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A MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDING PRESIDENT



Dr. Brian J. Bailey
Founding President of Zion Ministerial Institute

According to medieval tradition, the prophet Samuel presided over the world's first university, which consisted of "the sons of the prophets." It was organized in the colleges at Bethel, Kirjath-sepher and Kirjath-sannah (cf. 2 Kgs. 2:3-5). The puritan fathers of Harvard University accepted this with uncritical alacrity. In fact, Nathaniel Rogers made mention of this tradition in his valedictory oration at the Harvard Commencement in 1652.

In more modern times, the University of Paris (called the First School of the Church) was the pattern from which all the great universities of the world, such as Oxford, Cambridge, and Harvard, modeled themselves.

The University of Paris was established by the Church, and all masters and scholars were either priests or potential priests. Medieval universities were distinctly purposeful in that they sought to train students for the ministry, and with the Reformation, this goal was seen as the proper function of a university. In the conception of the University of Paris, no land or buildings pertained to the University. Teaching was carried out in various churches (St. Julius le Paurve in Paris; St. Mary the Virgin in Oxford; Great St. Mary's in Cambridge).

In medieval Europe, a college was a corporation established within a university to provide board and lodging for small groups of students. By the 1600s, however, these colleges had absorbed the responsibility for most of the teaching, and the universities granted degrees to those who had satisfactorily met the requirements of the university. One of the great battles that ensued over the ages was between those who espoused liberal arts and philosophy and the pious Christians, who were not slow to point out that Aristotle, the father of philosophy, was a pagan. These devout Christians, therefore, saw no reason to include his teachings in their curriculums.

Zion Ministerial Institute

The goals of Zion Ministerial Institute are as follows: to incorporate a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, to teach and interpret the Holy Scriptures under the mantle of the Teacher, the Blessed Holy Spirit, to glorify God the Father, and to know and teach His ways at all times.

God has raised up Zion Ministerial Institute to propagate the vision of Zion. By the grace of God, we seek to impart this vision to all of our students. Therefore, we, the Board of Zion Ministerial Institute, submit the following Curriculum to teach the ways of Zion, which are the ways of a Holy God as Scripture so clearly sets forth. Our purpose is to give a very sound education in the areas of character, ability (with respect to the Holy Scriptures), and productivity—seeking to encourage the students to live a very productive and purposeful life by fulfilling God’s will for their lives.

One of the preponderant complaints dating way back to the early thirteenth century was that students want a degree without doing any work. May we say that Zion Ministerial Institute does not endorse such lackadaisical standards. Hard and diligent study is enjoined upon all of our students so that they might be thoroughly equipped for the service of the Master. Our prayer is that you will give Zion Ministerial Institute the opportunity to help you further your education in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ and His Word. God bless you!

Dr. Brian J. Bailey

President 1981 - 2012

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HISTORY

Zion Fellowship® was founded in 1981 in the state of New York. By faith the 170-acre campus was purchased in upstate New York that serves as the headquarters of Zion Fellowship's ministries and Zion Ministerial Institute. Zion Fellowship is a Pentecostal fellowship of pastors, missionaries, churches, Bible schools, Christian schools, and orphanages, whose headquarters are located in Waverly, New York. Since its inception, by God's grace, Zion's ministry has spread to every inhabited continent of the world.

PURPOSE STATEMENTS

Zion Ministerial Institute operates as a ministry of Zion Fellowship®, and is affiliated with Zion Christian University. As such, Zion Ministerial Institute holds the same vision, purpose, and value system in preparing and equipping leaders in the Body of Christ to pursue and win Christ as they fulfill the calling given by the Lord Jesus.

Our Vision

This is the vision of Zion, to know and delight the heart of our Heavenly Bridegroom through wholehearted, joyful obedience motivated by a single, undivided love for and loyalty to Him.

King David summed up this longing: "One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple" (Psa. 27:4). If this is also our heart, then He will be faithful to bring us, day by day, decision by decision, to the place where we can declare, "Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me, I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart" (Psa. 40:7-8).

Purpose Statement

Our purpose at Zion Ministerial Institute is to prepare leaders to be used by God through developing this wholehearted desire for the Lord. We endeavor to prepare our students in three main areas: character, ability, and productivity. We desire to cultivate godly character within our students and equip them with the necessary tools to maximize their abilities, so that they bring forth lasting fruit for the kingdom of God. Our curriculum offers in-depth courses that are not only theologically sound and Bible-based, but are also anointed and life transforming, to build a strong foundation in the lives of our students. The theme verse of Zion Ministerial Institute is John 8:32, where Jesus declared, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Zion Fellowship accepts the Scriptures as the revealed Will of God, the all sufficient rule of faith and practice, and for the purpose of maintaining general unity, adopts the following fundamental tenets of faith:

1. We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who is the Maker and Preserver of all things visible and invisible.

2. We believe in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ: that Jesus existed eternally with the Father, became Man by the miracle of the incarnation, in no degree ceasing to be God. He is co-Creator of the world and man, the only Savior, and coming Judge.
3. We believe the whole canon of Scripture (both Old and New Testaments), as originally given, to be the inspired and authoritative Word of God, of supreme and final authority in all that it teaches and declares.
4. We believe that all men are lost apart from the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ; that sin is cleansed only through personal repentance and faith in the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ; that water baptism by immersion should follow receiving Christ as Lord and Savior.
5. We believe that God is well able to preserve us and keep us from falling and to present us faultless before the presence of His glory. However, we can still choose our ways rather than God's and reject the grace of God, losing our eternal salvation. We must continue to walk in the truth.
6. We believe that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing for the body as well as for the mind, soul, and spirit of man. Christ has an answer for every problem of man, physical or spiritual.
7. We believe that miracles and the gifts of the Spirit are available to the Church today for the edifying and perfecting of its members.
8. We believe that God will visit His Church in the last days and bring multitudes into the Kingdom, preparing us for Christ's Second Coming.
9. We believe that the baptism of the Holy Spirit, as evidenced by speaking in other tongues according to Acts 2:4, is promised to all who desire it, ask for it, and obey God.
10. We believe that everyone will be resurrected (saved and unsaved) and will give an account to the great Judge, whose judgment is final and eternal.
11. We believe that the term "marriage" has only one meaning and that is marriage as a holy institution set forth by God in His Word. Marriage is a covenant relationship between one man and one woman in a single, exclusive union for life, and it is to be a representation of the relationship between Christ and His Church. Any other definition of marriage is contrary to Scripture and to the will of God (Gen. 1:27; Heb. 13:4).

We believe that God intends sexual intimacy to only occur between a man and a woman who are married to each other. We believe that God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man and a woman.

We believe that any form of sexual immorality, such as adultery, fornication, homosexuality, bisexual conduct, bestiality, incest, pornography, or any attempt to change one's biological sex or to otherwise act upon any disagreement with one's biological sex, is sinful and offensive to God.

We believe that God offers redemption and restoration to all who confess and forsake their sin, seeking His mercy and forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

We believe that every person must be afforded compassion, love, kindness, respect and dignity. Hateful and harassing behavior or attitudes directed toward any individual are to be repudiated and are not in accordance with Scripture nor the doctrines of the Church.

We believe that marriage is a covenant relationship established by God. We believe that whether the parties are saved or unsaved at the time of marriage, the only situation where it is right to remarry is when one's former spouse has passed away (Rom. 7:2-3). In all other situations, divorce and remarriage to another person is contrary to God's will and purposes.

12. We believe that man should live according to the moral standards set forth in Scripture. This includes: living a holy life; being full of love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance (Gal. 5:22-23). Therefore, we are opposed to: adultery, fornication, uncleanness (including sodomy, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, pornography, and other forms of moral impurity), lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders (including abortion and euthanasia), drunkenness, and revellings (Gal. 5: 19-21; 2 Tim. 3:1-6).
13. We believe that God has ordained and created all authority consisting of three basic institutions: 1) the home; 2) the Church; 3) the state. Every person is subject to these authorities, but all (including the authorities themselves) are answerable to God and are governed by His Word.
14. We believe that every Christian, as a steward of the portion of God's wealth entrusted to him, is obligated to support his local church financially. We believe that God has established the tithe as a basis for giving, but that every Christian should also give other offerings sacrificially and cheerfully for the support of the Church, the relief of those in need, and the spread of the Gospel. We believe that a person has no right to direct the use of the tithe or offering once the gift has been given.
15. We believe that God desires to plant an onward vision within His people, giving us focus and purpose in life. Our vision is reflected in our name – Zion. In the Bible, God spoke of Zion as His dwelling place (Ps. 132:13; Ps 87:2). Therefore, going beyond having right doctrine, an upright life, ministry or good works, our ultimate goal is to have a wholehearted desire and love for the Lord. This will cause us to desire to seek Him, to behold His beauty, to learn to make His presence our home, to win Him and delight His heart (Ps. 24; Ps. 15; Rev.14:1-5, Ps. 27:4, Phil. 3:8).

The vision of Zion is also a progressive vision--having an ever-increasing relationship with Christ, our Heavenly Bridegroom (Heb. 12:22). As we learn to make Christ our one and only desire, and obey Him in all things (Ps. 40:8), He changes us in our spiritual journey so that we qualify to dwell with Him in spiritual Zion.
16. The statement of faith does not exhaust the extent of our faith. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God that speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind, is the sole and final source of all that we believe.

SECTION 2. OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

For the purposes of church doctrine, practice, policy, and discipline, our Board of Trustees is the fellowship's final interpretive authority on the Bible's meaning and application.

1. We believe that in order to preserve the function and integrity of Zion Fellowship as the Body of Christ, and to provide a Biblical role model to the church members and the community, it is imperative that: members of Zion Fellowship, those employed by Zion Fellowship in any capacity, and who serve as volunteers, should abide by and agree to our statement of faith and conduct themselves accordingly.
2. In particular, Zion Fellowship pastors shall not solemnize any marriages that are contrary to our Statement of Faith.

3. We believe that in order to preserve the function and integrity of Zion Fellowship as the Body of Christ, and to provide a Biblical role model to the church members and the community, it is imperative that: Zion Fellowship's facilities or assets may not be used to condone or allow any activity that is contrary to Scripture or our Statement of Faith.

ZMI CHRISTIAN VALUES SYSTEM STATEMENTS

Christian System of Education

Zion Ministerial Institute is dedicated to teaching the truth of God's Word, which renews the mind and transforms the heart. God's Word clearly states that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and it is from this biblical basis that Zion Ministerial Institute teaches all subjects. Education is not just teaching that influences the mind, but it also influences the life of each student. It has been said, "Doctrine will determine your destiny."

