

CROSS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
ALBUQUERQUE
BIBLE COLLEGE
SHEPHERD'S SCHOOL EDITION

SHEPHERD'S SCHOOL

If you are reading this you must feel that you or someone you know has a calling on their life. The question is how do you take that calling to the reality of shepherding God's flock? Not everyone is called to a formal four year seminary.

I believe there is a distinct need in the body of Christ for personal discipleship in developing shepherds for God's flock. It is not enough to be engrossed in academia and sent out without practical experience and personal guidance. Therefore the purpose of the Shepherd School is to have a small group of called and dedicated men to be trained personally by me from start to finish.

The training will consist of classroom education, practical ministry and personal time with me. There is no guarantee the men chosen will become pastors but some will undoubtedly go on to plant churches and others will end up on a church staff somewhere. In a training environment like this we can keep costs low and equipping high. Once learned this method can also be easily duplicated in any church in the future to raise up other shepherds.

The type of student that we are looking for:

- Those who desire to allow the Holy Spirit to conform them into the image of Jesus Christ.
- Those who are open to be and do whatever God may call them to be or do.
- Those who desire to put themselves under leaders in order to become one.

If this describes you and you feel that God is leading you to attend Shepherd School , then we invite you to apply. May God bless you richly with His abundant love.

Pastor Scott Thom,
President CCFBC

CONTENTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE AND VISION OF CCFBC	4
LOCATION.....	5
ACCREDITATION.....	5

STUDENT LIFE

MINISTRY TRAINING	6
MORAL CODE	6

ADMISSIONS

NEW STUDENTS.....	7
LIMITED SPACE.....	7

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION.....	8
TUITION & FEES.....	8
PAYMENT TERMS.....	9
REGISTRATION FORMS.....	9
REFUNDS	10
GENERAL FINANCIAL AID	10
REGISTRAION CHECK LIST	10
STATEMENT OF FAITH	11

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION ...	12
SCHOOL SCHEDULE.....	13
REQUIRED COURSES FOR CERTIFICATES	14
GRADING SYSTEM	15
MEDIA CLASS REQUIREMENTS...	15

COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS.....	16
MINISTRY STUDIES	16
PRACTICAL CHRISTIAN MINISTRY	17
THEOLOGY	18
CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY	18
STUDIES IN SHEPHERDING.....	18
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION	19

REQUEST FOR MORE

INFORMATION

We welcome your calls and inquiries as we are here to serve the Body of Christ. Please feel free to call us from 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, Mountain Time, (505)990-7588.

Mail to: Cross Christian Fellowship Bible College
6721 Edith Blvd Suite b
Albuquerque NM 87113

Or E-Mail: info@crossfellowship.org

Or visit our Web site: www.crossfellowship.org

Please send me further information on:

_____ Information on Cross Christian Fellowship

_____ Registration for Admission to CCFBC Shepherd
School

If this catalog has peaked your interest and you feel that God is leading you to attend CCFBC, then we invite you to apply.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

THEOLOGY

ST01-8: Systematic Theology I through 8 (4 credits) MP3 Media classes

The topics in this class include: Proving the existence of God, the doctrine of the Creation, the doctrine of the God, the doctrine of Christ, the doctrine of the Holy Spirit, doctrine of the Trinity. the doctrine of Man, the doctrine of Sin, the doctrine of the Salvation, and the doctrine of the Church. These studies will be taught by foremost professors in the field.

CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY

CP01-8 Christian Philosophy I through 8 (4 credits) MP3 Media classes

The topics in this media class will cover learning the Christian world view and how to defend it. Learn to detect error in world religions, cults and aberrant Christian teachings. These studies will be taught by foremost professors in the field.

STUDIES IN SHEPHERDING

SS01 Studies in Shepherding I through 8 (4 credits) MP3 Media classes

You will learn how to shepherd God's flock from leading pastors who will dispense advice and encouragement for those who seek to serve God as they are called to.

NOTES

Cross Christian Fellowship has been formed as a fellowship of local believers under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. We are a nondenominational Christian church.

