



**Faith Covenant
Ministries Bible
Institute**

2009 Course Handbook



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A Letter From Our President

Dear Perspective Student;

We appreciate your interest in our school. We hope that you enroll in our school and we plan to help you in every way in your pursuit of higher education.

FCMBI's vision is to have the best, most mature instructors with many years of practical experience to enhance the student's understanding of the Word of God and also be equipped in the "how tos" of ministry. It is also FCMBI's vision to help the student to be able to complete college courses through direct contact with each instructor through live, internet streaming. This means provides classes tailored to help the student who may be employed full time and allow them to remain involved in the local church. FCMBI will have the highest standards and integrity in their relationships with the local church.

I have been in ministry for around 30 years, have pastored 9 years and now have traveled around the world to help the local churches. I am the Network Leader for FCM and oversee over 100 churches.

You can begin the process towards earning your degree and or advanced degree by completing the application in your handbook or by getting on line www.fcmbi.net You will also need to have the character references completed.

May God Bless you as you pursue God's will for your life,

James W. Miley Jr., THD
President, FCMBI



The History of FCMBI

Faith Covenant Ministries Bible Institute (FCMBI) is a part of Faith Covenant Ministries.

Faith Covenant Ministries was founded by Jim Miley who is the overseer and apostolic set man of the teams throughout the United States and Europe. It was established in 1998 with the help of the National Team for the purpose of planting and strengthening churches, thereby winning communities, cities, and regions to the Lord.

Jim and Sylvia started Faith Covenant Ministries, an apostolic team which is a covering for churches and ministries. They have formed strategic alliances with other apostolic teams. They have planted new teams as well as churches in Europe. Jim Miley is an apostolic father to many pastors and other apostolic men. Faith Covenant Ministries has also planted many local churches in the U.S.

In January 2002, the first classes of FCMBI were set into motion with the purpose of training men and women with a vision for leadership and those with a Fivefold ministry gifting to fulfill their God-given potential and release them into their calling. The Bible School was a continuation of the vision of Faith Covenant Ministries aiding and assisting the local church in the training and equipping of believers thus strengthening the local church.

On January 13, 2007, FCMBI started its nation wide launch with cutting edge technology by live streaming the classes to regional locations across the country. Today FCMBI has increased its base to include different local churches throughout the United States and expanding class coverage into other nations.

FCMBI desires to continue to develop throughout the country with its focus on excellence, practicalities and strengthening the local church. Whether you are interested in hosting the Bible School or desiring to enroll in classes we invite you to view our website at www.fcmbi.net or contact us for more information at fcmbi@msn.com.



Vision And Purpose

The purpose of Faith Covenant Ministries Bible Institute is to train men & women with a thirst for knowledge, a vision for leadership and those with a fivefold ministry gifting to fulfill their God-given potential and release them into their calling.

These Bible-centered classes provide practical insights into the everyday aspects of Christian ministry for pastors, associates, traveling ministers and lay leaders.

Areas of study range from: Teamwork, Leadership, Church Administration, Character Building and Balancing Ministry with Family Life to: History, Theology, Public Speaking, Bible Doctrine, Church Planting, Evangelism, Scripture Interpretation and Operating in the Gifts of the Spirit.

Our Philosophy of Ministry:

Produce cutting-edge, advanced Bible College programs available for students at FCMBI. The courses of study are designed with a flexibility that provides each student with opportunity to develop to the full potential of their Godly gifting at a pace that can be made adaptable to fit into their busy schedule of responsibilities to family, work, school and ministry. Faith Covenant Ministries Bible Institute desires to provide students with higher certificates of degrees that will help to further their success in their calling.

We at FCMBI accept the following tenants as our Statement of Faith:

1. The Scriptures Inspired
2. The One True God
3. The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ
4. The Fall of Man
5. The Salvation of Man
6. The Ordinances of the Church
7. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit
8. The Evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit
9. Sanctification
10. The Church and Its Mission
11. The Five-Fold Ministry Gifts
12. Divine Healing
13. Divine Prosperity



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Sylvia A Miley VP, Minister

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Ginger Luffman Trustee, Minister

Santhosh Thadigiri Trustee, Minister

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Leon Schaub Trustee, Minister

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Rev. Santhosh Thadigiri, Academic Dean

Rev. Leon Schaub, Registrar

Rev. Bob Evans, Curriculum Director

Sheryl Roberts, Promotions Coordinator

School Faculty and Staff:

James W. Miley, Jr - BS Valley Forge Christian College 1980, THM
International Bible Institute and Seminary 1984, MA Assemblies of God
Theological Seminary 1986, THd International Christian University, 2005

Sylvia Miley - BS Valley Forge Christian College 1980

Lynn Hood - Bachelor Science Degree 1970 Missouri Valley College,

William Luffman - Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theology Zoe Bible College,
Jacksonville, Florida July, 1996, Master of Theology-Christian Bible College
Rocky Mount, North Carolina February 13, 2003 Doctorate of Theology
Christian Bible College Rocky Mount, North Carolina, February 22, 2006

