



**Dear Pastor**

Greetings from ISOM in the Philippines. Since 1999, my wife Mila and I have been assisting thousands of churches across the Philippine Island to start their own world class school of ministry even in the remotes islands.

We have assembled this advance start-up kit to help you in preparation for the start of your School of Ministry.

We look forward partnering with you in raising up leaders and laborers for the harvest fields in the Philippines and beyond.

### **ISOM stands for the International School of Ministry.**

**ISOM** is the largest multid denominational, video-based Bible School in the World, providing undergraduate and graduate-level Biblical education in Ministry and the Marketplace. It is being already translated into over 85 languages, used in 150 plus nations, 20 000 plus venues with over 350 000 students and graduates. In the Philippines we now operate in our 3 main local languages, Tagalog, Ilokano, Cebuano and English.

**ISOM** enables your local church to run a world class school of ministry, with some of the BEST Faculty in the WORLD, in your language, at your venue, at your time, at a FRACTION of the cost of a traditional Bible training program. Because of the high quality of the teaching and the stature of our instructors, ISOM is Globally recognized as a leader in Biblical instruction. A Globally recognized Certificate and Diploma in Biblical Studies.

Our desire in **ISOM** is to help lift up the hands of pastors and help make their lives and jobs a little easier.

**“To provide churches, ministries, missionaries and christian believers with powerful and relevant tools to disciple people and train leaders.”**

Around the world those are the 2 biggest needs – discipleship and leadership training.

Our goal is:

- **TO TURN EVERY CHURCH INTO A TRAINING CENTER WHERE DISCIPLES ARE MENTORED TO MATURITY**
- **AND SENT OUT TO PLANT NEW CHURCHES.**

### **How do we do that?**

We provide you with a curriculum that has 160 hrs/session of material that has been conveniently divided into 5 trimesters of 32 one hour sessions each.

**Trimesters 1 & 2 covers basic discipleship** subjects: Foundations of Faith, Fear of the Lord; Praise & Worship; Prayer; Living by Faith; New & Old Testament survey;

**Trimesters 3, 4 & 5 are more on leadership training.** it teaches ministry related skills and tools like: Evangelism, Church Planting; Cell Groups; Writing down your Vision; Biblical Eldership; Reaching the Next Generation.....but we don't neglect character and mind: Leaders Integrity; Promise Keepers; Wilderness Mentalities; Staying under your Leaders' Authority; Forgiveness.

**Student manuals, Leaders Guide and video teachings are provided.**



We made **ISOM** easy for pastor to implement and a flexible schedule. We built everything into the package.

1. all teachings are prepared – on video with translation of your choice
2. student notes are provided, in language of your choice
3. group discussion and home study questions are provided
4. mid-term and final exam and answer keys provided in the administrators/leaders guide
5. Certificate of Biblical studies for completing t 1 – 3 ....from the USA!
6. Diploma of Biblical studies for completing t 1 – 5..... from the USA!
7. **The schedule flexible** we recommend 3 sessions a week
8. 1.5hrs per session (1hr to watch 30mins to check attendance; home assignments and do group discussion on video lesson

### What must you as pastor prepare?

- You must recruit 10 or more students from your congregation. You may also enroll yourself.
- Choose your venue where classes will be held.
- Arrange the schedule that is convenient for your members to attend. We recommend you complete arrange your schedule so that the 32 sessions (1 Trimester) can be completed in less than 3½ months

Pastor we appeal to you to invest in the future of the Philippines. Preaching the Gospel will get people saved, but it is in **TEACHING** the believer, systematically and thoroughly, **all that Jesus taught his disciples** that rough diamonds become precious jewels, ready for their masters' use.

We are confident that together we can build strong churches. Churches that will last and impact nations with the transforming power of the gospel, opening the door for multitudes to enter their eternal destiny ruling with Christ.

Let's work together and raise up the leaders that are needed for this end time harvest!

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### TO START ISOM OR WOW YOU NEED TO:

1. **UNDERSTAND:** ISOM is a ***Church Based training curriculum***. It is our principal that every local church be a place of training. The Pastor himself is involved in the discipleship and leadership training of the flock that God has entrusted him. Mentoring Believers to Maturity and developing skills in his members so the ministry God has entrusted can effectively grow.
2. Promote your vision: Equipping the Saints for ministry and church planting. Then promote ISOM to your congregation. Recruit at least 10 people from your church. The pastor may be student and administrator at the same time. We suggest you recruit more. You can view and download the 8 minute promotional video on our website: [www.isomphils.org](http://www.isomphils.org).
3. Recruit more than 10 people from your church. The pastor may be student and administrator at the same time.
4. Set a time and venue for your classes to start and set a schedule.
5. **Print out 2 church application forms and as many student application forms as needed and make those available to potential students.** Send all application forms to us. If you have access to email, ALL forms can be emailed to us at [isomphils@yahoo.com](mailto:isomphils@yahoo.com).
6. ***Depending on your location***, we would love to come to your church on your first day of classes, to help with any questions the students have and train the school/class facilitator/administrator, but we have video's that can do that training, if distance is too far.









### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**1. Where do we go for to attend the ISOM classes?**

**A.** Your Church or any suitable meeting place becomes the venue.

**2. Who can Enroll?**

**A.** Every willing believer. Our youngest Graduate is 12yrs old, our oldest graduate is 93yrs old.

**3. Who teaches the courses?**

**A.** All teachers are on video. Students watch the video. All teachings are in English & Tagalog/Cebuano/Ilokano or Mandarin . Students have a choice between English or Tagalog/Cebuano/Ilokano or Mandarin student manuals.

**4. Who facilitates the classes?**

**A.** The local pastor or the person the pastor chooses does.

**5. Can the Pastor/Facilitator be a student at the same time.**

**A.** Yes, we require pastor/facilitator to preview the video materials before watching it again with the other students. The video is the teacher, not the pastor.

**6. What must I as pastor do?**

**A.** Recruit students from your congregation, arrange a venue, TV & CD-player. Set a starting date. Facilitate the class discussions and administrate the Exams.

**7. What is included?**

**A.** For each trimester, you'll be supplied with student manuals and a set of video material. ISOM EXPRESS is on 4 to 5 DVD's per Trimester. You will also receive the Administrators' Guide, Certificates and Diploma's.

**8. Who gets the videos?**

**A.** The video materials becomes property of the Church. Students only receive student manuals.

**9. It is our school, are we limited / restricted to teach only the material you supply?**

**A.** No, we highly recommend you supplement our material with anything you have. We simply want see believers Rooted in the Word of God and Equipped to bring in this end-time harvest.

» For any other questions please do not hesitate to call, txt or e-mail us:

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