

Academic Retreat for Teachers

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Syllabus of Readings

Selections from various original works introduce participants to writings in different genres (literature, history, philosophy, math, science, theology). Participants will taste the breadth of the love of learning. Most classes will be conducted at least in part as discussions. Successful discussions result from careful preparation of the reading materials. Participants should try to come to class with views and questions about what the author is claiming and whether he seems to be correct.

Wed. Evening Talk --

The Academic Retreat and the Classical Liberal Arts Tradition

Thurs. Morning Homer, The Iliad, Book XXIV

Pericles & Lincoln

Thurs. Afternoon Plato, The Apology

Thurs. Evening Tolkien, Leaf by Niggle

Fri. Morning Euclid

Fabre & Darwin

Fri. Afternoon Descartes, Discourse on Method

Fri. Evening Shakespeare, Julius Caesar

Sat. Morning Ephesians

St. Augustine, Confessions