Santhosh Thadigiri - BE Osmania University Hyderabad India 1992
MS Kansas State University Manhatan, Kansas 1995

Joan Harrington PhD, 1995 California Graduate School of Theology St.
Petersburg Theological Seminary Campus Specialization: Christian
Education/ Counseling M.Ed William Paterson University of NJ Wayne, NJ
Specialization: Counseling/Institutional MPS, 1984
Alliance Theological Seminary Nyack, NY 10960
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B.A., 1967 Gordon-Barrington College Wenham, MA Specialization: Christian Education

Ginger Luffman - Bachelor of Ministry-Freedom Bible College and Seminary-July 7, 2001

Master of Christian Education-Freedom Bible College and Seminary, July 24, 2005

Doctor of Divinity-Magister University-St. Johns, Antiquan September 23, 2007

Earl Johnson, 1964-69 Eastern New Mexico University Portales, New Mexico

B. S. Double Major- Political Science/Secondary 1973-75

California State University-Dominquez Hills Graduate Studies in Business/Public Administration, 1984-86, Friends International Christian University

Vallejo, California MDIV-Biblical Studies, 1986 Friends International Christian University Vallejo, California Earned Doctorate Church Government/History 1989

Leon Schaub - Diploma, Christ for the Nations

Robert Evans - Diploma Rhema Bible Institute

Jason Brittain - BS in Bible, Open Door Bible College

Anti-Discrimination Policy:

FCMBI will not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color or national origin, sex, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefit of any program or activity of FCMBI.

Code of Conduct:

Every student at FCMBI must hold him/herself to the following code of conduct:

- A commitment to grow in Spirit by developing a consistent personal relationship with God.
- A commitment to attend classes and to develop spiritual discipline for personal spiritual growth. Be consistent with school work including but not limited to attendance, class participation, timeliness of papers and projects to the instructor(s), etc.
- Be submitted to the vision of a local church, its pastor(s) and other ministry leaders at all times. Attend and serve at your local church consistently and be a help to the work of the ministry at the church. Be a faithful covenant-keeper with the local church in terms of your finances, time and other resources.
- Be committed to the vision at FCMBI.
- Be committed to building healthy relationships at FCMBI, your local church and in society by respecting others and building up and encouraging others.



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Code of Conduct Continued...

- Subject his/her total being from all immoral, illegal and unethical acts, practices or behaviors. Abstain from unethical conduct, drunkenness, occult practices, all forms of intimate pre-marital or extra-marital sexual conduct, homosexual behavior, pornographic involvement, etc. He/She will not verbally or physically abuse any person or thing.
- Guard against greed, jealousy, lust, envy, bitterness, unrestrained anger and unforgiveness.
- Be committed to the mind of Christ in all matters of conduct at FCMBI, the local church, your home and in society. This commitment extends to relationships at home, church and place of work, work ethics, testimony among both Christians and those who do not know Christ.
- Be willing to accept correction and guidance when required.
- Recognize that attendance at FCMBI is a privilege and not a right. FCMBI reserves the right to place a student on probation or terminate a student's enrollment if in the judgment of the President or Academic Dean, withdrawal is deemed necessary.
- Be committed to keep the CODE OF HONOR prayerfully and carefully at all times.

Off Campus Library Agreement:

Each student is required to have online access to the Off Campus Library "*Questia*". Students can subscribe to this service at the price of \$19.99 per month for the entire collection or \$9.99 per month for a single collection.

Each collection contains tens of thousands of books and articles which some will be deemed necessary for term papers. *Questia* is the world's largest online library of books, with over 67,000 full-text books, 1.5 million articles, and an entire reference set complete with a dictionary, encyclopedia, and thesaurus. Your subscription to the entire *Questia* academic library also includes digital productivity tools for highlighting text, taking notes, and generating footnotes and bibliographies in seven different styles. The *Questia* library offers reliable, trustworthy online content that is difficult to find on the Internet. *Questia* licenses the digital copyrights for this previously published content from over 250 authoritative publishers, like John Wiley & Sons and Oxford University Press.



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Payment Policy

All tuition and fees are due and payable in full at the time of registration. (Registration for this class is available online at www.fcmbi.net. Online payment options include Visa, MC, Amex, and E-check. Please check www.fcmbi.net website for further registration options. Tuition may be paid by personal or ministry check sent to the following address: FCMBI, 660 Kings Highway N. Suite 202, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 FCMBI will not communicate balance information for payment from anyone other than the student unless the student has authorized the release of his/her account information to his/her parent(s), legal guardian(s), company, or another individual by signing the [Release of Student Information form](#) and submitting it to the Registrar office.

Refund Policy

80% of tuition will be refunded one week before class is to start, or be credited to the next class.