As such, Zion Ministerial Institute seeks to provide an excellent biblical and ministerial education that honors the Lord, and leads students in the pathway of God to a destiny that glorifies His holy name. This we do by training and equipping the next generation of Christian leaders for a life of service to their Savior, homes, churches, ministries, vocations, and communities. Our fervent prayer is that God will keep this Institute true and faithful to His ways and His leading, as well as use this Institute to prepare many to live a life that is devoted to His call.

Christian System of Curriculum

The Word of God is the foundation of all that we do and all that we are. Therefore, it is essential for all God's people, but especially for those called to be leaders and ministers of the Gospel, to learn how to study and interpret Scripture: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15).

The word "curriculum" in the Latin refers to a course that has a clearly defined finish line and goal. It literally means "to run a race." Habakkuk 2:2 says, "... Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it." Through our curriculum we seek to place a vision and goal before our students of being transformed into the image of Christ and being filled with the knowledge of His Word and the power and anointing of His Holy Spirit. It is not enough to know the Word of God; we must put it into practice and reflect the beauty and nature of Christ in everything that we do. This is the goal of our curriculum.

Zion Ministerial Institute is not concerned with studying the theory, philosophy, or principles of the Christian life. Rather, we approach study of the Word of God as a life changing experience: "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart" (Heb. 4:12).

The foundation of interpreting and understanding the Word of God is having a pure heart towards God, of obeying His Word, and submitting to His will. This lays the foundation for the study,

interpretation, and application of the Scriptures to real and personal life, not only for ourselves, but also to the nations.

The Bible is the mirror in which our hearts, thoughts, and intents are revealed (James 1:23). The Holy Spirit searches the deep things of God, and leads us into all Truth. As our hearts are revealed through the Word of God, the Holy Spirit brings our lives into line with His standards and will (I Cor. 2:9-11; John 16:13).

Therefore, studying and conforming to the Word of God is an ongoing process in our progressive vision to win Christ and be transformed into His image: “Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord” (II Cor. 3:17-18).

Christian Values System of Residential Culture

The purpose of the Zion Ministerial Institute Residential Program is to allow the truths and principles learned in class to be applied to our students’ character in the following areas: their daily lives, view of God, treatment of others, thought life, attitudes, obedience, humility, and faithfulness. There are many distractions and temptations in life that seek to draw one into the world, and conform one to its culture.

However, we are called to be set apart from the culture of this world, strangers in our land, and to become citizens of the Kingdom of God, embracing Christ’s culture (I Pet. 1:17-18; Psa. 39:12). For this reason, we seek to prune all distractions from student life to allow students to focus, through the intense training, on making Christ the Solid Rock, Foundation, and Chief Cornerstone of their lives. This is a process of learning to measure all things by Him and the culture of His Kingdom, and to live a yielded, set apart, and poured out life to Him.

ACCREDITATION & AFFILIATION

Zion Ministerial Institute does not hold regional accreditation nor do we accept federal or state funding. Our sole desire is to continue as a ministerial training institute that prepares men and women to be used by God in ecclesiastical vocations.

Status

Zion Ministerial Institute is a private, residential, co-educational, post-secondary Christian school, owned and operated by Zion Fellowship, Incorporated in the state of New York, in the United States of America. Zion Ministerial Institute holds a state charter classified under section 52.22(b) of the New York State Department of Education, which authorizes vocational instruction in the field of religion. Zion Ministerial Institute is authorized by the State of New York to grant certificates and diplomas of completion in the area of ministerial training. Zion Ministerial Institute does not seek or accept federal or state funding.

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SECTION 2: EDUCATION INFORMATION

ADMISSIONS

STUDENT CLASSIFICATION

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ADMISSIONS

Zion Ministerial Institute admits single and married, male and female students without respect to age, race, color, national, or ethnic origin. However, applicants must profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and agree to abide by our statement of faith in order to be admitted into Zion Ministerial Institute. ZMI was founded to educate the Body of Christ, and, therefore, retains the right to deny admission to any applicant who does not evince, to the satisfaction of Zion Ministerial Institute, a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

From among the applicants, Zion Ministerial Institute selects those who evidence the following:

- a genuine born-again experience
- openness to the baptism of the Holy Spirit evidenced by speaking in tongues
- strong moral character
- personal integrity
- scholastic ability
- whole-hearted relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ

The applicant should sense a call to serve the Lord, either in the ministry or as lay leaders. These qualities are evaluated by considering the individual's application, entrance essays, interview (if applicable), clergy recommendation, personal recommendations, and records of academic history. Every applicant is assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Once the student successfully completes the two-year program, he/she may be awarded a Diploma of Ministerial Training. Completion of the program *does not* lead to direct licensure, ordination, or employment, or toward a Bachelor's Degree.

Entrance Requirements

Admission to Zion Ministerial Institute is available to those who meet the following entrance requirements:

- Graduated from high school (home school, Christian, or public) or are able to present a Certificate of Eligibility demonstrating successful completion of the General Education Development (GED) test. International applicants must provide proof of equivalent academic achievement.
- Possess College-level fluency in reading, writing, understanding, and speaking the English language.
- Provided transcripts from High School attended.
- Provided one (1) recommendation from a member of the clergy, and two (2) personal recommendations from two (2) different individuals who know well but are not related to the applicant.
- Submitted a complete Admission Application, all required supplements, and application fee.

English Language Proficiency

The ability to understand, speak, read, and write English fluently is a necessary skill to succeed and get the most possible out of your time at Zion Ministerial Institute. One of the most important skills in the ministry is the ability to clearly convey truth in such a way that others can understand and

receive it. Our goal is to assist students to grow in skill, confidence, and the anointing in being able to share the Word of God with others so they may be changed by the power of God. Therefore, we seek to develop college level English skills in all assignments at Zion Ministerial Institute. For that reason, English proficiency is an important consideration in the admissions process.

International Applicants

At this time, Zion Ministerial Institute is unable to accept international applicants who wish to study in the United States on an M-1 student visa.

Admissions Process

All application materials are due:

- 30 July for all Applicants
1. Complete and submit the Application for Admission, available through our website, www.zmi.edu, with a recent 2"x3" picture uploaded in the Application, and the \$50 application fee.
 2. Request Clergy & Personal Recommendation forms, and have those who will be providing references complete the Recommendations online, through the link in the Application for Admission.
 3. Request all High School Transcripts / Home School Credit Evaluation to be sent directly to Zion Ministerial Institute.
 4. Once all Application for Admission items have been received, the Chancellor will review the Applicant's file, after which Applicants will be notified of the decision in writing.

It is the responsibility of applicants to follow up on the completion of their file for admission. After the Admissions Office reviews all admissions materials, applicants will receive a letter stating their admission status. The admissions process may take up to 90 days. Any application submitted is considered valid for one academic year. Please note that any documentation submitted to the Admissions Office by the applicant will not be forwarded to another party or returned to the applicant.

STUDENT CLASSIFICATION

Matriculating

A matriculating student is one who has been accepted into the Ministerial Training program, and is earning credit towards a diploma.

Non-Matriculating

A non-matriculating is one who has been accepted to attend the Ministerial Training program as an audit student, and who is not an applicant for the credit-earning diploma program.

GRADING SYSTEM

The following grading scale expresses the levels of scholastic achievement upon which submitted work is evaluated. Please note this is based on a 4.0 grading scale.

Letter Grade	Numerical Equivalent	Grade Point Average	Standing
A+	100	4.00	Exceptional
A	96-99	4.00	Honor
A-	93-95	3.70	Honor
B+	90-92	3.30	Good
B	87-89	3.00	Good
B-	84-86	2.70	Good
C+	81-83	2.30	Satisfactory
C	78-80	2.00	Satisfactory
C-	75-77	1.70	Poor, but passing* **
D+	73-74	1.30	Unsatisfactory, but passing* **
D	71-72	1.00	Unsatisfactory, but passing* **
D-	70	0.70	Unsatisfactory, but passing* **
P	70 and above*	0.00	Pass*
F	69 and below	0.00	Failure
I		0.00	Incomplete
W		0.00	Official Withdrawal
UW		0.00	Unsatisfactory Withdrawal

*Except where a minimum grade of "C" is required

**Raises concern about the student's satisfactory learning progress

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Diploma of Ministerial Training

1. Candidates must satisfactorily complete all the required courses over two (2) distinct academic years (4 semesters) of study.
2. Candidates must have completed 64 credit hours of non-elective courses.
3. Candidates must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0.
4. Candidates must receive the Chancellor's consent to graduate.

Certificate of Audit Completion

Audit students must satisfactorily attend the required courses over two (2) distinct academic years (4 semesters) of study.

Academic Honors

Summa Cum Laude	3.9-4.0
Magna Cum Laude	3.75-3.89
Cum Laude	3.5-3.74

ACADEMIC PROBATION & DISMISSAL

Students are expected to successfully complete twelve (12) weeks of courses per semester. In addition to this, Zion Fellowship and Zion Ministerial Institute host a Pastor's Seminar each semester for an additional week (for a total of 13 weeks per semester). The students participate through the tasks involved in successfully running the seminar and providing for the needs of guests. Students must maintain a grade point average (GPA) that insures satisfactory learning progress for each semester.

Because the Ministerial Training Program requires 64 non-elective credits to graduate, and offers 12 non-elective credits per semester, students who fail any course will be required to retake that course or complete further assignments, at the Chancellor's discretion, to receive a passing grade and credit for that course, necessary to be eligible for graduation.

Students' scholastic status will be checked frequently throughout the semester. The following policy will be used to determine scholastic status:

Essential Core Policy

The Essential Core courses are key to explaining, understanding, and imparting the vision and doctrine of Zion. To be a candidate for graduation with a Diploma in Ministerial Training from Zion Ministerial Institute, students must demonstrate satisfactory understanding and applied learning in the areas of Zion doctrine and vision. Therefore, students may not graduate without passing these courses with a minimum course grade of C. Any student who does not pass an essential core course with a minimum grade of C will need to either retake the course or complete further assignments,

at the Chancellor's discretion, to show clear understanding and applied learning of the course material, prior to graduating.

International Students

In compliance with SEVIS requirements, all M-1 visa students must show satisfactory progress in all classes. International students studying on an M-1 visa are required to maintain full-time status, which means no non-elective courses may be dropped or failed during the semester.

