

Paul to Timothy Institute

Empowering Pauls to Mentor Timothys

EXPLOREStarting a Church-Based Training Center

We can partner with you to establish your own church-based training center which is designed for present and *potential* pastors and church leaders to...

...connect relationally,

...learn practical ministry, and

...grow church ministries together.

We can equip you to...

- Offer the Leading and Mentoring for Ministry Excellence certificate at your churchbased training center in a one-year format. (certificate offered in partnership with Assemblies of God Theological Seminary!)
- Train your church leaders and aspiring ministers.
- Work together with area pastors to serve your region.
- Focus on the 9 essential qualities of highly effective church leaders.
- Receive 6 credit hours to be applied toward the AGTS Master of Leadership and Ministry degree (MLM) for those who complete the certification.

IS GOD CALLING YOU AS A PAUL TO TRAIN TIMOTHYS?

5 Questions

1. Is God calling you to step into the role of a Leader of Leaders?

God is raising up Pauls for Timothys across the world. In our work at Paul to Timothy Institute, we train hundreds of ministry leaders throughout the world. It is abundantly evident that God is raising up Pauls to train Timothys. If God is calling you to be a Paul to your Timothys, we can equip you take the next step of formalizing your church-based training center.

2. Are you driven to take your ministry leaders to their next level?

God's mandate to Paul was to commit himself to Timothy so that Timothy's leaders could reach their God-given potential. Most ministry leaders do not fail because they have poor theology. Rather, when ministry leaders fail to be fruitful, it is almost always related to their leadership capacity.

It's true: Everything rises or falls related to leadership.

3. Do you feel inadequate because your church has not reached "large church" status?

It may be hard for you to believe, but the most demanding leadership role in ministry is that of the small church pastor. Why? Because small church pastors are vitally connected with each and every person in their congregation. That means that small church pastors must have proven ability in their personal disciplines, relational wisdom, and leadership skills. The Leading and Mentoring for Ministry Excellence Certificate will enable you to train ministry leaders to develop mastery in these vital areas.

4. Are you passionate to partner with pastors in your area, to work together in establishing proven, practical ministry training?

When you take the initiative to establish a church-based training center, you have the privilege of partnering with likeminded pastors who will work with you to host and train together. You can host one month and one or more pastors can host other months as you teach, train, and work together to bring practical ministry resources to your region.

5. Do you have ministry leaders that look to you as a mentor?

If you have ministry leaders who look to you as a vital resource to develop their leadership, you know very well that informal mentoring only goes so far. What is needed is a formalized setting where you can cover the vital competencies that all Spirit-empowered ministry leaders have mastered. The 9 courses of the P2T-AGTS Certificate will give you the ability to formally deliver what is needed to train and empower the Timothys that God has given you influence with.

Frequently Asked Questions

What will you name your Church-Based Training Center?

We encourage you to name your own center as the Lord guides. As an example, one of our Executive Mentor Directors is using the name Wellhouse. We encourage you to let your church leaders know that the center offers a proven leadership training certification through the P2T and AGTS partnership.

Who is your Church Based Training Center designed to serve?

The leadership training you offer is designed to equip your leaders. It is best to recruit ministry leaders that you want to take to their next level of leadership effectiveness. These are typically your leaders who oversee key areas of ministry such as worship, children's ministry, youth ministry, men's ministry, women's ministry, small group/Sunday school, etc.

Can you work with another pastor or pastors in your area to launch a training center together?

Yes. Partnering with other pastors is a great idea. You will be able to share facilities, teaching responsibilities, and hosting duties together.

• When will you offer your leadership trainings?

Many training centers are choosing to meet after Sunday morning service for a meal and training session on the first and last Sunday of each month. There will be podcast listening, journaling, and texting within a leadership group between those Sunday gatherings.

What is the cost?

Each course will cost \$50.00. This includes access to the course materials online which is designed to supplement what you offer in a face-to-face classroom setting.

• Will my leaders receive a certificate of completion?

