

**NEWMAN BIBLE ACADEMY  
ONLINE COURSE SYLLABUS  
By Dr. Willis C. Newman**

**Course Title:** Christian Leadership

**Abbreviation:** MI 211

**Credit Hours:** 3

**Instructional Hours:** 30

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**Catalog description:** This introductory course covers the basic concepts of Christian leadership. Attention is given to Nehemiah's example, and the leader's character, competency, and commitment to their people. Included is a major section on conflict management explaining the major issues plus 12 steps of conflict resolution.

**Student Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Explain principles of Christian leadership and management.
2. Gain an understanding of Nehemiah's example of leadership.
3. Describe the desired Christian character for leaders.
4. Evaluate the areas of competency for the Christian leader.
5. Understand the qualities of the leader's commitment to their people.
6. Identify issues leading to personal and institutional conflict.
7. Explain the spiritual implications and dynamics of Christian conflict.
8. Demonstrate an awareness of different styles of conflict resolution.
9. Gain a practical knowledge of conflict and escalation.
10. Exhibit expertise applying 12 principles of conflict management.
11. Develop a strategy for personal skill improvement in leadership.
12. Display growth in spiritual life and love for Christ and others.
13. Develop a greater appreciation for the urgency of the Great Commission.
14. Show an awareness of the importance of Christian leadership.

**Course Requirements.**

Students have 10 weeks to complete the following course requirements. Final grades will be based on the total accumulated points from the examination plus the analysis papers.

**1. The reading and understanding** of the assigned textbooks and readings as explained below. I will email them to you by email attachment in pdf format.

- Christian Leadership.
- The Christian and Conflict Management.

**2. Examination.** Required is one examination. The exam consists of 150 questions worth 1 point each. The examination will be sent to you by email along with the syllabus, and the study materials. You fill out the answers. The exam is open book. On a Word document,

type out your answers to each question, then email it back as an attachment to me at drwillisnewman@gmail.com. Here is an example.

Give your name and course at the top of the page.

Example:

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Course: MI 211 Christian Leadership

Answers:

1. d
2. a
3. Write out your choice of answer for any fill in questions.
4. Write out True or False for any questions that calls for such an answer .
5. c.

The exam answers can be found in the two ebooks listed above under requirement one, plus the Bible.

**3. Analysis Papers:** Download from this website two articles/Bible studies as listed below. At the end of each study are 10 questions. Answer the ten questions for each study on a Word document. Send your answers to me by an email attachment for grading. Use only three or four sentences to answer each question.

Please wait until you have finished all the studies, then send them to me all at one time. Each study is worth 50 points.

Here is how to access the studies.

- a. Go to the website: [www.Bible-teaching-about.com](http://www.Bible-teaching-about.com).
- b. Click on the table of contents on the left hand column.
- c. Go to the section on Christian Leadership.
- d. Click on the assigned article, download it, and answer the questions on a Word document.

Here are the two studies you are required to complete.

- Bible teaching about Time Management.
- Bible teaching about Achieving goals.

**4. Recommended Reading.** The preferred English Bible translations for the student to use is the New American Standard Bible, or the New King James Bible. Recommended study Bibles are The Ryrie Study Bible (Moody Press), and the Nelson Study Bible, NKJV (Thomas Nelson Publishers, Earl Radmacher, general editor). You may use a Bible in your own mother language.

**5. Research Reading Project.** You are required to read 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah. From the lives and ministries of any of the kings or leaders, pick out two leadership principles you have learned from the ebook textbooks. Write a one page essay on each principle, and submit it along with the rest of your assignments to drwillisnewman@gmail.com.

**6. Total possible points:**

Examination:	150
Two analysis papers:	100
Research reading project	<u>70</u>
Total	320

**7. Course schedule:**

The following schedule will enable you to finish the course in 10 weeks. It is important to stay on schedule so you do not get overwhelmed at the end of the course. These dates are guidelines, not deadlines. **NOTE:** wait until you have completed all the work, then submit it to me all at once by email attachment to drwillisnewman@gmail.com

Weeks one - two: Read/study ebook text on Christian Leadership.  
Complete portion of examination on Leadership.

Weeks three, four: Read/study ebook text on Conflict Management.  
Complete portion of examination on Conflict Management.

Weeks five, six: Complete the two Bible study analysis papers (#3 above).

Weeks seven, 8: Read/study 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah.  
Take notes for the Research Reading Project.

Week nine, ten: Complete the two essays for the Research Reading Project.  
Complete all unfinished work.  
Send all your completed work to me by email attachment to drwillisnewman@gmail.com.

**Grading/Method of evaluation:** Your grade is determined by adding together all your earned points, then dividing that number by the total points possible. That results in a percentage number. The following chart indicates your grade.

**GRADE SCALE:**

%	GPA	Letter	%	GPA	Letter
95%	4	A	83%	3.1	B-
94%	3.9	A-	82%	3.1	B-
93%	3.8	A-	81%	3.1	B-
92%	3.7	A-	80%	3.0	B-
91%	3.6	A-	79%	2.9	C+
90%	3.5	A-	78%	2.8	C+
89%	3.4	B+	77%	2.7	C+
88%	3.3	B+	76%	2.6	C
87%	3.2	B+	75%	2.5	C
86%	3.2	B	74%	2.4	C
85%	3.2	B	73%	2.3	C-
84%	3.1	B	72%	2.2	C-

71%	2.1	C-
70%	2.0	C-
69%	1.9	D+
68%	1.8	D+
66%	1.6	D+
65%	1.5	D+

64%	0.9	D
63%	0.8	D
61%	0.7	D
60%	0.7	D
0%	0	F

**Technical requirements.** You will need a computer, printer, email account, and Microsoft Office 2003 – 2007. I would recommend that you use a free gmail account from Google for your email, and Internet Explorer for a browser. You will also need an adobe reader. If you don't have one, you can download one free from <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>

**Purpose of Newman Bible Academy:** This Academy exists to train men and women for worldwide Christian ministry as pastors, missionaries, teachers, and lay-workers. Our goal is to train students by strengthening their Christian faith, in order to proclaim and defend the teachings of the inerrant Word of God. This purpose is pursued through training in Bible, theology, and practical ministry, plus the development of personal spiritual maturity and zeal. Our existence is grounded in the Great Commission, which is to proclaim the gospel of Christ to the entire world, and make disciples of all those who respond to Christ. The Academy is global in nature, and designed to provide training for those who can least afford it anywhere in the world.

**Study tips:** It is suggested that the student carefully study each reading. First, read through the assigned section to get a general overview. Reread the section, and write down important concepts as you read along. Review. Review. Review. Rehearse and visualize the contents. Memorize key concepts. Take the exam. The exams are open book, but realize that you must know the material very well to complete the exams within the time limit allowed.

**Book acquisition:** You do not need to purchase any books as everything you need is found on the internet. Of course, you will need a Bible.

