Christ Centered Ministries
Licensure Requirements

Christ Centered Ministries is a division of Christ Centered Fellowship, Inc. of Troy, Missouri.

Vision Statement:

Our vision is to see the people of God, who declare that Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior, supplied with leaders who are fully equipped to help them mature and grow into the work of service the Lord has assigned them to. Christ Centered Ministries (CCM) has been formed to provide the Apostolic oversight and accountability the body of Christ needs in order to grow into the bride of Christ, fully trained to do the work of ministry.

Mission Statement:

Our mission in providing licensing is to train and equip qualified leaders, elders and Five-fold ministers for the work of service in the body of Christ. We have a passion to see each person called to serve in some area of leadership, covered by a Safe, Bible-believing, Apostolic accountability team.

Guiding Scriptures:

Eph. 4:11-13 "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the [e]edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

2 Tim 4:2 "Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching."

Basic Requirements

Every person wishing to receive a license must complete the application process which is available as a fillable PDF document from our website. In addition to the application, each applicant is to provide a short essay detailing the personal testimony of and the call that God has placed upon the candidate and why the candidate has chosen Christ Centered Fellowship, Inc. to issue licensure. A personal interview with our licensing board, either in-person or online, will also be conducted.

It is not a requirement of CCM that the candidate be a member of Christ Centered Church. The licensed provided will allow the recipient to begin his/her own ministry as the Lord leads.

Educational Requirements

Educational requirements may vary depending on ministry experience. Christ Centered Ministries considers each candidate on a case-by-case basis. Those who have had licensure under a different ministry may submit a summary of life and ministry experiences, and/or "test

out" of certain course work. For more information, please contact CCM to speak directly with our staff.

Each type and level of licensing requires different course work. The primary educational requirement is the course WWC Ministries '*Kingdom Warriors Basic Training*'. All levels of licensure are required to complete this course. More information on this course is available at www.wwcministries.com.

CCM has partnered with the International School of the Word (ISOW) to provide a strong, Scripturally-based education for those new to ministry. Please see the section, ***Course Catalog***, for more information.

Licenses Available through Christ Centered Ministries

1. Christian Worker

A Christian Worker is a person who is doing a work of service, usually within a local church. This person frequently helps in a local church. They may be a lay leader, a secretary, or just starting a work of ministry with little or no experience in ministry. This person is usually not called to pulpit ministry but is a worker in a support ministry.

Required Course*:
WWC *Basic Training*© or test equivalent.

2. Exhorter

An Exhorter is a person who is beginning to work in a role of leadership ministry. This person may be a youth leader, a secondary supporting leader (such as an assistant pastor), or is beginning a preaching and/or teaching ministry.

Required Courses*:
WWC *Basic Training*© or equivalent.
ISOW Basic Theology or equivalent.
ISOW History of Christianity or equivalent.
ISOW Why we worship or equivalent.

Elective Courses* (**choose one** of the following):
ISOW Biblical Apologetics or equivalent.
ISOW Armor of God or equivalent.
ISOW Biblical Worship or equivalent.
ISOW Canonization of Scripture or equivalent.
ISOW History of the Bible or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of Heaven & Hell or equivalent.

3. Licensed Minister

A Licensed minister is someone who has been in the role of pulpit ministry, either full time or part time, for at least 5 years. This person has been teaching and/or preaching in the pulpit, and may either have their own ministry, or have been appointed as a minster of the Gospel. For those aspiring to become pulpit ministers, but who do not have experience, CCM recommends starting as an Exhorter to complete coursework under the guidance of an experienced minister-mentor. Those who have had pulpit ministry for at least 5 years may apply directly to CCM for licensure. Course requirements would be on a case by case basis, with life experience considered.

Required Courses*:
WWC Basic Training© or equivalent.
ISOW Basic Theology or equivalent.
ISOW Gifts of the Spirit or equivalent.
ISOW History of Christianity or equivalent.
ISOW History of the Bible or equivalent.
ISOW Starter Guide to Ministry or equivalent.
ISOW Why We Worship or equivalent.

Elective Courses* (**choose two** of the following):
ISOW Biblical Apologetics or equivalent.
ISOW Armor of God or equivalent.
ISOW Biblical Worship or equivalent.
ISOW Demonology and the Authority of the Believer or equivalent.
ISOW Divine Healing or equivalent.
ISOW Canonization of Scriptures or equivalent.
ISOW OT Survey/NT Survey (2 Courses) or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of Grace or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of Heaven & Hell or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of the Holy Spirit or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of the Rapture or equivalent.
ISOW Angels or equivalent.

