

THE LIVE SCHOOL DISTANCE MODEL MISSIONARY TRAINING REPORT

Training Missionaries and leaders to take the Gospel anywhere and everywhere
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The Live School Missionary Training Model will give the participant an understanding of how this innovative missions training tool that has been designed and produced in South Africa works and how it can be used to train people that can't get to formal recognized mission training institutions. It uses cutting edge technology so that it can be easily used in the "back streets" of various countries of the world to train a vast army of workers to help complete the task of world evangelization.

The vision of Live School is to train thousands of people to be missionaries that live in places where they have no access to formal mission training. (Already we are translating this material into Russian and we are currently planning to translate various other world languages.)

By using the Live School Curriculum, the pastor of a church can provide his/her people with meaningful training. (Churches may also partner together to run a school.) Every school will have a full-time facilitator, someone that will give attention to all the details of running the school and also take sincere interest in each of the students.

The entire curriculum consists of 240 hours of video teaching, which has been recorded using DVD technology. All that is needed is a classroom, lounge or church building, a TV set and a DVD player. Ideally a school will have 10 – 20 students enrolled at a time. The size of the school will, however, only be limited by the number and quality of the leaders available to operate the school.

Live School can be run in different formats, but a full-time, resident, 42-week school is preferred. This would have students in a classroom phase for 22 weeks and in a practical phase in the mission field, under the supervision of seasoned missionaries, for another 20 weeks. A non-resident school would have students who don't live together in community, but they would come to the school/venue every day. They would also go on the 20-week, mission outreach.

In both formats, students will experience an hour of teaching, via the DVD, and then an hour of discussion related to that teaching led by the facilitator. Individually they will write one-page notes on each of the curriculum topics. Once they have handed in their notes and done the outreach assignments, they will be considered to have completed the course.

The presentation will include the following:

- The history of the Live School
- Case studies of Live Schools that are already running
- Demonstration of how it works