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under the direction of the Pastor.**

An effective *Christ Centered* philosophy of education
with Degree Programs from associate level through Ph.D.

External Studies to meet every individual's needs are available.

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The information in this booklet is designed to help you start and administrate an affiliate campus. You will find within, the forms that you are required to use. These forms will insure the accuracy of transcription and all financial matters. As soon as we receive your Campus Agreement and fees, you will receive the Administration Manual, supplying additional forms for use within your campus and more detailed description of policy and procedures.

Your campus will be able to offer a one year program designed especially for the laity, a two year Associate of Biblical Studies, a three year Diploma of Ministry, and finally a four year fully accredited program qualifying each student for a Bachelor Degree.

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary is here to serve the local church and we are looking forward to your joining us in equipping and preparing believers to do the work of the Lord. If we can be of further assistance to you in starting your campus, please feel free to contact our administrative office.

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AFFILIATE CAMPUS CHECKLIST

GETTING STARTED

- I. Sign and Send in Affiliate Campus Agreement and submit the start-up cost of \$300.00, which includes
 - A. Administrators Manual
 - B. Start up material
 - C. Training
 - D. Expenses

- II. Schedule Conference Meeting with VCBC & S's Academic Dean (if needed).
 - A. Set an appointment to come to Clermont, Florida, or have a representative come and talk with your Pastor and Administrator. (This is a part of the training for starting a campus)

- III. Plan Your Academic Year
 - A. Prepare your course schedule (Include one seminar each semester)

- IV. Contract with your faculty for each course they will teach.
 - A. Send completed Faculty Application form (originals) to Administration Office, along with 2 references.
 - B. Seminar Faculty must be selected from the approved National Adjunct Faculty List.
 1. Instructions are in the Administration Manuel.

- V. Hold Student Registration at least 30 days before the semester begins.

- VI. Send student applications and transcripts with registration. Originals must be sent to Administration Office.

- VII. Hold faculty and student orientation at least one week before classes start.

- VIII. Grade reports are due:
 - A. Within 14 days of the end of each term.
 - Send grade report with payments for each student to the Administration office.

- IX. Six weeks prior to graduation:
 - A. Send final graduation report and fee to the administration office.

- X. The affiliate campus renewal fee is due each year on July 1st.

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary
Clermont, Florida
Affiliate Campus Agreement

This agreement is entered into by and between Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary, herein referred to as VCBC & S, and:

(Name)

It is the mutual desire of the parties to establish an Affiliate Campus at,

(Address)

The name of the Affiliate Campus shall be:

And hereinafter, referred to as the Affiliate Campus. It shall be therefore subject to the following terms:

1. With the receipt of the start up cost of \$300.00 (includes administration manual. VCBC & S grants to the Affiliate Campus the right to conduct classes and operate same as stated above to secure from Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary faculty and students materials upon receipt of payment for the same.
2. Upon compliance with VCBC & S schedule of required courses and additional elective courses, the Affiliate Campus may offer the VCBC & S certificates and diplomas to each student who satisfactory completes the required credits and whose grades are forwarded to the VCBC & S Administration Office.
3. VCBC & S requires all financial matters to be kept current. Delinquency will result in probation and/or termination of the agreement.
4. VCBC & S agrees to furnish a certificate that declares an authorized Affiliate Campus.

The Affiliate Campus agrees to the following conditions:

1. Conduct weekly (or more frequently), Affiliate Campus classes for enrolled students; at least twenty (20) weeks per semester.
2. Will use the VCBC & S approved faculty and courses.
3. Will forward to VCBC & S a completed application form for each student (with Picture) and all required information and transcripts from high school, vocational, trade and/or college.

4. Will complete the VCBC & S student registration forms for each enrolled student and will forward them to VCBC & S Administration Office for each semester.
5. Will assign student grades according to the values stated in the faculty manual.
6. Will forward grades to VCBC & S Administration Office within fourteen (14) days after the completion of each course offered.
7. Will conform to the VCBC & S chart of credits to be given for each student.
8. May require additional VCBC & S approved courses to be taken by students above those stated in Course Catalog.
9. May not displace or substitute any VCBC & S required course without written approval by VCBC & S Academic Dean.
10. Agrees not to duplicate VCBC & S cassettes, videos or any other printed materials without prior written permission.
11. Agrees to conduct one (1) major seminar per semester, using an approved VCBC & S National Faculty.
12. Will request from the Administration Office any needed information or additional forms.

***FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT WILL RESULT IN TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT.**

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary Affiliate Campus

 (Name of Affiliate Campus – Print)

 (President)

 (Date)

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary

 (Dr. Jan L. Garber, President)

 (Date)

WHERE WE BEGAN

The Bible College was started in 1992 when Dr. Jan Garber developed an accredited 4 year Bible School to become Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary and it has now grown to its present status.

OUR UNIQUE 'VISION'

Our "vision" is a simple one. We have been commissioned to train, certify and release men and women of God to reach our world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Throughout our Bible College Network, Distant Learning Programs and Consulting Services; we endeavor to hold up the arms of local pastors, thus increasing their effectiveness, reducing their burdens, while building God's Kingdom.

GOAL

VCBC & S's goal is to disciple faithful men and women into ministry. We desire each student to achieve excellence in the Lord. In line with our goals, VCBC & S is obtaining academic and institutional recognition. Our programs are rich in Spiritual Content, Biblical Study and Ministry Training. To summarize, we are developing shepherds, warriors, workers, pioneers and teachers for the work unto which they have been called.

MODEL for MINISTRY - The Church at Antioch

In the Old Testament, the training for ministry was Spirit-led and birthed in the school of the prophets. In the New Testament, our best model for ministry training is seen in the church at Antioch, especially in Acts (11:19-26, 13:1-4, 14:26-28 and 15:30-35). Here we see a church alive with Paul and Barnabas, other prophets and teachers; rising up men and women for fruitful ministry. They did so under the authority of the elders who were accountable to those who sent them out. This remains our model for education. Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary is more than an academic institution, it is a training center for spirit and power. Our focus is in the restoration and transformation of lives, cities and nations by the power of God.

EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

It is our belief that all believers are called unto Christ and are to be conformed to the image of Jesus Christ. This is not an instantaneous event, but a discipleship process. Therefore the Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary will assist the local church in developing Christian Education from new convert to scholar. Our hope is that every student will integrate foundational biblical and scriptural truths to obtain a deeper insight into the Word of God.

The Degree programs of this college are currently designed solely for ecclesiastical vocations.

RECOGNITION OF ACCREDITATION

The following section is a paragraph from “*Bear’s Guide to Earning Non-Traditional College Degrees*,” 10th edition (1989). “Accreditation is perhaps the most complex, confusing and important issue in higher education. It is surely the most misunderstood and the most misused concept—both intentionally and unintentionally. Accreditation is a peculiarly American concept. In other countries of the world, colleges and universities either are operated by the government or gain the full right to grant degrees directly from the government. In the United States, accreditation is an entirely voluntary procedure, done by private non-governmental agencies.”

“As we look towards the future, it appears likely that accreditation organizations will lose their usefulness and slowly disappear. Colleges will be judged not by what some educational bureaucracy declares, but by what they can do for their students. Of much greater relevance would be statistics on student satisfaction, career advancement of graduates and data of this nature.” These views were echoed in 1988 by then Secretary of Education, William Bennett. “Historically”, he said, “Accrediting agencies have examined institutions in terms of the resources they have, such as the number of faculty with earned doctorates and the number of books in the library. Now (we) are considering the ways agencies take account of students achievements and development of students for the degree awarded.”

ACCREDITATION AND AUTHORIZATION

Vision Christian Bible College & Seminary does not hold Regional Accreditation, nor does the Federal Department of Education approve VCBC & S. We do not intend to seek federal affiliation. Our intent is to remain an institution devoted to preparing men and women for ecclesiastical vocations.

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary was authorized to operate and to grant degrees by the Florida State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities under section 246.084 (1), State of Florida Statutes.

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary is a Certified Academic Institution with the American College of Christian Counselors (A.C.C.C.).

Vision Christian Bible College & Seminary is a member of the Evangelical Training Association in the Graduate, Undergraduate and Adult Education Division. As a member school, students have the opportunity to earn the ETA: (Graduate, Standard and Associate Teacher Diploma).

