

## **Jack Mock, B.Sc., Dip.Ed., B.D., M.Ed., Ph.D. (cand.)**

Jack lectures in Systematic Theology, Christian Ethics, Early Church History, Introduction to the Whole Bible (Biblical Theology) at Malaysia Bible Seminary.

Formerly he was a Mathematics teacher at an Anglican school in Sydney. He majored in Pure and Applied Mathematics at UNSW. He completed the postgraduate B.D. with Melbourne College of Divinity. Currently he is doing doctoral research in the area of doing Christian Ethics using Biblical Theology and has an interest in the area of sexual ethics and biblical anthropology.

He is married to Lorna who is a musician. They have two adult children and three grandsons. When he is back in Australia, he enjoys watching cricket and rugby and is an avid reader of current social/political affairs. He plays the occasional tennis and golf, and listens to classical music, in particular church music both choral and contemporary.

He was an elder and lay preacher at the Chinese Christian Church in Sydney; currently he attends PJEFC and is a member of a cell group there.

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### **Biblical Interpretation**

Our **aim** in this course is: firstly to read and interpret the Bible as faithfully as possible so that we may have the “mind of Christ” and to see the world and our lives through God’s perspective.

Secondly, as we subject our lives to the authority of God’s Word, it will transform us so that we become more like the Lord Jesus; or in Paul’s words, “to grow in the love and knowledge of the Lord Jesus”.

Thirdly, to use our exegetical skills gained to lead and teach the Bible faithfully and clearly in our ministries.

#### **Outline of the course:**

1. Basic Principles for Biblical Interpretation (authority, clarity of Scripture; whole-Bible approach; Bible versions; Word and Spirit; historical-grammatical exegesis, etc.)
2. Old Testament Narrative (Genesis); the misuse of the narrative; brief comment on Genesis 1 to 3
3. New Testament Epistles (1 Corinthians); learning to think contextually; Bible and culture
4. New Testament Narrative (Acts); the question of historical precedent
5. The Parables of Jesus (why did he teach using parables, the kingdom of God); brief intro to the four canonical Gospels; one Story, many dimensions
6. OT Poetry (Psalms); the song book and prayer book of Israel in one volume with 5 parts
7. The Prophets (pre-exilic; post-exilic, nature of prophecy); enforcing the Covenant in Israel; forth telling and foretelling
8. Wisdom Literature (Song of Songs, Proverbs); godly advice for living in God’s world and relating with others
9. Intro. to the whole Bible/Gospel-centred hermeneutic); rediscovering the whole Bible following Jesus in Luke 24; depending on time, apocalyptic literature (Revelation)

## Course Enrolment Form (for DUMC members only)\*

First Trimester 2012

Course: **Biblical Interpretation**

Facilitator: **Jack Mock** (See reverse for profile & course description)

Class Schedule: Eight night sessions & one full-day session

**March 15 - May 3** (Thursday nights)  
7.30pm-10.30pm  
Location: Dream Centre

**May 5** (Saturday)  
9.00am-4.00pm  
Location: MBS Kuang (near Rawang)

Full Name (Mr/Ms/Pr/Elder)

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Position Held \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to enroll for this course as a: (tick one)

- M.Min. student RM300 + 30(admin fee) = **RM330**  
 Cert.Min. student RM200 + 30(admin fee) = **RM230**  
 Audit student (*attend classes only*) **RM200**

Have you already enrolled in the M.Min/Cert.Min. programme? YES  NO

If YES, please tick which programme:

- M.Min. programme Date enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cert.Min. programme Date enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

**All registrations must be accompanied by payment.** Please make cheques payable to **DUMC** (add 50 sen for outstation cheques).

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*\*This includes all who worship at DUMC. Others, please register with MBS directly.*