Point Loma Nazarene University

Nazarene Church History and Polity [Chu-104] Spring Semester 2013 – Three Units

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Catalog Description

A study of the history, polity, articles of faith and *Manual* of the Church of the Nazarene. Attention is given to the importance of women and ethnic issues in ministry.

Course Outcomes

- Ability to articulate the collective conscience of the Church of the Nazarene and how it is to be communicated to our generation
- Ability to understand and communicate the distinctive identity and mission of the Church of the Nazarene, to provide a rationale for its existence, and to explain why it came into existence in its present form (the ability to tell the story of the Church of the Nazarene)
- Ability to understand and communicate the identity the Church of the Nazarene shares with the universal church
- Ability to understand who can become a member of the Church of the Nazarene, what it means to be a member, and how one can do so
- Ability to plan and lead a membership class
- Ability to explain and function within the governmental structures of the church at the local, district, and general level
- Ability to understand the meaning of ministry, the call and responsibilities of a minister, and the process of becoming ordained within the Church of the Nazarene
- Ability to use the *Manual* in the service of the Church

Required Texts

Cunningham, Floyd (ed.). Our Watchword and Song: The Centennial History of the Church of the Nazarene. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2009.

Manual: 2009-2013. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2009

Quanstrom, Mark. A Century of Holiness Theology: The Doctrine of Entire Sanctification in the Church of the Nazarene. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2004.

Welcome to the Church of the Nazarene: An Introduction to Membership. Kansas City, MO: Beacon Hill Press of Kansas City, 2002.

Course Requirements

- 1. Four exams, one on each of the major sections of Our Watchword and Song.
- 2. Response to Quanstrom's A Century of Holiness Theology
- 3. Research paper on a topic of your choice pertaining to some aspect of the history of the Church of the Nazarene. Length: 6 to 8 pages. Paper is due **April 8, 2013**.

Important Student Information

Note: Academic Accommodations

All students are expected to meet the minimum standards for this course as set by the Professor. Students with learning disabilities who may need accommodations should first discuss options and services available to them in the Academic Support Center (ASC) during the first two weeks of the semester. The ASC, in turn, will contact professors with official notification and suggested classroom accommodations, as required by federal law. Approved documentation must be provided by the student and placed on file in the ASC prior to the beginning of the semester.

Note: Inclusive Language Statement

The School of Theology and Christian Ministry (STCM) is committed to the equality of women and men. Recognizing that people have often used the English language in ways that imply the exclusion of inferiority of women, the STCM urges students, faculty and staff to avoid sexist language in public discourse, in classroom discussions, and in their writing.

Note: Academic honesty is expected in all writing assignments and on the Examinations.

Note: General Education Statement

These courses are basic components of the General Education Program at Point Loma Nazarene University, under the category of Responding to the Sacred. By including these courses in a common educational experience for undergraduates, the faculty supports the study of Scripture and Christian heritage as foundational in the pursuit of knowledge and the development of personal values.

Class Schedule and Assignments

Date	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
Week 1	Introduction to the class:	Introduction to the class:	Watchword and Song:
Jan 8, 9, 11	Individual likes / dislike	Personal Anecdotal history	Chapters 1 and 2
Week 2	Watchword and Song.	Watchword and Song.	Introduction to the <i>Manual</i> – 1
Jan 14, 16, 18	Chapter 3	Chapter 4	
Week 3	M.L.K., Jr. Day - No Class	Watchword and Song.	A Century of Holiness Theology:
Jan 21, 23, 25		Chapter 5	Chapters 1-2
Week 4	Watchword and Song.	Manual – 2	Exam: Part 1 Watchword and
Jan 28, 30, Feb 1	Chapters 6-7		Song
Week 5	Watchword and Song.	Watchword and Song.	Watchword and Song:
Feb 4, 6, 8	Chapter 8	Chapter 9	Chapter 10
Week 6	Watchword and Song.	Watchword and Song:	Watchword and Song:
Feb 11, 13, 15	Chapter 11	Chapter 12	Chapters 13-14
Week 7	President's Day – No Class	Exam: Part 2 Watchword and	A Century of Holiness Theology:
Feb 18, 20, 22		Song	Chapters 3-4
Week 8	Watchword and Song.	Manual – 3	A Century of Holiness Theology:
Feb 25, 27, Mar 1	Chapters 15-16		Chapters 5-6
Week 9	Spring Break - No Class	Spring Break - No Class	Spring Break - No Class
Mar 4, 6, 8			
Week 10	Watchword and Song.	Watchword and Song.	Manual – 4
Mar 11, 13, 15	Chapter 17	Chapters 18-19	

Week 11	Watchword and Song:	Watchword and Song:	Manual – 5
Mar 18, 20, 22	Chapters 20-21	Chapters 22	
Week 12	Exam: Part 3 Watchword and	A Century of Holiness Theology:	Easter Recess - No Class
Mar 25, 27, 29	Song	Chapters 7-8	
Week 13	Easter Recess - No Class	Watchword and Song:	Watchword and Song:
April 1, 3, 5		Chapter 23	Chapter 24
Week 14	Watchword and Song.	Watchword and Song:	Watchword and Song:
April 8, 10, 12	Chapter 25 [<i>paper duel</i>]	Chapter 26	Chapters 27-28
Week 15	Welcome to the Church of the	Welcome to the Church of the	Welcome to the Church of the
April 15, 17, 19	Nazarene – 1	Nazarene – 2	Nazarene – 3
Week 16	The Theology of the Church of the	The Theology of the Church of the	The Theology of the Church of the
April 22, 24, 26	Nazarene – 1	Nazarene – 2	Nazarene – 3
Week 17			Final Examination:
May 3			8:00 AM - 10:00 AM