Vision Christian Bible College & Seminary is a member of the American Federation of Christian Colleges and Schools.

ADMINISTRATION: Local Church Autonomy

The Leadership of your local campus is in the hands of the pastor/leadership of the church. The local leader decides the following:

- 1) Who instructs: You decide, with approval of the VCBC & S's Academic Dean, who shares your vision, and who has the skills and qualifications to teach.
- 2.) What is taught: Courses are available that are within the vision the Lord has given you. We give significant guidance to insure a well-balanced program of studies.
- 3.) Classes are in a Non-Traditional and Accelerated structure.
- 4.) When are classes held? Classes can be held during the day, evening, weekends or on a monthly basis; as best suited to the needs of your local assembly. Again, we will assist you and your local Academic Dean in planning your academic calendar.
- 5.) Start at any level and build a foundation. It can be a short-term school depending upon the local capabilities. Levels include:

- a.) Certificate - First year program, designed for entire church (30 credit hours).
- b.) Associates Program - Biblical Studies for advanced leaders (60 credit hours).
- c.) Ministerial Diploma - For full time ministry (90 credit hours).
- d.) Four Year Program – Bachelor Degree (120 credit hours).

THE ACADEMIC YEAR WILL CONSIST OF:

Two (2) semesters of twenty (20) weeks, for a total of forty (40) weeks per year. Each semester will consist of five (5) terms, (4) weeks per term. One course per term (4 weeks), will equal three (3) semester credit hours.

Students must attend class a minimum of three (3) hours each week for each course taken and will have twelve (12) hours of study out of class per week. A full-time student will receive fifteen (15) semester credits for each semester for a total of thirty (30) semester credits for each academic year.

One or two seminars will be held each semester. This will take the place of one term course. Seminars will be held for nine (9) hours and require twenty-seven (27) hours of study out of class. Each seminar is equal to three (3) semester credit hours.

- Staying with this academic calendar will enable the College to have Christmas and Spring breaks.
- If the Campus wishes, it may hold one or two summer terms of four (4) weeks each.
- This will enable students to gain extra credits or make-up credits. Each term is one (1) course and is equal to three (3) semester credit hours.

AWARDS:

All students must have completed 30 credit hours of study with VCBC & S to be eligible to receive any of the following awards.

- **Certificate in Biblical Studies: One-Year Program**

This program is designed for the individual who desires a basic knowledge of scriptural truths along with sufficient biblical understanding, so as to be of assistance to the pastor of his or her church in the various ministries (i.e., Sunday School). Completion of thirty credit hours is required to obtain the certificate.

- **Associates in Biblical Studies: Two Year Program**

Students receiving this degree are prepared for further study at the Bachelor's level. An Associate's is granted upon successful completion of 60 credit hour of course work.

- **Ministerial Diploma: Three Year Program**

The Ministerial Diploma is a three-year theological program designed to prepare students for a Christ-centered ministry. Under the instruction of academically and spiritually qualified faculty, students receive a sound knowledge of the Word of God and worship. A student must complete 90 credit hours of study in order to qualify for a ministerial diploma.

- **Bachelor: Four Year Program**

The Bachelor degrees are granted upon successful completion of 120 credits of course work and may be earned in (Biblical Studies, Theology, Biblical Counseling and Christian Education). Though the Bachelors can be matriculated at the local Affiliate Campus, it is recommended that subsequent degrees be accomplished through Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary's Distance Learning Program.

FINANCES:

1. Approve the Affiliate Agreement and submit start-up cost.
2. All offerings, gifts and donations stay with the local church.
3. At the beginning of each semester, the Registration Report and fees are sent to the National Administrative Office of Vision Christian Bible College.
4. The following fees are sent as stipulated in Affiliate Campus Administration Manuel.
 - Registration
 - Graduation
 - Transcription
 - Application
 - Renewal
 - Grade Change
 - Life Experience Credit

FACULTY TEACHING FOR CREDIT:

Faculty desiring to receive credit for the course they are teaching must submit:

- 1.) An application to VCBC & S
- 2.) Be registered for the semester that the course is being taught.
- 3.) The standard fees with the teaching for credit form must be submitted to VCBC & S.

