

2023 Course Offering

First Period

Godward in Our Music and Worship -Benjamin Good, Hephzibah, GA
What makes music so powerful, and controversial? Where did music come from, and what is its purpose? Should the same music be used both in personal life and corporate worship? How does music influence the listener? Can music choices be discerned in an objective way? Is music a spiritual discipline or an art form? Take heart!—God reveals direction for us through His creation, His Word, and history

The Holy Spirit’s Role in Ministry & Missions -Raymond Burkholder, Thailand/Akron, PA
This class will consider Jesus’ teaching on the Holy Spirit and the advent of the Holy Spirit as recorded in the book of Acts. As the Holy Spirit was poured out on ordinary, ignorant, and unlearned men they were empowered for ministry. Amazing things happened. We will also be considering spiritual gifts, trying the spirits, and many first hand ministry experiences.

Second Period

Rooted and Grounded in the Word -Frank Reed, Manheim, PA
With so many voices and information overload, how do we know what's what? More than ever before we must be molded by the words of Christ for they are spirit and they are life (Jn. 6:63). Whatever the situation, we must start with the Word and we must return to the Word. As we discover the heart of the Father as exemplified in Christ and revealed by the Holy Spirit, we can build on a firm foundation as we incorporate the principles of the Word into our lives and ministry (I Co. 3:11).

Ministry and Mission in the Acts of the Apostles -Steven Overholt, Alberta, CANADA
Great grace was upon them all! The book of Acts provides a portrayal of the first generation of people struggling to embody what it meant to live as authentic followers of Jesus in their world. Beginnings are often exciting and exhausting, fraught with danger and filled with opportunity. They are often characterized by periods of overwhelming confidence and sudden uncertainty. Movements in their early stages often attract people with contradictory convictions. While we are no longer in the first generation of Christianity, we continue to grapple with many of these same issues and impulses. In this class we want to explore specific areas of service, influence, and temptation that attend Christian leadership. In a unique and authoritative manner the book of Acts continues to stimulate, challenge, and encourage us in our communal quest to embody the lordship of Christ in a broken world.

Third Period

Building on the Gospel Foundation -Melvin Lehman, Guys Mill, PA
I Co 3:10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon (I Co. 3:10). Much time and energy has been given to reacting to both popular culture and church culture during the last century. This continues today. Our study will focus on creating an enduring church/community culture that effectively teaches the core values of the Gospel from generation to generation.

Study Hall
A common request on evaluations is more free time. Here is your chance! Bring that book you have been wanting to read. Take some extra time for solitude and prayer that you have been longing for. Dive into that personal study that you just have not been able to find time for. What is it that you need during this opportunity? The library will be open and other designated quiet spaces will be provided around campus.

Ladies Class - TBA

“THE ENTRANCE OF THY WORDS GIVETH LIGHT.” Psalm 119:130

General Information

Registration: Monday, February 13, 2023, 10:00 am. - 12:00 Noon

Dismissal: Friday, February 17, 2023 - 1:00 P.M.

Items to bring: Bible, notebook, gym shoes, bedding & towels (if not staying in motel)

Costs: Institute Rooms - \$15.00/night, Meals - \$5.00/meal. An offering will be taken to help cover costs.

Reservations: Registration is required for classes, lodging, and meals. Lodging is available in campus dorms and apartments on a first come-first served basis. Due to limited space, make reservations early. Lodging is also available in area homes and motels. For more information, call the Smbi office at (717) 485-4341 or email at smbi@smbi.org

Please pre-register in consideration of all involved, including day visitors.

Registration Form

Name _____	_____ Lodging in a dorm, apartment	Please list preferences for classes.	
Wife’s Name (if attending)_____	or private home	(Please select one course per period)	
Address _____	_____ I/We will make our own	Minister	Wife
City_____ State_____ Zip_____	lodging arrangements	1. _____	_____ Music & Worship
Phone_____	_____ I will not attend the full week.*	_____	_____ Holy Spirit’s Role In Ministry
Email _____	(Please indicate your schedule.)	2. _____	_____ Rooted & Grounded
Congregation_____	_____	_____	_____ Acts
*If needed, priority will be given to those attending the full week.		3. _____	_____ Gospel Foundation
(Register on our website - smbi.org . or email the office at smbi@smbi.org and		_____	_____ Study Hall
Include the required information.)		_____	_____ Ladies class

The 2023 Ministers’ Week is designed to help church leaders practically apply doctrinal teachings in their local churches. The classes are designed for those in leadership but we welcome anyone who has a desire to study the Word of God.

The Ministers’ Week is a five-day program of in-class study. Each one in attendance may enroll in a maximum of three courses. There will be approximately nine hours of teaching per subject.

Infants are permitted to attend, but we request sensitivity to distraction while classes are in session. All daily visitors must contact the office in advance and upon arrival because of limited space.



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Join us for Ministers’ Week

February 13 - 17, 2023

(Pre-registration is required by using this form or registering on our website - smbi.org)



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Motel Accommodations

Anyone desiring to have motel accommodations is asked to make reservations with the motel of your choice.

Following is a list of several motels in the area.

When making reservations, be sure to tell them you are associated with Sharon Mennonite Bible Institute.

Days Inn, Breezewood - (814) 735-4352
Holiday Inn Express, Breezewood- (814) 735-7666
Crampton Manor Bed & Breakfast, McConnellsburg - (717) 491-2813
Quality Inn/Breeze Manor, Breezewood- (814) 735-4311
Wiltshire Motel, Breezewood- (814) 735-4361
The 1788 Inn (814) 626-1788
Stone Hollow Farm, McConnellsburg - (717) 860-8836 stonehollowfarmspa.com

Daily Schedule

7:15 am	Breakfast
8:00-9:05	Period 1
9:20-10:25	Period 2
10:40-11:45	Period 3
11:45	General Assembly
12:30	Lunch
1:45-2:45	Period 1 continued
3:00-4:00	Period 2 continued
4:15-5:15	Period 3 continued
5:30	Supper
7:00 pm	Recreation & Activities
*Monday is the afternoon schedule only	
*Friday is the morning schedule only and concludes with the SMBI Choir	

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