

**Winter Term 2023/2024 Term Begins November 1, 2023**  
**First Session Ends and Winter Break December 5, 2023**  
**Session Second Begins and all Classes Resume January 3, 2024**  
**Winter Term Ends February 6, 2024**

**MINISTERIAL PREPARATORY CLASSES**

*First Session (11/1/23 – 12/5/23)*

**F1105** Self-Awareness (prev F1045) **Nickie Golden**

*In the Flow of Life*, Butterworth, Eric

*Conscious Living Finding Joy in the Real World*, Hendricks, Gay

**F1107** Development New Thought (prev F1003) **Vernelle Nelson**

*Friends in High Places*, Shepherd, Thomas. Unity Village, MO: Unity Books, 1985.

Hicks, Mark. *Background of New Thought*. 3rd edition. Austin, TX: TruthUnity, 2013, accessed January 21, 2017, click here - <https://s3.amazonaws.com/truthunity/assets/courses/mark-hicks/background-of-new-thought/background-of-new-thought-truth-unity.pdf>

**Additional Reading**

(not required but helpful)

*New Thought, Ancient Wisdom: The History and Future of the New Thought Movement*, Mosley, Glenn, 2006

**F1111** Metaphysics 1 (prev F1036) **Ytonna Finnegan**

*Heart-Centered Metaphysics, A Deeper Look at Unity Teachings*; Hasselbeck, Paul, Unity Village, MO; Unity, 2010;

**F1121** Bible Overview Hebrew Scriptures (prev F1046) **Vernelle Nelson**

**Required Text/Readings**

*Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*. Borg, Marcus J. San Francisco: Harper Collins, 2015.

*The Bible* - in one of the following translations. (The NRSV: New Revised Standard Version; or the NET: New English Translation)

*Hebrew Scriptures Handout Packet* (Please note that the download has the Summer Classes' instructor information. Everything else is correct).

**Recommended Text/Readings**

*The New Interpreter's Study Bible*. Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 2003.

*Don't Know Much About the Bible*. Davis, Kenneth C. New York: Harper Collins, 2004.

*Re-Claiming the Bible for a Non-Religious World*. Spong, John Shelby. New York: Harper Collins, 2013.

*Second Session (1/3/24 – 2/6/24)*

**F1102** Twelve Powers of Man (prev F1033) **Sandy Boyer**

*Divine Audacity*. Martella-Whitsett, Linda, Hampton Roads Publishing. 2015.

*Twelve Powers of Man*. Fillmore, Charles, Unity Village, MO: Unity Books.

**F1104** Meditation Practice (prev F1044) **Janelle Renshaw**

*Heart-Centered Metaphysics*, Hasselbeck, Paul. Unity Village: Unity House, 2010

*Journal* for recording your process

*Mala Beads* (108) for Japa Meditation Practice

**F1112** **Metaphysics 2 (prev F1037)** **Marygrace Sorensen**

*Pre-requisite F1111*

*Heart-Centered Metaphysics*, Hasselbeck, Paul. Unity Village: Unity House, 2010

**F1122** **Bible Interpretation Hebrew Scriptures** **Glenda Walden**

*Pre-requisite F1121 (prev F1005)*

**Required Text**

*Bible* (New Revised Standard Version)

*Metaphysical Bible Dictionary*. Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri

*The Revealing Word*. Fillmore, Charles. Unity

*Let There Be Light*, Sand Turner, Elizabeth, Unity Classic Library, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

**F1123** **Bible Overview: Christian Scripture** **Vernelle Nelson**

*(prev F1047)*

*Fillmore Study Bible – The New Testament*, Fillmore Bible Society, 2023, truthunity.net; <https://www.truthunity.net/web>

**MINISTERIAL STUDIES CLASSES**

**Second Year Ministerial Studies Classes**

**BI5013** **Bible Studies OT required** **Robert Brach**

**Required Texts**

An *NRSV version of the Bible*. (Preferably an annotated version such as the New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha)

*Metaphysical Bible Dictionary*, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

*Revealing Word*, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

*The Old Testament: An Introduction to the Hebrew Bible*, 2nd Edition, Harris, Stephen L. and Platzner, Robert L., McGraw Hill, Boston; 2008 (earlier editions are okay too) This is an excellent historical-critical treatment of the OT. Get the latest used edition your budget can afford. This is a keeper reference book. Reading assignments are from the page number of the 2nd edition so you may need to do some looking for the material in later or earlier editions.

