

Ministerial Credential Program

The Ministerial Credential Program is designed to be a 3-year self-study program. Year 1 (Units MCP 1.01 – 1.12) are required to obtain a Minister's License**. Years 2 & 3 (Units MCP 2.01 – 2.11 & 3.01 – 3.10) are required to obtain a Certificate of Ordination**. A Licensed Minister must hold their credentials in good standing for 2 years & they must complete Years 2 & 3 of the MCP, before they are eligible for Ordination.

The books for each Unit can be ordered from LifeSprings Resources (800-541-1376) <http://lifespringsresources.com>.****

A list of the books required for each unit, along with the LifeSprings item number is listed on the next page for your convenience. The tests are sent out from the conference office, so once the candidate has completed a section or several sections, depending on how they wished to do it, they would contact Elizabeth at the conference office (407-880-0241) em@snmiphc.org and the tests will be sent to them via email or USPS. Once completed the tests are to be returned to the conference office. Upon receipt of the completed tests, they will be graded and a copy sent back to the candidate.

**Note: If already completed or enrolled prior to licensing, an equivalent course of study may be accepted on a case-by-case basis with approval from the Bishop. Please contact the Conference office (407-880-0241) for details.

****Note: The candidate is permitted to purchase the books individually from Amazon or any other retailer they choose in order to keep their cost as low as possible.

Required Reading for Ministerial Credential Program (MCP) Years 1, 2, & 3

UNIT	LIFESPINGS ITEM NUMBER	REQUIRED READING
MCP 1.01: Knowing & Studying the Bible	2101735 4602055	How to Study the Bible <i>Kay Arthur</i> What the Bible is All About <i>Henrietta Mears</i>
MCP 1.02: Articles of Faith & Government	2101998 2109013	Light for the Journey <i>A.D. Beacham</i> IPHC Manual
MCP 1.03: Effective Christian Outreach	2105002 4602025	Becoming a Contagious Christian <i>Bill Hybels & Mark Mittelberg</i> The Master Plan of Evangelism <i>Robert E. Coleman</i>
MCP 1.04: Pentecostal History	2155502	The Century of the Holy Spirit: 100 Years of Pentecostal & Charismatic Renewal, 1901-2001 <i>Vinson Synan</i>
MCP 1.05: Theology I	2102050 4602020	The Beauty of the Balance <i>Dr. Terry Tramel</i> Scriptural Holiness <i>Noel Brooks</i>
MCP 1.06: Character	2104104	Character Matters <i>Mark Rutland</i>
MCP 1.07: Spiritual Formation-Pastoral Ministry	2100277	Spiritual Disciplines For The Christian Life <i>Donald S. Whitney</i>
MCP 1.08: Leadership I	2109187	Spiritual Leadership: Moving People on to God's Agenda <i>Henry T. & Richard Blackaby</i>
MCP 1.09: Prayer Life	2106784	The Spirit Helps Us Pray <i>R. L. Brandt</i>
MCP 1.10: Pastoral/Evangelistic Module - Homiletics 1	2105142	Communicating for a Change <i>Andy Stanley & Lane Jones</i>
MCP 1.11: Pastoral Care/Counseling	2102253	Quick Reference Guide Biblical Counseling <i>Dr. Tim Clinton & Dr. Ron Hawkins</i>
MCP 1.12: Pastoral Ministry	460297x	The Power of the Call <i>Henry T. Blackaby & Henry Brandt</i>
MCP 2.01: Genesis	2104617 2101700	Holman Old testament Commentary on Genesis <i>Stephen J. Bramer & Kenneth Gangel</i> Encountering the Old Testament: A Christian Survey <i>Bill T. Arnold & Bryan E. Beyer</i>
MCP 2.02: Acts	2151393 2109645	Acts Commentary <i>Stanley M. Horton</i> Encountering the New Testament: A Historical & Theological Survey <i>Walter A. Elwell & Robert W. Yarbrough</i>
MCP 2.03: The Life of Christ	2104518	Our Awesome Lord <i>Frank G. Tunstall</i>
MCP 2.04: Revitalizing Churches	2101708	Thriving Churches in the Twenty-First Century: 10 Life-Giving Systems for Vibrant Ministry <i>Gary L. McIntosh & R. Daniel Reeves</i>
MCP 2.05: Homiletics 2	2106268	Homiletical Handbook <i>Donald L. Hamilton</i>
MCP 2.06: Introduction to World Missions	2106485	Introducing World Missions: A Biblical, Historical, and Practical Survey <i>A. Scott Moreau & Gary R. Corwin</i>
MCP 2.07: Pastoral Ministry	2107612	Practical Guide for Pastoral Ministry <i>Stan Toler</i>
MCP 2.08: Family Ministry	2101832 2102082	Things I Wish I Had Known Before We Got Married <i>Gary Chapman</i> Financial Peace Revisited <i>Dave Ramsey</i>
MCP 2.09: Spiritual Gifts	4601010 2105997	Spiritual Gifts: Ministries & Manifestations <i>B. E. Underwood</i> Receiving The Promise Of The Father <i>Garnet E. Pike</i>
MCP 2.10: Theology 2	2109603 2104820	Christian Doctrine: A Pentecostal Perspective V. 1 <i>French L. Arrington & Dr. Daniel Black</i> Christian Doctrine: A Pentecostal Perspective V. 2 <i>French L. Arrington & Dr. Daniel Black</i>
MCP 2.11: Principles of Teaching	4552020	Teaching to Changes Lives <i>Dr. Howard Hendricks</i>
MCP 3.01: Isaiah	2103157	Be Comforted <i>Warren W. Wiersbe</i>
MCP 3.02: Romans	2109429	Spirit-Filled Life New Testament Commentary : Romans <i>David P. Seemuth</i>
MCP 3.03: I & II Corinthians	2108535	I & II Corinthians <i>Stanley M. Horton</i>
MCP 3.04: Church Planting	2103707	Planting Missional Churches <i>Ed Stetzer</i>

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MCP 3.05: Understanding Our Culture	2100372	The Christian Combat Manual <i>Dan Story</i>
MCP 3.06: Church Administration	2103771 2154768	Church Administration: Creating Efficiency for Effective Ministry <i>Robert B. Welch</i> Roberts Rules in Plain English <i>Doris Zimmerman</i>
MCP 3.07: Church History	2106316	Church History in Plain Language <i>Bruce L. Shelley</i>
MCP 3.08: Relational Leadership	2107449 2103253	Relational Leadership <i>Walter C. Wright</i> The Missional Leader: Equipping Your Church to Reach a Changing World <i>Alan Roxburgh & Fred Romanuk</i>
MCP 3.09: Christian Ethics	4603202	Ministerial Ethics: A Guide For Spirit-Filled Leaders <i>T. Burton Pierce & Stanley M. Horton</i>
MCP 3.10: Theology 3	2108204	Christian Doctrine: A Pentecostal Perspective V. 3 <i>French L. Arrington & Dr. Daniel Black</i> Scriptural Holiness <i>Noel Brooks</i>