

South Carolina Baptist Congress of Christian Education

Theme:

"Rebuilding to become Disciples of Christ through Christian Education"

Scripture References

Luke 9:23, Luke 14:25-26, Romans 12:1-2, 2 Corinthians 5:17, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, and Ephesians 5:1-2

117th Annual Session Course Directory

July 14-19, 2024

Morris College

100 West College Street

Sumter, South Carolina 29150

MORNING CLASSES: AM=8:00-10:30 AFTERNOON CLASSES: PM=2:00-4:30

Course # 201/2007, Course #206/2023 and Course #505 will be VIRTUAL and IN PERSON

12:00PM-2:30 PM-Monday -Thursday

DIVISION OF BIBLICAL STUDIES (100)

Reverend Yancy Martin, Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
100/ 1001	Introduction to the Bible	Dr. Clinton Brantley	AM	TBA

Course Description: Introduce the sixty-six (66) books of the Bible, its origin, and the important events, periods, and personalities that led to the development of the Bible in its present form.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
101/ 1007	Survey of the Old Testament	Dr. Antonio Boyce	AM	TBA

Course Description: Survey the Old Testament. Included in this survey will be a general overview of the divisions, times, places—with emphasis on the Nation of Israel, events, people, and archaeology of the Old Testament.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
102	Survey of the New Testament	Dr. Cecil Bromell	AM	TBA

Course Description: Students will engage in a general overview of the divisions, time periods, places, events, people, and archaeology of the New Testament sections of the Bible.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
103/ 1004	Effective Bible Reading	Deacon John Lowe	AM	TBA

Course Description: Instructor will identify 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 and resources for personal study. Students will employ resources and tools of hermeneutics

DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Reverend Kippie Brown, Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
200/ 6021	Spiritual Formation	Dr. James Hailstock	AM	TBA

Course Description: [Instructor will] Enable people to mature in their Christian walks. Focus on a creative and dynamic approach to nurturing people from children to mature adults—to become better disciples of Jesus Christ. Deliberate on what it means to be Christians.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
201/ 2007	Christian Stewardship (VIRTUAL & IN PERSON)	Dr. Della Baker Sprowl	12:00PM- 2:30 PM- Monday – Thursday	TBA

Course Description: Cover the basic tenets of Christian stewardship—time, talent, and tithe. Students will begin to understand how to effectively manage their resources through a better understanding of the spiritual principles, practices, and contributions of Christian stewardship.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
202	Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts	Rev. Roderick Cummings	AM	TBA

Course Description: Help students to understand who God has uniquely made them to be. Work through a spiritual gift assessment that will help them to discover their spiritual gift(s). Discovering their spiritual gift(s) will prepare them to move into a meaningful area of service where they best fit into the body of Christ.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
203	Methods of Evangelism	Dr. Alfonso Porter	AM	TBA

Course Description: Focus on helping the students share their Christian faith using traditional methods and social media. Highlight the challenges of the church's ability to reach out to the inner city as well as rural areas. Draw attention to the need to witness to cultural and ethnically diverse groups of people

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
204/ 6013	Organizing the Church for Christian Education	Rev. Carolyn V. Brantley	AM	TBA

Course Description: Focus on the various administrative and organizational skills needed to organize the Christian education department. Emphasis placed on structure, leadership, and staffing needs for Christian education.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
205	Helping Young People Develop Christian Beliefs	Ms. Michelle Y. Daniels	AM	TBA

Course Description: This course will assist in developing methods for teaching young people basic Christian beliefs. Students will be taught to engage their young people in the practices of principles of Christianity.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
206/ 2023	Creative Ways of Teaching (VIRTUAL & IN PERSON)	Dr. Calvin Robinson	12:00PM-2:30 PM-Monday – Thursday	TBA

Course Description: This course will assist in developing methods for teaching young people basic Christian beliefs. Students will be taught to engage their young people in the practices of principles of Christianity.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
207	Teaching Children with Special Needs	Dr. Ethel Lemon	AM	TBA

Course Description: This course will assist in developing methods for teaching young people basic Christian beliefs. Students will be taught to engage their young people in the practices of principles of Christianity.

