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I. TITLE

A STUDY OF MAKING DISCIPLES AND TRAINING LEADERS FOR GROWTH OF
ELIM CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH OF GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA.

II. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEMS

- (1) How to make the members and outsiders of the church take part in the Disciple Making Program (Disciple College).
- (2) How to prevent them from dropping out in the Disciple Making Program (Disciple College Class).
- (3) How to select the candidates of the Leader Training (Disciple Seminary) out of those who have completed the course of the Disciple College.
- (4) How to make them fulfil their mission of evangelism and disciple making during or after the training period.

The items mentioned above are the first difficult problem to be solved because the Elim Christian Reformed Church has not only a short history but also had no experience in these programs. But the problems may be solved by using the successful method of the other churches or by developing a new method.

III. HYPOTHESES OR RESEARCH QUESTIONS

(I) HYPOTHESES

In this project the following list of hypotheses will be considered, but they should be proved by the result of the experimentation for six months or over. (maybe one year).

- (1) By using the method of Disciple Making and Leader Making the members of Elim Christian Reformed Church will grow **in quantity.**
- (2) By using the method of these programs, especially the members of Elim Christian Reformed Church will come to maturity **in quality.**
- (3) By using the method of these programs, also **the finances** of Elim Christian Reformed Church with which could realize the vision of World mission will increase step by step.

IV. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This section will be divided into three subsections: Subjects of Experimentation, Collection of the Data, and Evaluation of the Results(Data).

(1) Subjects of Experimentation

A primary Experimentation will begin with only four classes

of the Disciple College. One has been selected out of the officers of the church such as evangelist, elder, deacon, and deaconess. In other words it consists of the officers of the church.

The other class consists of the laymen of the church who are not the officers. Another class consists of the youths of the church. The last one consists of the outsiders who have come into from other churches, or non-church members who had ever had an experience of church life.

Of course some of the graduates from this Disciple College will enter the Disciple Seminary which is the course of Leader Training.

1) The Officer-class

This class is mainly for the purpose of serving the church and turning the heart-lost from their sinful life to faithful life as well as preaching to the unbelievers outside the church.

2) The Laymen-class

This class does mainly aim to bring the unbelievers in the world to the church, and make them become the members of the church.

3) The Youth-class

This class does mainly preach to the youths and bring them into the church. And also it makes them take part in its programs.

Of course it ought to be committed to the youth pastor who had

been trained by the senior pastor of that church.

4) The Outsider-class

This class is particularly for the purpose of preaching to the non-church members outside the church and the unbelievers in the world.

Here non-church members mean those who had ever been the church members in the past but now have left the church. And also they may be those who are not attending though have the church membership.

All these classes will be trained to be the Disciples of Jesus and so as to be able to make their disciples of all the people around them.

Accordingly the church must grow in quality, the number of the church member will increase day after day, and it could have the financial power with which needs to accomplish the vision of World mission.

The terms of the courses of the Disciple College and Disciple Seminary will respectively be six months for its completion.

(2) Collection of the Data

This section may contain the following aspects:

- 1) Books and other dissertations for writing the part of the chapter on related literature in this project(dissertation).
- 2) The periodical reports of the students for the duration of the experimentation for the purpose of enlarging the effectiveness.
- 3) The documents of the schools and the church for the duration of the experimentation, and also previous documents for mutual comparison.

This comparative method of study will be decisive proof for attainment of the goal of the project(dissertation).

- 4) Periodical interviews with them for the purpose of evaluating their maturity of faith in quality(spiritual and moral life).
- 5) The records of their actual results during the period of training for themselves and evangelism and service to others.

The study through these data will be used not only as the method of the progress of the project but also as the proof of the hypotheses in this project dissertation.

(3) The Evaluation of the Results(Data)

The evaluation of the results may be held step by step for the duration of the experimenataion. The final evaluation may be held after six months or one year when the experimental terms will be over.

- 1) To measure the results of the project experimentation along with the hypothesis in section one above the writer is going to use the statistical data of the church such as the register and directory of the church.
- 2) To mesure the effectiveness of the project experimentation along with the hypothesis in section two above the writer is going to check the faith level in several aspects, that is to say attendance, offerings, evangelism, service to the church and society. In other

words, this means the check on their spiritual and moral life.

- 3) To measure the financial power caused by using the method of the project programs along with the hypothesis in section three in the preceeding page the writer will check and evaluate the budget, the list, and amount of offerings of the congregation in detail.

Through this way, the writer believes, the results of the programs of the project must be evaluated. Of course the goal of this plan will be presented, and the results will be hypothesized.

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