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Global University School for Evangelism and Discipleship Catalog

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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Global University!

All of us here at Global are pleased to learn of your interest in advancing your training. We are delighted that you are seeking to prepare yourself for service in God's harvest field. Our catalog provides information concerning who we are, our mission, history, policies, and procedures, as well as our various plans of study. We trust you will identify a program of study to help you prepare for God's call on your life. Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.

A unique aspect of our program is the emphasis on applied learning and ministry through our service learning requirement (SLR). This requirement allows learners to move more rapidly from theory to practical application of what they are learning. In other words, learners benefit from the integration of academic rigor with practical application throughout their studies.

Global University is composed of five schools providing a seamless approach to study, ranging in academic level from certificates (initial evangelism and discipleship courses) through graduate degrees. The five schools are School for Evangelism and Discipleship, Berean School of the Bible (offering adult continuing education courses to equip people for church leadership), School for Ministry Development (offering an Associate of Arts in Church Ministry that fulfills the educational requirements for credentialing with the General Council of the Assemblies of God through the ordained minister level), Undergraduate School of Bible and Theology (offering certificates and diplomas and associate of arts and bachelor of arts degrees), and Graduate School of Theology (offering master of arts, master of divinity, and doctor of ministry degrees). Catalogs for each school are available on our website at www.globaluniversity.edu.

Global University's learners benefit not only from increased knowledge through studying course content but also from spiritual growth and increased discipline. Our instructional design helps them gain skills for a lifetime of learning, service, and ministry. Students and alumni fill positions of ministry as teachers, pastors, and missionaries. Others serve as local, district, and national church leaders. They actively work in both open and sensitive locations, fulfilling God's call on their lives to impact eternity where they are and wherever God leads them.

When studying with Global University, you will not be studying alone. Instead, you will join students studying in literally every time zone of the world. We operate through a worldwide network of more than 230 offices serving 500,000 students. We are committed to equipping people for service in churches, schools, and other ministries. As you study, rest assured our extensive university stands ready to assist you in any way we can.

God bless!



Gary L. Seevers Jr., PhD
President



A LETTER FROM THE PROVOST

Greetings from the International Office of Global University!

I enjoy the rich pleasure of serving as the Chief Academic Officer for the global programs of the university. During my time serving the university, I have come to appreciate both the diversity and the unity that exists within the Global University family. Every context presents unique challenges and brings opportunities to the task of teaching and learning. As I meet our Global students and alumni, I am impressed with their commitment to excellence in ministry in all cultural situations. In these effective ministries and leaders, one sees the intersection of God's call, their commitment, and a Global University education. The results are astounding: people are saved, churches are started, parachurch ministries are established, and bodies are healed. The Lord operates through thousands of men and women who have come through Global University's programs.

Global University allows you to start wherever you are in your own educational journey and pursue a broad range of learning goals. Each of the five schools of Global University provide opportunity for growth as a follower of Christ and as a Christian leader. Do you want foundational instruction as a follower of Christ and a Christian leader in training? The School for Evangelism and Discipleship's Christian Life and Christian Service series of courses would benefit you. Do you want to study Scripture for a ministerial career, a lay leadership role in your church, or your own spiritual enrichment? The Berean School of the Bible's adult continuing education courses and programs will serve you well. If you plan to seek ministerial credentials with the Assemblies of God, take a look at the School for Ministry Development, our newest school. Do you want an accredited undergraduate certificate, diploma, associate of arts degree, or bachelor of arts degree? Check out the programs offered by the Undergraduate School of Bible and Theology. Are you prepared for advanced studies? The Graduate School of Theology offers master of arts degrees, a master of divinity degree, and a doctor of ministry degree. Global is one university with five schools, so you will have a wide range of options from which to choose. Whichever program you select, you can be sure it will integrate faith and learning from a Pentecostal, evangelical perspective.

Our name—Global University—accurately describes us as a worldwide distance-learning school. Our regional accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission assures you of a quality education. As you enter studies with Global University, you join a student body in every time zone and nearly every country of the world. You can study where and when you want at extremely affordable costs. You will have access to faculty through a variety of means, and our online library resources provide the opportunity to investigate a subject as deeply as you wish.

Welcome to the Global University community. We are students, faculty, staff, and administrators who are all involved in "impacting eternity by reaching the lost and training the found—everywhere."

May God's favor be with you,



David L. De Garmo, DMin
Provost



A LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Welcome to Global University's School for Evangelism and Discipleship (SED). SED provides evangelism, discipleship, and church leadership training materials and programs centered around six core themes: Spiritual Formation, The Bible, Theology, The Church, Service, and Christian Ethics.

SED programs are *practical*, *Pentecostal*, and *proven* as many of the courses are being used around the world in over 130 languages.

SED courses and programs are flexibly designed to meet the needs of your local context. Many of these courses are excellent for small group or independent study. Others are designed specifically for children and youth.

The Evangelism program is designed to help people of various backgrounds and worldview learn about Jesus and become His followers. Each year, thousands of people are impacted and report that they have become followers of Jesus through SED evangelism resources.

The Christian Life (CL) program provides a strong foundation of discipleship and spiritual formation. The CL series is a systematic and comprehensive introduction to the Christian life. It is ideal for new believers and those who want to learn more about the foundations of their faith.

The advanced Christian Service (CS) program is ideal for Christian leadership development. The CS series is a systematic and comprehensive program providing church leaders around the world with additional Bible training and practical tools to do the work of the ministry.

The following pages provide much more information regarding all of our evangelism and discipleship materials. I hope you will find it helpful. However, should you have any questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at jozias@globaluniversity.edu.

Thank for your interest in the School for Evangelism and Discipleship!



For the Gospel,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'J. Ozias'.