*Let There Be Light*, Sand Turner, Elizabeth, Unity Classic Library, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri

**BI6006** **Introduction to Theology** **James Gaither**

**Required Texts:**

*The Essential Charles Fillmore: A Guide to Practical Mysticism and Metaphysics (Revised Edition)*. Gaither, James. Unity Village, MO: Unity Books, 2020.

**Recommended Texts\*:**

*God Has Many Names*. Hick, John. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1980.

*Behind the Masks of God: An Essay Toward Comparative Theology*. Neville, Robert Cummings. New York: State University of New York Press, 1991.

*Readings in the History of Christian Theology, Vol. 2*. Placher, William C. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 1988.

*Christianity and the Encounter of the World Religions.* Tillich, Paul. *Christianity and the Encounter of the World Religions.* New York: Columbia University Press, 1963.

\*[Note: It is recommended but not required that students use at least one of the recommended texts as a resource for the final paper. The Neville book is available as an EBook on Google Play, as well as some used versions through Amazon.com, or through your local library. If you want to use your local library, it is recommended that you check early in the term, in case they have to order it from another library.]

**CM2022** **Board of Trustees** **Charline Manuel**

**Required Textbooks:**

*The Power of One Accord 7 Spiritual Keys to Harness Synergy in the Boardroom*, Second Edition Revised and Expanded by Manuel, Charline E.

*The 5 Levels of Leadership*, Maxwell, John

**DI1002** **History of African American Church required (prev HII037)** **Karen Saunders**

**Required Text:**

*The History & Heritage of African American Churches: A Way Out of No Way.* Whelchel, L. H. Paragon House: St. Paul, MN.

*PBS Special: The Black Church – This is My Story; This is My Song* (You can purchase from Amazon; view online if you have PBS plus or borrow from your local library. I was able to borrow the dvd set from the local library.)

**Recommended Text/Readings (not required but helpful)**

*Fortress Introduction to Black Church History*, Pinn, Anne H. (2002) Augsburg Fortress: Minneapolis, MN.

**IS2002** **How We Gather (prev MM2001)** **Vernelle Nelson**

*Living a Golden Life*, Nelson, Vernelle. amazon.com. 2017

*How to Let God Help You*, Fillmore, Myrtle. Unity Publications

**Third Year Ministerial Studies Classes**

**BI5023** **Bible Studies NT required** **Robert Brach**  
**(Acts-Philemon)**

**Required Texts**

**An NRSV version of the Bible.** (Preferably an annotated version such as the New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha)

*The New Testament: A Students Introduction*, Harris, Stephen L., McGraw-Hill, Boston. (Get a used copy, 6th edition, if possible, but any will work. that is what I have. I purchased a used copy from Alibirs for \$12. some time ago)

*Be Ye Transformed: Acts through Revelation Metaphysically Interpreted*, Sand Turner, Elizabeth, Unity Books, Unity Village, MO; 1969.

*Metaphysical Bible Dictionary*, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

*Revealing Word*, Unity Books, Unity Village, Missouri.

**IS3003** **Advanced Metaphysics III** **Carole Lunde**

*Pre-requisite IS3001, IS3002*

*Jesus, CEO*, Jones, Laurie Beth

*Life More Abundant*, Lanyon, Walter

**MM1005**                      **Evolving Ministries & New Church Planting**                      **Sandy Boyer**  
(prev MM4205)

*The In-Between Church: Navigating Size Transitions and Congregations*, Mann, Alice

**SJ1002**                      **Unitive Leadership Skills (prev CU4308)**                      **Valorie Gunsch**

*Readings will be posted in the class.*

**Internship Class**

**IY1002**                      **Credo (prev IS5922)**                      **Warren Teachout/David Adams**

*Maybe It's You: Cut the Crap. Face Your Fears. Love Your Life*, Zander, Lauren Handel,  
*Credo of a Metaphysical Christian*, Hicks, Mark (It's available for free from Mark Hicks) send  
an email to: [Mark@TruthUnity.net](mailto:Mark@TruthUnity.net) to request book.