

BIBLE TEACHER WORKSHOP

January 27, 2024

Hosted at Foote Street Church of Christ



You're Invited:

The word vital is defined as “of the utmost importance, fundamentally concerned with or affecting life or living beings.” As applied to the ministry of Sunday School, the definition fits perfectly. Sunday School is of the utmost importance to the church today, and it is focused on affecting the life of its members for Christ. Bible class or “Sunday School” continues to be a strong foundational approach for making disciples. Good, solid Bible classes are needed today because it creates a place for several crucial things to happen that are important in the process of making disciples. However, this can not take place without you, the teachers. Here at Foote Street we have such an amazing Children’s Sunday School program as well as an active adult Bible School program. A big reason for that is because of our wonderful teachers we have that dedicate themselves to studying God’s Word and relaying that to our members. We want to thank you for the time you have spent in preparation for teaching but we also want to take the opportunity to grow as teachers.

On Saturday, we would like to invite you to join us at 8:30 am for our Bible Teacher Workshop. This workshop will be so beneficial for teachers on every level and we want you to be there to benefit from it as a teacher and for the benefit of the church. Please sign up on the church app for both events and if you have any questions please reach out to any of the elders or ministers. Thank you!

OUR SPEAKERS



Tim Martin serves as the Education Minister at Mt. Juliet Church of Christ. He and his wife Tracy have one daughter, Presley. Prior to working in ministry, Tim worked as an engineer for a local municipality and project manager in the construction industry. He has a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Tennessee, a M.Min. in Biblical Studies from Heritage Christian University, and a Ph.D. in New Testament Studies from Amridge University. As the Education Minister, his primary duties are to teach adult classes and manage the Sunday and Wednesday adult Bible class programs. He helps recruit and train Bible class teachers, coordinate classroom topics, obtain teaching resources, and compose curriculum.



Lauren Moss serves as the Children’s Ministry Coordinator at Mt. Juliet Church of Christ. She attended Freed-Hardeman University, where she earned degrees in Child & Family Studies and Early Childhood Education. Lauren began working as the Children’s Ministry Coordinator at Mt. Juliet Church of Christ in June of 2016. Lauren has a passion for working with children and serving in the kingdom of God! She manages the children’s Bible classes by recruiting and training our volunteers, preparing and writing curriculum, and providing resources and materials for teachers.

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MFAT = Male & Female Adult Teachers (Tim Martin: Education Minister)

CT = Children's Teachers (Lauren Moss: Children's Ministry Coordinator)

Welcome & Breakfast (8:30 am – 9:00 am)

MFAT & CT: Introduction to Workshop (Billy Bearden)

Session 1 (9:15 am – 9:45am)

MFAT 1: Examine Yourself: Why Am I The One Teaching?

- Personal conviction and confidence for teachers.

CT 1: Children's Bible Classes- Why? (Theory/Importance of Children's Bible Classes)

- What is the main reason(s) for teaching children?
- How children's Bible classes fit into a children's ministry/church at large.
- What encouragement can we find to teach children the Bible?

Session 2 (10:00 am - 10:45 am)

MFAT 2: What: Tools for the Trade

- Practical Tips for Preparation through research, resources, and exegesis.
- Making the Transition from teaching 1-2 classes to 6-12 classes a Quarter.
- Desirable characteristics of a Bible School Teacher

CT 2: Children's Bible Classes- What? (Curriculum and Content)

- Going beyond memorization of facts to critical thinking about the Bible.
- How to help children understand the redemptive Biblical narrative at large.
- What should the scope and sequence of a children's Bible class curriculum be?

Session 3 (11:00 am - 11:45 am)

MFAT 3: Break a Leg: The How.

- Effective teaching through presentation and student interaction
- Mentoring methods to develop new teachers.

CT 3: Children's Bible Classes- How? (Classroom Engagement)

- How do different people learn differently and how do we appeal to those differences within the classroom?
- Techniques and methods we can use that work for various lessons.