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# SF 511 “Praying All Ways”

## Spring 2008

### 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 on Friday, February 22 and Friday, March 21. We will eat dinner there each class session, with a cost of \$13.75. per meal. More information will be sent (in late January), when the class roster has been finalized.