

Excellent resource!

**Shepherding Women in Pain: Real Women, Real Issues and What You Need to Know to Truly Help, by Bev Hislop.**



This 2010 release by Moody Publishers is an excellent resource for pastors, ministry directors, and all who want better understanding as they help women walk through painful issues in life.

[www.shepherdingwomen.com](http://www.shepherdingwomen.com) - more resources | [blog](#)

*The Women's Center for Ministry (WCM) desires to be a global hub of relevant training, instructive resources, and nurturing networks for women in ministry.*

*The Women's Center is designed to prepare women for effective leadership in ministry by providing a climate that encourages women to grow in their area of giftedness and passion.*



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and involve  
women in ministry*



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Friends, the Women's Center for Ministry (WCM) is honored to announce the appointment of **Phyllis Bennett** as **Director Designate** of the Women's Center for Ministry. She will assume her new role on November 1, 2011.



Phyllis Bennett graduated from Western Seminary with an M. Div.—Pastoral Care to Women (PCW) concentration—and went on to earn her D.Min. from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Phyllis is a faculty adjunct at Western Seminary in the PCW program. She has served as Director of Women's Ministry and pastor's wife in churches on both the east and west coasts of the U.S.

Phyllis desires to serve the Lord by "drawing out and training up the giftedness in other women." Her passion has led her to develop extensive materials for ministry. She has a heart for younger women and desires to see us intentionally bridge the generations. Phyllis and husband, Dave, have relocated from the Boston area to Vancouver, WA. Dave's current role with the international Lausanne Movement provides opportunity for increased global involvement.

Phyllis and Bev Hislop, founder and Exec. Dir. of WCM, will overlap in their roles with the Women's Center this school year as Bev transitions out of the directorship to focus more fully on her faculty role at Western Seminary.

**Mark your calendar! April 14th, 2012 will be our spring conference for women. Details to be announced...**

Portland \* San Jose \* Sacramento | Distance Education  
**SEMINARY TRAINING**

Western Seminary serves as a catalyst and resource for spiritual transformation by providing, with and for the church, advanced training for strategic ministry roles.

*Is seminary for you?  
Do you want transformation in your life? Your ministry?  
Do you want to be a catalyst for spiritual change in others?*

**Pastoral Care to Women (PCW)** offers focused theological training in:

- Leadership Development
- Pastoral Care for Women
- Biblical Teaching
- Relational Ministries

Women have needs for care, growth, and involvement. *What are the essential elements of a woman in leadership? What are the key components of wholeness?*

Increase your understanding, sharpen your skills, and increase your ministry effectiveness. Be a catalyst for spiritual transformation, compassionate healing, and empowering women to be released to utilize their giftedness.

**PCW COURSES**

*(credit, audit, or enrichment)*

- PCW 511 PASTORAL UNDERSTANDING OF WOMEN \*
- PCW 512X WOMEN IN PAIN, PART I \*
- PCW 512Y WOMEN IN PAIN, PART II \* *(not sequential)*
- PCW 513 WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP \*
- PCW 514 BUILDING RELATIONAL MINISTRIES FOR WOMEN \*
- PCW 515 DEVELOP & DELIVER LIFE-CHANGING MESSAGES
- PCW 521 DEVELOP LIFE-CHANGING BIBLE STUDY CURRICULUM

*\* Indicates Courses that are available on-line through our Center for Lifelong Learning (CLL)*

<http://www.westernseminary.edu/WSCLL/index.htm>

**SPRING - 2012**

**PASTORAL UNDERSTANDING OF WOMEN, PCW 511.** Explore how the physiological, psychological, cultural, and spiritual aspects of a woman's life affect good pastoral care. Gain understanding of seasons and transitions in life cycles against the background of societal role change for women. Discover biblical examples and guidelines for shepherding women. Develop strategies for developing friendships, mentoring relationships, group support, and other helps for shepherding women.



2 credits. Faculty: *Bev Hislop, D.Min., with guest instructors.* Jan 20/21 & Feb 17/18, 2012. (Portland Campus)

**DEVELOP LIFE-CHANGING BIBLE STUDY CURRICULUM, PCW 521.** Learn how to develop curriculum that is Biblically sound, relevant, and applicable to all arenas of a woman's life. Acquire skills, grow in confidence, learn to train discussion leaders and curriculum-writing teams to create materials that are appropriate for neighborhood and/or church-based women's Bible Studies.



2 credits. Faculty: *Phyllis Bennett, D.Min., Adjunct.* Mar 2/3 & 16/17, 2012. (Portland Campus)

**SUMMER - 2012**

**WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP PCW 513.** Are you in leadership or preparing for a leadership role? This class is designed for you and your leadership team! Students will examine the call and character of a woman in leadership, explore the art of leadership, identify the essential competencies, & much more. Gain insights from biblical and historical examples of women in leadership. *Week-intensive format with pre-course assignments.* 2 credits. Faculty: *Bev Hislop, D.Min., with guest leaders.* May 21-24, 2012. (Portland Campus)

**NOTE:** *Courses | dates projected, subject to change. Please call local campus to confirm.*

**PROGRAMS**

**GRADUATE STUDIES** *(Pre-requisite: baccalaureate degree)*

- GRADUATE STUDIES CERTIFICATE \* | 16 CREDITS
- GRADUATE STUDIES DIPLOMA \* | 30 CREDITS
- MASTER OF ARTS IN MINISTRY AND LEADERSHIP | 60 CREDITS
- MASTER OF DIVINITY OPEN TRACK | 90 CREDITS

Graduate programs accredited by ATS and NWCCU. *Please see school catalog (on-line) for more information and a complete listing of programs & courses.*

**NON-CREDIT** *(Pre-requisite: high school diploma)*

- ADVANCED STUDIES CERTIFICATE \* | 18 HOURS

*\* Indicates Programs that are available through distance learning | DVD ROM*