

2009 WINTER/SPRING ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OFFERINGS

ONGOING STUDIES

(BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 2009 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

SUNDAYS

8:30am - 9:30am

Agape

Instructors: Bettye Boone & Michael Jackson

A study from books of Ruth and 1 Samuel -- A story of God's grace in the midst of difficult circumstances. No matter what our economic situation, we can love and respect people God has brought into our lives. In doing so, we give and receive blessings. Love is the greatest blessing (Ruth). God is faithful and can be counted on to be merciful toward us. His faithfulness and unselfish love should inspire us to dedicate ourselves to him completely. We must never take his mercy for granted (1 Samuel).

Christian Endeavors 1

Instructors: Edna Middleton & Cheryl Richmond

A study from Biblical books of 1, 2 Thessalonians & Jude -- Christians can expect trials and troubles in our lives but we need to stand firm in our faith in the midst of trials, being strengthened by the Holy Spirit (1 Thess) . We must patiently wait, watch, and work for Christ's return (2 Thess). There is a need for constant vigilance – to keep strong in the faith and to defend it against heresy (Jude).

Christian Endeavors 2

Instructors: Dorothy Garrison & Emily Jackson

A 13-week study of the book of Genesis using study materials by David C. Cook. \$3.75 purchase price

Christianity for the New Millennium (Young Adults) Instructors: Tara Anders & April

A study through the book "Living Victoriously In Difficult Times" by Kay Arthur et.al. When painful or frustrating circumstances invade your life, it's easy to wonder why. Why does life so often seem unfair? Why doesn't our all-powerful God stop the pain and suffering--not just for you--but for all His children? In this six week study you'll examine what the Bible says about suffering and why God allows it. Through the stories of many who persevered through times of testing, you'll discover how to find joy even when life seems unfair. You'll learn how to handle loss while glorifying God in the midst of your pain. And you'll find the peace that comes from trusting in the One whose strength is made perfect in your

Daily Disciples

Instructors: Jessie Miller & George Campbell

After completing Alicia Britt Chole's "Anonymous" in February, this class will begin "Pathways to Spiritual Understanding" by Richard Powers from March until June. Pathways to Spiritual Understanding is an all-in-one textbook, reference book and study guide that enables you to recognize even more of God's guiding hand in your life. In it you'll find a treasure of spiritual insights on the purpose of life, the new birth, how to be born again, who's to be baptized, the purpose of baptism, why some prayers go unanswered, the secret to a successful prayer life, the principles of stewardship, who the Holy Spirit is and what His purpose is, what it means to be filled with the Spirit, and how Satan attacks you.

Doorkeepers

Instructors: Patrick Briggs

Using the Bible as the textbook, this study journeys through the Biblical book of Philippians. Students will investigate its history, author, culture, context, and more.

Illuminators

Instructors: Barbara Fleming & Shirley Redd

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J.A. Swayze**Instructors: Charles Boyle, Larry Cason & Larry Smith**

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J.E. Walker**Instructors: Zenobia McCoy & Bessie O'Connor & Vennie Robinson**

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Lamplighters**Instructors: Pearl Coleman & John Baker**

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Messengers**Instructors: Oretta Sanders**

This study will continue a look at "Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate". This study is an expose' of the subtle sins believers tolerate that are disappointing to God and get in the way of our spiritual growth. Students must purchase a coursebook for this study.

Overcomers**Instructors: Betty Boone & Ralph Harrington**

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Protectors**Instructors: Charles Dickerson & Kenneth Hopson**

This class will continue its study of the Book of Romans, the revelation of the gospel of God. Romans is arguably the greatest and most influential of all Paul's letters, the first great work of Christian theology. Study materials will be provided.

Pursuers**Instructors: Clyde & Norma Hunt**

A study of 30 Life Principles that can help you become more like Christ everyday. This is accomplished through the power of the Holy Spirit and through your own diligence and discipline. By practicing these 30 Life Principles, you will be cooperating with the Spirit of God and your life will grow into the likeness of Christ.

Silent Servants**Instructors: Laverne Bobo, Janie Mennis, & Sheri Terrell**

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Stewardship

**Instructors: Eldredge Williams, Solomon Garrett,
& Gwen Sneed**

This class continues its study "Through The Bible In One Year". Opportunities are taken each week to gain a thorough understanding of the texts at hand, the historical context, the theological meaning, and its application to present day experience. Students must purchase the textbook for this course.

Uplifters

Instructors: Jim Ella Austin & Cathy Henderson

This class continues its 3-part study on who, what, and why we believe. The course of study is designed to examine the essential claims of the Christian faith and provide answers to such questions as (1) how do I know there is a God, (2) Did Jesus really rise from the dead, (3) Does the Bible conflict with science, and (4) How does Christianity differ from the cults? Students must purchase the textbook for this course.

WEDNESDAYS

5:30PM - 6:45PM

Precept Upon Precept

Instructors: Debbie Dewitt

Part Two of the in-depth study of the Biblical book of Revelation begins Wednesday, February 11, 2009.

Small Group Bible Study

Instructors: Vennie Robinson & Marie Perkins

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SHORT-TERM STUDIES

(BEGINNING IN MARCH UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

YOU: Connect, Grow, Serve, Go

Instructors: TBD

Connect with an open heart. Grow in body, mind and spirit, Serve with willing hands. Go with ready feet. Connect urges you to worship, pray, fellowship and relate to others in positive relationships at work, in the home and in other settings. Grow refers to learning and understanding more about God and His people, which comes through Bible study. Serve describes the work you do inside your church. Your church is full of ministry and service opportunities. Go moves you outside the church and into the community and the world.

MEETING DATE/TIME:

WEDNESDAYS 5:30PM - 6:45PM

PART I: MAR 4 - MARCH 25

PART II: APR 1 - APR 29 (NO CLASS APR 8)

PART III: MAY 6 - MAY 27

The Life-Giving Power of Community

Instructors: Pastor R. Janae Pitts

This is the “classroom” format of the Church Wide study for persons who missed the January study or persons who desire a more in-depth and interactive journey to spiritual transformation. Students will work through each lesson of the book using in-class exercises, personal reflection, and personal Bible study. This course is not a “continuation” of the Church Wide study, but a refresher for those who participated and an opportunity for those who did not. Books available for purchase in the Church Bookstore

MEETING DATE/TIME:

TUESDAYS 6:00PM - 8:00PM

MAR 3 - MAR 31 (NO CLASS MAR 10)