



Lincoln's Bible School Curriculum

Lincoln Church of Christ

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Purpose

- ❑ **Create a curriculum plan**
- ❑ **Provide structured curriculum planning**
- ❑ **Provide balanced coverage of subject matter**
- ❑ **Provide flexibility for special:**
 - **Topics (current issues, specific needs, etc.)**
 - **Events (summer series, women's classes, etc.)**



Approach for Cradle Roll – 8th Grade

- ❑ **Bible based learning that emphasizes:**
 - **Drills**
 - **Historical time lines**
 - **Map skills**
 - **Memory work**

- ❑ **Using this approach, students should**
 - **Study through the Bible 2 to 3 times**
 - **With special emphasis on practical studies during 6th-8th grades**



Approach for 9th – 12th Grades

- ❑ **4-year curriculum cycle**
- ❑ **Generally, a subset of the adult curriculum**
- ❑ **With course adjustments to accommodate**
 - **Specific needs of age group**
 - **Consolidation for 4-year curriculum cycle**



Approach for Adults

- ❑ **8-year curriculum cycle**

- ❑ **Strategic Plan – master plan for curriculum cycles**
 - Core courses
 - Elective courses
 - Course schedules

- ❑ **Tactical Plan – annual planning details**

Strategic Plan – Core Courses

- ❑ **Three categories**
 - **New Testament textual studies**
 - **Old Testament textual studies**
 - **Core topical studies**

- ❑ **48 courses**
 - **Entire Biblical text**
 - **Key Biblical topics**

- ❑ **Each core course is taught once during each 8-year cycle (once per classroom)**

Category	Number	Title
Textual – New Testament	NT-01	Life of Jesus (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John)
Textual – New Testament	NT-02	Acts
Textual – New Testament	NT-03	Romans
Textual – New Testament	NT-04	1 & 2 Corinthians
Textual – New Testament	NT-05	Galatians
Textual – New Testament	NT-06	Ephesians
Textual – New Testament	NT-07	Philippians
Textual – New Testament	NT-08	Colossians
Textual – New Testament	NT-09	1 & 2 Thessalonians
Textual – New Testament	NT-10	1 & 2 Timothy
Textual – New Testament	NT-11	Titus, Philemon, Jude
Textual – New Testament	NT-12	Hebrews
Textual – New Testament	NT-13	James, 1 & 2 Peter
Textual – New Testament	NT-14	1, 2, & 3 John
Textual – New Testament	NT-15	Revelation
Textual – New Testament	NT-16	Parables of Jesus
Textual – New Testament	NT-17	Miracles of Jesus
Textual – New Testament	NT-18	Beatitudes
Textual – New Testament	NT-19	Sermon on the Mount
Textual – New Testament	NT-20	New Testament Characters
Textual – Old Testament	OT-01	Overview of Old Testament
Textual – Old Testament	OT-02	Genesis
Textual – Old Testament	OT-03	Exodus
Textual – Old Testament	OT-04	Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy
Textual – Old Testament	OT-05	Joshua, Judges, Ruth
Textual – Old Testament	OT-06	1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings
Textual – Old Testament	OT-07	1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah
Textual – Old Testament	OT-08	Esther
Textual – Old Testament	OT-09	Job
Textual – Old Testament	OT-10	Psalms
Textual – Old Testament	OT-11	Proverbs, Song of Solomon, Ecclesiastes
Textual – Old Testament	OT-12	Major Prophets
Textual – Old Testament	OT-13	Minor Prophets
Textual – Old Testament	OT-14	Ten Commandments
Textual – Old Testament	OT-15	Old Testament Characters
Topical – Core	TC-01	Christian Evidences
Topical – Core	TC-02	The Devil and Hell
Topical – Core	TC-03	Grace and Forgiveness
Topical – Core	TC-04	Church Leadership
Topical – Core	TC-05	The Church
Topical – Core	TC-06	Faith (Examples, Faith vs Works)
Topical – Core	TC-07	God
Topical – Core	TC-08	Fundamentals of Salvation
Topical – Core	TC-09	The Bible
Topical – Core	TC-10	Worship
Topical – Core	TC-11	Eschatology
Topical – Core – Mini	TCM-01	Attitudes, Heaven, Prayer
Topical – Core – Mini	TCM-02	Holy Spirit, Angels, Peace Be Still

