



THIS DOCUMENT is a Prospectus for the United States Coalition of Apostolic Leaders (USCAL) explaining its values, structures, procedures, and vision for the remainder of 2023 through 2024.

It is created to bring clarity for present USCAL members and potential members.

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DEFINITIONS

THE KINGDOM OF GOD: The Kingdom of God is the rule of God presented by Jesus when He announced it and deposited it into the hearts and lives of those who put their faith in Him. After Pentecost it was expanded through the Church and is now being extended into society, influencing every sphere of culture in the nations of the earth for Christ. *Mark 1:14b-15* says, "...Jesus came into Galilee announcing the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Metanoia! (turn your thinking round) and believe (trust) the good news!'"

THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD: The Gospel of the Kingdom of God is the good news that Jesus, by His redemptive life, death, resurrection, and ascension, has made it possible for mankind to be restored from Adam's Fall into full fellowship with God and to enter His worldwide Kingdom where His reign is expanding and manifesting daily in the nations of the earth. Jesus said: "*And this gospel of the kingdom will be announced and heralded in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come (Matthew 24:14).*"

THE CHURCH: The Church is the collective children of God worldwide, who have believed the Gospel of the Kingdom, accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior and King, and entered into fellowship. They follow the teachings of scripture and function as His authorized representatives on earth. Jesus said: "*I will build my Church (Ekklesia) and the gates (authorized representatives) of Hades shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18).*

THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH: The mission of the Church is to glorify God by expanding His Kingdom "*on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10)*" and making disciples of all the



nations. God is a King who has chosen to expand His Kingdom on earth as a colony of heaven. Individual Christians are its citizens and the local churches are its representation. Jesus said at His ascension, "*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, immersing them in the name (knowledge, understanding and life) of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded (placed within) you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age*" (**Matthew 28:19-20**).

APOSTLES: Apostles are one of the five-fold equipping gifts defined in **Ephesians 4:11** which Jesus gave to the Church when He ascended into heaven. Apostles serve along with prophets, evangelists, shepherds (pastors), and teachers to align and adjust believers for their work of ministry. In the Greco-Roman world, apostles were those who were sent out by kings to expand their kingdoms through colonization. They led groups of people in establishing functioning settlements, thereby representing their nation and extending its territory beyond current borders where the rule of the king and the culture of the kingdom were practiced. This is likely what those hearing Jesus' words in **Luke 6:13** understood when He first called them, "*apostles.*"

APOSTOLIC: To be apostolic is to be gifted by God for apostolic ministry, whether the title is used or not. It can also be used to describe a person who aligns with the apostolic gift and embraces the present functioning of all Five-fold equipping gifts mentioned in **Ephesians 4:11-12**. For instance, there are apostolic prophets, apostolic evangelists, apostolic pastors and apostolic teachers. All these gifts developed under apostolic influence in the New Testament starting on the Day of Pentecost which made them apostolic in their function. Paul said, "*If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord (I Corinthians 9:2).*"

LEADER: A leader is a servant who influences others to accomplish a specific task related to building the Kingdom of God for the benefit of those they lead. This role was exemplified in Christ when He "*rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded (John 13:4-5).*"

APOSTOLIC LEADER: An Apostolic Leader is a builder and influencer, manifesting apostolic grace, whose mission is to



serve the Body of Christ by establishing the Kingdom of God in the hearts of individuals, strengthening it in the church and expanding it into every sphere of society. Paul said, *“For we are God’s fellow workers; you are God’s field, you are God’s building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it (I Corinthians 3:9-10).*

ICAL: This is the International Coalition of Apostolic Leaders, a global organization founded in 1999 which is the covering agency for the United States Coalition of Apostolic Leaders.

USCAL: The United States Coalition of Apostolic Leaders represents ICAL in the United States and is one of many National Coalitions around the world. To be a member of USCAL automatically makes a person a member of ICAL.

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QUALITIES OF AN APOSTOLIC LEADER

Every leader is unique in their personality, gifting, experience, maturity, and calling. Because of this, there is no simple and easy way to describe the fruit of every Apostolic Leader.

Paul said in **1 Corinthians 12:4-6**, *“There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.”*

This passage reminds us that no two people operate the same in ministry. This is why USCAL examines each application on its own merits and relies heavily on the personal recommendation from its existing members when evaluating an apostolic leader for potential membership in USCAL.

The following list might clarify some of what qualifies a person for USCAL membership. While this is not a checklist for membership, and no single individual exhibits all the qualities listed herein, these traits are generally accepted as evidence of apostolic grace.



An Apostolic Leader . . .

