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MTW MTS Apprenticeship



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MTS APPRENTICE (MTW) PATHWAY

What is MTW?

MTW (Ministry Training for Women) is designed to prepare women for all types of ministry. With teaching and mentoring components, and the chance to discuss topics with other women, MTW is a tailored course that equips women to serve Christ in every sphere of life.

Who would do an MTW MTS Apprenticeship?

Women who have caught a vision for word-based ministry and want to grow in Christ-like character, conviction and ministry competency including:

- Mums who are empty nesters
- Single women working part-time
- Wives of pastors and AFES workers
- Wives of theological college students
- Mothers whose youngest child has gone to school

What will an MTW MTS Apprenticeship equip you to do?

- Read the Bible one-to-one
- Pastoral caring for women
- Lead Bible studies
- Lead Children and Youth Ministry
- Outreach in your networks



The MTS curriculum, combined with the specialised MTW training of Christ College, is designed to help women apprentices work out how their gifting from God might most productively be used to grow God's Kingdom in the future.

MTW MTS Scholarships

Many churches and other ministries sponsor scholarships to enable students to complete an MTS pathway. Any woman seeking to undertake an MTW MTS Apprenticeship is encouraged to apply for an "MTS Scholarship" to support them on their journey.

An MTS Scholarship ensures that the Certificate course fees are covered without impacting the family budget, and that no course fee debt is accumulated.

WHAT BEING AN APPRENTICE INVOLVES

"If a person wants to be a farmer long term, they don't start off at Agricultural College as a first port of call. They need to head off first to a farm and work alongside an experienced farmer for a couple of years. They need to live through a couple of cycles of the seasons. They need to know what it is like to deliver lambs in the middle of the night, harvest the grain before it is destroyed by rain and grapple with the blurred boundaries between work and rest."

Ben Pfahlert, MTS Director

The MTW MTS Apprenticeship

Being an MTW MTS Apprentice involves undertaking a two year program combining theological study with the opportunity to gain Gospel ministry experience through active participation in evangelism and Bible teaching, all under the care and guidance of a trainer.

The MTW apprenticeship includes training specifically designed to equip you for word-based ministry to women and children.

As women lead busy lives, juggling multiple roles and responsibilities, the MTW MTS Apprentice has been designed to fit into the time-window of 9.30am to 2.30pm 3 days per week during school term time, plus church-based ministry on Sundays.

To see an example of what your week could look like, please refer to the diagram on page 5.

The MTS Curriculum

MTS has developed an apprentice curriculum that has both compulsory and optional elements. It is a flexible curriculum that can be adapted to an apprentice's context.

The MTS Apprenticeship Curriculum grows leaders in 8 learning areas:

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| 1. Bible Study | 5. Evangelism and World Mission |
| 2. Thinking Theologically | 6. Teaching the Bible |
| 3. Prayer and Godliness | 7. Training Others in Ministry |
| 4. Relationships in Ministry | 8. Leadership |

MTW TRAINING PROGRAM

Year A (of alternating years) – A Biblical Foundation for Ministry

SEMESTER 1 – Five Mondays (10:30am-1pm)	
Fortnight 1	A Biblical Framework of Ministry
Fortnight 2	A Bible Overview
Fortnight 3	How to read and Interpret the Bible, and A Biblical Framework of Ministry by Women and to Women (Part 1)
Fortnight 4	A Biblical Framework of Ministry By Women and to Women (Part 2)
Fortnight 5	Building a Women's Ministry

SEMESTER 2 – Five Mondays (10:30am-1pm)	
Fortnight 1	Women in the Church – A Historical and Biblical Perspective (Part 1)
Fortnight 2	Women in the Church – A Historical and Biblical Perspective (Part 2)
Fortnight 3	A Biblical Critique of Historical Models of Women in Ministry
Fortnight 4	Feminism and The Christian Response
Fortnight 5	Building and Working in Children's Ministry

Year B (of alternating years) – Teaching and Applying the Bible to Women

SEMESTER 1 – Five Mondays (10:30am-1pm)	
Fortnight 1	Christian Worldview and Biblical Principles for Pastoral Care
Fortnight 2	A Biblical Framework of Marriage and Motherhood
Fortnight 3	Biblical Teaching on Singleness, Divorce, Re-marriage and Widowhood
Fortnight 4	Leading Bible Study Groups
Fortnight 5	Evangelism and Women

SEMESTER 2 – Five Mondays (10:30am-1pm)	
Fortnight 1	Dealing with Conflict
Fortnight 2	Self Care and Avoiding Burnout in Ministry
Fortnight 3	Sexual and Mental Health in the Seasons of Life
Fortnight 4	One to One Bible Reading and Discipleship
Fortnight 5	Pastoral Care in Grief

Please note that the content of the Christ College MTW training program is subject to change.



PASSING THE BATON BY COLIN MARSHALL

A guide for both apprentices and trainers.

What a ministry apprenticeship is about and the resources needed for making ministry apprenticeships happen.