4. Ordained Minister

Ordination represents the public recognition of a man or woman called into full-time ministry. To become an ordained minister with CCM, the person must have either previous ordination from a church or ministry or must have proven ministry experience. This candidate must have at least 5 years of experience in pulpit ministry, either full- or part-time, have a letter of recommendation from at least three ordained ministers, and have an interview with our ordination board. CCM loves to honor those who have faithfully worked among us by ordaining them to the work the Lord Jesus has called them to.

Required Courses*:

WWC Basic Training © or equivalent.
ISOW Basic Theology or equivalent.
ISOW Gifts of the Spirit or equivalent.
ISOW History of Christianity or equivalent.
ISOW History of the Bible or equivalent.
ISOW Starter Guide to Ministry or equivalent.
ISOW Why We Worship or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of Grace or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of Heaven & Hell or equivalent.
ISOW Biblical Worship or equivalent.
ISOW Divine Healing or equivalent.
ISOW Missions and Evangelism

Elective Courses* (**choose two** of the following):
ISOW Biblical Apologetics or equivalent.
ISOW Armor of God or equivalent.
ISOW Demonology and the Authority of the Believer or equivalent.
ISOW Canonization of Scriptures or equivalent.
ISOW OT Survey/NT Survey (2 Courses) or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of the Holy Spirit or equivalent.
ISOW Theology of the Rapture or equivalent.
ISOW Tabernacle or equivalent.
ISOW The Expository Study of Angels or equivalent.

*CCM recognizes that many ministers seeking licenses have had a lot of life and ministerial experience. With that consideration, we review each candidate's experience and may consider coursework completed through experience. CCM reserves the right to require a "test-out" of certain materials in lieu of actual coursework.

Course Catalog

NOTE: All course descriptions are taken from the course providers. The first course, Basic Training, is taken from WWC Ministries and is a survey course that provides the basic tenets of faith, and a basic understanding of spiritual warfare. All other courses are provided from the International School of Ministry (ISOW).

WWC Ministries is a ministry that focuses on deliverance and spiritual warfare. CCM has chosen to partner with this ministry to ensure a basic understanding of salvation, the "doctrine of baptisms" (Heb. 6:2), the nature of the supernatural realm, and the importance of both sanctification and consecration. More information on this ministry is available at www.wwcministries.com.

ISOW is a ministry school established by Rev. Perry Stone. His Biblical knowledge and passion for accuracy in the teaching of Scripture is well established. More information on ISOW and the courses we have selected are available at https://isow.org/.

Armor of God

This study is based on one of Apostle Paul's letters he wrote while in prison – the book of Ephesians. It is said that Paul, while in prison, was literally bound in chains to a Roman soldier. His thoughts in Ephesians about the Armor of God were based on what he saw of the Roman soldier's armor, and he compared the "armor" that Christians must outfit themselves with to that armor. This book elucidates why the Armor of God is crucial to the Christian life, and what it takes to "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil" (Ephesians 6:11).

Basic Theology

This Basic Theology course taught by Dr. James DuPree offers an in-depth look at the terms and ideas every student of the Word should know about theology. Dr. DuPree discusses the study of theology itself and how it has evolved, the historical context of the Church's various doctrines, the difference between some major schools of thought, and of course the biblical evidence and backing for all of the positions discussed. For any aspiring Bible-scholar or especially to ISOW students new to the ideas presented in serious theological study, this is a great and worthwhile course filled with dozens of references and outside sources, terminology, and Bible passages that confirm or deny commonly held beliefs.

Biblical Apologetics

Dr. Michael Knight is an enthusiastic communicator, Christian apologist, and archeological researcher. The word apologetics means an argument or defense in the justification of something. Christian apologists use science, history, or other evidence to support the validity of the Bible and Christian beliefs. In this course, you will be presented with amazing pictures and thorough research. You will visit archeological sites, read from ancient scrolls, and witness artifacts that were found in the digs of ancient biblical cities. The information in these presentations have been used to persuade staunch atheist to change their mind and put their faith in Jesus Christ. The undeniable evidence presented by Dr. Knight is profound, extremely interesting and deeply spiritual.

Biblical Worship 101

The Bible has a lot to say about worship in its different forms, levels, and vehicles. Worship is vital to the spiritual health of any and every Christian, which is why it is so important to have a deep understanding of what it is and how to implement it. In this course, powerful worship leaders such as Lindell Cooley, Judy Jacobs, and Jimmy Phillips help students acquire a deeper knowledge of worship.

