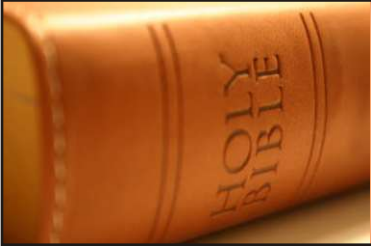


# Fraser Lands English Adult Christian Education



**New Term Starting**  
January 9, 2011  
9:15 am - 10:30 am

We encourage all who have a desire to grow deeper in their faith and in the study of God's Word to join us for Sunday School classes. We will be offering 3 classes this term from January to April, 2011.

**Classes begin on January 9, 9:15 am in the Fireside Room for the first day. All are welcome. Please sign up at the Info Counter.**

## **1. Old Testament Foundation (Kurtis Peters)**

The Old Testament (OT) is part of Christian Scripture crucial to the whole of the biblical story and needs to be understood in both its ancient context and current values. Kurtis, a Regent graduate versed in Hebrew and Greek, will bring the OT to life by first focusing on the world behind the text, exploring the history, culture and geography of the ancient Near Eastern world (complete with pictures). Each week we will read representative passages of various sections, genres, and specific books to grasp the meaning and importance of the OT revealing God's love and work with His creation to reconcile it to Him via biblical themes of Creation, Covenant, Law, Ethics, Worship (Genesis-Deuteronomy), Kingship, Land and Justice (Samuel-Kings, Isaiah, Amos), Exile and Lament (Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Lamentations), Struggle, Wisdom, and the Eschaton (Ecclesiastes, Job, Proverbs, Daniel...)

After tracing the movement of the whole OT and the role of the individual books and themes within it, we would see how its trajectory points, with hope amidst sorrow, to the significance of the coming of Christ, the Son of God, who knows intimately the story and struggle of His creation. Then we can learn to read the New Testament in light of the old and especially how we as a Christian Church can incorporate the Old Testament into our shared life of worship.

## **2. The Truthfulness and Trustworthiness of the Bible (Pastor Brian Thompson)**

How did the Bible come to us? Why do we say it is from God? In what ways is it true and trustworthy? How does this relate to our understanding of who Jesus is? Are our current versions accurate translations of the originals? These and other questions on the origin, nature and authenticity of our Bible will be examined by Pastor Brian in an interactive class with lots of time for discussions. It is helpful for people newer in the faith wanting to learn more on the foundational reasons for our belief of the authority of the Bible as word from God. Those wanting to learn how to defend the Bible better using archeological and other external evidence along with internal proofs of Scriptures itself to support our claims will also find this course rewarding. Join us.

## **3. Christianity 101 (Fritz Baylen)**

For people who want to be baptized this Spring and those wanting to know more about the fundamental beliefs of our faith, join us for this interactive class touching on subjects such as who the persons of God the Father, Son and Spirit, the nature of this Trinity, what Jesus did, the nature of sin and salvation, the authority of the Bible, what is the church, angels and demons, heaven and hell and everything in between...this theology overview will give you the foundation for knowing what we believe, why we believe and spawn your interest to dig deeper in your ongoing spiritual journey.