USEFUL INFORMATION

An MTW MTSer's Week at a Glance*

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
9:30	Study Day	Ministry Day #1	Ministry Day #2				Serve at Church (as agreed with your mentor/trainer)
2:30							

*School term time only

Ministry Day-time Activities (During School Term Only):

- One-to-one bible reading (2 x women)
- Lead bible study (weekly)
- Meet with your trainer (weekly)
- Other activities as determined with your trainer

Study Day-time Activities (During School Term Only)

- 10 X MTW Lectures/Seminars per annum
- 4 X Timothy Partnership online Certificate units
- Homework from MTW and Timothy Partnership subjects
- Note: MTW women have full access to the Christ College Library

Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 3	Semester 4
MTW – 10x LECTURES		MTW – 10x LECTURES	
New Testament	Christian Belief	Old Testament	Lay Ministry Field Ed.
Intro Study Skills	Developing Study Skills	Elective*	Apprenticeship Project

*Electives: Introduction to Pastoral Care, Teaching Christian Faith in the Classroom, Religious Education, Christian Leadership and Management.



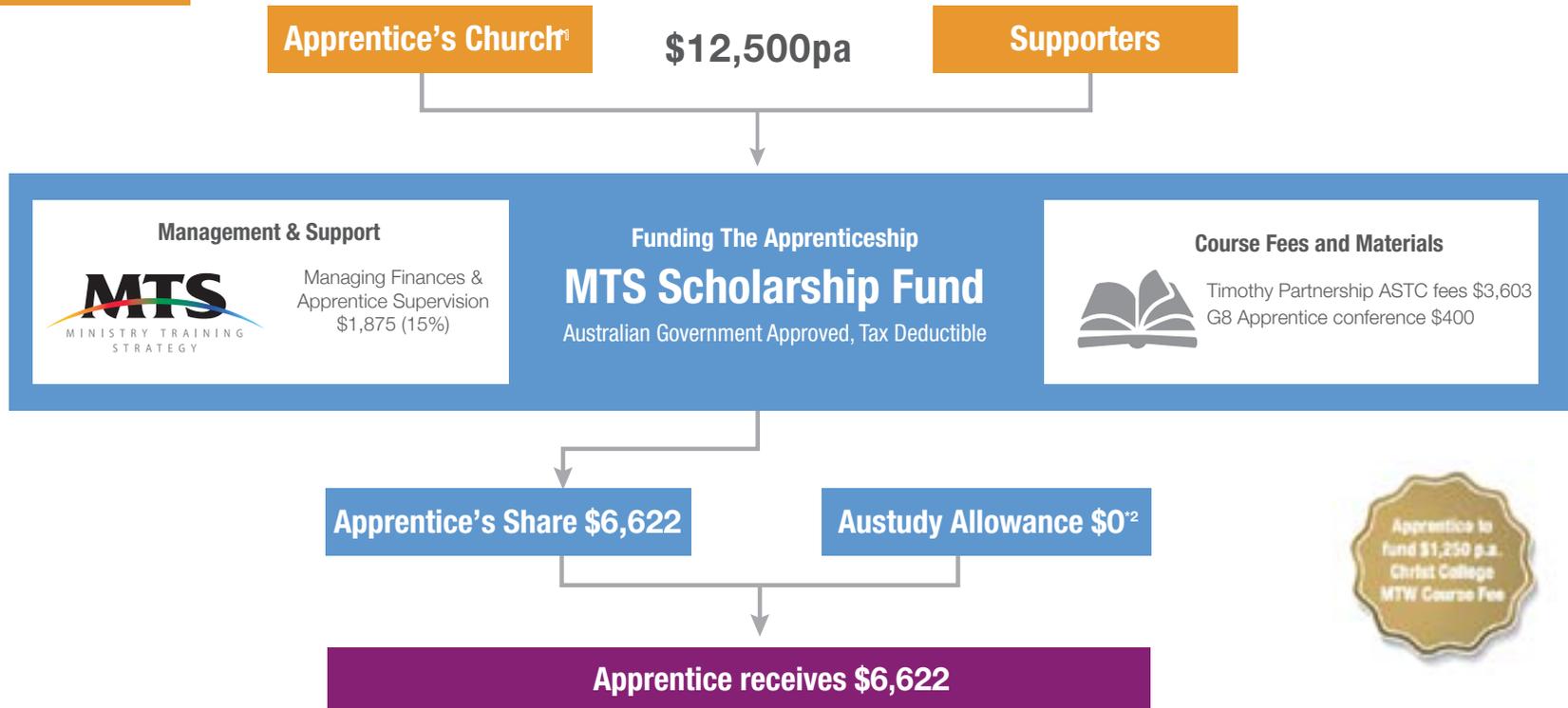
ALL FOR THE KINGDOM BY BEN PFAHLERT & KATIE OMROD

A very practical and realistic tool for those that the Holy Spirit is prompting to pursue full time gospel ministry.

We recommend reading these books if you are considering becoming an MTW MTS Apprentice.

THE MTW MTS APPRENTICE SCHOLARSHIP

YOUR ANNUAL FINANCES AT WORK



YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE



*1 Church to fund a \$3,000 refundable Training Bond for each apprentice. A non-tax deductible receipt will be provided to acknowledge payment.

*2 Assumes apprentice is eligible to receive Centrelink benefits (eg Austudy), although this may not always be the case.

*3 Combined face to face study at Christ College (MTW) and online study through The Timothy Partnership (Academic Studies in Theology Certificate)



Moving ahead with MTS and MTW

Ministry Training for Women (MTW) is a 2 year course designed for every Christian woman. It includes 10 lectures per year and a mentoring programme.

"MTW stretched and challenged me to think theologically... it's ideal for any woman wanting to grow in her faith in Jesus and be better equipped in whatever ministry she's involved in." – Joan Tang



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