

# Spiritual Institute Syllabus HTS 135 Healing & Wholeness

# **Course Instructor**

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Class meets: Monday June 23 – Friday June 27, 10am – 12pm

#### **Course Description**

Unity began with a spiritual healing that was mediated through mind by application of principles. The first healing was followed by others and eventually Silent Unity and Unity Centers emerged. The healing practices and principles developed and applied by Myrtle and Charles Fillmore are the basis of this course. Students will be working with the Fillmore's teachings on healing and wholeness, as well as with historical and contemporary master teachers. The principles will be presented to support students in developing a practical understanding of Unity theology as "heart-centered meta-physics."

# **Course Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this course, learners will be able to:

- 1. Analyze, interpret, and explain the essential elements of Myrtle and Charles Fillmore's theology while developing a personal understanding of healing, wholeness, curing and health.
- 2. Examine and use current language to express concepts of healing and wholeness.
- 3. Illustrate key aspects of the Source of Healing.
- 4. Explain the significance of prayer, the Silence and meditation in relationship to healing and wholeness.

#### **Required Text/Readings**

- *How to Let God Help You* by Myrtle Fillmore (HGHY)
- *Healing Letters* by Myrtle Fillmore (HL)
- *Christian Healing* by Charles Fillmore (CH)

#### **Recommended Text/Readings**

- Jesus Christ Heals by Charles Fillmore
- The Quest for Wholeness by Robert Brumet
- Mind Over Medicine by Lissa Rankin, MD

# Academic Performance: Progress Evaluation

# **Grade Scale**

- S: Satisfactory = 75 100%
- **NC:** No Credit = 0 74%

Other possibilities:

- AU: Audit student is not seeking credentialing (no assignments required).
- I: Incomplete waiting for completion of one or more assignments. Given by approval of the instructor due to urgent and unusual circumstance in the life of the participant

# **Graded Assignments**

#### It is important to complete your assignments on or before the due dates.

**<u>NOTE</u>**: If you experience an emergency and are unable to complete your assignments on time, Contact your instructor.

Assignments:	Possible Points	Percentage
Classes (5 @ 14 pts)	70 points	17.5%
Reflections (5 @ 14 pts)	70 points	17.5%
<ul> <li>Lifework Exercises</li> <li>Threefold Healing (30 pts)</li> <li>Body Counseling (30 pts)</li> <li>Paradigms (30 pts)</li> <li>Spiritual Pain (50 pts)</li> </ul>	140 points	35%
Weekly Healing & Wholeness Journal	20 points	5%
Final Reflection Paper (1 @ 110 pts)	100 points	25%
Total Points	400 points	100%

# **Module One**

#### **"Your Source of Healing"** Date: Monday, June 23, 2025

#### **Learning Objectives**

By the end of this class learners will be able to:

- Understand where the power of healing lies
- Begin thinking about how we harness that power for ourselves
- Become familiar with Ken Wilber's Three Faces of God

Preparation for Module 1: Learning Assignments	Due Dates
Preview	Watch prior to
Preview Video [5:50 minutes]	class one
<u>MYRTLE FILLMORE'S HEALING STORY</u>	
Reading(s)	Read prior to
• Chapter 2 – Being's Perfect Idea ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	class one
• Chapter 9 – No Incurable Disease ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
• Chapter 14 – Spiritual Understanding ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 15 – The Way to Health ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
• Article: "Three Faces of God" (PDF)	
Class Preparation	
• Our first Class Session will take place on Monday, June 23, 2025	
• Complete each of the assignments (above) prior to our first session.	

Dates
Monday

# Module 2: "Can Death Heal?"

Date: Tuesday June 24, 2025

### Learning Objectives

By the end of this module learners will be able to:

- Understand concepts of healing beyond the physical body
- Construct definitions for healing, curing and wholeness.