CCF exists to incorporate people into the body of Christ (*Fellowship*), develop maturity (*Equip*) for their service in the church (*ministry*) and lifework in the world (*Mission*) in order to magnify Christ (*Worship*).

CCFBC is a ministry of Cross Christian Fellowship. The Shepherd School is a division of the Bible College



“For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of the soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

Hebrews 4:12

GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE AND VISION OF CCFBC

We desire to see each student at Cross Christian Fellowship Bible College becoming totally committed and abandoned to Jesus Christ, while being separated from the world and the fleshly life of self. Our vision is to have each student conformed into the image of Jesus Christ, thus having the life of Christ living through them by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Rom. 12:1-2; 2 Cor. 5:14-15; Eph. 4:17-20; Phil. 1:21)

Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it." (Luke 9:23-24)

We desire to see each student grow in godliness and holiness. (Rom. 8:29; Gal. 4:19; 2 Cor. 3:18; 1 Pe. 2:4-5)

Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lust. (Rom. 13:13-14)

We desire to see each student being set free by the truth of the Word of God and being equipped by the Scriptures for fruitful service unto the Lord. (Psalm 1:1-3; 19:7-11; John 8:31-32; 17:17; 2 Tim. 2:15)

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. (2 Tim. 3:16-17)

We desire to see each student developing the humble heart of a servant, allowing the grace of God to shape and strengthen their lives. (1 Pe. 5:5; Eph. 5:21; Titus 2:11-12; 2 Tim. 2:1)

And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many. (Matt. 20:27-28)

MINISTRY CONTINUED

HM01 Homiletics (4 credits)

This course will help a student take a Bible study outline and teach a coherent, logical and inspired message. Learn to teach and preach with confidence and power under the leading of the Holy Spirit.

DM01: Distinctives of Ministry I & II (4 credits)

This course is designed to aid students in applying the principles of Cross Christian Fellowship to the diverse issues of Doctrine. Gain understanding in difficult or polarizing doctrines such as the Rapture, Salvation, and the Sabbath.

PM01 Philosophy of Ministry I (4 credits)

In this class you will learn about the details of ministry not usually taught except in the school of hard knocks. Understand your call to a particular ministry, Ventures of Faith, Building the Church, Priority of God's Word, being empowered in God's Spirit, Church planting, Learn about handling Church discipline, Church administration, worship, and so on.

EC01 Ethics / Counseling (4 credits)

This is an introductory course in problem solving designed to lead the counselor to the Biblical basis for overcoming sin and defective interpersonal relationships.

PCM1-8: Practical Christian Ministry (1 credit Each) **- Required for all certificates**

Students will provide 2 hours weekly of practical support to the many areas at Cross Christian Fellowship. Opportunities include working with the Bible college, lending library, men's ministry, sound ministry, outreach ministries, radio ministry, missions, children's ministry and many other areas of ministry.

COURSE INFORMATION

"You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." 2 Timothy 2:1-3

COURSES

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

All the courses listed below are offered at Cross Christian Fellowship and are mandatory as part of the Shepherd School.

MINISTRY STUDIES

LS01 Life of the Shepherd I & II (4 credits each)

This class will be a overview study in the life of a pastor and ministry leader. It will include topics such as: Calling of the shepherd, Purpose of the shepherd, Character of the shepherd, Passion of the shepherd, Discipline of the shepherd, Power of the shepherd, Priority of the shepherd, Gifts of the shepherd, Growth of the shepherd.

These are not the type of studies that you get in seminary. They will speak to the heart of the person who is called into ministry.

IBSM Intro to Bible Study Methods (4 credits)

Introduction to Bible Study Methods is aimed at interpreting the Scripture with an emphasis on outlining for teaching. It is not enough to know what the passage means, one must be able to extrapolate the God intended practical application for the audience. There will be a little Greek and Hebrew but no prerequisite will be needed. There will also be an emphasis on Bible study software.

We desire to see each student dependent upon the enabling work of the Holy Spirit in their lives, and having no confidence in the flesh. (John 4:24; 6:63; 7:37-39; 15:5; 16:13-14; Acts 1:8; 2 Cor. 3:5-6; Eph. 5:18; Phil. 3:3)

So he answered and said to me: "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the Lord of hosts." (Zec. 4:6)

LOCATION & FACILITIES

The classrooms, church and administrative offices are located at: **Cross Christian Fellowship**
6721 Edith Blvd. Suite B Albuquerque NM 87113.