DIVISION OF HISTORY AND DOCTRINE (300)

Mrs. Charlene Lowe, Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
300	The Doctrine of God	Rev. James Davis, III	PM	TBA

Course Description: Study basic beliefs that structure our faith. Look at God, the "First Person of the Trinity", as God the Creator and Father of mankind. Further, look at the Creator God who sustains us through His omniscience and omnipresence. Course allows the students to look at God as the Incarnate Word and Redeemer of mankind through Jesus Christ.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
301/ 2012	The Articles of Faith	Dr. John T. McCoy	PM	TBA

Course Description: Review introductory study of the *Articles of Faith* for Baptists, a longtime standard of the church. Students will evaluate each thought, with emphasis placed on biblical support.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
302	How To Worship God for All He is Worth	Rev. Jackie Fair	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to examine the Scripture concerning worship so that genuine worship might be understood. Students will be able to recognize truth as it relates to the various elements of worship. (Use as substitute for 001 "Overview of the History of Christian Worship")

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
303	Introduction to Discipleship	Dr. Melvin A. Davis	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course will introduce the believer to the Biblical principle of discipleship. Examine the character traits of believers, while looking at the overall examples of Jesus. Study discipleship methods of Jesus and the difference between discipleship and membership. Recommended textbook: *Rediscovering discipleship: Making Jesus' final words our first work* (2015). ISBN 978-0-310-52128-0.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
304	Baptist Doctrine	Rev. George Windley, Jr.	AM	TBA

Course Description: To examine with simplicity and clarity the basic teachings of the Baptist faith. Explore each doctrinal position and the basis for each doctrinal position taught in the class.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
305	Church Membership	Dr. Caroles S. Taylor	AM	TBA

Course Description: The course will explore membership from a biblical perspective. At the heart of the discussion on Church members is the establishment of Ecclesiology. The course will move from a discussion of defining the church to membership. A distinction is made between a biblical model and a constitutional model for defining membership.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
306	How to Call a Pastor to a Baptist Church	Dr. B. L. Battle	AM	TBA

Course Description In this course we will explore the theological, practical, and communal aspects involved in the process of calling a pastor to a Baptist church. Participants will engage with biblical principles, historical practices, and contemporary challenges associated with pastoral transitions. The course is designed for church leaders, search committees, and congregants who seek to understand the spiritual and practical dynamics of identifying and welcoming new pastoral leaders.

DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (400)
Reverend Willie Choice, Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
400	Methods of Supervision in Church Leadership	Dr. William T. Johnson	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course will focus on supervisory skills and procedures for church leaders. The goal of the course is to introduce to the leader specific supervisory techniques for specific leadership groups within the church. As a result of taking this course, the students will gain a broader appreciation and understanding of church supervision, which can lead to a harmonious working relationship that will benefit the total ministry of the church.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
401	The Church's Ministry to Youth	Evangelist Janice Bridges	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to help church leaders, youth directors, and youth workers develop a viable youth ministry. Students will discover ways to assess the needs of youth, plan and implement programs for addressing their needs, and evaluate the effectiveness of the programs. Additionally, help teachers of children's church and other children's ministries in teaching children the basic practices of worship, including prayer, Scripture, sermon, music, the Lord's Supper, and Baptism.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
403	Women in Unity: 'Pearls Shaping Pearls.'	Rev. Bridget Mitchell	PM	TBA

This course is designed to allow women to 'speak the truth' in love while incorporating the richness of spiritual wisdom. It will survey pathways in which we meet God and experience His presence as we use our gifts to serve others in our church and community.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
404	Organizing and Administering the Church School/Sunday School	Mrs. Alonia J. Hilton	AM	TBA

Course Description: This course will concentrate on the various administrative tasks needed to direct the church school ministry. Focus on a variety of administrative functions, to include recruiting, staffing, planning, programming curriculum, budgeting, policy making, supervision, delegation, and evaluation.