All Essential Core courses must be passed with a minimum grade of C, and all other courses must be passed with a minimum grade of C-, while maintaining a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 every semester with no NC (no credit), W (withdrawn), NP (no pass), I (incomplete), or F grades on the transcript.

Zion Ministerial Institute will fully support all international students in their attempts to maintain M-1 student status by passing all courses satisfactorily. At the discretion of the Chancellor, any student who either falls below the required minimum GPA or who receives a course grade lower than C- will work directly with the assigned student advisor, who will evaluate and appropriately address the student's needs, providing any necessary monitoring and progress reports, supervision, tutoring, or mentoring required to enable the student to succeed at ZMI.

Students who either do not follow the requirements of the student advisor or are unable to show satisfactory improvement and progress, may fall out of M-1 student status, be dismissed from the school, and have their SEVIS record terminated, requiring the students to leave the country within ten (10) days.

This would result in the affected students' having to file for reinstatement from the country of citizenship, which is a long, costly process, and may be denied by U.S. immigration.

Academic Warning

When a student initially fails to pass appropriate credits during the semester, the student will be placed on academic warning. When a student's grade point average for a semester is below 2.00, but the cumulative average is above the academic scale requirement, the student will be placed on academic warning for the following semester. Academic Warning is recorded on the student's academic record.

Academic Probation

When a student's cumulative grade point average falls below the appropriate level of good standing on the academic scale, the student will be placed on academic probation for that and/or the following semester. Any student who fails to maintain a 2.00 average in a semester, and/or repeatedly fails to pass appropriate credits, and/or does not show satisfactory progress may be placed on academic probation. Academic probation status is recorded on the student's file. If a student's grade point average is above the academic status scale for the probationary term, but the cumulative average is still below the academic status scale, the student will continue on academic probation.

Removal from Academic Probation

Students will be removed from academic probation at the end of the semester when their cumulative grade point average and semester grade point average meet the academic status scale and/or they show appropriate progress toward passing required credits.

Academic Dismissal

Students on academic probation whose grade point average for the probationary semester falls below the academic status scale are subject to academic dismissal. Students whose cumulative grade point average meets the academic status scale, but fail to pass appropriate credits for two consecutive semesters, or who have failed to make satisfactory academic progress after being placed on academic probation, are also subject to academic dismissal. When applying for readmission, students may be asked to present evidence of potential academic success.

WITHDRAWAL FROM ENROLLMENT

Students may withdraw from enrollment at any time. Students who desire to withdraw from enrollment must follow the official Withdrawal Procedure as follows:

1. Notification to the Registrar's Office by means of a written letter or email. The Registrar's Office will return an Official Withdrawal Notice to the student, which must be completed and signed by the student in order to make the withdrawal request an "Official Withdrawal". The withdrawal date will determine the amount of refund given to the student, if any.
2. All financial obligations are satisfied. Students who fail to meet financial obligations will not receive academic transcripts.
3. The student's transcript will then reflect official withdrawal, "W". Any student who withdraws without meeting the above criteria will be considered as having an unsatisfactory withdrawal. As a result a "UW" will be permanently noted on the transcript.
4. The student's possessions must be removed from campus within 10 days of withdrawal, unless other arrangements have been made with the Chancellor. Zion Ministerial Institute is not responsible for any personal items left on the campus. Any personal items that are left will be considered donations and will be redistributed or discarded at the discretion of Zion Ministerial Institute.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Each Academic Year comprises two semesters, each semester consisting of sixteen (16) weeks, including one week of assisting at and attending the semi-annual Pastor's Convention. All courses scheduled are mandatory for all full-time students (resident or non-resident), or full-time auditing students.

STUDENT ADVISORS

Students are assigned a Student Advisor upon enrollment. Student Advisors are available to help students with any questions regarding educational issues, policies, and instructions. All inquiries concerning scholastics should be made to the Student Advisor. Student Advisors closely monitor students' progress and if satisfactory progress is not seen, students will be contacted.

GENERAL EDUCATION POLICIES

Integrity of Scholarship

Zion Ministerial Institute recognizes the principles of truth and honesty as being absolutely essential. Students must rigorously follow these principles in all course work, including assignments and examinations. By signing the Enrollment Agreement, the student agrees to abide by these principles. Zion Ministerial Institute requires students to complete all course assignments without unauthorized help from others. Cheating or plagiarizing in any form is sufficient grounds for suspension and/or academic dismissal from Zion Ministerial Institute. If students are suspected of cheating or plagiarizing, they will be notified immediately by administration. Each case will be carefully reviewed and could result in academic dismissal.

Academic Transcripts

All requests for academic transcripts must be made in writing with a student signature to the Registrar. As of 2015, after the first complementary transcript request per calendar year, students will be charged \$5.00 per transcript request.

Family Rights & Privacy Act

Zion Ministerial Institute is in compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. This Act is designed to protect the privacy of educational records, establish the right of students to inspect and review their records, and provide guidelines for the correction of inaccurate or misleading data through informal and formal hearings. Students also have the right to file complaints with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Office concerning alleged failures of the Act.

Student Complaints

If students have complaints regarding their coursework, living or classroom arrangements, administration, course instruction, or any aspect of their involvement with Zion Ministerial Institute, they should contact the Registrar's or Vice Chancellor's office. Informal complaints can be discussed in person or over the telephone. However, in order for a formal complaint to be filed, the student must send a written complaint to Zion Ministerial Institute by email or postal mail. All complaints are carefully examined by the Administration staff. Students will receive a written reply within 45 days of the date that the complaint was received.

SECTION 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

EXPENSES

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REFUND SCHEDULE

EXPENSES

The expenses at Zion Ministerial Institute are moderate because of God's faithfulness, and the gracious donations of ministries and individuals. All amounts are in US\$ dollars and subject to change without notice.

Fees (Full-Time)

Application

Matriculating Application Fee	\$50.00	(non-refundable)
Audit Application Fee	\$10.00	(non-refundable)

(International applicants may incur additional charges for international shipping via DHL.)

Student Services Fee (per semester)

Matriculating	\$250.00
Audit	\$100.00

Security Deposit Fee (per semester) \$125.00

Graduation Fee (one time) \$100.00

Tuition (Full-Time)

Matriculating Primary	\$900.00	per semester
Matriculating Spouse	\$420.00	per semester
Audit Primary	\$600.00	per semester
Audit Spouse	\$200.00	per semester

Room (Full-Time)

Primary (single)	\$500.00	per semester
Primary (married)	\$760.00	per semester

Board (Full-Time)

Primary	\$725.00	per semester
Spouse	\$340.00	per semester

Fees (Part-Time)

Application

Matriculating Application Fee	\$50.00	(non-refundable)
Audit Application Fee	\$10.00	(non-refundable)

(International applicants may incur additional charges for international shipping via DHL.)

Student Services Fee (per week)	\$18.00
Security Deposit Fee (per semester)	\$75.00

Tuition (Part-Time)

Matriculating Primary	\$75.00	per credit
Matriculating Spouse	\$35.00	per credit
Audit Primary	\$50.00	per week
Audit Spouse	\$25.00	per week

Room (Part-Time)

Primary (single)	\$40.00	per week
Primary (married)	\$60.00	per semester

Board (Part-Time)

Primary	\$50.00	per week
Spouse	\$50.00	per week

Ministerial Discount

Ministerial Discount: Ordained and Licensed Ministers of the Gospel can receive a 10% discount on tuition only by providing a copy of their current ministerial credentials.

Missionary Discount: Individuals who are full time missionaries, currently residing on the mission field, may receive a 50% discount on tuition only. Documentation will need to be provided by the supporting ministry to verify missionary status.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Zion Ministerial Institute students are not eligible for FAFSA, PELL, or other U.S. taxpayer subsidized loans and grants. No diploma or transcript can be issued until all accounts are settled in full. Zion Ministerial Institute offers the following tuition discounts.

PAYMENT POLICY

Upon enrollment in an Academic Year, students will receive an invoice in their student account through ZMI Online (Populi). Full payment for all Academic Year charges (two semesters), including

tuition, room, board, and fees, are due by 15 August. Payments may be made securely online for both US and international students through ZMI Online, or by check or money order. Receipts will be available through the ZMI Online student account.

All student accounts must be paid in full prior to the student's arrival on campus. Students are responsible for ensuring full payment to ZMI prior to purchasing tickets and making moving arrangements.

REFUND SCHEDULE

All refunds are processed based upon the official withdrawal date stated on the Official Withdrawal Notice. The date of withdrawal is the date the student completes the Official Withdrawal Notice. The student must officially withdraw in writing to the Registrar in order to be eligible to receive any refund.

Tuition

Tuition is refunded based on the official withdrawal date. Tuition refunds apply for all full-time matriculating and full-time audit students within the first three weeks of the semester on the following schedule:

0-7	days into term	75% tuition refund
8-14	days into term	50% tuition refund
15-21	days into term	25% tuition refund

Room and Board

Refund for Room and Board is based on the official withdrawal date and unused whole weeks.

Application Fee

The Application Fee is non-refundable, including additional charges for international shipping via DHL incurred by international applicants.

Student Services Fee

The Student Services Fee refund is based on the official withdrawal date. All matriculating and auditing students are eligible for the refund on the following schedule:

0-30	days into term	75% student services fee refund
31-60	days into term	50% student services fee refund
61-90	days into term	25% student services fee refund

Security Deposit Fee

The amount of this fee reimbursed at the end of the academic year will be determined by the state of the dormitory room upon inspection by a member of the ZMI housekeeping staff. Any damage incurred by the student will be deducted from the amount of the Security Deposit Fee paid. (See Student Facilities section in Student Handbook.)

Graduation Fee

In the event a student is withdrawn and has paid the graduation fee, the entire graduation fee will be refunded.

SECTION 4: GENERAL COURSE POLICIES

GENERAL COURSE POLICIES

Guidelines for Research Writing

All papers must be prepared in accordance with the Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines for research writing. It is highly recommended that students purchase the *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers (7th Edition)*. See Student Handbook and *MLA Style Guide* for further discussion of writing guidelines and MLA compliance.

Course Assignment Submissions

All courses use our college management system, ZMI Online (Populi), and require assignments to be submitted online, using ZMI Online. New students are required to complete the online orientation and writing introduction through ZMI Online (Populi) prior to the block class start date.

