190 THEMATIC AND BIBLICALLY-RELATED 1-HOUR CLASSES



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PCAFI - INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AUXILIARY (ICEA)



CHURCH MEMBERS AND MINISTERS' PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING



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THE INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN **EDUCATION AUXILIARY (ICEA)**

INFORMATION FOR PCAFI ICEA MEMBERS Needed information for churches, councils, and ministries taking classes offered through ICEA.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT CLASSES

A list of classes and descriptions for any member of the PCAFI.

FUNDAMENTAL MINISTERS' TRAINING

A list of classes and descriptions for ministers of the PCAFI.

TRAINING FOR TEACHERS

"Teach Like Great Bible Characters" is an instructor-led course to assist PCAFI teachers of councils and local churches.

STUDIES ON "LIVING OUT THE PSALMS"

ICEA has instructors from around the country ready to assist your council or local church to study the psalms.

"ETA ONLINE" TRAINING

This self-paced course is for members, ministers, and all those who desire to know more about God's word.

ESTABLISHING A NEW MEMBERS' CLASS

Are you a small church and have been considering offering classes to establish your new members. Talk with ICEA!

SATURDAY NIGHT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join students from around the country for a weekly systematic study out of God's word!



Thursdays, from 7:30 - 8:45 p.m. EST.

All classes are free and take place on Zoom (with the exception of the "ETA Online" classes).



THE INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AUXILIARY (ICEA)



TAKING CLASSES AS A CHURCH, GROUP, OR COUNCIL

TO REGISTER

Your group, church, council, or ministry may register with ICEA and let us know what class or classes you would like to take. Simply have your group leader register and we will contact you about the time and date for your class(es).

To register, simply **email ICEA at iceaquestions@att.net** and give us your name, your pastor and church's name, and tell us you would like to register for classes. We will reply to your email with a brief questionnaire. Fill out the questionnaire, check the classes you want, then click "submit."



TAKING CLASSES AS AN INDIVIDUAL

TO REGISTER

You may register with ICEA and let us know what class or classes you would like to take. Once you have registered and we reach an eight student minimum, we will contact you for the time and date of your class(es).

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DAYS AND TIMES OF CLASSES

Classes will be held on Thursday evenings, starting at 7:30 p.m. (EST) and ending between 8:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Occasionally, there may be two classes held simultaneously by Zoom breakout rooms.



CLASSES HELD THROUGH ZOOM

All students and teachers will meet through Zoom video and phone conference. You may take the class by laptop, desktop, cell phone, or tablet. Please email us a few days prior to the course if you need help getting connected.



PCAFI AND ICEA INSTRUCTORS

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Seniors and The Changing World

Seniors have become the fastest growing generation today, but many lack modern skills needed to stay in touch. We will discuss why many seniors feel isolated from the church, and look at practical solutions to bridge this new gap that has reached across the globe!

Methods of Evangelism -- Post Pandemic

Since the pandemic, the church has explored greater avenues for preaching and teaching the gospel. The bible confirms that the gospel will be preached throughout the world and then the end will come (Mat. 24:14). We will look at some effective methods being used to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Church: Then and Now!

This will be a general study from the book of Acts and related books. Your instructor will cover the similarities and differences between the early church and the church of today. We will look at the history of the early church and see how and why they came together during difficult times.

A Study on Revelation

There are benefits to studying the Book of Revelation. The book guides readers into the powerful revelation of Jesus Christ and unveils final events on the world stage. The aim of this class will be to explore what we currently know and use that as a basis to explore prophecy from the Book of Revelation.

A Focus on Jesus' Return

The end times and the return of Jesus will be like "the days of Noah". In Noah's day, worldly people were preoccupied with security, necessities, and pleasures of life, without regard for God. We are told history repeats itself. These signs will exist just before the Lord's return. We will study these signs.

The Ministry of the Holy Spirit

Most Christians need to know more about the workings of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is a teacher and has come to show us the deep things of God and those things that God wants to freely reveal to us. This class will explore the Holy Spirit as teacher.

Living In the Spirit

Mature Christians are Christians who "walk in the Spirit". How do they do that? What measures do they take to successfully navigate life? We will attempt to answer these questions and look at the importance of coming into maturity in Christ and walking in the Spirit.

Why Pray?

Most people find it difficult to pray -- and yet -- we have access to God's unlimited power when we pray! This will be a study to encourage members to find quality time for systematic prayer.

Dealing with Suicidal Family Members

Our instructor, who is a suicidologist, will speak to members about the growing trend of those who inflict harm on themselves and those who contemplate suicide or who have committed suicide.

