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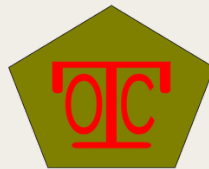
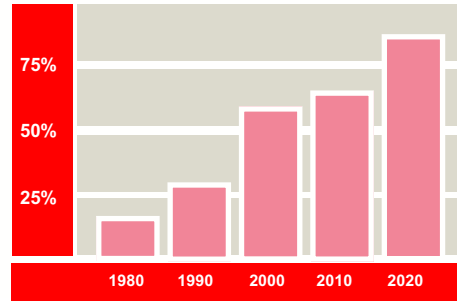
Should we be concerned?

Speaking for over 300 institutions with representatives from across the world, in a consultation arranged by the Oxford Centre for Religion and Public Life, Dr Manfred Kohl estimated that 90% of pastors today have no formal theological or seminary training (**Chris Sugden, Evangelicals Now:17 December 2020**). We have also seen other statistics that put this figure between 60-85% based on other parameters. This is dangerous, considering that Jesus, the Word, trained His disciples for over 3 years - the usual study period for formal tertiary education. Paul the Apostle also studied the bible in Arabia/Damascus for over 3 years immediately after conversion.

Every year, starting the week immediately preceding the PAGM anniversary, we offer modules of formal theological training designed to contribute towards bridging this gap. If you are a minister, church worker, or God-chaser, this is designed for you.

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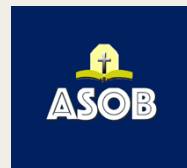
Percentage of churches with poorly trained pastors by decade.



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"Few books are as abused by its own readers as the Holy Bible. Without proper training and understanding, our interpretation and application of the bible could be tantamount to abuse of scriptures, and misdirection of a generation. It should concern us that a staggering percentage of churches are pastored by people who never had any form of formal theological education. Mistaking the anointing as a substitute for training undermines 2 Timothy 2:15 and the entirety of Psalm 119. Ministers, workers, members of the local church and the body of Christ at large, especially those charged to feed the flock, need to watch out for "ignorance of ignorance," which is worse than ignorance itself. A sound structured biblical education is an invaluable basic asset for pastors and prospective leaders.

Lanre Jegede.

If you are a leader or God-chaser, you should seriously consider taking advantage of the opportunity offered by the PAGM Anniversary Celebrations to take this course and become refreshed and/or better positioned to correctly fulfil your calling.

TPCM MODULE OVERVIEW

PART 1 - PRINCIPLES OF PASTORAL MINISTRY (TPCM01)

- The portrait of a pastor.
- The prerequisites for a pastor.
- The Preselection of a pastor.
- The priorities of a pastor.
- The precautions for a pastor

PART 2 - PRACTICE OF PASTORAL MINISTRY (TPCM02)

- The pastor as a minister.
- The pastor as a counsellor.
- The pastor as a preacher & teacher.
- The pastor as a leader.
- The pastoral burnout.