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MEMO:
NT Survey Developmental Requirement

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Dear New Staff,

Have you ever finished leading a small group Bible study and thought, “*I wish I knew Scripture better?*” Have you ever found yourself in an evangelistic conversation in which you thought, “*I wish I knew how to more effectively respond to this person's questions?*” Have you ever been in a conversation with someone who is deeply struggling and thought, “*I wish I was better able to relate the truths of Scripture to my friend's problems.*”

I think we're all aware of our need to grow deeper in our understanding of the Scriptures.

In Paul's final letter to Timothy he reminds this young leader, “*Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.*” (2 Tim. 2:15, NIV) Paul is reminding Timothy that to be an effective minister of the gospel he must be a person with growing biblical and theological depth.

The same is no less true for you and me. I'm convinced that to carry out our mission in the fullness of its scope requires kingdom-workers with a passion for God who are growing ever deeper in their ability to understand and apply God's Word to their own lives and the lives of those to whom they minister.

One important component of your theological training at New Staff Training is *New Testament Survey*. Because the Scriptures are the foundation of all we do in ministry, it is imperative we have a good handle on the Word of God. N.T. Survey is designed to deepen and enrich your understanding of the New Testament.

Though these lectures were recorded several years ago, I believe you will enjoy the passion for God's Word Dr. Stanley brings to this class. This class also provides a wonderful opportunity for Biblical input during your MPD. On the following page you will find a timeline for the completion of the class.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Keith E. Johnson".

Keith E. Johnson, Ph.D.
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New Testament Survey: Overview and Guidelines

Design and Overview: *New Testament Survey* is both similar to and different from your other two NST courses. It is similar in that it will involve listening to lectures, taking notes, reading books and completing tests. As an “independent study” course, however, it differs in its learning environment. In a classroom environment, regularly scheduled lectures provide an external incentive for learners to keep up their pace. With an independent study course all the initiative lies with the learner. Some learners find this format challenging—particularly because of the personal discipline it requires. Nevertheless, independent study is an important means of adult learning. It is critical as staff that we learn how to engage in study on our own.

Download the Lectures: Your first step is to download the 20 lectures. They are posted on the IBS website. <http://ibs.campuscrusadeforchrist.com/ibs/ibs/index.html>. Select “New Staff Training,” then “Theological Courses” and then “New Testament Survey.”

Suggestions for Working on the Course: The first and most critical step is setting aside a regular weekly time in your schedule to work on the class. You should allot about five hours per week (2 hr/wk to listen to two lessons, 2 hr/wk for reading, and 1 hr/wk for assignments). Find a time when you are fresh and are not likely to be meeting people for appointments on a regular basis (e.g., the morning) and put it into your schedule as an “appointment.” Occasionally circumstances will arise that require you to adjust the time—for example, you may schedule a support appointment. Then you will need to move it to a different time slot in the week. You will find that you will make better progress if you have an undistracted environment in which to work. Complete all the work for an individual session (i.e., listen to the tape, complete the required reading, etc.) before moving to the next one.

Deadline: The deadline for completing *New Testament Survey* is JANUARY 5. You have three months to complete this course (including taking the final exam). Your final exam must be postmarked by January 5, 2010. As an incentive for completing the course on time you will receive a tuition rebate of \$100 if your exam is postmarked by January 5. (Note: You can bring your completed materials to the Winter NST conference and still get the rebate. See below)

Where Do I Mail My Exam? Mail your exam, answer key, and course grade sheet to: I.B.S. Registrar, Campus Crusade for Christ, 100 Lake Hart Drive Dept. 2500, Orlando, FL 32832.

Can I bring my completed materials to the January 2010 New Staff Training Conference? Yes. If you bring your completed materials with you to registration (first day of the conference), you will receive the full \$100 rebate.

***New Testament Survey* is NOT Optional:** This course is a required part of your development as a staff member with Campus Crusade for Christ. On your weekly MPD report you will report the number of hours you spent working on *New Testament Survey* as well as the number of sessions you have completed. You are expected to complete *New Testament Survey* before you report to the full New Staff Training Conference in January.

What if I Need an Extension? If, because of extenuating circumstances, you require an extension you must email IBS.Info@uscm.org before January 6 to submit your request for an extension.

- **FIRST EXTENSION:** If you are granted an extension, you will have up to two additional months to complete the course but will not be eligible for the tuition rebate.
- **SECOND EXTENSION:** If, after the first extension you have not completed the course, you will be required to pay an **extension fee of \$100** in order to be eligible for a second extension.

What if I have Questions? IBS.Info@uscm.org

New Testament Survey Schedule

Date	Assignments to be Completed	
Week 1 (Sept 20)	Session 1	Session 2
Week 2 (Sept 27)	Session 3	Session 4
Week 3 (Oct 4)	Session 5	Session 6
Week 4 (Oct 11)	Session 7	Session 8
Week 5 (Oct 18)	Session 9	Session 10
Week 6 (Oct 25)	Session 11	Session 12
Week 7 (Nov 1)	Session 13	Session 14
Week 8 (Nov 8)	Session 15	Session 16
Week 9 (Nov 15)	Session 17	Session 18
Week 10 (Nov 29)	Thanksgiving	
Week 11 (Dec 6)	Session 19	Session 20
Week 12 (Dec 13)	Study and take Final	
January 6, 2010	Mail Final exam, Answer Key and Grade Sheet postmarked no later than January 6, 2010 OR bring these materials to winter NST registration in Daytona Beach on January 6.	