SECTION 5: STUDENT LIVING

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FACILITIES

Zion Ministerial Institute's main building is Glory Hall, which houses all dormitories, classrooms, food service and cafeteria, and the Zion Chapel sanctuary. The Library and Computer Lab are located on the lower level, with administrative offices, classrooms and food services located on ground level, and student dormitories and faculty/staff housing are located on the second and third floors. The facility is able to accommodate approximately 250 students, faculty, staff, and guests. The main classroom is used daily for ZMI classes, and other classrooms are available for break-out sessions. Common rooms and the dining hall are available for studying, group activities, prayer meetings, and social events.

Heshbon Lodge is located on the grounds of ZMI. The Lodge is used for youth ministry, special meetings, sanctioned social events, and is an alternative study choice for groups of students. There are many scenic paths to take advantage of any time of the year.

STUDENT BODY

Zion Ministerial Institute has a very diversified student body, with students and graduates from many different races, backgrounds, nations, and church denominations. Though their backgrounds, nationalities, denominations, and languages may differ, they all have one thing in common: like Ezra of old, they have prepared their hearts to "seek the law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach" it to others (Ezra 7:10).

STANDARD OF CONDUCT & COMMITMENT

Community of Spiritual Mount Zion

The Lord has given a vision to Zion Fellowship, which we desire to instill into our students at Zion Ministerial Institute, to come unto the Mountain of the Lord, to abide in His holy dwelling, before His presence, in spiritual Mount Zion. Psalm 133 describes the atmosphere and community of those who have ascended to spiritual Mount Zion, and that He desires to bring us into at Zion Ministerial Institute:

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.

The first step for dwelling in unity is that each one of us must accept the *whole* Word of God. Those who dwell in the presence of God are those who are becoming most like the Lord, through loving His Word, His Law, His Commandments, and demonstrating His love toward others. If we do not love *all* His Word, trusting that even the hard sayings are for our ultimate benefit and His good purpose, then we will never be truly united with God or with each other.

The road to unity is difficult, as the points of contention in our lives are revealed and dealt with by the Lord. Unity cannot be achieved without embracing the trials, distresses, and breakings that serve to purify and straighten us, bringing us closer to the Lord and to one another (*Psalms III*, Bailey 226).

Psalm 133 speaks of the precious ointment that anointed the priests in Exodus 30:23-25. These verses give us the key elements of this ointment:

- Myrrh Meekness
- Cinnamon Goodness
- Calamus Gentleness
- Cassia Humility
- Olive Oil Peace

(Song 4:12-14; Gal. 5:22-23; Gen. 8:11; Psalms III, Bailey 226-231)

These are essential qualities that must be developed in our lives in order to flow in unity with the body of Christ. Just as the oil was poured out upon the head of the priest, and ran down all his garments, to his feet, so we have to become covered and saturated with these characteristics of the Lord, until they become part of who we are. When this happens, we will be one with the Lord, and with each other, as Jesus prayed in His High Priestly Prayer of John 17: 3, 20-24.

As we learn to dwell together in unity, having the same mind and heart with God, we are fulfilling the longing of the Father's heart: that He would be made known through our lives, as Christ dwells with us and lives through us.

The Biblical Standard of Zion Ministerial Institute

Returning to the Psalms, the Biblical standard required to ascend Mount Zion and dwell before God's presence can be summed up in Psalms 24 and 15.

Psalm 24 lists the qualifications for those permitted to *ascend* Mount Zion and *stand* in this Holy of Holies.

- 1) Clean hands
- 2) Pure heart
- 3) Not lifted up his soul to vanity
- 4) Not sworn deceitfully

Psalm 15 lists the qualifications of those who are allowed to *abide* or *remain continually* in the presence of the Holy God in spiritual Zion.

- 1) Walks uprightly

- 2) Works righteousness
- 3) Speaks the truth – even in his heart
- 4) Does not backbite
- 5) Does no evil to his neighbor
- 6) Does not take up an offense
- 7) Makes a difference between the vile or profane and the holiness required by God
- 8) Honors those who fear the Lord
- 9) Keeps his word, even when it requires a cost, and does not change
- 10) Does not demand interest, but gives freely
- 11) Does not pervert justice by taking bribes (*Psalms I, Bailey 62*)

God promises that those who live by these 15 precepts will receive the blessing of the Lord, and will remain with Him forever, in spiritual Zion. Nothing can remove them from the presence of God. Therefore, this is the Biblical standard that Zion Ministerial Institute asks of those who live in its community. While none of us is without problems, the Lord sees the heart, and does not judge us according to our failings, but according to the choices we make every day, to submit to His dealing, responding in loving obedience to His every word (Psalm 40).

Thus, with a heart set to delight in obeying the Lord, let us put off whatever would hinder the life of the Spirit of God flowing through us, revealing the love and character of Christ through our daily lives.

Practical Living

Obedience is a major key to receiving the blessing of God in our lives, and working out or establishing our spiritual position and salvation (Phil. 2:12; Heb. 5:9; Col. 3:20, 22). This includes obedience, not only to God's Word, but also to the authorities He places over us, including the State, the home, and the Church. Romans 13:1-7 establishes clearly God's sovereignty over all aspects of life, and He has established all levels of authority over the lives of His people. For this reason, we need have no fear in obeying the authorities of the land, parents, or pastors, because each are established by God, and He will only use them for good in our lives.

Zion Ministerial Institute submits to the requirements of the government in the running of this school, trusting God to work out His perfect purpose through all situations. Students enrolled in ZMI are also agreeing to live in obedience to the laws of the United States, to obey their parents, and to obey the leadership of Zion Ministerial Institute. While attending ZMI, students are expected to comply with Zion Ministerial Institute leadership, who have the final word in all matters of behavior, relationships, conduct, or correction, which, either directly or indirectly, involve or affect the community at ZMI.

Zion Ministerial Institute reserves the right to discipline or ask a student to withdraw for any reason. Students who choose not to obey the authority of Zion Ministerial Institute leadership, or

comply with the statement of faith and standard of conduct may be subject to discipline up to and including dismissal.

Paul explained that if we live in the Spirit, learning to become sensitive to His voice, we will put off everything that is hateful to Him, and learn to be clothed in the character of Christ. In order to embrace these biblical standards in daily living, the Apostle Paul defined the characteristics that we need to put off, in Galatians 5:16-21:

Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Paul continues in verses 22-26, explaining the fruit of the Spirit that allow us to live in unity with both God and each other:

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

Clearly, walking in the Spirit, putting off the works of the flesh, and allowing the fruits of the Spirit to be developed in our lives makes it very clear that certain things will not be tolerated:

Anything that defiles the temple of the Holy Spirit (our bodies), including, but not limited to:

- Illicit use of legal or illegal drugs
- Tobacco in any form
- The use of alcoholic beverages
- Any form of sexual immorality including, but not limited to the following:
 - Pornographic materials
 - Immodest behavior or dress
 - Any action or relationship that does not promote chastity among the unmarried, and the sanctity of marriage between one man and one woman
- Dishonesty or deceit in any area of life, including stealing, and academic dishonesty (plagiarism, passing another's work off as your own, cheating, enabling others to cheat, etc.)
- Gossip or any harmful communication that could injure another person; dishonor God, disrespect to personnel of the school, profanity, vulgar or obscene language or actions, etc.
- The use of or participation in any inappropriate music, including any form of rock music, either secular or Christian
- Continued disobedience to the school leadership or the established policies of the school

While these may be obvious violations of God's Word, there are other areas that may not seem as clear cut, and yet must be submitted to the Spirit of God, such as entertainment. While no video (either online, streaming, downloaded, or DVD) is permitted to students during the semester, there are many other forms of entertainment, both during the semester, and at home, that may present

temptation. No form of entertainment that defiles the spirit or violates the Ten Commandments or the voice of the Lord speaking to you should be used.

Conclusion

Our desire is that every member of the Zion Ministerial Institute community remembers that our lives reflect upon the Lord, and upon ZMI. Where do our choices take us? What do our decisions show? Are we delighting in entertainment that grieves the Holy Spirit? Are we going into places where the Lord cannot go with us? Are we finding pleasure in things that are hateful to God? These are questions that we must answer before the Lord; for what we choose to fill our time, our minds, our hearts, and our eyes with will determine our course in life and in eternity. We ask that you prayerfully inquire of the Lord what is acceptable in His sight, and pray for the grace to choose His will above what you may be inclined to choose, or even above what you see others around you choosing.

Those who are called to ascend to and dwell in spiritual Mount Zion with the Lord are called out, not only from the world, but even from among those Christians whose standards are conforming to this world, rather than to the standards of God. We must learn, day by day, to desire and seek the Lord, through obedience to His Word and the voice of His Spirit in our lives, that we may abide in the very dwelling place – the home – of the Lord: Mount Zion, His holy hill.

For that reason, we ask each student to commit to this godly standard of living and affirm this in the Enrollment Agreement each Academic Year that we may all seek to ascend and dwell together in unity, in the home of the Lord.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION /DISMISSAL

Christian System of Discipline

Zion Ministerial Institute has established our disciplinary policy with the purpose of creating true disciples of Christ, causing an atmosphere where the Holy Spirit is welcome to dwell, encouraging both spiritual and educational development for our students. We believe that correction administered in the spirit of gentleness, meekness, humility, and love is an important part of demonstrating and developing the character of Christ (Gal. 6:1-2; Col. 3:13-14; 1 Thess. 2:7-8). As well, learning to receive correction is a necessary, healthy, and important part of spiritual and leadership development (Heb. 5:8; Prov. 3:11; Prov. 15:10; 2 Tim. 3:16; Job 5:17; Heb. 12:5,11).

Equally, we believe that discipline and training is a necessary requirement for all who desire to please the Lord, live in godly community and harmony, and ensure that the Kingdom of God is established in our midst (Matt. 18:4; Psa. 119:7; Psa. 119:67; Matt. 5:19; Matt. 7:21). To that end, we believe that the authority structures established by God – Government, Church, and Parents – are for our good. While Zion Ministerial Institute has no intention of usurping authority from the students' parents or local pastors, by enrolling at Zion Ministerial Institute, students have chosen to submit themselves to ZMI's leadership, and are expected to respect and obey that leadership (Heb. 12:7-10; Prov. 29:10).

Therefore, students are subject to Zion Ministerial Institute jurisdiction while enrolled at or living on ZMI's campus. ZMI reserves the right to take disciplinary action against any student whose conduct, in the opinion of Zion Ministerial Institute, has violated the standard of conduct, or has not been in the best interest of the student, other students, or ZMI. All ZMI students are expected to abide by the ZMI standard of conduct, and all ZMI rules, regulations, and policies (see ZMI Student Handbook). Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken against any student found to be in violation of the standard of conduct, rules, regulations, or policies of ZMI, up to and including suspension and/or expulsion.

