

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH



ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP (ABF) TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to articulate the expectation of the lead teacher of an ABF in Berean Baptist Church. In some sense, every member of an ABF is a leader. Everyone is responsible for the work of a class. However, selected people have a specific charge for teaching, caring, modeling, and reaching out.

Mission: The ABF classes of Berean Baptist Church exist to stir up a thirst for the Bible through Christ-exalting, weekly Bible centered teaching and daily prayerfully-supportive relationships with one another.

Diligently teach the Word of God

- Prepares a sound lesson from the Word of God using the provided curriculum (or an approved alternative)
- Delivers the lesson each Sunday in a combination lecture/discussion method according to the gifting of the teacher with the aim of:
 - Nurturing members to grow toward spiritual maturity.
 - Helping members understand they need to be grassroots ministers.
 - Motivating class members to sharing the Gospel throughout the week.
 - Developing future teachers and leaders from within the class.

Mentor assistants to teach and others to help care for the needs of the class

Lovingly care for those in their ABF class:

- Takes attendance, identifies those who need to be encouraged to be faithful and seeks to restore those who are falling away.
- Ensures that part of the class time is devoted toward praying one for another.
- Prays for class members during the week.
- Communicates with class members throughout the week as necessary and most especially during hard times (i.e. surgeries, children in hospitals, deaths in the family).
- Keeps the “cc21” ministry aware of the exceptional needs.
- Works with deacons to meet financial needs when necessary.
- Keeps the church records updated through communication with the membership secretary.
- Keeps the Associate Pastor informed of needs within the class.
- Leads the class to plan and execute class fellowship events to assimilate new members into the life of the class.

Consistently model the life of a mature believer

- Lives by the Church Covenant and in accordance with the behaviors outlined in the church’s Articles of Faith in a way that sets the right example for class members.

Zealously reach out to those who are not a part of an ABF class

- Actively works toward setting the conditions where new members to the class are welcomed to the body of Christ.
- Faithfully participates in at least one outreach event per month and encourage the class to participate as well.
- Seeks to be ready to share the gospel with the unsaved throughout the week.

Faithfully Attend (minus sickness, work schedules and vacations)

- ABF meetings and training as necessary (normally 1 per mo. and 1 or 2 training events per year)
- Sunday AM, PM, and mid-week services