



Missionary Baptist State Congress of Christian Education

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Greetings in the matchless name of Jesus Christ!

Time is drawing near for our first combined annual session of the Convention and Congress for the Missionary Baptist State Convention of Missouri. Classes for the combined annual session were carefully thought out and chosen based on the needs of our pastors, lay leaders, churches, individuals, and our communities that we serve. We are offering thirteen morning classes and eleven evening classes. We are also having an evening seminar entitled "The Post Quarantine Church" and an open forum on Wednesday entitled "Spiritual and Mental Reboot."

All courses as well as the seminar and open forum will be virtual. Since there will be no books available for the combined session the instructors will provide a fortified syllabus packet that will more than adequately meet what is shared from the textbook. We are praying for a blessed week in the Lord and also praying for the Holy Spirit's presence and guidance as we navigate these strange times.

The following information is the course listing for the combined annual session. Churches registering with the Congress (\$200) can sign up an unlimited number of people from your Church or individuals may register for \$20 per person.

May God bless and keep you is my prayer.

Your Brother in Christ,

Rev. Robert L. Smith II

Rev. Robert L. Smith II, State Congress Dean

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Course Listing for the 2021 MBSC of MO Combined Annual Session
(October 11th – 14th, 2021 for class time instruction)

OPEN FORUM for All Convention Delegates **Monday, October 11th 9 AM**
Spiritual and Mental Reboot **Moderator/Facilitator** **Dr. Donald Ray McNeal**

This open forum will address the following things concerning the corona virus pandemic including:

- How people are mending the broken pieces and addressing the unspoken pain of a pandemic.
- The impact of the pandemic on individuals spiritual and mental health as well as the Church experience.
- Personal testimonials from people severely affected by the pandemic.
- Provision of vital resource information that they can use to get the help they need in those various areas.

MORNING CLASSES held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
EVENING CLASSES held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday	4 PM to 6:30 PM

MORNING CLASSES

1004 Effective Bible Reading (Phase 1) Rev. Nathaniel Griffin Dept. of Biblical Studies
Text: How to Study and Teach the Bible, Scruggs, Townsend Press Morning Class

This course identifies methods and approaches to Bible study that can lead to spiritual growth and Christian maturity. Areas that will be covered include the structure of the Bible, resources for personal study, and other subjects that will add meaning to the reading of the Bible.

1089 Survey of Romans (Phase 3) Rev. Cedric Lorenzo Sutton Dept. of Biblical Studies
Text: The Letter to the Romans, Barclay, Westminster Morning Class

This course will focus on a thematic overview of major issues presented in Paul's doctrinal letter to the Roman Christians. Students will come to recognize each doctrinal truth presented in the book.

1109 The Study of End Times Dr. Alfred White Dept. of Biblical Studies
Text: Things to Come, Pentecost, Zondervan Morning Class

This course will focus on the doctrine of last things. It will focus on beliefs concerning death, the end of the world, and the ultimate destiny of humankind. It focuses on many of the various Christian doctrines concerning the Second Coming, the resurrection of the dead, and the Last Judgement.

2007 Christian Stewardship (Phase 2) Rev. Kevin Johnson Dept. of Christian Education
Text: What in the World is Christian Stewardship? Calahan, NBPB Morning Class

This course will cover the basic tenets of Christian stewardship—time, talent, and tithe. Students will learn how to effectively manage their resources through a better understanding of the spiritual principles of Christian stewardship.

2023 Creative Ways of Teaching (Required to Teach) Dr. Claudia Fowler Dept. of Christian Education
Text: Creative Ways of Teaching, LaFever, Cook Communications Morning Class

This course is designed to explore methods of teaching in the local church setting: designed to assist teachers in discovering new ways of teaching: such as learning behaviors, strategies of student learning, and behavior.

2070 Christian Education for Older Adults (Elective) Dr. Willis Garner, Sr. Dept. of Christian Education
Text: The Christian Educator's Handbook on Adult Education, Gangel & Wilhoit, Baker Morning Class

This course is designed to help leaders of older adults explore ways they can live creatively and productively. The students will identify ways that leaders of older adults might inspire older adults and plan activities that will enable them to experience self-fulfillment.

