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CONFERENCE EVENTS

CONFERENCE ORIENTATION

Join us for an on-site orientation on Sunday afternoon, designed to share helpful information and answer questions about the conference.

YOUNG ADULT COFFEE HOUR

Connect with peers over coffee, conversation, and dessert on Tuesday evening.

PASTORS' LUNCHEON PLENARY

Join us daily at the Pastors' Luncheon Plenary, where inspiring discussions will ignite thoughtful dialogue and foster connections.

WOMEN'S PANEL DISCUSSION AND NETWORKING LUNCH

Immerse yourself in the dynamic Women's Panel Discussion and Networking Lunch, designed to empower and unite voices in a collaborative atmosphere.

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS AND GRADUATION CEREMONY

Join us as we recognize the 2025 graduating class and outstanding Christian Educators on Wednesday afternoon.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Forty-sixth Annual SSPB Conference is scheduled to convene from November 30 to December 3, 2025, at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee. Throughout its forty-five-year history, this Conference has distinguished itself as a premier assembly for thousands of Christian educators. Pastors, educators, church leaders, and individuals passionate about Christian education gather to educate, celebrate, and collaborate toward realizing God’s reign in their lives, fostering a sense of community and shared objectives.

This Conference provides a comprehensive, three-day immersion experience in Christian education, effectively combining faith and practice through various plenary speakers, class and seminar leaders, workshop presentations, and worship experiences. Participants will encounter challenges and inspiration from more than thirty class and workshop offerings. Noteworthy highlights of this year’s Conference include the simultaneous in-depth Sunday School Transformation Academy and the Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar, all designed to elevate your skills and equip you for impactful ministry.

Whether one has attended the conference in prior years or is new to this event, all are encouraged to join us for what promises to be a rich and rewarding experience.

We look forward to welcoming participants as we collectively advance our mission in Christian education.

For the Cause of Christ,



DERRICK JACKSON
Executive Director

ON THE THEME

Our theme for this year is "Legacy Bearers, Vision Carriers." This theme is not just a phrase; it is a profound reflection of the unique roles of African American Christian educators. It captures the heart of what we do in a way that other themes often miss, emphasizing our invaluable contribution to the community.

Theological Depth

Grounded in Proverbs 29:18—"Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he [she]" (KJV)—this theme highlights a significant biblical tension between preservation and progression. It reminds us that if we do not honor our legacy—the law—we lose happiness, yet our communities can wither without a vision. African American Christian educators have long navigated this balancing act, keeping our cherished faith traditions alive while forging new paths forward.

Cultural Resonance

This theme speaks directly to the experience of African Americans who have fought to carry forward educational and spiritual legacies through countless challenges. The word *Bearer* acknowledges the immense honor and responsibility of holding something precious. At the same time, "Vision Carrier" emphasizes our duty to preserve these legacies and propel them into the future.

Intergenerational Appeal

Our goal for the conference is inclusivity. We want everyone, regardless of their church ministry role or experience, to feel welcomed and valued:

- For emerging Christian educators and ministry leaders, it is an invitation to embrace the legacy and begin to shape their vision.
- New Christian educators and ministry leaders are encouraged to carry the legacy while actively evolving as vision carriers.
- Experienced Christian educators and ministry leaders are celebrated as legacy bearers who continue to inspire and guide others with their vision.

Practical Application

Through the lens of "Legacy Bearers, Vision Carriers," we can evaluate every part of Christian education. This framework enables us to uphold the elements of our legacy while embracing new visions, providing a clear path for evaluating our curriculum, teaching methods, leadership approaches, and community involvement.

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 30, 2025

- 2:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Registration
- 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Conference Orientation

Monday, December 1, 2025

- 6:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Registration
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Concurrent Class Sessions
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Sunday School Transformation Academy
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar
- 10:00 a.m. Opening Plenary
- 10:20 a.m. Lecture
- 11:00 a.m. Sermon
- 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Pastors’ Luncheon Plenary
- 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Women’s Panel Discussion & Networking Lunch
- 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Lunch-and-Learn Workshops
- 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Concurrent Class Sessions
- 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Sunday School Transformation Academy
- 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Tuesday, December 2, 2025

- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Concurrent Class Sessions
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Sunday School Transformation Academy
- 10:00 a.m. Plenary

- 10:20 a.m. Lecture
- 11:00 a.m. Sermon
- 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Pastors’ Luncheon Plenary
- 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Women’s Panel Discussion & Networking Lunch
- 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m. Lunch-and-Learn Workshops
- 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Concurrent Class Sessions
- 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Sunday School Transformation Academy
- 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar
- 5:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m. Young Adult Coffee Hour
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Concurrent Class Sessions
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Sunday School Transformation Academy
- 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m. Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar
- 10:00 a.m. Plenary
- 10:20 a.m. Lecture
- 11:00 a.m. Sermon
- 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Pastors’ Luncheon Plenary
- 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Women’s Panel Discussion & Networking Lunch
- 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m. Lunch-and-Learn Workshops
- 2:00 p.m. **Commencement**

COURSE, SEMINAR, AND WORKSHOP OFFERINGS

DEAN’S INTENSIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

SUNDAY SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION ACADEMY (New in 2025)

Classroom Catalyst: Inspiring Life Change through Effective Teaching

Command Central: Strategic Leadership for Kingdom Impact

Transforming Bible Education: Mastering Teaching Excellence with Modern Tools

CHURCH LEADERSHIP DIVISION

Pastors’ and Ministers’ Subdivision

Addressing the “Nones and Dones”: Reconnecting with Disaffiliated Black Christians