Jim Ozias

Executive Director, School for Evangelism and Discipleship

GENERAL INFORMATION

Global University (GU) utilizes tools of educational technology to expand the resources of the church. GU courses are applicable for distance-learning instruction, classrooms, learning groups, and individual study. Courses are developed with the help of qualified writers from many nations and distributed around the world in many languages. This contributes to fulfilling GU's motto: "Impacting eternity by winning the lost and training the found—everywhere!"

Mission

Global University is a Christian university in the Pentecostal tradition that:

- integrates education and service through a worldwide network for student support.
- provides access to ministerial training from adult continuing education to the graduate level.
- produces curricular materials in multiple languages.
- serves the local church and Christian community through evangelism, discipleship, and leadership training via nonresidential distributed learning methods.

History

Global University has a distinguished heritage spanning seven decades and encompassing the achievements of two distance-learning institutions: ICI and Berean University.



Global University now has five schools: (1) School for Evangelism and Discipleship, (2) Berean School of the Bible, (3) School for Ministry Development, (4) Undergraduate School of Bible and Theology, and (5) Graduate School of Theology. Students worldwide enroll in all levels of study. Global University works with Assemblies of God World Missions, US Missions, and other divisions of the General Council.

Doctrinal Statement

The doctrinal position of Global University is expressed in the following statement of faith. We believe:

- the Bible is the inspired and only infallible and authoritative written Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16).
- there is only one true God, revealed in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (commonly known as the Trinity) (Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19).
- in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in His personal, future return to this earth in power and glory to rule a thousand years (John 1:1).
- in the Blessed Hope—when Jesus raptures His Church prior to His return to earth (the second coming). At this future moment in time all believers who have died will rise from their graves and will meet the Lord in the air, and Christians who are alive will be caught up with them, to be with the Lord forever (Titus 2:13; 1 Thessalonians 4:17).
- every person can have restored fellowship with God through salvation (trusting Christ, through faith and repentance, to be our personal Savior) (John 14:6).
- regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation (Titus 3:5).
- in water baptism by immersion and Holy Communion (Matthew 28:19).
- divine healing of the sick is a privilege for Christians today and is provided for in Christ's atonement (His sacrificial death on the cross for our sins) (1 Peter 2:24).
- the baptism in the Holy Spirit is a special experience following salvation that empowers believers for witnessing and effective service, just as it did in New Testament times (Acts 2:4).
- sanctification initially occurs at salvation and is not only a declaration that a believer is holy, but also a progressive lifelong process of separating from evil as believers continually draw closer to God and become more Christlike (Galatians 5:16–25).
- in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation (Revelation 20:11–15).

- in the church, which is the body of Christ, and its mission to be the agency of God to evangelize the world, worship God, build the body of Christ, and demonstrate God's love and compassion (Mark 16:15–16; 1 Corinthians 12:13; 1 Corinthians 14:2–3; Psalm 112:9).
- in a divinely called and scripturally ordained ministry for the fourfold mission of leading the church: reaching, planting, training, and serving.

For the complete Assemblies of God Statement of Fundamental truths, visit <http://ag.org/Beliefs/Statement-of-Fundamental-Truths>.

Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy

Global University employs, advances, admits, and treats, both in its employment and its educational programs, all persons without regard to their race, color, national or ethnic origin, gender, age, handicap, or status as a veteran.

Global University International Headquarters

The International Office of Global University is located in Springfield, MO, near the U.S. Assemblies of God National Office.

2024 Calendar

Global University has a year-round open enrollment policy for independent-study students enrolled directly with the International Office. Students studying with other offices should check with their offices for their academic calendars. Global University is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., central time. Phone service is available from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Global University's International Office will be closed for the following holidays unless otherwise noted.

January 1, 2024	New Year's Day (observed)
January 15, 2024	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
March 29, 2024	Good Friday
May 27, 2024	Memorial Day (observed)
July 4 & 5, 2024	Independence Day (observed)
September 2, 2024	Labor Day
November 28 & 29, 2024	Thanksgiving Holiday (observed)
December 23–27, 2024	Christmas Holiday (observed)

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

For more information concerning these schools and programs and the languages in which they are available, contact your enrollment office or the Global University International Office, or visit our website at www.globaluniversity.edu. Global University reserves the right to revise all announcements in this catalog and to make reasonable substitutions or changes in requirements in order to improve academic programs.

Nondegree Programs

School for Evangelism and Discipleship

The School for Evangelism and Discipleship offers evangelism and discipleship training programs that are biblically proven, Pentecostal, and practical. Evangelism courses are designed to introduce people to the person and life of Jesus Christ. Discipleship programs are designed to help new believers follow Jesus according to a solid biblical foundation. Also offered is a deeper level of discipleship which trains Christian leaders to serve in their homes, churches, and communities. Many of the courses are available in over 130 languages.

Berean School of the Bible

Berean School of the Bible offers adult continuing education programs. The courses within the Ministerial Studies diploma program satisfy educational requirements for Assemblies of God ministerial credentials as approved by the Assemblies of God, USA, and provide enrichment learning for lay leaders. **Ministerial credentials are not issued by Global University.** Ministerial credentials are issued by the General

Council Credentials Committee upon recommendation of the appropriate district.

Degree Programs

School for Ministry Development

The School for Ministry Development has a twofold purpose: To provide the church with Christian leaders that possess an adequate foundational preparation to begin a lifetime of service, and to provide improved access to affordable Pentecostal leadership training through an entirely online educational experience, culminating in a college degree.

Undergraduate School of Bible and Theology

Undergraduate School of Bible and Theology programs are designed for ministers, ministerial students, and laypersons who desire a biblical education. Degree programs are open to all with a high school diploma or its equivalent. Advanced academic placement through transfer of credit is possible for those with previous undergraduate training.

Graduate School of Theology

The Graduate School of Theology provides advanced, in-depth, specialized study of the Bible and related subjects. Its purpose is to equip students for individual research, personal scholarship, and practical application. Postbaccalaureate degrees and certificates are offered through an individually structured, distance-learning format using mentors and printed and digital materials to guide students in study and research.

