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# SP 501 Communication As Christian Rhetoric

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## Syllabus

**Course:** SF511 O1 (SP 2009)  
**Title:** Praying All Ways  
**Hours:** 1.00  
**Published:** Yes, on 01/30/2009  
**Prerequisites:**

*None*

**Department:** Spiritual Formation  
**Faculty:** Dr. Steve Harper



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### Meetings:

During 02/20/2009 to 03/20/2009 on Friday from 1:00p to 6:00p in EXLEXL.

### Maximum Registration: 25

**Catalog Description:** This course examines the biblical and historical foundations for an ongoing life of prayer, both personally and congregationally. Emphasis is given to the identification of a student's prayer style, and also to the procedures for developing prayer ministry in the local church. The course aims to interpret the phrase "pray without ceasing" for individual and group prayer, moving prayer from an occasional act to a sustained attitude and environment. Credit only.

## Objectives:

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## Spring 2009

## 1 Hour, Credit Only

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## Introduction

This course completes the examination of John Wesley's phrase "read and **pray daily**." Building on a biblical and historical foundation, students will explore personal and corporate prayer through exposure to individual prayer styles and congregational prayer ministries.

## Textbooks

Patricia D. Brown, *Paths to Prayer*

Henri Nouwen, *The Only Necessary Thing*

Terry Teykl, *The Presence Based Church*

Alvin Vander Griend, *The Praying Church Source Book*

## Course Objectives

1. Students will acquire knowledge about...
  - ancient and modern Christians' views of prayer
  - a variety of prayer styles
  - how to develop prayer ministry in the local church
2. Students will acquire skills in...
  - practicing their preferred prayer style
  - discerning and implementing a "core" prayer ministry
3. Students will deepen their life in Christ by...
  - using their prayer style over the course of the semester
  - participating in class small groups

## Course Requirements

1. Complete reading of the textbooks
2. Attend both retreat sessions of the class
3. Participate in the small-group sessions
4. Write a 5-page report of your prayer-style experience

The course is offered at Canterbury Retreat Center, 1601 Alafaya Trail, (SR434), Oviedo, FL 32765 on Friday, February 20 and Friday, March 20, noon to 5:00 p.m.. We will eat lunch there each class session, with a cost of \$13.00 per meal. More information will be sent (in late January), when the class roster has been finalized.