Empowering Your Ministry

Soul Care for Church Leaders: Preventing Burnout while Serving Others

The Hybrid Church: Grow Your Digital Ministry to Grow Your Church

The Prophetic Voice in an Age of Polarization

Church Ministries Subdivision

Biblical Foremothers: African American Women’s Interpretations of Female Biblical Figures

Biblical Womanhood Reimagined: Female Leadership in the Black Church Tradition

Bridging the Generational Divide: Engaging Gen Z and Millennials in Church Life

Church Leadership under 40: Leading while Still Learning

Digital Discipleship: Authentic Faith in an Age of Social Media

I Am She Who Is Valuable: A Journey of Self-value and Purpose

Kingdom Man: Understanding Your Purpose and Assignment from God

Mental Health Ministry: Supporting Congregation Members through Crisis

The Wilderness Experience: Finding God in Life’s Challenging Seasons

Your Soul Matters: Christ-centered Practices for Personal Spiritual Care

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP DIVISION

Certification Subdivision

1061–Survey of Haggai

1075–Synoptic Gospels

1079–Survey of the Gospel of John

2011–Baptist Doctrine

2023–Creative Ways of Teaching

2097–Rethinking Christian Education for Contemporary Innovations

2099A/B–Dean Certification (Parts I and II)

2099C/D–Dean Certification (Parts III and IV)

2100–Guidelines for Recertification of Deans

2110–Mentoring Dean Seminar

Specialization Education Studies Subdivision

SP0005–Christian Apologetics

SP0018–Leadership Principles and Strategies

SP0021–Conflict Management in the Ministry

LUNCH-AND-LEARN OPPORTUNITIES

Pastors' Luncheon Plenary

The African American Church at a Crossroads: Honoring Tradition while Embracing Change

Women's Panel Discussion and Networking Lunch

Called and Connected: Building Sisterhood among Women in Christian Service

Transformative FAITH Sunday School Workshop

Vacation Bible School Workshop

MMBB Financial Wellness Workshop

SYNOPSIS OF CLASSES

CHURCH LEADERSHIP DIVISION

PASTORS' AND MINISTERS' SUBDIVISION

The Pastors' and Ministers' Subdivision is designed to aid pastors in understanding their role of moving people from membership to discipleship. Pastors will listen to strategies and share in discussions with other pastors regarding ministry for the twenty-first century. The Pastors' Advanced Training Program (PATP) is an extended advanced study program intended for pastors and consists of Phases II–IV. Upon enrollment in this program, students will receive a Diploma of Pastoral Studies upon completing the program's phases. A pastor may take these classes for general continuing education without enrolling for credit hours.

MORNING CLASSES

The Prophetic Voice in an Age of Polarization (PATP)

This keynote course examines how Black churches can maintain a clear prophetic witness on justice issues while navigating increasingly polarized political environments. Drawing on the rich tradition of Black prophetic preaching, the speaker will offer frameworks for addressing contemporary issues without becoming captured by partisan politics.

Credit Option: 9922–The History and Continuing Role of the African American Church in America

Instructor: Dr. Robert C. Scott, Charlotte, NC

Addressing the "Nones and Dones": Reconnecting with Disaffiliated Black Christians (PATP)

The African American church has historically enjoyed high rates of religious participation. Still, recent decades have seen increasing numbers of Black Americans either leaving the church ("dones") or never affiliating in the first place ("nones"). This course explores the specific reasons behind this disaffiliation in the Black community and offers evidence-based approaches for churches seeking to rebuild these connections through listening, healing, and creating new relationships.

Credit Option: 7008–Witnessing to Un-churched People

Instructor: Dr. Paul Lee, Philadelphia, PA

The Hybrid Church: Grow Your Digital Ministry to Grow Your Church (PATP)

This course shares the whys and how-tos of expanding your church's digital ministry to reach more people, virtually and physically. It will explain how doing so will enhance your church membership, including attracting new members, retaining those who have not returned, accommodating those who prefer to worship alone, and engaging the next generation, who are digital-first (Millennials and Gen Z).

Credit Option: 9914—Connecting the Local Church to the Community

Instructor: Rev. Reginald Buckley, Jackson, MS

AFTERNOON CLASSES

Empowering Your Ministry (PATP)

The key to long-term success is a dynamic and transformative course designed to equip individuals engaged in pastoral ministry with the essential tools and strategies needed to thrive and sustain impactful service over the long haul. Students will be encouraged to cultivate personal spiritual resilience while developing practical leadership skills and building strong community connections. This course provides a comprehensive examination of the essential elements required for sustained success in contemporary pastoral ministry.

Credit Option: 9923—Organizing the Church for Ministry and Mission

Instructor: Dr. Geoffrey V. Guns, Norfolk, VA

Soul Care for Church Leaders: Preventing Burnout while Serving Others (PATP)

Ministry leaders in African American churches often face tremendous demands, serving congregations and communities with complex needs while managing their challenges. This course offers practical strategies for sustainable ministry that balance the call to service with the need for personal wholeness. Participants will develop personalized soul-care plans that enable faithful, long-term ministry.

Credit Option: 9902—The Spiritual Life of the Minister

Instructor: Dr. Antonio D. Proctor, Forsyth, GA

CHURCH MINISTRIES SUBDIVISION

The Church Ministries Subdivision offers in-depth training opportunities for church leaders in specific areas of ministry within the local church. Lectures and workshop modules will be used to maximize the timely dissemination of information and subject materials. These classes are both informational and inspirational.

