

The Daniel Leadership Institute

The prophet Daniel was selected by King Nebuchadnezzar and provided three years of training in preparation for leadership and service in the Kingdom. *Christian Educators Association International*, in partnership with *Tentmakers*, is seeking **Modern-day Daniels** who will receive training while serving for three years as *Daniel Leaders* to help transform public schools with God's love and truth. The training begins with the 40-day *Daniel Leadership Institute*, briefly summarized below:

Who: For public school teachers who have participated in a *Daniel Weekend*.

What: A purposeful, 40-day personal development and training process to grow in the knowledge, disciplines, skills and attitudes of a **Modern-day Daniel**. The 40-day training is followed by three years of service as a *Daniel Leader* with continuing study, application, coaching and reflection.

Why: To help transform public schools with God's love and truth by serving as *Daniel Leaders* who strive to mobilize, equip and inspire Christian teachers to grow as disciples of Jesus. These leaders will bring His spirit into their classrooms and their relationships with students, parents, and the community.

Where: The 40-day experience is held at Wilderness North Retreat, Training and Conference Center in the Lake Superior National Forest in NE Minnesota, approximately 50 miles north of Duluth. (WILDN.org)

How: By training teachers in a Christ-centered, team led, interactive process in which people learn through the modeling, discovery, and practice of time-tested Biblical principles, in an environment of discipline, affirmation, and encouragement. Features of the training include:

- Private accommodations in a wilderness setting to maximize solitude and concentration for study, reflection, planning and prayer;
- Immersion in a community of learning with 20 participants plus instructors, coaches and mentors;
- Sharpening skills and learning by doing which includes planning, action, reflection and coaching;
- Field practicums and leadership assignments in Duluth and the surrounding area;
- Case studies from senior leaders and mentors;
- Balanced, healthy living which includes physical work, recreation and balanced meals;
- A 3-day sailing trip around the Apostle Islands of Lake Superior (4-6 participants per vessel), and a canoe trip in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area of Northern Minnesota.

When: Sunday, June 26 – Friday, August 5, 2011

Requirements:

A Daniel Leader is a tent-maker (meaning that their livelihood is provided from a business or vocation which, in this case, is a teaching profession) who strives to be a modern-day “Daniel,” with the goal of working with and supporting other Christian teachers in pursuit of transforming schools with God’s love and truth.

A Daniel Leader focuses on five major areas:

- Building relationships
- Organizing small groups of teachers for prayer, fellowship and study in the pattern set out in Acts 2:42
- Disciple-making activities
- Engaging the support of the Church community
- Strengthening teachers, students and others by leading Daniel Weekends, Legal Freedoms seminars and other disciple-making/leadership training workshops

To qualify as a participant for the Daniel Institute:

1. Send an essay to the Christian Educators Association International (CEAI) % Richard Nicholson [nicholson.richard@me.com] which answers these questions:
 - Why you would like to serve as a Daniel Leader?
 - What you hope to gain from the Daniel Leadership Institute?
2. Upon acceptance you will be asked to organize a prayer and sponsorship team who will:
 - Provide prayer, support and accountability for your ministry as a Daniel Leader;
 - Pray for and provide the financial support necessary for you to attend the Daniel Leadership Training. This support will include approximately \$500-\$750 for expenses and \$3000 for tuition; \$5000 for a couple. (The total cost for the 40-day Institute is \$6000, or \$10,000 for a couple, but 50% of that amount has already been provided and set aside as scholarship funds.)

Additional Information Available Upon Request

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Summary of Objectives

1. **Christ-centeredness**
Allow Jesus Christ to be more central in all areas of one's life.
2. **Relational Skills**
Become more other-centered with skills to build lasting meaningful relationships.
3. **Communication Skills**
Grow in the ability to speak compellingly and persuasively in public.
4. **Motivational Skills**
Learn to better motivate and inspire others to higher levels of achievement.
5. **Management Skills**
 - A. (Organizational) Grow in the ability to plan, organize and achieve desired results through people.
 - B. (Personal) Develop a written personal management plan which addresses vocation, marriage, fitness, finances, and learning.
6. **Entrepreneurial Skills**
Gain skill to transform dreams into realities through creative thinking, planning and sound decision making.
7. **People-building and Coaching Skills****
Grow in the ability to make disciples and to help them grow in confidence and leadership.
8. **Jesus-following Skills**
Study the leadership and teachings of Jesus Christ and gain skills to better follow him.
9. **Learning and Thinking Skills**
Sharpen skills for independent learning, thinking, and expression and gain tools for life-long learning.
10. **World-view skills**
Grow in the ability to seek and understand truth and to see the world through the heart and mind of Jesus Christ.
11. **Wisdom-seeking and Mentoring Skills**
Grow in the ability to seek and gain wisdom from the wise, and impart wisdom to others.
12. **Citizenship**
Grow as responsible citizens with the ability to articulate the founding values and principles of the American Republic.

** This includes becoming qualified to serve as a Tentmakers Instructor with the capability to deliver Tentmakers Training Courses including the Daniel Weekend. (This requires application and coaching beyond the 40-days)