

## **EHBC Ministry Residency**

### **Purpose:**

The EHBC Residency exists to train men and women in the church by striving to teach theology, practical ministry, and patterns of discipline and service, with the aim that they would be better prepared to glorify God in future faithful ministry.

### **Length:**

30 weeks (15 each semester) 14 weeks of content each semester, plus an evaluation.

### **Requirements:**

Must be an EHBC Member for at least 6 months prior to start of program (Must have been a member by February of the year of the program).

### **Learning Objectives:**

Ecclesiology  
Personal Holiness/Disciplines  
Preaching/Teaching  
Systematic Theology  
Church History  
Church-wide Practical Theology

### **Description:**

Residents will be involved in a weekly meeting to discuss assigned material over learning objectives with Parker, other residents, Elders, and guest teachers.

### **Included Assignments:**

- Individual Belief Statement
- During Semester 1, randomly draw out one of the colored 9marks books and lead a discussion on it.
- During Semester 2:
  - Pick two of the small CCEF resources and write a reflection over each and prepare to present them for discussion with the other residents during Week 12.
  - Pick two apologetic topics (approved by Parker) and write a reflection on each and prepare to present them for discussion with the other residents during Week 13.
  - Pick one of the 27 Servants that isn't covered in the residency and write a reflection on him and prepare to present them for discussion with the other residents during Week 14.
- Lead a devo at the start of each session.
- Semester Evaluation - At the end of each semester, Parker and the EHBC elders will meet with each resident.
- Monthly Meeting With Assigned Leader - Each resident is responsible to set a meeting once a month with an assigned elder or church leader (They will have the same elder/leader all year).

- Response papers to readings
  - Semester 1
    - Each week, residents will bring a 1-2 page single-spaced paper (no particular formatting) with a section that includes a summary and reflection, prioritizing critical/thoughtful interaction, on each of the primary readings (Dever, Whitney, and Biographies). (1 paper with a section for each reading. Example: 1 section over the chapter from Whitney, 1 section over the chapter from Dever, and 1 section over the chapter from Piper.)
    - Write an additional 1 page single-spaced summary and response for all other readings assigned (Example: 1 section summarizing and reflecting on Men and Women in the Church - Deyoung)
  - Semester 2
    - Each week, residents will bring a 1-2 page single-spaced paper (no particular formatting) with a section that includes a summary and reflection, prioritizing critical/thoughtful interaction, on each of the primary readings (Allison and Biographies). (1 paper with a section for each reading)
    - Write an additional 1 page single-spaced summary and response for all additional readings assigned (Example: 1 paper summarizing and reflecting on both Shaw and Nichols)

#### Included Involvements:

- Once a week meeting for 3-4 hours (Monday 11am-3pm)
  - Attendance is mandatory outside of approved absence
- Preaching Practicum for male residents
- Prayer Meeting - 8:15 Sunday Mornings
- Staff meetings when possible
- Ministry involvement (childrens, youth, welcome, etc)

#### Trips (Recommended):

- For the Church
- Simeon Trust

#### Assigned Readings:

- Why Trust the Bible - Greg Gilbert
- 40 Questions About Interpreting the Bible (2nd Edition) - Robert Plummer
- 27 Servants of Sovereign Joy - John Piper
- 8 Women of Faith - Michael Haykin
- Nine Marks of a Healthy Church (4th Edition) - Mark Dever
- Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life - Donald Whitney
- Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God - J.I. Packer
- Men and Women in the Church - Kevin DeYoung
- Corporate Worship - Matt Merker
- Understanding Baptism – Bobby Jamieson
- Understanding the Lord's Supper - Bobby Jamieson

- 50 Core Truths - Gregg Allison
- Biblical Theology - Michael Lawrence
- Delighting in the Trinity - Michael Reeves
- The Trinity: An Introduction - Scott Swain
- Behind a Frowning Providence - John Murray
- Why Should I Be Interested in Church History - Joel Beeke and Michael A.G. Haykin
- Christianity: The Biography - Ian Shaw
- 5 Minutes in Church History - Stephen Nichols
- Zealous - Michael David
- Family Worship - Donald Whitney
- The Purity Principle - Randy Alcorn
- The New Reformation Catechism on Human Sexuality - Christopher Gordon
- Trust the Circle – Ryan Smith

