



ETHNE INSTITUTE

A Global Center for Equipping
Faithful Shepherds for the Nations



For the Word
For the Church
For the Nations

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Brothers,

What you hold in your hands is a testimony to God's faithfulness in raising and sending church planters and missionaries through Ethne Institute.

Over 50 years ago, God took hold of one young village man and used him to reach a small village. From that beginning, the Lord has continued His work, multiplying pastors and missionaries through the life of the church. In 2006, the first formal training began as a small group gathered around the Word of God, with few resources and no facility, only a desire to understand it rightly.

and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. (2 Tim 2:2)

From the beginning, this has been our guiding verse, and by God's grace, it has become the work itself.


What began with a few has become a growing stream of training, reaching places where Christ is scarcely known. Churches are being planted, and the Lord continues to raise shepherds from the peoples of India. This is why Ethne exists: to serve the church by raising men who open the Scriptures, shepherd God's people, and carry the gospel to the nations.

Men shaped by the Word.
Men formed in the Church.
Men sent to the Nations.

Over the past 25 years, the Lord has done more than we could have asked. If the Lord is calling you to serve Christ in His church, we invite you to partner with us.

For His glory, and for the spread of His church among the nations.

- tPresident, Ethne Institute



- Vijay Sastry Meesala
President, Ethne Institute

WHAT IS ETHNE INSTITUTE?



Ethne Institute is a church-based theological training center committed to preparing pastors, church planters, and missionaries for the work of Christ's church.

The name "Ethne" comes from panta ta ethne — "to all nations" (Matthew 28:19).

Our Training Is Shaped By Three Convictions:

- The Authority of Scripture (**Theology**)
"All Scripture is breathed out by God..." - 2 Timothy 3:16
- The Centrality of the Church (**Ecclesiology**)
The church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth." - 1 Timothy 3:15
- The Urgency of the Mission (**Missiology**)
how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?" - Romans 10:14

Students are trained in the class room,
formed in the church, and prepared for the nations.



■ WHY ETHNE?

Across the Global South, God is building His church at a remarkable pace. Every day, many come to Christ and new churches are planted. But this growth is greater than the number of trained leaders. Many pastors serve faithfully, yet without the training or resources needed to rightly handle God's Word and care for His people. We are committed to equipping faithful leaders by providing biblical and theological training.

Ethne Institute exists to prepare indigenous missionaries to pioneer biblically faithful churches among unreached and unengaged people groups in India and across the 10/40 Window.

Core Foundations

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The Centrality of the Church (Ecclesiology)— 1 Timothy 3:15

The Urgency of the Mission (Missiology)— Romans 10:14

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■ OUR DISTINCTIVES

Church-Based Training

Training happens within the life of the local church (Acts 13:1–3)

Expository Preaching

Men are trained to preach the Word faithfully (2 Timothy 4:2)

Pastoral Formation

Character and doctrine are shaped together (1 Timothy 4:16)

Mission Focused

Prepared for ministry where Christ is not known (Romans 15:20)

Global Church Connection

Strengthened by the wider body of Christ (Ephesians 4:11–13)

At Ethne, you are shaped to be:

Rooted in the Word - handling Scripture with care and conviction. Faithful in Ministry -preaching Christ and shepherding His people. Prepared for Hard Places -strengthened for enduring service. Sent to the Nations - with a clear vision for the gospel This is preparation for faithfulness raising shepherds who love the church, serve her well, and stand firm in the Word.



PROGRAMS OF STUDY

01 DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY

1 Year | 30 Credit Hours

A foundational introduction to biblical theology, doctrine, and ministry

02 BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY (B.TH.)

3 Years | 96 Credit Hours

Comprehensive training in Scripture, theology, church history, and pastoral ministry

03 MASTER OF DIVINITY (M.DIV.)

2 Years | 60 Credit Hours

Advanced preparation for long-term ministry and theological leadership

04 PASTORAL INTERNSHIP

1 Year | 24 Ministry Credits

A supervised residency within the local church focused on preaching, discipleship, and leadership

LANGUAGE TRAINING

Equipping students for cross-cultural ministry among diverse peoples

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved...”

-2 Timothy 2 :15





FROM ETHNE TO 10/40 WINDOW



A GREAT NEED

Two-thirds of the world's population live in the 10/40 Window, and those groups are predominately Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, animist, Jewish, or non-religious. Many of the countries of the 10/40 Window have closed their doors to western missionaries and therefore many people groups in these countries remain unreached. It is time for us to bring the gospel into the most remote areas where Christ is not yet known.



OUR FACULTY

Ethne institute is served by pastors, theologians, and missionaries actively engaged in the life of the church. They teach what they preach and shepherd what they teach. Students learn through both instruction and example.

CORE FACULTY



PASTOR VIJAY SASTRY

PASTOR. JOSHUA JUDE

DR. VIMALA REDDY



DR. DANIEL SURYA

BRO. BIBU

REV. EMMANUEL AKEPOGU

BRO. SURESH GURINDAPALLI



BRO. GANTA DEVANANDA BABU

PASTOR KARUN

DR. SHANKAR BABU

PASTOR NAGESH



PASTOR SRIDHAR

PASTOR RAJA

PASTOR TIMOTHY PJ

PASTOR JOHN SUNDAR

GLOBAL TEACHING NETWORK

A growing network of pastors and theological leaders from around the world contributing through guest lectures and specialized training



■ THE UNFINISHED MISSION

The mission of Christ continues.

“This gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed... to all nations.” - Matthew 24:14

Across the 10/40 Window, billions still live with limited access to the gospel.

India stands at the center of this need:

- Thousands of people groups
- Many unreached
- Churches without trained leadership

OUR AIM

To train men who go where Christ is not known and serve faithfully

■ LIFE AT ETHNE

Training at Ethne takes place in the life of the church.

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching...” - Acts 2:42

Students are shaped through:

- Study of Scripture
- Participation in church life
- Pastoral mentorship
- Ministry involvement

This is preparation for real shepherding.

■ THE CALL

Is God calling you?

“To shepherd the flock of God that is among you...” - 1 Peter 5:2

To preach His Word

To serve His church

To go where Christ is not known

This is a life given to Christ and His mission.

“Here am I. Send me.” — Isaiah 6:8

AND THE LIGHT IS SPREADING.

For every pastor we train, the lives of Christians and people in the communities around the world are touched. And the impact spreads from there.

Since 2009, Training Leaders Int'l has:

120+

CHURCHES PLANTED
ACROSS INDIA AND
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OUR CONFERENCES

Ethne Institute regularly hosts theological conferences that strengthen pastors and students through faithful teaching.

Speakers have included:

vvD. A. Carson

Conrad Mbewe

John Folmar

Harshit Singh

These gatherings strengthen conviction, sharpen preaching, and expand vision for the nations.



OUR VISION & CONTACT

Ethne exists to serve Christ's church for generations to come.

"Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her." — Ephesians 5:25

We labor to see:

- Faithful pastors raised
- Strong churches established
- The gospel carried to the nations
- Until Christ is known, the work continues.



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