



Old Testament

- 1) **Course:** MTC001, Old Testament
- 2) **Length** – 16hrs
- 3) **Course Description:** This course is designed to assist the participant in gaining a basic understanding of the content and history of the Old Testament as seen through God’s missional movement in the world through His activity and people.
- 4) **Instructional Goals and Objectives:**
 - a) **Being (Spiritual Formation) Objectives:** The student will
 - i) become more deeply engaged and involved in the study of Scripture;
 - ii) become spiritually formed as a child of God;
 - iii) humbly accept the Old Testament as God’s Word and self-revelation to the world;
 - iv) appreciate studying the historical and geographical context of the Old Testament;
 - v) gain excitement in knowing that the study of the God’s missionary activity in the Old Testament leads to a fuller expression of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
 - b) **Knowing (Cognitive Formation) Objectives:** The student will
 - i) recognize that God’s clear teaching and activity in the Old Testament is intricately connected to His mission and purpose for the world;
 - ii) grasp the importance of Biblical genre, local culture, and worldviews to better understand the primary meaning of the Old Testament and its teaching for people today;
 - iii) become familiar with the content and central message of each book of the Old Testament;
 - iv) become familiar with the historical setting and geography of the Old Testament and Ancient Near East.
 - c) **Doing (Conative Formation) Objectives:** The student will
 - i) identify the occasions, authors, contents, and main themes of Old Testament books in light of God’s mission movement in the world and apply those insights to present realities;
 - ii) apply general hermeneutical principles used by mainstream Christian churches to read and interpret portions of the Old Testament;
 - iii) work with the cultural realities and milieu in order to more clearly understand the meaning of narratives and Biblical teachings;
 - iv) study books and chapters of missional and theological significance;
 - v) communicate basic Old Testament history;
 - vi) map significant locations of the Old Testament.