



The
Shepherd's
Academy

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY OR IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

A DEGREE LEVEL AND CONTINUATION STUDIES DEPARTMENT
OF
OXFORD CENTRE FOR RELIGION AND PUBLIC LIFE, UK.

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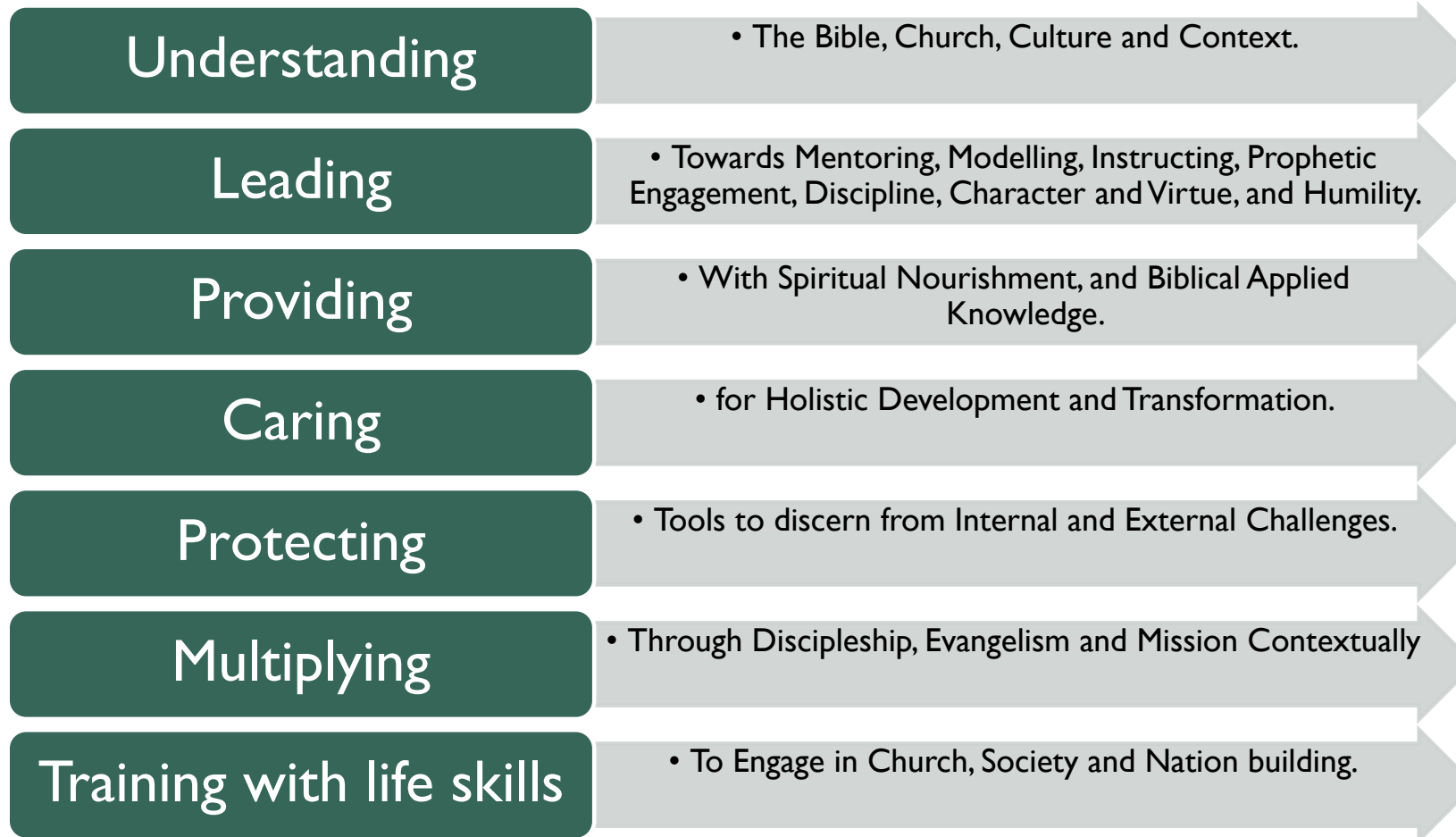
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HISTORY OF THE SHEPHERD'S ACADEMY (TSA)

FROM A NEED, TO AN IDEA, TO A REALITY

- **Global Institute for Leadership Development (GILD) March 2018 – Colombo, Sri Lanka**
 - Listening to South Asian leaders - Need Expressed – Grass-root theological training.
- **GILD Conference - October 2018, Bangkok**
 - Idea Shared about The Shepherd's Academy
- **March – August 2019**
 - India, Africa and Asia Conference Need Expressed for TSA (over 2 million untrained pastors in the global south)
- **Global Pre – Launch - 10th February 2021**
- **Start of the Programme – 11th June 2021**

PHILOSOPHY OF THE SHEPHERD'S ACADEMY



DISTINCTIVENESS

OUR CONSTITUENCY – MOSTLY THOSE IN MINISTRY?