Homework for Module 2: Learning Assignments	Due Dates
Preview: Preview Video [1:29 minutes]	
<ul> <li><u>Myrtle Fillmore Leads the Prayer of Faith</u></li> </ul>	
Reading(s)	Prior to class
• Chapter 2 - Jesus Christ ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	time
• Chapter 3 – Manifestation ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
• Chapter 12 - Threefold Healing (Healing Letters)	
• Chapter 24 – Be Made Whole ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
Healing and Wholeness Exercise	Prior to class
Write your definitions of healing and wholeness.	time
Lifework Assignment #1: Threefold Healing	
<ul> <li>Write two or three paragraphs about how you might use spiritual, mental or physical healing for yourself. Be honest if you have</li> </ul>	Prior to class time
neglected any of these three areas.	

Module 2: Graded Assignments	Due Dates
Threefold Healing	In class Tuesday
Class Discussion	
• Reflections	
Video(s)	
<ul> <li>Stephen Levine: "Conscious Living, Conscious Dying" – Thinking</li> </ul>	
Allowed (Part 1 complete) [27:33 minutes]	
https://youtu.be/HyEsMMPS_OQ	
Healing and Wholeness Journal	
• Apply the principles and practices to the healing desired and make notes of	
what you are noticing.	
Lifework Assignment #1: Threefold Healing	
• Discussion about how you might use spiritual, mental, or physical healing for	
yourself. Be honest if you have neglected any of these three areas.	

#### Module 3: "Power of Thought" Date: Wednesday June 25, 2025

#### Learning Objectives

By the end of this module learners will be able to:

- Understand Charles and Myrtle Fillmore's beliefs and teachings about the power of thought in healing
- Consider the extent to which the student believes thought creates health or illness
- Understand the concept of a perfect idea behind every form.

Homework for Module 3: Learning Assignments	<b>Due Dates</b>
Preview	
Holy Now - Faith Rivera @ Agape 2019	
Required Reading(s)	Prior to class time
• Chapter 4 - The Formative Power of Thought ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
• Chapter 5 - How to Control Thought ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
• Chapter 8 - Embodiment of Thought ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 13 - The Christ Spirit ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 21 - The Healthy Channel ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
Recommended Reading (optional):	
• Chapter 9 - Imagination ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
Healing and Wholeness Journal	
Apply the principles and practices to the healing desired and make notes of	
what you are noticing.	

Module 3: Graded Assignments	Due Dates
The Power of Thought	In class Wednesday
Class Discussion	
Reflection	
Video:	
• Terry McBride - Using Your Own Power & Authority [28:42	
minutes]	
https://youtu.be/R17KMx8FQYo yes	

#### Module 4: "Every Word You Say" Dates: Wednesday June 25, 2025

# Learning Objectives

By the end of this module learners will be able to:

- Understand how words reflect thoughts and also change thoughts
- Understand the Fillmores' emphasis on words
- Consider to what extent they agree that words are powerful.

#### Homework for Module 4: Learning Assignments

**Due Dates** 

Preview

Everything New - LIVE - Daniel Nahmod

Homework for Module 4: Learning Assignments	Due Dates
Required Reading(s)	Prior to class
• Chapter 6 - The Word ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
• Chapter 10 - The Power of the Word ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 27 - The Law of Supply ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 23 - Health in the Home ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 11 - The Subconscious ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	

Module 4: Graded Assignments	Due Dates
The Power of Words	In class
Class Discussion	Wednesday
Lifework Assignment #2 – Body Counseling	
See Assignment and Expectations section below for details.	
Healing and Wholeness Journal	
Apply the principles and practices to the healing desired and make notes of what	
you are noticing.	

# Module 5: "Why Isn't It Working?"

Dates: Thursday June 26, 2025

#### Learning Objectives

By the end of this module learners will be able to:

- Understand the paradigms or limiting beliefs that keep pulling us back to familiar thought patterns
- Assess their own paradigms
- Discuss the meaning of "the fullness of time."

