Communion With God Leaders Network from an ordained minister as part of the licensing/ordination application process. Please mail to Communion With God Leaders Network, 224 E. Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, WI 54868

Name and title of minister performing the recommendation (please print): _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number of years you have known applicant _____

Please circle the appropriate response to the following characteristics given for an elder.

- 1 - Very poor
- 2 - Below Average
- 3 - Average
- 4 - Above Average
- 5 - Excellent

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Above reproach | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2. Husband of one wife (or vice versa) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| (not married to two at the same time) | | | | | |
| 3. Temperate | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 4. Prudent | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 5. Hospitable | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6. Inclined to teach | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 7. Not addicted to wine | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 8. Not pugnacious | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 9. Gentle | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 10. Uncontentious | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 11. Free from the love of money | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 12. Manages own household well | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 13. Not a new convert | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 14. Good reputation with those outside the church | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

I believe this individual has demonstrated an excellent response to the call of God upon his/her life. _____

I can highly recommend this person for licensing/ordination.

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Additional Comments:

Renewal Form for Affiliation and Licensing

This form is to be submitted by anyone who is re-applying for either licensing or ordained licensing.

Name of Applicant (please print) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

1. I continue to feel the call of God upon my life to serve as a minister in the field of _____
 Yes No
2. By the grace of God, I have served as a faithful minister of God during the last twelve months. Yes No
3. I am currently licensed in good standing of "Communion With God Leadership Network." Yes No
4. I continue to align myself with the Affiliation Agreement of "CWG Leaders Network" Yes No
5. Give Pastoral Recommendation Forms to two pastors, asking them to complete and return them to "Communion With God Leaders Network."

6. Complete the following scorecard about yourself:

Please circle the appropriate response to the following characteristics given for an elder.

- | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 - Very poor | 4 - Above Average |
| 2 - Below Average | 5 - Excellent |
| 3 - Average | |

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| 13. Not a new convert | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 14. Good reputation with those outside the church | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Return this form, along with a check for \$100 made out to CWG Leaders Network, to 224 East Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, WI 54868

Communion With God Leaders Network

Application for Ordination

This form is for individuals desiring to be ordained or to transfer ordination from another recognized ministry into Communion With God Leaders Network.

Please print:

Name _____ Phone _____

Fax _____ email _____

1. You must be licensed with CWG Leaders Network for one (1) year before seeking ordination. Those seeking to transfer their ordination must first apply for licensing with CWG Leaders Network

2. List the reasons why you are seeking ordination at this time with CWG Leaders Network.

(Use back of page for addition space, or attach copies.

3. Give a Pastoral Recommendation to two (2) pastors, asking them to complete and return them to CWG Leaders Network.

4. If you are transferring your previous ordination from another recognized ministry, please fill out the information below.

Name of Organization _____

Date of Ordination _____

Name of a contact person in that Organization

Name _____

Phone _____

Please send us a copy of your ordination certificate.

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Please send this completed application form, along with a check for \$25 (administration fee) made out to CWG Leaders Network, to Communion With God Leaders Network 224 E Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, WI 54868

Any questions, E-mail: leadersnetwork@cwgministries.org Phone: 715-434-6833

Certificate of License

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that upon the recommendation and request of the Communion With God Leaders Network, which has taken sufficient opportunity for judging both gifts and Christian experience, call to the ministry,

who was solemnly set apart and licensed as a

Minister of

by authority and order of Communion With God Leaders Network
at 224 E. Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, Wisconsin 54868.

On the _____ day of _____, 20__, for a period from this date to _____, 20__,
when his status will be reviewed by Communion With God Leaders Network.

When acting in a leadership role of a church and authorized by that church so to do, he shall be considered eligible to administer the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's supper; and to officiate at funerals and weddings, when compatible with the laws of the state.

Licensing council

Executive Board of Elders

Executive Board of Elders

Executive Board of Elders

Certificate of Ordination

who was solemnly set apart and ordained as a

Licensed Minister of

by authority and order of Communion With God Leaders Network
at 224 E. Saint Patrick St., Rice Lake, Wisconsin 54868

On the _____ day of _____, 20__

When acting in a leadership role of a church and authorized by that church so to do, he shall be considered eligible to administer the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's supper; and to officiate at funerals and weddings, when compatible with the laws of the state.

Ordaining council

Executive Board of Elders

Executive Board of Elders

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