

Missions Course Description

This course is based on a series of lectures and text materials from Dr. Timothy Tennent at Asbury Theological seminary and Dr. Peter Kuzmic at Gordon Conwell Evangelical Theological Seminary, Croatia.

The purpose of this course is to provide a broad introduction to the worldwide mission of the church of Jesus Christ. Beginning with a Biblical foundation, the course examines key Scriptural passages in both the Old and New Testaments that relate to the mission of the church. The second part of the course addresses key theological and cultural challenges that the church faces in proclaiming the gospel and establishing culturally relevant and viable churches. The third portion of the course exposes the student to key concepts in 21st century mission thinking, including mission strategy, the role of forging global partnerships, and the need to focus on church planting. Throughout the course, the emphasis is on practical ways the church can be more effective in ministering cross-culturally and fulfilling the Great Commission.

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Class Schedules

September	
6	1. God's Missionary Heart
13	2. The Great Commission
20	3. Theological Questions / What Qualifies as "missions"

27	4. History of the Church's Expansion into the World
October	
4	5. Full Circle of Missions Strategy - practical section of the course with a look at missions strategy based in several passages of Scripture.
11	6. Modern Missiological Techniques
18	7. The Tasks for the Local Church - Tasks that local church should consider in order to be more effective in overseas missions work.
25	Trends in Missions Today
November	
8	Theology of Missions in Relations to World Religions
15	Case Studies in World Religions Conversation. (Pre-recorded audio lecture)
22	Top Ten Myths about Missions
29	Top Ten Things the Church Should Know about Missions