**78th Annual Session**

 **New Era Missionary Baptist District Association Congress of Christian Education**

 **Donald Graves, President ~ Michael C. Phillips, Moderator ~ Onita Omorodion, Exec. Secretary ~ Earnestine Eskridge, Dean ~ Marva Harper, Assistant Dean**

 **Shirley Williams, Music Director ~ Helen Hood, Assistant Director ~ Minister Grant M. Lewis, Youth Director ~ Karen E. Bradley, Assistant Youth Director**

 **Convening Virtually via Zoom**

 **Monday – Friday: August 3-7, 2020**

 **6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

 **Theme:**

 **“Worshipping God and Studying His Holy Word in A Strange Land” – Psalm 137: 1-6**

**Congress Courses Certified Instructors**

**1089: Survey of Romans COPP: Phase 3 Pastor William F. Snorgrass**

**1107: The Letters of 1, 2, 3 John Elective Dr. Thad W. Jones**

**1109: The Study of End Times Elective Dr. Alfred F. White, Jr.**

**2007: Christian Stewardship COPP: Phase 2 Dr. Israel B. S. Groves, Jr.**

**2061: Millennials in Ministry Elective Pastor Tony P. Johnson**

**4012: Doctrine of the Holy Spirit COPP: Phase 2 Pastor Everett W. Hannon, Jr.**

**5006: Leadership in the Local Church Elective Dean Robert L. Smith, II**

**6021: Spiritual Formation COPP: Phase 1 Dr. Sandra L. Jones**

 **Special Seminar**

**“Managing God’s Money in Ministry” .……………….... Bro. Larry Bankston, Instructor**

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**Come and experience this amazing week-long, spirit-filled worship and study session with us!!!**

 **Registration & Additional Information @ www.neweramissionarybda.com**

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 **Curriculum Description**

 **Virtual Classes via Zoom**

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 **Department of Biblical Studies**

**1089: Survey of Romans (COPP: Phase 3)**

***Students who enroll in this course will engage in an overview of major issues presented in Paul’s doctrinal letter to the Roman Christians. Students will come to recognize each doctrinal truth presented in this book.***

***Instructor: Pastor William F. Snorgrass***

***Book: The Letter to the Romans – by William Barclay***

**1107: The Letters of 1, 2, 3 John (Elective)**

***This course probes the letters of 1, 2, and 3 John, with emphases on authorship, dates, theme, and recipients. Students will be introduced to the prominent themes of each, with emphasis on John’s teachings about love and the assurance of salvation.***

***Book: Letters 1, 2, 3 John & Jude: Established in Truth… Marked By Love – by John MacArthur***

**1109: The Study of End Times (Elective)**

***This course explores the doctrine of last things. It will cover the topic of beliefs concerning death, the end of the world, and the ultimate destiny of humankind. The course focuses on many of the various Christian Doctrines concerning the Second Coming, the resurrection of the dead, and the Last Judgment.***

***Instructor: Dr. Alfred F. White, Jr.***

***Book: Understanding End Time Prophecy – by Paul Benware & Charles C. Ryrie***

 ***Department of Christian Education***

**2007: Christian Stewardship (COPP: Phase 2)**

***This course will cover the basic tenets of Christian Stewardship ---- time, talent, and tithe. Students will begin to understand how to effectively manage their resources through a better understanding of the spiritual principles, practices, and contributions of Christian stewardship.***

***Instructor: Dr. Israel B. S. Groves, Jr.***

***Book: Giving to God – by Mark Allan Powell***

**2061: Millennials in Ministry (Elective)**

***This course focuses on determining the learning styles of young adult pupils. Student will learn how to set goals for that age group and to identify the materials that are best suited for their learning styles.***

***Focus will be placed on the portrayal of ways and methods that will help young adult pupils grow spiritually. This course will also help foster the involvement of young people in the life of the local church. Emphasis will be placed on discovering the reasons why the older youth often leave the church and what might be done to retain them.***

***Instructor: Pastor Tony P. Johnson***

***Book: The Millennials – by Thom Rainer & Jess Rainer***

 **Department of Theology**

**4012: The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit (COPP: Phase 2)**

***Students who take this course will study the person and work of the Holy Spirit. A thorough look at the corresponding doctrines that influences our understanding of the work of the Holy Spirit will be presented. Students will be able to identify this doctrine of the church with a holistic understanding***

***of salvation, with special emphases on justification, redemption, and sanctification.***

***Instructor: Pastor Everett W. Hannon, Jr.***

***Book: The Holy Spirit Revised & Expanded – by Charles C. Ryrie***

 **Department of Christian Church Leadership**

**5006: Leadership in the Local Church (Elective)**

***This course establishes a paradigm (example/model) for pragmatic (realistic/practical) leadership in the local church, utilizing God’s mandate for leadership as found in the Holy Scriptures.***

***Instructor: Dean Robert L. Smith, II***

***Book: Spiritual Leadership – by J. Oswald Sanders***

 **Department of Church Administration**

**6021: Spiritual Formation (COPP: Phase 1)**

***This course focuses on enabling people to mature in their Christian walk. Focus will be placed on a***

***creative and dynamic approach to nurturing people from children to mature adults --- to become better***

***disciples of Jesus Christ. Students will deliberate on what it means to be Christians.***

***Instructor: Dr. Sandra L. Jones***

***Book: Spiritual Formation As If The Church Mattered – by James C. Wilhoit***

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 **Program Format**

**Monday ------------------------------------- General Assembly / Devotional Period**

**August 3, 2020 Welcome / Intro. of Instructors / Break-Out Rooms**

 **Class Session ………………….. 6:10 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

 **Break ………………………….. 7:00 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.**

 **Class Session ………………….. 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

 **Dismissal ……………………… 8:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday ----Devotional Period …………….. 6:00 p.m. – 6:10 p.m.**

**August 4-6, 2020 Class Session ………………….. 6:10 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

 **Break ………………………….. 7:00 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.**

 **Class Session ………………….. 7:10 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

 **Dismissal ……………………… 8:00 p.m.**

**Friday ---------------------------------------Devotional Period …………….. 6:00 p.m. – 6:05 p.m.**

**August 7, 2020 Class Session ………………….. 6:05 p.m. – 6:55 p.m.**

 **Break ………………………….. 6:55 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

 **Class Session ………………….. 7:00 p.m. – 7: 50 p.m.**

 **Closing Session ……………….. 7:50 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

 **Dismissal ……………………… 8:00 p.m.**