

2019 Courses

Below you'll find a listing of our Equippers courses for 2019. It's highly recommended, but not required, that you follow the progression of the courses indicated by the course numbers in each content area. More detailed course descriptions can be found on the inside of this brochure.

Please register at www.southlife.org/equippers.

Bible/Theology (BT)

BT 201 How to Study the Bible

Ministry Training (MT)

MT 101 Core

MT 102 Becoming Living Proof **NEW**

MT 201 Personal Follow-up

MT 301 Growth Groups: Small Group Leadership

MT 310 Ministering to Women **NEW**

Spiritual Formation (SF)

SF 101 Christianity Explored

SF 102 Ten Commandments for Today **NEW**

SF 150 Lives of Great Christians **NEW**

SF 201 Discipleship Explored **NEW**

SF 210 Living Free in Christ **NEW**

SF 250 RARE Leadership

Some courses include a cost for materials. We do not want this to prevent your participation. Please contact Keith Sova in the church office at (517) 322-2000 or keithsova@southlife.org if cost is an issue.



Registration

Register for our 2019 Equippers courses online!

www.southlife.org/equippers

Didn't get a chance to register online? It's never too late to sign up! Find the course you'd like to attend and sign up with the facilitator during the first session on January 13.



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equipping believers for life and service

ephesians 4:11-12

Sunday Nights

January 13 – March 24
(no Equippers on February 3 or March 3)

6:00.... Worship through
song and prayer (Chapel)

6:15.... Equippers Courses (until 7:15)

7:45.... Meal for College Students

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welcome to equippers

Ephesians 4:11-12 "And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, **to equip the saints for the work of ministry**, for building up the body of Christ..."

Are you equipped for Christian life and ministry? Whether new to the faith or a seasoned believer, we all need to be continually equipped for ministry, which is why we organize the "Equippers" series each year.

The authentic Christian life is an integration of knowing, being, and doing, which is why the Equippers courses are divided into the three content areas described below. Please take time to explore the courses and register today at www.southlife.org/equippers.

Bible/Theology courses will focus on **knowing** God through His Word — the Bible. These courses will **equip you to know** God more deeply as you study His Word.

Spiritual Formation courses will focus on **being** a more mature follower of Christ. These courses will **equip you to be** more confident and consistent in living the Christian life as you are led by God's Word and Spirit.

Ministry Training courses will focus on **doing** the works of service which God has planned for you. These courses will **equip you to do** the ministry activities which are commanded in His Word.

How to Study the Bible - BT 201

David Seal | Room 207 | No Cost

This course will teach the foundational principles and tools of biblical interpretation. This course will include interpretation and application methods for the Gospel narratives, the book of Acts, the Epistles, and parables. The principles, tools, and practices that we examine will enhance your ability to interpret Scripture for study, for ministry, and for personal life. This course will be approached as a science, an art, and a spiritual activity.

Core - MT 101

Pastor Neil Odgers and Matt & Shannon DeLap
Room 201 | Cost: \$10

A close-up look at Christ in the Gospels and His methods and priorities in ministry. This course includes two essential areas of training: lifestyle evangelism and lifestyle discipleship.

Topics will include: understanding the culture gap, knowing/using our spiritual resources, finding the common ground, cultivating relationships, and more. Segments of the video Living Proof are shown during each class session.

Becoming Living Proof - MT 102

new

Pastor Tim Van Loh & Mike Winter | Room 119 | No cost

The mission of the Christian is the Great Commission. How do we successfully accomplish God's objective for us in our neighborhood, at work, and among our families? Part of the answer involves prayer, building relationships, and working with the body of Christ. Grow your passion and compassion for people separated from Christ while learning an effective means for gaining influence in their lives to expose them to the gospel. The video-based curriculum is stimulating and encouraging for becoming a fruitful laborer in God's ripe harvest field.

Personal Follow-up - MT 201

Trevor Harrison and Roger & Melissa Gray
Room 204 | Cost: \$5

In this course we will look at truths that provide a foundation for a lifelong healthy walk with the Lord. This course will train you on a personal level to be a part of the exciting process of grounding a new believer in God's transforming work and making a forever change in an individual's life.

