

## The Faith Community Nurse

The Faith Community Nurse is a Registered Nurse with a current license who serves God by caring for His people. Faith Community nursing allows the nurse to help the church reclaim its healing roots.

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The Faith Community Nurse partners with church staff, members and health care providers to respond to health care concerns and empowers members to take a more active part in their health care management-body, mind and spirit. Integration of faith and health is the chief focus of ministry.

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This program is based on curriculum developed by the International Parish Nurse Resource Center.

The 36 contact hours earned upon completion of this program are acceptable by the Michigan Board of Nursing for MI. RN license renewal

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The course will be held at Calvin College three weekends,  
Fridays 4:00 – 9:30 p.m. and  
Saturdays 9:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
9/24 & 25, 10/15 & 16 & 11/19 & 20  
OR 2/11 & 12, 3/11 & 12 & 4/8 & 9  
Participants must attend all six sessions in fall 2010 or spring 2011.

Faith Community Nursing is a specialty practice in nursing that requires nursing experience and additional education in topics such as ones listed below:

- ❖ Health, Healing and Wholeness in the Faith Community
- ❖ History & Philosophy of Faith Community/Parish Nursing
- ❖ Legal Issues and Accountability
- ❖ Assessment: Individual, Family and Community
- ❖ Roles of the Faith Community Nurse:  
Integrator of Faith and Health  
Educator  
Counselor  
Referral Agent  
Volunteer Coordinator  
Advocate  
Developer of Support Groups
- ❖ Self-Care for the Parish Nurse
- ❖ Beginning a Faith Community Nurse Ministry
- ❖ Functioning within a Ministerial Team
- ❖ Accountability and Documentation
- ❖ Prayer and Worship Leadership
- ❖ Ethical Issues
- ❖ Health Promotion and Maintenance
- ❖ Family Violence

Pre-course materials will be mailed 3 weeks before the program begins. These materials will include an exact schedule, a worksheet for examining your spiritual journey and directions to the classroom on the Calvin campus.

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Fee is \$400, which includes program syllabus and textbook, refreshments, a Parish Nurse pin and documentation of program completion.

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Overnight accommodations can be arranged.

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Registration is limited to the first 12 participants who pre-register. (A minimum of 8 participants is necessary in order to offer the program.)

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For more information and/or to indicate interest in completing the course, contact Professor Bethany Gordon, RN, MSN, Parish Nurse/Faith Community Nurse Educator Calvin College  
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City \_\_\_\_\_

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Church Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nursing degree \_\_\_\_\_

When you are notified that the program will occur, complete registration form, write a check (for the \$400 registration fee) payable to Calvin College and parish nursing in the memo line.

Send registration form and check to:

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Faith Community Nurse Educator  
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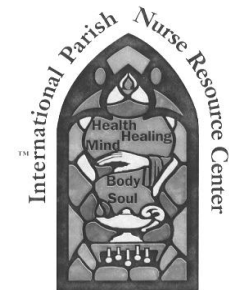
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## FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE/PARISH NURSE BASIC PREPARATION PROGRAM

Fall 2010 or Spring 2011

*Promoting Congregational  
Health and Wholeness in the  
Twenty-first Century*



An educational partner with the  
International Parish Nurse  
Resource Center