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MESSAGES FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

This past year was a time of crisis and disorientation created by the COVID-19 which presented us with new challenges but also new opportunities for ministry. We have reoriented to this new context for the 2020-21 school year by offering all classes fully online. We have a new online look, many new class offerings and webinars along with a diverse team of instructors committed to serving you and accomplishing our mission of Teaching God's Word and Equipping God's People. Enroll online today and bring a friend so you can begin the journey or preparation for a lifetime of witness and service for the Lord Jesus.



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A NEW WAY TO LEARN NYSB's New Online Learning



The online learning experience is new to us at NYSB and so we want to ensure that we support you through this process. Our desire is that you will maximize your knowledge of God's word, develop meaningful relationships with fellow students and instructors while mastering online technology.

Once you have [registered for your class online at www.cbcnyc.org](#) you will need:

- › To set up a student account with password during the online registration
- › Open a free Zoom account at [Zoom.com](#) and review the beginner's Zoom training video on website
- › Attend our free Zoom training class conducted by our staff (we will contact you with the date and time of training)
- › Access your grades and transcripts from the [student portal](#)
- › Receive class information and Zoom invitation from your instructor
- › Attend and complete your online class

In order to take online classes with NYSB you will need several basic things:

- › A computer or smartphone with a webcam (with microphone and camera) as students are expected to have a visual and audio presence in every class
- › Internet access
- › A quiet space with a table or desk



"THE LAW OF THE LORD IS PERFECT, REVIVING THE SOUL;
THE TESTIMONY OF THE LORD IS SURE, MAKING WISE THE SIMPLE."
PSALM 19:7

FACULTY



Casteline, Robert

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[101A](#)
[How to Study the Bible I](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[101B](#)
[How to Study the Bible II](#)
Fall II, 6 p.m.



Gavilanes, Nancy

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[331F](#)
[The Challenge of Leadership](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[179A](#)
[Paul's First Letter to Timothy](#)
Fall I, 7:35 p.m.

[331G](#)
[Healthy Leadership](#)
Fall II, 6 p.m.

[179B](#)
[Paul's Second Letter to Timothy](#)
Fall II, 7:35 p.m.



Herbert, Michael

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[T411A](#)
[Expository Preaching,](#)
Part 1
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[T411B](#)
[Expository Preaching,](#)
Part 2
Fall II, 6 p.m.



Hurt, Claude, Jr.

B. Architecture, Kent State University; M.A. Hebraic and Judaic Studies, New York University; graduate studies, Columbia University. Course studies, NYSB. Architect, Claude Hurt, Jr., Architect, New York State.

[111A](#)
[Old Testament Hebrew](#)
Basics I
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[111B](#)
[Old Testament Hebrew](#)
Basics II
Fall II, 6 p.m.



Javed, A. R.

B.S. and M.S. Computer Sciences, M.B.A. Michigan College (Pakistan); B. A. Journalism and Art, Punjab University (Pakistan); A.A. Religion - Bible/Biblical Studies, Greek Bible College (Athens); B.R.E. Bible and Leadership, Davis College; M.A. Christian Ministry Pastoral Studies/Counseling, Ed.S. and Ed.D. Organizational Leadership, D.Min. Evangelism and Church Planting, Liberty University. Pastor of Outreach and Missions, Calvary Baptist Church, Manhattan.



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[T111A](#)
[Old Testament Hebrew](#)
Foundations I
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[T111B](#)
[Old Testament Hebrew](#)
Foundations II
Fall II, 6 p.m.



Mann, Daniel

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[260A](#)
[Worldview Apologetics:](#)
Defending the Faith
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[200](#)
[Introduction to Theology](#)
Fall I, 7:35 p.m.

[260B](#)
[Religions and Worldviews—](#)
A Comparison with
Christianity
Fall II, 6 p.m.

[210](#)
[God and the Bible](#)
Fall II, 7:35 p.m.



Knowles, Douglas

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[201](#)
[Basic Christianity](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[240](#)
[The Holy Spirit and](#)
the Church
Fall I, 7:35 p.m.

