

COURSES & SEMINARS

Adult Division MORNING CLASSES

1004	Course Name: Effective Bible Reading Course Description: This course identifies the appropriate methods and approaches to Bible study that lead to spiritual growth and Christian maturity. Areas that will be covered include the structure of the Bible and resources for personal study that will add meaning to reading the Bible. Textbook: How to Study and Teach the Bible – By: Julius Scruggs	A.M.	Rev. C. E. Hollingsworth	FMBC Rm. 132
1079	Course Name: Survey of John Course Description: This course focuses on the fourth gospel and its uniqueness. It identifies the specific features that characterize John's gospel, and distinguishes it from the Synoptic Gospels, with emphasis on John's writings and the ministry of Jesus Christ. Textbook: The Gospel of John by: William Barkley	A.M.	Rev. William Scott	FMBC Rm. 134
5003	Course Name: The Leadership Style of Jesus Course Description: This course reveals the shepherd-spirit of Jesus Christ. Students will learn from His example how to engage in His form of leadership. Textbook: The Leadership Lessons of Jesus by: Bob Briner and Rev. Pritchard	AM	Dr. Jerry Seay	HBC 2 nd Floor
5012	Course Name: Becoming An Effective Deacon Course Description: Assist the deacon in becoming aware of his biblical base. Ideas are given that will enable them to more effectively perform their duties and work harmoniously with the pastor and other church leaders. Textbook: The Baptist Deacon – By: Robert E. Naylor	A.M.	Deacon Don Walker	Rm. 136

7008	Course Name: Reaching the Un-Churched People Course Description: This course teaches strategies to reach un-churched people and identify why people leave the church. Using the model of Jesus and the apostles, students will learn to share the biblical principle of belonging to a fellowship of believers with a spirit of restoration. Textbook: Reaching the Un-Churched, Wesley	A.M.	Dr. Michael Wesley	HBC Rm. 310
8035	Course Name: The African American Church and Social Justice Course Description: This course investigates the lives, theology, and methods of the great servants of God who dedicated their lives in the struggle for the liberation of people. Textbook: To Serve This Present Age – By: Danielle Ayers	A.M.	Judge Collins Pettaway	FMBC Rm. 141
8047	Course Name: Women Finding Their Places in the Ministry Course Description: This course reviews how women are uniquely designed and purposed by God for ministry. It assists them in determining how best to serve in the Body of Christ and church ministry. Participants gain a better understanding and appreciation for services and ministries that can be the most beneficial by their unique attributes. Textbook: Maximizing Your Effectiveness: How to Discover and Develop Your Divine Design (Second Edition) By: Dr. Aubrey Malphurs	A.M.	Minister Patricia Frazier	FMBC Rm. 143
9013	Course Name: Introduction of Greek Grammar Course Description: This is and introduce to Koine (common) Greek, the Greek of the New Testament. Students will develop an understanding of the Greek alphabet, basic grammar, pronunciation, transliteration and the use the Greek Lexicon. Students will also develop an awareness of how the Greek language added in the spread of the Gospel. Textbook: “Essentials of New Testament Greek” (2019) By: Summers, revised by Thomas Sawyer, Published by B&H Academic Nashville, TN	A.M.	Dr. Johnnie Finkley	HBC Rm. 305

MORNING ZOOM CLASSES

2072Z	Course Name: Understanding the Impact of Our Culture Course Description: This course presents a synopsis of ways that the culture influences the church. Students will become aware of the various aspects of the culture that are infiltrating the church and devise strategies to combat this influence. Students will also identify ways to inspire Christians to transform the culture, rather than to conform to the culture. Textbook: Good Faith: Being a Christian When Society thinks You're Irrelevant and Extreme – By: David Kinnaman & Gabe Lyons	A.M. ZOOM	Dr. Michael Matthews	ZOOM
001-AMZCS	Course Name: The Rich History of Black People Throughout the Bible Course Description: Our focus will be to see how black people in the Bible sought to find the lost people of Israel. Textbook: Rich History of Black People Throughout the Bible, McPherson	A.M. ZOOM	Rev. Jonathan McPherson, Jr.	ZOOM

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Adult Division AFTERNOON CLASSES