#### Calendar:

- Prior to Week 1 (Summer Assignments)
  - Write out a personal belief statement with one paragraph outlining what you believe about each of the following areas (provide Scripture references if possible and avoid plagiarism):
    - God
    - The Bible
    - The Trinity
    - Providence
    - The Person and Work of Christ
    - Election
    - Salvation/Conversion
    - Sanctification
    - Assurance of Salvation
    - The Church
    - The Holy Spirit
    - The Spiritual Gifts
    - Complementarianism/Egalitarianism
    - Marriage/Singleness
    - Sexual Purity
    - Alcohol use by Christians
  - Read Gilbert - Why Trust the Bible
  - Read Plummer - 40 Questions About Interpreting the Bible
- Week 1
  - Devo - Parker leads - assign devo order
  - Introductions
  - Discuss Gilbert - Why Trust the Bible (144 pages)
  - Discuss Plummer - 40 Questions About Interpreting the Bible - (337 pages)
  - Discuss belief statements

- Assign 9marks books for each individual (Residents will draw randomly and be responsible to have that book read for when we cover that topic)
  - Total Summer Reading Pages - 481 pages
    - Less than 10 pages per day
- Week 2
  - Devo
  - Finish discussing Belief Statements
  - Discuss Chapter 1 of Whitney (Spiritual Disciplines) (20 pages)
  - Discuss Introduction of Dever (41 pages)
  - Discuss 27S – Book Preface (p. 9-12), Preface (p. 18-21) and Augustine (34 pages)
  - Total pages - 95
- Week 3
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 2 of Whitney (Bible Intake Part 1) (15 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 1 of Dever (Expositional Preaching) (26 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF – Forward, Introduction, and Jane Grey (25 pages)
  - Total pages - 66
- Week 4
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 3 of Whitney (Bible Intake Part 2) (42 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 2 of Dever (Sound Doctrine) (26 pages)
  - Discuss 27S - Martin Luther (27 pages)
  - Total pages - 95
- Week 5
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 12 of Whitney (Learning) (17 pages)
  - Discuss Pages 93-100 of Dever (Conversion) (8 pages)
  - <https://www.9marks.org/article/finney-with-a-twist-elder-jacob-knapp-and-the-origins-of-baptist-revivalism/>
  - Discuss 8WF - Margaret Baxter (16 pages)
  - Total pages - 41 (plus article)
- Week 6
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 6 of Whitney (Evangelism) (22 pages)
  - Discuss Pages 100-119 of Dever (Evangelism) (20 pages)
  - Discuss Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God - Packer (116) pages)
  - Total pages - 158
- Week 7
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 10 of Whitney (Silence and Solitude) (28 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 4 of Dever (Membership) (26 pages)
  - Discuss the EHBC Church Covenant
  - Discuss 27S - John Calvin (26 pages)
  - Total pages - 75
- Week 8

- Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 7 of Whitney (Serving) (18 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 5 and Appendix 2 of Dever (Discipline) (31 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF - Anne Dutton (13 pages)
  - Total pages - 62
- Week 9
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 8 of Whitney (Stewardship) (32 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 6 of Dever (Discipleship) (26 pages)
  - Discuss 27S – Preface (p. 128-133) and John Bunyan (32 pages)
  - Total pages - 90
- Week 10
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 9 of Whitney (Fasting) (30 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 7 of Dever and Appendix 1 (Leadership) (32 pages)
  - Discuss Men and Women in the Church - DeYoung (152 Pages)
  - Total pages - 214
- Week 11
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 4 of Whitney (Prayer) (22 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 8 of Dever (Prayer) (24 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF - Sarah Edwards (13 pages)
  - Total pages- 59
- Week 12
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 11 of Whitney (Journaling) (22 pages)
  - Discuss Chapter 9 of Dever (Missions) (22 pages)
  - Discuss 27S - David Brainard - (27 pages)
  - Total Pages- 71
- Week 13
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 5 of Whitney (Worship) (19 pages)
  - Discuss Appendix 3 of Dever (8 pages)
  - Discuss Corporate Worship - Merker (159 pages)
  - Total pages - 186
- Week 14
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 13 of Whitney (Perseverance) (16 pages)
  - Discuss Understanding Baptism and Understanding the Lord's Supper (137 pages)
  - Total pages - 153 pages
- Week 15
  - Evaluation
  - Semester total - 1,365 pages + 9marks book
    - Around 98 pages per week (Around 14 pages per day on average)

Recommended Winter Reading: (It would be worth starting/finishing these 3 books during the break to get a jump on the next semester's work)

