



## Information and Application

Thanks for considering the Ministry Equipping Center at Shades! The Ministry Equipping Center is our church's process to equip people for high-level leadership, church planting, and missions through the local church. It helps us fulfill our mission of "sending transformed people to influence their world for Christ." Take a few moments to read through the following important information to ensure this program is a good fit for you before completing the application.

### Who is the Ministry Equipping Center for?

- Those aspiring to high level ministry leadership at Shades
- Those interested in joining a core team for a church plant or replant
- Those exploring a call to vocational ministry or missions
- Those exploring a call to plant or replant a church

### What is the "Ministry Equipping Center"?

The Ministry Equipping Center is a two-semester program based on materials provided by the North American Mission Board. Participants will receive:

- *Content designed to develop you as a ministry leader.* This will be delivered through an online portal. All of the content is centered on core competencies essential to missional leaders.
- *Personal coaching.* Twice a month you will meet with a Shades ministry leader who will coach your small group. These times are designed to reinforce the core competencies and online content while helping participants integrate them in leadership.
- *Monthly leadership luncheons.* Pastor Danny Wood or members of the Shades executive team will lead these gatherings. Over lunch we will discuss key topics for developing the DNA of a leader at Shades. These lunches occur on Thursdays from 11:30am – 12:45pm. The kick-off lunch is August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### How much time will I have to commit?

The Ministry Equipping Center will require 2 to 3 hours a week for two semesters. The majority of this time is spent interacting with content on the online portal. Participants will also create a one-week ministry intensive experience designed to apply what they learn in real world, mission scenarios.

### When is the Application Deadline?

August 4, 2019



# MINISTRY EQUIPPING CENTER

## Participant Application

### Generation Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Background Information

When did you become a member at Shades? \_\_\_\_\_

In what areas of ministry are you currently serving or leading? \_\_\_\_\_

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Which Shades staff member would you like to serve as your reference?

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Are you willing to make the time commitment outlined on the attached information sheet for the upcoming Ministry Equipping Center Term (August 2019-May 2020)?

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Please attach a 500-600 word essay in response to the following question:

*The Ministry Equipping Center is our church's process to equip people for high-level leadership, church planting, and missions through the local church. Why would you like to participate in the Ministry Equipping Center? What calling/area of ministry do you aspire to at Shades? What do you hope to gain from participating in the Ministry Equipping Center?*