Degree & Certificates Offered:

Religious Degree Programs:

Bachelor of Arts Degree (B.A.) Biblical Theology: Each class will be three (3) semester credit hours and 120 credit hours must be satisfactorily completed with at least a 2.0 G.P.A. in order to obtain this degree within a four year period. A high school diploma is required for all students desiring to obtain a Bachelor's Degree.

Masters of Arts Degrees (M.A.)

FCMBI offers three masters programs: A Master of Arts (M.A.) in Christian Counseling, Master of Arts (M.A.) in Ministry, Master of Arts (M.A.) in Church Administration. Each class will be two (2) semester credit hours and 30 credit hours for the Masters in Ministry and Masters in Church Administration and 36 credit hours for the Masters in Christian Counseling must be satisfactory completed with at least a 2.5 GPA. Upon completion of the required classes a student will be required to complete a 50 page thesis paper in their major field or area of concentration. The thesis paper will count 12 credit hours additional of the degree.

Masters of Arts (M.A.) Enrollment Requirements:

To enroll in any of our three masters programs a student is required to have obtained a Bachelors Degree (B.A.) In a field of biblical studies consisting of 120 semester hours with at least a 2.5 GPA. If the student has a Bachelor Degree in a field separate of Biblical studies, three additional Theology classes will be required: Bible Doctrine, Systematic Theology and Hermeneutics. These classes will not be required for enrollment into FCMBI's Masters Program but must be completed before completion of one's Masters Degree.

Credit Hours will be awarded according to semester hours. The following guidelines are FCMBI's standards of determining our credit hours:

By video tape, audio tape or on-line:	
Instruction and presentation time	16 hours
Examination	2 hours
Assigned test book	<u>20 hours</u>
	<u>38 hours</u>



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By home study, book review etc...

Assigned books and other materials	10 hours
Written assignments	10 hours
Written term papers	<u>25 hours</u>
	45 hours

Awarded Credits For Life Experience:

FCMBI will award up to 24 credit hours towards life experiences. Accreditation will be at the discretion of the FCMBI board of directors with the student providing certain documentation and written papers explaining in detail their life experience services.

Certificate Programs: Successful completion of the following group of four classes will earn an FCMBI Certificate of Achievement in the noted Categories:

TEACHING I & II Covenant Theology, Homiletics, History of Revivals, Systematic Theology, Bible Doctrine; Hermeneutics; Old Testament Survey, New Testament Survey

PASTORAL Pastoral Counseling, Pastor's Home, Pastoral Ministries, Practical Ministries

CHURCH PLANTING Church Planting, Winning Your Community, Missions (Home Missions), Compassion Ministries, History of Revivals

LEADERSHIP Leadership Principles; Character & Ethics; Apostolic Team Ministry and Ministry of the Holy Spirit, (Pneumatology)

ADMINISTRATION Church Administration, Apostolic Church Government, Helps Ministries, Apostolic Team Ministry

Class Schedule & Location:

To accommodate working students and parents, FCMBI currently holds all classes on Saturdays. A Three Credit Class consists of two Saturday sessions from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM eastern standard time (with two weeks time in between classes when possible). For specific schedule dates for each class, please consult the current Class Schedule page of the **FCMBI website**.



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Tuition:

Student - \$46.00 per credit hour for the Bachelors , \$75.00 for the Masters
Spouse - \$23.00 per credit hour for the Bachelors, \$38.00 for the Masters

Class Registration:

We have changed over to an online class registration and book purchase system (effective January 2009 all students are required to register online or be subject to a 15% charge). Student registration is done online and is due 5 days prior to the start of the class. A late fee of 10% will be added to registrations submitted up to one week before start of class. All registrations not done on line, including registration at the door, or by check will be subject to 15% charge. All registrations not done online are required to be done with your local church pastor or FCMBI directly. Personal checks, E-checks, MasterCard, Visa (debit or credit) and American Express are acceptable forms of payments.

2009 Academic Schedule

Class Title	Instructor	Class Dates	Registration	Fee
Ministry Development	Dr. Lynn Hood	Jan 24 & 31	January 19	\$138.00
Johannine Epistles	Rev. Bob Evans	Feb 21 & March 7	February 16	\$138.00
History Of Revivals	Rev. Leon Schaub	March 21 & 28	March 16	\$138.00
Gospel Comparison	Rev. Santhosh Thadigiri	April 18 & April 25	April 13	\$138.00
Bible History & Archeology	Rev. George Sanders	May 16 & 30	May 11	\$138.00
Ministry Counseling	Dr. Joan Harrington	June 13 & 20	June 8	\$138.00
Evangelism	Rev. Joe McCutchen	September 12 & 19	September 6	\$138.00
Prayer	Rev. Gary Hines	October 10 & 17	October 4	\$138.00
Corinthian Correspondence	Dr. William Luffman	November 7 & 21	November 1	\$138.00
Helps Ministry	Rev. Leon Schaub	Dec 12 & Jan 23	December 6	\$138.00

Course Descriptions: THE REQUIRED CORE CLASSES ARE IN RED PRINT. THESE CLASSES ARE REQUIRED FOR BA DEGREE

BIBLE

Acts - BIB103: This is a historical and practical study of the triumphant spread of the Gospel by the early church believer's through the power of the Holy Spirit. We will take an in-depth look at the first thirty years of the early church's history and look for the practical implications on how they still apply today. We will look at the importance and relevancy of the church today within our society and the ramifications of a powerless church taking on the powers of darkness.

