PNBC New Projected Classes 2026 – List with Instructors

1. God Is in Control

Class #: 2005.2

Instructor: Dr. Yashika Tippett

Objective: In today's world, new sources of anxiety and fear confront us almost daily. As a result, many believers live under a constant cloud of apprehension and fear. This class the students will focus upon the fact that things may be out of control, nothing catches the Father off guard. The One who created everything can be trusted to provide for our needs. Regardless of our circumstances, the Lord is with us to encourage and strengthen us as He leads us to victory.

2. IT -Technology and AI – How to use Technology and AI in the church

Course # 669.6

Age: 12 to Seasoned Adults

Instructor: Rev. Jeffery Williams

Objective: This class explores how technology and artificial intelligence can be used as effective tools for ministry while staying rooted in biblical values. Participants will learn practical ways to use technology and AI to enhance worship, teaching, communication, outreach, and administration in the church. The class will also address discernment, ethics, and responsibility—helping leaders and members understand how to use modern tools wisely, creatively, and purposefully to support the mission of the church without replacing the heart of ministry: people, prayer, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

3. Estate Planning/Wills

Course #: 6800

Instructor: Attorney Nadine Nunn, ESQ

Objective: There are various levels of estate planning. Some key components consist of the following:

- Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care
- Designation of Funeral Representatives
- Deed (Lady Bird or Trusts)
- Wills

Estate planning is one of the most important (and complicated) financial decisions a person can make, made even more difficult by the emotions driven by contemplating one's own mortality, according to the Wall Street Journal and New York Times. The objective to estate planning is to record a plan for distributing your life's assets upon your demise. It encompasses elements of money, taxes, family dynamics and emotions. Our culture must take control of our financial futures, preserve cultural legacies, and contribute to the unity and purpose of our communities. This process also enhances generational wealth.

4. Power of Reconciliation

Course #: 409.12

Instructor: Rev. Grady Kelly

Objective: Provide students with the knowledge that reconciliation in a religious context: that restore broken relationships and promote peace and justice; in the Christian faith and is associated with Jesus' death and the message of healing and peace that he brought to humanity. The goal of reconciliation is to transform people from enemies of God into saints, and to achieve this, Christians are called to be ambassadors of reconciliation.

5. Real Talk from the Savior Lips – Matthew 5:11-15

Course #:

Instructor: Dr. Michael Harris

Objective: This class dives into Jesus' honest and powerful words from the Sermon on the Mount, where He teaches what it truly means to follow Him in a challenging world. Using Matthew 5:11–15, students will explore how to handle criticism and opposition with faith, why being different for Christ matters, and how to live as the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Through real-life discussion and practical application, this class encourages believers to stand firm, stay bold, and shine for Jesus—letting His truth guide their words, actions, and daily lives.

6. Be On Guard

Course #: 1600.2

Instructor: Pastor Ryan Smalls

Objective: The church of today faces various physical threats. Perhaps directed towards the leader, or if a member is facing threats from someone, the church needs to serve as a refuge spiritually and physically. This class will offer suggestions to assist those who are charged with the responsibility of protecting the church. This is not a self-defense class, but a class that will allow the students to return back to their respective churches with information to keep people safe in the custody of sanctuaries with tools to manage unruly guests and respond to threats.

7. Sunday School Teacher Training

Course #: 524.2

Instructor: Dr. Terry Streeter

Objective: In this course we will explore the various textbooks used for Sunday School. We will also assist the teachers in creating an exciting lesson plan for their students each Sunday. In this class the offerings of commentaries and resources to enhance the teaching and preparation are vital. This class will allow teachers to learn from each other if success is planted in certain areas versus others. The goal is to have the teachers to be encouraged to continue this labor with excitement.

8. Solving Church Conflict

Course #: 409.16

Instructor: Dr. Terrell Brown

Objective: They say that "Church Hurt" is the worst form of hurt. This course will explore some of the solutions to implement in the areas of the most frequent issues of contention. This gathering will be deemed a safe space for those who are carrying the burden of delayed reconciliation and uncertainty for their worship community. The broad array of issues will assist the students to start the process of healing to be an effective Christian and church member.

10. The Assist: Associate Ministers are the Point Guards of Worship

Course#: 900.10

Instructor: Dr Felix Williams

Objective: This class is for associate ministers and clergy who have the privilege of being a servant to the church and the pastor. In this class the student will be able to better understand the role of the pastor to the people and the associate to the pastor. The student will also be equipped with the best information that assists the pastor to be the BEST pastor they can be. From sermon "do's and don'ts" to managing the spiritual energy during the worship service. The student will understand the effect of their assistance and their unique gift offered to the ministry under the umbrella of the lead minister/pastor. This class will also be a good class for those who feel "Called" to ministry.

11. Where Do I Fit Here: Exploring Identity and Engagement as Contributors to Sense of Belonging in Multi-generational Congregations

Course #

Instructor: Rev. Milian Scott

Objective: This course will address necessary measures to foster sense of belonging in congregations of varying age groups that is believed to help membership retention. It will be designed to include explorations of individual personhoods in addition to collective church identities. The course will also offer interventions that allow participants to explore their individuality while in a faith walk process (such as surveys and personality assessments). It encourages unity among church bodies with engagement efforts to equally distribute the workload of the church by inviting new members and promoting the work of auxiliaries and

ministry groups. Thus, will offer opportunities to fit together by way of service alongside one another. Perhaps it will set a model for use in their respective congregations.