Presently, there are no campus living quarters available for Bible College students. Students must secure off-campus housing on their own.

ACCREDITATION

At this time CCFBC has decided not to seek accreditation so as to remain free from outside control and open to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

STUDENT LIFE

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing."

John 15:4,5

MINISTRY TRAINING

Shepherd School is designed to prepare an individual for full-time ministry in a variety of areas: as a pastor, assistant pastor, worship leader, children's worker, biblical counselor, missionary, or evangelist. Preparation includes media from world class authors and pastors and practical "how-to" courses in differing areas of ministry.

In addition to course work, CCFBC provides on-going opportunities to work within CCF and possibly other churches in order to gain practical ministry experience. Some common areas of ministry which have developed over the years are: outreach ministry, hospital ministry, feeding the homeless, children's Christian education, tape and radio ministry, street witnessing, new believers instructors, internet ministry, sound ministry, and youth group involvement. The opportunities change each quarter depending on the assignments for each student.

MORAL CODE

Activity, communications or attitudes that break with Scripture will violate our moral code. We ask the students not to wear pants that are low riding on the hips, and that shorts, skirts, and tops be modest and appropriate. We appreciate your cooperation with these requests as we are seeking to honor God and promote godliness on our campus. Dress and conduct violations will be grounds for dismissal.

This is a non-smoking facility and there are no designated areas for smokers on or near the campus. This rule will be strictly enforced. Smoking on campus will be grounds for dismissal.

GRADING SYSTEM

The Shepherd School does not give out letter grades. You will not have traditional tests. Your continued admittance in the school and graduation depends on the completion of all requirements and character evaluations put forth in Scripture. Included in the requirements is attendance, reading assignments, ministry assignments and media papers.

Attendance:

A student may be dismissed if they incur more than five unexcused absences in the Shepherd School program.

MEDIA CLASS REQUIREMENTS

Media class requirements

Each student will be responsible for listening to 3 to 4 hours of media files each week and completing a short synopsis on them. If a student falls more than a quarter behind they can be dismissed from school.

If they are dismissed they must reapply and if approved they must start the school over again.

REQUIRED COURSES FOR CERTIFICATES

The Certificate of Ministry - 40 Credits *

This is a two-year program intended for students who desire to understand the intricacies of ministry. Students must take all the required courses and complete all required work and studies. The required courses are as follows: Practical Christian Ministry one through eight, Life of the Shepherd one and two, Philosophy of Ministry, Distinctives of Ministry, Introduction to Bible Study Methods, Homiletics, Ethics / Counseling, Prophecy.

*This Course meets the minimum requirements for most Law Enforcement and hospice chaplaincy employment programs

The Certificate of Theology - 40 Credits **

This is a two-year program intended for students who desire to understand God and His main attributes. Students must take all the required courses and complete all required work and studies. The required courses are as follows: Systematic Theology classes one through eight.

The Certificate of Christian Philosophy - 40 Credits **

This is a two-year program intended for students who desire to understand the intricacies of ministry. Students must take all the required courses and complete all required work and studies. The required courses are as follows: Christian Philosophy classes one through eight.

** These courses meet the minimum requirements for most introductory level ministry and counseling employment programs or internships

Completion of Practical Christian Ministry is required to receive any of the above certificates and to graduate.

ADMISSIONS

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen." 2 Peter

NEW

.....

If you are interested in attending Cross Christian Fellowship Bible College you must submit an application for admission and two "letter of reference" forms provided by CCFBC. These forms will also be given to each new student at the time of open registration.

The Admission decision is made by our Admissions Review Board on the basis of the following:

1. **Spiritual Maturity:** Information contained in the application, including the student's Personal Salvation and Calling Profile, and reference forms.
2. **Personal Reference Letter:** We ask that the recommendations be from persons who have known the applicant for at least one year, and is not related by blood or marriage. (Pastor, friend or employer are acceptable)
3. **Personal Interviews:** Each applicant will need to have a successful interviews with our pastoral staff.