Corinthian Correspondence - BIB104: The course will begin with a study of the method of biblical exegesis. Then, after an introductory overview of the background, the major sections of 1 Corinthians will be examined each in turn for



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the problem in the church, the solution given in 1 Corinthians, and the meaning of that solution to the twentieth century church. After a brief overview of 2 Corinthians, you will apply what has been learned from 1 Corinthians to a selected section from 2 Corinthians.

Gospel Comparison – BIB201: The Synoptic Gospels are the first three Gospels of the New Testament, Matthew, Mark and Luke and are considered as one unit. The Gospel parallels provided here also include the Gospel of John for comparison. The Gospel parallels here are repeated to give a continuous series of references in canonical order for each of the four gospels.

Johannine Epistles – BIB105: This course is an in depth study of the three letters recorded in the New Testament as I, II, and III John. Emphasis will be placed on the historical background, purposes for writing, themes, key words, key passages and spiritual truths for Christian living in each epistle.

Major Prophets – BIB202: It is important for believers to have a vital understanding of the whole Old Testament. In this class we will be taking an in depth look at the writings of the four major writing prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Daniel). We will also look at a few of the non writing prophets of the Old Testament (Samuel, Elijah, Elisha and others). The study includes the background and introductory matters relating to each prophet and their writings. The main emphasis will be on the theme of each writing and the impact that each has on the church today.

New Testament Survey – BIB101: A broad study of the New Testament with attention given to key theological concepts and important doctrine. It includes the history of interpretation.

Old Testament Survey – BIB102: A study of concepts and important doctrines of the Old Testament with attention to the progression of divine revelation.

Prison Epistles – BIB106: It is important for believers to have a vital understanding of the whole New Testament. In this class we will be taking an in depth look at the Epistles Paul wrote while in Prison which are; Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon. We will look at the background and introductory matters relating to each book with a special emphasis on Paul's attitude while in prison.

Romans & Galatians - BIB107: An in depth study of the books of Romans and Galatians with a background and introductory matters relating to the life of Paul within the early Christian community and the books of Romans and Galatians. Special emphasis will include, Salvation by Grace, Justification by Faith, Law verses Grace, Flesh verses Spirit, The Law of Sowing and Reaping.



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Two Tabernacles – BIB203: The Tabernacle was the center of worship in Israel for nearly 500 years. It serves as a divinely inspired object lesson for New Testament believers on the pattern for worship that God approves and accepts. The Tabernacle was God's place of dwelling among sinful people in the Old Testament. It typifies the means by which sinful man could approach a holy, awesome God. The Tabernacle was constructed to manifest the purpose, power, and glory of God's presence. Every part of the sanctuary was intended to foreshadow the glory of Jesus Christ. This class is a contrast/comparison study of the Tabernacle of Moses and the Tabernacle of David as it pertains to the divine order of worship.

CHRISTIAN/PRACTICAL MINISTRIES

Character & Ethics – CMIN402: How the strong ethical principles of Paul the Apostle and other biblical writers must intervene in the church and its leadership of today.

Church Administration – CMIN403: An examination of church organizational structure. Emphasis is upon planning and local church ministries and church growth.

God's Plan For Personal Prosperity- CMIN103: The study of "Total Life Prosperity" as it is revealed in God's Word. Emphasis will be placed on The First and Last Adam, Soul Prosperity, Hearing & Receiving from God, Seedtime and Harvest, Biblical Principles for Living a Prosperous Life, The Life of David (as a model of progressive prosperity) and The Life of Ruth (as an illustration of the sovereignty and the sustaining mercy of God which brings a prosperous end to a situation that begins with famine, death, and loss).

Helps Ministry – CMIN102: This class will take an in-depth look at the scriptural basis of the practical and supernatural aspects of the ministry of helps - helps ministry as the power train in the local church.

Homiletics – CMIN201: A study of preaching methods and sermon content designed to help the student develop a better preaching style.

Leadership Principles – CMIN402: Is the theory and mechanics of basic application to leadership concepts. It will investigate methods of various leaders with insight and strengths and weaknesses of each type of leader and how to apply the best of all principles.

Pastoral Counseling – CMIN303: Pastoral counseling will be discussed, how to relate God's truths to the congregant member and encourage them to do what is necessary for a more productive life.

Pastoral Ministry – CMIN301: This course covers the call, qualifications, preparation, duties, problems and opportunities of the pastoral ministry. Since the content of this course accents the practical, the emphasis will not be on the theology of the pastor, but on down-to-earth concepts that will help the student realize a successful ministry.



