**TERM I: August 25-September 29, 2011**

**REQUIRED COURSES**

**SW 101A** DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING I*  (Discipleship II must be taken during Term II)
*This course is also offered on Wednesday mornings as SW 102A(August 24-September 28) with Mrs. Jane Cutrer

**Instructors:** Various Faculty and Staff wives; Mrs. Caffy Whitney coordinates PM sections

**Text:** *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life, by Donald Whitney* (NavPress)  
ISBN 1576830276

**Description:** This course encourages the development of a believer's obedient relationship with Jesus Christ. Personal devotion, prayer, Scripture memorization, and evangelism are emphasized. Using a small group setting, this course as well as the following consecutive one, Discipleship II, fosters friendship, camaraderie and accountability as students spend 12 weeks learning and growing together toward Christlikeness.

**SW 101B** ESSENTIALS I  (Essentials II must be taken during Term II)

**Instructors:** Various Faculty and Staff wives; coordinated by Mrs. Mary Mohler

**Text:** *From One Ministry Wife to Another* by Susie Hawkins  (Moody) ISBN 0802460305  
*Optional text: Lose the Halo, Keep the Wings* by Virginia Wilson  
(complimentary copy provided in class)

**Description:** The first half of our core courses in our practical curriculum, Essentials I deals with your calling as a Christian; your calling as a wife; your influence on children; time management; listening skills; and practical budgeting matters. Essentials II must be taken during the subsequent term so students make a 12 week commitment when registering for this course. Topics may or may not be taught in the order listed due to scheduling but all will be covered in either Essentials I or II. You will love this course as you get to hear a team of faculty wives who have a passion for their particular topic.

**SWI 101C** SBC I & II—SBC Then and Now

**Instructors:** Dr. Greg Wills (1st three weeks) and Mrs. Mary Mohler (2nd three weeks)

**Text:** None – Reading material will be distributed to the students.

**Description:** SBC I is a short course in Baptist history that encompasses the first three weeks of this six week course. Topics include: the origins of Baptists and Southern Baptists; key personalities and events as the convention grew; and controversies such as anti-missionary schism, the Landmark Movement and
the rise of liberalism. SBC II seeks to explore the programs and structure of our denomination. We will trace the Cooperative Program and show how it is known as the most effective and efficient denominational mission system in the world. The roles of our Southern Baptist seminaries and agencies will be laid out. We will also look closely at our missionary sending agencies through the eyes of those who have been commissioned as missionaries. All of these elements will be studied from the perspective of a ministry wife who wishes to be better informed about our denomination.

**ELECTIVE COURSES**

**SW101D**  
**BIBLICAL PARENTING**  
**Instructor:** Mrs. Danna Stinson  
**Text:**  
*Instructing a Child’s Heart* by Tedd and Margy Tripp (Shepherd Press)  
ISBN 0981540007  
**Description:** From diapers to diplomas, no matter what stage you are in, this course will give your parenting a focus and a plan. Even if motherhood may be down the road for you, you will be blessed by the preparation you will receive. There are many ways God will call ministers’ wives to serve. For many women, one of the most important ministries will be bringing up their children “in the fear and admonition of the Lord.” This course is structured to offer direction and encouragement from God’s Word and practical advice for this precious journey.

**SW101E**  
**CONFLICT MANAGEMENT**  
**Instructor:** Mrs. Menda Sue Hatfield  
**Text:**  
*The Peacemaker* by Ken Sande (Baker Books) ISBN 0801064856  
**Description:** This course will deal with characteristics of problem people and teach you how to deal with them. It will discuss the most common conflict situations in the church, give strategies in preventing conflict and give practical suggestions on how to live as a called minister’s wife in spite of conflict.

