ABOUT OUR SEMINARS

The **Sunday School Superintendents'** and **Sunday School Teachers' Seminars** will be held in conjunction with the 37th Annual SSPB Conference. As a Seminar participant, you will be able to participate in all conference plenary and worship sessions at no additional cost.

As a ministry leader, you're constantly searching for inspiration and instruction to expand your ministry. We understand. In three days of intensive training, the all-new Seminars will transform the way you think about Sunday Church School and improve the way you and your team work.

- Comprehensive Superintendent and Teacher Certification Programs
- Up-to-the-minute session topics
- A carefully selected roster of facilitators will open your eyes to new ideas by offering an unmatched combination of creative inspiration and tactical information.
- An innovative program that addresses your needs as a leader and teacher of God's Word.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Seminars will serve:

- Superintendents
- Teachers
- Christian Education Directors
- Pastors
- Staff Leaders
- Ministry Volunteers

PRE-CONFERENCE RECEPTION

Connect over Coffee, Conversation, and Dessert

Please join us on Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. for a pre-Conference reception in the Governors Lobby. Connect with peers, chat with SSPB staffers, and have an opportunity to share one-on-one with the Executive Director. Admission is free to registered attendees.

CONTACT US

If you have any questions, you can find helpful information on our Web site. You may also call us at 1.800.359.9398, ext. 5765, or email dberry@sspbnbc.com.

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DAILY PROGRAM SCHEDULE

7:30 a.m.

Gathering/Peer-Connect

8:00 a.m.

Lecture

9:30 a.m.

Break

9:45 a.m.

Morning Plenary/Worship

12:00 p.m.

Lunch [On your own]

2:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

3:30 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m.

The Game Plan

(This is where you apply all of the day's lessons to your specific church, school, or ministry. Using the provided Workbook, you'll devise practical next steps to take over the following months.)

4:30 p.m.

Q&A Session

(If you have a specific question, this time is for you. Maybe you need clarification on something or perhaps you'd like specific advice for your own project.)

4:45 p.m.

Next Steps/Prayer

5:00 p.m. Adiourn

7:00 p.m.

Evening Worship

SUPERINTENDENTS' SEMINAR

ESSENTIALS OF LEADERSHIP

The **Sunday School Superintendents' Seminar** is designed to provide superintendents with practical training experiences that will strengthen their leadership skills, assist in selecting and developing Sunday Church School teachers, and expose superintendents to SSPB curricula and other Christian education experiences that will assist in building a great Sunday Church School.

Audience: Sunday school superintendents, department heads, staff leaders

Time frame: This seminar grants a certificate of completion. Persons who have completed this intensive seminar will be recognized in a special ceremony.

Lecturer: Dr. James Blackburn

Module Facilitators: Rev. Benjamin E. V. Lett, Dr. Wilma Bachus

Credit Options for 2015: This Seminar track will be accepted as an equivalency credit for course 6018—Organizing the Church School/Sunday School.

Materials: Workbook and handouts (provided)

Registration fees cover: Plenary Sessions, Morning Class and Afternoon Modules, Seminar materials

Morning Lecture: [Monday–Wednesday]

Steps to a Healthy Sunday School

This session will cover the role and benefits of Sunday school; the role of the pastor and superintendent, and how to communicate the Sunday school's purpose to church leaders and the congregation.

Afternoon Module Topics:

"Superintendents—Reaching and Growing Your Sunday Schools"

"Organizing for Effective Learning"

"Job Descriptions Do Make a Difference"

"Recruiting and Keeping Volunteers"

"Sunday School Outreach: Plan and Organize for Growth"

"Facilities that Facilitate Learning: Working with What You Have"

TEACHERS' SEMINAR

ESSENTIALS OF TEACHING

The **Sunday School Teachers' Seminar** is designed to assist teachers in discovering and understanding creative teaching methods, learning styles, lesson plan development, and student learning environments.

Audience: Sunday school teachers, teaching assistants, and volunteers

Time frame: This Seminar grants a certificate of completion. Persons who have completed this intensive seminar will be recognized in a special ceremony.

Lecturer: Dr. Mary McConnell

Module Facilitators: Mrs. Sheryl B. McDowney, Mrs. Lillian Holmes, Rev. Judith T. Lester

Credit Options for 2015: This Seminar track will be accepted as an equivalency credit for course 2023—Creative Ways of Teaching, or for course 2022—Teaching Your Teachers to Teach.