Yes! Each leader that completes all 9 courses will receive the *Leading and Mentoring for Ministry Excellence* certificate from Paul to Timothy and AGTS. This also qualifies them

to receive 6 free credit hours that can be applied toward the AGTS Master of Leadership and Ministry degree. (an \$1800 value!)

How will you be resourced with training materials for your Training Center?

As a training center director, you will have access to all the training materials for each course. This includes a Training Center Manual, all the materials to teach each course, and access for you and the ministry leaders you are training to an online class for each course. This online class is designed to help anyone who misses a particular training and as a resource for you to use in your classroom to supplement your teaching. As an example, you could choose to show a 15-minute training video that would be followed by your own teaching with classroom discussion.

How can a church-based training center invest into international ministry leaders?

You and your leaders at your training center will have the opportunity to connect with international pastors and their ministry leaders to train them as well. You will be given the opportunity to sponsor and teach others pastors who have requested to offer the P2T/AGTS Leadership Certification in their church as well. Your teaching for them will be done online. Presently, we have 10 nations waiting for the P2T/AGTS Leadership Certification to be offered to them through our church-based training center leaders.

• We know you have more questions!

Right now we are planning a P2T Retreat to Launch Church-Based Training Centers. It will be held from January 5-9, 2026 at Fairhaven Ministries in Roan Mountain, Tennessee. You find a form at the end of this eBook to register. The training is free and meals with us during the training are also provided. You will only need to cover the lodging expense of your chalet. If it works, you can share a chalet with a friend who joins you for the training time.



An Overview of the Nine Courses of the Leading and Mentoring for Ministry Excellence Certificate

Course 1: Being a Spirit-driven Leader

God has placed each of us in this world for a specific purpose. Spirit-driven leaders must develop the abilities to (a) discern, (b) accommodate and (c) deliberately pursue God's chosen destiny. Those who fulfill their God-given destiny have this common: They have discerned and pursued what God wants with focused intention.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Developing the ability to accept God's voice as taught in the Parable of the Sower.
- 2. Developing the ability to accommodate the present emphases of the Spirit as taught in the Parable of the Wineskin.
- 3. Defining present priorities for protecting and pursing God's priorities for your life and leadership.

Resources you will receive:

• A journaling template that reinforces your abilities to align your life with the present emphasis of the Spirit.

Course 2: Marriage and Family Life Essentials

Everyone knows that marriages and families are under attack throughout the world today. It is essential that you, as a ministry leader, are able to model a healthy family life and have the wisdom to bring restoration and wholeness to hurting marriages, parents, and children. Leading and mentoring families may be the greatest contribution you can bring to your church and ministry.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Understanding God's design for marriage as a covenant and not simply a contract.
- 2. The ability to model and shape the heart of a child; beyond simply controlling behavior.

Resources you will receive:

• Teaching materials to conduct a marriage and family series in your ministry.

Course 3: Managing the Finances of Your Church and Ministry

The way we handle money will become one of the most determining factors, undergirding an effective ministry. We must lead financial matters in ministry with faith, wisdom, transparency, and practical accountability.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Understanding how to form a ministry budget with appropriate percentage allotments related to: (a) church growth/development, (b) salaries, and (c) debt retirement.
- 2. Aligning your ministry budget with practical ministry effectiveness.

Resources you will receive:

A budget template to define your ministry budget.

Course 4: Teaching and Preaching for Life Change

The old adage is true: We don't just preach and teach by what we say. Our teaching and preaching must combine the elements of authenticity, Biblical understanding, persuasion, and life application. In other words, we are to teach and preach in a way that can be measured by practical life change in our listeners' lives.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Prepare your messages for 5 kinds of preaching/teaching: (a) Exegetical, (b) expositional, (c) biographical, (d) topical, and (e) inspirationally relevant.
- 2. Implement the 4 elements of effective messages.
- 3. Learn how great ministry teachers prepare their calendar and messages.