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Pastor's Family and Home – CMIN302: A study of contemporary views of marriage and the family interpreted in the light of the Bible and the Pastoral ministry.

Practical Ministries – CMIN900: An emphasis on church ministries such as: prison, nursing home, benevolence, senior ministry, plus wedding ceremonies, funerals, building dedications, baby dedications, etc. The course will make practical applications.

Prayer – CMIN101: A study designed to assist the student in evaluating and developing a life of prayer. Explores various approaches to prayer that have been described in Scripture and by Christian leaders.

Worship Kings & Priests – CMIN104: The study of Worship both private and corporate. It also includes the study of how Old Testament worship was truly more than a Biblical foreshadowing of New Testament Worship. The student will be able to grasp all the concepts of worship Davidic, New Testament and present truth.

HISTORY

Biblical & Archeological History – HIS102: Come along on a journey back in time and watch the historical events of the Bible unfold before your very eyes. Evidences have been compiled from a variety of sources found outside of the Bible that prove its accuracy. More evidences from history and archaeology for Jesus, Pontius Pilate, Quirinius, Sergius Paulus, the high priest Annas, as well as the Flood, the Tower of Babel, the Ark of the Covenant, King Cyrus, Jehu, King Ahaz, Uzziah & many more

History of Revival – HIS101: A complete view of all major revivals in both Testaments, plus all major revivals in modern times with emphasis on Finny, Parham, Roberts, Seymour, etc.

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

Church Planting – MIS301: In this class, New Testament examples of how churches were planted and established will be covered also the spiritual and practical aspects to be a successful and healthy congregation.

Compassion Ministries – MIS202: A practical approach to ministries involved with nursing homes, hospital visitation, feeding programs, homeless shelters. This study will help develop practical methods of outreach to dying, crying and sighing humanity.

Developing Innovative Church Ministries – MIS303: To fully examine innovative means and ways to further the advancement of the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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Evangelism – MIS201: This course deals with the biblical principles and modern techniques of effective evangelism. It examines some of the underlying causes of success or failure with a positive emphasis on how God is working through His people today. The Bible teaching on sin and salvation is given as an essential part of training in how to share the message. The course shows the student how to apply modern principles of communications and of church growth to evangelism. Methods of both personal and mass evangelism are presented.

Home Missions – MIS102: This course will prepare the student to engage in effective evangelism and multi-faceted outreach from across the street to the nations of the world. Missions will be examined from a historical, scriptural and practical perspective. Traditional, modern and new apostolic models will be analyzed for both short term and long term effects. An emphasis will be placed on understanding cultural differences from local neighborhoods to distant lands and in developing the communication skills necessary to effectively demonstrate the Gospel of Christ to all the world, with an emphasis on Home Missions across the USA.

Ministry Development – MIS302: A study of various ministries in the local church and reasons for developing ministries that are significant to the local church in reaching the population of the local community and producing maturity in the saints.

Missions – MIS101: Provides a general overview of missions. Examines missionary principles and practices from Biblical, historical, and cultural perspectives and helps the students to formulate a personal approach to missions. It further prepares them for other related mission studies.

Winning Your Community – MIS203: A study that includes historical and present-day methods of effectively evangelizing your city. This class will also show how to be recognized as an important contributing organization to your community.

THEOLOGY

Apologetics – THE402: Apologetics seeks to provide rational grounds for believing the truth claims of Christianity in whole or in part and to respond to objections raised against the true knowledge of God in whole or in part in the Christian faith (2 Corinthians 10:3-5). The work of apologetics includes the following three dimensions: (a) Apologetics as proof - presenting a rational basis for faith that confronts unbelief in the believer as well as in the unbeliever; (b) Apologetics as defense - answering the objections and overcoming the barriers of unbelief; (c) Apologetics as offense - demonstrating or revealing the foolishness of unbelieving thought and world-views in conflict with the Christian faith. The student will be able to make application in a precise way to spiritual truths.

Apostolic Teams -THE104: What are apostles? What are teams?
How do these entities fit into the local church. How do these things affect the



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local church? What is true headship. What does the Bible really teach? The student will learn how to be more effective for the Lord Jesus Christ as part of what God is doing today.

Bible Doctrine – THE101: The fundamental and in-depth study of the great doctrines of the Bible such as: repentance, faith, baptism and laying on of hands. It will enable the student to formulate and teach the scriptures in a systematic way

Church Government – THE103: Understanding church structure and its influence and relationship to the congregational member, based on a covenantal view.

Covenant Theology – THE201: A study on our relationship with God and our responsibility in fulfilling our part of the relationship and the promises of God.

Hermeneutics – THE401: A study of the various methods and principles of biblical interpretation which have been employed up to the present and the necessity for the grammatical – historical method of interpretation. The student will learn and apply the tools and methods of both general and specific hermeneutics.

