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Dear Colleagues

**RE: DOCTOR OF MINISTRY OFFERED BY ANDREWS UNIVERSITY AT  
NEWBOLD COLLEGE (2018-2021)**

Kindly share the following information/article with your pastors and Conference/Mission workers:

Newbold College of Higher Education and Andrews University (United States) have partnered to offer a Doctor of Ministry (DMin) at Newbold in 2018.

The DMin, which will specialise in Multi-ethnic/Multicultural Mission and Ministry, will have a one-off intake with classes commencing in 2018 with intensive classes offered from mid-May to early June 2018 followed by further intensive classes in 2019, 2020, and 2021, and the doctoral research project.

The programme aims to aid with the normalisation and celebration of racial diversity in the postmodern world. Racial inclusivity in the world and the perceived racial exclusivity in the Church suggest that something is amiss. To minister effectively in the 21st century context, there is a need to develop effective models for doing Multi-ethnic/Multicultural Ministry and Mission.

Through the programme, doctoral students will learn to apply principles of racial reconciliation in church and community, transition a church for inclusive mission and ministry, process and manage change, implement spiritual health into 21st century life, utilise principles of reflective practice, and implement best practices and establish clear assessment indicators.

“Newbold College of Higher Education is responding to the clear demands of pastors across the Trans-European Division for a professional doctorate in the area of pastoral ministry,” said Dr John Baildam, Principal of Newbold College.

“In collaboration with Andrews University and the Trans-European Division, the College has selected a concentration in Multi-ethnic/Multicultural Mission and Ministry, which we believe is the one best suited to the opportunities within our geographical area.

“We believe that this Andrews University doctorate, offered on the Newbold campus, will give our pastors the opportunity to grow spiritually and professionally, enabling them to approach their ministry with ever greater cultural sensitivity. Church members will be assured that their pastors have undergone this advanced study with the aim of serving their congregations in an even better way.”

“In an increasingly globalised world Multi-ethnic/Multicultural Mission and Ministry is not a trend, it is a reality. Pastoral effectiveness in the 21st century necessitates the acquisition of the knowledge and skills necessary to minister in a multi-ethnic/multicultural world,” added Dr Kenley D Hall, Associate Professor of Christian Ministry & Discipleship and Religious Education at Andrews University.

Kleyton Feitosa DMin, a 2016 Andrews University graduate, said, “As a student in the Doctor of Ministry programme, I had an opportunity to look at my ministry context and ask hard questions, questions that made me think and analyse my ministry in a different way. It made me a better pastor.”

“The DMin programme challenges pastors to become leading servants of God as they develop greater analytical skills to serve His people more effectively. I hope that more pastors will take hold of this great opportunity,” said Sung Kwon PhD, DMin student at Andrews University.

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Joint letter continued.

“This programme is a further example of Newbold College reaching out across the Division in response to expressed needs, and it will be wonderful to host what we anticipate will be a highly multicultural group of participants,” concluded Dr Baildam.

Successful applicants will hold a Master of Divinity (or equivalent) and have a minimum of three years' experience in ministry, amongst other admission requirements. Applications close 16 March, so interested applicants should enquire as soon as possible by emailing [vspoljar@newbold.ac.uk](mailto:vspoljar@newbold.ac.uk) or calling 01344 407423.

As per policy for part-time studies:

The Student's part is  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the monthly Local Wage Factor (LMWF) per calendar year (=£463 for 2018; 618€ for IM);

The Employing Organisation's part is up to  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the monthly LMWF per calendar year (so not more than £1234 for 2018);

The Union's part is up to  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the monthly Local Wage Factor (LMWF) per calendar year (so less than £1234 for 2018);

The TED's part is the remainder or 25% whichever is greater.

You can find more information at: <https://www.newbold.ac.uk/academics/postgraduate/doctor-of-ministry/>

Classes will be held for 2.5 weeks for four summers (21 May - 6 June 2018 and analogically till 2021).

Please find attached the application form for those wishing to study for the Doctor of Ministry. The TED has informed us that applicants need to have the approval of the executive committee of the Conference/Mission to apply to the BUC who will then forward the applications to the TED. We have also attached a document which outlines the process for applying and approving the applications. We have a quota of 10 grants available. I would like to propose that prior to voting names for the DMin by your respective committees, that you please email the Education department [mkapon@adventist.uk](mailto:mkapon@adventist.uk) in the first instance, to register the names of those applying from your Conference/Mission, in order to not exceed our quota.

Please note that the application form and information pertaining to the course is on the Education department webpage, listed under 'Latest Resources'.

Yours sincerely



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Enclosures:

1. BUC sponsorship grant form for Doctor of Ministry
2. Process for applying and approving the Doctor of Ministry applications