**INTRODUCTION TO SCRIPTURE SS400**

The newly released course, written by Tony & Charmaine Chvala-Smith, is being offered twice in Western Ohio Mission Center.

This eight session course is taught by Tony & Charmaine by video. It defines and explores the nature of scripture in the life of the church; helps students understand genre, literary context and historical and cultural context. Lessons also provide guides in the responsible use of the Old Testament and dealing with difficult texts; provides a sample small group Bible study and explores the function of the Lectionary in sacraments, preaching and teaching. Students will practice an eight-step exegesis process.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?** - All are welcome and encouraged to attend. All priesthood should take this course and it is a required pre-ordination course for anyone being called to the priesthood or to a new office within the priesthood.

**COST**: $30, which includes text and temple school credit. Bring checks payable to Western Ohio Mission Center to the first session of class.

**LOCATIONS**:

Shawnee Congregation, 4799 Spencerville Road, Lima OH

February 27, 2016 - 9:00 to 5:00, Sessions 1-4

March 26, 2016 - 9:00 to 5:00, Sessions 5-8

Grove City Congregation, 1255 Stringtown Road, Grove City OH

May 7, 2016 - 9:00 to 5:00, Sessions 1-4

May 21, 2016 - 9:00 t0 5:00, Sessions 5-8

**REGISTRATION:** A workbook is required for each participant. Register with Vern Foster either by email at vcf@fuse.net or by phone at 513-608-7851. The text, along with pre-class preparation information, will be mailed to you. Those attending the Shawnee class should register no later than February 20.

**MEALS AND SNACKS**: Each student should bring lunch, plus snacks to share if possible.