

Peace Baptist District Missionary Association

Congress of Christian Education

Rev. Dr. Mathew J. Hunter, Jr. – Moderator

Rev. Marlon D. Ellington, Th.M. – President

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73rd Annual Session Schedule and Curriculum

Theme: “Unshaken: Standing on the Rock in Shifting Times”

Psalm 46:1-3; Psalm 62:2-8; Matthew 7:24-27

June 8-11, 2026

Morning Session begins @ 8:00 AM Evening Session begins @ 6:00 PM

**Host Church: *St. Joseph Baptist Church*
500 9th Avenue North, Birmingham, AL 35204
Dr. Boykin Hunter, Pastor**

Course Descriptions (Tentative List)

AM Courses:

***Course #1079 – Survey of John:** Focus on the fourth gospel and its uniqueness. Identify the specific features that characterize John’s gospel and distinguish it from the Synoptic Gospels, with emphasis on John’s writings and the ministry of Jesus Christ.

Dr. Joe L. Moore – Mt. Carmel Baptist Church #1/textbook TBA

***Course #2045 – Teaching Youth, NC:** Provide a general introduction to learning and teaching methods for teens. Spiritual, mental, and social patterns will be explored.

Sister Jean Robinson – Mt. Carmel Baptist Church #1/no textbook required

Course #4014 – The Doctrine of Prayer: Teach on the fundamental purpose, principles, and power of prayer. Understand prayer as the channel of communication of the believer to the Father.

Minister Brenda McCray – Mt. Calvary Baptist Church/textbook-Kingdom Prayer-Touching Heaven to Change Earth, by Tony Evans

Course #5012 – Becoming an Effective Deacon, NC: Assist the deacon in becoming aware of his biblical base. Ideas are given that will enable them to more effectively perform their duties and work harmoniously with the pastor and other church leaders.

Rev. Harrison Carson – Bethel Baptist Church, Pratt City/textbook-The Baptist Deacon, by Robert Naylor

***Course #MT002 - Maximizing Social Media: From Digital Billboards to Digital Engagement:** In this present age, social media is more than just a platform for announcements; it’s a powerful tool for building relationships and engaging with your community. In this course, you’ll learn how to transition your social media presence from a “stagnant” digital billboard to an interactive space that invites engagement and attracts followers. Learn how to craft compelling content, develop a posting strategy that resonates with your followers, and create authentic interactions that make people want to connect with your ministry.

Pastor Herman Maxwell-Lee’s Chapel Baptist Church/textbooks – From Social Media to Social Ministry, by Nona Jones and The Connected Church, by Natchi Lazarus. (Both available on Amazon and Audible)

(PM Courses continue on other side)

PM Courses:

***Course # 1072 – Survey of the New Testament:** Engage in a general overview of the divisions, time periods, places, events, people, and archaeology of the New Testament section of the Bible.

Pastor, Dr. Mathew J. Hunter, Jr. – First Baptist Church West Ensley/no textbook required

Course #5011 – How to Call a Pastor, NC: Emphasize the proper procedure for calling a pastor using biblical principles. Highlight the role of the pastor search/pulpit committee and its responsibility to the church. Discuss the role of the Holy Spirit in the entire process.

Pastor, Dr. Willie Wells – Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church/no textbook required

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Course #5014 – The Role of the Minister's Wife, NC: This course is designed to focus on the minister's wife and her responsibilities as a Christian, a mother, a wife, a leader, and a community servant.

Sister Terilyn Patterson – Abysinnia Baptist Church/no textbook required.

Course #5020 – Conflict Management, NC: Examine basic biblical principles that students may apply to successfully maneuver through various conflicts that frequently arise in the church. Develop a model that can be utilized in conflict resolution.

Sister Hattie French – Abysinnia Baptist Church/no textbook required

Course #6005 – Financing and Budgeting the Work of the Church, NC: Provide information critical to the development and operation of a total church budget that integrates the mission, money, and message of the church. Emphasize tithing, corporate management responsibility, planning strategies, and a strong emphasis on immediate needs and long-range goals.

Rev. Cleman Johnson – First Baptist Church West Ensley/no textbook required

Course #7005 – Christian Evangelism: Teach the basic steps in developing a program of evangelism. Discover the appropriate Scriptures to use, and the methods, techniques, and media best suited for witnessing to nonbelievers.

Pastor, Dr. Tyree Anderson – First Baptist Church, Ensley/textbooks-*Grow Your Church from the Outside In*, by George Barna and *Evangelism Manual*, by Dr. Tyree Anderson (See Dr. Anderson for 2nd textbook.)

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***Building a Tax-Exempt Organization, 501c3, from start to finish. NC**

Minister Geraldine Moore – Bethel Baptist Church, Pratt City/textbook TBA

The Armor of God (course for 5–9-year-olds), NC.

Sister Talese Denson – First Baptist Church West Ensley/no textbook required

***NEW COURSES FOR 2026**

NC-NON-CERTIFIED COURSES