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 Synod of the Sun  
 PC(USA) and  
 Austin Presbyterian  
 Theological Seminary

**A Course for  
 Christian Education  
 Certification**

**Faith and Human  
 Development**



January 7-11, 2008

Presbyterian  
 Mission Center  
 Irving, Texas

**Future Courses**

2008 August 4-8

**Presbyterian Polity, Program  
 and Mission**

*Rev. Elizabeth Pense, Stated Clerk,  
 Synod of the Sun & Julia A. Boyce,  
 Director of Educational Support, Grace  
 Presbytery*

2009 January 5-9

**Reformed Theology \***

*Dr. David Jensen, Professor of  
 Constructive Theology, APTS*

August 3-7

**Religious Education, Theory &  
 Practice \***

*Dr. David White, Professor of  
 Christian Education, APTS*

2010 January 4 –8

**Biblical Interpretation \***  
 Instructor—TBA

August 2-6

**Faith & Human Development**  
 Instructor—TBA

**Worship & Sacraments\*\***  
 Instructor—TBA

*\* These courses must be taken a **second time** with  
 the final paper written at the graduate level for Certified  
 Christian Educator certification requirements.*

*\*\* **Only** those pursuing the Certified Christian Educa-  
 tor level are required to take this course and course pre-  
 requisites apply. CCE level students will receive priority  
 placement in this class.*

**CEU Credits**

Each course meets requirements for educa-  
 tors seeking certification and are approved  
 by the Certification Council in advance.  
 CEU's will be issued upon request.

**Educator Certification**

Because of the importance of Christian Education to  
 the total ministry of the church, the Presbyterian  
 Church (USA) recognizes persons employed as  
 professional Church Educators by certifying them as  
 Christian Educators or as Associates in Christian  
 Education.

Certification requires knowledge and skills in the  
 following areas:

- Biblical Interpretation \*
- Reformed Theology \*
- Human Development
- Religious Education Theory and Practice \*
- Presbyterian Polity
- Presbyterian Program and Mission
- Presbyterian Worship \*\*

*\* Certified Christian Educator certification require these  
 courses to be taken at the graduate level.*

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 level are required to take this course and course prerequisites  
 apply.*

For information on certification contact:

**Martha Miller**  
 Associate for Certification & Support  
 for Educators  
 100 Witherspoon, Rm. M067  
 Louisville, KY 40202-1396  
 888-728-7228 ext. 5751  
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Or

Contact your presbytery office to find out the name/  
 names of the Educator Certification Advisors in your  
 presbytery.

Or

SCRAPCE Certification Coordinator:

**Julia A. Boyce**  
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 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

First-time registrant?  yes  no **Regular Registration \$450**  **Single \$645**  **Commuter \$255**

Working on:  Assoc. Certified Christian Educator  Certified Christian Educator

Your Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Roommate \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose Registration Fee: \$75.00 \*Registrations cannot be accepted without \$75 fee. Registration Deadline: Nov. 30, 2008

Make checks payable to SCRAPCE and mail to Valerie at Synod of the Sun, 6100 Colwell Blvd., Suite 200 Irving, TX 75039-3112

## Faith & Human Development

### Course Description

One of the answers to the question of how we learn looks at differences in our growth and development throughout life. We experience the world in different ways at different times. When we know and understand these differences we are able to design opportunities for Christian Education that are more relevant, efficient and effective. This course is designed to help you apply that knowledge to the practice and ministry of Christian Education.

### IMPORTANT DETAILS:

- Registration deadline is November 30, 2008
- Registration is limited to 30 students and late registrations will be accepted only as space is available
- Housing will primarily be at the **Aspen Hotel & Suites \***
- Class starts Monday, January 7 at 1:00 p.m. and ends Friday, January 11 at noon .
- Meal service begins with **dinner on Monday evening** and ends with **breakfast on Friday**.
- If you plan to arrive in Irving prior to January 7, 2008 notify Valerie Knox at [vknox@synodsun.com](mailto:vknox@synodsun.com) or 1-866-381-7075.
- If the name of a preferred roommate is not specified for Regular Registration, one will be assigned to.

\* Aspen Hotel and Suites is located less than a mile from the Presbyterian Mission Center. They will provide shuttle service to and from the airport and to and from the PMC.

Regular Registration	
Registration Fee & Tuition (\$75 non-refundable)	\$200
Meals	55
Housing * (double occupancy)	195
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$450</b>

### Cost

Single rooms are also available with total cost of \$645. Commuter Rate of \$255 includes all meals EXCEPT breakfast. Breakfast is provided at the Aspen Hotel for guests only.

## Rev. Dr. Paul Thompson



Paul M. Thompson received his M.Div. and D.Min. degrees from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. In addition, he has done post-doctoral work at the University of Texas. He is pastor of Forest Hill Presbyterian Church in Fort Worth, Texas

and is a Licensed Professional Counselor in Private Practice. He has served the Presbyterian Church in a number of positions including Assistant Stated Clerk of the General Assembly.

Paul is the author of *The Giving Book*, published by John Knox Press, and several curriculum pieces for the PCUSA including *Decision Making: The Christian Adventure*, and most recently, *Serious Talk about Mental Illness: Adolescent Suicide*.

Paul has been active in community sexuality education efforts throughout his ministry. He is the author of *God's Gift of Sexuality*, the Presbyterian Church Human Sexuality Curriculum, and has taught Sex Education throughout the denomination.

### Required Texts

- **Stages of Faith** by James Fowler, (1981) Harper & Row
- *Growing in the Life of Christian Faith*, a report approved by the 201<sup>st</sup> General Assembly (1989) PDS #275-89-001 also downloadable at <http://www.pcusa.org/spiritualformation/growing.pdf>
- **Theories of Development: Concepts and Applications** by William Crain, (1992) Prentice-Hall (4th Edition is fine; 5th edition is available)

### Pre-Course Reading Assignment

Course participants should have read **Stages of Faith** by Fowler and **Growing in the Life of Christian Faith** from the 201<sup>st</sup> General Assembly, and Chapters 6-9, 11-12 from **Theories of Development: Concepts and Applications** by Crain.

### Scholarships are available through SCRAPCE

Contact: Carol Bixby at [cwrebixby@msn.com](mailto:cwrebixby@msn.com) or 281-852-3501  
 21107 Atascocita Place Dr.  
 Humble, TX 77346

*SCRAPCE will award \$100 per person per year for any APCE member to attend a certification course offered through SCRAPCE or at the APCE annual event. Deadline for applications is one month prior to course start date. Scholarships are intended for those with limited continuing education funds.*

### Questions about registration?

Please contact: Valerie Knox  
 Registrar, Synod of the Sun 866-381-7075  
[vknox@synodsun.com](mailto:vknox@synodsun.com)

### CEU Credits

This course meets requirements for educators seeking certification. It is approved by the Certification Council in advance. Three CEU's will be issued upon request.