Introducing Paul-Timothy Leader Training

"How can I use Paul-Timothy studies to lay the foundation that Jesus and his apostles require for a new congregation?"



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Paul-Timothy studies are a completely new training curriculum prepared especially for India's small, rapidly-multiplying congregations.

EXPERIENCED CURRICULUM WRITERS



Paul-Timothy Writers include George Patterson (author of "Train & Multiply"®), Galen Currah, Anne Thiessen (children's studies) and others, with guidance from Indian leaders.

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Paul-Timothy studies supplement (do not replace) current courses that give good results. They help to prepare more shepherds, including those who cannot take go to training schools. **Paul-Timothy** can help you to prepare many more leaders.

ADDED FEATURES

Paul-Timothy enables new shepherds to follow the nine New Testament guidelines listed below. These guidelines have proven to be effective for multiplying healthy congregations and shepherds in many countries.

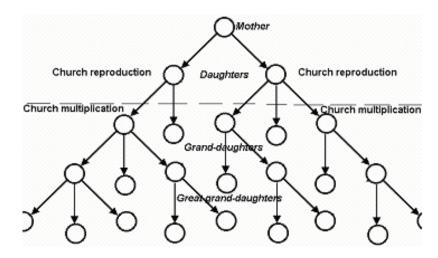


1. Let Jesus be your training model.

Train shepherds and other leaders in the same way that Jesus and His Apostles did, rapidly multiplying new congregations and new leaders. This requires that all shepherds train newer shepherds. Training is one of their biblical duties. **Paul-Timothy** provides tools with which to do so.

2. Lay new church foundations through obedience- oriented education.

First, establish the foundation for new churches that Jesus and His apostles required. That is, teach them to obey Jesus' commands before and above all else (Matthew 7:24-12 & 28:18-20). Start immediately to practice the activities that the New Testament requires of every church. Jesus commanded many things, and his commands can be summed up in the seven basic activities that the first church in Jerusalem obeyed at once (Acts 2:37-47). **Paul-Timothy** studies F3a and F3b for New Shepherds and for Children teach these commands.



Read more about getting started with Paul-Timothy. See studies #3, "Eleven guidelines for trainers" and #4, "Guidelines for shepherds being trained".

3. Harmonize training with other activities.	Combine evangelism, leader training, shepherding, and church planting in one curriculum. Let love and the power of the Holy Spirit harmonize those activities, as 1 Corinthians 12 requires of every Body of believers.
4. Let every believer participate actively.	Provide for all the believers, including children, to take part in worship and in Christian activities during the week, as Scripture requires. Each Paul-Timothy study for New Shepherds provides a matching Children's study for the same week. Children's studies prepare them to act out for the adults Bible stories about the same topic that the adults learn.
5. Let your flock apply at once what it learns.	Each Paul-Timothy study for New Shepherds has three parts: Prepare with prayer and God's Word. ("Hear the Word".) Plan activities to do during the week ("Do the Word". Plan activities for the next worship time. ("Teach the Word".)
6. Take time to listen to each new leader.	Wise trainers have 'ears to hear' each new shepherd. They detect what his new flock still lacks. A church is not 'planted' until it is obeying Jesus' commands and the activities that His apostles required of churches.

7. Choose studies that fit current needs of the flock.

Paul-Timothy offers study options that deal at once with current needs. (See the Studies Menu, below). Paul-Timothy allows a new shepherd to choose each week a study that deals with something that his flock still lacks. Jesus and His apostles trained new leaders in this way, responding to needs that they observed. Trainers should listen to each new shepherd report on what his flock is doing or lacks, and then provide a study that corresponds to the need. Each new church, like a newborn baby, has urgent needs. That is why the Paul left Titus in Crete (Tit 1:5).

8. Arrange for trainees to train newer leaders (2 Tim. 2:2).

You can do this in different ways. One way is to provide time for it during regular, regional training sessions. If you meet, say, with thirty new shepherds, you may lack time to listen to each one and give to each the attention that he and his flock need. Thus, for part of the time, do what Jethro told Moses to do. Let helpers sit with small groups and listen to each person. Let them use the **Paul-Timothy** Studies Menu to provide a study that fits the needs of each one's flock. Another way is to let any shepherd visit a few newer shepherds whose flocks meet nearby and do the same. Continue it for as many weeks as the trainees need such intensive care.

9. Let every church start daughter churches.

You can easily start daughter churches, and granddaughter churches, etc., in your area, and train their novice leaders at the same time. Do so in the way that Paul did so. (See #8, above.) Let new believers go and witness for Jesus to friends or relatives in other neighborhoods and villages. A shepherding elder or other leader from the mother church should visit new congregations and cells and train novice leaders. They should do so as many times as needed. These trainees should begin at once to do the same for newer flocks.

The 2 Timothy 2:2 chain had four links:

- (1) The Antioch church sent Paul and Barnabas to start new churches.
- (2) Paul left Timothy in Ephesus and told him to pass on what he had learned to faithful men.
- (3) Thus Timothy trained Epaphras who was from Colosse.
- (4) Epaphras also trained novice leaders in Hierapolis and elsewhere. This chain eventually vielded hundreds of new churches.