

2026 Course Offering

First Period

Inspiration and Instruction in the Hebrew Scripture

Nathan Zook - Baltimore, MD

II Timothy 3:16 indicates that "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness..." When this letter was written, "All scripture" was referring to the Hebrew Scriptures (aka - the Old Testament). How can believers living in the last days find inspiration and instruction in righteousness from this huge section of 39 books of the Bible that has frequently been dismissed as irrelevant to the modern church? In this class, we will explore profitable instruction from the Old Testament with deep relevance to contemporary societal and church issues.

Learning Effective Discipleship

Isaac Deemer - Wapwallopen, PA

This is a class designed to help you learn to listen, care, and love more like Christ. We will explore various topics such as anger, abuse, addictions, the art of listening, questions that guide, past hurts exchanged for present joy, validated faith, worship, and hope. Studying these topics, along with looking at heart & head personality types, will help you understand yourself and others better equipping you with tools for better service in His kingdom & the church.

Second Period

Counted Faithful in the Ministry (1Tim. 1:12)

Jared Weaver - Bainbridge, PA

We will allow God's Word to guide our study on what it means for Christ Jesus our Lord to count us faithful in the ministry He has given us. Our study will include; practical ways to maintain faithfulness in serving, preaching and shepherding in the church, the importance of being faithful leaders in our home, practical ways to call the church to maintain vision and to live in obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ. Our study will conclude with the rewards for faithful service.

Spiritual Disciplines- Ladies (Tues, Wed)

Bonnie Bauman - Drayton, ON

Living in the moment comes more naturally, but spiritual disciplines are necessary to maximize the moments. This class will explore themes in personal devotions, gratitude, and personal health. Fulfilling the calling as a helper and personal relationships will also be discussed.

What are you teaching? (Thurs, Fri)

Kendra Kennell - El Paso, IL

An element of Biblical womanhood that also takes discipline to make happen is teaching those younger than you. The Bible says that older women are to teach younger women. We will take practical lessons from Titus 2 and other passages in Scripture. We are part of a larger team, ladies, not just small little isolated islands.

Faithful Financial Stewards

Various Speakers

Illustrations, themes, and direct commands regarding finances appear in scripture more than almost any other practical subject. Are we faithful stewards in our culture? The first two sessions will develop awareness of fraudulent investment schemes and scamming techniques. The remainder of the week will explore other themes of stewardship, global awareness, decision-making, and management. Passing values and resources to the next generation will also be discussed.

Third Period

Reaching Our Local Communities in the 21st Century

Marcus Fox - Reading, PA

In this class we will be looking at mission opportunities for the local church. How do we stay relevant in a postmodern world that doesn't see a need for church. Building bridges to the local community will be a focus. What can we as Anabaptists specifically offer to our communities? These and many other topics will be discussed.

The Gospel of the Kingdom

Roger Byers - Faith Mission, VA

The concept of two kingdoms seems to have been in the mind and plan of God from the beginning. It was prefigured in the nation of Israel/ all other nations. John the Baptist preached it. It was the center of Jesus' message. The apostles all taught it. Those belonging to the Kingdom of Heaven are the called out ones. God becomes their father and they become the sons and daughters of God as part of the new Kingdom, new heart, new way.

"THE ENTRANCE OF THY WORDS GIVETH LIGHT." Psalm 119:130

General Information

Registration: Monday, February 16, 2026, 10:00 am. - 12:00 Noon

Dismissal: Friday, February 20, 2026 - 1:00 P.M.

Items to bring: Bible, notebook, gym shoes, bedding & towels (if not staying in motel)

Costs: Institute Rooms - \$15.00/night, Meals - \$5.00/meal. An offering will be taken to help cover costs.

Reservations: Registration is required for classes, lodging, and meals. Lodging is available in campus dorms and apartments on a first come-first served basis. Due to limited space, make reservations early. Lodging is also available in area homes and motels. For more information, call the SMBI office at (717) 485-4341 or email at smbi@smbi.org

Please pre-register @ smbi.org in consideration of all involved.

(Day visitors are also expected to pre-register.)

You're Invited

Sharon Mennonite Bible Institute

Join us for Ministers' Week

February 16 - 20, 2026

(Pre-registration is required by

registering on our website - smbi.org)

Forty-Eighth Annual Ministers' Week



The 2026 Ministers' Week is designed to help church leaders practically apply doctrinal teachings in their local churches. The classes are designed for those in leadership but we welcome anyone who has a desire to study the Word of God.

The Ministers' Week is a five-day program of in-class study. Each one in attendance may enroll in a maximum of three courses. There will be approximately nine hours of teaching per subject.

Infants are permitted to attend, but we request sensitivity to distraction while classes are in session. All daily visitors must contact the office in advance and upon arrival because of limited space.

Sharon Mennonite Bible Institute
7304 Lincoln Hwy.
Harrisonville, PA 17228

NON-PROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
PERMIT NO. 15
Mercersburg, PA 17236

"THE ENTRANCE OF THY WORDS GIVETH LIGHT." Psalm 119:130

Motel Accommodations

Anyone desiring to have motel accommodations is asked to make reservations with the motel of your choice. There are also several Airbnb & bed & breakfast options in the area.

Following is a list of several motels in the area.

When making reservations, be sure to tell them you are associated with Sharon Mennonite Bible Institute.

Days Inn, Breezewood - (814) 735-4352

Holiday Inn Express, Breezewood - (814) 735-7666

Wiltshire Motel, Breezewood - (814) 735-4361

Daily Schedule

7:15 am	Breakfast
8:00-9:05	Period 1
9:20-10:25	Period 2
10:40-11:45	Period 3
11:45	General Assembly
12:30	Lunch
1:45-2:45	Period 1 continued
3:00-4:00	Period 2 continued
4:15-5:15	Period 3 continued
5:30	Supper
7:00 pm	Recreation & Activities

*Monday is the afternoon schedule only

*Friday is the morning schedule only and concludes with the SMBI Choir

Sharon Mennonite Bible Institute

7304 Lincoln Hwy.

Harrisonville, PA 17228