Each instructor will receive an “A” for teaching the course when all forms and moneys are received.

SEMINAR POLICY

A minimum of one seminar per year should be scheduled in agreement with Academic Office. Seminars will be coordinated through the Academic Office. These seminars can be open to the general public for auditing and will generate extra funds for the local church in addition to being a blessing to the Affiliate Campus.

VCBC & S students taking a seminar for credit must pay the appropriate fee per credit hour. But if a person does not attend any regular classes with VCBC & S, the following is our recommended policy:

- 1.) Pay Seminar Fee
- 2.) No Registration Fee required.
- 3.) If not taken for credit, they must pay for the book or class notes if not included in the Seminar Fee.

Hours for Seminar Credits

3 hour credit = 9 hours class time

- a.) Assignments should cover 30 hours of direct research and/or practicum.

Scheduling: Seminars can be made available to students on a monthly basis with regularly scheduled classes. This would enable your students to earn additional credits towards their desired degree.

REIMBURSEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SEMINARS:

- 1.) Professors are to be paid travel expenses before leaving the local campus.
- 2.) Professors are to be paid 33% of tuition fees & audit fees or a minimum of \$360.00 (whichever is greater) upon fulfillment of contract and receipt of Seminar Attendance Sheet and Grade Report.
- 3.) Fees due VCBC & S (registration, grades, etc.), should be forwarded to the Administration Office within 21 days of the completion of the seminar.

Note: Since travel arrangements are made well in advance of the seminar, cancellation of a seminar less than three weeks before will result in the party canceling being responsible for the cost of the Faculty's flight expenses and text books (if already ordered), even if from the Faculty.

Seminars are made available so that:

- 1.) Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary students can earn additional credits.
- 2.) Outside National Faculty can be brought in to minister to the students.
- 3.) Each campus is able to allow for semester breaks at Christmas and Easter. There is a separate report to be completed and sent to the Administration Office for each seminar that is held. This report is due 14 days after the seminar ends.

To clarify the financial responsibilities for seminars, when a National Faculty member teaches a seminar, they are entitled to his/her travel expenses, moneys from any books sold and 33% of tuition/audit fees or \$360.00 whichever is greater.

Since travel arrangements are made well in advance of the seminar, cancellation of a seminar less than three (3) weeks beforehand will result in the local campus being responsible for the cost of the faculty's flight expenses, as well as the cost of the requested textbooks. The books will be sent to the Affiliated Campus for sale.

***Note: Seminar faculty must be selected from the National Faculty of Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary.**

LIFE EXPERIENCE CREDIT

Life Experience Credit is granted by the Executive Board of Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary (a maximum of 30 hours of Undergraduate Credit). A student is eligible for consideration of advanced standing on the basis of life experience if the student meets the following criteria:

- 1.) The student applicant is at least 28 years of age.
- 2.) The applicant has at least eight years of leadership experience in the Christian Ministry.
- 3.) The applicant has provided a Life Experience Portfolio, including a curriculum vitae and letters of recommendation.
- 4.) The applicant has never received equivalent credit for life experience in any other degree program.

LIFE EXPERIENCE PROCEDURES

- 1.) The applicant should request "Life Experience Credit," through Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary's Administrative Office.
- 2.) The completed portfolio, with letters of reference and documentation, are to be reviewed by the Executive Board, consisting of the President and College Dean for each program.
- 3.) The Executive Board may request further information or documentation.
- 4.) The Executive Board may require an interview with each applicant, usually accomplished telephonically.
- 5.) The President or his Registrar will make the final decision.
- 6.) The decision will be made in adequate time to facilitate registration by the applicant.
- 7.) The applicant must submit the appropriate evaluation fee for Undergraduate Credit.

