

AIM INSTITUTE | Discover Your Purpose
Course Syllabus
2023 | September Term

COURSE: Discover Your Purpose

Course Term: Twelve weeks beginning Sunday, September 10, 7:00 PM (US Eastern Standard Time) except October 29.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

What is the direction of your life? What will your legacy be? More important, what is God's purpose, mission for your life? This is a Bible-based look at personal identity. Our goal is to equip the student to write a personal mission statement. Several assessment tools will be used, an opportunity will be given for personal reflection. We conclude with instruction for building an action plan with teaching on goals and scheduling.

INTRODUCTION VIDEO: [CLICK HERE](#)

OBJECTIVES

1. To study the biblical basis for discovering one's personal vision and mission.
2. To assist the student in discovering personal spiritual gifts, values, and personality traits.
3. To walk the student through the process of writing personal vision and mission statements.
4. To equip and challenge the student to develop an action plan for stewarding one's vision and mission.
5. Expose students to various resources for additional personal study.

INSTRUCTOR: Terry King

Terry King often says, "I love to train and resource leaders!" Terry's teaching and equipping calling has taken him across the United States and to forty-one countries. Terry has served as a trainer, leadership coach, mentor, pastor, conference and seminar speaker, college instructor and academic dean. Married to Linda in 1972, the Kings are based in Hagerstown, Maryland, having previously lived in Zimbabwe and the Philippines. Terry's

MA degrees in Cross-Cultural Communication and HRD Leadership Studies and background of 51 years of teaching and coaching experience has prepared him to make a difference. Terry currently serves as the executive director of Leadership Development Resources and is part of the leadership team of Alliance International Ministries.

COURSE FORMAT

This directed study format enables you to receive college level instruction while studying at home. (Note, AIM Institute does not offer accredited college credits.) Course elements include:

- Weekly video assignments.
- Required textbook reading assignments.
- Contact time with the instructor and classmates by means of a weekly Zoom debrief classroom.
- Study questions for your personal benefit as well as preparation for the weekly debrief.
- The course will be graded as pass or fail. Bear in mind your weekly preparation will have a direct bearing on how much you gain from the course.

COURSE SCHEDULE

- The first of twelve weeks beginning Sunday, September 10 at 7:00 PM (US Eastern Standard Time) except October 29.
- You will receive a Zoom invite by email for each debrief.
- Preparation, including watching the lecture videos, can be done at any time before the debrief.
- To maximize the use of your time, we will not repeat information from the videos in the debrief unless there are questions.
- Completion of the course requires a project which will summarize your personal vision and mission statements and an action plan for moving forward. These will be developed during the course.
- A Study Guide with the schedule of weekly assignments and the course project will be sent to you after you are registered.

REQUIREMENTS

- This is an intensive course; students should plan to participate in all class sessions.
- Complete all course reading, watch videos, and writing assignments.
- Complete course project on week 12.

TEXTS

- A specific text is not required for this course. There will be recommended readings from the following books:
 - Holy Bible (Translation of your choice)
 - Rima, Samuel D. Leading from the Inside Out. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2000
 - Covey, Stephen R. The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People. New York, New York: Simon and Schuster, 1989, 2004.
- A bibliography with additional books will be provided in the Study Guide.

Online registration form is available at

- Complete the registration form: <https://aimteam.org/aim-institute/dyls23-app/>
- For more information, contact Terry King, email T.King@LDROnline.org