2003	Course Name: The Meaning of the Church Course Description: Students will probe this independent and preliminary course on the doctrine of the church (i.e., its structure, its source, its service, its power, and its mission). Textbook: Empowering Your Church Through Creativity and Change by: Marshal Shelley	P.M.	Dr. Jerry Jones	FMBC Rm. 143
2018	Course Name: The Educational Task of the Church Course Description: Students will concentrate on the various educational ministries of the local church and focus on the unique role each ministry plays in the attainment of the total educational goals of the local church. Emphasis will be placed on the responsibility of each Christian to participate in the Christian education activities of the church. Textbook: The Educational Ministry of the Church by: Charles Tidwell	P.M.	Min. Christine Davis	FMBC Rm. 134
5006	Course Name: Leadership in the Local Church Course Description: This course establishes a paradigm for pragmatic leadership in the local church, utilizing God's mandate for leadership as found in the Holy Scriptures. Textbook: Be the Leader You Were Meant To Be, Leroy Elms	P.M.	Dr. Robert Sellers	HBC 2 nd Fl

5013	<p>Course Name: The Layman as a Leader and Steward</p> <p>Course Description: This course emphasizes the role of laymen in the world and their responsibility as men to their God over His creation. Students will be introduced to the work of the layman in all National Baptist levels of ministry—local, district, state, regional, and national.</p> <p>Textbook: What in the World is Christian Stewardship – By: Calahan</p>	P.M.	Rev. Lee Nelson	HBC Rm. 204
7010	<p>Course Name: 21st Century Discipleship</p> <p>Course Description: This course introduces the believer to the biblical principle of discipleship. Students will examine the character traits of believers, while looking at the overall examples of Jesus. Students will also study discipleship methods of Jesus and the differences between discipleship and membership.</p> <p>Textbook: Spiritual Discipleship – By: J. Oswald Sanders</p>	P.M.	Rev. Darryl Warren	HBC Rm. 202
9024	<p>Course Name: Social Media in the Life of the Church</p> <p>Course Description: This course is an Introductory training on how to use the Latest technology in Christian ministry. Students will be introduced to presentation Apps (i.e., PowerPoint and Keynote), Database apps (i.e., Excel, Numbers, Access) social media apps (i.e., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.), and other learning Management systems (i.e. Thinkific Google Classroom, etc.).</p> <p>Textbook: From Social Media to Social Ministry by: Nona Jones</p>	P.M.	Mrs. Catherine Shaw	HBC Rm. 310

9923	Course Name: Organizing the Church for Ministry and Mission Course Description: Examine the purpose and goals of the church. Look at models of ministry through intentional programs and organizational structures that will effectively meet the needs of the people. Textbook: The Black Church Relevant or Irrelevant in the 21 st Century by: Dr. W. William Goode, Sr., Dr. Frederick L Ware & Rev. Dr. Dwayne R. Walker	P.M.	Dr. Pervis Mann	FMBC Rm. 141
Seminar	Course Name: Grant Writing Seminar Course Description: This course teaches how to find funding, write strong grant proposals and manage projects successfully. This course will cover the key parts of a grant, including budgets, applications and evaluations. Textbook: Grant Writing for Dummies by: Dr. Beverly A. Browning, MPA DBA	P.M.	Minister Geraldine Moore	FMBC Rm. 136

AFTERNOON ZOOM CLASSES

4012	Course Name: Doctrine of the Holy Spirit Course Description: This course is a study of the person and work of the Holy Spirit. Students will be provided a thorough look at the corresponding doctrines that influence our understanding of the work of the Holy Spirit. Students will also identify this doctrine of the church with a holistic understanding of salvation, with special emphases on justification, redemption, and sanctification. Textbook: The Holy Spirit - By: Ryrie	P.M. ZOOM	Dr. Johnny Hollis	ZOOM
9025	Course Name: Equipping Today's Church with Technology, Websites, Social Media and Publishing – Advanced Course Description: This course will show students how to use video platforms (i.e., Zoom, Go-To-Meetings, WebEx, Streamyard, etc.) for Christian ministry. The course will emphasize using various presentation (i.e., PowerPoint, Keynote, etc.) applications in video platform. Textbook: Trending Up by: Mark Forrester	P.M. ZOOM	Rev. Domecia Manual	ZOOM