DIVISION OF MINISTRY AND FINE ARTS (500)

Minister Cheryl Glover, Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
500	Public Speaking	Dr. Gladys Grant	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to help students identify the process and principles for writing speeches and delivering them in public. The coursework will cover techniques to relay basic verbal and nonverbal communication skills that will enable high school and adult students serving in various positions to effectively communicate with audiences of all sizes.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
501	Planning and Executing Worship Using Technology (Emphasis on Teaching)	Mrs. Arbra Lewis	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course will teach students how to access a variety of technology resources to enhance the Christian Education Ministry in their local churches. The instructor will provide hands-on applications that will teach you how to effectively use: systems and software, technology for communications, cell phones, tablets, and the Internet to enhance ministries. **Students will need to bring their own Internet accessible Laptop and the accompanying power cords and a secondary device. Students should also establish a G-mail account.**

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
502	Christian Education and the Arts	TBA	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to teach students how to utilize the arts (drama, puppetry, dance, mime, etc.) in Christian Education. Course will include discussion of dress, speech, painting, sculpture and other art forms used to influence Christian Education, worship, and church life.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
503	iWorship: M.U.S.I.C. (Musicians Understanding Service in Christ)	Mr. Akheem Frazier	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course is for CHURCH MUSICIANS ONLY. Students in this course will be taught musician decorum, the different musical styles and genres, and what is appropriate for worship. Students will also learn the importance of working together to form “One Sound.” Participating students may afford the opportunity to accompany one of the Congress choirs during the Annual Session. Practicum studies will be held during the afternoon session.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
504	Christian Crisis Intervention	Rev. Michelle Holland	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course will prepare students for a crisis situation. The Instructor will review practical solutions to specific problems as well as discuss biblically based strategies that will equip Christians to face life’s emergencies.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
505	Grief and Loss	Dr. Joseph McFarlan VIRTUAL & IN PERSON	12:00PM- 2:30 PM- Monday – Thursday	TBA

Course Description: This course will deal with Life after a Loss: Dealing with Grief: the reasons for grief and many others such as the loss of a loved one, the loss of health, or the letting go of a long-held dream. Dealing with a significant loss can be one of the most difficult times in a person's life.

COLLEGE WORKSHOP (600)

(Ages 18-25)

Mrs. Charlene Lowe, Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
600	Digital Integrity and Authenticity	Rev. Jeremy Huggins	AM	TBA

Course Description: Welcome to the transformative course “Digital Integrity and Authenticity”, where young people will explore the significance fo being true to oneself, maintaining integrity, and avoiding the pitfalls of presenting an idealized of false image of oneself in the digital realm. In this course, we will delve into the importance of authenticity and ethical online while fostering a healthy digital identity grounded in integrity.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
601	Christians Living in the Digital Age	Mrs. Sonja Cummings	AM	TBA

Course Description: Christians living in the Digital Age: Address the unique challenges and opportunities young people face in the digital era, discussing topics such as social media, online identify, digital ethics, and using technology for spiritual growth and outreach.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
602	Faith and Social Justice	Rev. Alonza Scipio	AM	TBA

Course Description: "Faith and Social Justice" provides young people with a foundation to understand the intersection of faith and social justice, encouraging them to become agents of positive change in their communities. Through interactive discussions, case studies, real-world examples, and practical exercises. Participants will gain a deeper understanding of social justice issues and explore how their faith compels them to respond.

YOUTH DIVISION (700) (Ages 13-17)

Mrs. Gloria E. Gantt- Lambright and Ms. Carolyn A. Bartley, Coordinator
Ms. Amanda McDowell, Monitor

YOUTH DIVISION CORE COURSES ARE IN THE MORNINGS FROM 8:00-10:30 A.M.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
YD 700	Discipleship 101: Maturing in The Faith	Rev. Ricky Simmons	AM	TBA

Course Description: In this course, students will be introduced to key discipleship skills that can be applied to their own lives and be used to encourage younger Christians in mentoring others in the faith.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
YD 701	Beyond Sunday Morning	Dr. Thelma F. Dixon	AM	TBA

Course Description: Students will engage in dialogue and lessons to teach how to be effective disciples and followers of Jesus Christ. The course will motivate students to fully live out their convictions beyond the Sunday worship experience and engage in executing the Great Commission and participate in the overall mission of the church. Inspiration for enhancing worship will be shared from John 4:23-24.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
YD 702	Life's Ambition (Ages 15-17) The Key to Success	Mrs. Lovie Simmons Howell and Ms. Denise Matthews	AM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to guide high school students in making right choices and good decisions in their lives. Emphasis will be placed on choosing a career, applying for college and scholarships, completing job applications and preparing for interviews.