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Academic Affairs Committee

The Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) is composed of the provost, the vice provosts, the executive vice president, the vice president for International Network Services, the deans of the schools, and other key leaders in the Academic Affairs Division.

The AAC serves as the chief academic policy-making body of the university; as such, it constitutes the final locus of dialogue in the formation of policies, procedures, and guidelines that relate to the Academic Affairs Division.

Regional Coordinators and Network Representatives

Global University operates worldwide through a network of regional offices that assist network offices. Regional coordinators and Network representatives promote, supervise, and coordinate the work of the university within designated areas assigned by the Global University Board of Administration. They, along with the network office staff, encourage students to pursue and achieve academic excellence.

The Global University Board of Administration and the regional coordinators form the Global Leadership Council. This

council, with the assistance of the International Office staff, meets biennially to review past achievements and develop procedures, goals, and strategies to promote continued improvement and growth.

University Faculty

Individuals who serve Global University as faculty are included in the following two categories:

Resident Faculty

Global University resident faculty are those academically qualified individuals serving at the International Office whose activities consist primarily of writing, developing, and facilitating courses.

Adjunct Faculty

Adjunct faculty are academically qualified individuals throughout the Global University network who periodically write, facilitate, and evaluate Global University courses in field settings or serve as tutors for students studying independently with the university. Many hold doctorates in their fields, and all hold at least a master's degree. Those who serve as faculty for the Graduate School of Theology hold an earned doctoral or other terminal degree.

ACCREDITATION AND ENDORSEMENTS

Accreditation

Global University is accredited by the **Higher Learning Commission**. Contact: The Higher Learning Commission, 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500; Chicago, Illinois 60604-1411; Telephone: 800.621.7440 and 312.263.0456; Fax: 312.263.7462; Email: info@hlcommission.org; Website: <http://hlcommission.org>.

Global University is approved by the **State of Missouri** to participate in the **National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements** (NC-SARA). NC-SARA is a voluntary, regional approach to state oversight of postsecondary distance education. Website: <http://nc-sara.org>.

Association for Biblical Higher Education Commission on Accreditation

Global University holds applicant status with the Association for Biblical Higher Education Commission on Accreditation (5850 T. G. Lee Blvd., Ste. 130, Orlando, FL 32822, 407-207-0808). Applicant status is a pre-membership status granted to those institutions that meet the ABHE Conditions of Eligibility and that possess such qualities as may provide a basis for achieving candidate status within five years.

State Certification

The university is incorporated in the **State of Missouri** and is authorized to operate as an independent, exempt university by the **Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education**. Website: <https://dhewd.mo.gov/public-and-independent-colleges.php>

Memberships

Global University is a member of the Alliance for Assemblies of God Higher Education (AAGHE), the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), the Asia/Pacific Theological Association (APTA), the Association for Pentecostal Theological Education in Africa (APTEA), and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

Educational Benefits

The independent-study undergraduate and graduate courses of Global University have been approved for educational benefit payments by the US Department of Veterans Affairs.

PURPOSE

The School for Evangelism and Discipleship (SED) provides training on how to follow Jesus and become a disciple-maker. The training is systematic and comprehensive. Each course is biblically proven, Pentecostal, and practical.

STUDY GROUPS

If individual study is not your preference, SED courses and programs are well suited for use in study groups where students may study the material together with the help of a local facilitator. Studying in a group provides immediate contextual application of concepts, as well as group discussion, motivation, accountability, and affirmation. A study group can provide students with helpful resources and testing instruments for content mastery. To learn more about establishing a study group, visit the study group page at: www.globaluniversity.edu. You may also email us at studygroups@globaluniversity.edu or call us at 1-800-443-1083.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

The School for Evangelism and Discipleship does not award college credit equivalents. Instead, SED courses can provide students with Continuing Education Units (CEU). Students officially enrolled with the Global University International Office may login to their student account to print a subject list. They may also obtain a paper copy signed by the registrar by emailing requests to registrar@globaluniversity.edu for further instructions.

EVANGELISM

Proclaiming and introducing Jesus Christ to people all over the world is of primary importance to SED. Each year, thousands of people decide to follow Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior in part through a careful study of SED evangelism courses.

E0100 The Great Questions of Life

Why were you born? How do you find happiness? Is this world all there is to life? Answers to these questions and more can be found in *The Great Questions of Life*, our most widely distributed course.

E0200 Highlights in the Life of Christ

Follow the life and ministry of Jesus from His birth to His resurrection. This course leads you on a journey through the Scriptures, emphasizing key points and events of Christ's life.

E0400 Challenge to Encounter

How can I know anything for sure? Can a person reject Jesus Christ without considering His claims? Is there a God? This apologetic was written to engage university students by providing a basis for an intelligent encounter with Jesus Christ.

E0500 We Hear from the Prophets

We Hear from the Prophets examines the lives of eight prophets. This course can help students know how to submit to God, and has been used to reach people of varying beliefs.

WORLDVIEW SERIES

The Worldview Series offers a critical analyses of commonly held worldviews, and offers evidence of the truth of Christian faith.

E1001 Is Jesus God?

This course offers a powerful, rational explanation of the uniqueness of Jesus, and how through Him, a person can find a relationship with the true and living God. This study provides atheists and agnostics with evidence of Jesus' divinity, and answers the questions *is Jesus God* and *how can I know him?*

E1005 I Am God

A dangerous, Christ-less spirituality is trending in western societies. Without knowing, many people are influenced by

this New Age worldview. This course offers a critical study of the basic tenets of New Age spirituality, and can help answer questions about life's toughest problems.

E1008 Absolutes or Not

Can you be certain that what you know is true? Can you really know the truth? *Absolutes or Not* offers answers to questions like these which are common to a Postmodern worldview. This course will help you discover faith and assurance in a culture of pluralism and tolerance.

DISCIPLESHIP

The School for Evangelism and Discipleship includes two basic discipleship programs: the Christian Life Series and the 21st Century Discipleship Series. These programs are designed to provide a solid biblical foundation on which a new believer can begin the exciting adventure of following Jesus.

