

HC3121 Baptist Belief and History  
2 credit hours  
Spring 2010

This course introduces to and explores with the student the historic Baptist principles held in common by most Baptists worldwide. Lectures will illustrate these principles through tracing the history of the Baptist movement and by examination of the biographies of some prominent Baptists. The students will be expected to write one research paper on a topic of Baptist History, one mutually agreed upon with the professor. Grading will come out of the evaluation of this paper, through three tests and through participation in class dialogues. The course is designed to help the students to understand the basis of Baptist beliefs, their sources and their impact on the students' prospective ministries.

Allen, W. Loyd. You Are A Great People: Maryland/Delaware Baptists, 1742-1998. Franklin, TN: Providence, 2000. (purchase through the professor)

Leonard, Bill. Baptist Ways: A History. Valley Forge, PA: Judson, 2003.

Pleasants, Phyllis Rodgerson. Freedom for the Journey. Richmond, VA: Center for Baptist Heritage and Studies, 2002.

Ryland, Garnett. The Baptists of Virginia: 1699-1926. Richmond, VA: The Virginia Baptist Board of Missions and Education, 1955. (purchase through the professor, reprinted by permission)