BETHEL BIBLE

RESIDENCY

RESIDENCY OVERVIEW

The Residency is a nine-month long deep dive into the Bible, theology, church leadership, and hands on experience.

AREAS OF PASTORAL FOCUS:

- Family Ministry
- Missions & Outreach
- Cultural & Ethnic Diversity
- Expository Preaching & Teaching
- Church History

- Pastoral Counseling
- Ministry Life & Calling
- Church Leadership & Governance
- Apologetics & Cultural Engagement

APPLICATION & EDUCATIONAL OVERVIEW

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Written application with an interview. Applications will be due July 1, interviews completed in July and the residency would start in August and end the following May.

EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT:

- •All participants would complete two online classes in basic theology and biblical interpretation
- Additional reading and discussion as required by instructor
- Complete various projects assigned by instructor



DESIRED GOALS

DEVELOP

DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF THEOLOGY AND ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE TRUTH.

DEEPEN

AND BROADEN MINISTRY EXPERIENCE.

DISCERN YOUR CALLING AND GIFTING.

THE BETHEL BIBLE RESIDENCY PROVIDES BIBLICAL TRAINING, DISCIPLESHIP, AND REAL MINISTRY EXPERIENCE FOR GIFTED LEADERS WHO DESIRE TO SERVE IN VOCATIONAL MINISTRY.

COURSE OVERVIEW

EACH COURSE IN THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM CREATES THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF THE AREAS OF PASTORAL, CHURCH, AND CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY. EACH COURSE IS TAUGHT BY BETHEL PASTORS. PARTICIPANTS WILL ENGAGE IN SIX COURSES OF THEIR CHOOSING.

FAMILY MINISTRY

The goal of this course is to better understand God's design for the family to be the vehicle to pass on a heritage of faith and a godly legacy to the next generation.

EXPOSITORY PREACHING & TEACHING

This course is designed to enable the student to construct an expository sermon based upon the skills of exegesis. In addition, students will gain experience explaining, proving, and applying a biblical passage and delivering a biblical sermon.

MINISTRY & LIFE CALLING

The goal for this segment is to get a clear sense of calling from the Lord and to learn to lead out of that calling. We will explore strengths, skills, & passions and discover how each will shape within personal ministry.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

The objectives for this course are to understand the Biblical basis for missions, gain an accurate picture of the state of the world today, and learn, through Evangelism Training, how to communicate the Gospel and testimony.

CHURCH HISTORY

We will survey some of the major doctrines, people, and events that have shaped the church. The emphasis will be how and why the church developed to what it is in our current context. And, students will seek to understand how the history of the church can equip them for current and future ministry.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

This course will explore the church and its mission and provide an overview of the different models of church leadership throughout the history of the church with special emphasis on the role of elder and pastor.

CULTURAL & ETHNIC DIVERSITY

This course will examine the biblical mandate for unity, gain insight about different cultures through cultural competence, reinforce the value of being one, understand the nuance of shared discomfort in a worship setting and examine how the reward of unity outweighs the risk.

PASTORAL COUNSELING

The pastoral counseling course will introduce the individual to both a brief model of pastoral counseling and the most popular perspectives of what constitutes Christian counseling.

APOLOGETICS & CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT

In this course, students will gain a growing awareness of current Western ideas, increase their ability to articulate compelling reasons of the Gospel to an unchurched believer, and become aware of the objections to Christianity.

ABOUT BETHEL BIBLE CHURCH







BUILDING LEADERS

Bethel is committed to helping believers identify God's plan for their lives, so they can influence their daily environments for God's glory. Our desire is to equip men and women to encourage and exhort others by example. We provide opportunities to grow by serving in the Church and local community, hosting equipping classes and through short-term missions. Bethel is committed to becoming a leading center in East Texas for Christian discipleship, leadership development and advanced Biblical education.

GROWING COMMUNITIES

God's Word says we are designed for community. At Bethel, we are not about gathering crowds, but instead, we are about creating opportunities for people to be known and to know others. We do this through Sunday morning worship services, Life Groups, and serving in the local community together. By God's grace and for His glory, Bethel believes God has called Bethel Bible Church to become a community of several thousand members devoted to worshipping Him, becoming Christ-like disciples and affecting the world through outreach.

LIVING GENEROUSLY

We desire to be characterized by and known in the community as a group of people who give their lives away — living life for the benefit of others, instead of for ourselves. God has supplied us with every good and perfect thing, so we can joyfully give our time, treasure, and talent to others. Bethel is committed to influencing the world through missions outreach, and expects every member's involvement in community outreach, shortterm or full-time missions. To best fulfill this purpose, Bethel's intention is to be debt free and to dedicate a minimum of 15% of its total resources to missions.

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THANK YOU...

Discipleship is leadership - leading someone, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to greater Christ-likeness. In that way, every believer is called to be a leader, which is central to the mission of the church - go and make disciples. It's also the first part of the vision statement for Bethel - building leaders, growing communities and living generously. We are excited to offer a new leadership development ministry to help accomplish the mission of Bethel Bible Church and THE Church - the Bethel Bible Residency.

This is a hands-on, experiential learning program where you'll be paired with proven Bethel leaders to develop a unique course of study that matches your gifts and ministry interests so that you can be better equipped to lead, whether here at Bethel or out in the world! It is open to any believer, whether you are a member of Bethel or not.

I hope you'll take the time to prayerfully consider submitting an application and committing to complete this exciting program! If you have any questions, please email me at Fritz@bethelbible.com or call at 903-839-5007.

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