

## Practical Theology Department

"Shaping Servant-Leaders"

— Course Synopsis —

<p><b>COURSE NUMBER and TITLE:</b> PTH 551MOD/OLC: Effective Evangelism and Assimilation</p> <p><b>CREDIT HOURS:</b> 3</p> <p><b>SEMESTER:</b> Summer 2021</p> <p><b>COURSE DAY/TIME:</b> May 10-Aug 19; Seated May 12-14, Wed 1-5:00; Thur/Fri 8-5</p> <p><b>LOCATION:</b> AGTS 225</p>	<p><b>INSTRUCTOR:</b> Cory Shipley, DMin</p> <p><b>PHONE:</b> 417-865-2815 ext. 8884 or cell 785-243-4930</p> <p><b>OFFICE:</b> AGTS 224</p> <p><b>EMAIL:</b> <a href="mailto:ShipleyC@evangel.edu">ShipleyC@evangel.edu</a></p> <p><b>OFFICE HOURS:</b> Mon-Fri 9-5:00 by appointment</p>
<p><b>REQUIRED TEXT:</b></p> <p>McIntosh, Gary L. <i>Growing God's Church: How People Are Actually Coming to Faith Today</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2016. (ISBN: 978-0801016455)</p> <p>Springer, Craig. <i>How to Revive Evangelism: Seven Vital Shifts in How we Share Our Faith</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2021.</p> <p>Inserra, Dean. <i>The Unsaved Christian: Reaching Cultural Christianity with the Gospel</i>. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2019. (ISBN: 9780802418807)</p> <p>White, James Emery. <i>The Rise of the Nones: Understanding and Reaching the Religiously Unaffiliated</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2014. (ISBN: 9780801016233)</p> <p>Searcy, Nelson. <i>Fusion: Turning First-time Guests into Fully Engaged Members of Your Church</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2017. (ISBN: 9780801075490)</p> <p><b>(Pick ONE of the following)</b></p> <p>Rainer, Thom S. and Jess Rainer. <i>The Millennials: Connecting to America's Largest Generation</i>. Nashville, TN: Broadman &amp; Holman Publishing, 2011. (ISBN: 9781433670039)</p> <p>White, James Emery. <i>Meet Generation Z: Understanding and Reaching the New Post-Christian World</i>. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2017. (ISBN: 9780801017018)</p>	

### Course Requirements:

1. **Attendance, reading preparation, discussion and participation.**
2. Four **short essays** (2-5pg) including a personal testimony, a biblical study of the New Covenant, a study of evangelism methods in the NT, and a meaningful witness report.
3. A **final project** designing a comprehensive outreach strategy for your ministry context (10-12 pg).
4. A **final exam** OR leading a 2-hour training event in your ministry context.

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.