Pastors & Ministers Division

7001S	Course Name: Building Healthy Churches Course Description: This course is designed to help leaders in local churches understand the importance of being a healthy church in the community. Various biblical principles shall be studied to effectively move a stagnant ministry to a flourishing congregation. Textbook:	A.M.	Dr. Richard Davis	Syler TC Rm. 5
003- PMDS	Course Name: Back to the Future: Strategic Plan for Ministering to Generation Z and Alpha Course Description: This seminar will challenge pastors to consider ministry for a budding generation in the local church, generations Z and Alpha. Participants will develop a strategic ministry plan for engaging, empowering, and employing generations Z and Alpha into the world to be leaders in the church and community. Participants will gain insights in vision casting youth ministry as well as implementing that vision, recruiting and developing youth ministry leaders, tips on preaching, teaching, and communicating with youth, and growing your church through a vibrant youth ministry. Textbook: Preaching Killer Sermon by: Lane Sebring	A.M.	Dr. Otis Culliver	Syler TC Rm. 1
9002- PMDS	Course Name: The Spiritual Life of the Minister Course Description: This seminar explores the dimensions of spirituality that should characterize the life of the faithful minister. It deals with his devotional life, his family relationships, and his time of study and meditation. Activities are shared with the minister that will keep him in touch with God and keep him ready to serve people effectively. Textbook: Spirituality For Ministry by: Urban T. Holmes	A.M.	Dr. Michael Foster	Syler TC Rm. 2

Pastors and Ministers Division (Continued)

9003 PMDS	<p>Course Name: Ministerial Ethics and Etiquette: The Under-Shepherd (Pastor) and God's Sheep (Church and Clergy Conflict)</p> <p>Course Description: This seminar explores some of the temptations, pitfalls, and problems that could ensnare the minister, and how to handle them. This course will also look at the preacher's appearance and his conduct in the pulpit, his relationship to members, and his professional behavior in all settings. This course is also designed to help the pastor understand that he is only the under-shepherd; the flock belongs to God. Thus, the level of responsibility, though great, is not a burdensome as some think. This segment of the seminar deals with such issues as scheduling, planning, supervising, and developing a division of labor that enables the under-shepherd to maximize the gifts of preaching and teaching.</p> <p>Textbook: Church Administration and the Black Perspective by: Floyd Massey, Jr.</p>	A.M.	Dr. Edward Rodgers	Syler TC Rm. 3
9912	<p>Course Name: Seminar for Young Pastors and Ministers</p> <p>Course Description: This course is a study of the practical matters such as church administration, staff relationships, community leadership, ministerial ethics, work with congregational management, and other professional issues not normally handled in a class setting. Students will review denominational structure and associational ministry. Students will also build confidence and skills that lead to more effective ministry.</p> <p>Textbook: What The Bible says...to the Minister (The Minister Personal Handbook)</p>	A.M.	Dr. Douglas Caddell	Syler TC Rm. 4

Music and Cultural Arts Division

002-MCA	<p>Course Name: Music, Musicians, and Worship: Breaking Down the Dynamics</p> <p>Course Description: This seminar is designed to unravel the essentials that shape meaningful worship experiences. This course also offers a concise exploration of the roles of music and musicians in fostering spiritual connections, which provides valuable insights for both the worshipper and those involved in leading worship.</p> <p>Textbook: Breaking Down the Dynamics African American Christian worship by: Melva Costen</p>	A.M.	Mr. Byron Thomas	Fellowship of Faith 1 st Fl
006-MCA	<p>Course Name: Music in Christian Education</p> <p>Course Description: To provide guidelines for the qualitative use of music in the black church, we will raise issues of pastoral leadership and concern in the context of church music and worship. We will seek in our study the importance in understanding the vital component of worship in the black church in relationship to theology that we may become more faithful and worthy stewards of the gifts God has entrusted in our care.</p> <p>Textbook: Black Gospel by: Avy Broughton</p>	A.M.	Rev. Melvin Lamar	Fellowship of Faith 1 st Fl