Example

Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary (Oakland Campus – VCBC Oakland) Academic Calendar

2004

<u>Date</u>	<u>Times</u>	<u>Event</u>
August 5-16th	8:00 am - 5:00 p.m.	First Semester Registration
August 6th & 13th	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Student Registration
August 20th	7:00 p.m.	Faculty Orientation
August 27th	7:00 p.m.	Student Orientation Book pick-up
September 3rd	6:30 p.m.	First Semester Begins
December 9th	8:00 am - 9:00 p.m.	Second Semester Registration
December 18th	End of First Semester

2005

January 7th	7:00 p.m.	Student Orientation
January 14th	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Second Semester Begins
March 5th - April 1st	Spring Break
May 2nd & 3rd	Friday 6:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday 9:00-4:00	Seminar
May 21st	End of Second Semester
June 14th	Graduation

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Gifts of the Holy Spirit SPT 327

AVAILABLE COURSES

YEAR I - Certificate in Biblical Studies (30 Credit Hours)

COURSE #	TITLE
BBL 101	How to Study the Bible (Beginning Hermeneutics)
OTS 101	Old Testament Survey
NTS 101	New Testament Survey
OTS 102	The Journey of Israel
OTS 103	The Pentateuch
NTS 102	Synoptic Gospels
NTS 103	The Sermon on the Mount
HCH 101	Church History
ECM 101	Servant hood Practicum
THE 101	Christian Foundations
THE 102	The Fruit of the Holy Spirit
THE103	Worship in New Testament Church
THE 104	Supernatural Living
THE 105	Dynamics of Worship
SYS 101	Introduction to Theology
SYS 102	Christology - Christ
SYS 103	Ecclesiology - Church
SYS 104	Doctrine of the Holy Spirit
PTH 101	Prayer
PTH 102	Pastoral Theology
PTH 103	Intercessory Prayer

YEAR II - Associates in Biblical Studies (60 Credit Hours)

COURSE #	TITLE
NTS 201	Gospel of John
NTS 202	Acts
NTS 203	Romans
OTS 201	Minor Prophets
OTS 202	Biblical Wisdom
OTS 203	The Book of Israel
HCH 101	Church History
ECM 200	Stewardship Practicum
THE 201	Spiritual Authority
THE 202	Christian Marriage & Family Life
THE 203	Prophets & Prophecy
THE 204	Victory Over Self-Centered Life
THE 205	True Christianity
SYS 201	Eschatology
SYS 202	Doctrine of Healing
SYS 203	Doctrine of God
SYS 204	Covenants of God
APL 201	Apologetics

YEAR III - Ministerial Diploma Available Courses (90 Credit Hours)

COURSE #	TITLE
OTS 301	David & Solomon
OTS 302	The Book of Genesis
OTS 303	The Feasts of Israel
OTS 304	The Tabernacle of Moses
OTS 305	The Song of Solomon
NTS 301	The Book of Hebrews
THE 301	Faith Dynamics
THE 302	Ministry Gifts
THE 303	The Church Today
THE 304	Polemics
THE 305	Principles of Revival
THE 306	Leadership & Church Government
THE 307	Ministry of Helps
THE 308	Spiritual Warfare
ECM 300	Pastoral Ministry
ECM 301	Introduction To Missions
ECM 302	Foundations of Missions
PTH 301	Present Day Truths
PTH 302	Winds of Doctrine
SYS 301	Angels
SYS 302	Anthropology
SYS 303	Types & Symbols
SYS 304	Demons

YEAR IV 120 Credit Hours Program

***Bachelor Degree Programs Available In:**

BACHELOR IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

COURSE #	TITLE
ECM 400	Missions – Practicum
BBL 401	Advanced Hermeneutics
OTS 401	Tabernacle of David
OTS 402	The Book of Daniel
OTS 403	The Temple of Solomon
OTS 404	Book of Job
NTS 401	Parables of Jesus
NTS 402	New Covenant Realities
NTS 403	Colossians & Philemon

BACHELOR IN THEOLOGY

COURSE #	TITLE
ECM 401	Pastoral Duties
ECM 402	The Pastor & Staff
ECM 403	Principles of Missions
ECM 405	Youth Ministry

ECM 406	Cross-Culture Christianity
ECM 407	Apostolic Evangelism
ECM 408	Miracle Evangelism
ECM 409	Church Growth
ECM 410	Biblical Eldership
ECM 412	Christian Discipleship
BBL 401	Advanced Hermeneutics
THE 401	Principles of Leadership
PRE 401	Homiletics
PTH 401	Pastoral Ethics
PTH 402	Theology & Psychology
PTH 403	Theology of Christian Education
PTH 405	Contemporary Theology

