

Pretoria Grace School of Ministry (GSM)

Two-Year Track 2013-2014

Classes run Monday to Friday from 08h00-17h00.

First Year

4-8 February 2013
Fundamentals of Biblical Counselling

4-8 March 2013
Theology of Biblical Counselling

7-11 October 2013
Marriage Counselling

Second Year

3-7 February 2014
Parenting and other Counselling Topics

3-7 March 2014
Counselling Topics, Observation, and Discussion

Note: To put less strain on the students' schedules, the GSM Counselling Course has been reduced from eight weeks to five weeks over two years. However, the course still covers in detail all the essential theological and counselling issues that were covered previously.

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Cape Town Bible Institute of South Africa (BISA)

Two-Year Track 2013-2014

Classes run Monday to Friday from 08h30-17h30.

First Year

18-22 February 2013
Fundamentals of Biblical Counselling

11-15 March 2013
Theology of Biblical Counselling

21-25 October 2013
Marriage Counselling

Second Year

17-21 February 2014
Parenting and other Counselling Topics

17-21 March 2014
Counselling Topics, Observation, and Discussion

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Biblical Counselling Course



Introduction

The GSM Counselling Course is based on the belief that God has given us in the Bible all we need to address man's emotional and spiritual problems. The course provides students with the necessary tools to use Scripture effectively in their own lives and in the lives of those they counsel.

The world tends to make counselling the province of an elite few, usually coming at issues from a completely unbiblical perspective. In contrast, God puts counselling within reach of all Christ-loving, biblically informed believers (Rom 15:14) and reminds us that no counsel is right if it is against His word (Prov 21:30).

Since being established by Dr Wayne Mack in 2006, this course has prepared nearly two hundred students to counsel biblically.

Course instructors:

- Dr Joel James, Grace Fellowship, Pretoria
- David Selvey and Andy Woodall, Faith Baptist Church in Lafayette, Indiana (USA), a key church in the biblical counselling movement.

Where Will the Course Be Held?

- PRETORIA at Grace Fellowship
- CAPE TOWN at The Bible Institute of SA

Course Structure

Students attend class for one full week (Mon-Fri) in February, March, and October 2013 and for one full week in February and March 2014 (five weeks total). Tea and lunch are provided during the course.

Course Materials Format

All course materials are provided to students in electronic format (pdf). This includes class notes, instructions on assignments, and other correspondence with students. Exceptions are made for those students who do not have access to a computer.

Who Should Take This Course?

This course is for pastors and committed lay people who want to learn to counsel from the Scriptures more effectively.

How Do I Apply?

All applications for admission must be sent to Grace School of Ministry. Application forms are available at www.gracefellowship.co.za or by writing to GSM at the address provided.

International Students: After applying and being accepted to the counselling course, students from outside South Africa may need to obtain a South African study visa to enter the country legally. Students must contact their local South African consulate for more information.

Study visas take at least six weeks to be approved: please apply well in advance.

Applications open: 1 May 2012

Closing date: 14 January 2013 .

What Will It Cost?

The cost of tuition for the Counselling Course 2013-2014 will be R750 per module. This excludes textbooks, which need to be purchased separately. Students should budget approximately R500 per module for books (there are five modules).

Credit Toward a Degree*

The Biblical Counselling classes can contribute significantly toward the following degree programmes:

The Master of Arts in Biblical Counselling degree from the Master's College (USA).

GSM has initiated discussions with Northwest University that may allow GSM classes to count toward a post-graduate degree in counselling.

**Subject to change without prior notice.*

Although we encourage students to take the Counselling Course for degree credit, it is not required that you do so.

"Somewhere during the classes, I forgot that I came to learn how to help other people. I found myself being the counselee, being helped tremendously ... I found it life-changing, marriage-changing, parenting-changing and ministry-changing."
Pastor Jannie Vosloo

"If what you are looking for is a good biblical and God-glorifying counselling course, then you have found it here. This course reaffirmed the authority and sufficiency of the Scriptures in my life and in the life of my counselees."
Pastor Michael Bwembya

