

# AIM INSTITUTE | Hermeneutics: Interpreting the Bible

## Course Syllabus

**COURSE:** *Hermeneutics*

**Course Term:** February to April 2023

USA based: Twelve weeks beginning Monday, February 6 at 7:00PM New York time

Manila based: Twelve weeks beginning Saturday, January 28 at 8:00PM Manila time

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course develops the principles and methods of Bible interpretation. Four methods and five principles are examined. Examples are provided for each. The unique challenges of figurative language including parables, prophecy, types and symbols and poetry are addressed. The course concludes with an overview of Bible study methods. In these days of relativity where the Bible is often miss interpreted, this course should be considered a must for all believers.

**INTRODUCTION VIDEO:** [CLICK HERE](#)

### **OBJECTIVES**

- To communicate a love and respect for the Word of God
- To provide the student with the tools that are necessary to properly interpret the Scriptures
- To explain the key terms used in the science of hermeneutics
- To encourage the use of hermeneutics in Zoom debrief sessions

**INSTRUCTOR:** Miguel Pabilonia, Jr.

Miguel began teaching at age 18. He came to love teaching and eventually became a Bible College teacher serving in his own country, Philippines, and abroad. In the span of 30 years, Miguel has served as pastor, Bible college teacher, denominational leader and an itinerant minister in North America, Europe and Asia. He is a John Maxwell Team certified coach, trainer and speaker. Miguel Pabilonia has Master's Degree in Theology (ThM) from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, USA, as well as a special pastoral and theological training at London Seminary in London, UK.

### **COURSE FORMAT**

This directed study format enables you to receive college level instruction while studying at home. (Note, AIM Institute does not offer accredited college credits.) Course elements include:

- Weekly video assignments
- Required textbook reading assignments
- Contact time with the instructor and classmates by means of a weekly Zoom debrief classroom.
- Study questions for your personal benefit as well as preparation for the weekly debrief.
- Notes made available by the instructor. There will be blanks for students to fill in while watching videos.
- This course will be graded as pass or fail. Bear in mind your weekly preparation will have a direct bearing on how much you gain from the course.

## **COURSE SCHEDULE**

- The first of twelve Weekly Zoom Debriefs will begin on Monday, February 6, 7:00PM New York Time and Saturday, January 28 8:00PM Manila for 12 weeks
- You will receive a Zoom invite by email for each debrief.
- Preparation can be done at any time before the debrief.
- To maximize the use of your time, we will not cover information from the videos in the debrief unless there are questions.
- Completion of the course requires a project
- A Study Guide with the schedule with weekly assignments and course project will be sent to you after you are registered.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- This is an intensive course; students should plan to participate in all class sessions.
- Complete all course reading, watch videos, and writing assignments.
- Complete course exam week 12.

## **TEXT**

- Holy Bible (Translation of your choice)
- *“Interpreting Scriptures”* by Connor, Kevin J. And Ken Maimin, City Christian Publishing, Portland OR, 1983 (ISBN 9-914936-20-4)

Online registration form is available at

- Complete the registration form at [CLICK HERE](#)

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