

## Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry

*“You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.” 2 Timothy 2:1-3*



As we begin this ministry at Calvary Chapel Apple Valley, we are taking a step of faith. We trust our Lord Jesus to anoint the teaching, the teachers, and the students of the School of Ministry. The classes will be designed to help each student grow in their knowledge of God and His Word, and to have a solid foundation upon which to stand. We are excited to see how God is working among us, and how He wants to strengthen the body of Christ through the further education of His people. If God is prompting you to study His Word more intensely, pray about being a part of this exciting new School of Ministry.

**Pastor Gary Malkus,  
President CCAVSOM**

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## **Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry Philosophy of Training**

The faculty at Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry (CCAVSOM) desires to provide an environment where Christians can grow in the knowledge and understanding of God's Word. We have set aside a time for you to seek God's heart by examining the richness of the Bible. We believe the result of a well-studied student will be a well-equipped servant in the ministry to God's people.

### **I. Calling**

In I Corinthians 12 we learn God gives gifts to the body of Christ as He wills. Paul went to great lengths to prove that each of us has been made unique. Yet, many of us are unsure where, or if, God wants to use us in His ministry. It is the faculty's goal that when a student completes CCAVSOM he or she should leave with a solid understanding of his or her personal calling in ministry.

### **II. Equipping**

Paul gave instruction to Timothy to equip him for ministry. II Timothy 3:16-17 reads, "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 complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." The Word of God for Timothy was his equipping and today, for us, this remains true. CCAVSOM's vision is to teach each student to see that the Bible is the "well" we draw from and to train each student to look to the Bible for every aspect of ministry.

### **III. Training**

The educational style of CCAVSOM is teaching the Word of God and applying it to our lives today. We place an emphasis on the Bible and its role in the Christian's life. Jesus' teachings were integrated with real life situations. Therefore, the Bible will be our chief textbook for training our students for ministry.

## **Statement of Faith:**

**We** believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**We** believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, fully inspired without error and the infallible rule of faith and practice. The Word of God is the foundation upon which this school operates and is the basis for which this school is governed. We believe that the Word of God supersedes any earthly law that is contrary to the Holy Scriptures.

**We** believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is empowered to live a Godly Life.

**We** believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father and His personal return in power and glory.

**We** believe that the lost and sinful man must be saved, and the man's only hope of redemption is through the shed blood of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

**We** believe in the personal, visible return of Christ to earth and the establishment of His Kingdom; in the resurrection of the body, the final judgment and eternal blessing of the righteous and endless suffering of the wicked.

**We** believe that the only true basis of Christian fellowship is Christ's *agape* love, which is greater than any differences we possess and without which we have no right to claim ourselves Christians.

**We** believe worship of God should be spiritual. Therefore, we remain flexible and yielding to the leading of the Holy Spirit to direct our worship.

**We** believe worship of God should be inspirational. Therefore, we give a great place to music in our service.

**We** believe worship of God should be intelligent. Therefore, our services are designed with great emphasis upon teaching the Word of God that He might instruct us how He should be worshiped.

**We** believe worship of God should be fruitful. Therefore, we look to His love in our lives as the supreme manifestation that we have truly been worshiping him.

**We** believe legitimate sexual relations are exercised solely within marriage. Therefore, sexual activities such as, but not limited to, adultery, fornication, incest, homosexuality, pedophilia and bestiality are inconsistent with the teachings of the Bible. Further, lascivious behavior, the creation and/or distribution and/or viewing of pornography, and effort to alter one's gender, are incompatible with the Bible's teaching.

**We** believe marriage has been ordained by God. Therefore, we recognize marriage as exclusively the legal union of one man and one woman in which such union is a lifetime commitment.

## **General Information**

### **Student Admissions**

#### **Procedure**

The applicant must submit a completed application. Please read carefully the instructions on this application.

#### **Limited Enrollment**

Enrollment is limited to 25 students per class.

