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JOINT LETTER TO:

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Dear Colleagues

RE: MA IN LEADERSHIP OFFERED BY ANDREWS UNIVERSITY AT NEWBOLD COLLEGE (2016-2019 & 2017-2020)

On Thursday, 21 April 2016, the BUC executive committee voted sponsorship for 10 potential applicants for each of the two planned MA in Leadership cohorts. The funding will be split accordingly:

% of the monthly LMWF per calendar year met by the employing Conference/Mission;
% of the monthly LMWF per calendar year met by the BUC;
% of the monthly LMWF per calendar year met by the employee;
and 25% or the remainder, whichever is greater, is met by the TED.

Please find attached the application form for those wishing to study for the MA in Leadership. The TED has informed us that applicants need to have the approval of the executive committee of the Conference/Mission to apply to the BUC who will then forward the applications to the TED. We have also attached a document which outlines the process for applying and approving the applications. In addition to this BUC form, applicants will need to complete the course registration form, which they will find on the Newbold College website. This form must be returned to Serena Santona to ensure their place is secured.

You will also find an attachment that gives an outline of the summer orientation in June and the dates for the sessions. The orientation this year for all participants will be 1 June to 14 June in a plenary session at Newbold College. There will be subsequent plenary sessions at Newbold in June 2017, June 2018 and June 2019 to complete the first cohort. This is a three-year programme.

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There will be regional group sessions in the winters of 2017, 2018, and 2019 which is expected to run in January lasting a few days. They will be alternating venues in the UK, depending where the students are placed in order to reduce travel costs.

A new cohort will begin in June 2017 for those who were unable to apply this year and their course will finish in 2020. There is no plan for a cohort for 2018.

Would you kindly share this information with your pastors and Conference workers in leadership roles? We will also make sure the forms and information pertaining to the course is on our website in the Education department.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosures:

- 1. BUC sponsorship grant form for MA in Leadership
- 2. Process for applying and approving the MA in Leadership applications
- 3. Outline of the June 2016 Orientation sessions