Canonization of Scripture
How did we arrive at the collection of 66 books of the Bible that we now have and consider canon? Can we trust that those books belong legitimately among all the others? What does it mean for Scripture to be inspired? What did believers do before they had a canon? What are some books that were almost canonized, and why were they not? Questions like these and many more will be explored in detail in this richly theological and historical course. Dr. Michael Knight is an expert Christian apologist, archeological researcher, and student of the Word. Join ISOW and Dr. Knight on a journey through church history and nuanced doctrine to study and show yourself approved.

Demonology and the Authority of the Believer
This course is a study of subjects such as evil, Satan, and demons, examining many world views and religious beliefs but focusing on the final authority of the Bible. Instructor Perry Stone attempts to answer questions about where demons come from, their origins, and what the Bible says about their existence and interaction with the world. In this course, you will go through Hebrew and Greek word studies on evil and a theological exposé on the role of the devil in the Old and New Testaments. Further, Perry Stone gives encouraging and enlightening advice regarding the authority of the believer in spiritual matters and how believers are to interact with the spiritual world.

Divine Healing 101
This is a powerful, practical teaching meant to empower and embolden believers to have faith and trust God for their healing and the healing of loved ones. In this course, Dr. Tommy Combs teaches on taking authority over disease, the steps of being healed, how healing works in Scripture, and the things that believers often do to prevent proper healing. By examining Scripture passages, Dr. Combs will detail how and why disease came into the world, how and why certain miracles occur in the Bible, how healing differs from the Old Testament to the New Testament, and much more.

Expository Study of Angels
Dr. Bryan Cutshall's "Expository Study of Angels" is as vivid and rich a study as you will find on this topic. In this course, Dr. Cutshall examines every mention of angels in Scripture in an attempt to dissect their nature and separate doctrinal truths from pop-culture. The Lord's angelic host is an enigma to mankind, but this scholarly study can help explain the descriptions of angels, how and why they appear in visions and dreams, what interacting them in person could be like, and how God uses them for a variety of purposes in the Bible.

Gifts of the Spirit
1 Corinthians 12:1: "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant." The first statement in this chapter should be enough to entice us to learn about spiritual gifts. This is one of the most exhaustive teachings ever presented on this subject. Perry Stone captivated a live audience for several days while teaching this course. The reviews were astounding as many heard this subject explained in more detail and simplicity than ever before.

You should leave this course with a comprehensive knowledge of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how they operate in the church and the lives of believers.

History of the Bible
This course that will take you through the history of the Bible. You will learn about inspired texts and ancient writings like the apocrypha. You will learn the law of interpretation as well as how the Bible was preserved supernaturally by God. Best of all, Perry Stone will teach you methods for studying the Bible that will help you grow in your daily walk with God. After taking this course, you will never be able to look at the sacred text of the Bible the same way again.

History of Christianity
As a faith that spans the whole world and is inclusive to peoples of all backgrounds and nationalities, Christianity has a rich and culturally expansive history. In the 2000 years since Christ's advent, the church has developed from a collection of disciples and eyewitnesses to a diverse, multinational force of influence, culture, and ideas. There are almost countless denominations – with some estimates including tens of thousands of unique organizations. With traditions that many of us take for granted and such a wide array of practices, doctrines, and beliefs, it's imperative that we trace our heritage and learn about the origins of what we believe. Why does your church do the things it does, and how did humanity play a role in shaping Christianity as it appears today? Join Dr. Michael Reynolds in a comprehensive deep dive of 2000 years of the church and how we arrived at our current state.

Missions and Evangelism 101
Life-long ministers and pastors speak on the importance of Christians living lives centered on missions and evangelism. Mission work is not reserved for the traveling evangelist or the overseas missionary, but rather is required of all followers of Christ – even the everyday Christian with a fulltime occupation. As Christians, we are called to a lifestyle of missions and evangelism, and the powerful communicators in this course explain how to do so.

New Testament Survey
The New Testament is essentially characterized by Jesus: The Gospels provide narratives of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection; the Pauline epistles and subsequent books instruct the Christian Church; and some of the later books, such as Revelation, provide insight and instructions on Christ's second coming. The contemporary Christian Church relies heavily on the New Testament for guidance, doctrine, and exhortation.