[305](#)
[Sharing Your](#)
Faith/Using Your Gifts
Fall II, 6 p.m.

[250](#)
[Angels and the](#)
End of the Age
Fall II, 7:35 p.m.



Kraus, John M.

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[161E1](#)
[Joel, Amos, Jonah, Hosea](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[121A](#)
[Old Testament Survey: Law](#)
Fall I, 7:35 p.m.

[144A](#)
[Isaiah 1-39, Micah](#)
Fall II, 6 p.m.

[121B](#)
[Old Testament Survey:](#)
History
Fall II, 7:35 p.m.



Na, Stephen

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FACULTY



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[491E](#)
[Grief and Loss: Types of Loss, Part 1](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[491F](#)
[Grief and Loss: Types of Loss, Part 2](#)
Fall II, 6 p.m.



Taylor, Lawrence

B.S. Bible, Philadelphia College of Bible; M.A. New Testament, Master of Sacred Theology, General Theological Seminary; Ph.D. studies, Ancient History, CUNY Graduate Center; D.Min., New York Theological Seminary.

Course studies, NYSB. Pastor, Kenilworth Baptist Church, Brooklyn; Adjunct Professor of History, City University Baruch College.

[116A](#)
[New Testament Greek Basics I](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[116B](#)
[New Testament Greek Basics II](#)
Fall II, 6 p.m.

[413G](#)
[Expository Teaching and Preaching the Book of Exodus](#)
Fall I, 6 p.m.

[413H](#)
[Expository Teaching and Preaching the Book of Matthew](#)
Fall II, 6 p.m.



Thomas, Binu

B.A. Anthropology, SUNY Stony Brook; M.A. Theology, Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary; Graduate Certificate, Fuller Theological Seminary; D. Min., Palmer Theological Seminary. Executive Pastor, Edge City Church, Mineola.

[410](#)
[Introduction to Multi-Ethic Ministry](#)
Fall I, 7:35 p.m.

[410A](#)
[Leading a Multi-Ethic Ministry](#)
Fall II, 7:35 p.m.



Velardo, Tanya

B.A. Bible with a Missions emphasis, Lancaster Bible College; Graduate of Children's Ministry Institute, Child Evangelism Fellowship International Headquarters. Children's Ministry Director, Renaissance Church, Harlem.

[340A](#)
[Essentials of Family Ministry](#)
Fall I, 7:35 p.m.

[347A](#)
[The Power of Small Groups for Kids and Students](#)
Fall II, 7:35 p.m.



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B.A. Music, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; M.A. Religion, Liberty University; M.Div., Liberty University. Church Planter in Jackson Heights, Queens, NY. Music Director of Calvary Baptist Church.

Beginning a global disciple-making movement in NYC.

[T320A](#)
[Making Disciples Like Jesus, Pt. I.](#)
Fall I, 7:35 pm

[T320B](#)
[Making Disciples Like Jesus, Pt. II.](#)
Fall II, 7:35 pm

Class Schedule and Information

\$90 FOR ONE COURSE, \$160 FOR TWO.
CALVARY MEMBERS - \$45 PER COURSE.

Fall I

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7 weeks of classes, Monday and Tuesday evenings beginning September 14 and 15. Thursday webinar with Annette H. Cutino October 8.

Course Duration : September–October, 2020

Fall II

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7 weeks of classes, Monday and Tuesday evenings beginning November 2 and 3. Thursday webinar with Daniel Mann November 19.

Course Duration : November–December, 2020

Thursday Webinars

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- Fall I • Oct. 8 : Leading from Strengths
- Fall II • Nov. 19 : Christian Worldview and Human Well-Being

Department of Bible

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Any course in the Department of Bible not marked as Required can be taken as a Bible elective or an elective-at-large in the Advanced Certificate program.

Department of Theology

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Any course in the Department of Theology not marked as Required can be taken as an elective-at-large in the Advanced Certificate program.

Department of Ministry

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Any course in the Department of Ministry not marked as Required can be taken as a ministry elective or an elective-at-large in the Advanced Certificate program.

