REQUIRED COURSES:

SW 101A  DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING I*
(Discipleship II must be taken during Term II)
*This course is also offered on Weds mornings on 8/24-9/28 as SW102 with Mrs. Caffy Whitney and 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.

SW101B  ESSENTIALS I  (Essentials II must be taken during Term II)

Instructors: Various Faculty and Staff wives; coordinated by Mrs. Mary Mohler
Text: *The Pastor’s Wife: Strengthened by His Grace for a Life of Love* by Gloria Furman (Crossway 2015)
*Optional additional 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 learn from a team of faculty wives who have a passion for their particular topic.

SW101C  OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

Instructors: Dr. T.J. Betts and Dr. Tom Schreiner
Text: The Bible
Description: You will be enriched as you study God’s Word from Genesis to Revelation in this life changing overview course. Short quizzes are given weekly. Portions of both the Old Testament and New Testament are required reading.
**ELECTIVE COURSES:**

**SW101D EMBRACING FEMININITY**
Instructors: Mrs. Mary Mohler and Mrs. Jodi Ware, as well as guest speaker, Dr. Bruce Ware
Text: *Fearlessly Feminine* by Jani Ortlund (Multnomah) ISBN 1576736695
Description: Do you wonder how a Christian woman can boldly embrace her Biblical role as a woman in today's increasingly humanistic society? Join us for this new elective as we explore many aspects of this important and timely topic. We will look closely at the Biblical texts; our roles in the church and in the home; raising feminine daughters; modesty issues; and ways to defend our position in the face of opposition. The course format will include quizzes, reflection papers and a short book review.

**SW101E GREAT WOMEN OF THE BIBLE**
Instructor: Mrs. Sharon Beougher
Text: The Bible
Description: This course involves studying many different biblical women to see principles in their lives that we can apply to our lives. Some of the women we study are: Esther, Hebrew midwives, Jochebed, Lois and Eunice, Lydia, Naaman’s wife’s maid, as well as others. This course will teach you how to do a biographical study as well. There are no quizzes in this elective. The students will keep a journal of two specific applications from each woman we study and turn it in weekly. A biographical study of a biblical woman (not covered in class) will be due the last night of class.

**SW101F PUBLIC SPEAKING FOR THE MINISTER’S WIFE**
Instructor: Mrs. Katherine Magnuson
Text: *Speak Up With Confidence* by Carol Kent (Navpress) ISBN 0785283404
Description: In this course, you will learn the basic speaking skills that will be valuable throughout your years in ministry. You will have opportunity for practical application as you prepare and deliver a self-introduction, speaker-introduction, personal testimony, devotional and topical presentation. You will benefit greatly from this course whether you are fearful and inexperienced or confident speaking in public.
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Term II

Thursdays only, October 13-November 17, 2016 (7:00-8:45 PM)
SW 202 Wednesday AM class will meet October 12-November 16 (10:00-11:45 AM)

REQUIRED COURSES:

SW 201A  DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING II*
(Discipleship I must be taken during Term I)
*This course is also offered on Weds mornings, Oct 12- Nov 16 as SW202 with Mrs. Caffy Whitney and Mrs. Jane Cutrer (October 12--November 16 from 10:00-11:45 AM)

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.

SW201B  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. This course may only be taken subsequent to the completion of Essentials I during Term I this fall II. You will gain insights in these two courses that will shape your walk as a ministry wife for years to come.

SW201C  SBC THEN AND NOW

Instructors:  Dr. Greg Wills and Mrs. Mary Mohler
Text:  None to be purchased
Description:  SBC THEN 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 NOW 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:

SW 201D  A CLOSER LOOK AT BAPTIST BELIEFS
Instructor: Dr. Bruce Ware
Text: Ware, Bruce A. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: Relationships, Roles, and Relevance (Crossway, 2005)
Description: Building on the foundation of Baptist Beliefs, this course will focus 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. These core areas of our faith will be explored in order to enrich our understanding of and our heart response to our great triune God.

SW 201E  CROSS CULTURAL MINISTRIES
Instructor: Mrs. Mary Sills
Text: Foreign to Familiar by Sarah A. Lanier (McDougal Publishing Co.)
ISBN 1581580223
Description: This course introduces students to cross cultural issues involved in living overseas. Former missionaries, as well as consultants from the two mission boards will share the qualifications for missionaries, the application process, and mission opportunities. Issues such as language, culture, home life and schooling will also be discussed.

SW201F  INTRO TO BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION
Instructor: Dr. Rob Plummer
Text: 40 Questions About Interpreting the Bible by Robert Plummer (Kregel) ISBN 082543498X
Description: The purpose of this course is to introduce students to the goal of interpretation. In so doing we shall look at the part that the Holy Spirit plays in interpretation, how to arrive at the meaning of biblical text as well as their present day implications, and to learn how to interpret the various literary genres (poetry, prophecy, parable, etc.) found in the Bible. As the author of the text for this course, Dr. Plummer will provide a plethora of resources related to the book, including powerpoint presentations, lesson plans, discussion guide, etc. His goal is that students will be prepared to teach a group of women in their church a class on biblical interpretation.