

COURSES OFFERED

Lay School of Theology White Oak Conference Center March 20-22, 2009

Sponsored by the Five Presbyteries of South Carolina

FOR WHOM: Lay persons who wish to

1. Participate in an in-depth study of the Bible, Theology, or Church History.
2. Be trained as a Commissioned Lay Pastor.
3. Better prepare themselves to teach the Bible or Church School.
4. Serve as Directors of Christian Education.
5. Be certified by the Association of Presbyterian Administrators.

PLEASE NOTE: These courses are not for ministers, candidates for the ministry, or those considering changing denominations to the PC(U.S.A.).

SCHEDULE

<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
4:00-6:00-Registration	7:30-7:45-Morning Prayer	7:30-7:45-Morning Prayer
6:00-6:45-Dinner	7:45-8:30-Breakfast	7:45-8:30-Breakfast
6:45-7:15-Plenary/Orientation	9:00-12:00-2 nd Class Session	8:45-9:45-5 th Class Session
7:30-9:00-1 st Class Session	12:00-12:45-Lunch	10:00-10:15 Presentation of Certificates/Diplomas/and Announcements
9:15-9:30-Evening Prayer	12:45-2:30-Free time	10:15-11:00-Closing Worship
	2:30-5:30-3 rd Class Session	11:00 Checkout and departure
	5:30-6:15-Dinner	No Lunch
	6:30-8:00-4 th Class Session	
	8:15-8:30-Evening Prayer	

*Ten-minute break on the COURSES OFFERED

ROOM AND BOARD

The cost will be \$112 per person, double occupancy or \$140 per person, single occupancy in motel-type rooms. This will include two nights lodging and five meals. The cost for those wishing to make their own arrangements in nearby motels will be \$55, which includes meals and registration fee. Linens will be provided with the rooms, but you may wish to bring your own alarm clock. White Oak is a smoke-free environment.

A. Old Testament Survey (Core Course)

This course will provide an overview of the literature and history of the Old Testament and a survey of the theological themes woven through the history of the people of God. Class Limit: 20

LEADER: John Doubles, is the Pastor at Santee Presbyterian Church. Education: BS Psychology from Wofford, BA Communications from Coker, MDiv from Union/PSCE in Richmond and DMin from Columbia Seminary.

B. Church History (Core Course)

A survey of the history of the Christian Church, from the early church and ecumenical councils through the Reformation and into the modern era. Class Limit: 20

LEADER: Richard Burnett is a graduate of King College(A.B.), Yale University Divinity School (S.T.M.), and Princeton Theological Seminary (M.Div.,Ph.D.). He has been a pastor in the Presbyterian Church (USA) for more than fourteen years and served churches in Tennessee, New Jersey, and North Carolina. He is the author of Karl Barth's Theological Exegesis (2001) and is Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at Erskine Theological Seminary

C. Church Polity(Core Course)

The purpose of this course is to provide an understanding of the nature and purpose of Presbyterian polity, to also provide an overview of The Book of Order to include how our structure of church government works, and to acquaint the student with the fundamentals of Parliamentary Procedure. Class Limit: 20

LEADER: Frank Colclough, Associate Executive Presbyter and Treasurer in New Harmony Presbytery. Education: Johnson C. Smith University, Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, and McCormick Theological Seminary

D. Worship and Sacraments (Core Course)

Will look at the theology of worship and sacraments from a reformed perspective; and then examine the basic of worship and liturgy with emphasis on practical methods and available resources. Class Limit: 20

LEADER: Pastor of the Oak Island Presbyterian Church since August 2007, Oak Island, NC, Rev. Walter L. Taylor is originally from the metro-Atlanta, Georgia. A graduate of Milligan College and Vanderbilt University Divinity School, Rev. Taylor is a D.Min. student at Erskine Theological Seminary. He has pastored churches in the South, Midwest, as well as in Antwerp, Belgium.

E. The Theology of John Calvin (Elective Course)

This course is a basic introduction to the life and thought of the Reformer. We will read a brief, simple summary of Calvin's theological thought, his *Instruction in Faith of 1537*, and talk about his leadership, his character, and his influence in his world and ours. Class limit: 20

LEADER: Michael Bush, After three years as a Professor of Worship and Homiletics and Director of the Institute for Reformed Worship at Erskine Theological Seminar, he has recently become Vice President for Development. A Graduate of the University of Kentucky, Union Theological Seminary, Yale University Divinity School, and Princeton Theological Seminary, Dr. Bush served pastorates in Virginia, Alabama, and Georgia before coming to Erskine.

F. Intro to the New Testament (Elective Course) (Spanish Only)

Events and books of the New Testament on a historical timeline. Each book reviewed for historical context within and from which they were written for a better understanding of the message. Class limit: 20

LEADER: Jesus Gallegos-Blanco studied in the theological seminary in Mexico. Rev. Gallegos-Blanco was a pastor in Tijuana BC and worked as a missionary for five years in the City of Chihuahua, Chihuahua. He served for fifteen years as Pastor and as Coordinator of the Bi-national Ministry, Borders of Christs at Agua Prieta, Son, Mexico. Rev. Gallegos-Blanco has also taught at a Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Baja California, Mexico. At present, he is serving as the coordinator for Hispanics Ministries in Foothill Presbytery. He also serves the Hispanics community teaching ESL and Computer classes. Annually Rev. Gallegos-Blanco participates in Health Fairs.