Strategic Plan – Elective Courses

□ Scheduling

- One elective course per class per year (i.e., a Sunday quarter and a Wednesday quarter for each classroom each year)
- Selected each year during tactical planning

□ Strategic Plan contains list of elective courses

- Initial list has been identified
- List will continue to grow over time

Category	Number	Title
Topical – Elective	TE-01	Prayer
Topical – Elective	TE-02	Holy Spirit and His Workings
Topical – Elective	TE-03	Angels
Topical – Elective	TE-04	The Apostle Paul on Relationships
Topical – Elective	TE-05	New Converts Class
Topical – Elective	TE-06	Changes in the Church
Topical – Elective	TE-07	Denominational Beliefs
Topical – Elective	TE-08	Moral Issues Facing the Church Today
Topical – Elective	TE-09	Marriage
Topical – Elective	TE-10	Stewardship
Topical – Elective	TE-11	Personal Evangelism
Topical – Elective	TE-12	Questions People Ask Ministers the Most
Topical – Elective	TE-13	Eternal Life
Topical – Elective	TE-14	The Christian Home
Topical – Elective	TE-15	Doctrinal Issues Facing the Church Today
Topical – Elective	TE-16	Problems of Life
Topical – Elective	TE-17	Fruits of the Spirit
Topical – Elective	TE-18	Faithfulness: Hebrews 11
Topical – Elective	TE-19	
Topical – Elective	TE-20	
Topical – Elective	TE-21	
Topical – Elective	TE-22	
Topical – Elective	TE-23	
Topical – Elective	TE-24	
Topical – Elective	TE-25	
Topical – Elective	TE-26	
Topical – Elective	TE-27	
Topical – Elective	TE-28	
Topical – Elective	TE-29	
Topical – Elective	TE-30	
Topical – Elective	TE-31	
Topical – Elective	TE-32	
Topical – Elective	TE-33	
Topical – Elective	TE-34	
Topical – Elective	TE-35	
Topical – Elective	TE-36	
Topical – Elective	TE-37	
Topical – Elective	TE-38	
Topical – Elective	TE-39	
Topical – Elective	TE-40	
Topical – Elective – Women	TEW-01	Women in the Bible
Topical – Elective – Women	TEW-02	Role of Women in the Church

Strategic Plan – Schedule

- ❑ Each core course is scheduled on an 8-year cycle
- ❑ For 2nd and 3rd classrooms, schedules are offset by 4 and 2 years
- ❑ Slots are left for elective courses

Adult Curriculum 8-Year Strategic Plan Wednesday Schedule		
	Auditorium	Fellowship Hall
Winter Year 1	OT-01 Overview of Old Testament	TC-02 The Devil and Hell
Spring Year 1	NT-08 Colossians	OT-07 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah
Summer Year 1	TE Elective Topic	TE Elective Topic

Adult Curriculum 8-Year Strategic Plan Sunday Schedule			
	Auditorium	Fellowship Hall	Young Adult
Winter Year 1	TCM-01 Attitudes, Heaven, Prayer	NT-04 1 & 2 Corinthians	NT-13 James, 1 & 2 Peter
Spring Year 1	TE Elective Topic	TC-01 Christian Evidences	OT-08 Esther
Summer Year 1	NT-01 Life of Jesus (Matthew, Mark, Luke,	TCM-02 Holy Spirit, Angels, Peace Be Still	TE Elective Topic
Fall Year 1	OT-10 Psalms	TE Elective Topic	TC-10 Worship
Winter Year 2	NT-18 Beatitudes	NT-03 Romans	TE Elective Topic
Spring Year 2	OT-02 Genesis	TE Elective Topic	TC-06 Faith (Examples, Faith vs Works)
Summer Year 2	TE Elective Topic	NT-14 1, 2, & 3 John	NT-19 Sermon on the Mount