Trusting God in Hard Places

(These will be ongoing classes where we will talk about the hard places in our lives.)

No one is immune from great suffering and we can suddenly find ourselves in places that are difficult and challenging. Our faith and hope are often tried when we are faced with situations such as mental struggles, incarceration, financial hardship, blended families, illness, divorce, loss of loved ones, and many other situations.





The Church: Then and Now!

How is God calling us back to the church in the New Testament? This will be a general study from the book of Acts and related books. We will compare the first century church with the modern day church and attempt to understand the triumphs and challenges of the early church.

The Art of Listening

Have you ever thought about improving your listening skills and how it can drastically change your life? When we listen, we can better understand what others are saying. We will focus on why the bible instructs us to be swift to hear and be slow to speak.

Young Parents Raising Children

Raising children can be a challenge to any single parent or young couple. We will discuss common problems that parents with young children face, and offer practical advice for young mothers and fathers.

Marriage: Avoiding the Argument Trap

It's unfortunate that so many helpless couples become victims to the "argument trap!" The argument trap has claimed many victims who, after an argument, often find themselves in a quandary, not knowing what to do. We will discuss how unsuspecting couples can learn to see the signs, avoid the enemy's trap, and live the marriage that God intended.

The Highs and Lows of Living Single

Singles have such great freedom to enjoy friendships and pursue their interests in life -- with few distractions. But many singles are not single by choice; they desire to have God-given mates. Our instructor, who is married, will speak about the challenges of being single, as well as finding or being chosen by a spouse.

Dealing With Isolation From a Biblical Standpoint

This class addresses some of the challenges we all face concerning isolation. Some people are facing mental and emotional challenges because of being lonely. We will look at solutions from a biblical standpoint dealing with this growing trend.

Heaven: A Place for the Righteous

The Lord has told us that He is going to prepare a place for the righteous. During this study we will look at what the bible says about heaven and envision a kingdom that is so far removed from our present earthly kingdom.

The Bible Readers' Club: "Longing for the House of God"

(Different "Reader Club" topics will be offered throughout the years '23-'25.) Study with our group from psalm 84. This psalm speaks about Israelite travelers who missed being in the house of God. Our group leader will lead us into the discussion, ask questions, and provoke thought as we travel through this relevant psalm.

Learning from the Past: The History of Old Testament Worship

Those who take this class should come away with a greater understanding and appreciation for the different modes and reasons for worship. Our new testament worship has its foundation in the way men and women worshipped in the old testament.





Proverbs: A Book of Practical Wisdom

(Instructors are prepared to teach the entire book or offer topical studies from scriptures in the book.)

An ongoing verse by verse study from the book of Proverbs. There are very few books in the Bible that have such straightforward and practical instructions for all ages. This timeless book has answers to everyday questions about life. The studies will help adults and youth navigate life in a changing world! (A verse by verse study manual will be emailed to you.)

Have You Received the Holy Ghost Sinse You Believed?

This lesson is designed to highlight the significance of the believer receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues. It will detail the apologetics highlighting the scripture references of how God poured out His Spirit on believers within the New Testament church.

It's Not Just Sunday School Anymore

The memorable crisis has changed our world! That change has reached within the doors of Christian education, and Christian educators have shifted to find a new normal, to continue to educate and bring God's word to God's people. This class will focus on the major transition from having Sunday school in the church to the unlimited potential of offering Christian education to our members and outside our organization. We will explore creative ways to be engaged in Sunday school and Christian education.

The Bible Readers' Club: Group Study from the Book of I Corinthians

(Different "Reader Club" topics will be offered throughout the years '23-'25.)

Join our topical group study as members read scriptures from the bible and their outline. Your group leader will explain scriptures, provoke thought, and ask questions on the topic and chapters under study. (Handouts will be given.)

The Power of Fellowship

The early church in the book of Acts experienced the power of fellowship. They went daily to the temple and visited one another in their homes. In this class, we will take a look at how, and why bible characters saw the need to fellowship with one another.

The Bible Readers' Club: The Power of Love in Ministry

(Different "Reader Club" topics will be offered throughout the years '23-'25.)

Join our topical group study as members read scriptures from the bible and their outline. Your group leader will explain scriptures, provoke thought, and ask questions on the topic and chapter under study. This class will be on The Power of Love in Ministry. (Handouts will be given.)

The Waterway: It's All In the Name

This lesson is designed to highlight the significance of water baptism in Jesus' name and its criticality to God's plan of salvation. It will detail the apologetics justifying the necessity of water baptism, providing references and examples from the scriptures.