Untrained pastors and leaders of Christian organisations unable to 'afford' fulltime theological education.

Church lay leaders and elders active in their local church and cannot be away from their church ministry.

Missionaries and Evangelists who would like to enhance their learning while in ministry.

New converts and ordinands who have little access to education in many regions.

DISTINCTIVENESS

OUR METHOD – HOW IT WILL BE DELIVERED?

Taking Theological Education to the Learner.
Beyond the existing Institutional framework

Creating Regional and Local **Study Centres** and halt “brain drain” to the Urban and the West.

Local church and home based learning.

Blended Learning – Online courses (Asynchronised) alongside Tutorials (Synchronised) to discuss and apply the learning.

COURSE CLUSTERS

Bible, Culture and Context

Christian Theology and Ethics

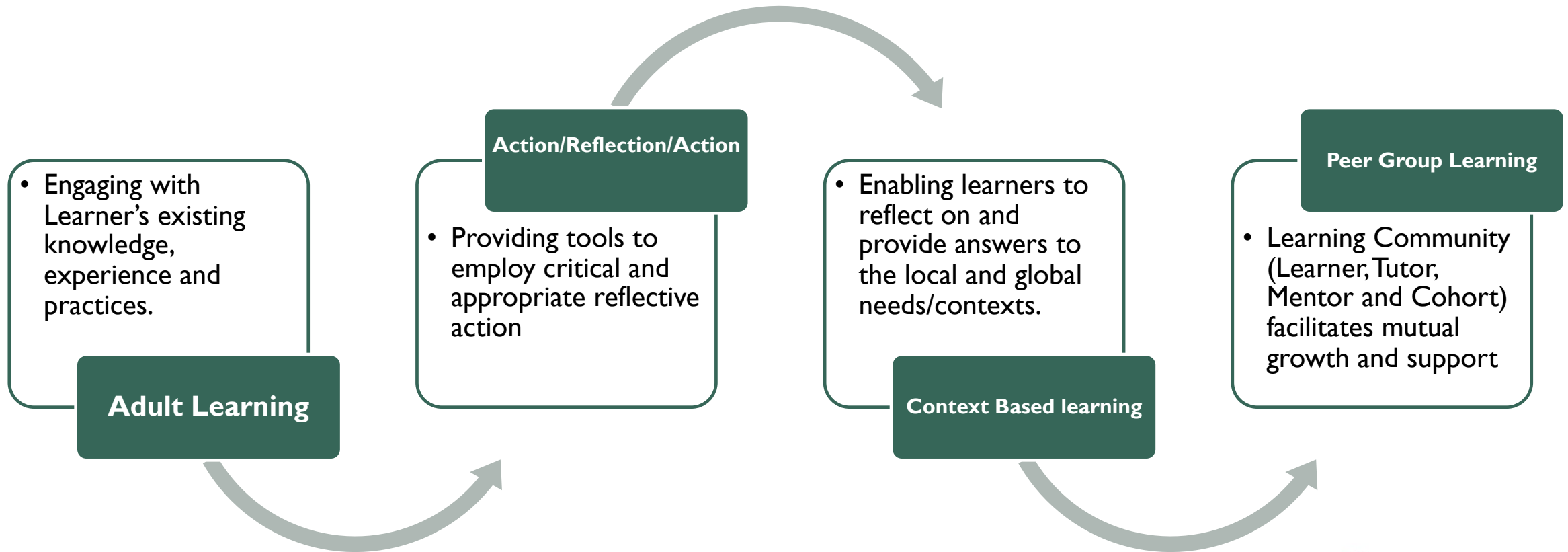
Christian History and Missions

Religions, Ideologies and Persecution

Christian Ministry and Management

OUR PEDAGOGY

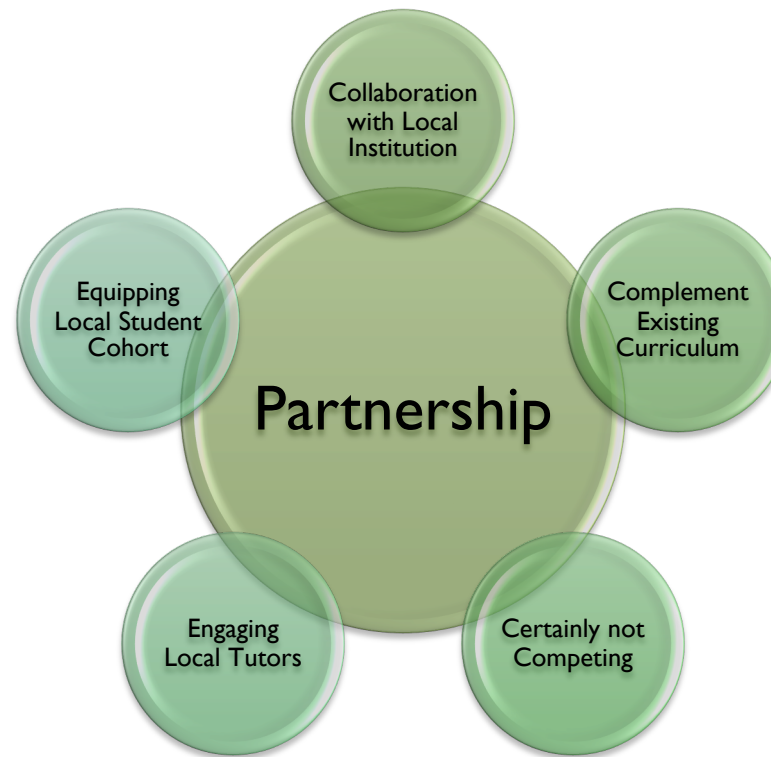
EXCELLENT ONLINE COURSE MATERIALS, WEEKLY TUTORIALS AND CONTEXT
BASED REFLECTION AND ACTION



FORMATION FOCUS DURING THE PROGRAMME



PARTNERING WITH YOU



PROGRAMMES AND DURATION OF STUDY

- Certificate in Theology/Christian Ministry: 1 to 2 years
- Diploma in Theology/Christian Ministry: 2 to 4 years
- Bachelor in Theology/Christian Ministry: 3 to 6 years.
- Upgrade in Bachelor in Theology/Christian Ministry: 2- 4 years

FEE STRUCTURE (WORKING)

Certificate Level* : 40 credits

Diploma Level* : 80 credits

Bachelor Level* : 120 Credits

Cost per Credit : **\$7**

Residential School Fee : Extra

*Deserving candidates can request for part scholarship

ELIGIBILITY - WHO CAN DO THIS PROGRAMME?

■ **Certificate in Theology/ Christian Ministry:**

- ☐ Able to read and write in the language of instruction.