NT-20 New Testament Characters
TC-04 Church Leadership
OT-12 Major Prophets
TE Elective Topic
NT-09 1 & 2 Thessalonians
OT-15 Old Testament Characters
NT-12 Hebrews
TE Elective Topic
NT-15 Revelation

Note: To accommodate optional “Summer Series” events, Wednesday electives are always scheduled for summer



Tactical Plan (slide 1 of 2)

- ❑ **A Tactical Plan is created each year**
- ❑ **Identifies:**
 - **Course schedule**
 - Uses schedule from the strategic plan as the starting point
 - May swap scheduled slots
(for example, when no Summer Series is planned, elective courses may be moved to other quarters)
 - **Materials / Special Emphases**
 - Materials may be different from previous 8-year cycle
 - Class may focus on particular aspects of the overall topic
(For example, “NT-01 Life of Jesus” may be taught as a survey of the four gospels or by selecting one of the four)
 - **Elective course selections**

Tactical Plan (slide 2 of 2)

Lincoln Church of Christ Adult Curriculum Tactical Plan Adult Curriculum 2005 - Sunday			
	Auditorium	Fellowship Hall	Young Adult
Winter	TCM-01 Attitudes, Heaven, Prayer Mike Winkler, Dan Winkler	1 Corinthians NT-04 <i>Solving Problems God's Way</i> Winkler	James, 1 & 2 Peter NT-13 <i>Successful Christian Living in Today's World</i> Mike Winkler
Spring	TE-12 <i>Questions People Ask Ministers the Most</i> Harold Hazelip	Christian Evidences TC-01 Material from Rubel Shelley and Burt Thompson	TE-04 * <i>The Apostle Paul on Relationships</i>
Summer	NT-01 <i>Life of Jesus (Mt, Mk, Lk, Jn) Tell Me the Story of Jesus - A Study of Mt, Mk, Lk, and Jn</i> Wendell Winkler	TCM-02 Holy Spirit, Angels, Peace Be Still Winkler books	OT-08 * <i>Esther A Profile in Courage</i>
Fall	OT-10 Psalms	TE-08 Moral Issues Facing the Church	TC-10 Worship

Lincoln Church of Christ Adult Curriculum Tactical Plan Adult Curriculum 2005 - Wednesday		
	Auditorium	Fellowship Hall
Winter	OT-01 <i>Overview of Old Testament He Loves Forever - The Message of the Old Testament</i> Tom Olbricht - 20th CC	TC-02 The Devil and Hell
Spring	NT-08 <i>Colossians Studies in Colossians - the Supremacy of Christ</i> John Kachelman	<i>Magnificent Marriages</i> TE-09 * Dr. Nick Stinnett, Nancy Stinnett, & Dr. Donnie Hilliard
Summer	TE-06 Changes in the Church	OT-07 * 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah
Fall	OT-13 Minor Prophets	NT-20 New Testament Characters

Legend:
NT Textual
OT Textual
Topical - Core
Topical - Elective

* The elective topic is scheduled for Spring quarter (instead of Summer quarter as indicated in the strategic plan), so the course from the Spring quarter in the strategic plan will be done in the Summer quarter this year.

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Summary

- ❑ **Planning approach provides structure**
 - Strategic Plan provides perpetual curriculum cycle
 - Tactical Plan addresses annual planning details
- ❑ **Core courses provide balance**
 - Cover entire Biblical text during 8-year cycle (places emphasis on knowing the scriptures)
 - Address key Biblical topics
- ❑ **Elective courses provide flexibility**
 - Elective courses provide variety
 - Annual selection provides flexibility and responsiveness to specific needs