The purposes of discipline are manifold: (1) to protect the community of Christ from the infiltration of sin (1 Cor. 5:5-8; 1 Cor. 15:33;); (2) to produce godly sorrow and bring the individual to repentance (Luke 5:32; 2 Cor. 7:10; Rom. 2:4); (3) to deliver from sin, showing fruits of repentance, and establish in the pathway of righteousness (Matt. 3:8; 2 Cor. 7:9); (4) to cause the individual to acknowledge the wrongdoing, as well as the consequences and judgment for the wrongdoing (Psa. 41:4; Psa. 51:4; Psa. 32:5; Hos. 5:15); (5) and to restore, after true repentance, to fellowship and right standing (2 Tim. 2:25; 1 John 1:6-7) .

Just as individuals vary in needs and temperament, we recognize that Scripture teaches to tailor the discipline to the individual and the seriousness of the violation, warning some strongly, entreating others softly and with encouragement, but approaching all in meekness and humility, remembering the mercy and grace that has been shown to us (Matt. 6:14-15; Jude 1:23; 1 Thess. 5:14-15). We should always seek to restore, where there has been true repentance, which is shown by wholehearted acknowledgement of wrongdoing, godly sorrow for sin, and a turning away from sin, accepting all judgment and consequences in true humility (Gal. 6:1; Matt. 6:15; Luke 17:3; 2 Cor. 2:7).

Therefore, one or more of the following measures may be taken with an errant student, as deemed necessary and appropriate by the leadership of Zion Ministerial Institute:

Warning - A statement of the regulation with an official warning and expectations concerning future behavior. Disciplinary actions and notes will be recorded in the student's file and in Populi.

Probation - A status allowing the student to remain on campus with particular conditions specified. Disciplinary actions and notes will be recorded in the student's file and in Populi.

Suspension - An involuntary separation of the student from Zion Ministerial Institute for a specified length of time determined by the Chancellor. Disciplinary actions and notes will be recorded in the student's file and in Populi.

Withdrawal - The student is permitted to withdraw without privilege of returning until a time specified by the Chancellor. Disciplinary actions and notes will be recorded in the student's file and in Populi.

Expulsion - An involuntary and permanent separation of the student from the Institute with an appropriate notation on the student's record of the reasons for such termination. For additional information on disciplinary procedures and the appeal process, contact the Registrar's Office. Disciplinary actions and notes will be recorded in the student's file and in Populi.

Grounds for Dismissal

We believe, at Zion Ministerial Institute, that our responsibility is to prepare our students for the next step in their Christian development, preparation for ministry, and for what they will face in the world at large. This requires greater responsibility, accountability, and dependability, as students mature. Therefore, in order to prepare ministerial training students to become self-motivated, self-disciplined, and responsible adults in society, students are held to high levels of accountability for their behavior.

Zion Ministerial Institute expects that these students will obey rules and use sound judgment from the first day of class, without the need for multiple warnings being issued, and without multiple communications. Failure to do so will result in probation, at the least, and quickly accelerate to suspension and/or expulsion if behaviors are not changed immediately and maintained.

ZMI reserves the right to dismiss or deny re-admission to students for reasons the administration deems fit. They may come under the following categories:

- Uncooperative spirit or attitude
- Rebellion toward discipline
- Creation of discord
- Chronic unexcused absences or tardiness, and/or chronic late/missing work
- Nonconformity to standards of conduct and/or dress and/or grooming

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

Resident housing is available on a first come first served basis. All students are to store all possessions in their rooms. No additional storage space is available on campus. US students must supply their own linens, blankets, pillows, and towels. These items, however, are provided for our international students coming from long distances. Dorm phones are provided for incoming calls and outgoing calls made using 1-800 calling cards only.

Single Residents. Housing is in dormitory style. Each room provides a sink, bed, desktop, dresser or shelving, and closet. Ample communal bathrooms and shower rooms are provided on each floor.

Married Residents. A limited number of married student rooms are available. Each room provides a double bed or two single beds, bathroom, closet, dresser, work space, and sofa.

Family Residents. Housing availability for married students with children is determined on a case-by-case basis.

Housing During Semester Breaks. Students are not permitted to stay on campus during breaks unless expressly approved by the Chancellor. Students are requested to leave within two days of the semester's completion and asked not to return until the week before the next semester starts. If a student arrives or departs without prior consent and contrary to the designated times, they will be obligated to pay for housing and meals.

Departure During Semester Breaks. At the end of the Spring Semester (or prior to departure, if a student withdraws from enrollment), all students are required to complete a departure checklist to ensure the dorm room is clean and has not been damaged. This checklist must be signed by the student, as well as reviewed and signed by a member of housekeeping staff in order for students to receive reimbursement of the Security Deposit. This checklist will determine the amount of the security deposit returned to the student at the end of the academic year, or after moving out.

Students are required to remove all personal possessions from Zion Ministerial Institute over the summer break at the time of departure. Zion Ministerial Institute will not assume responsibility for students' personal items left on campus. Any personal items left will be considered as donations to ZMI, and will be removed or redistributed at ZMI's discretion.

OUTSTATIONS

Outstations are opportunities granted to students to minister off-campus. Outstations may be assigned to students throughout each semester and include such ministry opportunities as preaching, song leading, music ministry, testimonies, teaching Sunday school, youth ministry, and general helps ministry.

WORK DUTIES

Domestic work duties are assigned to students to give practical experience that will be used in the ministry, to help build the character of the student, and to aid in the functioning of the facility.

Work duties are scheduled so that they will not interfere with students' scholastic responsibilities. Special talents and strengths are considered as duty assignments are made. There is no remuneration of any kind for work duties.

WORKING OFF-CAMPUS

The course requirements at Zion Ministerial Institute equal the hours of a full-time job. Students are strongly encouraged to have the entire cost of the program at ZMI, and living expenses, saved prior to applying for admission, as there is very little time between academic years to save sufficient income to pay for the second year. Students desiring to work outside the school must first obtain approval to do so from the Chancellor, and demonstrate ability to keep up with their studies and other responsibilities. International students are not permitted to work under the M-1 status.

STUDENT MOTOR VEHICLE POLICY

All students may have one (1) motor vehicle per student on campus. The student parking area is located in front of the main building. The vehicle must have current vehicle registration and insurance. Vehicles may not be left on campus through semester breaks when the student is not present.

ELECTIVE ACTIVITIES

Zion Ministerial Institute's scholastic calendar is quite demanding, but inside the calendar are plenty of opportunities for times of wholesome interaction with other students and staff. Scheduled ministerial outreaches, field trips, educational trips, and recreational activities provide fun and fellowship.

There are many areas where students are able to minister. Those desiring to use their gifts and talents to minister to others are welcome to discuss opportunities with the ZMI Administration.

SECTION 6: PROGRAMS OF STUDY

CURRICULUM

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CURRICULUM

One of the most important aspects of a college or university is its curriculum. Even more important than how we teach is what we teach. The content of a school's curriculum is far more important than the methods of instruction.

In Matthew 5:19, the Lord Jesus Christ expressed the importance of what we do and what we teach others to do: "Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." Teachers, ministers, and educators are held accountable for what they teach others. Therefore, by God's grace, we must always seek to teach and preach the pure, unadulterated, and undiluted Word of God.

The faculty and staff of Zion Ministerial Institute are committed to a Biblically based, Holy Spirit-inspired, and Christ-centered curriculum. We have designed our curriculum to not only impart the knowledge of God's Word to our students, but also to enrich their devotional and spiritual lives as well.

The word "curriculum" in the Latin refers to a racecourse that has a clearly defined finish line and goal. It literally means "to run a race." Habakkuk 2:2 says, "... *Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.*" Through our curriculum, we seek to place a vision and goal before our students of being transformed into the image of Christ, and being filled with the knowledge of His Word and the power and anointing of His Holy Spirit. It is not enough to know the Word of God; we must put it into practice and reflect the beauty and nature of Christ in everything that we do. That is the goal of our curriculum.

METHOD OF STUDY

Ministerial Training has many advantages. Courses are scheduled progressively over two (2), distinct academic years, consisting of four (4) unique semesters, to train the student in thorough Biblical knowledge and understanding, in-depth character studies, aspects of ministry and leadership relating to the local church, and character building.

Courses at Zion Ministerial Institute are presented using the "block system", in which each one-credit course is taught in five (5) days with approximately eighteen (18) hours of instruction, and each half-credit course is taught in two and one-half (2.5) days with approximately eight (8) hours of instruction. The homework for each course is due by 11:00pm the Saturday following the end of class. Therefore, students complete all coursework associated with the class(es) for that week, and have Sunday, spent as a day of rest and worship to the Lord, to be refreshed for the following week.

The block system enables one class to be taught at a time, allowing students to be fully immersed in each course, without having to divide time and attention among several classes at once. Many of our instructors are seasoned pastors and missionaries from Zion Fellowship's local churches and mission fields. The course schedule enables these instructors to be resident on campus for the

duration of their classes, which allows students the best opportunity to learn from their lives and ministries. Their wealth of ministry experience from all around the world makes for dynamic, Spirit-filled lectures. Weekday mornings are used for classroom instruction; afternoons and evenings are reserved for studying, hands-on practical ministry, worship services, and recreation.

Ministerial Training also has challenges. It requires an increasing and deepening dedication to an ongoing relationship with Jesus Christ, discipline, time management, and dedication to studies. We encourage students to be diligent in their studies, even as Paul exhorted us in 2 Timothy 2:15: *“Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”*

CREDIT HOUR SYSTEM

As a vocational institute, and in accordance with government requirements through the US Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP), Zion Ministerial Institute defines one credit hour as a minimum of eighteen (50-minute) hours of instruction, with approximately thirty (50 minute) hours of homework, for a total of 48 (50 minute) hours of study per week.

