

Perspective

One of the essentials leading to effective ministry is continuing education. The process of growing in professional competency takes various forms, but for continuing education to produce competency there must be intentional planning. Rouch's *Competent Ministry* (Abingdon; 1974) is an excellent guide to such planning.

One of the goals of the ASBCM and *The Campus Minister* is to encourage and provide a means for a growing competency in our profession. Themes for *The Campus Minister* are chosen to encourage thinking and discussion about specific areas or concerns related to our ministry. In this issue we are focusing on "Mission Theology for Campus Ministry." The writers were asked to develop this theme out of their concept of mission and how they saw this concept of mission taking form.

Since continuing education is so vital to growing competency and effectiveness in campus ministry, we feel it important to share those opportunities and channels open to us. It is hoped in an upcoming issue we can report what each state or area expects and affords its campus ministers in continuing education.

Several campus ministers have completed or are now enrolled in Doctor of Ministry programs. We will try to include a D. Min. project abstract in upcoming issues to keep the membership aware of recent research. One recent project is included in this issue.

A listing of the D. Min. projects related to campus ministry that have been completed at our or other seminaries will also be included in a future issue. Your feedback and suggestions to the publications committee on these projections will be appreciated.

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