#### **Application Fee**

An application fee of \$15 must be included when the application is first submitted. (Fee is non-refundable) This is a one-time fee.

#### **Additional Expenses**

Each course will cost \$25 due at registration. Students will also be required to purchase any books or reference materials required by the instructor of each course.

#### **Time and Location of Classes**

Classes are held Tuesday evenings, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. See the academic calendar for specific dates. Classes will be held at Calvary Chapel Apple Valley, 13601 Del Mar Rd. Apple Valley, CA 92308, in the School of Ministry Classroom.

### **Grading System**

CCAVSOM uses the standard A-F grading system. Included in the criteria for grading are attendance, reading assignments, and tests or papers. Grades of Incomplete are seldom given and only when severe illness or family problems prevent the student from finishing the semester.

Other grades issued are "AU" for auditing the class, "W" for official withdrawal, "UW" for unofficial withdrawal which is given when a student registers but discontinues class attendance.

### **Class Attendance and Tardiness**

Each course will be 15 weeks. Attendance and promptness are significant components of the grading policy. Under no condition can the student have more than three (3) "unexcused" absences and receive credit for the course. Students are expected to be in class promptly. Being late three times counts as one unexcused absence. In case of absences due to illness or emergency, the student must request an "excused" absence by calling the CCAVSOM office (760) 240-3633. The Instructor will then be informed of the absence and excuse.

## Staff and Faculty

The teaching faculty at CCAVSOM is highly qualified both by virtue of years of pastoral and ministerial experience, and by virtue of academic training. The primary emphasis of CCAVSOM, however, is not on human professionalism but on spiritual maturity.

Students at Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry are taught the Word of God by:

Gary Malkus, Sr.     - Senior Pastor  
Gary Arce            - Associate Pastor

### Requirements for Certificate of Completion in Biblical Studies:

Each student must complete 10 courses plus OT and NT Survey with a grade of A-C. The following courses are mandatory in order to receive a Certificate of Completion in Biblical Studies:

Old Testament Survey (C3000 MP3 series - Pastor Chuck Smith)  
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(OT and NT Survey are both independent study courses)

Genesis  
Gospel Study (verse by verse study of one of the Gospels)  
Acts  
Romans  
Revelation  
Pastoral Epistles  
Basic Theology  
Apologetics  
Inductive Bible Study  
Practical Christian Ministry

Students who complete these courses with a grade of "Audit" (AU) will receive a Certificate of Participation.

### Requirements for a Certificate of Advanced Biblical Studies are as follows:

Each student must complete 10 courses in addition to the Certificate of Biblical Studies requirements. Courses will be determined with your advisor.

Some possible courses include:

Public Devotional Speaking  
Introduction to Biblical Counseling  
Biblical Principles of Christian Finances

## Church History

Verse by verse study of any book of the Bible not listed above

### **Course Descriptions for Required Courses:**

The following courses are offered through Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry. Please note that not every course listed is offered every semester. A schedule of classes and a list of currently offered courses will be made available each semester.

**OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY** – A verse-by-verse study through all the books of the Old Testament, taught via MP3 discs by Pastor Chuck Smith. This is an at-home, independent study project.

**NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY** – A verse-by-verse study through all the books of the New Testament, taught via MP3 discs by Pastor Chuck Smith. This is an at-home, independent study project.

**GENESIS** – A verse-by-verse study through the Book of Genesis.

**GOSPEL STUDY** – A detailed study through one of the Gospels (either Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John).

**ACTS** – A verse-by-verse study through the Book of Acts.

**ROMANS** – A verse-by-verse study through the Book of Romans.

**PASTORAL EPISTLES** – A detailed study through the books of 1st Timothy, 2nd Timothy, and Titus.

**REVELATION** – A verse-by-verse study through the Book of Revelation.

**BASIC THEOLOGY** – A study of fundamental Biblical doctrines such as the attributes of God, the divinity of Jesus Christ, the doctrine of The Trinity, the origin of sin, the substitutionary death of Jesus, justification and sanctification of the believer, the empowering ministry of the Holy Spirit, the inerrancy of Scripture, Spiritual Warfare, the Rapture of the Church, the Second Coming of Jesus, and the judgments of God.