BACHELOR IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING

COURSE #	TITLE
CNS 401	The Bible and Counseling
CNS 402	Introduction to Christian Counseling
CNS 403	Grace Principles
CNS 404	Nouthetic Counseling
CNS 405	Spiritual Therapy
CNS 406	Marriage and Family
CNS 407	Relationships
CNS 408	Pastoral Counseling
CNS 409	Temperament Theory
CNS 410	Grief, Death and Bereavement Counseling
PSY 401	Introduction to Psychology
PSY 402	Stress
SOC 401	Chaplaincy to the Imprisoned

BACHELOR IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

COURSE #	TITLE
CED 401	English Composition
CED 402	Dynamic Methods of Teaching
CED 403	Biblical Christian Education
CED 404	Foundations of Christian Education
CED 405	Christian Education, History & Philosophy
CED 406	Laws of Learning
CED 407	Christian Educational Psychology
CED 408	Laws of Teaching
CED 409	Elementary Education
CED 410	Secondary Education
CED 411	Oral Communications
CED 412	Developmental Psychology in Christian Education

* (Granted by Vision Christian Bible College Seminary, Clermont, FL)

BACHELOR IN MINISTRY

UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**Biblical Studies
Religious Studies
Theology
Christian Counseling
Christian Education**

Undergraduate Course Description

Biblical Studies

English Bible (BBL), Old Testament (OTS), New Testament (NTS)

English Bible (BBL)

BBL 101 **Beginning Hermeneutics**

The Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God. This course outline shows how we obtained our Bible, the importance of it, its revelation, inspiration and how to study it effectively.

BBL 401 **Advanced Hermeneutics**

This course is designed to help the student develop basic skills for Bible study. The major emphasis will be on the inductive method with general application to other methods of Bible study. An examination of the foundational principles of biblical interpretation, including the historic systems and schools of interpretation along with application of the methodology, are presented.

Old Testament (OTS)

OTS 101 **Old Testament Survey**

Required of students who do not have a Biblical background. This is a general survey of the books of the Old Testament. Giving particular attention to the background, analysis and content of each book.

OTS 102 **The Journey of Israel**

This course is a practical and penetrating analysis of the journey of the children of Israel and provides the reader with an accurate, insightful account of the pilgrimage to and the conquest of the Promised Land of Canaan.

OTS 103 **The Pentateuch**

An in-depth study of the first five books of the Bible.

OTS 201 **The Minor Prophets**

This course is an informative introduction to the Minor Prophets, their uniqueness in the history of the Hebrews. The course will consider the Minor Prophets' function, the role of the Spirit in their lives and their work, and their relationship to false prophets.

OTS 202 **Biblical Wisdom**

This course is a study of biblical wisdom. The concise prescriptions for a well-managed life are balanced by the confessions of a pious cynic for whom life here on earth cannot be reduced to simple formulas.

OTS 203 **The Book of Isaiah**

A study of dramatic prophecies expressed in lofty, literary language – the very heart of God towards His people. A study of prophetic scripture that ranges from before creation to the new heavens and the new earth.

OTS 301 **David & Solomon**

This course studies the lives of David and Solomon and is an insightful and illuminating journey through an important and very critical era of Old Testament history.

- OTS 302 **The Book of Genesis****
This course is an in-depth study of the book of beginnings and historical background of the early patriarchs (Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob).
- OTS 303 **The Feasts of Israel****
Paul taught that the Old Testament is a type or shadow of the New Testament and the church. This can especially be seen in the Feasts and Festivals.
- OTS 304 **The Tabernacle of Moses****
This course sets forth the riches of redemption’s story as typified in the Tabernacle of Moses, with special attention on the furnishings.
- OTS 305 **The Song of Solomon****
A study of the Song of Solomon and its true meaning. An exploration of Divine, heavenly love that comes from God, captures your heart and carries you into the realm of the Spirit where self cannot prevail.
- OTS 401 **The Tabernacle of David****
Davidic worship; its expression and importance for the church today is examined with practical application for the individual student.
- OTS 402 **The Book of Daniel****
This is a survey of Daniel and Revelation as they pertain to the end times and the Second theme “turning the curse into a blessing.”
- OTS 403 **The Temple of Solomon****
This is a comprehensive study of the temple of Solomon and its truths concerning Christ and His Church.
- OTS 404 **The Book of Job****
This course is an analytical and expository study of the book of Job. This course will confront the theme “turning the curse into a blessing.”