YOUTH DIVISION ACTIVITIES (700) (Ages 13-17)
Mrs. Gloria E. Gantt-Lambright and Ms. Carolyn A. Bartley, Coordinators
Ms. Amanda McDowell, Monitor

YOUTH DIVISION ACTIVITIES ARE IN THE AFTERNOON FROM 2:00-4:30 P.M.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
YD 703	iWorship: My Worship is For Real – Part I { Youth Choir }	Evangelist Anya Dixon Mr. Stephen Polite	PM	TBA

Activity Description: In this activity the student will begin their Practicum studies based on what they learned in the morning class. The Congress Children's Choir will learn music that will be rendered during the Annual Session, including the Youth Extravaganza.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
YD 704	Using Drama for Ministry	Mrs. Deborah W. Hughes	PM	TBA

Activity Description: Students in this course MUST participate in the Youth Drama for the Youth Extravaganza. This activity is designed to study how drama can be used as a tool for ministry and is **ONLY FOR THOSE STUDENTS DESIRING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE YOUTH EXTRAVAGANZA!** Emphasis will be given to the background, theory, and Bible in story concept.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
YD 705	The Ministry of Praise Dancing	Ms. Allyson Boone Ms. Alexis J. Adams Ms. McKayla Gilliard	PM	TBA

Activity Description: This class is designed to study how praise dancing can be used as a tool for ministry and worship. Emphasis will be given to the background, theory, and significance of the dance in worship and adoration of God. Students will demonstrate the art of praise dancing on Thursday night.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructor	Time	Location
YD 706	The Mime Ministry	Mr. Derrie Grant, Jr.	PM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to teach youth how to use the art of mime in conveying Biblical Truths.

Students will explore ways to worship God more effectively through dramatic expression.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
YD 707	Youth Institute	Reverend Richard Williams, Jr.	PM	TBA

Activity Description: The Youth Institute is designed for youth (13-18). The institute is more interactive with activities that include music, Christian videos, and lecturers with open discussions, topical Bible study and much more. Youth are encouraged to display talents, and personal testimonies. Examination of Psalm 95:5-7 will help students in their appreciation and understanding of worship.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION (800) (Ages 6-12)
 Dr. Incentlee Lemon and Mrs. Tiffany Lemons, Coordinators

CHILDREN'S DIVISION CORE COURESES ARE IN THE MORNINGS FROM 8:00-10:30 A.M.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructors	Time	Location
CD 800	Teaching Children About The Holy Spirit	Mrs. Yvette D. Graham	AM	TBA

Course Description: This course is designed to explore children's consciousness of the Holy Spirit and spirituality. The study will reveal how to recognize the Spirit's presence in our lives, and how the Spirit shapes the lives of believers through various life experiences.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Time	Location
CD 801	Bible Fun Stuff	Ms. Deidre Odom	AM	TBA

Course Description: In this highly energized class, the children will experience movement, laughter, and learning with meaningful Bible focused play. The lessons are presented in a game-like format that promotes motor skills, matching, sorting, discipleship making and much, much more. Kids will begin learning Bible stories while they interact. LET THE LEARNING BEGIN!

Course Number	Course Title	Instructors	Time	Location
CD 802	Faith Seekers	Dr. Brandon Sweeper	AM	TBA

Course Description: Living the Baptist Faith Series Two (Baptists and the Christian Faith) for older children is a Bible study series designed specifically for this age group. The series has been designed to help students better understand the Baptist family as it relates to their Christian Faith. The students will gain an understanding of what it means to be a Christian and a member of the Baptist church. They will discover how the Christian faith began, the founder the reason for faith, the authority of faith, and the importance of sharing faith. At the completion of the series, the students will learn that the Word of the living God changes lives daily and leads persons to accept Jesus Christ as Savior. In addition, students will engage in fun and challenging activities that reinforce their faith. Learning about who we are as a Baptist Family and growing n the Christian faith will be a continuous life-long journey.