MONTREAT BOOK STORE

THE MONTREAT BOOK STORE WILL BE SET UP WITH RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE DURING LAY SCHOOL. RECOMMENDED TEXTBOOKS, RESOURCES AND REFERENCES, AS WELL AS SEASONAL RESOURCES AND CLOTHING WILL BE AVAILABLE. PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK FOR THESE PURCHASES PAYABLE TO MONTREAT. THE BOOKSTORE WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL UP THROUGH DINNER – SATURDAY (6:15PM)

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Registration deadline: March 6, 2009 – Full payment due with registration.

THE FIVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) PRESBYTERIES OF SOUTH CAROLINA
LAY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY REGISTRATION FORM
March 20 - 22, 2009

Name (please print or type) _____ Telephone _____
Address _____ E-mail address _____
City, State, Zip Code _____
Church _____ Presbytery _____

A. ENROLLMENT AND TRACK OF STUDY STATUS

_____ **Commissioned Lay Pastor Track** (CLP Track) - 8 core courses required for diploma

Has the Committee on Ministry of your presbytery approved you for this track? ___ Yes ___ No

(CLP Track participants-You are required to pay an additional \$20 academic fee each time you attend.)

_____ **Laity Enrichment Track** (LE Track) - 7 core courses required for certificate

_____ **Continuing Education** (for graduates – 1 course required per year)

_____ If a first-time student, please check.

_____ If you are eligible to receive a **certificate** at this session, please check.

_____ If you are eligible to receive a **diploma**, please check.

B. COURSES OFFERED (Indicate 1st and 2nd choices)

_____ Old Testament Survey (Core Course) – John Doubles

_____ Church History (Core Course) – Richard Burnett

_____ Church Polity (Core Course) – Frank Colclough

_____ Worship and Sacraments (Core Course) - Walter Taylor

_____ The Theology of John Calvin (Elective Course) – Michael Bush

_____ Intro to the New Testament (Elective Course) – Jesus Gallegos-Blanco

C. REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATIONS (cost includes \$20 registration)

REGISTRATION AND DOUBLE ROOM (2 nights, 5 meals): \$112 per person

REGISTRATION AND SINGLE ROOM (2 nights, 5 meals): \$140 per person

REGISTRATION AND MEALS ONLY: \$ 55 per person

Linens provided. Bring alarm clock. NOTE: White Oak is a smoke-free environment.

NEW PLEASE READ: PLEASE CHECK THE MEALS THAT YOU WILL **NOT** EAT:

_____ Fri. Dinner _____ Sat. Breakfast _____ Sat. Lunch _____ Sat. Dinner _____ Sun. Breakfast

_____ Double room (Roommate _____ / _____ Assign roommate)

_____ Single room _____ Handicapped-accessible room

_____ Meals only, no room

Special request _____

Send registration form **with check** made payable to:

Charleston Atlantic Presbytery

Attn: Miriam Ortiz

2421 Ashley River Rd.

Charleston, SC 29414

D. DEADLINE/CANCELLATION INFORMATION

Deadline for registering is **March 6**. Full refund for cancellation **prior to March 6**. Loss of \$20 registration for cancellation **after March 6**. Confirmations will be e-mailed or mailed after March 6.

To make inquiries or to cancel, e-mail Janis Blocker, Lay School Registrar at dajaview@lowcountry.com or 843-835-2173.

**Directions to
White Oak Conference Center**

Columbia – Two Ways:

I-77 – Travel North towards Charlotte. Get off at exit 46 (SC 20) and take a left at stop sign. Travel approximately 3 miles and come to stop sign. Go straight for another 5 miles. White Oak Conference Center will be on your right.

Highway 321 – Take 321 By-pass around Winnsboro. Travel North on 321 for approximately 8 miles until you see White Oak community sign. Turn right just beyond this sign. Travel 3/10 mile and turn onto Mobley Hwy. White Oak Conference Center is ½ mile on left.

Rock Hill/Charlotte:

I-77 toward Columbia. Take exit number 48 (Hwy. 200). Turn right onto Hwy. 200. Travel 3.7 miles and turn right onto Mobley Hwy. Travel 5 miles to conference center. White Oak Conference Center will be on your right.

Upstate (Anderson/Greenville/Spartanburg):

Take I-26 East toward Newbery. Get off at exit 74 (SC 34) and take a left at stop sign. Go approximately 35 miles to Winnsboro (US 321). Turn left onto 321 and travel about 6 miles to White Oak. Turn right at sign and continue approximately 3/10 mile and turn right onto Mobley Highway. White Oak Conference Center is ½ mile on left.

Alternate Route from Spartanburg/Union Area: Take Hwy. 9 to Chester. Travel south on Hwy 321 from Chester toward Winnsboro and 18 miles until you see the White Oak community sign. Look for gray-rock church on your right. Turn left immediately after you pass this church. Travel 3/10 mile and turn onto Mobley Hwy. White Oak Conference Center is ½ mile on left.

Charleston:

Travel I-26 to Columbia. Turn North onto I-77 toward Charlotte. Get off at exit 46 (SC 20) and take a left at stop sign. Travel approximately 3 miles and come to stop sign. Go straight for another 5 miles. White Oak Conference Center will be on your right.

Florence/Myrtle Beach Area:

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