The coursework will be broken down into a variety of assignments, which will include a combination of several of the following:

- *Class Lecture:* Required for every course, with eighteen (50-minute) hours of instruction per one (1) credit hour.
- *Reading:* Required for every course. Approximately one-third to one-half of course work will consist of reading the required textbooks. This will vary with the course and subject.
- *Review Questions:* These are a series of open-book questions that cover the content of the required reading.
- *Tests:* Tests will generally consist of review questions taken from the lecture content, and may be open- or closed-book/notes, timed, or have limited access.
- *Discussions:* Discussions may be either verbal in class, or written through ZMI Online.
- *Presentations:* Some classes may require students to give a teaching presentation on an assigned topic, either individually, or as a group project.
- *Writing:* Each course will have some element of formal writing assignment, either essays, short essay questions, or another form of written assignment, in order to provide evidence of comprehension of course content and originality. All essays must conform to the format of MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 7th edition.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

We believe the goal of Christian education is to seek to bring students to spiritual maturity and make them complete in Christ. The purpose of our programs is to seek to enrich the student's personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, impart to the student a thorough knowledge of God's Word, and prepare the student to be an effective leader who is able to rightly divide the Word of God. The programs of Zion Ministerial Institute are theological and ministerial in nature and, therefore, designed primarily for ecclesiastical vocations.

Zion Ministerial Institute offers two programs of study:

- Diploma of Ministerial Training (64 credit hours)
- Certificate of Completion (all classes audited in two distinct Academic Years attended)

Diploma of Ministerial Training

64 Credit Hours

This program is designed to provide students with a solid Biblical foundation and seeks to give students a deeper knowledge of Bible, Doctrine, and Practical Theology, with a special emphasis in Ministry.

Certificate of Completion

Audit Attendance of all classes in two discrete Academic Years (four semesters)

This program gives audit students the opportunity to receive a solid Biblical foundation with great flexibility. It is ideal for local residents who have a flexible work schedule and can attend classes every morning during the week. It provides a solid spiritual foundation for those pursuing a greater understanding of God's Word and deeper relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

General Course List

Zion Ministerial Institute firmly believes that every educational program should be well-balanced and cover a wide range of studies. Paul said in 2 Timothy 3:15-17: *"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."* The instruction of and adherence to the Word of God makes us perfect (or complete) and thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Christian education should be founded upon the study of God's Word. It is the Holy Scriptures that make a person wise. Therefore, in our curriculum, we have made Biblical Studies the core of our ministerial training programs, designing our curriculum to give our students a well-rounded Biblical education.

Department of Ministry

Preaching

PRE101 Preaching & Preparing

Practical Ministries

PRM101 Chapel Preaching
PRM103 Chapel Worship Leading
PRM104 Chapel Preaching
PRM105 Children's Ministry
PRM106 Chapel Worship Leading
PRM107 Elderly Ministry
PRM108 Children's Ministry
PRM109 Church Worship Team
PRM110 Elderly Ministry
PRM112 Church Worship Team
PRM201 The Local Church
PRM202 Pastoral Services
PRM203 Chapel Preaching
PRM204 Church Law & Finance
PRM205 Chapel Worship Leading
PRM206 Chapel Preaching
PRM207 Children's Ministry
PRM208 Chapel Worship Leading
PRM209 Elderly Ministry
PRM210 Children's Ministry
PRM211 Church Worship Team
PRM212 Elderly Ministry
PRM214 Church Worship Team

Christian Education

CED102 Teacher Training I
CED202 Teacher Training II

Missions

MIS102 Principles of Missions
MIS201 Evangelism

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Department of Biblical Studies

NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES (NTS)

NTS101 I-II Timothy & Titus: 1 credit

Pastoral Epistles offers a comprehensive look at the three Pauline Epistles of First and Second Timothy and Titus. These epistles were written to young pastors to address questions about the ministry, which are as relative today as in the days of the Apostle Paul, for those whom the Lord has called to serve Him. The main purpose of these epistles is to give instruction on how to conduct oneself in the ministry. This study looks at the responsibilities of a pastor, the blessings of serving God in His ministry, and preparation for the position in Christ's church.

NTS102 Epistle to the Romans: 1 credit

Essential Core Course

This course is a study of the Book of Romans, called "The Masterpiece of the New Testament." The main themes developed in this course are: 1) The wrath of God; 2) The righteousness of God; 3) The life of God; 4) The election of God; 5) The service of God; 6) The kingdom of God; 7) The patience, hope, and power of God. Each section is outlined in the beginning, and in each part there is a simple, but in-depth exposition of the epistle.

NTS103 I- II Peter: 1 credit

These were two letters written by Peter at the end of his life. The study of I & II Peter examines the epistles of Peter as well as his life, comparing the young apostle in all the character flaws evident in his early years, with the mature, polished, and solid foundation stone that Peter obviously became in his later years. The two epistles reveal Peter's heart for what Peter exhorts younger believers to do were things he had gained through maturity and insight into himself. The main theme may be seen in 1 Peter 5:10, "established, strengthened, and settled."

NTS104 Acts: 1 credit

This is a study of the book of Acts, focusing on the beginning of the Church, and the Apostles, who were the foundation stones upon which the Church was built. The Book of Acts is a divine account of the new move of God. This was a time of transition from the Old Covenant to the New Covenant, salvation by faith in Jesus Christ to all mankind. Acts pinpoints the center of the fire of God in the move of the Holy Spirit, and studies the two main leaders of this revival, the Apostle Paul and the Apostle Peter.

NTS106 Gospel of Luke: 2 Credits

This course seeks to give an understanding of the Gospel of Luke. The Gospel of Luke, written for the Greeks, portrays the humanity of Christ and is characterized by joy, rejoicing, and praise. The purpose of this Gospel is to declare "those things which are most surely believed among us," to reveal Christ as the Son of Man, and to promote an intimate knowledge and understanding of our Savior in all His humanity as well as His deity.

NTS108 James: 0.5 Credit

The Epistle of James was written by the oldest of Christ's brothers. In this study, five themes are examined: The necessity of wisdom; the control of the tongue; faith without works is dead; impartiality; and prayer.

NTS110 Jude: 0.5 Credit

The Epistle of Jude was written to warn the Church, as it was evident that there had already been a falling away from the Truth into false doctrine and sin. This study will concentrate on the main theme of this epistle, "being kept or preserved".

NTS112 Colossians & Philemon

Paul's epistles to the Colossians and Philemon are considered. The emphasis in Colossians is the way to holiness. The major theme in Philemon is the restoration of the backslider, as illustrated through the life of Onesimus. Each epistle is covered in depth.

NTS201 Ephesians: 1 Credit

Called "The Queen of New Testament Epistles," Ephesians is truly a wonderful book, rich with many spiritual truths. The historical background, the founding of the Ephesian church, and the important doctrinal truths contained in the Epistle are considered. The believer's position in Christ is contrasted with the believer's conduct. Love and spiritual warfare are emphasized throughout the study.

NTS202 Hebrews: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

In this epistle, Paul shows the greatness of Christ, who is superior to the prophets, the angels, Moses, and Aaron. Paul's five warnings to the Hebrew church are considered. The priesthood of Melchizedek (after which Christ's priesthood is fashioned) is compared with the priesthood of Aaron. The New Covenant is examined in depth, showing us the way into the Holy of Holies. The theme of this study is "within the veil"—a reference to the veil that separated the Holy of Holies and the Holy Place in the Tabernacle of Moses. The heroes of faith are also considered.

NTS203 I-II Corinthians

This is a study of Paul's epistles to the Corinthians. The spiritual importance of the letters and the truths contained in them are examined in great detail, with the emphasis on their relevance to us as believers. The conditions that provoked Paul to address this church are considered, as well as the cultural and the religious mentality of this Greek city, and Paul's divine remedy to bring cohesion, order, and perfection.

NTS204 Gospel of John: 2 Credits

The purpose of this course is to give the student a thorough knowledge of the Gospel of John, which is one of the most important books in the Bible. It has been called "the spiritual Gospel," and as such it contains many spiritual truths that are manifested through outward signs and symbols. This course will focus on the three sets of sevens in John's Gospel: the Seven I Am's of Christ; the Seven Pre-Resurrection Signs of Christ; and the Seven Major Public Discourses of Christ.

NTS205 Gospel of Mark: 1 Credit

This study focuses on giving the student a thorough knowledge of the Gospel of Mark. The Gospel of Mark is fast-moving and is the most chronological of the four Gospels. It was written to challenge the minds and hearts of the Romans who were known to be a people of action. It gives the most sequential flow in the narrative of the life of Christ found in Scriptures. This course will focus on the fact that the life of Jesus was action packed and was purposefully and speedily directed to fulfill the work that His Father had given Him to accomplish.

NTS206 I-II Thessalonians: 1 Credit

This is a study of Paul's epistles to Thessalonians. One of the major themes throughout this study is the Second Coming of Christ. The Man of Sin and the conditions that exist at the time of the Antichrist's rise to power are also examined in these letters from Paul to the Thessalonians. However, as it is appointed to all men once to die and then the judgment, the main thrust of these epistles is holiness, for each believer must be ready to meet the Lord when He comes at the end of his life.

NTS207 Philippians: 0.5 Credit

There are five main themes in this book: 1) The need for unity; 2) The blessings of suffering; 3) The mind of Christ; 4) The first resurrection; 5) The peace of God. The purpose of the Apostle Paul in writing this epistle is to set a higher vision before the church of Philippi.

NTS209 I-III John: 0.5 Credit

The study of the epistles of John will focus on the two themes, which flow throughout the three epistles: (1) love as the essence of God's nature; and (2) fellowship with the Father and His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

NTS211 Galatians: 0.5 Credit

This study emphasizes *relationship* rather than *ritual*. In Galatians Paul gives us the key to Christian Perfection. Perfection comes by a relationship, by a life of the faith, by abiding in the vine. It is by living in the Spirit, sowing to the Spirit, and having the fruit of the Spirit developed in our lives, not by lifeless rituals that we come to maturity. There is a higher law than this.

OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES (OTS)

OTS101 Genesis: 2 Credits

Essential Core Course

The book of Genesis is the book of beginnings, and therefore is one of the keys to understanding the whole Word of God. A thorough understanding of Genesis is essential for the Bible student to grasp the whole scope of truth. This course covers the account of creation, The Fall, the Flood, the division of the nations, and the lives of the Patriarchs— Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. The error of the theory of evolution and atheism is exposed. The emphasis of this course is the spiritual truth contained in each story and its application to the believer's life today.

OTS102 Job: 1 Credit

This study examines the truth that trouble is used of God to promote the believer in the Kingdom of God. This study approaches the curse upon fallen man, involving pain, toil, and adversity, as the mercy of God, placing a restraint upon the fallen nature. It examines how God works through man's failures and sorrows to break the power of the old nature and bring him into freedom from the bondage of self and into the newness of life.