LIMITED SPACE.....

Due to the nature of this Shepherd School there will be a very limited number of students admitted to the studies. Please apply as early as possible as space will fill up quickly. The number of students will likely be thirty.

This limited admittance is designed to give maximum growth and personal attention to dedicated men.

FINANCIAL

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."
Colossians 3:16

REGISTRATION

Registration for Shepherd School is done by mail or in person after any service prior to the start of the school year. If you have a past-due balance from any previous quarter, arrangements for payments must be made with the Bible College staff with the approval of the Bible College director before being allowed continuance in the program.

Due to limited class space, all registrations should be filed as soon as possible and **no later** than the registration dates. There are no exceptions. The last day of registration is the Sunday after classes begin.

TUITION & FEES

APPLICATION FEE

There is a non-refundable application fee of \$5.00 for all students.

TUITION & BOOK FEES

Tuition for Shepherd School is \$199.00 a month for 24 months, or \$4,000 paid in full. Any required books are included in the cost of the school. Practicum costs are separate and will be announced throughout the school year. Retreat and conference costs per year will be roughly \$100 and due at announced dates in the school year but are not mandatory.

YEAR ONE

.....

1st Quarter

LS01 Life of the Shepherd I (4 cr)
CP01 Christian Philosophy I (4 cr)
ST01 Systematic Theology I (4 cr)
SS01 Studies in Shepherding I (4 cr)
PCM1 Practical Christian Ministry (1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

3rd Quarter

IBSM Intro to Bible Study Methods (4 cr)
CP03 Christian Philosophy III (4 cr)
ST03 Systematic Theology III (4 cr)
SS03 Studies in Shepherding III (4 cr)
PCM3 Practical Christian Ministry 3(1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

2nd Quarter

LS02 Life of the Shepherd II (4 cr)
CP02 Christian Philosophy II(4 cr)
ST02 Systematic Theology II (4 cr)
SS02 Studies in Shepherding II (4 cr)
PCM2 Practical Christian Min. 2 (1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

4th Quarter

HM01 Homiletics (4 cr)
CP04 Christian Philosophy IV(4 cr)
ST04 Systematic Theology IV (4 cr)
SS04 Studies in Shepherding IV (4 cr)
PCM4 Practical Christian Min. 4 (1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

Grand Total of 68 Credits

YEAR TWO

.....

1st Quarter

EC01 Ethics / Counseling (4 cr)
CP05 Christian Philosophy V (4 cr)
ST05 Systematic Theology V (4 cr)
SS05 Studies in Shepherding V (4 cr)
PCM5 Practical Christian Ministry 5 (1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

3rd Quarter

DM02 Eschatology Prophecy (4 cr)
CP07 Christian Philosophy VII (4 cr)
SH07 Systematic Theology VII (4 cr)
SS07 Studies in Shepherding VII (4 cr)
PCM7 Practical Christian Ministry 7(1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

2nd Quarter

DG01 Salvation (4 cr)
CP06 Christian Philosophy VI(4 cr)
ST06 Systematic Theology VI (4 cr)
SS06 Studies in Shepherding VI (4 cr)
PCM6 Practical Christian Min. 6 (1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

4th Quarter

PM01 Philosophy of Ministry I (4 cr)
CP08 Christian Philosophy VIII(4 cr)
ST08 Systematic Theology VIII (4 cr)
SS08 Studies in Shepherding VIII (4 cr)
PCM8 Practical Christian Min. 8 (1 cr)