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. For as we share abundantly in Christ’s sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too.”
II Corinthians 1:3–5

First Fall Quarter 2020

7 Week Term

SEE PAGES 12-17 FOR COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SEPTEMBER '20						
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MONDAY EVENINGS

Classes begin Sept. 14

6-7:25 P.M.

- 101A How to Study the Bible I
- 111A Old Testament Hebrew Basics I
- 116A New Testament Greek Basics I
- 161E1 Joel, Amos, Jonah, Hosea
- 201 Basic Christianity
- 260A Worldview Apologetics: Defending the Faith
- 331F The Challenge of Leadership

7:35-9 P.M.

- 121A Old Testament Survey: Law
- 179A Paul's First Letter to Timothy
- 200 Introduction to Theology
- 240 The Holy Spirit and the Church
- 340A Essentials of Family Ministry
- 410 Introduction to Multi-Ethnic Ministry
- 413G Expository Preaching the Book of Exodus

6-9 P.M.

- 491E Grief and Loss: Types of Loss, Part 1

TUESDAY EVENINGS

Classes begin Sept. 15

6-7:25 P.M.

- T111A Old Testament Hebrew Foundations I
- T411A Expository Preaching, Part 1

7:35 PM

- T320A Making Disciples Like Jesus, Pt. I

● THURSDAY EVENING WEBINAR
OCTOBER 8, 6-9 P.M.

Additional information found on page 10



CONVOCATION OCTOBER 10

This award ceremony will be held online.
Time to be announced.

Second Fall Quarter 2020

7 Week Term

SEE PAGES 12-17 FOR COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

NOVEMBER '20						
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DECEMBER '20						
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MONDAY EVENINGS

Classes begin Nov. 2

6-7:25 P.M.

- 101B How to Study the Bible II
- 111B Old Testament Hebrew Basics II
- 116B New Testament Greek Basics II
- 260B Religions and Worldviews—A Comparison with Christianity
- 144A Isaiah 1-39, Micah
- 305 Sharing Your Faith/Using Your Gifts
- 331G Healthy Leadership

7:35-9 P.M.

- 121B Old Testament Survey: History
- 179B Paul's Second Letter to Timothy
- 210 God and the Bible
- 250 Angels and the End of the Age
- 347A The Power of Small Groups for Kids and Students
- 410A Leading a Multi-Ethnic Ministry
- 413H Expository Teaching and Preaching the Book of Matthew

6-9 P.M.

- 491F Grief and Loss: Types of Loss, Part 2

TUESDAY EVENINGS

Classes begin Nov. 3

6-7:25 P.M.

- T111B Old Testament Hebrew Foundations II
- T411B Expository Preaching, Part 2

7:35 PM

- T320B Making Disciples Like Jesus, Pt. 2

● THURSDAY EVENING WEBINAR
NOVEMBER 19, 6-9 P.M.

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Thursday Webinars

Webinar registration: \$25 per person

Register at www.cbcnyc.org

LEADING FROM STRENGTHS

OCTOBER 8 6–9 P.M. COST: \$25

Conducted by Annette H. Cutino, Director of Advance Lead.NYC an initiative of Movement.org.

Anyone in organizational leadership or interested in such will benefit from this webinar. Participants will learn awareness of their strengths and receive encouragement to operate in them. Each will learn a strategy to incorporate leading from strengths. **Prior to the webinar, participants need to purchase Strengths Finder 2.0 by Tom Rath, read the introduction, and take a Strengths Assessment prior to the webinar.**

Fall I
Oct. 8

CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW AND HUMAN WELL-BEING

NOVEMBER 19 6–9 P.M. COST: \$25

Conducted by Daniel Mann

The West still retains some semblance of Biblical thinking and habits. However, as these diminish, so too will many of the necessary principles that we have cherished. The following are principles that secularism/atheism/materialism/naturalism will not be able to sustain for long and which are now quickly and tragically disappearing from the Western worldview—Human Primacy, Equality, Human Rights, Free Will and Culpability, Justice, Objective Moral Law, and Meaning/Purpose.