MORNING CLASSES

Bridging the Generational Divide: Engaging Gen Z and Millennials in Church Life

With declining church participation among younger Black Americans, this class offers concrete strategies for meaningful engagement with Gen Z and Millennials. Topics include digital-first ministry approaches, addressing social-justice concerns, creating authentic intergenerational relationships, and developing leadership pathways that respect younger voices.

Credit Option: SP0023—Developing the Church for Christian Evangelism

Instructor: Dr. Leonard O. Giffin, Edgefield, SC

Biblical Foremothers: African American Women’s Interpretations of Female Biblical Figures

This biblical studies course examines how African American women have uniquely interpreted and found inspiration in female biblical characters. Participants will explore distinctive interpretive approaches to figures such as Hagar, Vashti, the women at the tomb, and other biblical women whose stories resonate with the experiences of Black women. The course provides both scholarly perspectives and practical applications for teaching, preaching, and personal spiritual formation.

Credit Option: 1066—Women in the Old Testament or 1114—Women in the New Testament

Instructor: Dr. Sharon Caldwell, Nashville, TN

Church Leadership under 40: Leading while Still Learning

This leadership development course addresses the unique challenges that young adults face when stepping into church leadership roles. Participants will explore approaches to leading effectively while still developing, build strategies for navigating intergenerational leadership dynamics, and develop skills for earning trust and respect across age groups. The course offers practical guidance for emerging leaders who seek to contribute meaningfully while upholding church traditions.

Credit Option: 5007–Leading Change

Instructor: Rev. James McCarroll, Murfreesboro, TN

Digital Discipleship: Authentic Faith in an Age of Social Media

This contemporary course examines the impact of digital culture on spiritual formation and church engagement. Participants will explore healthy approaches to social-media use, develop discernment for on-line content consumption, and build strategies for meaningful digital witness. The course addresses both the opportunities and pitfalls of online church participation, creating genuine community in digital spaces, and maintaining spiritual authenticity in a world of curated content.

Credit Option: 9024–Technology in the Life of the Church I

Instructor: Dr. Leticha Heflin–Word, Atlanta, GA

Kingdom Man: Understanding Your Purpose and Assignment from God

This purpose-driven course helps men discern and embrace their unique calling. Participants will explore biblical teachings on purpose, examine how personal gifts and experiences shape divine assignment, and develop practical steps toward fulfilling their God-given mission. The course explores how cultural expectations and stereotypes can hinder authentic purpose while offering frameworks for aligning one's life with divine intention.

Credit Option: 7019–How to Become a Strong, Christian Black Man

Instructor: Dr. William Flippin Sr., Atlanta, GA

AFTERNOON CLASSES

Biblical Womanhood Reimagined: Female Leadership in the Black Church Tradition

This course explores the rich but often overlooked history of women's leadership in the Black church while providing a nuanced theological framework for women's ministry today. Participants will examine biblical examples of women leaders, study the contributions of pioneering Black women in ministry, and develop practical approaches for cultivating women's gifts in various church contexts.

Credit Option: 5006–Leadership in the Local Church

Instructor: Rev. Nicole Guns, Gary, IN

I Am She Who Is Valuable: A Journey of Self-value and Purpose

This transformative course is designed to help women overcome struggles with self-worth in a world of unrealistic expectations. Through guided discussion, personal reflection, and spiritual exploration, participants will learn to recognize their God-given value beyond cultural definitions and societal pressures. The course combines individual contemplative practices with supportive group dialogue to develop practical wisdom and spiritual encouragement, fostering growth in confidence and boldness as women step into their divine purpose.

Credit Option: 7018—How to Become a Strong, Christian Black Woman

Instructor: Rev. Shevalle T. Kimber, New Haven, CT

Mental Health Ministry: Supporting Congregation Members through Crisis

Mental-health challenges affect a significant portion of every congregation, yet many African American churches lack the language, tools, and frameworks to address these needs effectively. This course combines clinical insights with theological perspectives to help church ministry leaders create mental-health ministries that reduce stigma, provide appropriate support, and foster overall wellness within their congregations.

Credit Option: 8058—Developing a Christian Counseling Ministry

Instructor: Dr. Thomas R. Farrow Jr., Charlotte, NC

The Wilderness Experience: Finding God in Life’s Challenging Seasons

This resilience-focused course examines biblical wilderness experiences and their parallel in contemporary men’s lives. Participants will explore scriptural examples of wilderness journeys, develop spiritual practices for seasons of struggle and questioning, and build frameworks for recognizing God’s presence even in apparent absence. The course addresses disappointment, doubt, and spiritual dryness with honesty and hope.

Credit Option: 8008—Laymen Dealing with the Issues Facing the Black Community

Instructor: Rev. Dwyane Gillison, Buffalo, NY

Your Soul Matters: Christ-centered Practices for Personal Spiritual Care

This course explores essential spiritual formation tools for nurturing the soul amid our hectic, overscheduled lives. Students will examine practices that integrate Bible teaching and traditional African wisdom, historical

resilience, and contemporary soul-care methodologies. Through experiential learning and group reflection, participants will develop practical techniques for creating sacred space, building contemplative practices, and establishing supportive community networks that honor both individual spiritual growth and collective healing within the African American tradition.

Credit Option: 6021–Spiritual Formation

Instructor: Dr. Barbara L. Peacock, Charlotte, NC

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP DIVISION

CERTIFICATION SUBDIVISION

This subdivision is designed to acquaint moderators, congress presidents, state directors, deans, and instructors with the policies and procedures governing Christian Leadership Schools. The Christian Leadership School functions under the auspices of the local church, district, state, or the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. Courses in this section will assist the students in completing the Certificate of Progress Program (COPP) and address the process and requirements for leadership school accreditation, certification, and the recertification of deans and instructors.