12. Hidden Figures: Unnamed Women of the Bible

Course #

Instructor: Dr. Robin Moore

Objective: The course will focus on nameless women who overcome shame, condemnation, and brokenness by encountering the power, grace, and love of Jesus Christ in their stories. We will experience how God reveals His beautiful redemptive story through the real lives of real biblical women who reflect many of the challenges faced by women today. Likewise, the course unfolds a discovery of how God relates to each one of us in our places of personal needs and struggles that are often hidden or masked.

14. No Cap: Living Truth in a Filtered World – Authentic Faith

Course #

Instructor: Apostle Cannon

Objective: This class challenges participants to live out a real, honest faith in a world shaped by filters, trends, and appearances. Using biblical truth as the foundation, students will explore what it means to follow Christ authentically—without pretending, performing, or compromising. Through scripture, open discussion, and real-life examples, the class encourages believers to align their words, actions, and values with God's truth, stand firm in their identity in Christ, and reflect genuine faith both online and offline. This is about "no cap" living—faith that's real, rooted, and unapologetically Christ-centered.

15. T.R.E.N.D.S – Teach, Respect, Engage, Navigate, Discuss, Structure

Course #

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Wilbur A. Whitehurst, Jr.

Objective: T.R.E.N.D.S. in Biblical Leadership is a course designed to help current and aspiring leaders grow in godly character and practical leadership skills. Using the acronym T.R.E.N.D.S., participants will explore what it means to be Teachable, show Respect, Engage with others, Navigate challenges, lead through Discussion, and build Structure in ministry and life—all grounded in Biblical truth.

16. Leading Through Transition

Course #

Instructor: Rev. Dr. Micah R. Gaines

Objective: This class is an immersive course designed to equip pastors and preachers to lead faithfully through seasons of change in ministry and life. Over three days, participants will explore how biblical faith, pastoral wisdom, and adaptive leadership practices intersect during moments of uncertainty, disruption, and renewal.

This course helps pastors and leaders distinguish between change and transition, recognize the emotional and spiritual dynamics at work in congregations, and respond with clarity, courage, and compassion. Participants will reflect on their own leadership posture in times of transition while gaining practical tools for guiding others without losing vision, health, or hope.

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Understand transition through a biblical and pastoral lens
- Identify common challenges and resistance that arise during change
- Communicate stability, vision, and hope in uncertain seasons
- Lead congregations with emotional and spiritual intelligence
- Navigate transition in ways that foster growth rather than fear

All in all, this course is designed to prepare pastors and leaders to lead confidently in the "in-between" moments where God is forming what comes next.

19. Social Justice: From the Pulpit to the Pews

Course #:

Instructor:

Objective: Students will understand the biblical foundation of social justice and learn how God calls believers not only to hear justice preached from the pulpit, but to live it out daily through compassion, advocacy, and Christ-centered action. By the end of this class, participants will be able to:

- Define social justice from a biblical perspective, using Scripture to distinguish God's justice from cultural or political definitions (Micah 6:8; Amos 5:24).

- Identify Jesus' teachings and actions that model justice, mercy, and love for the marginalized (Luke 4:18–19; Matthew 25:35–40).

- Explain the role of the church in addressing injustice, showing how preaching, teaching, and discipleship should lead to practical action (James 2:14–17).

- Recognize personal responsibility in living out justice, understanding that faith is demonstrated through everyday choices and service (Proverbs 31:8–9).

- Develop practical ways to move justice "from the pulpit to the pews" by applying biblical principles at home, school, church, and in the community.

Performing Arts Division

20. Praise Dance Ministry

Course #: 920.41

Instructor: Sis. Talisha Davis

Objective: The class will show the importance of creative dance within the ministry of the local church. It will also show how this medium can be used to enhance an appreciation for the fine art of dance from a Christian perspective.

Youth Division

21. Trolling for Jesus the Right Way

Course #: 314.10

Age:14-17

Instructor: Rev. Maisha Lindsey

Objective: This class helps teens learn how to stand for Christ in a world driven by social media, opinions, and online influence. "Trolling for Jesus" isn't about arguing or tearing others down—it's about fishing for hearts the way Jesus did. Students will explore how to represent Christ with wisdom, courage, and love both online and in real life. Through scripture, real-life scenarios, and honest discussion, teens will learn how to respond instead of react, speak truth without hate, and use their voices to point others to Jesus—without compromising their faith. Matthew 4:19 or Colossians 4:6)

22. Building a Framework with The Carpenter

Age: 8-13

Course #: 301.6

Instructor: Sis Donita Coney

Objective: This class invites children to walk alongside Jesus—the Carpenter from Nazareth—as they discover who He is and how He lived. Through Bible stories, hands-on activities, games, and discussion, students will learn about Jesus' life, His teachings, and His love for others. Each lesson

helps kids understand how Jesus builds strong hearts, kind attitudes, and faithful lives, just like a carpenter builds something to last. Along the journey, children will learn how to follow Jesus daily by loving God, serving others, and growing in faith.

23. I Am a Part 4-7

Course #: 214.2.6

Instructor: Sis. Adrianne Journey

Objective: This class is to let the littlest of our church know that they too have a place in the ministry of the church. We want our babies to know that they are not overlooked, and their contributions are just as important as everyone else's.