

Program Plan

CHAPLAIN CERTIFICATE PROGRAM (CCP)

The Chaplain Certificate Program requires the following course work.

Course No.	Course	Credits		Date Taken
THE9534	Grounded in Scripture**	3		
	Core Courses - Required			
THE9520	Communicating Forgiveness	3	7 credits needed	
THE9522	Chaplaincy Issues and Fieldwork*	3		
THE9532	Chaplaincy Issues and Fieldwork Seminar	1		
	Core Electives – Choose at least one			
THE9521	A Scriptural Approach to Addiction Counseling	3	Electives 6 credits needed Must take a minimum of 3 credits from Core Electives	
THE9531	Trauma Basics – What Is Trauma?	3		
THE9601	The Spiritual Side of PTSD	3		
	Electives			
THE9523	Ministering to the Incarcerated and Their Families	3		
THE9524	Frontline Chaplaincy	3		
THE9525	Geriatric and Care Facility Ministry	3		
THE9533	Grief, Loss, and Trauma – Help for the Hurting	3		
	Total Program Credits Needed	13		

Courses can be taken in any order

*THE9522 is a prerequisite for THE9532.

**THE9534 is a prerequisite for people without a theology minor from MLC/BLC. This course does not count towards total program credits needed.

Program Courses

The Chaplain Certificate Program is presently offering four basic courses and six electives. The electives are offered for those who want to specialize in a particular area of chaplaincy.

THE9520 Communicating Forgiveness 3 Credits A study of the scriptural meaning of forgiveness and the many ways this truth can be communicated vividly and meaningfully by God's messengers.

THE9521 A Scriptural Approach to Addiction Counseling 3 Credits An examination of addictions from a scriptural perspective, concentrating on the prevention and treatment of addictions. All common addictions will be studied, with emphasis given to alcohol, drug, and internet addictions.

THE9522 Chaplaincy Issues and Fieldwork 3 Credits An overview of chaplaincy, related issues, and fieldwork experience in a specific area of chaplain ministry. A chaplain field site is required for this course.

THE9523 Ministry to the Incarcerated and Their Families 3 Credits Strategies to initiate and implement a gospel ministry to the incarcerated.

THE9524 Frontline Chaplaincy 3 credits A study of the challenges faced by the Protectors of Society (military, law enforcement, and fire department personnel) and the information chaplains need to minister to them.

THE9525 Geriatric and Care Facility Ministry 3 Credits A team-oriented approach to ministry for people who are aging or residents in care facilities. Provides both knowledge and skills for congregation members to provide spiritual care for the homebound and institutionalized.

THE9531 Trauma Basics - What Is Trauma? 3 Credits An introduction to the basic effects of trauma on body, mind, and soul.

THE9532 Chaplaincy Issues and Fieldwork Seminar 1 Credit A follow-up to *Chaplaincy Issues and Fieldwork* in which participants share fieldwork experiences and interact with Chaplaincy Certification Committee members. THE9522 is a prerequisite for this course.

THE9533 Grief, Loss, and Trauma – Help for the Hurting 3 credits

Explore grief, loss, and trauma from a biblical as well as mental health perspective. Develop understanding of what happens when someone experiences a traumatic loss and learn how to minister to such a person, both initially and in the long term.

THE9534 Grounded in Scripture 3 Credit An introduction to theology that focuses upon the scriptural teachings of special importance to chaplaincy ministry.

THE9601 The Spiritual Side of PTSD 3 Credits Helps spiritual advisors recognize the signs of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and provide appropriate spiritual care.