New Testament (NTS)

- NTS 101 **New Testament Survey****
This course is required for students who do not have a biblical background. It is a general survey of the books of the New Testament, giving particular attention to the background, analysis and content of each book.
- NTS 102 **The Synoptic Gospels****
The three gospels (Matthew, Mark, and Luke) are studied in detail, noting the different approaches or windows of revelation that each author looked through.
- NTS 103 **The Sermon on the Mount****
This course is an in-depth study of the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. This is a detailed study of the basic principles set forth by Jesus for living a Christian life.
- NTS 201 **The Gospel of John****
This course is an analytical and expository study emphasizing the miracles and discourses of Christ and John’s portrayal of the deity of Christ.
- NTS 202 **The Book of Acts****
This course is an analytical and expository study emphasizing the miracles and development of the first century church.

- NTS 203 The Book of Romans**
This course is an analytical and expository study, emphasizing the theological development, structure and doctrines of the book of Romans.
- NTS 301 The Book of Hebrews**
This course is a detailed exposition of Hebrews with a discussion of its background and theological themes.
- NTS 401 The Parables of Jesus**
The teaching of Jesus in the four canonical Gospels will be correlated around the central theme - The Kingdom of God. Topics such as: Old Testament back ground, the nature, the manifestation, the entrance into, the demands of and the consummation of, the Kingdom will be considered.
- NTS 402 New Covenant Realities**
This is an in depth study of the new covenant and how it relates to the Church and the Christian life.
- NTS 403 The Books of Colossians & Philemon**
This is an analytical and expository study emphasizing the theological development, and structure of the books of Colossians and Philemon.

History

Church History (HCH)

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- HCH 101 Church History**
This is a study of Church history during the Apostolic Age, the Ante-Nicene period and the post-Nicene period. Noting particularly the doctrinal development during this time.

Theology

Theological Studies (THE), Systematic Studies (SYS), Apologetics (APL), Practical Theology (PTH)

Theological Studies (THE),

- THE 101 Christian Foundations**
This course provides a basic foundation for study in the Bible; the foundational truth concerning sound doctrine as found in God's Word.
- THE 102 The Fruit of the Holy Spirit**
This course is an in-depth study of the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit as found in Galatians, chapter 5, with an emphasis on their development and purpose.
- THE 103 Worship in the New Test Church**
Thanksgiving, praise and worship are vital for the New Testament Christian and taught in this course with emphasis on whom we worship and why we worship Him.
- THE 104 Supernatural Living**
This course views supernatural living through the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit and how to establish a new intimate relationship with the Holy Spirit.
- THE 105 Dynamics of Worship**

This course will establish a strong theological base for the worship experience in the Christian Faith.

- THE 201 Spiritual Authority**
The Church and the individual Christian have been created to have dominion on the earth. Jesus has given all authority to the Church, but Christians must learn to take their authority for the cause of Christ.
- THE 202 Christian Marriage & Family Life**
This is a study of Biblical solutions to family problems and everyday concerns. The Biblical pattern for family structure and happiness in a well ordered home that is centered in and around the Lord Jesus Christ.
- THE 203 Prophets and Prophecy**
The symbols, figures and signs in the books of the Old Testament will be compared. The victory of Christ over every foe will be stressed.
- THE 204 Victory over Self-Centered Life**
The purpose of this course is to gain a heart and mind that is free of all conflict, enriching your relationship with others and God.
- THE 205 True Christianity**
This is a study emphasizing the top priorities in life, defining God's ultimate - looking beyond His blessing to find His heart.
- THE 301 Faith Dynamics**
Living a life of victory, power and sufficiency requires faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. This course discusses in detail the dynamics of faith and their relationship to the believer.
- THE 302 Ministry Gifts**
This course explains the roles and functions of each ministry gift and how they work together for the Church under Christ's leadership.
- THE 303 The Church Today**
This course is a survey of the prophetic picture of the Church in the last days, using the Old Testament prophets to view the biblical perspective of God's purpose through the Church.
- THE 304 Polemics**
Knowledge of the truth in the natural world as well as the spiritual, sets people free. In our world truth must be contended for. This course explores the methods of the Warfare for Truth.
- THE 305 Principles of Revival**
This course will explore the origins and character of the Pentecostal movement and its phenomenal growth since the first decade of this century. A major part of the course will be a historical and theological perspective of Classical Pentecostal-ism and its impact upon American and Canadian religious life. An analysis will also be made of the more recent Charismatic Renewal among the historic Protestant and Catholic churches.
- THE 306 Leadership & Church Government.**
This is a detailed study of the basic principles of leadership as it applies to the local church. This will include the Dynamics of Leadership, Qualifications of Leadership, Counseling and Ethics, Church Administration and Government, etc.
- THE 307 Ministry of Helps**