This course isn't about taking someone through a program or simply learning some spiritual truths and facts. It's about being in the front lines and walking alongside a new believer as they learn about growing in their relationship with Christ and how God wants to use them in His Kingdom purposes.

Growth Groups: Small Group Leadership - MT 301

Pastor Keith Sova | Room 228 | Cost: \$10

In an updated version of this long-time Equippers course, we will continue to aim for the goal of transformation of lives to become more like Christ through the study of God's Word in intimate fellowship with others. There will be a special focus on how to effectively and prayerfully prepare small group Bible studies from the book of Colossians.

Ministering to Women - MT 310

new

Becky Phillips | Room 206 | No cost

Have you ever wished you could make an impact for Christ in your relationships with the women in your life? In this class we will learn tools to help us minister with confidence by leading women's studies, mentoring and meeting the needs of women who are broken, grieving, disappointed, waiting and weary, equipped by God's grace.

Christianity Explored - SF 101

Pastor Joel Wayner | Fireside Room | No cost

Who is Jesus? Why did he come? What does it mean to follow him? We will answer these questions by studying the life of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. This course is designed especially for sincere seekers of spiritual truth and skeptics who have real questions about the Christian faith. It is also a perfect opportunity for a seasoned saint to bring along a nonbelieving friend.

The Ten Commandments for Today - SF 102

new

Pastor Doug Phillips | Chapel | No cost

"...Keeping God's commandments is what counts." (1 Corinthians 7:19) What is the role of the Ten Commandments in the lives of Christians, the Church, and society and the culture today? How is a commitment to Spirit-empowered obedience a crucial part of living in God's grace? How can the Ten Commandments help guide me in knowing and doing God's will? And what do the Ten Commandments teach us today about authentic worship and faithful ministry?

These are the kinds of questions we will focus on in this Bible-based study that will include Q&A times in each session. Optional companion resource: Kevin DeYoung's recent book, "The 10 Commandments: What They Mean, Why They Matter, and Why We Should Obey Them"

Discipleship Explored - SF 201

new

Pastor Nick Nagy | Student Ministry Center | No cost

Join us and journey through Paul's letter to the Philippians in the new Discipleship Explored class written and presented by Barry Cooper, co-writer of Christianity Explored. This class is ideal for believers at any stage of the Christian life. It goes beyond simply teaching the right moves - go to church, pray, read the Bible, share the gospel - and focuses on what really drives discipleship: the love of Christ.

Lives of Great Christians - SF 150

new

Sam Telloyan | Room 202 | No cost

"He who walks with the wise grows wise . . ." (Proverbs 13:20) This study will focus on nine fruitful servants of God and the qualities that made them so. If you want to be inspired to live a fruitful life of service to God as well, please join us as we study the lives of William Carey, David Livingston, Hudson Taylor, Jim Elliot, George Mueller, Dwight Moody, Charles Spurgeon, Billy Sunday, and John the Baptist.

Living Free in Christ - SF 210

new

Bill Patrick | Room 205 | Cost: \$5

Living Free in Christ is designed to help every Christian become a fruitful disciple and make their life count. Our focus will be what we **believe**, not so much how we **behave**. Because when we get that right, our behavior will follow. Jesus said, it is when we know the truth, that we will be set free (John 8:32). Several opportunities will be provided each evening to enhance learning and application through discussions in small groups.

RARE Leadership - SF 250

Marilyn Hallgren assisted by Rob Krueger

Room 111 | No Cost (\$10 Leadership book is optional)

Remain relational, Act like yourself, Return to joy, Endure hardship well.

Originally designed for ministry environments but found to have much broader applications in business, personal, and family relationships, you will learn to unite Biblical principles that work with brain science from UCLA which are consistent with how God designed our brain. RARE Leadership is in contrast to secular principles found so often today in these areas as society moves more and more to a scientific worldview. Marcus Warner, president of Deeper Walk International, will teach us with a DVD series. It will be followed by real life applications and teaching in the areas of business, ministry and family followed by Q and A.