- Carries a distinct call of God to lead and to build.
- Has accomplished specified missions while leading a team and built things of lasting significance.
- Produces likeminded sons and daughters as a spiritual parent.
- Plants and bears fruit where others have not.
- Exhibits an entrepreneurial spirit.
- Sees consistent answers to prayer with signs, wonders, and miracles.
- Is able to discern the intentions of God for individuals, churches, regions, and nations.
- Creates teams to accomplish specific tasks.
- Produces models and patterns that can help others in various locations.
- Carries a breaker anointing for individuals and organizations in cities, regions, and nations.
- Overcomes resistance and persecution.
- Patiently endures, producing fruit over time with evidence of spiritual maturity.
- Identifies, develops, and releases other leaders.
- Understands the workings of society on all the cultural mountains and how to influence them.
- Establishes present truth.
- Is a source of strength, revelation, and impartation for those they lead.
- Leads the church in dethroning principalities and powers.
- Attracts and disperses Kingdom resources for the purpose of completing various missions.
- Demonstrates faith through perseverance and patience.
- Exemplifies humility as a servant leader.
- Sets divine order where there is confusion and chaos.
- Releases divine creativity in solving problems for individuals and organizations.
- Courageously confronts harmful traditions, false doctrines, and humanistic philosophies.
- Minister deliverance to the demonized.
- Exhibits Godly character.
- Gives all the glory to God.

2 Corinthians 12:12 Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.



WHY DO WE EXIST?

USCAL exists to recognize, encourage, and connect Apostolic Leaders in the United States on a personal and professional level. We believe this is important considering the increasing challenges leaders face in the United States and around the world. We accomplish this by providing our members with:

- **EXPOSURE** to new ideas and other apostolic leaders that can help expand their influence regionally, nationally, and globally.
- **ACCESS** to apostolic leaders who help them grow personally and professionally.
- **DIALOGUE** that produces new perspectives, paradigms, and procedures.

HOW ARE WE STRUCTURED?

USCAL is a subsidiary of the International Coalition of Apostolic Leaders headquartered in Dallas, Texas.

USCAL has a National Convener who operates with a National Executive Council. The National Executive Council is appointed by the National Convener and is comprised of Regional Conveners and Members-at-Large.

Each region will have a Regional Convener who operates with a Regional Executive Council.

There may be more than one Apostolic Roundtable within a region. These may operate within a single state or city within the region. In this case, each Roundtable will have its own Convener and Executive Council functioning as an auxiliary of the larger regional group.



WHAT ARE OUR VALUES?

(1) **WE VALUE LOCAL CHURCH.** We see empowering individual Christians in the local church as our goal in strengthening their leaders.

(2) **WE VALUE APOSTLES AND PROPHETS WORKING TOGETHER.** We believe all Five-fold Equipping gifts in **Ephesians 4:11** are necessary for equipping the saints and bringing maturity in the Body of Christ. This is especially true for prophets who work alongside apostles. Therefore, acknowledged prophets who work alongside apostles and receive a recommendation from them will be considered for membership and have a seat at the table in all USCAL events.

(3) **WE VALUE ALL FIVE-FOLD EQUIPPING GIFTS.** It takes a team to do the work of the Kingdom of God. This team is described in **Ephesians 4:11**. If a leader functions within the scope of this description, they may apply for USCAL membership if they receive a recommendation from the apostolic leader with whom they serve, and that leader is a member in good standing of USCAL.

(4) **WE VALUE GEO-CULTURAL DISTINCTIONS.** We recognize that nations are diverse and multicultural. Therefore, we connect leaders geographically for specific strategic interaction in their region.

(5) **WE VALUE MARKETPLACE LEADERS.** We embrace those apostolic leaders who have been called and equipped to extend the Kingdom of God throughout the various spheres of society. Therefore, these leaders who are committed to Christ and their local church will be considered for membership based on their own merits if nominated by an existing member of USCAL. They will also be given opportunity to participate in the marketplace expression of ICAL, *Lead Global 360*.

(6) **WE VALUE NON-HIERARCHICAL FUNCTION.** We are first and foremost a fellowship of equals. While leadership from a national and international level is necessary to facilitate our mission, we do not provide governance for our members as some might understand a covering agency like denominations, affiliations, and networks.



(7) WE VALUE OUR INTERNATIONAL CONNECTION. USCAL is part of a larger, global organization. The Annual ICAL Conference in Dallas will be our main national gathering. USCAL and will provide special meetings for its members during the conference.

(8) WE VALUE MARRIAGE AND GIVE SPOUSES A SEAT AT THE TABLE. There are unique challenges to husbands and wives who are in ministry. Strong marriages are essential in church leadership. Therefore, couples are encouraged to become members together in USCAL and share the experience as husband and wife.

(9) WE VALUE PRAYER & REVIVAL. There is nothing more powerful than prayer and nothing more apostolic than outpourings of God's Spirit. When Apostolic Leaders assemble, there first assignment is to pray and seek the guidance of heaven. Therefore, every gathering should prioritize prayer for the purpose of experiencing revival in the church and reformation in society.

(10) WE VALUE GENERATIONS. Existing members are encouraged to bring younger ministers as guests to expose them to the apostolic grace represented in our gatherings. Under these circumstances, a young minister in relationship with an existing member may attend USCAL meetings more than once before they join. A recommendation for their membership may be submitted at any time by their sponsor.

HOW DO WE BUILD?

We build by organizing Regional Apostolic Roundtables where apostolic leaders experience EXPOSURE, ACCESS, and DIALOGUE.

