

CMCM 2380-35 Practice of Evangelism

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The mission of Leavell College of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is to equip leaders to fulfill the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries.

Core Value

Each academic year, a core value is emphasized. This academic year, the core value is Mission Focus – "We are not here merely to get an education or to give one. We are here to change the world by fulfilling the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries."

Course Description

The purpose of this course is to explore the ministry of evangelism through the local church and its ministries. In addition, the Biblical mandate for the individual Christian to be an evangelist will be examined. In addition to a summary of various approaches to evangelism in local churches, the Biblical, theological and historical aspects of evangelism will be highlighted.

Student Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the semester, the student should:

- 1. Be familiar with the historical and biblical basis of evangelism.
- 2. Know how to use a variety of approaches to carry out the Great Commission in their local church.
- 3. Value evangelism as significant in his/her daily life, and as an integral part of his/her spiritual life.
- 4. Be able to share the gospel in any setting.

Textbooks:

Rainer, Thom. The Unchurched Next Door.

Reid, Alvin. *Introduction to Evangelism*. Broadman and Holman, 1998. (Paperback) ISBN: 0-80541143-7

Optional text: Bill Faye---Share Jesus without Fear

Methodology

This course will feature a variety of teaching/learning methods including: lecture, dialogue, required readings, tests, small and large group discussions, testimonies, power point presentations, video, and multi-media presentations.

Course Assignments

- 1. Reading of weekly assignments. There will be a weekly quiz.
- 2. Eight witnessing reports conducted during the semester. Student will utilize the witnessing report guide provided at the end of the syllabus. The first four will be due after the Midterm. The final four will be due at the final.
- 3. A midterm exam over all material covered to that point will be given on October 9.
- 4. Students will participate in an evangelism group project. Each group will select an evangelism program, learn it, and teach the class. A group report will be submitted on the presentation day. The report format will be given to the groups in class. The available programs include:
 - a. FAITH—Bobby Welch;
 - b. Way of the Master—Ray Comfort
 - c. Share Jesus Without Fear—Bill Faye
 - d. Just Walk Across the Room—Bill Hybels
 - e. The Net—NAMB
 - f. People Sharing Jesus—Darrell Robinson
 - g. Other Approved Format
- 5. The final exam will be administered on December 14, 2015. The final will deal primarily with the information in the textbooks and in class presentations.
- 6. Develop a listing of web sites and addresses that will assist in witnessing and discipleship: www.wayofthemaster.com www.persecution.org = (Voice of the martyrs newsletter)

Course Evaluation

Quizzes 15%
Eight Witnessing Reports 15%
Midterm Exam 25%
Group Evangelism Report 20%
Final Exam 25%

Course Policies

Matters of style will count in the grading of written assignments. English grammar, syntax, spelling, punctuation, capitalization, etc. will be evaluated. Typographical errors and poor proofreading will be penalized. The latest edition of Kate L. Turabian's *Manual for Writer's of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations* will be the guide in all matters of form. Group reports and witnessing reports must be typed.

Assignments handed in after class on the day it is due will be penalized two points for each day it is late, weekends and holidays included.

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EVANGELISTIC OUTREACH REPORT # _____

ame .	Date Box #
CO	NTEXT
A.	Person(s) with whom you shared:
B.	Date: Time: Location:
C.	Accompanied by: [] alone
D.	This outreach opportunity came as a result of:
	[] an appointment (explain):
	[] a referral (explain):
	[] a "way of life" situation (explain):
	[] talking with individuals "at random"
	[] other (explain):
IN'	TERACTION
A.	What did you learn about this person's spiritual condition?
B.	What key issues and/or questions surfaced during your conversation?
C.	Were there any hindrances to your conversation (television set blaring, children, etc.)? How
	did you address them?
D.	Which of the following statements best describes your witnessing encounter with this person?
	[] I gave a complete/thorough presentation of the gospel.
	[] We had a Christ-centered religious discussion, but I did not present the gospel because
	[] We did not discuss religion or Christ because
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E.	In your opinion, how clear was your explanation of the gospel message?
	clear as mud 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 crystal clear
F.	If you did present the gospel, how did you transition into the gospel?
G	What evangelistic tool/specific gospel presentation did you use if any?

III. CONCLUSION

- A. Did you specifically ask the person if he/she were willing to receive Christ? If not, why?
- B. If you did ask the person to receive Christ, what was his/her response?
- C. If the person did not respond positively, what do you think is preventing him/her from receiving Christ?
- D. What plans did you make to talk again?

IV. SELF-EVALUATION

- A. What did you do well?
- B. What would you do differently?