

Mission Education Training Program Continuing Pentecost Today

The Church is missionary by its very nature. It was sent by Christ to reveal and communicate the love of God to all people and nations. By baptism, all Christians are called to actively participate in that mission of Jesus. (John Paul II, Redemptoris Missio)

Goals

- Train Priests, Deacons, Catechists, Teachers, DREs, Adult Formation Directors, Youth Ministers, Lay Ecclesial Ministers, Mission Office Staff and others to:
 - Appreciate the significance of mission to their own personal and ministerial identity
 - o Understand the scriptural, historical and theological foundations of mission and evangelization and the current models and methods of mission
 - o Grow in a spirituality grounded in global solidarity
 - Develop skills and resources to incorporate mission education into their own ministry and programs
- Train Maryknoll Affiliates, Deacons and Volunteers to give mission education presentations and mission appeals
- Implement USCCB Statement: Teaching the Spirit of Mission Ad Gentes, Continuing Pentecost Today

Programs Modules:

- 1. Basic Mission Education and Evangelization
- 2. Intermediate Mission Education and Evangelization
- 3. Basic Understanding Catholic Social Teaching in the Context of Mission and Evangelization



Program Format

- Each Module consists of 4 Sessions that are 2 1/2 hours in length, using adult learning methods and include integration of prayer and spirituality
- Sessions are typically held over 2 days (i.e. a weekend), or over 4 evenings.
- Overnight accommodations are available at the Regional Center for small groups.
- Groups to be kept small (no more than 6) to ensure individual attention.

Overview of Program Modules

1. Basic Mission Education and Evangelization

- Session 1: Scriptural and Historical Foundations of Mission
- Session 2: Models and Methods of Mission Today, Maryknoll History and Charism
- Session 3: The Mission Educator
- Session 4: Developing Mission Education Opportunities

Upon successful completion the participant will:

- Have a better appreciation of the significance of mission to their own personal and ministerial identity
- Understand the scriptural, historical and theological foundations of mission and evangelization and the current models and methods of mission
- Have begun to grow in a spirituality grounded in global solidarity
- Have developed basic skills and resources to begin to incorporate mission education into their own ministry and programs

2. Intermediate Mission Education and Evagelization

- Session 1: Deeper look at the Scriptural and historical foundations of mission
- Session 2: Case studies of mission and evangelization

- Session 3: Best practices for developing mission education components and programs
- Session 4: Mission education and mission exposure trips and service learning

Upon successful completion the participant will have:

- Developed a deeper understanding of mission, their own identity as a mission educator and continued to develop a spirituality based on global solidarity
- competence to do mission education presentations and incorporate mission into curricula and programs

3. Basic Understanding Catholic Social Teaching in the Context of Mission and Evangelization

- Session 1: Scriptural foundation for Catholic Social Teaching in light of the evangelical mission
- Session 2: Overview of the history and methodology of Catholic Social Teaching
- Session 3: Overview of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching and their application
- Session 4: Resources and tools to integrate Catholic Social Teaching into ministry and programs

Upon successful completion of the program participants will:

- Have a basic understanding of Catholic Social Teaching in the context of the evangelical mission of the Church
- Understand how Catholic Social Teaching is an essential element and path of the Church's mission



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Upcoming Sessions:

TBD or by special arrangement for groups