Fall II
Nov. 19



Department of Bible

Fall I Course Descriptions

101A How to Study the Bible I

Personal Bible study can be a life-changing experience once you master the basic principles. The course goals are to help you develop your observational skills and to teach you how to survey, synthesize, and chart a book and to begin to analyze passages, words, and historical backgrounds.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Casteline

**Required for the Preliminary Certificate.
Required for the Expository Teaching and Preaching Diploma.**

111A Old Testament Hebrew Basics I

This course introduces the basic vocabulary and grammar of the Hebrew Old Testament. The course focuses on the Hebrew alphabet, transliteration, word structure, vowels, verb forms including the basic verbal stems, noun forms, gutturals, the form and function of the definite article, the construct state or case of possession, and the basic form and use of adjectives, prepositions, and conjunctions. The student will acquire beginning ability to do word studies in the Hebrew OT using A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament and Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Hurt, Jr.

Required for the Old Testament Hebrew Basics Diploma

T111A Old Testament Hebrew Foundations I

This course begins an introduction to the Hebrew language of the Old Testament. The student will learn the alphabet and its sounds, including laryngeals; vowels, and vowel letters; and basic methods of transliterating the Hebrew text. Elemental principles of grammar will be introduced including the Dagesh Lene, Dagesh Forte, definite article, and the sign of the definite article. The rules governing quiet and vocal Shewas, Hatephs, and the assimilation of the Nun will also be discussed.

Fall I, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. – Kamwela

**Required for Old Testament Hebrew Grammar.
Required for the Old Testament Hebrew Certificate.**

116A New Testament Greek Basics I

This course is an introduction of the Greek alphabet, diphthongs, and vocabulary. Students will begin to familiarize themselves with the Greek alphabet and the pronunciation of Greek words. They will also learn some basic vocabulary. Many English words are derived from Greek. We will examine English words that come from Greek.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Taylor Required for the New Testament Greek Basics Diploma.

121A Old Testament Survey: Law

The key to understanding why God sent Jesus to be the Savior is found in the first five books of the Bible (Genesis through Deuteronomy). Here lie the treasures, lost by our culture, that give value and significance to life. Put on your sandals and get ready for a life-changing walk on the way to the Promised Land.

* The purpose of each Old Testament and New Testament survey course is to give an overview of each book in each survey group. Time does not permit a verse-by-verse study of each book. The Bible Certificate program will give the student the opportunity to study a book in more detail.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Kraus Required for the Preliminary Certificate.

161E1 Joel, Amos, Jonah, Hosea

This course will introduce the Book of the Twelve and then open up the first four of the Twelve in their historical context as these distinct prophets minister to God's people in very different ways and times.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Kraus Qualifies for the Bible Certificate.

179A Paul's First Letter to Timothy

This is an in-depth study on the letter written to Timothy. In this class you will learn the historical background of the letter and also learn who Timothy is. This course promises to teach you the importance of leadership in the church, the methods of pastoral study, and proper ecclesiology. These are the very important doctrinal and theological studies that pertain to our world today.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Grant Qualifies for the Bible Certificate.

Department of Bible

Fall II Course Descriptions

101B How to Study the Bible II

PreRequisite: 101A

The Bible was written in times, cultures, and languages very different from our own. The principles of interpretation and application taught in this course will help you better understand the meaning of the Bible for the original readers and for your life as well.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Casteline Required for the Preliminary Certificate.
Required for the Expository Teaching and Preaching Diploma.

111B Old Testament Hebrew Basics II

Prerequisite: 111A or consent of the instructor

This course continues introducing the vocabulary and grammar of the Hebrew OT. The course focuses on a more in-depth study of nouns, the construct state, and verb forms, including the use of imperatives, participles, and infinitives. The student will continue to acquire beginning ability to do word studies in the *A Concise Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Old Testament* and *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible*.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Hurt, Jr. Required for the Old Testament Hebrew Basics Diploma.

