

ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP 2013 • Fall Training Notes

Dt. 31:12 Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law.

The Adult Bible Fellowship of Colonial Hills Baptist Church exists to evangelize the lost (Matt. 28:19-20), edify the believer (Eph. 4:11-12) and enlist faithful workers (Rom. 12:11).

- **Adult** – Because 60-70% % of those who attend the 9:30 hour at Colonial Hills are Adult. Adult Sunday School attenders share a need for inter-active biblical instruction.
- **Bible** – The Word of God is at the center of all that we do at Colonial Hills Baptist Church.
- **Fellowship** – Christians need fellowship. The Christian life is not to be lived out alone. The “One Another’s” of Scripture ought to compel us.

The ABF Schedule:

- ❖ 9:30-9:45/9:50 – Department Head Leads Fellowship → Prayer, Announcements, Song, Scripture Memory, Special Event (see “Ideas for Leaders & Teachers”)
- ❖ 9:45/9:50-10:25 – Teacher Time
- ❖ 10:25 – Dismissal

Introducing Life-Stage Classes / 2013

- ✓ **Young Adult 1** – Combination Age 36-71
Leadership: Fry and O’Neil
Teachers: Reason and Elms
- ✓ **Young Adult 2** – Combination Age 72-99
Leadership: Moeckly and _____
Teachers: Rankin and Taylor
- ✓ **Middle Adult 1** – Combination Age 100-116
Leadership: Funkhouser and _____
Teachers: Barber and Sherrill
- ✓ **Middle Adult 2** – Combination Age 117-142
Leadership: Shaughnessy and Williams
Teachers: Davenport and Jones
- ✓ **Senior Adult** – Combination Age 143 and Up
Leadership: Phil Thomas
Teachers: Pastor Taylor and Pastor Thomas

Important Considerations:

1. 30% of those who join us for our Morning Service do not attend Sunday School.
2. Our ABF Goals
 - Teach the Bible with interaction
 - Teach a well-balanced Biblical diet
 - Provide Fellowship opportunities
 - Develop Spiritual Leaders by sharing the load
 - Doing “One-Another Ministry”
 - Provide spiritual accountability
3. Pastor Ben – New role → ABF Administrator
4. Activity Weekends
 - Oct. 11-13
 - Nov. 8-9 – Couple’s Retreat
5. Overall Year Schedule
 - Start – Sept. 8
 - No Class – October 20 –Heritage Sunday
 - No Class – December 29 – Resolution Sunday
 - No Class – April 6 – Missions Month Kick-off
 - No Class – June 2 – Summer Scramble Kick-off
6. Elective Offerings → Music, Family, Finances, Discipleship
7. Sunday Schools “Multiply by division.” Our goal is to enlist and encourage workers so that our classes may be further divided for spiritual growth.
8. Department Heads
 - Solicit workers – Secretary, Activity Director, Outreach Director, Follow-up Director, “Coffee Helpers”
 - Plan each week creatively
 - Safety Guidelines are posted in each classroom
 - Always arrive early – Teacher’s and Worker’s Meeting for our ABF is 9:00 a.m. in the library.
 - No class president votes, etc.
 - Name your class (see list of ideas — email Pastor Keith with your selection within 1 week)
 - Décor – We are very open to gaining assistance in decorating assigned classrooms!
9. Choir Rehearsal — 10:30 a.m.
10. How Prospects will work
 - Newcomer’s Class
 - Footsteps Class (Discipleship)
 - Promotion to ABF

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKER'S COMMITMENT

1. I will daily set aside time for communion with my Lord in prayer and Bible study.
2. I will faithfully spend time preparing each lesson, and will strictly adhere to the church's philosophy of living a separated life.
3. I will be at church at least fifteen minutes before my duty begins.
4. I subscribe to the doctrinal statement of my church, and will teach nothing that is in conflict with its position
5. I will make contact with any new pupil in my class as soon as possible.
6. I will faithfully attend and promote the services of our church and will loyally support all of its programs both financially and with my prayers.
7. I will attend all teachers' training meetings required for the carrying out of my duties.
8. I will be conscientious about the appearance of my classroom, striving to make it as attractive as possible.
9. I will abide by the dress standard set forth by Trinity Christian School when I attend church services.
10. I have never been charged as a sexual offender or as a child offender.
11. Elementary only: I will never physically discipline a Sunday School child.

Signature