Understanding Pastors -- From Your Pew

What do pastors want members to know about pastors and pastoring? This class will be taught by a pastor who will share the struggles and joys of pastoring, and what specific things congregants should know about shepherds.





The Bible Readers' Club: "Rejoicing in Difficult Places"

(Different "Reader Club" topics will be offered throughout the years '23-'25.)

The apostle Paul wrote the book of Philippians from jail, but throughout his letter was encouragement for those at Philippi to rejoice! Instructor and class will study the pattern that Paul established for rejoicing in difficult places and circumstances.

Personal Finance

Let's Talk About The Downside of Credit

There is a cost for borrowing money! Our instructor and credit counselor will discuss the negatives of credit card lures, adjustable interest rates, predator lending practices, payday loans, rent-to-own establishments, and buy here/pay here financing.

Computer Classes Taught by Zoom

Should I Click on That? Computer Safety for Seniors

Don't let your computer control you! Find out about what you should and should not click on. Instructor will discuss email scams and online scams, frustrating popups, advertisements, your haywire computer, and suspicious links.

I Need to Host My Own Zoom!

You will see how a host sends an email, invites, and schedules meetings. Learn how to Share Screen, and use other basic controls. This is a great class to start before hosting your first Zoom meeting!

Learning PowerPoint for Zoom

Explore the PowerPoint interface and see presentations from simple stock designs. Learn to easily apply themes, animate text, and insert images. See how to create text boxes and manipulate slides for printing. We will enhance a presentation by adding animations and transitions. Finally, view the actual presentation as seen by your audience and get a few tips and tricks to design presentations for appeal.

Personal Development classes are for all members of the PCAFI.

If you are an individual or represent a council or church interested in taking a class or classes, contact us at the email below and we will reply with a form you will fill out.

Contact us at iceaquestions@att.net





New Ministers and their Calling

New ministers who feel called by God can benefit from this class. We will discuss the time and steps between the call, ongoing preparation, the ministry, the process, and the maturity of the minister.

The Consecrated Minister

A minister who is close to God is far more effective than just a gifted minister whose practice is not to consecrate him or herself. There is a difference between the two! During this class, the instructor will cover why "drawing near" to God has first priority and why it is so effective when it comes to the work of the ministry.

The Price of Fame

Ministers who are called by God often experience many challenges as well as successes. The successes can be challenging to the minister as well. The instructor will discuss the minister's personal development and the negative side of being successful in ministry.

Ministers and the Important Ministry of the Holy Spirit

Ministers should learn early to understand the role that the Holy Spirit plays in their personal ministry and how to see the effects of the Spirit at work in their lives as well as in the lives of other ministers! We will cover the unique ways we can become acquainted with the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

The Fundamentals of Preaching

Preaching is considered foolishness to some people. Our study will show the importance, biblical history, and affects of preaching and why preaching is needed now and in the future.

Ministers and their Knowledge of Scripture

Ministers who are not adequately equipped with the Word of God often fall into errors. Those errors become costly to themselves and those they lead. The instructor will discuss reasons why ministers need to be personally knowledgeable of scriptures, and offer solutions and resources to help ministers become better students of scriptures.

Bedside Manners and Visiting the Sick

There are things every minister and leader should know about visiting the sick. The instructor will present different scenarios and talk about the best etiquette for visiting the sick in both the home and hospital.

The Essentials of Performing Weddings and Funerals

Anyone who performs weddings and funerals has to be aware of certain requirements. During this two-part class, the instructor will focus on the basic and correct procedures for performing weddings and funerals.

Ministry Blues!

The current crisis has forced ministers to reevaluate how they do ministry. While some ministers are effective in ministry, others are struggling to find a way to minister. The instructor and class will offer support to those who may be experiencing the familiar ministry blues!

Example of New Testament Leadership Ministry

The early church and the books of the New Testament will always be a model to guide ministers. This class will cover leaders in the New Testament who have become models for the 21st century church.





Teach Like Great Bible Characters!

Want to improve your teaching? Let's Study ancient teachers of the Bible and how they taught. We will work from your outline and illustrations and use the bible as our main manual for training.

Teaching: Lesson Preparation and Delivery

We will look at the teaching process from lesson preparation all the way through delivery. What are the benefits of thoroughly preparing for a lesson? How can we maximize our teaching when presenting any lesson? These are just two questions we will consider and delve into others as we have time.

Relating the Lesson to Your Class

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to impact the lives of their students through the lessons they teach. This course is designed to show how to effectively relate lessons to the heart of the student. The missing element is often relationship. Teachers will acquire knowledge of creating a relevant relationship between the written Word and students' lives.

Are Your Students Really Learning?