21st Century Discipleship Series

The 21st Century Discipleship Series is best used as a supplement to the Christian Life Series. Lessons can be chosen to enhance any discipleship study. All lessons are Bible-based and practical, and will introduce key biblical truths needed for the spiritual growth of new believers. Lessons contain a number of suggested Scripture verses to memorize. Every lesson concludes with a self-test. The lessons will bless new Christians with the joy of following Jesus.

DA2101 Book One—Getting Started

How do you begin to take the first step as a Christian? Starting right is a key step to success in the new believer's journey of faith. Capitalizing on the joy and excitement of being born again, this volume leads the new believer into a deeper relationship with the Lord. Lessons in this course are:

1. Your First Steps as a Christian
2. The Journey of Discipleship
3. How to Get the Most out of Bible Study
4. Nurturing a Passion for Prayer
5. Developing and Using Your Faith
6. Your New Spiritual Home, the Church
7. The Heart of Worship
8. Getting to Know the Holy Spirit
9. The Baptism in the Holy Spirit
10. Becoming More Like Jesus: Sanctification
11. How to Deal with Temptation
12. The Fruit of the Spirit
13. Beating Fear and Anxiety

DA2102 Book Two—Facing Issues

Being a follower of Christ is an adventurous journey of spiritual growth. This book covers thirteen common topics of basic Christian living. Topics covered include discovering God's will, financial stewardship, how to handle failure, and several more.

Lessons in this course are:

1. Overcoming Anger
2. Forgiveness
3. Building Better Relationships
4. Perseverance
5. Receiving God's Correction
6. How to Handle Failure
7. Gifts of the Holy Spirit
8. Your Money
9. Why Does God Permit Suffering?
10. How to Discover God's Will
11. Understanding Spiritual Authority
12. Finding Your Place in Ministry
13. Striving for Excellence

DA2103 Book Three—Making a Difference

Every follower of Christ has influence. From developing a ministerial vision to using your abilities and talents for Him, there is importance in what you do. This course encourages and prepares Christians to be leaders and to serve Christ in new ways. Lessons in this course are:

1. Developing Vision
2. Christ-Centered Goals
3. The Mission of Evangelism
4. A Teachable Attitude
5. Servanthood in the Local Church and Beyond
6. Making the Most of Your Time
7. Your Abilities and Talents
8. Developing Leadership Ability
9. The Importance of Teamwork
10. Building Unity in the Local Church
11. Handling Conflict
12. Improving Your Attitude
13. Overcoming Obstacles

Christian Life Series

Jesus said “everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock” (Matthew 7:24–25). The Christian Life Series is designed to give new believers a solid biblical foundation upon which to begin their life as a Christ follower. The courses will help students grow in their relationship with Christ, interact with the Word of God, and better understand God’s purposes for their lives. The series consists of 18 courses centered around six themes: Spiritual Life, The Bible, Theology, The Church, Service, and Christian Ethics. Officially enrolled students who complete all 18 courses including the final examinations may be eligible to receive a Christian Life Certificate.

Unit One

CL1110 Book 1: Your New Life (Spiritual Life)

Jesus Christ is the giver of life. He helps us as we begin walking through this journey of discovery. This course explains how the Christian life is a wonderful, rich, and joyful walk with God that never ends and gives you new freedom through Him.

Lessons in this course are:

1. You Have Begun a New Life
2. You Are Learning to Walk
3. Your Father Is Speaking to You
4. Do You Want to Grow?
5. New Life, New Activities
6. Your New Standards
7. You Have a Helper
8. Your Life Is a Light
9. How to Have a Happy Home
10. Your New Freedom

CL2120 Book 2: Your Bible (The Bible)

King David wrote, “Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path” (Psalm 119:105). This course teaches students the benefits of how to study the Bible, and gives insight into the way God views human circumstances. Lessons in this course are:

1. Benefits of Bible Study
2. The Book God Has Given Us
3. Searching the Bible
4. The Books of the Old Testament
5. The Books of the New Testament
6. How We Know the Bible Is the Word of God

CL3130 Book 3: Who Jesus Is (Theology)

Who is Jesus? We hear he is the Son of God, the Light of the World, and the Promised Messiah, but what does this really mean? This course paints a vivid picture of the life of Jesus beginning with his birth and continuing to the prophecies about His Second Coming. Lessons in this course are:

1. Finding Out about Jesus
2. Jesus, the Promised Messiah
3. Jesus, the Son of God
4. Jesus, the Son of Man
5. Jesus, the Word
6. Jesus, the Light of the World
7. Jesus, the Healer and Baptizer
8. Jesus, the Savior
9. Jesus, the Resurrection and Life
10. Jesus Christ, the Lord

CL4140 Book 4: The Church (The Church)

Where did the church begin, and where is it headed? This course helps believers understand their place in the church and how to fulfill their potential as an indispensable part of the body of Christ. Lessons in this course are:

1. God’s Plan for the Church
2. The History of the Church
3. What the Church Is
4. Being Part of God’s Church
5. The Church Body
6. What the Church Does for Itself
7. The Church’s Impact on the World
8. What the Church Does for God

CL5150 Book 5: Personal Evangelism (Service)

Jesus brought the Good News to people and wants His followers to do likewise. This course helps the reader understand the true nature of evangelism by sharing experiences with others and overcoming barriers. Applying the principles in this course will enable believers to share Christ with others in a more convincing, powerful, and positive way.