MORNING CLASSES (Continued) Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

2097 Rethinking Christian Education (Instructor Recertification) Dr. Harold J. Butler Dept. of Christian Ed.
Text: Christian Education Handbook, Powers, Broadman & Holman Morning Class
This course will examine the current trends, methodologies, and practices in Christian education to determine their validity and alliance with Scriptures.

4005 The Doctrine of Salvation (Elective) Dr. Jimmy L. Brown Dept. of Theology
Text: Christian Doctrine, Conner, Broadman & Holman Morning Class
This course examines salvation from the view of grace and regeneration. Grace looks at God's unmerited favor toward man, while regeneration looks at the process by which God transmits Himself into the soul of man and makes him new.

6003 The Work of the Church Trustee (Elective) Rev. Cornelius Osby Morning Class
Text: The Work of the Church Trustee, Tibbetts, Judson Press Dept. of Church Administration
The purpose of this course is to focus on the responsibilities of trustees. Students will be introduced to the work and the roles of trustees in the church. This course will explore and define duties of trustees, including management, building maintenance, and fiscal controls.

6007 How to Conduct the Church Business Meeting (Elective) Rev. William Snorgrass Morning Class
Text: Church Administration Handbook, Powers, Broadman & Holman Dept. of Church Administration
This course emphasizes the need to establish guidelines and procedures for church business meetings using the Bible and other standard "rules of order." The course will focus on parliamentary procedures, record keeping, agendas and agenda building, and scheduling. This course will emphasize the duties of the presiding officer or the pastor and church clerk or recording secretary. Special attention is given to financial planning and money management.

7018 How to Become a Strong, Christian Black Woman (Elective) Dr. Sandra Jones Morning Class
Text: Women to Women, Carter, Zondervan Dept. of Church Growth and Discipleship
This course is designed to assist the black Christian woman by exploring the lives of extraordinary biblical and contemporary women. The course will focus on the traits of spirituality, motherhood, servanthood, and self-worth, with the aim of demonstrating the value of women based on a thorough examination of Proverbs 31.

9008 Public Speaking (Required to Teach) Sis. Daereonni Raglan Morning Class
Text: Do's & Taboos of Public Speaking, Axtell, Wiley Dept. of Fine Arts and Literacy
This course will identify the process and principles for writing speeches and delivering them in public. In addition to writing and speaking skills, the students will learn basic verbal and nonverbal communications skills that will enable them to effectively communicate with audiences of all sizes.

9907 Characteristics of Expository Preaching (Elective) Morning Class
Dept. of Clergy Studies Rev. Reginald D. Rogers, Sr., Rev. Tony Johnson, and Rev. Bartlett Wilkerson.
Text: Jesus and the Disinherited, Howard Thurman, Beacon Press Morning Class
The Color of Compromise-The Truth about the American Church's Complicity in Racism, Jemar Tisby, Zondervan
How to Fight Racism – Courageous Christianity and the Journey toward Racial Justice, Jemar Tisby, Zondervan
This course will center its theme on Christ dealing with problems and solutions in today's world. It will focus on scriptural mandates and how pastors should address these issues; how they are helping the members of their churches sort through all the misinformation in order to stand firm in their faith in Christ regardless of their race and culture.

EVENING CLASSES held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 4 PM to 6:30 PM

1001 Introduction to the Bible (Elective) Rev. Tommie Robinson Evening Class

Text: Introduction to the Bible, G. Guns, Townsend Press **Dept. of Biblical Studies**

This course introduces the students to the Bible as a whole. Students will be exposed to a comprehensive analysis of the sixty-six (66) books of the Bible.

1072 Introduction of the New Testament (Phase 1) Pastor Terrence Moody Evening Class

Text: Survey of the New Testament, Benware, Moody **Dept. of Biblical Studies**

This course will survey the New Testament. Included in this survey will be a general overview of the divisions, time periods, places, events, people, and archaeology of the New Testament sections of the Bible.

