

Connecting Point *Community*

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ELISHA PROJECT

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
REQUIREMENTS
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VISION (Cultivate - Develop - Train)

The Elisha Project is designed to assist with cultivating the call of God on an individual, while developing the necessary leadership skills to operate at optimal levels of ministry, and to train in areas of ministry to increase the effectiveness of the church.

It is the desire of Pastor Gregory Pounds and Connecting Point Community Church to see every member in action and working toward becoming a leader in the local church. The Elisha Project is an opportunity for individuals to receive education, instruction and personal development, just as Elisha received from Elijah the prophet.

The Elisha Project is not another church service, but will allow Pastor Pounds and selected ministers to instruct candidates in a deeper understanding of ministry in an academic setting. Although the Elisha Project is not a Bible College at this time, we will seek to set higher academic standards experienced at college-level educational institutions.

3 KEY AREAS OF FOCUS:

1. **CULTIVATE:** Many people feel the call of God on their life to do more than just attend church, but never understand what they must do to cultivate their calling. 2 Peter 2:10 says, "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall." The Elisha Project will assist you with cultivating the call of God and supporting your diligence to grow in the knowledge and wisdom of God's word, leadership skills, and effective ministry practices.

2. **DEVELOP:** Oftentimes, church attendees would like to get more involved in ministry, but do not feel that they have adequate skills to lead, or they become overwhelmed comparing themselves to other individuals who have spent several years sharpening their skills. Whether you are lacking skills or need a little sharpening of skills you already possess, the Elisha Project will assist you in developing the necessary skills to operate at optimal levels like the seasoned leaders around you. Jesus picked the disciples and developed them from the rough state he found them in, not because they were already polished in their ways.

3. **TRAIN:** The value of the training and education you will receive from the Elisha Project will not only benefit you in your personal life, but will directly impact the ministries that work in or will possibly become the senior leader of. Training will allow the culture of Connecting Point and the ministry team to be unified in purpose, doctrine, and operation. It all starts with each individual becoming educated in God's Word. 2 Timothy 2:15 says, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

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Please fill out form completely and return to:

Senior Pastor
Connecting Point Community Church
1018 South Main Street
Corona, CA 92882

Personal Information

Full Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Are You Over 18 Years of Age? _____

If not, please obtain signature from Pastor and fill additional Parent / Guardian forms

Emergency Contact #1: _____

Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact #2: _____

Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

The Elisha Project will require dedication and commitment that is “above average”. Your commitment will determine the outcomes you receive.

Considerations During Applying:

1. Prayer: Ask God for direction and the desired results He would have you to achieve while attending this course.
2. Determination: establish a mindset that is determined to work hard and be faithful.
3. Goals: establish individual goals that will guide you on your journey through the Elisha project.
4. Commitment: Start, continue strong, and finish well what you begin.

Elisha Project Requirements

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Character: Participants will be expected to exhibit godly principles in conduct at all times. The character of participants within the Elisha Project group will be distinguishably and remarkably higher in ethics, leadership, servant hood, dress and conduct.
2. Ethics: Participants will be expected to practice high ethical standards in all areas. As a participant of the Elisha Project you will be expected to be disciplined and conduct yourself with high moral standards and obligations. Godly Christian ethics will guide the participant to work diligently, perform the required tasks on time, and maintain the highest level of personal excellence.
3. Academic Standards: Participants will be expected to complete their assignments on time, individually, and with integrity. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Meriam-webster states, “Plagiarize: to steal or pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one’s own; use (another’s production) without crediting the source; to commit literary theft; to present as new or original an idea or product derived from an existing source”.
4. Servant Hood: Participants must be ardently devoted to the cause of Jesus Christ and be willing to put the needs of others ahead of your own desires. You must be willing to follow instructions and rules.
5. Attendance: Classes will be held on one Saturday per month, from 9 AM to 1 PM. Some classes may occasionally require the day to be extended because of the nature of the topics being covered. Participants must be present for all classes. Failure to attend or tardiness will result in a drop from the Elisha Project. Once dropped, you will be unable to enroll again for the period of 1 year and your leadership role with Connecting Point will be limited. Personal, business, and medical appointments should be made for non-class hours. Students will arrive at 8:30 AM to pray and prepare for classes.
6. Church Attendance: Participants will be expected to be at all local church services and activities. The Elisha Project is not an “optional” day of attendance to replace weekly services, but is in addition to the regularly scheduled services and activities. Elisha Project participants should be the example in all areas of ministering to and serving the Body of Christ during church services.

Elisha Project Interest / Intent

The purpose of this section of the application is to allow administration to gain a better perspective and understanding of each participant. This will assist with personalizing the educational experience. Please take time to answer each question. For the open ended questions please type or write your response on additional paper and attach to the application. Make sure to identify which question you are responding to in your essay responses.

QUESTIONNAIRE:

Please put answers 4-6 on another sheet of paper and attach to your application.

1. Have you been Baptized in Jesus Name?

Yes ____ No ____ Date: _____

2. Have you received the Holy Ghost with the evidence of tongues?

Yes ____ No ____ Date: _____

3. Are you a member of Connecting Point Community Church?

Yes ____ No ____ Date: _____

4. Why do you want to attend the Elisha Project? (Minimum 150 words)

5. What qualities would you bring to the Elisha Project community that might benefit, enhance, or stimulate the learning environment for your fellow students? (Minimum 150 words)

6. What are your beliefs about God, the Bible, and Salvation? How do these beliefs relate to your own goals in life and ministry? (Minimum 150 words)



Expectations: Elisha Project students will be expected to maintain the following areas of expectations. Following the list of expectations will allow each participant to receive the maximum benefit of the program.



1. Committed to your personal relationship with Christ.
2. Committed to the Mission, Vision, and Purpose of Connecting Point Community Church that has been given by Pastor.
3. Committed to Prayer: Pray a minimum of 30 minutes per day. Participants will be expected to fill out prayer logs.
4. Committed to Bible Reading: Read 5 chapters per week - not just lessons. Participants will be expected to fill out prayer logs.
5. Committed to Fasting: Regular Denial. Participants will be expected to fast at least 1 time per month.
6. Committed in Attendance: Every Sunday, Thursday, Elisha Project Classes and Activities. Participants will be expected to have “excellent” attendance. Absences from the Elisha Project will not be tolerated and will require removal from the project for the remainder of the Calendar Year.
7. Committed to God’s Financial Plan: Tithe (10% of earnings) & Offerings (over and above the tithe).
8. Committed to a Lifestyle of Praise & Worship: Rejoice! Participants will be expected to be leaders in Praise & Worship services.
9. Committed to Excellence: Present your best in everything you do.
10. Committed to Dress Code: Participants will be expected to present themselves as Leaders and Ministers of the Gospel. Dress Code during the Elisha Project Classes: MEN - Sunday Dress - Shirt and Tie (jacket preferred), Slacks, Dress Shoes, Hair neatly groomed. WOMEN - Sunday Dress - Dresses and Skirts that are dressy in appearance, must be below the knee. Shirts must not be low-cut or revealing the back or stomach. Please see attached Dress Code Policy for more details. **NO DENIM OR CASUAL DRESS PERMITTED.**

Elisha Project

2015 Participant Calendar

1st Semester:

January 18

February 15

March 15

2nd Semester:

April 19

May 17

June 14

3rd Semester:

July 19

August 16

September 20

4th Semester:

October 18

November 15

December 13

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