



## Practical Theology Department

"Shaping Servant-Leaders"

— Synopsis —

**COURSE NUMBER and TITLE:** PTH 559 LEC 01 &  
OLC 02 Relational Dynamics in Ministry  
**CREDIT HOURS:** 3 Credit Hours  
**SEMESTER:** Fall 2020  
**COURSE DAY/TIME:** Wednesdays 2-4:45pm  
**LOCATION:** AGTS Room 228

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**REQUIRED TEXT:**

- Anderson, Leith & Jill Fox, *The Volunteer Church: Mobilizing Your Congregation for Growth and Effectiveness*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2015, 160 pages. (ISBN-13: 978-0310519157)
- Benner, David G., *Strategic Pastoral Counseling: A Short-term Structured Model*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2003, 160 pages. (ISBN: 978-0801026317)
- Cloud, Henry, *Boundaries for Leaders: Results, Relationships and Being Ridiculously in Charge*. New York, NY: HarperBusiness, 2013, 272 pages. (ISBN-13: 978-0062206336)
- Croft, Brian, *Oversee God's People: Shepherding the Flock Through Administration and Delegation*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2015, 128 pages. (ISBN: 978-0310519317)
- Rodin, R. Scott, *The Steward Leader: Transforming People, Organizations and Communities*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Academic, 2010, 199 pages. (ISBN: 978-0830838783) **(Start reading this book first)**
- Smith, J. Bryan, *The Good and Beautiful Community: Following the Spirit, Extending Grace, Demonstrating Love*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2010, 240 pages. (ISBN: 978-0830835331)

**COURSE ASSIGNMENTS:**

All assignments have specific due dates that are listed on the attached course outline. **Unless otherwise directed by the instructor, all assignments are submitted to Course Commons.**

**1. Assignment 1 – Reading**

- a. Read the required textbooks and complete a reading reflection form for each on the assigned dates. This form is not a book report, nor formal critique. Rather, it is a personal reflections on the 3 or 4 key insights that most impacted your understanding of life and ministry.

**2. Assignment 2 – Small Group Discussion (SGD)**

- a. Complete each of the small group discussion assignments on the due dates noted in the course outline.

**3. Assignment 3 – Writing Projects**

- a. Complete the following writing projects on the due dates noted in the course outline:
- i. Pastoral Care Essays
  - ii. Sacerdotal Ceremonies
  - iii. Summative Project