Greenforest Community Baptist Church (GCBC) in partnership with New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (NOBTS)/Leavell College as a Certificate Hub and will offer a Certificate Program for “Biblical Teaching”. Church members, community members, church leadership, Academy leaders and non-members, regardless of educational background are invited to participate. Courses are offered each quarter. Please see the Christian Education Course Curriculum. All persons desiring to enroll in the program must be registered as students of NOBTS. We will provide the application.

**Rationale:** The need for more effective leadership in local churches is evident. This program addresses the need of leadership by providing specialized, short-term training. The classes will help students to develop a comprehensive view of the scriptures that will inspire them to effectively put their faith into action.

**Purpose of the Biblical Teaching Certificate:** To provide supplemental training for participants in biblical interpretation and instruction. The program offers courses taught by seminary trained professors that allows students to earn a certification in 1-2 years in classes focused extensively on the Old and New Testaments including a verse by verse interpretation of selected books, survey of the early church, a survey of the life and letters of Paul, the life of Christ and pertinent geographical and historical information.

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**New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (NOBTS)**

**Certification Program at Greenforest Community Baptist Church**

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Registration Cost per course: $100.00 plus

New Student (one-time) Application Fee: $25.00

Total Certificate Cost: $825.00 (Eight classes plus application fee)

For more information, please contact:
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Director of Christian Education

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The Biblical Teaching Certificate consists of:

- Eight 8-week academic courses (not Bible Study)
- Sixteen hours per class, one two-hour class per week
- The classes are graded with a minimum passing grade of “C”.
- There is at a minimum a midterm and a final exam.
- Students are required to attend seven out of the eight weeks of each class to receive full credit.
- Courses are taught by seminary-trained professors. They are engaging and designed for those individual desiring a deeper understanding of Scripture.
- All classes are held at Greenforest Community Baptist Church (Building II, Rm. #105), 7:00 – 8:45 PM.
- NOBTS/Leavell College is accredited through SACS* and CAATS**
- Hours earned through the Certificate are transferable toward college credit.

For general information visit: www.nobts.edu/leavellcollege

Course Descriptions:

1. **Introduction to New Testament Study: The Early Church (BIUS 1153)** — This course is designed to provide a survey of the early church.
2. **Introduction to New Testament Study: The Life and Letters of Paul (BIUS 1152)** — This course is designed to provide a survey of the life and letters of Paul.
3. **Introduction to New Testament Study: The Life of Christ (BIUS 1151)** — This course is designed to provide a survey of the life of Christ.
4. **Introduction to Old Testament Study: The Historical Books (BIUS 1111)** -- This course is designed to provide a survey of Gen. – II Chron..
5. **Introduction to Old Testament Study: The Prophets (BIUS 1113)** — This course is designed to provide a survey of Isaiah – Malachi.
6. **Introduction to Old Testament Study: The Writings (BIUS 1112)** – This course is a brief overview of selected books.
7. **New Testament Bible Course (BIUS 1180)** – This course is designed to acquaint the student with verse-by-verse interpretation of selected books.
8. **Old Testament Bible Course (BIUS 1140)**—This course is designed to acquaint the student with verse-by-verse interpretation of selected books

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Greenforest Community Baptist Church (GCBC) in partnership with New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary (NOBTS)/Leavell College, since 2014 and will continue to offer a Certificate Program for "Biblical Ministry". Church members, church leadership, Academy leaders and non-members, regardless of educational background are invited to participate. All persons desiring to enroll in the program must be registered as students of NOBTS. Registration forms will be provided on site.

Rationale: The need for more effective leadership in local churches is evident. This program addresses the need of leadership by providing specialized, short-term training. The classes will help students to develop a comprehensive view of the scriptures that will inspire them to effectively put their faith into action.

Purpose of the Biblical Ministry Certificate: The purpose of the Biblical Ministry Certificate is to provide leaders of the local church a biblical basis for ministry and to provide tools for properly interpreting Scripture as the basis. This certificate program will strengthen your faith, sharpen your ministry skills, and give you a well-rounded perspective on Biblical Ministry!

Certification Program at Greenforest Community Baptist Church

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Registration Cost per course: $100.00 plus

New Student (one-time) Application Fee: $25.00

Total Certificate Cost: $825.00 (Eight classes plus application fee)

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1. **Apologetics - THUS1154**
   The study consists of topical lectures and discussions on the reliability and accuracy of various aspects of the Christian faith, and a review of a classic work in apologetics.

2. **Baptist Doctrine/Theology - THUS1110**
   This course is designed to provide a survey of Christian doctrines with an emphasis upon Baptist distinctives. The study consists of an examination of revelation, God, man, the person and work of Christ, the church, the Christian life, and the Christian hope.

3. **Church History - THUS1153**
   This course is designed to introduce students to the basic events in the history of the Christian Church.

4. **Evangelism - PMUS1110**
   This course is designed to provide a study of the biblical basis of evangelism, church programs for evangelism, and personal witnessing.

5. **Hermeneutics - BIUS1160**
   The purpose of this course is to enable the student to develop a sound method for biblical interpretation. The student will be introduced to the basic principles, steps, and major resources available or practicing biblical exegesis.

6. **Introduction to New Testament Study - BIUS1150**
   This course is designed to provide a survey of the New Testament. The study consists of a brief overview of each book, including pertinent geographical and historical information.

7. **Introduction to Old Testament Study - BIUS1110**
   This course is designed to provide a survey of the Old Testament. The study consists of a brief overview of each book, including pertinent geographical and historical information.

8. **Missions - PMUS1117**
   This course is designed to introduce students to biblical and theological foundations of Christian missions and provide historical overview.

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