

Stephen Minister Training Schedule

Stephen Ministry® Form

Session	Date	Module	Module Name	Reading Assignment Due This Session
1	Sat, 6/6	T-1	The Person of the Caregiver	
2	Sat, 6/6	T-2	Feelings: Yours, Mine, and Ours	E Feelings: Yours, Mine, and Ours Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> ¹ E Preface through chapter 7 in <i>Christian Caregiving—a Way of Life</i>
3	Thu, 6/11	T-3	The Art of Listening	E The Art of Listening Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Chapters 8–13 in <i>Christian Caregiving—a Way of Life</i>
4	Thu, 6/18	T-4	Distinctively Christian Caring—Part 1	E Chapters 14–20 in <i>Christian Caregiving—a Way of Life</i> (Bring your copy of the book.)
5	Thu, 6/25	T-4	Distinctively Christian Caring—Part 2	E Distinctively Christian Caring Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Introduction through chapter 3 in <i>Speaking the Truth in Love</i> E Bring <i>Christian Caregiving—a Way of Life</i> .
6	Thu, 7/2	T-5	Process versus Results in Caregiving	E Process versus Results in Caregiving Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Review chapters 2 and 18 in <i>Christian Caregiving—a Way of Life</i> E Chapters 4–7 in <i>Speaking the Truth in Love</i>
7	Thu, 7/9	T-6	Assertiveness: Relating Gently and Firmly—Part 1	E Chapters 8–12 in <i>Speaking the Truth in Love</i> (Bring your copy of the book.)
8	Thu, 7/16	T-6	Assertiveness: Relating Gently and Firmly—Part 2	E Chapters 13–18 in <i>Speaking the Truth in Love</i> (Bring your copy of the book.)
9	Thu, 7/23	T-7 T-8	Maintaining Boundaries in Caregiving Crisis Theory and Practice: Danger versus Opportunity	E Maintaining Boundaries in Caregiving Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Crisis Theory and Practice: Danger versus Opportunity Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
10	Thu, 7/30	T-9	Confidentiality	E Confidentiality Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Introduction through chapter 3 in <i>When and How to Use Mental Health Resources</i>

1 Reading assignments are to be completed before a particular session. You need to read these assignments prior to coming to the session. The abbreviation *SMTM* stands for *Stephen Ministry Training Manual*. Note that when you read books, the reading assignment schedule spreads out the reading of the book over several weeks prior to covering the book's subject matter in class.

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11	Thu, 8/6	T-10	Telecare: The Next Best Thing to Being There	E Telecare: The Next Best Thing to Being There Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Chapters 4–6 in <i>When and How to Use Mental Health Resources</i>
12	Thu, 8/13	T-11	Using Mental Health Professionals and Other Community Resources	E Using Mental Health Professionals and Other Community Resources Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Chapter 7 – appendix E in <i>When and How to Use Mental Health Resources</i> (Bring your copy of the book.)
13	Thu, 8/20	T-12	Ministering to Those Experiencing Grief	E Ministering to Those Experiencing Grief Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
14	Thu, 8/27	T-13	Dealing with Depression: The Stephen Minister's Role	E Dealing with Depression: The Stephen Minister's Role Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
15	Thu, 9/3	T-14	Helping Suicidal Persons Get the Help They Need	E Helping Suicidal Persons Get the Help They Need Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
16	Thu, 9/10	T-15	Bringing the Caring Relationship to a Close	E Bringing the Caring Relationship to a Close Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
17	Thu, 9/17	T-16	Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care—Part 1	E Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care—Part 1 Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
18	Thu, 9/24	T-16	Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care—Part 2	E Supervision: A Key to Quality Christian Care—Part 2 Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Review "The Structure of Small Group Peer Supervision," <i>SMTM</i>
19	Sat, 9/26	T-17	How to Make a First Caring Visit	E How to Make a First Caring Visit Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i>
20	Sat, 9/26	T-18	Follow Me	E Follow Me Preclass Reading, <i>SMTM</i> E Bring both volumes of your <i>SMTM</i> .

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