Old Testament Survey
The Old Testament Survey overviews the Old Testament in a fourteen-lesson segment. This course will cover the Pentateuch, the historical books, the prophetic account of history and the people of Israel's obedience and disobedience, the Poetic and Wisdom literature, the Major and Minor Prophets, and how each of these contains wisdom that can be applied to everyday life. The Old Testament Survey details the preceding of God's fulfillment through Christ in a historical and tangible form.

Starter Guide to Ministry
In this course, Dr. Bryan Cutshall and Perry Stone share their experiences in ministry for all aspiring ministers. With many decades of experience between them, they share their successes, their failures, and how they learned what worked for them. There's no better way to learn about the practical aspects of the work than by gleaning from real, tried and true men of God!

Learn about how to study the Bible, how to get started in your path in ministry, how to find mentors, how to gain preaching experience and lead altar calls, how to handle criticism, and much more.

Tabernacle
This study breaks down the ancient Israelite Tabernacle and discusses how objects under the Tabernacle roof carry theological, symbolic, and moral implications that can be applied to today's Christian life. For example, a typical activity in the ancient Tabernacle was the burning of incense, which can be compared to what God experiences when we pray in His name (Hebrews 13:15). The Tabernacle holds many lessons and exhortations that contemporary Christians can apply to their personal spiritual journeys.

Theology of Grace
As a crucial part of the gospel message, the concept of grace is inherent in every Christian's belief system, although different schools of thought and denominations have emphasized different aspects of grace over the centuries. When you hear "grace," you may think of the sacraments, electionism, predestination, free will, salvation through grace alone, grace in the spiritual gifts, or the process of forgiveness itself, depending on your background.

Great teachers and theologians of the church have wrestled with the theology of grace for as long as doctrine has been discussed. Join ISOW instructor Matthew Foley as he delves deeply into grace as it relates to human nature, the church fathers, the Protestant Reformation, God's presence in the world today, and much more. For any serious Bible student, this is a vital topic and a thoughtful conversation you cannot miss.

Theology of Heaven and Hell
This course will give you insights about eternity. We will cover almost every scripture in the Bible on heaven and hell in this study. You will walk through the fiery, dark chambers of hell as we explore the various religious views of hell. You will also walk down the streets of gold, visit with angels and worship around the throne of God as we see revealing insights on what life in heaven will really be like. Heaven is a real kingdom, with a king and a capital city, New Jerusalem. The universe is the territory of the kingdom where saints and angels will coexist.

Theology of the Holy Spirit
In this course, instructor Perry Stone examines the entirety of Scripture in order to understand the Holy Spirit's person, attributes, function, ministry, and part in the Godhead. The Holy Spirit appears in various ways in the Bible, and the symbolism used to describe Him includes wind,

fire, doves, sounds, languages, miraculous power, and much more. This course delves deeply into all of those depictions and gives a theological account of what they all mean.

Theology of the Rapture
This course covers the Rapture from a variety of angles and examines what a host of scriptures have to say about eschatology. Follow Perry Stone as he delves deeply into everything he and other scholars can learn about the Rapture, including the earthly conditions required for the Rapture to occur, the logistics of how and when it may occur, what Old Testament Prophets and New Testament Apostles had to say about it, the Book of Remembrance and how it relates to the Rapture, and who exactly will be involved in the event. Prepare to learn about this subject in more depth than you ever have!

Why We Worship
Lindell Cooley led worship during one of the world's greatest revival movements in recent history – the Brownsville Revival. Through his experience, Cooley developed a comprehensive and thorough understanding of what it means to strive for and host the presence of the Lord. Worship is much more than superficial live entertainment or emotional experience – it provides a real benefit in the Kingdom for believers today. In this course, hear some of Cooley's most profound insights on worship, the presence of the Lord, and following the example of those in Scripture with intimate relationships with God. This teaching is sure to change the way you see worship.

WWC Ministries: Kingdom Warriors Freedom Ministry Basic Training
Basic Training Course is your personal guide to establishing a firm foundation for freedom and wholeness in Christ. This manual is an in-depth study guide that provides the tools of faith and freedom for every warrior in God's army. In Basic Training we provide you the Scriptural weapons you need to gain and maintain personal freedom. We begin the "combat training" to defeat the enemy of your life, and help you gain the confidence you need to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit every day. We have been helping people become warriors for over twenty years and have seen hundreds set free from bondages to addictions, pain, torment, and sickness. This manual comes from our experience. It is useful for small groups, classes, and leadership training. The accompanying videos walk you through each lesson. An annual one-day retreat is also available for personal ministry.