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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this circular is to:

1.1 Provide update to all Circuit Superintends and Circuit Ministers in respect of the Local Preachers. All Methodist Local Preachers who have Grade 12 or equivalent can register with either TEEC or SMMS. However the purpose of this circular is to provide information with regards to all Methodist Local preachers without Grade 12 or equivalent.
2. **BACKGROUND**

2.1 After consultations and conversations, Seth Mokitimi Methodist Seminary has agreed to, together with EMMU offer courses for all Methodist Local Preachers without matric.

Conference therefore resolved the following:

(i) Based on ‘need’ assessment, priority will be given to the Certificate of Competence in Ministry (CCM) course- catering for people with Grade 6-11 ( old Standard 4-9 ).

(ii) This course to commence January 2017.

(iii) The course material for those who are below Grade 6 or Standard 4 to be prioritized for 2018

3. **Curriculum**

(i) The CCM Programme will take 2 years with students registering for 4 courses per year, two courses per semester.

(ii) Only two assessments of 50% per course will apply for the CCM level.

(iii) 1st Year courses to be as follows for year 2017:

• Introduction to the Bible (BIB101)

• Introduction to Homiletics (PCM101) –

• Introduction to History of the Methodist Church in Southern Africa

• Introduction to Community Development (DEV101)

4. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.1 In view of the above, Superintendents should note the following registration logistics:
(i) Application for admission to be open as from 15 October to 30 November. Application forms can be obtained from SMMS OR be downloaded from the EMMU website.

(ii) No individual applications will be accepted by SMMS.

(iii) Circuit Superintendents are to register their Local Preachers with SMMS in block.

(iv) SMMS will then send all course material to District Local Preacher Department Secretaries, who will in turn distribute the material to Circuit Superintendents.

5. Tuition Fees

5.1 The tuition/ study fee for the CCM program is... **R600.00 per course.** There is a R100 per person application fee payable at registration.

NB: No course readers will be available to students unless full payment for the course is made.

Trust that this clarifies the logistics, but in case there is need for more information, do not hesitate to contact us at EMMU.

Regards

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EMMU Director

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