1111B Old Testament Hebrew Foundations II

Prerequisite: 111A or consent of the instructor

This course introduces the perfect tense of the regular verb in the Qal stem, and includes the rules of grammar associated with the derived stems of the basic Qal stem in the Niphal, Piel, Pual, Hiphil, Hophal, and Hithpael verbal stem patterns. The use of the infinitive and the participle to create the present tense in Hebrew will also be discussed. Prepositions and conjunctions will be introduced.

Fall II, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. – Kamwela Required for Old Testament Hebrew Grammar.
Required for the Old Testament Hebrew Certificate.

116B New Testament Greek Basics II

Prerequisite: 116A or consent of the instructor

This course is a continuation of the study of essential Koine Greek words. Students will learn how to identify Greek nouns, verbs, and other elementary aspects of Greek grammar. They will also be introduced to lexical tools, like the *Strong's Concordance*, *The Englishman's Concordance of the New Testament* by George V. Wigram, the *Analytical Greek Lexicon*, and *Vine's Expository Dictionary of the Bible*.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Taylor Required for the New Testament Greek Basics Diploma.

121B Old Testament Survey: History

Dates, kings, maps, and things are dry, dusty facts unless you are reliving the events of God's chosen people. No other nation has so miraculously experienced God's hand in its history. Triumph and tragedy are intersecting paths that direct Israel's journey from the walls of Jericho (Joshua) to the courts of Persia (Esther). Great blessings await God's people today who learn these lessons from long ago!

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Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Kraus Required for the Preliminary Certificate.

144A Isaiah 1-39, Micah

This course will examine the 8th Century pre-exilic messages from the Lord to His people through the ministry of Isaiah and Micah. Specifically we will focus on the historical setting, and God's multinational concern and long-range redemptive intent.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Kraus Qualifies for the Bible Certificate.

179B Paul's Second Letter to Timothy

In this letter Paul presents his compassion and care for Timothy and the church of Jesus Christ. In this study, you will get the deep theological background and historical context of Paul's last letter. This is a great course for truly understanding the doctrines of the church, the needs of Paul that pertain to our context today, and the importance of what it means to pass on leadership to another through empowerment.

Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Grant Qualifies for the Bible Certificate.

Department of Theology

Fall I Course Descriptions

200 Introduction to Theology

Theology is an attempt to answer the significant questions of life using the data God has revealed in the Scriptures. Once the “queen of the sciences,” theology has been either ignored in our culture or corrupted by theologians who have rejected the uniqueness and trustworthiness of the Bible. This course will present an overview of various types of theology, outline principles for doing good theology, survey the historical development of evangelical theology, and assist you in identifying the importance of thinking theologically.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Mann

Required for the Intermediate Certificate.

201 Basic Christianity

This practical course in the principles of the Christian life addresses topics such as faith, prayer, God’s Word, the centrality of Christ, witnessing, fellowship, and the place of the Bible in daily living. With careful attention to these basics, the believer can grow in the faith and fulfill God’s plan for their lives. New Christians will gain instruction in beginning their newfound spiritual life, while more mature Christians will be revived in their quest to regain their first love.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Knowles

Required for the Intermediate Certificate.

240 The Holy Spirit and the Church

The Holy Spirit is one of the three members of the Trinity in the Christian understanding of God, and possibly the least understood, least emphasized, or least appreciated among the Three. This class will seek to explore the history of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit, the work of the Holy Spirit as documented in the Old Testament, in the life of Jesus, and in the life of the Church. The course will also examine the theology, nature and history of the Church (ecclesiology), focusing on the place of worship, ordinances, church denominations/affiliations, and the Gospel, in the life of the Church and its people.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Knowles

Required for the Intermediate Certificate.

260A Worldview Apologetics: Defending the Faith

There are so many challenges to our faith in the marketplace of ideas. If not prepared to respond to the challenges, one can be intimidated into silence or just take refuge in the fortress of blind faith by saying, “I know Jesus lives in my heart.” Although it is true that He does, just saying so does not qualify for obedience to what Jude 3 requires—contending earnestly for the faith. This course will first establish a rationale for defending the faith, investigate the apologetic techniques used in the Bible, and offer some skills and strategies for combating challenges against the faith.