OTS103 Journey of Israel: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

The Journey of Israel is a study of the spiritual journey of every believer. It is based on the physical journey of the children of Israel from Egypt to the Promised Land. The journey is divided into three main sections: Egypt, the wilderness, and the Promised Land. This study takes us from slavery in Egypt, to the rise of the leader Moses, the celebration of the Passover, the Exodus from Egypt, the crossing of the Red Sea, and the wilderness wanderings. The commissioning of the new leader Joshua, the crossing of the Jordan River, and the many battles in the Promised Land as they possessed their inheritance are also covered. The emphasis is upon reaching the final destination—Mount Zion, which took place in the days of David. This course will challenge the student to have an ongoing, progressive vision for his life. This is a required course for every program.

OTS104 Restoration Era: 1 Credit

This course is a study of the books of Ezra, Esther, and Nehemiah. The purpose of this study is to seek to give the student a solid grasp and understanding of the books of Ezra and Nehemiah, while discussing the many different aspects of the natural Restoration Era of Israel, and relating those aspects of natural restoration to the many aspects of the spiritual restoration of believers. The prophetic messages of the post-exilic prophets are also considered.

OTS105 Historical Era: 2 Credits

The purpose of this course is to study the lives and character of the kings of the divided Kingdom of Israel (the Northern Kingdom) and Judah (the Southern Kingdom) as well as the historical background, and prophetic messages God sent to His erring people. The main theme of this study is principally that righteousness exalts a man or a nation, while sin degrades a man or a nation. Through this study of the lives of the kings, their decisions and influence, the student will glean many keys as well as warnings to avoid the pitfalls of life, remain on the pathway to eternal life, and turn many to righteousness through living a godly life.

OTS106 Daniel: 1 Credit

The purpose of this course is to give a solid understanding to the student of Daniel's prophecies concerning the last days, the nations that will arise in the last days and come against Israel, the reign of the Antichrist, God's purpose for the Church in the last days, and the Second Coming of Christ. Throughout the Book of Daniel, truths are repeated to show without doubt that God truly rules supreme in the affairs of men.

OTS107 Survey of Psalms: 1 Credit

This course is designed to give a survey of the Book of Psalms, with an introduction and overview, while focusing on the major themes running through the psalms. These themes include psalms associated with feasts and Sabbaths, the power and work of the Word of God and our response, our communion with the Lord, prophecy, and the journey to spiritual Mount Zion.

OTS201 David & Solomon: 1 Credit

This classic study of the lives of King David and King Solomon will give the student a better understanding of the character strengths and weaknesses of David and Solomon. The theme of the study is the formation of a king, emphasizing the development of godly character of in the lives of believers. In this study we see the formation of David and his preparation in the house of Saul.

OTS202 Leviticus: 1 Credit

This is a study of the book of Leviticus. The purpose of this course is to give the student a thorough knowledge and comprehension of the book of Leviticus. The book of Leviticus is a study of the ceremonial laws of offerings of the Old Testament and their fulfillment in the New Testament through the spotless life of our Lord Jesus Christ and their relevance to the life of each believer.

OTS203 Joshua: 0.5 Credit

This study covers the Book of Joshua. The focus develops not just the history of Israel in conquering and maintaining their inheritance, but the spiritual fulfillment in the lives of Christians today. Four main themes are explained in this course, both in the history of Israel and in spiritual application to Christians: 1) Entering the land or entering into the promises of inheritance in Christ; 2) Conquering Canaan, or facing conflicts that must be overcome in order to possess the inheritance; 3) Dividing the land, or receiving character, ministries, and rewards of God, which require wisdom and organization to establish; 4) Keeping the inheritance, or keeping and multiplying their inheritance by passing it on to their following generations of natural and spiritual children.

OTS204 Isaiah: 2 Credits

This course gives an analytical treatment of the book of Isaiah, including its history, main ideas and thoughts, and detailed verse-by-verse study of the most significant parts. The content of Isaiah is so vast that it covers nearly every area of doctrine. Also the time range goes from before creation at the fall of Lucifer to the time when there are new heavens and a new earth. Thus, the prophetic depth is carefully observed during class time.

OTS205 Judges: 0.5 credit

This study is a deep look at the Book of Judges, which covers a period of approximately 350 years, between the times of Joshua and Samuel. This book demonstrates the effects and consequences of sin and making wrong alliances, as well as the fruit of repentance, which is rest.

OTS206 Song of Solomon: 0.5 Credit

This study concentrates on the revelation of the life, dealings, and relationship between Christ and each believer who will make up His bride, as set forth in the Song of Solomon. The Song of Solomon is an expression of the unfolding revelation of the beauty of Christ to His beloved.

OTS207 Proverbs & Ecclesiastes: 1 Credit

This study seeks to give the student a deeper understanding of the books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes. Proverbs is full of instructions on practical living, concerning how to relate to God, family, neighbors, authority, and one's enemies. The key word in this book is wisdom, which is the ability to live life skillfully, rooted firmly in the fear of the Lord. Ecclesiastes is a survey of the end of Solomon's life, which includes all his labors and gains, finding them to be but vanity and vexation of spirit. The purpose of Ecclesiastes is to instruct the young on the true values of life, which are to fear God and keep His commandments.

OTS208 Ruth: 0.5 credit

This is a study of the book of Ruth, which occurred during the time of the Judges during the Midianite invasion, and the respite accorded by Gideon. The book of Ruth shows believers the Lord as our Heavenly Bridegroom, as well as the qualities desired in His Bride.

Department of Theology

PRACTICAL THEOLOGY (PTH)

PTH101 Principles of Prayer: 1 Credit

The central theme of this study on prayer is the believer's abiding in the presence of God, exposing his heart, understanding his heart, and being changed. The purpose of this course is to bring each student closer to the Lord through their personal study of prayer, practice of prayer, habit of prayer, dependency on prayer, and love of communion with the Lord.

PTH102 Marriage & Family: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

This course teaches God's divine order for families, according to Scripture. This study seeks to give practical application to each member of the family for daily living in their God appointed responsibilities.

PTH103 Christian Ethics: 1 Credit

This course is a study of the Christian moral-ethical aspects of human conduct in relation to self, family, society, and God. Contemporary issues such as abortion, homosexuality, war, divorce and remarriage, and Christian liberty are thoroughly discussed from a Christian worldview.

PTH104 Essentials for Pastors: 1 Credit

The purpose of this course is to give students an understanding and impartation of the pastor's heart, through understanding both the Father's heart, and Jesus' heart and ministry as the Good Shepherd. This course will look at the formation, qualifications, and function of a pastor, to prepare the people to come to maturity, being formed into that spotless bride for whom Christ will return.

PTH201 Pillars of Faith: 1 Credit

In this course, various principles of faith are examined from Scripture, including the definition of faith, the difference between faith and believing, the fruit of faith and the gift of faith, ever-increasing faith, the trial of our faith, the heroes of faith from Hebrews 11, and the tremendous blessings of faith. The whole purpose of the course is to cause faith to increase in the student's heart.

PTH202 Anointed Praise & Worship: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

The importance of anointed music, praise, and worship is stressed in this study. Students are given a spiritual perspective of music and worship. Keys are given to discern the difference between pure worship and worship that is not pleasing to God. This is a vital course for anyone who desires to be a skilled spiritual leader in the ministries of music, praise and worship services, and song leading; and is also essential for every believer.

PTH203 Biblical Principles of Finance: 1 Credit

The purpose of this course is to examine in depth what God has outlined in His Word regarding finances, particularly from the perspective of knowing God's ways, putting God first, and honoring Him with the possessions and resources the Lord has entrusted to us. Topics to be examined will include tithing, giving, proper management, investment of wealth, debt, credit, bankruptcy, and attitudes toward money. This course will establish the spiritual parallel and progression of managing finances to being entrusted with and faithfully managing responsibility for a church or ministry, as well as the true spiritual riches promised to those who are found faithful.

PTH204 Preparing for the Second Coming: 1 Credit

This course will develop the different areas of preparation required for the individual believer and the Church prior to the Second Coming. Specific areas to be addressed are the need for understanding the challenges of holding our peace and hope in the troublous times ahead as gross spiritual darkness covers the earth, the need for personal preparation for the coming revival, developing the qualities for being hidden from persecution and the coming judgment, and the need for unity in the Body of Christ before Jesus returns.

PTH205 Principles of Leadership: 1 Credit

This course focuses on the essential qualities necessary for exceptional leadership, in particular, qualities of great leadership, teamwork and infrastructure, and methods of leadership. The personal life of the leader is examined in depth, stressing the importance of character, ability, and productivity.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY (SYS)

SYS101 Doctrine I-II: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

Doctrine is a study of five of the major areas of doctrine: God, Christ, Man, Sin, and Salvation. These doctrines are examined in depth and are studied in light of Scripture. The purpose of this course is to give the student answers to important doctrinal questions and establish a sure foundation in doctrinal understanding.

SYS102 Second Coming: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

Eschatology is a study of the events leading up to the Second Coming of the Lord Jesus and His actual return. Some of the primary topics covered are: the Church of the Last Days, the Ten Kings, the Antichrist, the Two Witnesses, the selective Rapture, the Abomination of Desolation, the Great Falling Away, Personal Preparation, Heaven and Eternal Judgment, the Millennial Reign of Christ, and Kings and Priests. The purpose of this course is to give students an understanding of the last days and to prepare them for the Second Coming so that they will not be misled and deceived.

SYS103 Life of Christ: 2 Credits

Essential Core Course

The purpose of this course is to give the student a solid understanding of the life of the Lord Jesus Christ, including His pre-existence, birth, early and hidden years, ministry, crucifixion and resurrection. Attention is also given to Old Testament scriptures regarding his life. Applications are made to the life of the believer, bringing into greater focus what it means to be a Christian.

SYS105 Repentance: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

This course is designed to give students a personal and real-world understanding of the need and ongoing process involved in learning to know the voice of God, and being changed into His image and likeness through personal repentance. Repentance – change – can only take place in response to a revelation or quickened word of God. Therefore, this study looks at the process of repentance in the life of the believer, with examples from the history of Israel, to see what happens when people reject hearing God’s voice. Several subjects are examined in depth related to and dependent upon hearing the voice of God and being changed into His image, such as faith, righteousness that comes by faith, godly sorrow, evidence of repentance, restoration, and godly wisdom.