Lessons in this course are:

1. Follow the Pattern
2. Be Prepared
3. Get Involved
4. Share Your Experience
5. Understand the Task
6. Overcome the Barriers
7. Consider Your Approach
8. Expect Rewards

CL6160 Book 6: Bible Ethics (Christian Ethics)

On a daily basis, Christians often focus on worldly things rather than pursuing righteous living. God has given us a pattern and rules to follow to live righteously. This course clarifies the reasons behind the rules that God ordained to help believers enjoy serving God. Lessons in this course are:

1. God Made You What You Are
2. God Is the Pattern for Our Lives
3. What God Wants You to Be and Do
4. God Gives You Rules for Living
5. God Gives You Standards for Living
6. God Wants You to Care for Yourself
7. God Wants You to Care for the Church
8. God Sent You to Care for the World

Unit Two

CL1210 Book 7: When You Pray (Spiritual Life)

God created people with a desire to seek Him. People need wisdom, protection, and provision. Prayer enables them to reach out to God for help. This course teaches how to pray and commune with God. Lessons in this course are:

1. Think about God When You Pray
2. Come to God the Right Way
3. Listen to God When You Pray
4. Use God's Word When You Pray
5. Think about Others When You Pray
6. Join with Others When You Pray
7. Let the Holy Spirit Help You

CL2220 Book 8: How to Study the Bible (The Bible)

As Christians engage in God's plan for their lives, they are responsible both to conform their lives and character to Christ's image, and to share Christ's love with others. The Holy Spirit reveals God's mind through Bible study. This book gives insight for how to have an organized study of the Bible.

Lessons in this course are:

1. Reasons for Bible Study
2. Basic Information about the Bible
3. The Bible as Literature
4. Preparation for Bible Study
5. Individual Book Study
6. Topical Study
7. Character Study
8. Devotional Study

CL3230 Book 9: Your Helpful Friend (Theology)

This course introduces us to our special friend, the Holy Spirit. In the hardest times, the Holy Spirit gives us life and direction. The Holy Spirit fills us and gives us power as well. Lessons in this course are:

1. You Have a Friend—the Holy Spirit
2. The Holy Spirit Gives Life
3. The Holy Spirit Helps You Pray
4. The Holy Spirit Leads You
5. The Holy Spirit Gives Power
6. The Holy Spirit Fills You

CL4240 Book 10: Christian Worship (The Church)

God longs to have fellowship and communion with humankind. As people grow in their Christian life, their true desire to worship the Lord grows. This course illustrates the need for and benefit of worship, and gives guidelines that will be beneficial for group worship. Lessons in this course are:

1. Worship—A Spiritual Gem
2. Only God Is Worthy
3. Worship in Prayer
4. Worship in Service
5. Worship in Music
6. Guidelines to Worship
7. Practicing Worship
8. Worship: Now and Forever

CL5250 Book 11: Christian Workers (Service)

God has gifted every Christian for service in the body of Christ. This course gives practical suggestions for developing gifts for service in the church and relates how God organized the church and carefully places each member in the body of Christ. Lessons in this course are:

1. God's Family of Workers
2. Workers in the First Church
3. God's Design for Workers
4. You Can Be a Worker
5. Being a Worker
6. Teamwork
7. Working in Love
8. Working with Leaders
9. Finishing with Joy

CL6260 Book 12: Marriage and the Home (Christian Ethics)

God established marriage, and the family is the building block of society. This course helps family members appreciate each other more by teaching the basic principles of proper relationships in the home through the teachings of the Bible. Lessons in this course are:

1. What Marriage Is
2. Before Marriage
3. Choosing a Companion
4. Engagement and Wedding
5. Establishing a Home
6. Duties of a Husband
7. Duties of a Wife
8. Duties of Children
9. Duties of Parents

Unit Three

CL1310 Book 13: God's Design—Your Choice (Spiritual Life)

Choices impact our lives. Have you thought about them? Consider the following three principles: 1) We become what we think. 2) We become what we believe. 3) We become what we decide. These three timeless principles are active in our lives from the moment we understand right and wrong. God has a plan for your life, but it depends on the choice you make. God's Design—Your Choice presents God's options and how you can incorporate them in daily living. Lessons in this course are:

1. Does God Really Have a Design?
2. Will God Tell Me What to Do Next?
3. Does God Expect Too Much?
4. Am I Missing God's Design?
5. Is Being a Christian Enough?
6. How Can God Speak to Me?
7. Did Jesus Know God's Design?
8. How Do I Approach the Future?

CL2320 Book 14: John's Gospel (The Bible)

This course follows the pattern of John's Gospel, centering on Jesus and details of His life, teaching, and claims that are not found in the other Gospels. The author conducts a chapter-by-chapter study of the vivid description of Christ given by the disciple John, His closest associate during His years of ministry. Lessons in this course are:

1. John 1
2. John 2–4
3. John 5–7
4. John 8
5. John 9–10
6. John 11
7. John 12–13
8. John 14–15
9. John 16–17
10. John 18–19
11. John 20–21

CL3330 Book 15: We Believe (Theology)

This course discusses the sixteen most important truths in the Bible about sin, salvation, the Holy Spirit, and the future, explaining their significance for today. Lessons in this course are:

1. The Bible
2. God
3. Man and Sin
4. Jesus Christ
5. Salvation
6. The Holy Spirit
7. The Church
8. The Spirit World
9. The Future
10. The Law of God
11. Relating to God and to Others
12. The Christian Life
13. The Spirit-Filled Life

CL4340 Book 16: What Churches Do (The Church)

What is the purpose of the church? What does it mean to be baptized? Why should a believer take communion? This course answers frequently asked questions about the church.

