## What you can expect from the Certificate Program experience...

- 1. To learn the basic principles and skills of the art and practice of spiritual listening as it applies to the ministry of spiritual companionship.
- 2. To grow in the capacity for spiritual discernment in the process of recognizing and responding to the presence of God in all arenas of life.
  - 3. To demonstrate skills in attending, responding and assessing within the context of the spiritual companionship conversation.

Benefits include a deeper relationship with God, authentic spiritual transformation in Christlikeness with clarity in mission and vocation for both Individuals and groups.

#### **Spiritual Direction**

Spiritual Direction (Spiritual Companionship) is a practice dating back centuries in the Church and today is being revived in the Body of Christ as a way of companioning with another person or together with others in a group setting for the purpose of effectively discerning the movement of the Spirit of God in all of life's activity.

Spiritual Direction, the jewel in the crown of soul-care relationships, has been an important part of formal relationships of Christian nurture since the earliest days of the church. Rather than being for a specialized few, it is highly relevant to every Christian who takes the spiritual journey seriously.

**David Benner** 



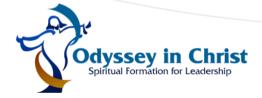
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# Odyssey in Christ

International

Certificate Program
in the Art and Practice
of
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### Certificate in Spiritual Companionship

The Spiritual Companionship Certificate program is a two-year online experiential and practical learning process for preparing students to serve as a trained Spiritual Director, qualified to serve as a spiritual companion in many areas of ministry specialization. The program is offered by Odyssey in Christ USA and is also sponsored internationally by the Graduate Studies Center Asian School of Development and Cross-Cultural Studies and the Philippine Missionary Institute. The program consists of two levels of study and supervised training for completing the full Spiritual Companionship Certification Program. For further information contact: USA Dr. Larry Hinkle: larryhinkle.oic@gmail.com / ASIA Pastor Choi Buenaflor: choibuenaflor@live.com.

#### LEVEL 1

Foundational Topics (\$1200.00)

Topic One Study in The Art of Spiritual Listening (3 Months, \$300.00)

Topic Two Study in Spiritual Discernment (3 Months, \$300.00)

Topic Three Study in Soul Relationships (3 Months, \$300.00)

Topic Four Study in A Discernment of Calling (3 Months, \$300.00)

### Spiritual Companionship Online Training Program (USA 2022-2023)



#### **Program Requirements**

**Online Internet Access to Zoom** 

#### Meetings:

Twice a month for 3 hours each meeting

#### **Date and Time:**

Meetings to be determined in consultation with class instructor

#### Class Reading Materials:

Two textbooks per class to be purchased by students

#### LEVEL 2

Advanced Practicum (\$1200.00)

Topic One Spiritual Direction Dynamics (3 Months, \$300.00)

Topic Two Supervised Individual Direction (3 Months, \$300.00)

Topic Three Supervised Group Direction (3 Months, \$300.00)

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