Required for the Advanced Certificate.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Mann

Required for the Worldview Apologetics Diploma.

Department of Theology

Fall II Course Descriptions

210 God and the Bible

Understanding Who God is and what He has said forms the basis for living a meaningful life. Understanding the Bible’s revelation about God’s character and His work in the world is the starting point for developing a worldview based on truth rather than speculation. Holding that the Scriptures are the actual words of God enables the student to confidently search for answers to life’s most profound questions.

Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Mann

Required for the Intermediate Certificate.

250 Angels and the End of the Age

Some of the most intriguing questions that Christians have pondered for centuries include the existence and nature of angels and demons, the tribulation/Rapture/Millennium, and the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. These issues are important, for they inform many aspects of our beliefs and influence the way we live our lives in the present age. This class will seek to expose the student to the classic, orthodox viewpoints in each of these areas and equip the student to live effectively as we await the return of Jesus Christ.

Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Knowles

Required for the Advanced Certificate.

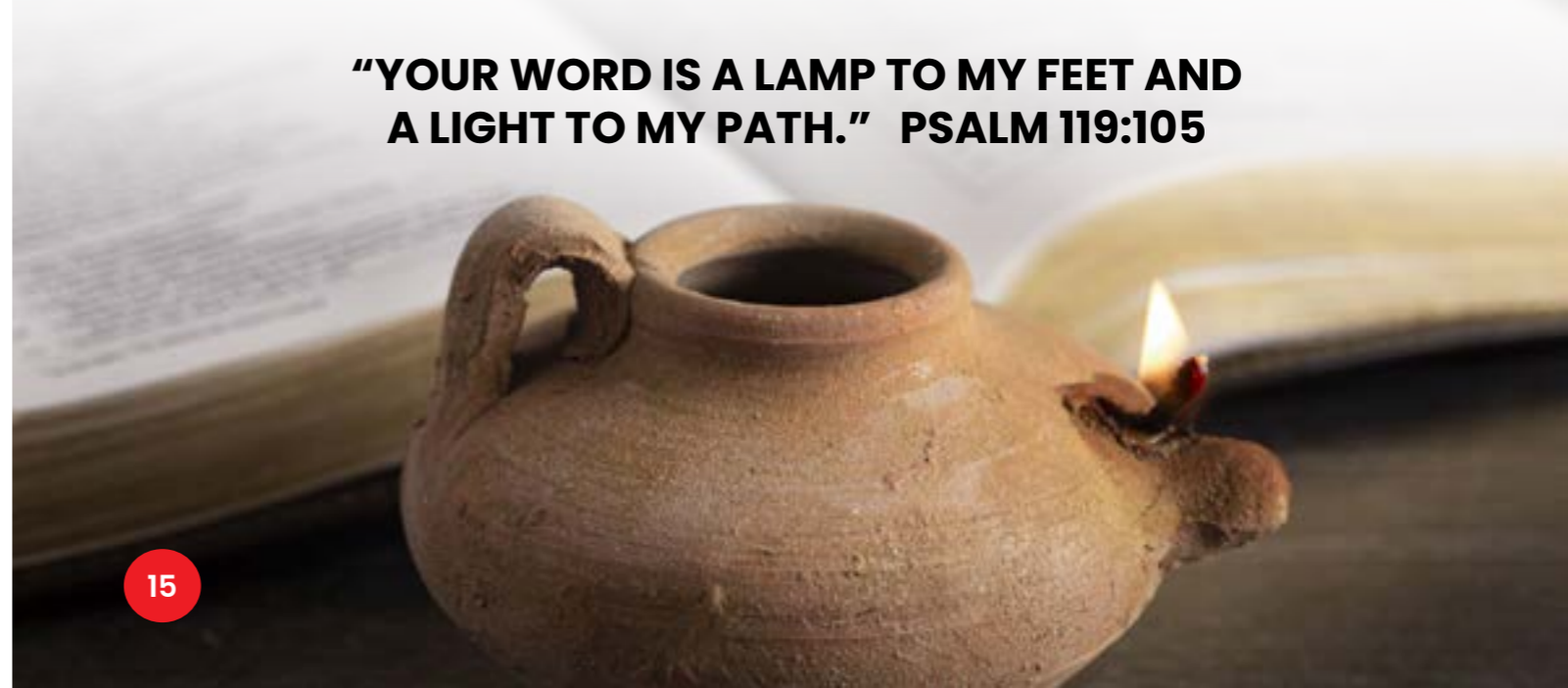
260B Religions and Worldviews— A Comparison with Christianity

