

# SESSION CATALOG

NSP sessions are listed in alphabetical order and include both core classes and electives. Full course notes are also included. Reference the Contents page to locate the full notes to the sessions listed in this Catalog.

## Addicted to Busy

Being busy doesn't make a person more spiritual. Find out the dangers of this addiction and the antidote in Matthew 11.

## Altar Working Basics

Focus on good methods to be used when praying with people in the altar; and consider cultural differences on this assignment.

## Ambassadors

We are to present ourselves as ambassadors for Christ. Understand how we should speak, look, behave, and act in different situations at home and abroad.

## An AIMer's Life

Hear stories from AIMers on location about their journey and personal experiences.

## Beauty for Ashes

Practical info and guide to breaking free from the bondage of guilt and shame, by replacing lies with the truth.

## Bible Study

### Receive One/Give One

Receive a Bible study, then choose one to give in the following session. Practice for potential real encounters while on assignment.

## Biblical View of Missions

Focus on the main point of the Bible, which is missions and how the focus is on bringing God glory by sharing the Gospel.

## Breaking Open Nations with Apostolic Ministry

There are gospel resistant nations left to be reached. How do we break into them? What methods have been used with success elsewhere?

## Children's Ministry in Missions

Discover the difference between teaching and training in Children's Ministry while on the field. Share resources for effective ministry.

## Clear Communication is Vital

Grasp the role of preparation and presentation in communicating with others successfully.

## Communicating the Message

Discover how to approach delivering God's message of hope in various settings.

## Communicating with Supporters

Your supporters are investing in you! What are some things to consider about communicating successfully with them and what tools are available?

## Culture Shock

Understand how culture shock presents itself and how to overcome it.

## Doing Ministry from a Non-Western Perspective

Cross-cultural ministry in non-Western environments requires creativity and adaptability. Become aware of your Western perspectives.

## Effectiveness in the Community

Become familiar with methods for reaching the community around you while on assignment.

## Global Missions Structure

Introduction to the organizational structure of churches around the world. Understand how we from North America fit into the global missions effort.

## Go! And Take Your Work with You

Short-Term Missions welcomes volunteers who want to serve in a global capacity and have paid skills they can use to travel.

## Healthy Relationships are Vital

Discover the elements that make up a healthy relationship and learn the central role of trust in relationship-building.

## Hearing God's Voice

Receive instruction concerning hearing God's voice, then experience it together in a way that is kid and new-convert friendly.

## Hospitality in Missions

Hospitality is an attitude. Learn how to prepare yourself as a host and prepare your guests for cross-cultural ministry.

## How Big is Your Why?

Discover how knowing why you are involved in missions is important, and make sure your why is big enough to withstand the test of time.

## How to Hug a Porcupine

Conflict reconciliation is an uncommon idea in the secular world. Dealing with difficult people requires understanding these principles.

## Keeping the Dream Alive

How do you define your dream? Do you have a dream? Identify and think critically about your spiritual aspirations.

## Language Acquisition

Demonstrates how we acquire language, rather than study it for learning. Find out tips for language acquisition as well as pointers for working with an interpreter.

## **Making Yourself Available**

It's important to understand how to be available whenever and wherever God wants to use you.

## **Making Your Training Stick**

Discover the principles for transformation.

## **Mentoring the Next Generation**

Explore the characteristics of a good mentor-mentee relationship and how to apply it personally.

## **Metaphors in Cultural Anthropology**

Using metaphors, discover how different cultures arrive at their conclusions about life and the world due to differing values.

## **Methods and Tactics of Evangelism**

Grow in your personal evangelism by applying these methods and tactics, using the Word and Truth.

## **Ministry Encounters in Cross-Cultural Missions**

This session is designed to explain how we can have an effective ministry with a truth encounter and a power encounter.

## **Ministry from a Non-Western Perspective**

Spend some time seeing the world through non-Westerner's eyes, recognizing Western biases and approaches.

## **Mission Critical Productivity**

Practical explanations about spending your time wisely, with tools for daily evaluation.

## **Missionary Life in this Region**

Missionary story-time by the Regional Director and available missionaries living in the region.

## **Missionary Life in this Country**

Missionary story-time by the missionary(ies) living in the country of this NSP assignment.

