

Dear Friends:

My name is Jane Beach, and I'm blessed to be David Bruner's personal assistant. I'm also a ministerial student and former elementary school teacher.

One of my passions is education. In the spirit of the Partnership Program I am happy to offer you the attached Practitioner II curriculum that has been developed for San José. This updated material is not official; instead it is intended to enhance the current Practitioner II curriculum, which is excellent.

The purpose of the updates is to give our newly licensed Practitioners a solid background of practical skills from which to draw.

These enhancements include:

- Public speaking skills
- Facilitation skills
- How to create and present a workshop
- How to act as a team to create, develop and facilitate Church events and selfless service projects
- An ongoing personal project on how each student's Practitioner Call will actually show up in selfless service as a Church leader.

The curriculum is designed to be user-friendly so that any facilitator, no matter what their level of teaching expertise, can move through it with ease. The teaching packet includes:

- Step-by-step teaching agendas for each week
- Homework for each week
- Support materials for each term

At San José Center for Spiritual Living each Practitioner II candidate has a personal interview with the facilitator(s) and attends a group meeting before class begins.

Pre-class supporting documents include:

- Personal interview questionnaire
- Group meeting agenda
- Information and expectations for the each student (to be signed)
- A facilitator "to do" list
- Sample class flyer
- Sample class calendar
- Making the Hard Decisions

A few words about "Making the Hard Decisions": At San José Center for Spiritual Living we are training Practitioners for Church leadership, not just for private practice. We realize that there are some who enter Practitioner II that ultimately may not fit that vision. Included in the Pre-Class packet is a document called "Making the Hard Decisions" that outlines suggested

steps that may be taken when a student is not appropriate for licensing through our Church and needs to be released from Practitioner II training.

Term I supporting documents include:

- Information regarding sacred service, evocation, benediction, visioning, respectful communication and SWOT evaluation process
- Facilitation plans and agendas for Blessing of the Animals
- Facilitation agendas for Public Speaking skills
- Greeting Newcomers assignment
- Term I study guide and exam

Terms II and III supporting documents include:

- Sample “Doin’ God Day-to-Day” workshop curriculum
- Materials for teaching facilitation skills
- Facilitation plans and agendas for the World Peace Meditation
- Information on tithing/circulation
- Pulpit duties
- Term II study guide and exam

This material has been developed over a two-year period. During this time I facilitated our Practitioner II classes. The curriculum changed and jelled with each class and will continue to do so.

Knowing that curriculum is in a constant state of flux, I welcome your feedback.

Please let me know if you have questions, or if there is any other way I can serve you. If you aren’t sure of something you read, or if you have a question about how to proceed, please give me a call or email me. I’m happy to chat with you.

Gratefully,

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