Each USCAL Regional Apostolic Roundtable will be overseen by a Regional Convenor and an Executive Council.

Regional Convenors will be appointed by the USCAL National Convenor and affirmed by the Executive Council.

Each USCAL member is encouraged to invite potential members to Roundtable meetings who exhibit apostolic grace as defined above in the *Qualities of an Apostolic Leader*.



WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

(1) TO EXPAND YOUR PERSPECTIVE AND ENHANCE YOUR INFLUENCE. This happens with EXPOSURE to new ideas, ACCESS to new people and DIALOGUE around new perspectives, paradigms, and procedures.

(2) TO COME ALONGSIDE PEOPLE WHO WILL FIGHT WITH YOU. This war is primarily with Satanic powers fought on the battlefields of society on all Seven Mountains of culture. Now more than ever, leaders need to stand with one another if our nation is to experience the blessings of God.

(3) APOSTOLIC LEADERS LIKE YOU ARE NECESSARY TO ADVANCE THE KINGDOM OF GOD. Throughout history, in times of crisis, God has raised up apostolic leaders to move the Kingdom of God forward, no matter their title. This is needed today.

(4) TO SHARE YOUR PERSPECTIVES AND EXPERIENCES WITH OTHERS. Your story matters. There are leaders who need to hear it. Your perspectives and experiences can help others. USCAL needs to hear from you.

(5) WE ALL NEED A FAMILY & TRIBE. It takes many teams, families, and tribes to create the Army of God. USCAL provides a place for this to happen in a geographical space that creates strategic opportunities to connect with others who can enhance your mission.

(6) TO FEND OFF ISOLATION, LONLINESS AND DISCOURAGEMENT. Satan knows how to attack leaders with discouragement. USCAL members minister to one another personally and professionally on a level that encourages and strengthens one another.

(7) TO HELP PRESERVE YOUR FRUIT INTO THE NEXT GENERATION. Building people and systems are two important keys to preserving fruit into the next generation. This happens when we build relationships that include people of all ages and introduce them into organized fellowships like USCAL.



WHAT IS THE REQUIREMENT FOR MEMBERSHIP?

To become a member of USCAL, one must receive a recommendation from an existing member. It shall be the responsibility of the Regional Convenor to collect requests for membership and pass them along to the National Convenor for final consideration.

Regardless of title, a person who displays apostolic grace as described above in the *Qualities of an Apostolic Leader*, may be considered for membership.

Non-members may attend Regional Roundtables at the invitation of an existing member one time. After that, they must become a member of USCAL to continue participating.

If a leader functions within the scope of the five-fold equipping gifts described in **Ephesians 4:11**, they may apply for USCAL membership if they are nominated by the apostolic leader with whom they serve, and that apostolic leader is a member in good standing of USCAL.

Membership of USCAL automatically makes one a member of ICAL.

Yearly Membership Dues are \$450 a year and \$650 for couples, paid annually to ICAL in Dallas, Texas.

Online Membership Applications are available as well as online payments at icaleaders.com/membership.

REQUIREMENTS OF REGIONAL CONVENORS

The Regional Convenor must be a member of USCAL.

The Regional Convenor must be appointed by the USCAL National Convenor.



A Regional Convenor will become a member of the USCAL Executive Council for as long as they hold the office of Regional Convenor.

The appointment term of a Regional Convenor will be for one calendar year. Subsequent annual appointments will be at the discretion of the National Convenor so long as the Regional Convenor wishes to continue in their role and be made official at the ICAL International Conference in Dallas, Texas.

A Regional Convenor wishing to end their term shall offer suggestions to the National Convenor regarding their replacement.

The Regional Convenor is responsible to convene at least two Regional Apostolic Roundtable Meetings a year.

The Regional Convenor is responsible to secure a time and place for all meetings.

The Regional Convenor will oversee all official business and gatherings within their region.

The Regional Convenor is responsible for determining if a state or city Apostolic Roundtable is in order within their region.

The Regional Convenor is responsible to communicate to all USCAL members in his/her region concerning dates and places of all USCAL and ICAL gatherings.

The Regional Convenor is responsible to secure the participation of a Representative of the Executive Council to attend at least one of the Regional Gatherings in a calendar year.

The Regional Convenor will provide a ministry opportunity for the USCAL Representative in a local church during their stay and/or receive a love offering to help cover traveling expenses during the Roundtable gathering.

The Regional Convenor must promote the ICAL International Conference among the members and connect with as many of them as possible during the conference in Dallas. Special meeting rooms can be reserved at the conference on a first-come, first-served basis during the conference.



The Regional Convenor is responsible to personally connect and develop a relationship with all USCAL members in their Region.

The Regional Convenor should send a written report with pictures to the National Convenor in a timely manner after each Roundtable Gathering.

The Regional Convenor should attend the International Conference each year in Dallas where a meeting of the Executive Council will convene.

The Regional Convenor should take their role seriously and invent creative ways of connecting personally with each leader within their region. The Benefit to the Kingdom of God under these circumstances is incalculable.

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