Lessons in this course are:

1. Churches Worship God
2. Churches Submit to the Holy Spirit
3. Churches Preach the Word
4. Churches Teach the Truth
5. Churches Baptize Believers
6. Churches Remember the Lord's Death
7. Churches Provide Fellowship
8. Churches Celebrate
9. Churches Grow
10. Churches Serve People

CL5350 Book 17: The Teaching Ministry (Service)

What is the importance of Christian teaching? Jesus commissioned His followers to make disciples of all nations, teaching them to obey Him (Matthew 28:19–20). This is the mandate of the church. This course illustrates how to have a productive and rewarding teaching ministry. Lessons in this course are:

1. Teaching Is Ministry
2. The Importance of Christian Teaching
3. Christian Teaching Is Special
4. Everyone Needs Teaching
5. Everyone Can Teach
6. The Parent Teacher
7. The Need for a Message
8. The Need for Methods
9. Jesus' Methods

CL6360 Book 18: The Christian in the Community (Christian Ethics)

Jesus Christ profoundly changes people who accept Him as their personal Savior, but what is the next step? Being part of the church community is important in our Christian walk. This course teaches that the Christian community is best seen through the spirit of love Christians demonstrate toward one another. Lessons in this course are:

1. The Idea of Community
2. The Christian's Community
3. Growing in Community
4. Standing in Community
5. Building in Community
6. Learning from Jesus
7. Shining in Your Community
8. Belonging in the Church Community
9. Contributing to Your Community
10. Continuing in Community

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Christian Service Series

The Apostle Paul states “All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work” (2 Timothy 3:16-17). The Christian Service Series is designed to provide Christian workers/leaders of all nations and cultures with additional Bible training and practical tools needed to do the work of the ministry. The series includes 18 courses centered around six themes: Spiritual Life, The Bible, Theology, The Church, Service, Christian Ethics. Students can earn a Christian Service Diploma by fully completing all 18 courses including each final examination.

Unit One

CS1111 Book 1: Christian Maturity (Spiritual Life)

Christian maturity should be every believer’s goal. That is what our Lord desires from us. This book teaches that although believers cannot become completely like Christ, they are to reach for “the whole measure of the fullness of Christ” (Ephesians 4:13). Lessons in this course are:

1. Godly Desires for Growth
2. Jesus Christ: An Illustration of Growth
3. Further Illustrations of Growth
4. Hindrance and Help to Christian Growth
5. Motivations Toward Growth
6. Elements That Build Christian Maturity
7. Foundational Truths and Beyond
8. Evidence of Christian Character
9. Evidence of Useful Ministry
10. Evidence of Spiritual Transformation

CS2121 Book 2: Kingdom, Power, and Glory (The Bible)

This survey of the New Testament studies how God speaks authoritatively to the church and the world today, just as He did in the New Testament and throughout history. The new agreement God made with humanity through His Son, Jesus Christ, is the subject of this course. Find a fuller understanding of New Testament truths and the reliable manner in which they were transmitted. Lessons in this course are:

1. The New Testament and Its World
2. Jesus and the Gospels
3. Matthew and Mark
4. Luke and John
5. The Church Is Established
6. The Church Reaches Out
7. The Church Continues to Grow
8. The Church Finds Solutions
9. The Church in Conflict and Anticipation
10. We Rely on the New Testament

CS3131 Book 3: Cornerstones of Truth (Theology)

One important way to study the Bible is to find all the teachings relating to a certain topic. This course presents a systematic topical study of Scripture, covering topics like God’s nature, Christ, the Holy Spirit, angels, and humankind as God’s creation. Lessons in this course are:

1. God: His Nature and Natural Characteristics
2. God: His Moral Characteristics and Works
3. Christ: Visible Expression of the Invisible God
4. The Holy Spirit: A Wise Administrator
5. Angels: Armies of Darkness, Armies of Light
6. Humankind: Subjects of the Creator
7. Sin and Salvation: Problem and Solution
8. The Scriptures: God’s Written Revelation
9. The Church: The Community of God’s People
10. The Future: Revelation, Reward, and Rest

CS4141 Book 4: The Christian Church in Ministry (The Church)

Jesus passed on to His church the ministry of reaching the world with the message of salvation. This course teaches that the Great Commission given by Christ is the church’s authority to act for God. Christ did not leave the church to carry on the work alone, however, for He sent the Holy Spirit to work in and through every believer to fulfill God’s redemptive plan.

Lessons in this course are:

1. A Universal Problem
2. A Universal Plan
3. A Universal Church
4. A History of Acting for God
5. Ministering to God
6. Ministering to One Another
7. Ministering to the World
8. The Person in Ministry
9. The Act of Ministry
10. The Results of Ministry

CS5151 Book 5: Spiritual Gifts (Service)

Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 12:1, “About the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed.” This book teaches about spiritual gifts, which are crucial to the body of Christ and help believers become a greater blessing to the church and be more effective in spreading the gospel.

Lessons in this course are:

1. God Has Gifts for You
2. God Wants You to Know about His Gifts
3. Apostles and Prophets
4. Evangelists and Pastor-Teachers
5. Gifts of Ministering, Teaching, and Exhorting
6. Gifts of Giving, Ruling, Mercy, and Helping
7. Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, Faith
8. Healing, Working of Miracles, and Prophecy
9. Discerning of Spirits, Tongues, Interpretation

CS6161 Book 6: Solving Life’s Problems (Christian Ethics)

The Bible gives guidelines for finding solutions for many of life’s problems, including problems with family, our social relationships, and overcoming depression. This course outlines some principles for problem-solving that can be very useful for Christian leaders and helps the reader turn problems into victories. Lessons in this course are:

1. The Source of Problems
2. Finding Solutions—A Christian Approach
3. Christian Principles of Problem-Solving
4. Problems in Social Relationships
5. Family Problems
6. Problems of a Single Life
7. Sexuality in God’s Design
8. Overcoming Depression
9. Suffering and Death
10. Maintaining Hope

Unit Two

CS1211 Book 7: Prayer and Worship (Spiritual Life)

Worship includes praise and service to God. The prayer Jesus taught His disciples reveals that prayer and worship must be a part of daily living. This book describes how prayer and worship are connected, and how to live to please God and fulfill His purposes. Lessons in this course are:

1. Praying to Whom?
2. A Family Relationship
3. A Kingdom Citizenship
4. A King to Be Worshiped
5. A Kingdom to Be Sought
6. A Plan to Be Followed
7. Support Needs Supplied
8. Social Needs Satisfied
9. Sanctity Needs Fulfilled
10. Security Needs Provided