Young Adults Division

001-YAD	Course Name: Branding Today's Church: Protecting the Likeness of Our Being Course Description: This seminar focuses on building, cultivating, and expanding the church's branding using modern digital platforms, synthesizing innovative strategies, and building consciousness. Textbook: Branding Today's Church: Protecting the Likeness of Our Being	A.M.	Dr. Leticha Heflin	Fellowship of Faith Downstairs
002-YAD	Course Name: Making It Make Sense: Understanding the Big Story in Scripture Description: This seminar introduces hermeneutics through a literary approach. Reading the Bible as literature takes students on a journey through the Bible, using rhetorical elements and techniques as tools for interpretation. Textbook: Making It Make Sense: Understanding the Big Story in Scripture	A.M.	Mrs. Althestine Johnson	Fellowship of Faith Downstairs
003-YAD	Course Name: Bridging the Gap: Creating Innovative, Leading Faith Spaces Course Description: The seminar provides space for participants to explore innovative possibilities for ministry beyond the modern social trends. This model places the church ahead of the trends rather than the trends ahead of the church. Textbook: Bridging the Gap: Creating Innovative . Leading Faith Spaces	A.M.	Rev. Lawrence Jackson	Fellowship of Faith Downstairs
004-YAD	Course Name: Maintaining the Integrity of the Black Church Course Description: This seminar provides an in-depth overview of Black church operations, sustainable policies for maintaining the financial integrity of the church, and strategies for healthy internal communication among church leaders and their congregants. Textbook: Maintaining the Integrity of the Black Church	A.M.	Rev. Demetrious Williams	Fellowship of Faith Downstairs

Youth Division

001-CYD	<p>Course Name: Following Jesus's Example</p> <p>Course Description: This seminar helps students in grades K-2 learn how Jesus is a friend to all people when they learn how Jesus lived, taught, and worked with His disciples. Students will want to be like Jesus.</p> <p>Textbook: Following the Examples of Jesus – By: Sam Binkley Jr.; Following Jesus: Biblical Reflections on Discipleship – By: N.T. Wright</p>	A.M.	<p>Mrs. Jewel Frazier</p> <p>Facilitators: Ms. Myrtle Jenkins & Mrs. Mary Perkins</p>	FMBC Rm. 201
002-CYD	<p>Course Name: Following Jesus's Example</p> <p>Course Description: This seminar helps students in grades 3-5 learn how Jesus is a friend to all people when they learn how Jesus lived, taught, and worked with His disciples. Students will want to be like Jesus.</p> <p>Textbook: Following the Examples of Jesus – By: Sam Binkley Jr.; Following Jesus: Biblical Reflections on Discipleship – By: N.T. Wright</p>	A.M.	<p>Mrs. Stacey Lewis</p> <p>Facilitator: Ms. Scharlotte F. Raven</p>	FMBC Rm. 202
003-CYD	<p>Course Name: Youth Preparing for Living the Baptist Faith</p> <p>Course Description: This course is designed to acquaint students in grades 6-8 with the biblical basis for Baptist faith and practice. Learn how to use language and logic best suited for decision making and conduct for living. Develop methods for teaching young people basic Christian beliefs. Engage students in the practice and principles of Christianity.</p> <p>Textbook: Living the Baptist Faith by: Linda J. Williams</p>	A.M.	<p>Mrs. Mildred Davis</p> <p>Facilitators: Ms. Sarah Jones and Ms. AnaStacia Howell</p>	FMBC Rm. 203

004-CYD	Course Name: Following Jesus's Example (Grades K-5) Course Description: This seminar helps students learn how Jesus is a friend to all people when they learn how Jesus lived, taught, and worked with His disciples. Student will want to be like Jesus. Textbook: Following the Examples of Jesus – By: Sam Binkley Jr.; Following Jesus: Biblical Reflections on Discipleship – By: N.T. Wright	A.M.	Mrs. Anita Foy, Ms. Aubey Foy and Mr. William Foy, Sr.	FMBC Rm. 207
2053Y	Course Name: Understanding Christian Dating - Single, Saved, and Sustaining (Grades 9-12). Course Description: This course explores topics such as dating, choices, and self-control. Educate the students on how to deal with feelings and emotions while building healthy spiritual and social lives. Textbook: Straight Talk About Teen Dating	A.M.	Rev. Jarel Fryer	FMBC Chapel
9521	Course Name: How Much Do I Owe God (Grades 9-12) Course Description: The Old Testament tells us God's people followed the law of tithing. To accomplish this commandment, Church members give one-tenth of their income to the Lord through His Church. These funds are used to grow the Church and promote the truth of the Lord throughout the world. Textbook: How Much Do I Owe God	A.M.	Deacon Calvin Gatson	FMBC Rm. 145