MORNING CLASSES

1075–Synoptic Gospels

Focus on the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Students will study the life and ministry of Jesus Christ as portrayed by these three writers. Through this comparative study, students will gain a more comprehensive understanding of Jesus' ministry.

Instructor: Dr. Rodney C. Griffin Jr., Chicago, IL

1079–Survey of the Gospel of John

This course offers an in-depth exploration of the gospel of John, examining its unique theological themes, literary structure, and significance in Christian faith and leadership. Students will analyze key passages that highlight Jesus' divinity, His teachings on love and discipleship, and the role of the Holy Spirit. Em-

phasis will be placed on how John’s gospel informs Christian leadership, spiritual formation, and ministry practice. By the end of the course, participants will gain a deeper understanding of John’s message and its application to both personal faith and leadership in the church.

Instructor: Dr. DeSean Horne, Reno, NV

2099A/B—Dean Certification (Parts I and II)

Course 2099A will focus on “Christian education,” historical trends, current developments, and the future of theological education in the United States of America. The class will introduce the students to the concept of virtual learning. Course 2099B will focus on the skills, strategies, and training to build reliable and efficient CLS leadership and CLS. The discussion topics are leadership development, team building, and mentoring students. Additionally, the course will introduce the students to online learning and video platforms for hosting meetings and conducting virtual training.

Instructor: Rev. Rory Thompson, Houston, TX

2097—Rethinking Christian Education for Contemporary Innovations

This class will focus on enhancing teaching skills. Course 2097 examines the current trends, methodologies, technological advances, and practices in Christian education and Christian teaching.

Instructor: Dr. Roberta Hatcher, Augusta, GA

2110—Mentoring Dean Seminar

This course will explore practical ways that the dean can guide new deans in organizing and maintaining Christian Leadership Schools. The instructor will focus on being a mentor, building positive and professional Christian relationships, communicating with others, and discussing the biblical text that supports mentor-mentee relationships.

Instructor: Dr. Albertine Marshall, Stone Mountain, GA

AFTERNOON CLASSES

1061—Survey of Haggai

Probe the Old Testament prophetic book written to encourage the people of Israel, who had returned to their native land after the captivity in Babylon. Learn that even though this is a short book, it is filled with challenges and promises, reminding us of God's claim on our lives.

Instructor: Dr. Karlos Nichols, Plainfield, NJ

2099C/D—Dean Certification (Parts III and IV)

This course will focus on developing skills for Christian education ministry, organizational skills, time management, and leadership development. The main aim of the course is to provide an understanding of how to establish and manage a Christian Leadership School (CLS). Participants will learn how to organize and lead a CLS, including how to complete relevant paperwork online. Additionally, the course will focus on team building, leadership, and technologies required for preparing deans for the first CLS.

Instructor: Dr. Benjamin E. V. Lett, Athens, GA

2023—Creative Ways of Teaching

This course will help teachers discover innovative ways to teach, including learning strategies and behaviors of students that lead to transformed lives.

Instructor: Dr. Mary McConnell, Kansas City, KS

2100—Guidelines for Recertification of Deans

The class will focus on the administrative, leadership, and management skills needed to maintain a CLS. In addition, course 2100 will explore current trends in Christian education organizations and leadership.

Instructor: Rev. Eric D. Williams, Jackson, MS

2011—Baptist Doctrine

This course examines with simplicity and clarity the basic teachings of the Baptist faith. Students will explore each doctrinal position and the basis for each doctrinal position taught in this class.

Instructor: Dr. George Brooks Sr., Nashville, TN

SPECIALIZATION EDUCATION STUDIES SUBDIVISION

The Specialization Education Studies Program (SESP) is an advanced study program intended for those students who have completed the four phases of the Certificate of Progress Program (COPP). In addition, it is designed for those persons desiring to focus on a selected area of Christian ministry. However, any interested delegate can register for specialization courses.

MORNING CLASSES

SP0018—Leadership Principles and Strategies

This course will examine selected biblical principles as a foundation for the leadership and strategic development of a religious organization. The course will also emphasize developing a leadership philosophy, studying and evaluating one's leadership style, collaborating with staff and other administrators to create and implement the organization's mission, and managing the stress associated with leadership.

Instructor: Dr. Johnny Flakes III, Columbus, GA

SP0021—Conflict Management in the Ministry

This course will examine the church as a living organism of interconnected relationships and acknowledge that conflicts inevitably arise. Students will explore ways to prevent and manage conflicts that could significantly disrupt the church's ministry.

Instructor: Dr. René Brown, Baton Rouge, LA

AFTERNOON CLASS

SP0005—Christian Apologetics

This study will focus on the importance of students' being able to defend their faith at all times. This course will help the students to focus on their faith and, at the same time, understand enough of other belief systems to be able to engage in evangelism and outreach effectively.

Instructor: Dr. Terrance Harrison-Chandler, Clarksville, TN

DEAN’S INTENSIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

The Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar is designed to provide certified deans with an in-depth learning experience to understand their roles and responsibilities as Deans of Christian education and to explore trends and innovations that enhance the delivery and effectiveness of Christian education ministry and programs at all levels of denominational work. The seminar will be presented in six modules that focus on essential functions of the Dean’s work during the SSPB Annual Conference.