- Biblical Theology - Lawrence (217 pages)
- The Trinity: An Introduction - Swain (120 pages)
- Delighting in the Trinity - Reeves (130 pages)

## Semester 2

- Week 1
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 1-4 of Allison (Doctrine of Scripture) (38 pages)
  - Discuss 27S - William Cowper (30 pages)
  - Discuss Systematic Theology
  - Total pages - 68
- Week 2
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapter 5-7 of Allison (Doctrine of Scripture) (27 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF - Anne Steele (12 pages)
  - Discuss Biblical Theology - Lawrence (217 pages)
  - Total Pages - 256
- Week 3
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 8-11 of Allison (Doctrine of God/Trinity) (30 pages)
  - Discuss Delighting in the Trinity - Reeves (130 pages)
  - Discuss Trinity - Swain (123 pages)
  - Total pages - 283
- Week 4
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 12-13 of Allison (Doctrine of God: Creation/Providence) (18 pages)
  - Discuss Behind a Frowning Providence - Murray (29 pages)
  - Discuss Piper Chapter on Suffering (6 pages)
  - Discuss 27S – Preface (p. 256-259) and John Newton (31 pages)
  - Total pages - 84
- Week 5
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 14-17 of Allison (Doctrine of God's Creatures) (35 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF - Esther Edwards Burr (10 pages)
  - Discuss Historical Theology
    - Discuss Why Should I Be Interested in Church History (34 pages)
    - Discuss the Introduction - Chapter 2 of Shaw (29 pages)
    - Discuss the Preface and Chapter 1 of Nichols (6 pages)
  - Total pages - 114
- Week 6
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 18-21 of Allison (Doctrine of God the Son) (33 pages)

- Discuss Church History (Early Church)
    - Discuss Chapters 3-7 of Shaw (63 pages)
    - Discuss Chapters 2-9 of Nichols (23 pages)
    - Total Pages - 119
- Week 7
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 22-24 of Allison (Doctrine of God the Holy Spirit) (25 pages)
  - Discuss 27S – Preface (p. 384-387) and John Owen (31 pages)
  - Discuss Church History (Medieval Church)
    - Discuss Chapters 8-11 of Shaw (54 pages)
    - Discuss Chapters 10-17 of Nichols (24 pages)
    - Total Pages - 134
- Week 8
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 25-27 of Allison (Doctrine of Salvation) (23 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF - Ann Judson (14 pages)
  - Discuss Church History (Reformation)
    - Discuss Chapters 12-14 of Shaw (44 pages)
    - Discuss Chapters 18-29 of Nichols (34 pages)
    - Total Pages - 115
- Week 9
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 28-31 of Allison (Doctrine of Salvation) (32 pages)
  - Discuss Church History (Modern Age)
    - Discuss Chapters 15-20 of Shaw (79 pages)
    - Discuss Chapters 30-Epilogue of Nichols (40 pages)
    - Total Pages - 151
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- Week 10
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 32-34 of Allison (Doctrine of Salvation) (27 pages)
  - Discuss 27S – Preface (p. 514-516) and William Tyndale (24 pages)
  - Discuss Family Ministry
    - Zealous - David (134 pages)
    - Family Worship - Whitney (64 pages)
    - Total Pages - 249
- Week 11
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 35-39 of Allison (Doctrine of the Church) (41 pages)
  - Discuss 8WF - Jane Austen (13 pages)
  - Discuss Marriage/Purity/Sexuality
    - The Purity Principle - (93 pages)
    - The New Reformation Catechism on Human Sexuality - (31 pages)
    - Trust the Circle – (101)
    - Total Pages - 279

- Week 12
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 40-43 of Allison (Doctrine of the Church) (36 pages)
  - Discuss chosen CCEF Resource (40-80 pages)
  - Discuss Counseling
    - Total Pages - 116
- Week 13
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 44-46 of Allison (Doctrine of Future Things) (24 pages)
  - Discuss chosen Apologetics topics
  - Total Pages - 24
- Week 14
  - Devo
  - Discuss Chapters 47-50 of Allison (Doctrine of Future Things) (31 pages)
  - Discuss Chosen 27 Servant (30ish pages)
  - Total Pages - 61
- Week 15
  - Turn in an edited belief statement.
  - Evaluation
  - Semester Total - 2,053 pages
    - Around 147 pages per week (Around 21 pages per day on average)