

South Carolina Baptist Congress of Christian Education
Classes for Vacation Bible School
February 11, 2023

“GOD’S GLORIOUS CHURCH”

*Transforming the people to become God’s glorious church through Christian Education.
Psalm 24:3-6; Isaiah 2:3; Mark 16:15; Romans 12:1-3*

100. **The Role of Leadership in Developing VBS During Challenging Times**
This course teaches and highlights ways Pastors, Deacons, Directors of Christian Education, superintendents, presidents, and ministry/committee chairpersons of the local church support, enhance, and encourage VBS. Discussion topics may include prayer, budget, virtual sessions, presence, and participation. **Facilitator: Dr. Lesia Patterson**
101. **Developing A Virtual/Hybrid VBS Curriculum to Meet the Congregational Needs**
This course is designed to prepare students for developing and delivering a custom VBS curriculum. Students will be exposed to best practices related to virtual platform selection, theme selection, as well as identification of supporting Bible verses, key points, stories, and related activities for each day. Discussion may also include methods for adapting generic VBS curriculums to your church’s unique VBS needs. **Facilitator: TBA**
102. **Developing Teachers and Volunteers to Implement Virtual/Hybrid VBS**
This course will explore methods to identify and recruit teachers and volunteers to serve in a virtual/hybrid capacity. . Students will explore methods for assessing technical skills and aptitude for engaging students in a virtual environment. Topic may also include approaches for discerning the volunteer’s giftedness, the enlisting process, interview techniques, and best practices for preparing volunteers to serve. Students will also learn practical methods that allow the local church to create a culture of Biblical leaders. **Facilitator: Dr. Gwendolyn Connor**
103. **Making VBS Intergenerational**
This course will introduce and engage students in methods designed to attract and maintain attendance of an intergenerational audience of believers in VBS, including (but not limited to), Golden Members, Baby Boomers, Generation Xers, Millennials, and Centennials. **Facilitator: Rev. Byron Dixon**
104. **Making The Bible Come Alive for Children**
This course teaches adult students how to engage children in a virtual and/or hybrid setting in order to convey solid Biblical truths that help children build a relationship with The Creator. Students will also learn lessons that are carefully structured to help children

explore the life of the Lord Jesus Christ, with the goal to become more like Him.

Facilitator: Dr. Mary Rice-Crenshaw

105. **Vacation Bible School Crafts For All Ages**

This course will focus on ways to make Bible education fun and easy with VBS crafts for all ages including banners, poems, wreaths, flowerpots, jewelry and more. Students will learn how crafts can be used to engage children while teaching valuable lessons and helping them remember key themes and related Bible verses. **Facilitators: Rev. Thelma Dixon**

106. **Using Media and Technology to Enhance VBS**

This course is designed to enhance VBS lessons using a variety of interactive platforms for those who currently use technology. Participants are required to have a computer and a secondary smart device. **Facilitator: Mrs. Arbra Lewis**

107. **Music for the Virtual/Hybrid Setting**

This course will help teachers explore ideas for incorporating virtual singing time during VBS. **Facilitator: Minister Anya Dixon**

108. **The Role of the Associate /Assistant Ministers**

This course reviews the traditional role of associate and assistant ministers. Recognizing that there is no universal standard for the associate or assistant minister, students will study known models of work as a staff associate or assistant minister and the importance of building a meaningful and workable relationship with the senior pastor. **Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Isaac J. Holt, Jr.**