**APOLOGETICS** – A course designed to give students the ability to defend their faith by providing intellectual proof for the existence of God, the reliability of the Bible, and other fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith.

**INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY** – A course in how to effectively study the Bible, without having to rely on outside resources or commentaries.

**PRACTICAL CHRISTIAN MINISTRY** – A hands-on course where students provide practical support and serve in some area of ministry in their home church. possible areas of service can include Children's Ministry, Men's / Women's ministry, child care, ushering, church cleaning, Home Fellowships, office support, and other areas where students learn to serve the needs of the body of Christ.

## Weekly Reading Assignments

Week 1	(8/22)	Course Introduction (No assignment)
Week 2	(8/29)	p. 23-55
Week 3	(9/5)	p. 72-107
	(9/12)	<b>no class meeting</b>
Week 4	(9/19)	p. 108-117, 126-133
Week 5	(9/26)	p. 174-208
Week 6	(10/3)	p. 209-240
	(10/10)	<b>no class meeting</b>
Week 7	(10/17)	p. 241-262
Week 8	(10/24)	p. 271-302
Week 9	(10/31)	p. 303-322
Week 10	(11/7)	p. 332-362
Week 11	(11/14)	p. 405-423
	(11/21)	<b>no class meeting -- Thanksgiving</b>
Week 12	(11/28)	p. 427-442
Week 13	(12/5)	<b>Term Paper due</b>
Week 14	(12/12)	
Week 15	(12/19)	<b>Final Exam due</b>

*“... Always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you  
a reason for the hope that is in you,  
with meekness and fear.”*

1 Peter 3:15

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# ***Defending Your Faith*** **(Apologetics)**

## **Course Information Sheet**

*“... Always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you.” (1 Peter 3:15)*

### **Introduction:**

Welcome to the Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry. The goal of this course is to help you be better equipped to defend your faith and answer questions that people may have regarding Christianity and the Bible.

Topics we will discuss include:

- Apologetic Strategies of the Apostle Paul
- How we got our Bible
- Evidence for the Inerrancy of the Bible
- Common Questions about the Old Testament
- Common Questions about the New Testament
- Science and the Bible

### **Meetings:**

**Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30pm.** Meet in the School of Ministry classroom at Calvary Chapel Apple Valley

Classes begin **Tuesday, August 22nd.**

\*Please complete a School of Ministry Enrollment Application prior to the first meeting.

### **Textbook:**

**“A Ready Defense -- The Best of Josh McDowell,”** compiled by Bill Wilson, (1993, Thomas Nelson Publishers).

### **Credit:**

All courses at the School of Ministry can be taken for:

- Credit (Students complete Homework / Exams)
- Audit (No Homework or Exams required).

# Enrollment Application

## Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry

13601 Del Mar Road, Apple Valley, CA, 92308  
(760) 240-3633 [www.calvaryav.org](http://www.calvaryav.org)

Welcome to the CCAV School of Ministry. We are delighted that you are taking this step to further your Biblical education, because this will enhance your relationship with the Lord and also assist you in ministry.

Please complete and submit this form to the CCAV church office as soon as possible. The Fall Semester begins Tuesday, August 22nd. We are currently accepting applications for the following course:

### Defending Your Faith

(Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 pm)

Name

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Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year

Mailing Address

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Street

City

State

Zip

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Course fees: 1) **\$25 Course fee**. Make checks payable to Calvary Chapel Apple Valley School of Ministry.

2) If you are new to the School of Ministry there is a **\$15 Application fee**.

Textbooks: A) New King James Version of The Bible.

B) **"A Ready Defense -- The Best of Josh McDowell,"**  
compiled by Bill Wilson, (1993, Thomas Nelson Publishers).  
It is highly recommended to have the text prior to first class meeting.