

Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership proudly offers

# Survey of the Bible

MIAMI HAITIAN CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN  
MIAMI, FL

MARCH 1-3 2019

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## Course Description and Objectives



In this class, we are interested in what the Bible meant to its original audiences. We will pay particular attention to historical and literary contexts to assist us in interpretation. How the original audiences read the Bible is often very different than how we do, but not always.

Additionally, students will

- Explain how the Bible formed (canon formation for both Old and New Testaments).
- Explain how translations of the Bible differ and how to use various ones productively.
- Interpret a biblical text, attentive to historical and literary contexts, drawing on academic resources.
- Read academic sources and write in an academic style

This course is available to:

- TRIM/EFSM students- fulfills B/T unit and BTS and IE experiences
- Those seeking Continuing Education Units (2.0 CEU)
- Anyone seeking personal and spiritual enrichment

Essentially, this course is open to ALL!

Course fee \$295.00

**Registration deadline:  
January 25, 2019**

## Instructor: Steven Schweitzer

Steve Schweitzer is Academic Dean and Professor at Bethany Theological Seminary. Steve completed his PhD at the University of Notre Dame (2005), taught Old Testament at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, and then came to Bethany in 2009. He teaches a seminar on Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah and a new course on Science Fiction and Theology. Steve and his wife, Jill, have 3 children. They attended Prince of Peace Church of the Brethren in South Bend, Indiana for nine years before coming to Bethany. They currently attend Cedar Grove Church of the Brethren in the Southern Ohio district.

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### Course Withdrawal Refund Policy

100% of course fee prior to  
registration  
50% from the registration  
deadline to the first day

No refunds will be given  
once the class has begun

Exceptions require the  
approval of the Director of  
the Brethren Academy

### To earn CEU credit

Participant will  
- Meet the attendance  
requirement  
- Complete the assigned  
reading  
- Engage in the course through  
participation

A CE or PE student is not  
required to complete any  
assigned papers or exams.

## Required Texts to be Read Prior to Course

- The Bible, in any of the following standard translations: NRSV, NLT, NIV, NASB, KJV.
- Barton, John. *How the Bible Came to Be*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 1997. ISBN: 978-0664257859. [91 pages]
- Fee, Gordon, and Douglas Stuart. *How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth: A Guide to Understanding the Bible*. 4<sup>th</sup> edition. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2014. ISBN: 978-0310517825. [203 pages]
- *Bible Translations Comparison*. Pamphlet. Carson, CA: Rose Publishing, 2011. ISBN: 978-1596361331.
- Course Packet: see list of included readings later in syllabus.
- Any other materials distributed in advance or onsite.

## Participants

Class size is limited to 20 students.

As an attendee of this event, you may be included in still photos, videotaped footage, news articles, informational brochures or other media used to interpret the mission and purpose of Bethany Theological Seminary, the Church of the Brethren, and the Brethren Academy.

## Schedule

**Location** – Miami Haitian Church of the Brethren  
520 NW 103rd Street, Miami, FL 33150

### Schedule

Friday: 6:30pm – 9:45pm

Saturday: 8:00am-12:00pm, 1:30-5:30pm and 7:00-9:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am-12:00pm and 1:30-3:00pm

## Travel and Lodging

Transportation, lodging and meals are the participant's responsibility. The Brethren Academy office will be glad to provide contact information for area lodging.

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[Register online](#) or fill out following information and return, along with payment to:  
Brethren Academy \* 615 National Road West \* Richmond, IN \* 47374

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be taking this course for: \_\_\_ TRIM credit \_\_\_ EFSM credit \_\_\_ CEUs (2) \_\_\_ personal enrichment  
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