BIBLICAL COUNSELING COURSES OFFERED

Basic 101 - Grace Covenant Church is pleased to offer the Basic Course in Biblical Counseling. Our desire is that upon completion of this course students will be better equipped to make disciples of people experiencing crises in their lives. Counseling is happening all around us, therefore it's not an option in life, it's a fact of life. Our counsel must be biblically sound. This course will help students interpret and respond to the issues of life with biblical clarity and help. As an added benefit to the student The Biblical Counseling Course is designed to meet the Phase 1 Learning requirements for certification with <u>The Association of Certified Biblical Counselors (ACBC)</u>.

Basic 101 Key Training Components:

Training Components 1 – 4 are delivered through <u>CANVAS</u>, an online learning platform that is easy to use. It will require an internet connection, a computer, or some other device (iPad, smart phone, etc.).

1: *Lectures*. These are videos that you will view on CANVAS. The lectures are in approximately 15-minute segments. These shorter lectures will allow for more thoughtful engagement with the topic at a time convenient for you the student.

2: *Observation Videos.* There are 12 hours of videos (also found on CANVAS) with dramatized counseling scenarios for the student to watch. While the student watches these videos, they will interact with them by answering questions and making observations on a form provided with the course. These observations satisfy the observation requirement for ACBC Certification.

3: *Virtual Classrooms.* There are three live webinar sessions. During these interactive sessions, there may be a brief lecture, breakout sessions for discussion among participants, and opportunities for Q&A.

4: Online Interaction Posting. Throughout the 15 modules the instructors will post questions in the online forum on CANVAS. These questions are intended to engage you in an online conversation with the instructor and other class participants.

5: *ACBC Certification Reading.* All of the prior components are required for completing the module. This 5th component is being offered as an optional (but highly recommended) component. The benefit is that approximately 60% of the reading assignments will correspond with the lectures directly and 100% will fulfill the reading requirements for ACBC Certification. We would encourage everyone to strongly consider this option (even if you are not pursuing certification with ACBC).

SCHEDULE - Basic 101

Winter 2024

Registration opens **November 11, 2023** Class begins on **January 13, 2024**

Summer 2024

Registration opens March 2, 2024 Class begins May 4, 2024

Fall 2024

Registration opens **June 15, 2024** Class begins **August 17, 2024**

In-Person Training

Classes will be offered over three weekends:

Join us on location at Grace Covenant Church for our in-person Biblical Counseling Training.

September 20-21 October 18-19 November 15-16