EVENING CLASSES (Continued) held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 4 PM to 6:30 PM

1079 Survey of John (Phase 3) Rev. Stephen Vasser Evening Class

Text: The Gospel of John, Vols. 1&2, Barclay, Westminster **Dept. of Biblical Studies**

This course will focus on the fourth gospel and its uniqueness. Students will identify the specific features that characterize John's writings and the ministry of Jesus Christ.

1107 1-2-3 John (Elective) Dr. Thad Jones Evening Class

Text: The Letters of John and Jude, Barclay, Westminster **Dept. of Biblical Studies**

This course will focus on the letters of 1, 2, and 3 John, with emphases on authorships, dates, themes, and recipients. Students will be introduced to the prominent themes of each, with emphasis on John's teachings about love and the assurance of salvation.

2009 Debt-Free Living (Elective) Rev. Curtis Williams Evening Class

Text: Debt-Free Living, Burkett, Moody **Dept. of Christian Education**

This course will emphasize money management through the study of the Bible. Students will discover God's design for money and how it may best glorify Him as they manage it.

2011 Baptist Doctrine (Phase 2) Rev. Lee Harden Evening Class

Text: Baptist Beliefs, Mullins, Judson Press **Dept. of Christian Education**

This course examines with simplicity and clarity the basic teachings of the Baptist faith. Students will explore each doctrinal position and the basis for each doctrinal position taught in the class.

2023 Creative Ways of Teaching (Required to Teach) Sis. Doris Dissasa Evening Class

Text: Creative Ways of Teaching, LaFever, Cook Communication **Dept. of Christian Education**

This course is designed to instruct in the methods of teaching in the local church setting. It is designed to assist teachers in discovering new ways of teaching, such as learning behaviors, and strategies of student learning and behavior.

2097 Rethinking Christian Education (Instructor Recertification) Dr. Serena Rowan Evening Class

Dept. of Christian Education

Text: Rethinking Christian Education: Explorations in Theory and Practice, Schuller, Chalice Press

This course will examine the current trends, methodologies, and practices in Christian education to determine their validity and alliance with the Scriptures.

EVENING CLASSES (continued) held Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 4 PM to 6:30 PM

3008 Theology and History of Christianity (Phase 1) Dr. Keith Frye, Sr. Evening Class

Text: History of Christianity, P. Johnson, Simon & Schuster Publishing **Dept. of History**

This course will outline the development of the Christian movement from the beginning of Jesus' ministry on earth to present times. Students will focus on the history, theology, culture, and times that enable Christianity to develop and grow. Prominent persons who impacted the Christian movement will be identified.

6013 Organizing the Church for Christian Education (Phase 4) Mrs. Erma Reid Evening Class

Text: Christian Education Handbook, Powers, Broadman & Holman **Dept. of Church Administration**

This course will focus on the various administrative and organizational skills needed to organize the Christian education department. Students will focus on structure, leadership, and staffing needs for Christian education.

6021 Spiritual Formation (Phase 1) Rev. Ralph Jackson Dept. of Church Administration Evening Class

Text: The Christian Educator's Handbook on Spiritual Formation, Gangel & Wilhoit, Baker Publishing

This course is designed to enable people to mature in their Christian walks. It will focus on a creative and dynamic approach to nurturing people from children to mature adults—to become better disciples of Jesus Christ. Students will discuss what it means to be Christians.

SEM The Post Quarantine Church (Open to Everyone) Pastor Karl Thomas Evening Class

Text: The Post Quarantine Church, T. Rainer, Broadman & Holman **Seminar**

This seminar will provide essential information needed to face the challenges and opportunities the corona virus pandemic creates for rural, suburban, and urban core churches including:

- New and better ways to lead the gathered Church.
- Planning, implementing, and growing the digital Church.
- Taking an opportunity to rethink the facilities.
- Evaluating new approaches to serving your community and more.

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Please provide the names and email addresses for all possible attendees including Pastor. This will allow us to send the links to join the meetings directly to them.

- If you are registering for the Congress, list the course each person will be taking.
- Indicate which auxiliary/ministry (if any) each person will participate with.

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