



## SYLLABUS

### **Course: BLCA501: Missions**

**Term:** Summer 2026

**Course Number:** BLCA501

**Credits:** 4 (credits toward a certificate of completion)

**Time and Dates:** Wednesday, June 10, at 6:30 pm through July 1

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### **Course Description:**

What is missions, and why does it matter for every believer? This four-week class is taught by former missionaries and explores God's heart for the world, the nations, and the mission of the Church. Each week will focus on a different aspect of missions, including living missionally in everyday life, the history of Christian missions, discerning God's call, and the Great Commission of Matthew 28. This class is designed to help you consider missions personally and help you grow deeper in your understanding of God's global purpose.

### **Course Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, each student should be able to:

- Explain the biblical foundation and purpose of missions throughout Scripture.
- Describe key movements, people, and moments in the history of Christian missions.
- Identify practical ways to participate in God's mission locally and globally through prayer, giving, serving, and going.

### **Recommended Texts:**

- From Jerusalem to Irian Jaya by Ruth A. Tucker
- Peace Child by Don Richardson
- A History of Christian Missions by Stephen Neill
- Distant Fields by Jed Gourley

### **Digital Learning Resources:**

<https://whitefieldchurch.com/blcmisions> (available shortly after the conclusion of the class)

## Course Schedule:

| Date    | Week   | Topic                   |
|---------|--------|-------------------------|
| June 10 | Week 1 | Living Out the Mission  |
| June 17 | Week 2 | The History of Missions |
| June 24 | Week 3 | The Call to Mission     |
| July 1  | Week 4 | The Great Commission    |

## Attendance:

Attendance is a key component of success in this course. To earn credits for the course, you must attend the following number of classes: 3 of 4 classes

## Course Policies:

**Attendance:** Please contact the teacher if you intend to miss a class. To avoid losing credits, obtain notes, slides, and recordings of the class that you will miss.

## Important Dates:

- No significant dates to note.

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