## **Opportunities Around the World**

Get real-time STM and career opportunities around the world.

## **Orientation 1**

Welcome to your overseas assignment! Take your first steps beyond your normal comfort zone as we delve into program expectations, spending a little time on info you need to settle in right away.

## **Orientation 2**

Explanation of basic cultural information you need to know, learning a little about this particular field and overview 8 weeks.

## **Our Missionary Journey**

Global Missions staff story-time, detailing their missions journey.

## **Overview of Missions in the Region**

Discover the history of and important information about doing missions in this particular region by the Regional Director if available.

## **Overview of Missions in this Country**

Discover the history of and important information about doing missions in this particular country by the host missionary.

## **Personal Development and Daily Evaluation**

A reminder that we need regular examination of our life course and ministry. Where are you headed?

## **Practical Guide to Spiritual Giftings**

Find your place in the body of Christ by understanding spiritual giftings and taking faith gifts and personality tests.

## **Prayer Strategies for the Field**

Prayer on the field is vital! Glean ideas for building your own personal prayer strategy.

## **Prayer Walking**

Obtain practical information and experience in prayer walking.

## **Protecting Who I Am in Christ**

Learn about applying the armor of God in a way that protects your spiritual giftings.

## **Public Speaking Basics**

Refresher to help you succeed at your upcoming speaking opportunities, starting with NSP devotions.

## **Rolling with the Punches**

Flexibility in ministry is a requirement. How do you deal with situations that don't go as planned?

## **Saying Goodbye Never Gets Easy**

Hear from a missionary or Global Missions staffer about their experience with saying goodbye, and why this group needs to stay in touch.

## **Servant Leadership**

Discover how leadership greatness is measured in God's kingdom by breaking down Jesus' paradigm of leadership.

## **Spiritual Disciplines 1 Solitude**

There is a place for silence, listening, guidance, prayer, intercession, study and meditation in our Christian walk. These disciplines require practice to quiet the noise.

## **Spiritual Disciplines 2 Surrender**

Brokenness is the key to the disciplines of surrender such as repentance, confession, yielding, submission, fasting and even worship.

## **Spiritual Disciplines 3 Service**

The three major areas of the disciplines of service start with simplicity and fellowship and culminate with evangelism.

## **Spiritual Warfare 1**

There is a world we cannot see active and moving all around us. We don't have to live in spiritual poverty, blind and spiritually weak.

## Spiritual Warfare 2

Experience the authority of spiritual loosing and binding in this session for the purpose of tearing down spiritual strongholds.

## STM Finances

Everything you need to know about your STM finances; see your funding from various perspectives including donors and administration.

## STMers Shapes and Sizes

Understand the 4 major different types of STMers and how they affect the missionary and the church on the field.

## Teamwork

We know it's important, but what are the tools to form a functioning team? Find out in this session.

## The Apostolic STMer

Discover the characteristics of an Apostolic STMer, including what he or she should be founded upon.

## The Importance of Bible Schools

Take a peek at how Bible schools are integral to preserving the message, producing the ministry and propagating the mission.

## The Next Right Step

Your journey is as much about the process as it is the destination. What is your next right step?

## Tracking Your Journey

Spiritual growth is a process and it's important to track one's progress. Find out a few journaling hacks to help you see how far you've come.

## Under the Umbrella

Find out about the several different Short-Term Missions and brainstorm with us about what you'd like to see in the future.

## Understanding Culture and Worldview

Become familiar with cultural characteristics and potential barriers you may encounter while sharing the Gospel cross-culturally.

## UPCI Around the World

Hear stories of how the UPCI began, how we have grown, where we have been, and where we are going in the future.

## Video Storyboarding

Experience how to create your own video storyboard for promotion purposes, then in small groups

create a 1-minute promotional video about NSP.

## What's Your Calling?

Discover how doing the will of God means you'll never miss the will of God which is how we walk out our callings.

## When You Return Home

There are things you will need to do upon returning home that will ensure a successful re-entry to the world you left behind. The good news is, you won't be alone in the transition.

## Whom God Calls He Equips

There is a difference between being empowered by God and being equipped by Him. What is the journey one takes to experience what God has promised?

## Working in a Nationalized Work

Tips and methods to work well in a country that has a nationalized church. Gives examples of working with the local church leaders and how to maintain good relationships.