CHILDREN'S DIVISION ACTIVITIES (800) (Ages 6-12)
 Dr. Incentlee Lemon and Mrs. Tiffany Lemons, Coordinators

CHILDREN'S DIVISIONS ACTIVITIES ARE IN THE AFTERNOONS FROM 2:00-4:30 P.M.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
CD 803	Using Drama in Ministry with Children	Mrs. Deborah W. Hughes	PM	TBA

Activity Description: This class is designed to study how drama can be used as a tool for ministry. Emphasis will be given to the background, theory, and Bible in story concept.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
CD 804	The Ministry of Praise Dancing With Children	Brother Hakeem Drayton Ms. Danielle Span	PM	TBA

Activity Description: This class is designed to study how praise dancing can be used as a tool for ministry and worship. Emphasis will be given to the background, theory, and significance of the dance in worship and adoration of God. Students will demonstrate the art of praise dancing on Thursday night.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructors	Time	Location
CD 805	Children's Institute	Ms. Renee Martin Mrs. Maxine P. Pearson	PM	TBA

Activity Description: The Children's Institute is designed for children ages (6-12). The workshops are more interactive with activities that include music, skits, puppetry, mime, Christian videos and much more. Children are encouraged to display talents such as writing, art, and others. Supplies are provided in the Children's Institute.

Activity Number	Activity Title	Instructor	Time	Location
CD 806	Worship: Turn Down for What – Part II	Reverend Anya Dixon Mr. Stephen Polite	PM	TBA

Activity Description: This course is a continuation of Course CD 801. In this course the student will begin their Practicum studies based on what they have learned in the morning class. The Congress Children's Choir will learn music that will be rendered during the Annual Session, including the Youth Extravaganza.

THE MINISTERS' DIVISION (900)

Reverend Sonny Bridges and Reverend Donnie Chambers, Directors
Reverend Sarah Roberson, Coordinator
Reverend General Britt, Co-Coordinator

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Location
900	Fundamentals of Expository Preaching	Dr. AnKoma Anderson	TBA

Course Description: The Instructor will seek to sharpen the preacher's expository preaching skills. Students will receive guidance from the Instructor to look at such key research tools as the following: word studies, Biblical language skills, computer research, and the use of other sources of historical and hermeneutical value. Expository preaching, as a valuable tool in the preacher's skill set, is presented as a tool that will sharpen the preacher's ability to research and preach a more effective expository sermon. Recommended Reading: Thomas, F. (2013). *They like to never quit praisin' God*. Craddock, F. (2011). *Craddock on the craft of preaching*. McDill, W. (2006). *12 essential skills for great preaching*.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Location
901	The Under-Shepherd (Pastor) and God's Sheep	Dr. Sammie Simmons	TBA

Course Description: The instructor will strive to teach help the pastor understand that he/she is only the under-shepherd: the flock belongs to God. Thus, the level of responsibility, though great, is not as burdensome as some think. Course deals with such issues as scheduling, planning, supervising, and developing a division of labor that enables the under-shepherd to maximize the gifts of preaching and teaching.

Course Number	Course Title	Instructor	Location
902	REVITALIZING The Post-Pandemic Church: RE-IMAGINING MINISTRY for the 21 st Century	Dr. Isaac J. Holt, Jr.	TBA

Course Description: These interactive sessions will explore principles of church revitalization, with an emphasis on discipleship, designed to teach pastors, ministers, and members the current state of the church, to identify the central purpose of the church, and to create a biblically based remedy to revitalize the church in your current context of ministry. The primary deliverable outcome is to help session participants begin to develop a post-pandemic vision that makes disciple-making the singular focus and objective of the church

Seminar for Certifying District Congresses for School of Methods
 Gloria E. Gantt Lambright, Facilitator
 12:00PM-2:30 PM-Wednesday Only

This seminar is for deans and instructors and will instruct district deans on the procedures for certifying their School of Methods, provide updated forms and how to complete them, and steps to dean's and instructor's certification as prescribed by the South Carolina Baptist Congress of Christian Education. Deans and instructors should bring with them certificates and course cards for certification evaluation.