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*School of Christian Studies* **ADVANCED**  
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## *Upcoming Classes for the School of Christian Studies ADVANCED*

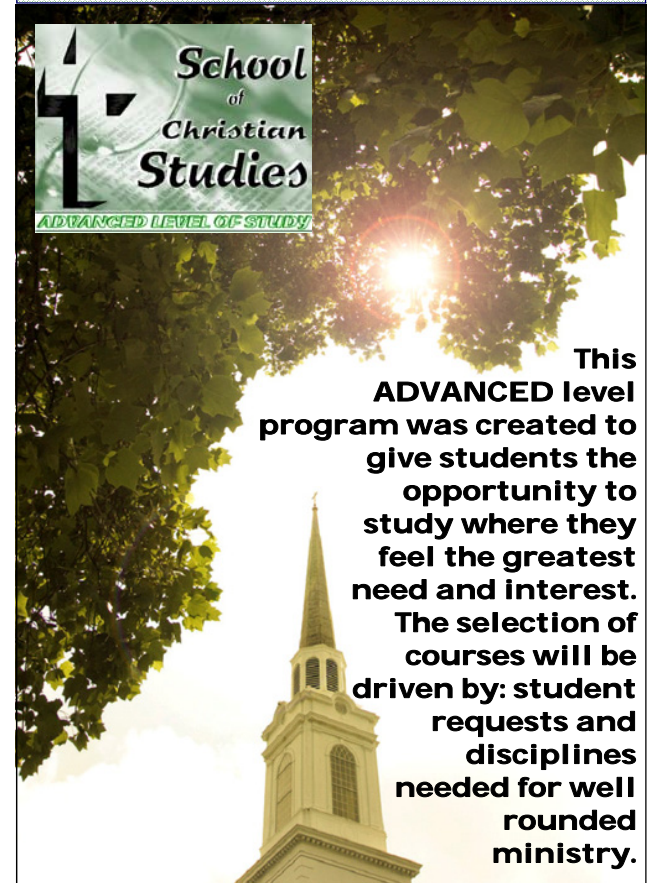
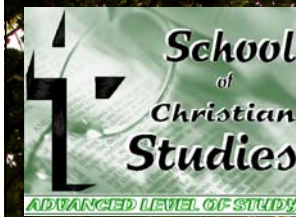
First class of 2012 announced:

*The Book of Isaiah*  
*with Rev. Mark McCloy at  
Parchment Valley Conference Center*

***Check us out on the Web!***  
*Please visit [www.wvbc.org](http://www.wvbc.org), click on the Ministries' tab and then  
School of Christian Studies ADVANCED.*

## *The West Virginia Baptist Convention* **School of Christian Studies ADVANCED**

*The mission of the West Virginia Baptist Convention School of Christian Studies is to bring honor and glory to God, by developing quality church leaders, through training that will help them grow in spiritual maturity, biblical knowledge and ministry skills.*



**This  
ADVANCED level  
program was created to  
give students the  
opportunity to  
study where they  
feel the greatest  
need and interest.  
The selection of  
courses will be  
driven by: student  
requests and  
disciplines  
needed for well  
rounded  
ministry.**

***"Continuing Education for the  
21st Century Christian  
Leader"***

# Thank you for your interest in the School of Christian Studies ADVANCED!

Of the many graduates of the West Virginia Baptist Convention School of Christian Studies, many of our students so hunger to keep learning that they take the current courses over and over again. Teachers frequently hear, "I wish we had more time to dig deeper than the allotted time for this course allows!" All who are engaged in any form of regular ministry learn very quickly that they can never know enough. In fact, one definition of a "disciple" is a "life long learner who sits at the feet of the Master." Our instructors do not presume to be "masters," but those who teach often describe their teaching as learning alongside the student, at the feet of the Master, the Lord Jesus Christ.

In the spirit of this, the deans and advisory team of the School of Christian Studies initiated the first series of Advanced Level courses in Spring of 2005. It was agreed that eight of these courses will be offered every two years on an ongoing basis

The School of Christian Studies Advanced Level of Study is open to ALL PERSONS. You do not have to be a pastor, youth worker or teacher to benefit from this program.

## What Ministry Programs Are Available?

The Advanced Level of Study two-year program is the only "For Credit" program currently being offered. Required courses for this program will be taught over a two-year period with at least four classes taking place each year with a total of eight classes to be completed. Upon completion, a diploma will be issued.

*In addition to the four classes on the schedule each year, we may offer Advanced Level credit for attendance at West Virginia Baptist Convention "Super Events" or other events as decided on by the School of Christian Studies' Advisory Board. You will be notified in a mailing one month prior to these special events in order to register.*

## Classes: What Format Will The Classes Be In?

Most classes will be in a one-day format and will be held at our Parchment Valley Conference Center in Ripley, West Virginia. Registration will be at 8:30 a.m. and class will begin at 9:00 a.m. Lunch is included and will be at 12:00 p.m., with one 15 minute break before lunch and one after. Class will conclude at 3:00 p.m.

## Classes: What Will The Class Topics Be?

Advanced Level courses will be developed in the following four areas: theological, Biblical, historical and practical. One class from each area will be taught during the year.

## Is The Advanced Level Of Study Accredited?

The School of Christian Studies ADVANCED Level of Study Program carries no college or seminary credit.

## Credit: How Do I Take Classes For Credit?

If you wish to take classes for credit, you must complete an application for admission (before your eight classes are completed), provide us with a copy of your high school diploma or G.E.D. (before your eight classes are completed), pay the "For Credit" fee for each class, attend the entire class session and complete all assignments as given by the instructors.

## Credit: What If I Don't Want To Receive Credit

If you do not wish to receive credit, you may audit course(s). Auditors are not required to pay the "For Credit" fee, purchase a textbook, stay for the entire class or complete assignments. Auditors pay a discounted rate, but if a textbook is needed, it will be at the regular cost.

## Fees: How Much Do The Classes Cost?

"FOR CREDIT" - Each class will be \$32.00/single or \$42.00/couple, plus the cost of the textbook and the book rate shipping fee. The couple fee includes: husband and wife, boyfriend and girlfriend, father and son, father and daughter, mother and son, mother and daughter, etc.

"AUDIT" - Each class will be \$25.00/single and \$35.00/couple, plus the cost of the textbook and the book rate shipping fee, if desired.

## Grades: Will I Receive A Report Of The Classes I Have Completed?

A transcript will be mailed annually, in the fall after the last course of the year is completed, to each student who has successfully completed courses for credit during the year. These transcripts should be retained as validation of course completion.

## Graduation: What Are The Requirements For Graduating?

The following guidelines for graduation apply to each School of Christian Studies ADVANCED student seeking a diploma: satisfactory completion of required courses, all fees for registration and textbooks must be paid in full, application for admission must be completed and on file and high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate must be on file.

## *If you would like more information about the School of Christian Studies ADVANCED:*

*Please mark all that apply, complete the name and address portion, add a stamp to the front and mail.*

- Please put me on your MAILING LIST to receive information on all upcoming classes.
- Please send me an ENROLLMENT FORM.
- Please send me a CYCLE OF COURSES.
- Please send me a CATALOG.
- Please send me an ENROLLMENT PACKET. (Contains all of the items listed above.)
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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*If you have any questions, please contact Donna, School of Christian Studies' secretarial assistant, at [snyder@wvbc.org](mailto:snyder@wvbc.org) or 800.879.9822.*

*Thank you for your interest in the School of Christian Studies.*

*May God Bless You as You Continue to Serve Him.*

*Please clip, stamp and mail.*