



Ministerial Candidates Reading List
Great Lakes Region
Church of God of Prophecy

Note: The books with an asterisk*, beside of them indicate they are required reading. If there is not an asterisk*, you will pick one (1) of those listed.

Spiritual Formation (one book)

*Foster, Richard J. *Celebration of Discipline: The Path of Spiritual Growth*. San Francisco: HarperCollins. 1998. ISBN 0060628391.

Pastoral Ministry (one book)

*MacArthur, John. *Pastoral Ministry: How to Shepherd Biblically*. Nashville, TN: Thomas Nelson. 2005. ISBN 1418500062.

Leadership Development (two books)

*Sanders, Oswald. *Spiritual Leadership*. Chicago, IL: Moody Press. 1994. ISBN 0802467997.

Pick one (1) of the following:

Blackaby, Henry T. & Richard Blackaby. *Spiritual Leadership: Moving People onto God's Agenda*. Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman. 2001. ISBN 0805418458.

Maxwell, John. *Developing the Leader Within You*. Nashville, TN: Thomas Nelson. 1993. ISBN 0840767447

Preaching (one book)

Rhea, Homer, ed. *Preaching the Word Today*. Cleveland, TN: Pathway Press. 2002. ISBN 087148496X.

Bible Study: Hermeneutics (one book)

Fee, Gordon & Mark L. Strauss. *How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2003. ISBN 0310246040

NOTE: If the ministerial candidate does not feel the call into the pastoral ministry, but to youth ministry, counseling, etc., an alternate text may be approved by the Regional Overseer. The text would need to be pre-approved before the candidate reads it to qualify as one of the required readings. The ministerial candidate would need to petition and supply the Regional Overseer with information regarding the potential alternate text. However, the Pastoral Ministry text is strongly encouraged and