CS2221 Book 8: Tents, Temples, and Palaces (The Bible)

This survey of the Old Testament begins with Creation, continues through the judgment of the Flood, then follows the theme of God’s chosen people. This book covers the Old Testament account of God’s dealing with the people He chose to use to bless the world. Lessons in this course are:

1. God’s Ways and God’s Words
2. History of the Human Race
3. History of the Chosen People
4. History of Faith and Worship
5. A Home for the People of God
6. A Kingdom United
7. Writings of a Kingdom Age
8. A Kingdom Divided
9. Judgment and Captivity
10. Return and Restoration

CS3231 Book 9: Alive in Christ (Theology)

All of humanity’s spiritual needs are met by the redemption Christ provided on the cross. This course explains how salvation includes not only forgiveness of past sins and deliverance from sin’s power in the present, but also protection against depredations that could result from sins in the future. Lessons in this course are:

1. Salvation Prepared
2. Repentance
3. Humanity Trusts in God: Faith
4. Humanity Turns to God: Conversion
5. God’s Will in Salvation
6. Regeneration
7. Justification
8. A New Family: Adoption
9. Sanctification
10. Glorification

CS4241 Book 10: Starting New Churches (The Church)

Ever since the Day of Pentecost, Christ’s followers have been planting churches all over the world. This course shows us the value of having the Holy Spirit’s direction in planning strategies for the founding of new churches. The Bible gives the principles and purposes that guide church-planting in every culture and people group. Lessons in this course are:

1. Churches in the New Testament
2. Churches and Their Mission
3. Churches That Govern Themselves
4. Churches That Start New Churches
5. Churches That Support Themselves
6. Churches Train Leaders
7. Practical Advice on Church Planting
8. A Plan for Multiplication

CS5251 Book 11: Preaching and Teaching (Service)

Preaching and teaching have developed distinctive characteristics throughout church history. This course demonstrates how to communicate God's message effectively through preaching and teaching and helps prepare the reader to preach or teach in the best manner for evangelism and spiritual development. Lessons in this course are:

1. You and the Ministry
2. Prepare Yourself
3. Prepare the Material
4. The Meaning of Preaching
5. The Message of Preaching
6. The Method of Preaching
7. The Meaning of Teaching
8. The Heart of Teaching
9. The Method of Teaching
10. A Balanced Ministry

CS6261 Book 12: People, Tasks, and Goals (Christian Ethics)

Knowledge often comes through patterns and principles. This course analyzes leadership from both perspectives and looks at several of God's chosen leaders. Students are given the opportunity to consider familiar biographical studies of the Bible in a new context using the theme of leadership. Lessons in this course are:

1. People Who Lead and Follow
2. Leaders Appreciate People
3. Leaders Grow and Help Others Grow
4. Leaders Plan and Organize
5. Leaders Communicate
6. Leaders Solve Problems and Make Decisions
7. Leaders Accept Responsibility
8. Leaders Work Toward Objectives
9. Leaders Are Motivated and Motivate Others

Unit Three

CS1311 Book 13: The Responsible Christian (Spiritual Life)

Every believer wants to hear God say, "Well done, good and faithful servant! . . . Come and share your master's happiness!" (Matthew 25:23). This course shows us how to become faithful stewards and teaches how to manage and invest what God has entrusted to every believer. Lessons in this course are:

1. God—The Owner of Everything
2. Humanity—God's Stewards
3. Managing Our Lives
4. Developing Our Personalities
5. Caring for Our Bodies
6. Employing Our Personal Assets
7. Our Money and Possessions
8. Our Homes
9. Our Church
10. Our Community

CS2321 Book 14: Understanding the Bible (The Bible)

Careful, methodical study of the Bible leads to a greater understanding of the Word in context. This course introduces principles, terminology, means of interpretation, and resources essential to effective Bible study. Students will study the book of Habakkuk through composition, synthesis, and application. Biographical, topical, and devotional methods of study are also critiqued. Lessons in this course are:

1. Opening the Bible
2. Approaches to Bible Study
3. Basic Principles of Interpretation
4. Figurative Language in Interpretation
5. Composition—Knowing the Parts
6. Synthesis—Putting the Parts Together
7. Application—Studying by the Book Method
8. Biographical Method of Study
9. Topical Method of Study
10. Devotional Method of Study

CS3331 Book 15: Counselor, Teacher, and Guide (Theology)

Near the end of Jesus' ministry on earth, He told His disciples the time was coming when He would not be with them. He said, "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth" (John 14:16–17). He was speaking of the Holy Spirit. This course describes how the Holy Spirit helps believers fulfill their mission. Lessons in this course are:

1. A Complete Person
2. A Divine Person
3. A Helping Person
4. The Spirit in Creation
5. The Spirit Who Communicates
6. The Spirit Who Regenerates
7. The Spirit Who Empowers
8. Worship in the Spirit
9. Spiritual Gifts
10. Spiritual Fruit

CS4341 Book 16: Helping Christians Grow (The Church)

Christian nurturing is important to the church's ministry and necessary for the growth and maturation of new believers. This course encourages and instructs those who would like to help develop spiritual maturity in others, emphasizing the interdependence that should exist in the Christian community. Lessons in this course are:

1. Alive and Growing
2. Toward Maturity
3. Helping Christians Grow
4. Discovering and Doing
5. Developing and Learning
6. Like Teacher, Like Learner
7. Guiding the Learning Experience
8. Growing in Families
9. Growing in Sharing Groups
10. Growing in Churches

CS5351 Book 17: Sharing the Good News (Service)

There is not greater sense of fulfillment than sharing the gospel with someone and seeing their life transform as they yield themselves to Jesus. This book will teach you how to use essential Scripture passages as well as how to lean on the work of the Holy Spirit in order to effectively present the gospel message and lead someone to a decision to follow Christ. Lessons in this course are:

1. Why Evangelize?
2. You Can Evangelize!
3. Work Together to Share the Good News
4. Understand the Conversion Experience
5. Rely on the Holy Spirit
6. Depend on God's Word
7. Approach the Unconverted
8. Explain the Way of Salvation
9. Bring to a Decision
10. Disciple New Converts

CS6361 Book 18: Abundant Living (Christian Ethics)

This course emphasizes the development of desirable qualities such as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control and their benefits in the Christian's relationships and service. Godly character does not happen by accident; it is developed as the Holy Spirit produces His fruit in the Christian believer. The author offers a practical study from Galatians 5 and other related Scripture passages. Lessons in this course are:

1. Christian Character
2. Love: The Choice Fruit
3. Joy: The Fruit of Grace
4. Peace: The Fruit of Trust
5. Patience: The Fruit of Perseverance
6. Kindness and Goodness: The Twin Fruit
7. Faithfulness: The Fruit of Belief
8. Gentleness: The Fruit of Submission
9. Self-Control: The Fruit of Discipline
10. Fruit-Bearing

CHILDREN'S EVANGELISM AND DISCIPLESHIP

The School for Evangelism and Discipleship currently offers the following items designed specifically for outreach to children.

E0110 Searching for Clues

The world is full of mysteries, but we have The Bible to help us to solve them! Follow Detectives Justice and Hope as they uncover the answers to life's most important questions. Youth will discover who God is, why His Son Jesus came to save them, what life is all about, what happens when someone dies, and much more!

E0600 God Loves You

Study along with children in many countries, learning about great people who lived long ago. God loved them and did many wonderful things for them. Learn more about who God is and see how God loves you too.

LY1110 The Treasure Hidden in the Treasure

When you asked Jesus to be your Lord and Savior, something wonderful happened. You began a new life! Continue the journey with Detectives Justice and Hope as they help students learn how to live their new life according to God's principles and discover the Treasure Hidden in the Treasure.

Illustrated Bible Stories

This full-color comic book series tells the stories of Bible heroes. *Esther*, *David*, *Gideon*, and *The Christmas Story* appeal to many cultures and are enjoyed by all ages. Each book ends with an invitation to accept Jesus as Savior.

Global Kids

DK1301 Adventures of the Kingdom Jewels

Discover hidden messages and treasures of the Kingdom of God! The King gives His children many promises in His Word. This book will help you discover what real riches are, and where they come from.

Children's Bible Curriculum

The Children's Bible Curriculum shares the fundamentals of faith from a Spirit-filled perspective, and parallels the topics found in the Christian Life Series (spiritual life, the Bible, theology, the church, service, and Christian ethics). Children have the opportunity to hear the gospel and grow in their faith. The curriculum is tuned to children's unique developmental needs and abilities. Instructor's Guides offer lesson plans complete with visuals, activity suggestions, and memory verses for every lesson. Student workbooks are filled with pencil pages that capture the interest of children while helping them retain biblical truths.

BK123E Kindergarten

Following God is a Bible curriculum designed for 4- and 5-year-olds. Each level consists of a Study Guide comprised of three units filled with age-appropriate activities to reinforce each lesson, and an Instructor's Guide, which provides lesson plans and art activities to make learning fun.

KG-1

God's Creation takes children through the seven days of creation.

KG-2

God's Love shares God's love, protection, ability to hear prayers, and desire for a personal relationship with His children.

KG-3

God's Help introduces how God helps children pray, obey, share, and more.

B1123E Book 1

Children enjoy an obstacle course, imaginary journey, shadow play, taste tests, paper curling, drama, and other activities.

Who God Is shows God's plan for salvation and helps children get to know their heavenly Father.

The Bible: An Exciting Book explores the Bible through objects such as a tower, a burning bush, and a sling.

Jesus Gives New Life shares about Jesus' life, His presence in children's lives, and His future role.

B2123E Book 2

Children are drawn into the Word of God with hands-on activities, including Bible markers, mazes, creative dramas, clays, maps, sandboxes, family scrapbooks, and gift chains.

The Church provides a foundational look at baptism, communion, teaching, and other functions of the church.

Sharing God's Love encourages students to show love through sharing, forgiving, giving, witnessing, and other methods.

The Family shares God's design for children's earthly and spiritual families.

B3123E Book 3

Mid-elementary children are nurtured with map activities, prayer charts, craft projects, worry boxes, memory contests, posters, object lessons, beanbag games, and other activities.

Devotional Life encourages prayer, worship, Bible reading, and other facets of personal devotions.

Mark's Gospel, Bible Skills offers an overview of Bible books and focuses on Jesus' parables, miracles, final days, and other highlights in Mark's Gospel.

The Holy Spirit introduces the many ways the Holy Spirit ministers in believers' lives.

B4123E Book 4

Creative activities include life-size tic-tac-toe, memory-with-motion, time lines, Bible maps, and guided self-application.

God's People provides an Old and New Testament study of God's chosen people, the early church, and believers today.

My Witness introduces people who were bold witnesses throughout Scripture and encourages students to share their own faith.

My Questions explores why people die, how God answers prayer, and other questions Christians ask.

B5123E Book 5

Children are taught through murals, flag-and-tag ball, memory motions, pantomime, group discussions, visual reviews, prayer journals, and other activities.

God's Plan for Me begins with salvation and explores being filled with the Spirit, joy, knowing God's will, and other disciple-building topics.

Ephesians, An Epistle includes a brief New Testament survey and highlights thanksgiving and prayer, the body of Christ, children and parents, and other important topics.

Last Things provides a supernatural study that examines heaven, angels, spiritual warfare and armor, and end-time events.

B6123E Book 6

Activities are used to build interest in the truths of Scripture, such as collages, role-play, Scripture searches, memory verse relays, outside sources, photo memories, and timelines.

The Church: Origin and Destiny explores the early church from its beginning, through persecution and expansion, to its final role in the last days.

Ministry and Missions shares the salvation message and encourages personal ministry.

A Life of Faith examines holiness, repentance, healing, miracles, and other topics.