

2025-2026 Stephen Ministry Class Schedule with Reading Assignments

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	MODULE	THEME	Pre-Class Preparation:	Additional Notes
10/2/2025	6:30pm – 8:30pm	North Campus Room 11	1	The Person of the Caregiver		Class introductions.
10/16/2025	6:30pm – 8:30pm	North Campus Room 11	2, 3, 5	2-Feelings: Yours, Mine and Ours 3-The Art of Listening 5-A Process Approach to Caring	Manual 1 (Blue) Review pages 11 –18 and Read Pages 19–30 Pages 45–59 Pages 79 - 87	Start reading the book “Christian Caregiving: A Way of Life”
10/30/25	6:30pm – 8:30pm	North Campus Room 11	4	Review Distinctively Christian Care and discuss book “Christian Caregiving: A Way of Life”	Finish the book “Christian Caregiving: A Way of Life.”	Start reading the book “Caring Assertiveness”
11/6/25	6:30pm – 8:30pm	North Campus Room 11	7 & 8	-Maintaining Boundaries -Crisis Theory & Practice	Manual 1 (Blue) Pages 125 – 134 Pages 153 – 166	
11/20/25	6:00PM – 9:00PM	North Campus Room 11	6	Assertiveness: Relating Gently & Firmly (Module 6 Updated presentation outlines Booklet Insert)	Finish the book “Caring Assertiveness.”	3 Hour Session.
12/4/25	6:30pm – 8:30pm	North Campus Room 11	9 & 10	-Confidentiality -Caring Between Visits; Caregiving and Communications Technology	Manual 1 (Blue) Pages 175 – 189 Pages 205 – 215	Start reading the book “When & How to use Mental Health Resources”
12/18/25	6:00PM – 9:00PM	North Campus Room 11	11, 13, & 14	-Using Mental Health professionals & Other Community Services; -Caring for those with Depression: The Stephen Minister’s Role; -Understanding Suicide; How to help people get the care needed	Manual 1 (Blue) Pages 229 – 235, Pages 287 – 295, Pages 317-331,	3 Hour Session. Finish reading the book “When and How to Use Mental Health Resources.” Will be showing a 1-hour video during the classroom session.

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1/8/26	6:00PM – 8:00PM	TBD		Christmas Event		
1/22/26	6:00PM – 8:30PM	SOUTH Campus Room 100	16	Supervision: The Key to Quality Christian Care & Admin/Commitment	Manual 2 (Red) Pages 425 – 431 & Focus question sets on Pages 433 – 439	2 ½ Hour Session. Will be showing a 40-minute video during the classroom session + Kim reviewing commissioning, etc.
2/5/26	6:30pm – 8:30pm	South Campus Room 100	12 & 15	-Ministering to those experiencing Grief -Bringing the Caring Relationship to a Close	Manual 1 (Blue) Pages 255 - 267 Manual 2 (Red) Pages 351 – 370	Role Playing
2/19/26	6:00pm – 8:30pm	South Campus Room 100	17 & 18	-How to Make the First Caring Visit - Go – God Is with You	Manual 2 (Red) Pages 455 – 474 Pages 489 – 502	Role Playing
3/5/2026	7:00pm – 8:30pm	South Campus Chapel & Discovery Center		COMMISSIONING	Commissioning Service and Celebration.	Please invite your family to celebrate with you!