Holy Spirit (Pneumatology) – THE 102: The Pentecostal doctrinal distinction in the light of the scripture of both the Old and New Testaments and its relationship to the modern triumphant church with a complete perspective of the gifts of the Spirit.

Law of Faith – THE303: This is a study of the Law of Faith and the various principles of Biblical interpretation regarding faith which have been employed from before Creation to the present time. It enables the student to grasp and recognize and the necessity for the grammatical-historical method of interpretation. The student will learn and apply the tools and methods of both general and special hermeneutics as it applies to faith.

Systematic Theology – THE301: An overview of the theological areas of anthropology, pneumatology and eschatology using works from biblical and extra-biblical sources.
Team Ministry (Apostolic) – THE104: An in-depth discussion on true five-fold ministry team interaction and submission to one another based on a covenantal perspective with each member giving 100%. The course will show how working together will cause every member to be more productive. It will also show that this will affect the entire congregation.



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Master of Arts Class Requirements with Descriptions:

Each class will be two semester credit hours. The cost of tuition will be \$75.00 per credit hour for classes offered in the Masters Program.

Required General Core Classes for all Masters Programs:

GC501 Christian Ethics - This course offers formal guidelines in dealing with ethical issues, concerns and accountability. It reviews legal requirements and examples of proper practice.

GC 502 Conflict Resolution - This course is an introduction to the principles and application of the processes and theories of personal conflicts resolution, mediation and negotiations. Practical conflicts resolution application in various business related settings is a major focus of this course.

GC 503 Christology - A Biblical, theological, and historical exploration of the person and work of Christ, with special reference to the practical implications of this doctrine for the disciple-making mission of the church. This advanced elective course aims at probing critically much of contemporary historical inquiry about the life of Jesus of Nazareth in a quest to demonstrate the ongoing relevance of the orthodox Christian conviction that Jesus the Messiah is fully God and fully human. Major themes will include the incarnation, life and ministry, atoning death, resurrection and ascension of the Son of God. The christological dimensions of Pentecostal and Charismatic teachings will also be examined.

GC504 Christian Leadership - Provides the student with an understanding of the nature of Christian leadership and how to develop as a leader called to serve the body of Christ. Designed to help students discover how they are to live their lives in such a way that they become the Gospel in every person's world. A guided self-study into one's calling. Understanding temperaments and dealing with the personalities of different Individuals. Includes discussion of what it means to be called and what is Jesus' model of leadership as well as other Biblical and modern models of leadership. Understanding temperaments in a persons life.

GC 505 World Religions - A historical survey of current world religions. Emphasizes major beliefs and ethics of various religions.

Required Classes For Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree in Christian Counseling:

CC501 Counseling Theories - A survey of the major concepts and counseling approaches of the contemporary therapeutic systems. Students learn to incorporate concepts and approaches into their own personalized style of counseling.



CC502 Christian Psychology - Psychology is the study of the mind. This class reviews psychology's pitfalls and gives credence to the concept that psychology can only be correctly understood under the light of God's Word and Christian principles.

CC503 – Techniques of Christian Counseling - A course designed to help the student distinguish the importance of counseling in his/her own particular ministry. The student will learn techniques of the ministry counseling in the local church. Emphasis will be placed on the use of the Bible in counseling with direct application to a variety of counseling situations.

CC504 Family Counseling-This could be one of the most important Christian classes because of its relevance to what God expects for the family. It covers parent/child relationships and teaches how to raise a godly family.

CC505 Marriage Counseling -This class reviews marriage on a biblical basis, instructing counselors on how to increase communication, interviewing couples, and practical methods of identifying problems and identification of successful attitudes. It covers marriage and ways to regenerate a marriage through the Word of God. It is in a workbook format with exercises for married couples.

CC 506 Ethics and Legal Issues in Christian Counseling: This course would cover the legal issues and ethical standards that are required of Christian counselors. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to meet required legal standards surrounding counseling in order to avoid legal problems. The student will know the ethical standards of AACA and NCCA.

CC 507 Counseling over a Lifespan: This course will introduce the student to the characteristics and special needs that occur during the various stages in an individual's lifespan. Theories from the discipline of Developmental Science will provide a general pattern in assisting the student discover how individuals think, learn internally, and act. All theories will be considered from a Theological perspective. Students will begin learning how to discern a client's personal needs in the light of his or her developmental stages in order to implement specific counseling strategies. At the conclusion of this course each student will understand the difference between secular science developmental theories and Biblical principles as he or she integrates a solid biblical basis with proven developmental theory for the ministry of pastoral counseling. They will be able to develop appropriate counseling goals and methods for effective Pastoral Counseling and be familiar with the most common developmental issues and needs in an individual's lifespan. They will be acquainted with the major theories and theorists in Developmental Counseling.



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CC 508 Writing Research in Counseling This course will assist the student in understanding the APA style of writing papers, help the student discover a topic in the field of Christian counseling for his Master's thesis and assist that student in doing the appropriate research for his or her thesis. Student will write a 50 page thesis.