Resources you will receive:

- A biographical preaching/teaching on the life of David.
- An exegetical preaching/teaching series on the book of Ephesians.

Course 5: Leading Change

One of the overwhelming requirements of a ministry leader is the ability to lead a ministry into and through major change points, in order to fulfill God's purposes.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Understand the change dynamics that initiate change moments in your leadership.
- 2. Learn to lead through the 8 vital stages of change.

Resources you will receive:

• A PDF exploring the 8 vital stages of change in the life of Nehemiah.

Course 6: Managing Conflict in Ministry

Like it or not, conflict in ministry leadership is unavoidable. One of the fundamental abilities we must develop is the ability to discern the root of conflict. Is the conflict related to ignorance from immaturity or obstinance from disposition? When we know the root cause of conflict, we can then bring answers to the real problem.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Know how to discern the root cause of a conflict.
- 2. Learn the dynamics to lead in paths of accountability.
- 3. Learn the dynamics to lead those trapped in foolish behaviors.

Resources you will receive:

 A PDF exploring the conflict resolution found in Acts 6 that incorporates discernment of the root issue solutions, and ministry restructuring to limit future conflicts.

Course 7: Surviving the Seasons of Ministry Leadership

The major reason that many suffer burnout in ministry leadership is through an inability to align their lives with the expectations and values of the season of ministry they are facing. The real reason for surviving and thriving in ministry is the ability to align our expectations and values with the season where God has us at the moment.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Ability to assess the 4 seasons of ministry and define expectations and values for yourself and others accordingly.
- 2. Align with the emphases of the Spirit according to your ministry season.

Resources you will receive:

• A template to define your life covenants with an emphasis of defining your season within each.

Course 8: Building a Ministry Team

When a ministry is ineffective, the reason is almost always a leadership failure somewhere, not typically the inability of a minister to do ministry by themselves. The reason many ministries are ineffective is because the ministry leaders has been unable to build a ministry team of partners – not just helpers. As Paul said to Timothy in 2 Timothy 2, his effectiveness as a ministry leader rested upon his ability to learn himself, and then pass on that training to a ministry team.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Learn how to select ministry team leaders to serve as partners with you.
- 2. Develop the specific ministry giftings of those on your leadership team.
- 3. Understand the process and maturity standards for promoting ministry leaders.

Resources you will receive:

• An example of how to align our ministry team to an annual calendar focusing on the 5 healthy church functions of an effective ministry.

Course 9: Taking Your Ministry to the Next Level

God has placed you in this world as a chosen vessel for His purposes. There are definitive results that God wants to come through your life. This course will help students to create a life and leadership development plan.

Outcomes for your leadership through this course:

- 1. Identify ministry goals that are achievable in the next 6 months.
- 2. Mobilize a ministry team around your God-given focus.

Resources you will receive:

• A template to develop your life and leadership over the next 6 months prioritizing the present emphases of the Spirit.



Listen to a short podcast:

How to Be a Paul to Your Timothys

You're Invited!

This January, Paul to Timothy Institute is offering specialized training to equip you to launch your Church-Based Training Center, in a retreat setting.



Where: Fairhaven Ministries in beautiful Roan Mountain, TN

When: January 5-9, 2026

Cost: Chalets cost approximately \$75/night; 1 bedroom, 1 loft and 1 bath. You can share a chalet with another couple or single if you choose.

*Paul to Timothy will cover the cost for the conference and food!

You will discover:

- How to partner with P2T and AGTS to launch your church's training center.
- How P2T executive leaders will come and train your leaders at the launch of your center.
- How to promote and register your students.
- How you will receive the 9 courses for you and your team to teach your ministry leaders.
- How to structure your training center: when, where, how.
- How to become a P2T Certified Ministry Leadership Mentor.
- How to connect with and train international ministry leaders through your training center.



To let us know you are interested in attending, please click on the link below.

A link to pay for your chalet will be sent out in October.

Payment will be due by November 7.

Click Here to Register