Prerequisites:

The Dean’s Intensive Training is for those who

1. are certified Deans with at least five years of experience.
2. have taken course #2100—Guidelines for Recertification of Deans.
3. have served as the Dean for at least three certified Christian Leadership Schools.

Instructor: Dr. Edward Williamson, White Plains, NY

Module 1: Leadership and Administration in Christian Education Ministry (Review/Revisit/Reexamine)

Module Description:

This module is designed to provide certified deans of Christian education with a comprehensive understanding of their roles and responsibilities as deans, revisit the certification process for Christian Leadership Schools, and reexamine the *CLS Manual* and explain manual updates and changes in policies and procedures to ensure maintenance of educational and SSPB certification standards. Participants will gain valuable insights into effective leadership, accreditation procedures, and the significance of staying abreast of evolving educational practices within a Christian framework.

Module 2: Staffing for Success – Faculty (Instructors)/Support Staff Selection and Development

Module Description:

This module will focus on developing a comprehensive framework for the intentional and prayerful selection, support, and development of faculty and staff for Christian Leadership Schools and Christian education ministries. Emphasis will be placed on equipping and training faculty and staff at all levels to function as a team to ensure the delivery of a quality Christian education ministry that aligns with the vision, mission, and core values of the SSPB and the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.—whether at the local, state, or national

levels of the denomination. Participants will explore the processes of instructor recruitment and selection, necessary qualifications, certification/recertification requirements, and the promotion of continuous education and professional development for faculty and staff.

Module 3: Christian Leadership School Administration and Strategic Management

Module Description:

This module is designed for certified deans in Christian education to provide a comprehensive exploration of essential skills needed for Christian Leadership School and Christian education ministry administration, strategic planning, and financial management. Participants will gain insights into effective registration procedures, budgeting, financing, and promotion and marketing techniques for Christian Leadership Schools and Christian education ministries.

Module 4: Zoom Administration and Training

Module Description:

This module will focus on engaging participants in an interactive learning experience on the use of Zoom in Christian Leadership Schools and Christian education ministries. Participants will review the twelve-step process for administering and organizing a Virtual Leadership School. Participants will engage in an interactive training session focused on “Zoom: Administration and Training.” Participants will receive an overview of the Zoom Meeting Platform, including licensing for Zoom, administration of Zoom accounts, setting up meetings, inviting participants to meetings, screen sharing, and other features of Zoom that can be utilized for Christian Leadership Schools and Christian education ministries.

Module 5: Practical Application of Christian Education Leadership Principles

Module Description:

This module is designed to bridge theoretical knowledge with real-world scenarios, providing participants with hands-on experience in applying Christian educational leadership principles. Through engaging scenarios and practical elements, the participants will navigate common challenges faced by academic leaders, developing the skills and confidence needed to lead with integrity and impact within a Christian educational context. Students will be required to collaborate, use critical-thinking skills, and problem solve to complete a group project.

Module 6: Leadership Triumphs: Articulating and Sharing Achievements as Christian Education Deans

Module Description:

This specialized module is designed to empower Christian Education Deans with the skills and strategies needed to articulate and share achievements effectively. As deans play a pivotal role in steering educational institutions, this module delves into the nuances of celebrating success within the context of Christian leadership. Through hands-on activities, storytelling workshops, and collaborative discussions, participants will cultivate the ability to articulate their successes, foster a culture of celebration, and effectively communicate achievements to various stakeholders.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION ACADEMY

Where Vision Meets Action: Revitalizing Ministries for Lasting Impact

For Teachers, Superintendents, and Christian Education Leaders

Are you ready to move beyond mere survival to a dynamic state of thriving? Join us for transformational courses that will invigorate your educational ministry and create meaningful change in your church and community.

Our Mission: We are committed to equipping Christian education leaders and teachers with proven strategies, innovative tools, and ongoing peer support to cultivate enduring spiritual growth and deep discipleship.

Contemporary Relevance: Our seminars directly address the unique challenges of the post-pandemic landscape, including inconsistent attendance, volunteer shortages, technological demands, and diverse learning needs—all while maintaining biblical authority and theological soundness.



MORNING COURSE

FOR TEACHERS AND SUPERINTENDENTS

Who Should Attend: Bible study teachers, Sunday school teachers, superintendents, Bible study directors, and Christian education leaders ready to elevate individual teaching standards and develop organizational systems that amplify ministry-wide effectiveness.

Transforming Bible Education: Mastering Teaching Excellence with Modern Tools

This comprehensive, three-day course provides Bible study leaders and Sunday school teachers with research-driven teaching strategies and the latest technological tools that can revolutionize Christian education. Participants will delve into adult learning theories, refine their skills with digital presentation tools, and discover creative resources that enrich biblical teaching while upholding theological integrity. The emphasis

will be on practical applications of educational technology, interactive learning methods, and impactful evaluation techniques that foster profound spiritual growth across varied learning styles and generations.

Technology Integration Excellence: Engage in hands-on training covering PowerPoint optimization, Canva design, interactive polling tools, digital Bible resources, and Google Classroom management.

Credit Option: 6022–Teaching Strategies for Spiritual Formation of Children and Youth, or 6023–Teaching Strategies for Spiritual Formation of Adults

Instructors: Dr. Chantaye Knotts, Huntsville, AL; and Ms. Michelle Thierry, Clayton, NC



AFTERNOON INTENSIVE COURSES

SUPERINTENDENTS’ TRACK

Who Should Attend: Sunday school superintendents, Bible study directors, discipleship ministry directors, Christian education directors, and ministry leaders ready to spearhead strategic initiatives that enhance biblical education while effectively tackling the modern challenges of ministry.