CC 509 Building Care Pastors This course will enable the student to understand how to build lay caregivers and disciple builders in his or her congregation. It covers biblical techniques as well as the methods of Jesus in reaching out to the community. Students will be able hold "People Helping" classes for their own church members.

CC 510 Counseling Practicum This course provides observation, participation, and directed counseling in a counseling setting. This counseling will preferable be located where the student lives and will be done under the supervision of an approved counseling supervisor. Upon completion, the student will have done 50 hours of counseling.

CC511 Introduction to Pastoral Counseling This course will introduce the student to the discipline of Pastoral Counseling as it relates to the 21st century postmodern church. Emphasis is placed on the ministry of counseling in its theological and theoretical perspectives. This course contains an overview of the foundation, structure, and application of counseling from a biblical basis. It introduces the student to current licensures and regulations as well as the on-going types of preparation for this ministry.

CC 512 Christian Caregiving This course examines the "caring" aspects of the Christian Caregiver's life from a practical perspective. Primary emphasis is placed on an integration of biblical principles with appropriate counseling insights into a practical and personal experience. A methodology of evaluation and measurements for such experiences will be examined. Upon completion of this course the student preparing to be a Christian Caregiver will have begun to get in touch with his or her own spiritual-therapeutic profile and subsequent need for greater growth and healing. That student will begin climbing to higher levels of healing and be able to develop trust and communicate acceptance and love to those who seek his or her guidance.

CC 513 Ethics and Legal Issues in Counseling This course would cover the legal issues and ethical standards that are required of Christian counselors. Upon completion of this course the student will be able to meet required legal standards surrounding counseling in order to avoid legal problems. The student will know the ethical standards of AACA and NCCA.



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CC 514 Survey of Counseling Theories and Techniques This course teaches classic psychotherapeutic theories along with Biblical insights that will help them to correlate various approaches to counseling from a holistic, Christian view of meeting human need.

CC 515 The Medical Model of Mental Health Issues This course will explore the biological revolution in the field of psychiatry as well as take a brief survey of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. Students will learn to apply this knowledge to the Christian worldview as they embrace the healing powers of the Holy Spirit.

CC 516 Writing and Research Counseling This course will assist the student in understanding the APA style of writing papers, help the student discover a topic in the field of Christian counseling for his Master's thesis and assist that student in doing the appropriate research for his or her thesis. Student will write a 50 page thesis.

CC 517 Counseling the Dysfunctional Family This course will discuss relief and healing for issues that are common in today's Christian family such as dual careers, blended families, troubled teens, living with an unbelieving spouse, children who are hyperactive, sexual issues, affairs, and other issues in our 21st century environment.

CC 518 Building Care Pastors This course will enable the student to understand how to build lay caregivers and disciple builders in his or her congregation. It covers biblical techniques as well as the methods of Jesus in reaching out to the community. Students will be able hold "People Helping" classes for their own church members.

CC 519 Integration Issues in Christian Counseling This course will seek to bring together the discipline of psychology, theology and sociology. It will explore the postmodern society's issues of spirituality and psychiatry and apply practical applications for the Christian student who is seeking to integrate proven counseling theory with solid Biblical theology.

CC-520 Spiritual Issues in Chemical and Substance Abuse Addictions - This course provides foundational knowledge and treatment methods for addictive disorders. After an introduction to "addiction" as a general concept, this course explores chemical dependency among several different "special populations." This course also explores addictive use of substances, addictive behaviors, and addictive relationships. Addressed are relationship addiction, co-dependency, and sexual addiction. Christian viewpoints about addiction, treatment, and recovery are emphasized.

CC 521 - Sexual Therapy- This class is an overview of various sexual disorders and their resulting self control issues. This class also examines unplanned pregnancy and infertility.



CC 522 Death & Grief Counseling – A Christian perspective of all the stages of grief and counseling for each stage. As well as dealing with disabilities and how it effects an entire family,

CC 523 Crisis Counseling - This class describes behaviors that have developed because of the fast pace and stress of our society. It teaches practical ways of dealing with crises in groups and individuals. This is a management course for those dealing with people who are having anxiety, who may be verbalizing or acting out their fears in violent or abusive talk or physical anger.

CC 524 Cognitive Therapy- An in-depth presentation of a cognitive approach to therapy with an emphasis on the process of identifying and changing core beliefs (second-order change).The purpose of this course is to familiarize students with the cognitive model, giving special attention to the influence of Albert Ellis and Aaron Beck and to assist them in developing proficiency at conceptualizing and treating clients from this therapeutic perspective.

CC 525- Healing Adult Victims of Sexual Abuse - Someone you know has been sexually abused. A recent study indicated that 38% of the women interviewed had been sexually abused by an adult or family member by the age of 18. This course is an intensely personal and specific look at this most "soul deadening" form of abuse. Personal because it may be affecting you, your spouse, a close friend or neighbor, or someone you know well at church. And specific because it goes well beyond the general issues and solutions normally discussed.