In order to speak effectively to people of other religions, we have to be able to enter into their thinking (1 Cor. 9:19-23). This course will help equip you to understand other religions: their development, variety, appeal, commonalities, weaknesses, and vulnerabilities. Each has its own worldview which we will analyze and compare with Christianity and provide strategies of engagement. We will review Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Satanism and some modern religions. This course will also help us to better understand our own faith.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Mann

Required for the Worldview Apologetics Diploma.

**“YOUR WORD IS A LAMP TO MY FEET AND
A LIGHT TO MY PATH.” PSALM 119:105**



Department of Ministry

Fall I Course Descriptions

331E The Challenge of Leadership

It is hard enough to be a leader, but what is even harder is leading through difficult times. As a leader, you have to constantly deal with challenges, such as lack of resources, challenges with people, difficult situations, and also your personal relationship with God—just to name a few. In this course we will learn from Scripture how to deal with difficult situations in leadership. You will also learn what God has to say about good leadership practices. This course will connect you with Biblical passages and characters, and also reveal how they dealt with the issues of their time.

Fall I, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Grant

Qualifies for the Church Leadership Certificate.

340A Essentials of Family Ministry

When you mix the color red, representing the love of the family, with yellow, representing the light of the church, you create a beautiful orange. When the church and family work together, they are more significant than the two influences working alone. As leaders and Orange Thinkers, we allow five faith-building priorities for the next generation to impact the development of our family ministries. The Five Essentials of the Orange Strategy will spark conversations centered on developing an effective family ministry for the sake of engaging families in your community. A new family ministry vision awaits.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Velardo

Qualifies for the Family Ministry Diploma.

410 Introduction to Multi-Ethnic Ministry

In this course, participants will learn how to embrace God's passion for diversity by examining a range of Biblical passages on multi-ethnicity. Students will also learn how to minister on multi-ethnic ministry teams by examining the benefit of selected ethnicities and becoming aware of the strengths and flaws of their own ethnicity.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Thomas

Qualifies for the Church Leadership Certificate.

T320A Making Disciples Like Jesus, Pt. I

Most Christians in the West have never been discipled and are not making disciples. The purpose of this class is to reawaken us to the genius of Jesus' strategy, to recommit to following the ways of Jesus, and to gain practical tools to begin the transformative work of disciple-making.

Fall I, Tuesdays, 7:35 p.m. – Wade



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Fall I Course Descriptions

491A GRIEF AND LOSS: TYPES OF LOSS, PART I

Christian counseling includes sound practice skills, disciplined competence, ethical integrity, and Biblically-based values to promote human welfare with an objective to prepare students to provide healing and hope to members of the local community through the application of Biblical principles and professional excellence. Students are trained from a Christian worldview to take their knowledge into their community in order to assist people in the resolution of the problems of life by reflecting the character of Christ within their lives. This course will review the different types of loss that can be experienced, as well as some of the unique aspects found in each category. Included are discussions on child abuse, divorce, infertility, chronic illness, death of a child or spouse, abortion, rape, and domestic violence.

Fall I, Mondays, 6–9 p.m. – Stubbs

T411A Expository Preaching, Part I

Prerequisites: 101A and B

What if preaching could more than inform the mind? What if it could also be an instrument to transform the soul of both the preacher and the listener? Have you ever considered what could happen if local churches (not just seminaries or Bible schools) became the intentional breeding ground for the next generation of preachers? The aim of this course is to empower ministry leaders to create preaching pipelines to develop the next generation of preachers while at the same time offering tools to deepen their own souls as preachers.