Homework for Module 5: Learning Assignments	<b>Due Dates</b>
Preview	
I Feel Like Letting Go	
Reading(s)	Prior to class
• Chapter 1 – The True Character of Being ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
• Chapter 8 – The Fullness of Time (Jesus Christ Heals)	
• https://www.truthunity.net/books/jesus-christ-heals-117-	
<u>136</u>	
• Chapter 20 – Creature of Habit ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 16 – Helping Others ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
Video(s)	
• Why is it So Hard to Change? (Joe Dispenza) [9:23 minutes]	
<ul> <li><u>https://youtu.be/8EHoixHfgEw</u></li> </ul>	

Module 5: Graded Assignments	Due Dates
Why isn't it working?	In class Thursday
Class Discussion	
Reflection	
Lifework Assignment #3 - Paradigms	
See Assignment and Expectations section below for details.	
Healing and Wholeness Journal	
Apply the principles and practices to the healing desired and make notes of	
what you are noticing.	

#### Module 6: "Prayers for Healing – or Not" Date: Thursday June 26, 2025

# Learning Objectives

By the end of this module learners will be able to:

- Discuss an answer to the question "why pray?"
- Understand affirmative prayer methods for healing for self and others
- Discuss how to know when prayer "works"
- Analyze possible negative effects of prayer.

Homework for Module 6: Learning Assignments	Due Dates
Preview	
Required Reading(s)	Prior to class
• Chapter 15 – Secret Place of Spirits ( <i>How to Let God Help You</i> )	
• Chapter 3 – Prayer ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
• Wall Street Journal: Feb. 21, 2017 Article – "A 'Spiritual Board' Brings	
Comfort to the Critically Ill" (PDF)	
Recommended Reading	
• Chapter 5 – Going into the Silence ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
Website Articles:	
• Can Prayer Harm?	
https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/articles/199703/can-prayer-	
harm	

Module 6: Graded Assignments	Due Dates
Affirmative Prayer and more	In class Thursday
Class Discussion	
Lifework Assignment #4: Spiritual Pain	
See Assignment and Expectations section below for details.	
Healing and Wholeness Journal	
Apply the principles and practices to the healing desired and make notes of	
what you are noticing.	

# Module 7: "Creating Our Future Selves" Dates: Friday June 27, 2025

# Learning Objectives

By the end of this module learners will be able to:

- Understand and discuss concept of conscious evolution
- Consider to what extent the student believes "aging is in your mind"
- Discuss the future of healing given the information from this course.

Homework for Module 7: Learning Assignments	Due Dates
Preview	
<u>Thank You For This Day - YouTube</u>	
Required Reading(s)	Prior to class
• Chapter 17 - Concerning Age ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
• Chapter 18 – Our Work ( <i>Healing Letters</i> )	
• The Great Awakening by Barbara Marx Hubbard [PDF]	
Recommended Reading	
• Chapter 12 – Love ( <i>Christian Healing</i> )	
Website Resource	

Homework for Module 7: Learning Assignments	Due Dates
Healing Resources at Truth Unity:	
https://www.truthunity.net/healing	
Video(s)	
• Law of Attraction with Bruce Lipton [14:52 minutes]	
https://youtu.be/A8FNYcbnOaw	
• Conscious Evolution with Barbara Marx Hubbard [7:34 minutes]	
https://youtu.be/SJtrNhyHLv0	
• Conscious Evolution: Awakening the Power of Our Social Potential	
[11:34 minutes]	
https://youtu.be/i6N7 z RI6w	

Module 7: Graded Assignments	Due Dates
<ul> <li>Creating Our Future Selves</li> <li>Class Discussion</li> <li>Reflection</li> <li>Final Reflection Paper</li> </ul>	In class on Friday
<ul> <li>Weekly Healing and Wholeness Journal</li> <li>Continue to write in your journal</li> </ul>	