

Testimony from a student who is a teacher

Week 10 Summary

This semester has been a series of ups and downs. My principal was out more than usual which made my job of wearing two hats that much harder. She could not help it but it still added a lot of pressure on me. It seemed like every time I got down, the holy spirit was there pushing me to go on.

I learned so much this semester. The assignments were not as hard as in the beginning, but I had more stressors on me this semester. But through the help of my cohort and the holy spirit, I was able to complete them. I know there is so much more I need to learn, but this semester truly answered so many of my questions about being principal.

All that I have learned this semester was relevant to what I am doing and what I will be doing when I do take over as principal. One important lesson I learned through the spiritual exercises is that I really did not know how to listen. I feel that I am a much better listener now. My staff appreciates all that I have learned in these exercises as well. I am not afraid to turn a problem around and put it back in that person's court to try to figure out on their own. After doing the spiritual exercises each week I felt closer to the holy spirit. Just by having that meditation time each week things just seemed to make more sense. I know that I will only get better as time goes along with listening, facilitating, and conflict resolution. These exercises have only made that goal easier to accomplish.