

THE SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

The goal of the School of Evangelism is to impart theological soundness, passion, and practical equipping to fulfill the Great Commission with creativity and sensitivity in every cultural context.

SE 100 Developing A Biblical Theology of Evangelism

This course develops a sound theology of evangelism apart from worn out, biased, Western religious, stereotypes. What did the apostles preach to the unbeliever? Assuring our message and methods are in the "apostolic" mold; how to assure a genuine convert, not an instant backslider; Why evangelize? Evangelism and the sovereignty of God.

SE 101 The Wheat and Tares

What distinguishes a true and false convert? Signs of counterfeit faith; how to determine if someone is genuinely born again; biblically unsound methods and phraseology common to American evangelistic techniques; false foundations for faith, manipulation, emotionalism and the will; building a church with the devil's blessing.

SE 102 The Evangelist: Understanding the Person and the Gift

The Eph. 4 anointing: its strengths and weaknesses; how to flow as an evangelist with local church leadership; how to flow with other Eph 4 ministries; strengths to maximize, pitfalls to avoid ; Christ the evangelist--His motives, means, methods and message.

SE 103 Reaching the Post-Christian Mind

Evangelistic methodologies left over from the 18th, 19th and 20th century will not suffice in the day in which we live. What unique challenges do post-modernism and a post-Christian culture present to Gospel evangelism? How to evangelize in a "Gospel fatigued," secularist culture; conversion as process rather than crisis; relational versus confrontational evangelism; pursuing cultural relevance without compromise of the message; evangelism as an invitation to dance rather than a wrestling match!

SE 104 Practical Evangelism

Evangelism! Just the word causes panic among so many as it is viewed synonymously with passing out a tract to someone who is not interested. This course expands the definition of what evangelism is, takes away the stigma and fear of one on one evangelism; different evangelistic methods, evangelism statistics, keys to effective personal witnessing, how to get the fish to bite and like it! Practical dos and don'ts.

SE 105 Power Evangelism

An examination of the theology, methodology and practical application of power evangelism; how to rely on and expect the gifts of the Spirit to manifest in all types of evangelistic scenarios; power and passion as essential qualities for evangelism; Christ and the apostles as pattern for power evangelism, overcoming secularist and rationalist bias.

SE 107 Urban and Rural Evangelism

The dynamics and opportunities in metropolitan areas are both challenging and unique; how to take advantage of size, numbers, and geography to facilitate evangelistic success. The dynamics of small town evangelism and church growth can be quite distinct from the experience of those in urban environments. This course also discusses the unique challenges and creative ideas for evangelization in small communities.

SE 108 Principles and Practice of Evangelism.

Among the topics covered in this course will be the Biblical rationale for evangelism, effective methods, and the two missing keys to productive evangelism. Attention will be given to personal evangelism, congregational evangelism, and "Church-wide" evangelism. Although attention will be given to programmatic presentation of the Gospel, emphasis will be on developing a dependence on the Holy Spirit in the ministry of evangelism.

SE 109 The Apostolic Mind and Mandate

What does it mean to be truly "apostolic?" What was the apostle's burden? What did they emphasize? What was their message? What were their techniques? How did they fund themselves? Why and how they were resisted? How close are we to the apostolic mind? This course takes a critical look at "doing church" --"what we are doing and why we are doing it."

SE 110 Natural Church Development

The course is derived from Christian Schwarz's work and research regarding principles of biotic or natural church growth. The eight statistical parameters he discovered that determine whether a church is in decline or not, regardless of denomination, theology, or style of expression; how to identify and address weaknesses; how to incorporate change.

SE 111 Church Planting and Pioneering

Principles and ethics of church planting; hearing from God, when is it time to plant? Mega- church or church plant? Cultural sensitivities, legal and administrative details, different philosophies of church planting; who are you? a pioneer, settler, business man or developer? a plowman or a planter?; the criticality of knowing one's identity, gift mix, and calling in regard to pioneering and church planting. Practical dos and don'ts

SE 112 Team Building

Understanding the dynamics and importance of team building as it relates to missions and church planting; personality and gift mix differences, how to resolve conflicts, consensus building, the importance of clear communication and relationship development, developing, communicating and implementing target specific strategies; supervisory methodologies, accountability and performance review; achieving goals and keeping people happy. HD 120 is recommended as a prerequisite complimentary course.

SE 113 Developing A Theology of Missions

The heart of the missionary; missionary principles and practices—dos and don'ts; the luster and illusions of missionary work; redefining missions from an apostolic-prophetic paradigm in the 21st century; preparing for the mission field, short and long term missions; our missionary heritage—what our forefathers did right, what they did wrong and how we can avoid their mistakes.

SE 200 Missions Practicum

Opportunity for actual field missions or an evangelistic practicum will be available from time to time at various locations around the world. The interested student should contact the Director for details of regularly scheduled, and special missions opportunities.