Command Central: Strategic Leadership for Kingdom Impact

This robust leadership seminar empowers Sunday school superintendents, directors, and ministry leaders with research-backed strategies to transform struggling educational ministries into vibrant, mission-driven successes. Drawing on insights from leading Sunday school growth experts like Ken Hemphill, Thom Rainer, Allan Taylor, Steve Parr, and David Francis, participants will learn to navigate crises, reorganize structures, craft compelling visions, and manage sustainable change, all while addressing critical issues such as post-pandemic recovery, fluctuating attendance, and a lack of volunteers.

Credit Option: 6013–Organizing the Church for Christian Education

Instructor: Dr. Chantaye Knotts, Huntsville, AL

TEACHERS' TRACK

Who Should Attend: Sunday school instructors and small group leaders prepared to create meaningful change using research-backed, relationship-focused teaching strategies that develop committed disciples, not just passive learners.

Classroom Catalyst: Inspiring Life Change through Effective Teaching

This engaging seminar equips Sunday school teachers and small-group leaders with evidence-based strategies for creating transformational learning experiences, even in the face of challenges such as inconsistent attendance, diverse learning needs, and limited resources. Participants will delve into relationship-centered teaching, adaptive lesson design, and sustainable ministry practices—all while maintaining a focus on biblical faithfulness and spiritual transformation.

Seminar Philosophy: Shift from an information-driven approach to one that prioritizes transformational teaching, producing dedicated disciples rather than mere students.

Credit Option: 6013—Organizing the Church for Christian Education

Instructor: Ms. Michelle Thierry, Clayton, NC

LUNCH-AND-LEARN OPPORTUNITIES

Pastors’ Luncheon Plenary: *The African American Church at a Crossroads: Honoring Tradition while Embracing Change*

This lunchtime plenary will explore how the Black Church can maintain its rich theological and cultural heritage while adapting to contemporary realities. It will examine historical inflection points in Black church history and draw lessons for navigating today’s changing landscape with fidelity and innovation.

Women’s Panel Discussion And Networking Lunch: *Called and Connected: Building Sisterhood among Women in Christian Service*

This thought-provoking panel discussion will focus on the unique experiences, challenges, and opportunities for African American women in church contexts:

This engaging conversation will feature a diverse group of women leaders who will share their experiences, insights, and visions for empowering communities through a woman’s lens.

Transformative FAITH Sunday School Workshop

This workshop emphasizes the importance of Sunday school to the vitality of the local church and the spiritual maturity of Christians. It introduces church leaders, teachers, and volunteers to the rich and engaging content of the Faith Series Sunday school curriculum product line.

Facilitator: Dr. Margarette W. Williams, Pine Bluff, AR

Vacation Bible School Workshop

Vacation Bible School (VBS) continues to be one of the most effective evangelistic opportunities for churches. Learn more about administering a successful and exciting VBS by utilizing the SSPB VBS resources. Come and discover proven ways to recruit volunteers, train teachers, increase attendance, and communicate the biblical principles offered in the 2025 SSPB VBS.

Facilitator: Rev. Joe Ella Darby, SSPB VBS Coordinator

MMBB Financial Wellness Workshop: *Your MMBB Benefits—What’s in It for You*

This course will offer you peace of mind and financial security. In addition, you will learn how to adequately prepare for retirement so that you will be able to retire with dignity.

Facilitators: MMBB Representatives

HOUSING INFORMATION

The Conference will take place at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee. We have negotiated a preferred room rate at the hotel. Unfortunately, space in our room block is limited, so reserve your room right away. Make your room reservations online through the SSPB website: **www.sspbnbc.com**—where there is a direct link to the hotel’s online reservation system—or by calling the hotel directly. When you call the hotel to make reservations, please ask for the **“Sunday School Publishing Board Group”** for rate discounts. The hotel reservation deadline is **Wednesday, November 5, 2025**. Hotel cancellations must be received three (3) business days before the reservation date.

The daily resort fee of \$28.00 is included in the guest room rate. In-room amenities include the following:

- Daily scheduled shuttle service to Opry Mills and The Inn at Opryland for two (2) guests.
- Daily transportation to Gaylord Springs Golf Links, practice range access and a daily bucket of balls for two (2) guests (rental club provided; appropriate attire required).
- Daily Resort Wide Internet Access, to include
 - o enhanced in-room wireless Internet access for up to six (6) devices.
 - o basic wireless Internet access in public areas and Convention Center on a shared network.
- Daily Sunrise Yoga Meditation for two (2) guests.

Added Value Offerings include the following:

- Bottled water (two daily), replenished daily with housekeeping service.
- Unlimited local and long-distance calls.
- Shuttle transportation to scheduled Grand Ole Opry and General Jackson Showboat performances.

Headquarters Hotel Name	Distance to Conference Center	Single/Double Occupancy	Contact Information
Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center 2800 Opryland Drive Nashville, TN 36214	Connected	\$205.00 + 15.25% Tax (\$177.00+28.00)	877.382.7299 or 615.889.1000

GENERAL INFORMATION

YOUNG ADULT COFFEE HOUR

Connect with peers over coffee, conversation, and dessert on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Network and fellowship with people who are dedicated to doing the work of Christ.

COMMENCEMENT SERVICE

The commencement service will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. All persons who completed the Pastors' Alternative for Teacher Certification (PATC), Pastors' Advanced Training Program (PATP), Certificate of Progress Program (COPP), Sunday School Training Seminars, or Dean's Certification courses during 2024 and 2025 are invited to participate. All graduation participants are to wear black. Please check with the Division of Christian Education Accreditation and Credentials for additional information.

