

2CE514-Educational Ministry of the Church

Reformed Theological Seminary-Orlando
Spring Semester, 2009
Thursday mornings 10:00-12:00 pm
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

A study of the pastor's role as teacher and administrator within the educational program of the church. Careful attention is given to philosophy, history, organization, curriculum, recruiting and training teachers, and the special needs of each age group.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To understand the Biblical basis for the church's educational/discipleship ministry in relation to the Great Commission.
2. To grasp the pastor's crucial and exciting leadership responsibility in mobilizing the local church to discipleship.
3. To be exposed to actual models of discipleship/education being used in churches today.
4. To develop a philosophy of ministry of the role small groups in the discipleship and spiritual formation of Believers.

METHODOLOGY:

Spirited classroom teaching and interaction, along with some student presentations.

REQUIRED TEXTS:

1. Gorman, Julie. *Community that is Christian: A Handbook on Small Groups*. ISBN-10:0801091454 ISBN-13: 978-0801091452
2. Hybels, Bill, *Courageous Leadership*. ISBN 0-310-24823-X
3. Morley, Delk, Clemmer, *No Man Left Behind, How to Build and Sustain a Thriving Disciple-Making Ministry for Every Man in Your Church*, ISBN: 0-8024-47549-3 ISBN-13: 978-0-8024-7549-7

GRADING:

1. Reading Interaction Responses (3)
2. Class Presentation
3. Final Exam