Total: 17 credits

Grand Total of 68 Credits

STATEMENT OF FAITH CONTINUED

We Reject: (1) The belief that true Christians can be demon possessed;
(2) any theology which denies that human freewill can be exercised in the receiving of Christ's free gift of salvation; specifically, we reject the belief that Jesus' atonement was limited in its extent, instead, we believe that He died for all unrighteous people and we reject the assertion that God's wooing grace cannot be resisted or that He has elected some people to go to hell; instead we believe that anyone who wills to come to Christ may do so freely as a result of the Holy Spirit's conviction and wooing persuasion of the heart;
(3) "positive confession," (e.g., the Faith Movement, that views faith as a force that can create one's own reality or that God can be commanded to heal or work miracles according to man's will and faith);
(4) human prophecy that supersedes, or is contrary to, the Scripture;
(5) any introduction of psychology and philosophy which is contrary to Scripture and is in substance "according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ" into biblical teaching;
(6) "Open Theism" or "Freewill Theism" which reduces God's timeless, unchanging, dynamic nature, and exhaustive foreknowledge of future free decisions, to creaturely modes of being and operation;
(7) the "Emergent Church" movement insofar as it departs from the historic orthodox Christian doctrines in favor of postmodernism;
(8) the overemphasis of spiritual gifts, experiential signs and wonders to the exclusion of biblical teaching.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

COURSES AND CERTIFI-

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

The Certificate of Completion program for the Shepherd School is a full two year curriculum. A student must complete 40 credits in the prescribed area of study to receive his certificate. No official grades are given. School standards must be maintained in order to qualify for the certificate.

There may be opportunity to travel to a Pastor and Leader conference at the student's expense. This would be optional.

PAYMENT TERMS

Tuition is paid online at www.CCFcollege.com by debit or credit card through Stripe or PayPal, either monthly or in full. Any required books are included in the cost of the school.

APPLICATION FORMS

A registration form is enclosed with this catalog. Additional forms are available at Cross Christian Fellowship, or can be emailed to you upon request. Request extra forms at ccf@crossfellowship.org.

Fill out the registration form completely as instructed. You may bring in or mail your registration form, along with a \$5.00 non-refundable registration fee to **Cross Christian Fellowship** 6721 Edith Blvd Suite C Albuquerque NM 87113.

New students will be given application and reference forms that must be completed and returned according to designated due date. This is an essential part of the registration process. *The application and reference form are strictly confidential.*

Failure to complete and return these forms to the Bible College Office will result in the student's application process being put on hold until these forms are completed.

REFUND

You can have a full refund within 30 days of enrolling, as long as you have completed less than one module. To ask for a refund, notify the Bible College in writing, by email, by phone, or in person.

GENERAL FINANCIAL AID

Because of the low cost requirements no financial aid is offered to attendees of the Shepherd School.

REGISTRATION CHECK-

STEPS TO REGISTRATION - CHECK LIST

Complete the admission application with the \$5.00 nonrefundable registration fee

Write Personal Salvation and Calling profile (500 words)
One passport-style photo

Have non family members fill out and return the reference forms

Await phone or email notification of your personal interview.

Tuition is automatically withdrawn via electronic draft.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Bible: We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative, inerrant Word of God. (2 Timothy 3:15-17; 2 Peter 1:21).

God: We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1; Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19; John 10:30)

Jesus: We believe in the deity of Christ (John 10:33); His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; Luke 1:34-35); His sinless life (Hebrews 4:15, 7:26); His miracles (John 2:11); His vicarious and atoning death (1 Corinthians 15:3; Ephesians 1:7; Hebrews 2:9); His physical bodily resurrection (John 11:25; 1 Corinthians 15:4); His ascension to the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19); His personal return to earth in power and glory. (Acts 1:11; Revelation 19:11-16)

Spirit: We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit including the orderly demonstration of His gifts and by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. (Romans 8:13-14; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19-20; Ephesians 4:30, 5:18)

Salvation: We believe in the regeneration by the Holy Spirit during salvation because of the sinfulness of human nature, and that all are justified on the single ground of faith in the shed blood of Christ, and that only by God's grace, through faith alone, are we saved. (John 3:16-19; 5:24; Romans 3:23, 5:8-9; Ephesians 2:8-10; Titus 3:5) We believe in God's sovereignty and man's free will.

Resurrection: We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life, and they that are not unto the resurrection of damnation. (John 5:28-29)

Church: We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:12-13) We believe in the present gifts of the Holy Spirit operating in an proper and orderly manner. (1 Cor. 12-14)

Christ's Return: We await the imminent rapture of the church and the second coming of Christ which will be physical, personal, visible, and pre-millennial. This motivates us to holy living, heart-felt worship, committed service, diligent study of God's Word, evangelism, and regular fellowship.