Fall I, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. – Hernandez

413 EXPOSITORY TEACHING

Prerequisites: 411A & B and 412A & B

This program is a continuation from the classes on Expository Teaching and Preaching Theory and Practicum. The purpose for this course is to afford students who completed the Expository Teaching and Preaching Diploma requirements another opportunity to further develop their skill in teaching and preaching. This course is a practicum. We will not focus on the theory of homiletics since the theoretical foundation was covered in 411A & B and 412A & B. Students must have taken these four courses to register for the following course.

413G Expository Teaching and Preaching the Book of Exodus

Exodus is both a fascinating exploration and a foundational book for the study of the early history of Israel. Most of Exodus is narrative, giving the homiletic student plenty of teaching and preaching material. The student will be required to craft and deliver a message from this book.

Qualifies for the Expository Teaching and Preaching the Bible Diploma.

Fall I, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Taylor

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Fall II Course Descriptions

305 Sharing Your Faith/Using Your Gifts

As followers of Christ, we have been given two key exhortations from Scripture: to share our faith with the lost, and to help build up the Body of Christ. For the former, we have our personal testimonies and the Gospel; for the latter, we are beneficiaries of an extraordinary blessing—spiritual gift(s) from God. The combination of these furnish us with everything we need to live obediently to God’s call upon our lives. Yet many believers are unaware of the gifts and are hesitant to share their faith. This has led to diminished participation in church ministry and a weakening of the church. Both of these trends must be reversed for the ministry of God’s Kingdom to progress.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Knowles

Required for the Intermediate Certificate.

331F Healthy Leadership

Understanding who you are in relationship to God and His mission is vital for any leader. Many leaders are more active in doing things externally than spending the time to connect with the Lord. How do you deal with failure? How do you deal with lack of direction? How do you balance family and leadership/workplace? The goal of this course is to grow in our understanding of counseling and practical theology as it pertains to leadership. You will learn how to lead from a place of Biblical strength and health. You will walk away from this course a better leader.

Fall II, Mondays, 6 p.m. – Grant

Qualifies for the Church Leadership Certificate.

347A The Power of Small Groups for Kids and Students

Small Groups provide a space for our kids and teenagers to have space where leaders and peers are consistently present. As Small Group Leaders, there is an influential role that you can have in the life of the next generation. You may not have all the answers, but you can walk through life together with our kids. In this course, we’ll look at five elements of leading small. As a Small Group Leader, you have the potential to encourage authentic faith in our kids.

Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Velardo

Qualifies for the Family Ministry Diploma.

410A Leading a Multi-Ethnic Ministry

In this course, participants will explore various methods of the local church to minister effectively in a multi-ethnic world. Students will examine multi-ethnic and ethnic-specific approaches to ministry. Related issues of church life, outreach, preaching, and teaching will be discussed.

Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Thomas

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T320B Making Disciples Like Jesus, Pt. II

Building off the momentum of Part I, students will increasingly implement action steps that develop a lifestyle of disciple-making. Students will begin to experience the frustration of failure and the grace of fruitfulness as they are sent out on the lifelong journey of starting a disciple-making movement.

Fall II, Tuesdays, 7:35 p.m. – Wade.

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Fall II Course Descriptions

491 GRIEF AND LOSS: TYPES OF LOSS, PART 2

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Fall II, Mondays, 6–9 p.m. – Stubbs

411B Expository Preaching, Part 2

Prerequisites: 411A or consent of the instructor

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Fall II, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. – Hernandez

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413H Expository Teaching and Preaching the Book of Matthew

This term we will use the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew falls into the category of Gospel, a genre that did not exist until the Gospels were written. Unlike the other three Gospels, Matthew reflects a Jewish milieu. This presents a fascinating challenge for the student of homiletics.

Qualifies for the Expository Teaching and Preaching the Bible Diploma.

Fall II, Mondays, 7:35 p.m. – Taylor



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