CC 526 Counseling Elderly - A theology on aging. This course speaks directly and compassionately about the sometimes painful transition to retirement and beyond. Concentrates on the inner needs of seniors, including spiritual needs and the need to have a purpose in life. Provides valuable insight for anyone working with seniors.

CC 527 Domestic Violence And Intervention – Domestic violence, sometimes called domestic abuse, is reaching epidemic proportions and affects men, women and children of all races and social and economic levels. In order to stem the tide of domestic abuse we have to not only stop the abuse and protect the victims, we also have to understand what triggers the abuse so that the next generation of families can learn to live abuse-free.



Required Classes For Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree in Practical Ministry:

MIN501 Old Testament Theology I - This course is a modified systematic model for use as a core text in the study of Theology. The text is up-to-date, readable and user friendly.

MIN502 Exegesis - New Testament - This course provides step-by-step analysis of exegeting the New Testament for study or sermon preparation. Devised for those with minimal Greek. It reflects the introduction of many new secondary materials, computer-aided research and rhetorical criticism's presence in exegetical materials.

MIN503 Social Ministry - The text of this course is biblically rooted, historically informed, theologically thorough, and eminently practical. It deals with contemporary social issues using Christian ministry.

MIN504 Seniors Ministry - A theology on aging. This course speaks directly and compassionately about the sometimes painful transition to retirement and beyond. Concentrates on the inner needs of seniors, including spiritual needs and the need to have a purpose in life. Provides valuable insight for anyone working with seniors.

MIN505 Ministry in Mission – A course for missionaries and those with a heart for missions. It lays sound theological and strategic foundations for the missionary of today. Gives insight into difficulties encountered on the mission field caused by language barriers, customs, cultures and communication of the message of Jesus Christ.

MIN506 Practical Theology for Charismatic Ministry - A course designed to help implement the promises of God and to build the Kingdom of God through spiritual warfare and the prophetic ministry. These Biblical principles can be applied personally for the church, city, or nation.

MIN507 Strategies for Effective Discipleship - An examination of spiritual formation—how the Christian faith is developed in the life of a person intellectually, emotionally, and behaviorally through discipleship in one-on-one or group settings.



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MIN508 Pastoral Care – Covers all aspects of Pastoral Care including such things as: Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms, Church Dedications, Baby Dedications, Hospital Visitations, etc.

MIN509 Introduction to Youth Ministry - This course is designed to give the student an overview of youth ministry within the local church and includes investigation into the biblical/theological/sociological foundations for youth ministry, the role and relationships of the youth minister, and the administrative principles and strategies involved in an effective youth ministry.

MIN510 Prayer: The Personal Discipline of the Minister - A study of the Biblical foundations of, models for, and contemporary approaches to prayer. Examines corporate and personal prayer and prayer as intercession, worship, and meditation.

CA511 Research Project – May be assigned for certain students for four (4) credits.

Required Classes For Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree in Church Administration

CA501 Church Administration I - This course is divided into four reference sections: Church and Law, Church Finances, Church Facilities and Church Personnel. Subjects covered: medical liability, office management, obstacles to good stewardship, cash-flow management and budgeting. The contemporary church is a business and must be managed as a business. This course is a standard for pastors, priests, deacons, elders and lay leaders.

CA502 Conflict Management - Conflict arises in all levels of the church. Pastors, associate pastors, deacons, elders and church members have different opinions. This course helps the one who is often appointed by default as the mediator.

CA503 Leadership Assessment - Based on biblical principles and leadership research, this course includes tools for leadership assessment and shows how to improve all aspects of church leadership.

CA504 Team Leadership - Paul, nurturing new converts. Barnabas, trusting others to develop their own gifts. Christ, choosing twelve to continue His ministry. In place of dogmatic control, personality worship, and power plays, this course lays the biblical base for servant leadership.



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CA505 Developing Christian Leadership Provides the student with an understanding of the nature of Christian leadership and how to develop as a leader called to serve the body of Christ. Designed to help students discover how they are to live their lives in such a way that they become the Gospel in every person's world. A guided self-study into one's calling. Includes discussion of what it means to be called and what is Jesus' model of leadership as well as other Biblical and modern models of

CA506 Effective Delegation - As a leader, you have to delegate. There's no two ways about it. If a leader ends up doing everything himself, then he is no more than an executive instead of the one who leads others. The art of effective delegation is often deemed as an elusive one. It's often a fine balance between who to delegate the task to and how much to give. And it's never a sure bet of who can carry it out best.

CA507 Motivation and Communication Techniques - Revitalizes students with effective communication techniques. Offers plans for gaining high performance from low achievers. Shows the student techniques that cause others to remember three times more than normal.

CA508 Church Management - Principles of church management and operational structures are investigated. Emphasis is placed on management planning, organizing, leading; controlling, and evaluating

CA511 Research Project – May be assigned for certain students for four (4) credits.