- ☐ Completed at least 10 years of school learning
- ☐ For those who are 18 years old or above; if the applicant has not completed 10 years of schooling, he/she must pass the mature candidate's exam.
- ☐ Minimum 2 years of ministry experience.
- ☐ Recommendation by the local pastor.
- ☐ Personal testimony and reflection (why this course) in about 750 words.

■ **Diploma in Theology/Christian Ministry**

- ☐ Able to read and write in the language of instruction.
- ☐ Passed the Certificate in Christian Ministry
- ☐ At least 10th pass or passed 10 years of school learning.
- ☐ For those who are 20 years old or above; if the applicant has not completed 10 years of schooling, he/she must pass the mature candidate's exam.
- ☐ Minimum 2 years of ministry experience.
- ☐ Recommendation by the local pastor.
- ☐ Personal testimony and reflection (why this course) in about 750 words

ELIGIBILITY - WHO CAN DO THIS PROGRAMME?

■ Bachelor in Theology/ Christian Ministry:

- ☐ Higher-Secondary or at least 12 years of school learning, or mature candidates
- ☐ Mature candidates (25 years old, completed 10th standard, have three ministry experience, must pass the mature candidates entrance examination).
- ☐ Minimum 2 years of ministry experience.
- ☐ Recommendation by the local pastor
- ☐ Personal testimony and reflection (why this course) in about 750 words.

■ Upgradation to the Bachelor in Theology/ Christian Ministry:

- ☐ Recognised Certificate in Christian Ministry
- ☐ Recognised Diploma in Theology or Christian Ministry, Diploma in Christian Studies, Diploma in Clinical Pastoral Counselling, Diploma in Bible Translation, Diploma in Worship and Music.
- ☐ Minimum 2 years of ministry experience.
- ☐ Recommendation by the local pastor
- ☐ Personal testimony and reflection (why this course) in about 750 words.

THANK YOU



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