



Global Missions Department

"Shaping Servant-Leaders to Reach all Peoples"

— Course Synopsis —

<p>COURSE NUMBER and TITLE: BTH/MHT ONC 501 The Mission of God in Biblical and Contemporary Contexts CREDIT HOURS: 3 SEMESTER: Summer 2020 COURSE DAY/TIME: May 4-Aug.13 LOCATION: Course Commons</p>	<p>INSTRUCTORS: Valerie Rance Ph.D. PHONE: 417-865-2815 ext. 8868 OFFICE: AGTS 213 and AGTS 215 EMAIL: RanceV@evangel.edu OFFICE HOURS: By appointment</p>
<p><u>REQUIRED TEXTS:</u></p> <p>Glasser, Arthur F.; Van Engen, Charles E.; Gilliland, Dean S.; and Redford, Shawn B. <i>Announcing the Kingdom: The Story of God's Mission in the Bible</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2003. ISBN-10: 0801026261, ISBN-13: 978-0801026263 Print 400 pp.</p> <p>Johnson, Alan R. <i>Apostolic Function in 21st Century Missions</i>. Pasadena, CA: William Carey Library, 2009. ISBN-10: 0878080112 ISBN-13: 978-0878080113 Print 258 pp.</p> <p>Kaiser, Walter C. <i>Mission in the Old Testament: Israel as a Light to the Nations</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2000. ISBN-10: 0801022282, ISBN-13: 978-0801022289 Print 101 pp.</p> <p>Van Engen, Charles. <i>God's Missionary People: Rethinking the Purpose of the Local Church</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Book House, 1991. ISBN-10: 0801093112, ISBN-13: 978-0801093111 Print 194 pp.</p> <p>Wright, Christopher J. H. <i>The Mission of God's People: A Biblical Theology of the Church's Mission (Biblical Theology for Life)</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2010. ISBN-10: 0310291127 ISBN-13: 978-0310291121 Electronic and Print 304 pp.</p> <p>York, John V. <i>Missions in the Age of the Spirit</i>. Springfield, MO: Logion, 2000. ISBN-10: 0882434640 ISBN-13: 978-0882434643 270 pp.</p> <p>Personal choice of a Missionary Biography</p>	

Course Requirements/Assignments:

1. Class participation

Class Participation through Quiz Video Discussions (using Course Commons Studio):

Kaiser Discussion	Due May 20
York Discussion	Due June 3
Johnson Discussion	Due June 17
Wright Discussion	Due July 1
Glasser Discussion	Due July 15
Van Engen Discussion	Due July 29
Missionary Bio. Discussion	Due Aug. 12

Class Participations through Video Discussions (using Course Commons Studio):

Personal Discussion	Due May 6
Peace Child Discussion	Due May 27
The Mission Video Discussion	Due June 11
Rocks of Remembrance Dis.	Due June 16
Beyond Gates of Splendor Dis.	Due June 18
Piper Video Discussion	Due June 25
Harvest Video Discussion	Due July 9
Antioch Church Questionnaire	Due July 20
York Video Discussion	Due Aug. 4
Brogden Video Discussion	Due Aug. 6
Homeless Video Discussion	Due Aug. 11
Prayer Response	Due Aug. 13

2. **Reading Assignments:** Students must read the assigned textbooks according to the class schedule. A Canvas online open book "Quiz" must be completed for each text and for a missionary biography.

Kaiser	Due May 15
York	Due May 29
Johnson	Due June 12
Wright	Due June 26
Glasser	Due July 10
Van Engen	Due July 24
Missionary Biography	Due Aug. 7

3. **Sermon:** The submission of a missions sermon that incorporates throughout the message the missionary disciplines of Go, Give, and Pray. The paper should be 3-4 pages in length presenting the sermon title, scripted introduction,

stories/illustrations, and conclusion/application. The major points with the accompanying Scripture references may be presented in outline form. The sermon will be collected via an online assignment in Course Commons. **Due June 30.** The student will also record, via Course Commons Studio, the sermon then critique four other student's sermons. **Due July 2.**

4. **Research Paper:** In 15-20 pages, demonstrate your mastery of the content of this course by writing a paper on a particular topic in the area of biblical missiology. You can write on something you are interested in and look at it through the mission of God lens. (e.g. church planting and missions, chaplaincy and missions, women in missions, short-term missions, children in missions, immigration and missions, technology and missions). The paper should:
 - a. Apply the principles of biblical theology taught in the class;
 - b. Demonstrate a comprehensive knowledge of *missio Dei* as found in the biblical witness, including appropriate biblical references. Be sure to demonstrate a clear contextual (exegetical) understanding of all texts that are discussed.
 - c. Integrate and cite class lectures, assigned readings, and other scholarly sources.
 - d. After presenting your understanding of a particular topic in biblical missiology, **apply your current sense of God's unique calling on your life to your understanding of the topic and indicate what the Holy Spirit is leading you to do in response to your learning (i.e. present a personal plan for missional praxis).** This should be a section in your paper that can be written in first person. The paper will be collected via an online assignment in Course Commons. **Due July 31.**

Details on the requirements and an extended bibliography will be a part of the syllabus, which will be available a week prior to class through course commons.