SYS201 Holy Spirit: 1 credit

Essential Core Course

The person and ministry of the Holy Spirit, the seven Spirits of the Lord, the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the gifts and fruits of the Spirit, and the Spirit-filled and Spirit-led life are all examined carefully from Scripture in this course. The names and symbols of the Holy Spirit are studied, as well as the personal attributes of the Holy Spirit. The purpose of the course, however, is not to give the student a better mental appreciation or intellectual knowledge of the Holy Spirit, but that the student might come to know the Holy Spirit in a new and more intimate way.

THEOLOGY (THE)

THE102 Names of God: 1 Credit

The purpose of this course is to develop in the student a more intimate knowledge of the persons of the Godhead through personal experience and understanding of the names of God. This course examines not only the significance of the names of God in the Old Testament, but their fulfillment in the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ in the New Testament.

THE201 Hope of the Christian: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

This course on the hope of the Christian looks at Christian maturity and the call of God. Its purpose is to impart a vision within the student of progressing from a new-born babe in Christ to a full-grown, mature believer. The study is divided into two parts: a revelation of our Christian goal, and wisdom to obtain the hope of glory. Topics covered include: the spirit of revelation; the hope of the Christian; the vision of Zion; the spirit of wisdom; being called, chosen, and faithful; being partakers of the divine nature; having balanced character and ministry; the fellowship of the Lord’s sufferings; and beholding the Lord.

THE202 Tabernacle of Moses: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

This course focuses on the Tabernacle of Moses from man's perspective, beginning with the Outer Court, progressing to the Holy Place, then to the ultimate goal—the Holy of Holies. The Tabernacle is considered in the light of how it relates to the believer's Christian walk and ministry. The purpose of this course is to give the student a solid grasp and understanding of the Tabernacle of Moses, emphasizing the spiritual significance of the Tabernacle and how it applies to the lives of believers.

THE203 God's Eternal Purpose: 0.5 Credit

This course seeks to define the purpose of mankind within the context of eternity, beginning with who God is, that He inhabits eternity past, present, and future, and planned this seven thousand year period to demonstrate who He is. Salvation began in eternity for the purpose of eternal redemption and fellowship with those like Himself. Therefore, this course seeks to lay a foundation of all future truth and present an eternal vision.

THE204 Tabernacle of David: 1 Credit

Essential Core Course

This course is a study on the Tabernacle of David as it relates to the Church. At the first Jerusalem conference recorded in Acts chapter fifteen, James declares that the Church is to be a revival of David's Tabernacle, and that the nations would seek its covering. This tabernacle, situated upon Mt. Zion, encompasses the truths of Mt. Zion, the dwelling place of God, and the high and holy calling of the saints in Christ.

Department of Ministry

PREACHING (PRE)

PRE101 Preparing & Preaching: 1 Credit

The purpose of this course is to teach the art of preparing and delivering messages to become an effective preacher. This course will cover the following topics: the preparation of the preacher, types of preaching, the "what and how" of preaching, implementing illustrations, the act of preaching, and the conclusion. This is a vital course for developing the skills necessary to effectively preach the gospel of Christ to the church.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CED)

CED101 Teacher Training I: 1 Credit

This course is a study of the keys to the ministry and life of a teacher. This study will provide a foundation for teaching in a Christian setting by studying the importance of preparation through prayer and study as well as practical guides to assist in the methodology of teaching. This study will seek to give the student a solid grasp and understanding of the role of a teacher in both a practical as well as spiritual manner.

CED202 Teacher Training II: 1 Credit

The purpose of this course is to define the role and life of the teacher – one who receives an impartation by revelation from the Holy Spirit, and then – through the divine ability of the Holy Spirit – imparts that revelation to a new generation of students. While this ability comes from God, it must be identified, nurtured, and developed through study, preparation, understanding of learning and teaching styles that will best impart the truth to others. From the foundation of the life and teaching ministry of Christ, the Master Teacher and Storyteller, this course will focus on the purpose of teaching, the qualities, styles, and tools required in teaching, and effective preparation in teaching.

MISSIONS (MIS)

MIS101 Principles of Missions: 1 Credit

This course seeks to give students an introduction to and understanding of Missions as it is outlined in the Bible, through an historical study of the Missions movement, emphasizing the calling, preparation, and ministry of a missionary.

MIS201 Evangelism: 1 Credit

To give students an understanding of the role of evangelism in the Great Commission, balanced with discipleship, and how this is carried out in the life of the believer, as well as the local church and Church corporate. Emphasis is given to the times in which we live, with the approaching great revival, which will bring in a harvest of souls who will need to be discipled. Students are given opportunity to engage in witnessing and delivering evangelistic messages.

PRACTICAL MINISTRIES (PRM)

PRM101 Chapel Preaching Fall I 1: 0.25 Credit

Students are scheduled on a rotation to preach the message the Lord has put on their heart. Students diligently prepare, write, and deliver sermons during Student Chapel services.

PRM103 Chapel Worship Leading Fall I: 0.25 Credit

Students are scheduled on a rotation to lead praise and worship during Student Chapel services. Students prepare song lists, practice with musicians, and lead worship.

PRM104 Chapel Preaching Spring I: 0.25 Credit

Students are scheduled on a rotation to preach the message the Lord has put on their heart. Students diligently prepare, write, and deliver sermons during Student Chapel services.

PRM105 Children's Ministry Spring I: 0.25 Credit

This course gives the student an opportunity to minister to children on a periodic basis with Zion Chapel Kid's Church, with assistance in the basics of teaching children at various age groups, and equipping the student with an understanding of children's ministry and the elements necessary to run their own children's ministry program. It develops a heart for children and a greater understanding of their unique needs as a part of the body of Christ.

PRM106 Chapel Worship Leading Spring I: 0.25 Credit

Students are scheduled on a rotation to lead praise and worship during Student Chapel services. Students prepare song lists, practice with musicians, and lead worship.

PRM107 Elderly Ministry Fall I: 0.25 Credit

This course is designed to give students an opportunity to actively participate in ministry to the elderly, serving in humility, and learning to honor the elder saints, showing the love of God to His sheep.

PRM108 Children's Ministry Spring I: 0.25 Credit

This course gives the student an opportunity to minister to children on a periodic basis with Zion Chapel Kid's Church, with assistance in the basics of teaching children at various age groups, and equipping the student with an understanding of children's ministry and the elements necessary to run their own children's ministry program. It develops a heart for children and a greater understanding of their unique needs as a part of the body of Christ.

PRM109 Church Worship Team Fall I: 0.25 Credit

Elective, by appointment. Faithful service on Zion Chapel worship team for the entire semester and attendance at rehearsals, services, and prayer meetings.

PRM110 Elderly Ministry Spring I: 0.25 Credit

This course is designed to give students an opportunity to actively participate in ministry to the elderly, serving in humility, and learning to honor the elder saints, showing the love of God to His sheep.

PRM112 Church Worship Team Spring I: 0.25 Credit

Elective, by appointment. Faithful service on Zion Chapel worship team for the entire semester and attendance at rehearsals, services, and prayer meetings.

PRM201 The Local Church: 1 Credit

This course examines the biblical basis for the local church. The nature, purpose, structure, membership, discipline, and leadership of the local church will be considered. The areas of raising up leaders, and metaphors of the church will also be explored, along with administrating the local church.

PRM202 Pastoral Services: 1 Credit

This course discusses the practical services which a pastor provides, such as church services, weddings, funerals, and baby dedications, giving practical steps to leading most types of services or ministries associated with local church ministry.

PRM203 Chapel Preaching Fall II: 0.25 Credit

Students are scheduled on a rotation to preach the message the Lord has put on their heart. Students diligently prepare, write, and deliver sermons during Student Chapel services.

PRM204 Church Law & Finance: 1 Credit

This course is intended to provide a solid foundation for each student, discussing issues to be aware of and consider in the ministry, and becoming familiar with outside resources to be used, whether it be legal counsel or financial experts. This course will emphasize that knowing the law, and abiding by it (as it relates to church ministry) is important and cannot simply be dismissed. This course will also emphasize biblical standards of good stewardship and accountability as they apply to abiding by current legal and financial standards.

PRM205 Chapel Worship Leading Fall II: 0.25

Students are scheduled on a rotation to lead praise and worship during Student Chapel services. Students prepare song lists, practice with musicians, and lead worship.

PRM206 Chapel Preaching Spring II: 0.25

Students are scheduled on a rotation to preach the message the Lord has put on their heart. Students diligently prepare, write, and deliver sermons during Student Chapel services.

PRM207 Children's Ministry Fall II: 0.25

This course gives the student an opportunity to minister to children on a periodic basis with Zion Chapel Kid's Church, with assistance in the basics of teaching children at various age groups, and equipping the student with an understanding of children's ministry and the elements necessary to run their own children's ministry program. It develops a heart for children and a greater understanding of their unique needs as a part of the body of Christ.

PRM208 Chapel Worship Leading Spring II: 0.25

Students are scheduled on a rotation to lead praise and worship during Student Chapel services. Students prepare song lists, practice with musicians, and lead worship.

PRM209 Elderly Ministry Fall II: 0.25

This course is designed to give students an opportunity to actively participate in ministry to the elderly, serving in humility, and learning to honor the elder saints, showing the love of God to His sheep.

PRM210 Children's Ministry Spring II: 0.25

This course gives the student an opportunity to minister to children on a periodic basis with Zion Chapel Kid's Church, with assistance in the basics of teaching children at various age groups, and equipping the student with an understanding of children's ministry and the elements necessary to run their own children's ministry program. It develops a heart for children and a greater understanding of their unique needs as a part of the body of Christ.

PRM211 Church Worship Team Fall II: 0.25

Elective, by appointment. Faithful service on Zion Chapel worship team for the entire semester and attendance at rehearsals, services, and prayer meetings.

PRM212 Elderly Ministry Spring II: 0.25

This course is designed to give students an opportunity to actively participate in ministry to the elderly, serving in humility, and learning to honor the elder saints, showing the love of God to His sheep.

PRM214 Church Worship Team Spring II: 0.25

Elective, by appointment. Faithful service on Zion Chapel worship team for the entire semester and attendance at rehearsals, services, and prayer meetings.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

STATEMENT OF FAITH (STUDENT HANDBOOK /CATALOG)

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION (ONLINE ONLY)

STUDENT HANDBOOK

STANDARD OF CONDUCT AND COMMITMENT (STUDENT HANDBOOK /CATALOG)

ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT (NOT PUBLISHED, INTERNAL DOCUMENT)

WITHDRAWAL NOTICE (NOT PUBLISHED, INTERNAL DOCUMENT)