EQUIVALENCY CREDITS

Students may choose to enroll in a class that carries equivalency credit for another course. However, when meeting the requirements of a particular program of study, the students can use the course one time. For example, if the course card (certificate) is submitted for Specialization credit, it cannot be used for a COPP credit.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS (CEU) CREDITS AVAILABLE

American Baptist College will grant Continuing Education Units (CEU) for courses offered at the Sunday School Publishing Board's Conference of Christian Education. No additional academic work will be required. Those who qualify for the SSPB Course Card will also be eligible to receive the CEU credit. The registration fee for the CEU credit will be \$50. More information will be available at the Conference in Nashville.

SPECIAL MEAL PACKAGE OPTION

For an additional fee, an affordable three-day meal package (breakfast and lunch) will be made available during the registration process. For your convenience, meals will be served in the main gathering area daily.

EARLY REGISTRATION OFFER: COMPLIMENTARY PARKING

We are pleased to offer an exclusive early registration opportunity for attendees. To take advantage of complimentary parking, please complete your registration during the designated early registration period from

GENERAL INFORMATION

June 15 to August 31. This offer applies to individuals who will be staying at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center throughout the duration of the Conference.

PARKING

There is a \$33.30 self-parking rate per day.

RESTAURANTS

With restaurants only steps from meeting spaces, attendees can easily and conveniently continue the momentum of the sessions, starting at breakfast and moving into lunch and dinner.

TRANSPORTATION

Courtesy cars will run between the airport and host hotel Sunday—Thursday. In addition, there will be transportation desks located at the airport in the baggage claim area and the hotel lobby.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY

Please notify the SSPB immediately of the cancellation. The SSPB will refund the registration fee minus a fifty-dollar (\$50) nonrefundable cancellation fee for individual registrations. An attendee can transfer their registration to another person attending the Conference. The person attending will complete the transaction before the Conference or on-site. The person registering must present the registered delegate's registration receipt. Conference registrations are NOT transferable to the following year. All cancellation requests must be in writing via e-mail, fax, or mail within fifteen (15) days after the Conference.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Participants must register for plenary sessions or classes, workshops, and sponsored events. You are encouraged to register online at www.sspbnbc.com. Confirmations are automatically generated and sent to the e-mail address listed. Contact the Division of Christian Education Accreditation and Credentials at 800-359-9398, ext. 5781, if you do not receive an e-mail confirmation or to ensure that you are registered. (Please Note: No Phone Registrations.)

Early registration deadline is August 31, 2025 (at midnight CST). **Register early to receive free parking.** Regular registration rates apply September 1, 2025, through October 31, 2025. Late registration rates start November 1, 2025.

PRICING INFORMATION

Discount Code: SSPB2025—The discount code is for only two (2) classes. Seminars and Lunch-and-Learn Workshops do not apply.

	Early Registration June 15– August 31, 2025		Regular Registration September 1– October 31, 2025		Late Registration November 1–16, 2025		On-site Registration November 30– December 1, 2025	
1 Class	\$135.00		\$170.00		\$180.00		\$180.00	
2 Classes	\$200.00		\$240.00		\$250.00		\$250.00	
Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar	\$160.00		\$185.00		\$195.00		\$195.00	
SS Transformation Academy	\$160.00		\$185.00		\$195.00		\$195.00	
Plenary Session Only	\$75.00		\$90.00		\$90.00		\$90.00	
Lunch-and-Learn Workshop (Includes Lunch)	\$90.00		\$90.00		\$90.00		\$90.00	
Breakfast and Lunch (Mon–Wed)	\$125.00		\$125.00		\$125.00		\$125.00	
Breakfast Only (Mon–Wed)	\$75.00		\$75.00		\$75.00		\$75.00	
Lunch Only (Mon–Wed)	\$75.00		\$75.00		\$75.00		\$75.00	
Amount Submitted								

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Please complete the registration form and return it to the Division of Christian Education, P.O. Box 70990, Nashville, TN 37207-0990. These major credit cards (AMEX, Master Card, and VISA) can be used for online and mail-in registrations. Make checks and money orders payable to the Division of Christian Education. A \$35 service charge will be applied to checks returned for insufficient funds. All registration confirmations will be e-mailed to the e-mail address provided on the registration form unless notified otherwise. You may register online at www.sspbnbc.com.

Personal Contact Information			
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	
Address	City	State	Zip Code
Home Phone Number		Other (Cell) Phone Number	
E-mail Address <small>(Use the e-mail address to which you want the registration confirmation sent.)</small>			
Church's Contact Information			
Pastor's Last Name	First Name	Telephone Number	
Pastor's E-mail Address			
Church's Name			

Address	City	State	Zip Code
Church E-mail Address		Church Telephone Number	

Select the Program in which you are enrolled.

- Sunday School Transformation Academy
 CCE (Formerly COPP) Specialization
 CLS PATC
 CLS Dean Certification PATP

Is this your first time attending? Yes No

What is your age group? 20-40 41-60 61-80 81 and older

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Check or Money Order Credit Card: AMEX Master Card VISA

Name on Card		
Card Number	Expiration Date	Signature
Credit Card Billing Address		

OPTIONS:

1. You may select the **Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar**; or
2. Select **Sunday School Transformation Academy**; or
3. Select up to **two (2) Classes** (one morning and/or one afternoon class from the Church Leadership or Christian Leadership (CLS) Divisions).