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to understand some of the negatives that reduce effective teaching. This course is designed to get to the core of ineffective teaching.

The Seven "P's" to Effective Teaching

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to take a deep look at the teaching process. Various biblical teaching techniques will be discussed. These techniques are often lacking or missing in teaching. Effective teaching is severely limited without the teacher's knowledge of these techniques.

(This is a two-part class.)

Teaching to Increase Class Attendance

The instructor's purpose is to assist and challenge teachers to promote a healthy and growing class environment. The emphasis of teaching scriptures appropriately will be discussed. This principle can revive and add life to lifeless classes.

The Church Needs Qualified Teachers

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to feel more confident with the teaching process. With certain points taught by the instructor, the student/teacher will be better equipped to effectively teach his/her class.

God Desires to Speak Through Lessons

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to become keenly aware that God can speak through the prescribed Sunday school lesson, biblical curriculum, or training materials. As you direct the students into the study of scriptures, lives will be made alive by God's words.

Five Mistakes Every Teacher Should Avoid

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to understand five pitfalls in the teaching process. Teachers lacking these principles are often very limited in their class presentation.

Your Responsibility as a Teacher

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to understand the responsibilities associated with teaching. If the teacher fails in these areas of responsibility, the students will suffer as a result.

Is Your Teaching Specific?

The instructor's purpose is to assist teachers to become aware of the learning process (i.e., how students acquire knowledge). The instructor will cover how information should be taught to be effective when relating the lesson to the class.





Living Our the Psalms

(Ongoing teaching from the book of Psalms.)

Psalms are inspired and compiled words of encouragement. Our study will focus on the writers' intent to uplift those who felt discouraged, despondent, and even persecuted.



PCAFI Instructors available to teach these psalms for your church or council

(These classes can be taught outside your regularly scheduled council sessions.)

ICEA instructors are prepared to teach any of the 150 Psalms.

Weeping Endures? *Psalm 30*

Safety in GodPsalm 91

Blessed With Benefits *Psalm 103*

God's TimePsalm 90

Oh, How I Love Him! *Psalm 63*

A Prayer of Desperation *Psalm* 142

Asking God for a Change Psalm 25

A Prayer of Trust
Psalm 56

The Way to Happiness
Psalm 1

God Verses Everybody *Psalm 2*

The Pathway to Life Psalm 16

He Lifted MePsalm 40

Repentance: It's A Matter of the Heart Psalm 51

The Lord Protects His People Psalm 3

Don't Lose Your Song! *Psalm 137*

Praising God for His Awesome Works! Psalm 66

Abiding In God's Tabernacle
Psalm 15

A Plea for Divine Justice
Psalm 121

God Is With Us! *Psalm 46*

Anticipation of Expectation *Psalm 130*

Praise Him!Psalm 150

Crossing the Will of God Psalm 32

The Lifestyle of the Righteous Psalm 1

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Forfeiting The Blessing Psalm 95

The Surpluses of Being With God Psalm 27

When I Choose a Time I Will Judge Fairly Psalm 75

Is David Hiding Among Us? *Psalm 40*

Trusting God Forever *Psalm 61*

Shielding Against Depression Psalm 42

(Other psalms and titles are also available.)





The Evangelical Training Association (ETA) is a self-paced training course sponsored by the Pentecostal Churches of the Apostolic Faith International Christian Education Auxiliary. The student will receive five training books, which are: 1) Old Testament Survey I, 2) Old Testament Survey II, 3) New Testament Survey, 4) Understanding People, and 5) Teaching Techniques. After studying chapter one, the student can click on the link in their email to go directly to their test. This process continues through book 5. ETA training is for leaders and ministers, and anyone who is interested in a systematic study of the Word of God. Certificates are award and yearly graduation ceremonies take place at PCAFI national conventions.

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TRAINING YOUR TEACHERS TO ESTABLISH A NEW MEMBERS' CLASS

Would you like to have ICEA train your teachers to establish a new members class? Our instructors have years of experience offering classes and support to recent converts and those who need to transition to a new church environment. Instructor's are engaging, and inviting as well as very knowledgeable in the area of helping new converts and new members.

Many of the needed basics will be covered in this four week training. Handouts will be given and your church leaders are welcome to attend.

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WHY SATURDAY NIGHT?

Our <u>Zoom</u> sessions are ideal for anyone who would like a <u>virtual</u> systematic study of God's Word. Sessions are also for students and teachers who would like to be better prepared for Sunday morning study.

JOIN STUDENTS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY

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State-wide instructors
Systematic study
Anonymous student testing
Great Zoom fellowship

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