

SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

Heroes of the Faith – Spring 2021 Class Syllabus

Instructor: Clay Willis

Contact Email: cfcclay@gmail.com

Class Location: Annex Building, Room 102

Class Meets: Every Monday, January 25th-March 29th from 7:30-8:20pm

Office Hours: As requested

School of Ministry Mission Statement:

“Equipping men and women to walk in their calling to accomplish the Great Commission and raise up leaders for the future “C” church.”

The School of Ministry, we want to:

- **Identify** (Help men and women identify their calling and gifts.)
- **Equip** (Train men and women in the areas of theology, biblical understanding and leadership.)
- **Send** (Send them out into “their” world - their community, job, schools - and/or send them out into ministry.)

Attendance and Participation:

This class will consist of men and women from all ages and seasons of life as well as individuals from within our community and neighboring churches. To receive the most of your time in each class, 100% attendance and participation is strongly encouraged. The old adage, “You get out of it what you put into it” holds true for each class.

**100% attendance and participation are mandatory for all School of Ministry Interns.

Classroom Etiquette:

- Be on time.
- No phones.
- Come prepared.
- Engage in class discussion
- Be present & faithful.

Academic Continuity:

In the event of weather or other emergency situation, S.O.M. may temporarily suspend normal operations. During this time, your instructor from the S.O.M. will deliver communication regarding courses, etc. using email and/or text. It is the student's responsibility to make every effort to receive communications during a campus closure.

Academic Integrity:

A high standard of personal integrity is expected of all students. Copying another person's work, submitting downloaded material without proper references, and submitting material without properly citing the source is prohibited. Such forms of dishonesty are strictly forbidden.

Student Evaluation:

Students have the opportunity to provide anonymous feedback at the end of each semester through student course evaluations. Students will receive an email reminder from the office of the School of Ministry when it is time to complete course evaluations online. Please consider taking the time to provide this helpful input to your instructor and the School of Ministry.

Course Description:

Heroes of the faith are those individuals that were changed by the power of God and give us an example of what God can do in a life surrendered. The lives of these individuals inspire us to do what they did or at least see their example as unique and give us the courage to follow God's call. We will explore 30 examples of surrendered lives that grew great faith and challenge our hearts to follow in their steps.

Student Learning Outcomes and Objectives:

Upon successful completion of this class the student will be able to:

- Identify with individuals from history that were changed by God and changed the world around them
- Have a general knowledge of individuals that shaped the church we know today
- Have a resource for additional study with individuals that inspire them
- Commit to using their unique call to change the world around them

Required Course Materials:

1. *60 People who Shaped the Church – Learning from sinners, saints, rogues and heroes* by Alton Gansky
2. *The Holy Bible*

Methodology

We will discuss the lives of three individuals each week through small and large group discussion. The student will read three chapters a week in preparation for class and bring knowledge of the individuals to class to discuss their example and impact. This will be a speed class to introduce students to a large number of individuals to awaken interest for further study. You are not required to speak in front of the class but are required to participate in the small group exercises.

Class Schedule:

Date:	Week	Discussions	Reading Prior
Jan. 25	1	Intro to Class and Overview Josephus, Constantine, Athanasius	Chapters 3, 10, 11
Feb. 1	2	Ambrose of Milan, Jerome, Augustine of Hippo	12, 13, 15
Feb. 8	3	Francis of Assisi, Martin Luther, William Tyndale	19, 23, 27
Feb. 15	4	John Calvin, Jacob Arminius, Brother Lawrence	29, 31, 34
Feb. 22	5	John Bunyan, Isaac Watts, Jonathan Edwards Midterm	36, 37, 39
Mar. 1	6	John Wesley, Charles Wesley, John Newton	40, 41, 43
Mar. 8	7	William Carrey, Charles Finney, Fanny Crosby	45, 46, 48
Mar. 15	8	William Booth, Hudson Taylor, Charles Spurgeon	50, 51, 52
Mar. 22	9	Dwight L Moody, Billy Sunday, Oswald Chambers	53, 54, 55

Mar. 29	10	CS Lewis, Henry Morris, Billy Graham Final	
------------	----	---	--

3

Weighted Grade Distribution:

Reading and Preparation	20%
Class Participation	40%
Mid-term	20%
Final	20%

Grading Scale:

4