COURSE SELECTION

I am registering for the following (*place a check in the box of your selection*):

OPTION 1: DEAN’S INTENSIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

- Dean’s Intensive Training Seminar (includes morning and afternoon sessions)

OPTION 2: SUNDAY SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION ACADEMY

- Sunday School Transformation Academy (includes morning and afternoon sessions)

OPTION 3: COURSES

CHURCH LEADERSHIP DIVISION

Pastors’ and Ministers’ Subdivision

Morning Classes

- Addressing the “Nones and Dones”: Reconnecting with Disaffiliated Black Christians
- The Hybrid Church: Grow Your Digital Ministry to Grow Your Church
- The Prophetic Voice in an Age of Polarization

Afternoon Classes

- Empowering Your Ministry
- Soul Care for Church Leaders: Preventing Burnout while Serving Others

Church Ministries Subdivision

Morning Classes

- Bridging the Generational Divide: Engaging Gen Z and Millennials in Church Life

- Biblical Foremothers: African American Women's Interpretations of Female Biblical Figures
- Church Leadership under 40: Leading while Still Learning
- Digital Discipleship: Authentic Faith in an Age of Social Media
- Kingdom Man: Understanding Your Purpose and Assignment from God

Afternoon Classes

- Biblical Womanhood Reimagined: Female Leadership in the Black Church Tradition
- I Am She Who Is Valuable: A Journey of Self-value and Purpose
- Mental Health Ministry: Supporting Congregation Members through Crisis
- The Wilderness Experience: Finding God in Life's Challenging Seasons
- Your Soul Matters: Christ-centered Practices for Personal Spiritual Care

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP DIVISION

Certification Subdivision

Morning Classes

- 1079—Survey of the Gospel of John
- 1075—Synoptic Gospels
- 2097—Rethinking Christian Education for Contemporary Innovations
- 2099A/B—Dean Certification (Parts I and II)
- 2110—Mentoring Dean Seminar

Afternoon Classes

- 1061—Survey of Haggai
- 2011—Baptist Doctrine
- 2023—Creative Ways of Teaching
- 2099C/D—Dean Certification (Parts III and IV)
- 2100—Guidelines for Recertification of Deans

Specialization Education Studies Subdivision

Morning Class

- SP0018—Leadership Principles and Strategies
- SP0021—Conflict Management in the Ministry

Afternoon Class

- SP0005—Christian Apologetics

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- Pastors’ Luncheon Plenary
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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We invite you to become a sponsor for our Conference in 2025! Your support will enhance attendees' experience and align your organization with a mission-driven event focused on faith, leadership, and community impact. Together, we can inspire and equip leaders in their essential ministry work.

This conference offers a unique opportunity for your brand to connect with ministry leaders who are making a positive impact in their communities. We invite you to consider sponsoring the 2025 event.

Who Attends

- Pastors ~ Ministers ~ Christian Education Directors ~ Sunday School Teachers ~ Youth Leaders ~ Women's Ministry Leaders ~ Deacons/Deaconesses ~ Worship Leaders ~ Trustees ~ Ushers ~ Church Administrators ~ Church Volunteers . . . and many more!

Attendance

- Projected attendance: more than 1,500 attendees on-site over the three-day event; attendees comprise 40 percent men, 60 percent women.
- Attendee average age is 35 and older.
- Attendees come from all across the United States.
- Attendees represent churches ranging in size from an average attendance of 50 in worship to 5,000 in worship.

Sponsorship Levels

GOLD —

- \$10,000 Benefits include: Premium exhibit space (10 X 16)
- Opportunity to show preapproved video or five-minute presentation at an evening worship session
- Sponsorship signage on PowerPoint
- Sponsorship listing and logo on event social media
- Opportunity to lead a Breakout Session
- Full-page ad in the Conference Program Book

- May distribute a promotional flyer/brochure in worship center chairs before the evening worship session

SILVER —

- \$5,000 Benefits include: Premium exhibit space (10 X 8)
- Opportunity to show preapproved, one- to three-minute video at an evening worship session (maximum of three minutes in length)
- Sponsorship signage on PowerPoint
- Sponsorship listing and logo on event social media
- Full-page ad in the Conference Program Book
- May distribute a promotional flyer/brochure in worship center chairs before the evening worship session

BRONZE —

- \$2,500 Benefits include: Premium exhibit space (10 X 8)
- Recognition at the beginning of the Conference
- Sponsorship ad on PowerPoint
- Half-page ad in the Conference Program Book
- May distribute a promotional flyer/brochure in worship center chairs before the evening worship session

We welcome the opportunity for your company, organization, or ministry to partner with us—and we look forward to meeting you at the Conference!

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

First Baptist Church Gallatin

290 E. Winchester Street
Rev. Derrick L. Jackson, Pastor
8:00 a.m./10:45 a.m. Worship Services
(615) 452-8189

First Baptist Church East Nashville

601 Main Street
Rev. Morris E. Tipton, Pastor
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
(615) 254-6268

Friendship Baptist Church

1109 32nd Avenue North
Rev. Jimmie D. Greer Sr., Pastor
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(615) 329-9363

Galilee Baptist Church

2021 Herman Street
Rev. William Harris, Pastor
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(615) 327-3578

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church

2416 Clifton Avenue
Rev. Theodore Bryson, Pastor
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
(615) 320-7242

St. James Missionary Baptist Church

600 28th Avenue North
Dr. George T. Brooks Jr., Pastor
8:00 a.m./10:45 a.m. Worship Services
(615) 320-7616



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