**SW101F**  
**GREAT LEADERS**  
**Instructor:** Dr. Chad Brand  
**Text:**  
*131 Christians Everyone Should Know* by Mark Galli and Ted Olsen (Holman Reference) ISBN 9780805490404  
**Description:** In this course we will examine some of the key persons whose work and whose witness for Christ caused the Church to develop in the way it has. In a sense, church history is merely the history of Christian people and their contributions. Some of those persons made contributions, which were not directly in keeping with Scripture, and so the Church has taken some add turns—even some bad ones. Others have made very positive and biblical contributions, and so have been used by God to help the Church mature, both spiritually and theologically. In this course we will study the lives and contributions of Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, Martin Luther, Jonathan Edwards, Oral Roberts, and Charles Spurgeon. Weekly quizzes will be given as one session is devoted to the study of each of these men.
TERM II: October 13-November 17, 2011
(No classes during Fall Reading Days on October 6.)

REQUIRED COURSES

SW201A   DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING II*
(Discipleship I must be taken during Term I)
*This course is also offered on Wednesday mornings as course SW202A (October 12--November 16) with Mrs. Jane Cutrer
Instructors: Various faculty and staff wives; Mrs. Caffy Whitney coordinates PM sections
Text: no new text—same as Term I
Description: This course is the second half of the Discipleship Training course, which encourages the development of a believer’s obedient relationship with Jesus Christ. Personal devotion, prayer, scripture memorization, and evangelism are emphasized.

SW 201B   ESSENTIALS II
(Essentials I must be taken during Term I)
Instructors: Various faculty and staff wives; coordinated by Mrs. Mary Mohler
Text: no new text—same as Term I
Description: This course is the second half of the Essentials core course. It includes sessions on hospitality; public speaking; contentment; the “friendship factor;” starting and finishing well; wedding directing; and a panel night giving you opportunity to ask whatever questions you have to a variety of faculty wives. This course may only be taken subsequent to the completion of Essentials I during Term I this fall. As with that course, the topics will be covered although not necessarily in the order listed. You will gain insights in these two courses that will shape your walk as a ministry wife for years to come.

SW201C   OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

Instructors: Dr. T.J. Betts and Dr. Tom Schreiner
Text: The Bible
(Note—you will be required to read the entire New Testament between September 29-November 17)

Optional Text: Holman Quicksource Guide to Understanding the Bible by Kendall H. Easley
(Holman Bible Publishers) ISBN 0805494332
Description: Due to scheduling issues, we will be offering NT Survey during the first three weeks of this class followed by OT Survey for the last three weeks. You will be enriched as you study God’s Word from Genesis to Revelation in this life changing overview course.
ELECTIVE COURSES

SW 201D A CLOSER LOOK AT BAPTIST BELIEFS

Instructor: Dr. Bruce Ware

Text: *Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: Relationships, Roles, and Relevance* by Bruce A. Ware (Crossway) ISBN 9781581346688

Description: This course will build on the foundation of Baptist Beliefs as it focuses primarily on the study of the attributes of God, on the person and work of Christ, and on the ministry of the Holy Spirit in salvation and sanctification.

SW201E MORE WOMEN OF INFLUENCE

Instructor: Mrs. Sharon Beougher

Text: no purchased text

Description: This course involves studying many different biblical women to see principles in their lives that we can apply to our lives. It includes how to do a biographical study. Some of the women we study are: Esther, Hebrew midwives, Jochebed, Lois and Eunice, Lydia, Naaman’s wife’s maid, as well as others. It is not intended to be a large class but a minimum of 15 must enroll for the class to be offered.

SW201 F NUTS AND BOLTS OF LOCAL CHURCH MINISTRY

Instructor: Mrs. Karen Allen

Text: *Liberating Ministry from the Success Syndrome* by Kent & Barbara Hughes, (Crossway) ISBN 9781581349740

Description: Come join us for this new elective as we look at practical aspects of ministry in the local church. The class includes an in-depth study of the text as well as various practical ministry topics including: my husband, my ministry; life in the parsonage; leading ladies’ and children’s ministries; church administration; visitation; and developing relationships with wives of church deacons/elders. Weekly quizzes or practical assignments will correspond to the assigned reading and/or topics covered in class.