Materials: Workbook and handouts (provided)

Registration fees cover: Plenary Sessions, Morning and Afternoon Modules, Seminar materials

Morning Lectures:

The Call to Teach [Monday]

This session addresses the teacher's calling, commitment, and responsibility to the teaching ministry as well as the essential criteria and characteristics of effective teachers.

The Students You Teach [Tuesday]

This session addresses the importance of and the tools to build healthy teacher-and-student relationships.

Creating the Learning Environment [Wednesday]

This session provides information on how to create an effective learning environment where students will feel welcome.

Afternoon Options:

Module One: "Equipping Today's Children's Sunday School Teacher"

Module Two: "Equipping Today's Youth Sunday School Teacher"

Module Three: "Equipping Today's Adult Sunday School Teacher"



DISCOUNT COUPON



HERE'S YOUR REWARD FOR READING TO THE END

\$10/OFF

You get a golden ticket. This brochure has been printed with the following discount:

Bring this ticket when you register for the **Sunday School Superintendents'** or the **Sunday School Teachers' Seminar** to receive \$10 off for use in the SSPB Bookstore during the Conference.

Discount is non-transferrable, and may be used only during the 2015 Conference.



LODGING

The 2015 Conference and overlapping Sunday School Superintendents' and Sunday School Teachers' Seminars will take place at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center in Nashville. We have negotiated a preferred room rate at the hotel (\$134.00 for Single/Double). Space in our room block is limited. Hotel reservations can be made online (www. sspbnbc.com) or by calling the hotel directly (1-877-382-7299). Please ask for the "Sunday School Publishing Board Group" for rate discounts. Hotel reservation deadline is October 28, 2015. *Everyone who is booked for three nights or more will be entered into an SSPB Grand Prize Giveaway.

MEALS

With restaurants only steps from meeting spaces, attendees can easily and conveniently continue the momentum of the sessions. Cascades and Conservatory Café are open all day. Cocoa Bean Coffee House serves grab-and-go fare.

Note: For an additional fee, an affordable three-day lunch meal package will be made available during the registration process. For your convenience, the lunches will be served in the Ryman Ballroom (adjacent to class sessions)

TRANSPORTATION

Nashville International Airport is only five minutes away via a complimentary roundtrip shuttle service offered on the hour and half-hour. From baggage claim, proceed to the phone bank and press button #46 to request pickup.

Courtesy cars will run between the airport and host hotel Sunday— Thursday.

PARKING

The parking rate for our guests will be \$7.00 self-parking rate per day (normally \$21.00)

LUNCH-AND-LEARN WORKSHOPS

The three-day Lunch-and-Learn Workshops are open to all registered delegates. Lunch and workshop materials are included in the registration fee of \$75.00.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is required in order to participate in all plenary sessions, classes, workshops, and sponsored events. We encourage you to use our online registration. If you do not receive your email confirmation, please contact us at 1-800-359-9398, ext. 5795 or 5771.

If you are mailing your registration form (included in this brochure), please include your payment (check, cashier's check, money order, or credit card number) and send to the Division of Christian Education, 330 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, TN 37201-1188. Major credit cards can be used for both online and mail-in registrations. A \$25 service charge will be applied to checks returned for insufficient funds.

Make checks, cashier's checks, and money orders payable to: Division of Christian Education.

If you must cancel for any reason, please notify us by November 8, 2015, submitted by fax (615-242-2825) or e-mail (ewilliams@sspbnbc.com), or via regular mail.

SEMINAR/WORKSHOP SELECTION

One Delegate per Form. Place a check in the box of your selection.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS' SEMINAR

☐ Morning Class and Afternoon Modules [EQUIV-6018, Organizing the Church School/Sunday School]

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' SEMINAR

☐ Morning Class and Afternoon Modules [EQUIV-2022, Teaching Your Teachers to Teach or 2023, Creative Ways of Teaching]

3-DAY LUNCH-AND-LEARN WORKSHOPS

[Optional—Open to all registered delegates.]

- SSPB Vacation Bible School
- ☐ SSPB Aspiring Writers

PRICING INFORMATION

REGISTRATION	REGULAR REGISTRATION	PRICING	EARLY REGISTRATION	PRICING	PAID
Superintendents'	Sept 28– Nov 8, 2015	\$160.00	June 21– Sept 27, 2015	\$135.00	\$
Teachers'	Sept 28– Nov 8, 2015	\$160.00	June 21– Sept 27, 2015	\$135.00	\$
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3-Day Lunch-and- Learn Workshop [Rates include daily b	June 21- Nov 8, 2015 ox Lunch]	\$75.00			\$
Lunch Meal Package Mon–Wed	June 21– Nov 8, 2015	\$60.00			\$
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