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## Reading and Teaching the Bible in a Multicultural World

Taught by Dr. Tina Blair

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March 4, 2017  
9:30 pm - 12:00 pm

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Reading and Teaching the Bible in  
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# Reading and Teaching the Bible in a Multicultural World

In reading the Bible, our native cultures are lenses through which we understand God's Word for us. In Southern California our congregations have members from diverse cultures. How do their cultural differences shape their interpretation of the Bible? How do we read and teach the Bible faithfully while honoring cultural differences? In this seminar we will deepen our appreciation of the Bible and our understanding of the role of culture in shaping our reading and teaching of biblical texts. Our goal is to work together to develop strategies for finding unity amid diversity. This course is a 1-unit class but can be taken as an audit. The course can also be taken for 2 credits, with additional assignments and permission from the instructor.

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**The Reverend Dr. Tina Blair** was raised by American parents overseas, in Morocco, Italy, India and France, as well as a few years in the United States. She has pursued studies in Russia and Israel. Her love of being a global citizen sent her to serve for 5 years as a pastor of the multinational, multid denominational American Church in Paris, France. Dr. Blair's current book project is *The Art of Listening to the Multicultural Church* which she hopes will be especially helpful to pastors and leaders in the multicultural context of California. Dr. Blair is co-chair of NTS West's Doctor of Ministry degree program.

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