Studies of the purpose function and place of the ministry of helps. This course will help people find their place in the Body of Christ.

THE 308 Spiritual Warfare
As a child of God, we must understand that our Heavenly Father is good. His chief motivation in our life is to make us the best person we can possibly be. On the other hand, Satan is totally evil. Jesus gives us Satan's job description in John 10:10. This course is about the battle between good and evil. A proper understanding of this biblical concept is needed in a balanced fashion.

THE 401 Principles of Leadership
This course is a study of the motivation, principles, characteristics and attributes of leaders. A careful analysis is given of the qualities of successful leaders, of the causes of success, and the causes of failure.

Systematic Studies (SYS)

SYS 101 Introduction to Theology
This course provides a basic foundation for study in the Bible. It will cover the foundational truths concerning sound doctrine as found in God's Word.

SYS 102 Christology - Christ
This course is a study of the person and the works of Christ as revealed in messianic prophecy, the incarnation and His ministry as Prophet, Priest and King is the core of this course.

SYS 103 Ecclesiology - Church
An examination of the New Testament church with particular concern given to its origin, distinctive nature, mission, government, offices, ordinances and destiny make up the content of this course.

SYS 104 Doctrine of the Holy Spirit
This course focuses on the biblical doctrine of the Holy Spirit with special attention to His ministries, gifts and fruits as it affects the functioning of the Body of Christ.

SYS 201 Eschatology
The course is a study of the prophetic revelation in the plan and purpose of God. Intensive study is given to the rapture of the Church, the Tribulation, the Second Coming of Christ and the Millennium.

SYS 202 Doctrine of Healing
The healing ministry of the Church has essentially been given over to health care professionals. This course will explore issues such as the historical and biblical foundations, as well as the emotional, spiritual, and physical aspects of healing.

SYS 203 Doctrine of God
Presents a study of the biblical doctrine of God, the Godhead, and His attributes, powers and functions.

SYS 204 Covenants of God
Our God is a covenant making and covenant-keeping God. In this course the various covenants of God are explored with emphasis on their importance for the Church of Jesus Christ.

SYS 301 Angels
A study of the role and function of angels in relation to the Church of Jesus Christ and the believers is covered in this course.

SYS 302 Anthropology

This course is an in-depth study of the biblical concept of man, his origin and purpose in God's creation. This course examines the three parts of man - spirit, soul, and body.

SYS 303 **Types & Symbols**
This course is the study of the major types in Scripture, their value and usefulness. The dangers of carrying the types too far will be stressed and examples from the Ante-Nicene fathers and Jewish commentaries will be given.

SYS 304 **Demons**
This course is a study of the role and function of demons in relation to the Church of Jesus Christ and the believers.

Apologetics (APL)

APL 201 **Apologetics**
Apologetics is a study of the defenses of the Christian faith against counter-claimants to truth. A critical analysis will be made of the methodology in apologetics.

Practical Theology (PTH)

PTH 101 **Prayer**
Prayer, communion with God and its purpose and power will be discussed and demonstrated through this dynamic course.

PTH 102 **Pastoral Theology**
This is a study of the practical side of a minister's life and duties. It will include instructions in the proper manner of services and discussion of many of the problems pastor faces.

PTH 103 **Intercessory Prayer**
A study of prayer principles and techniques that, if applied in faith, can be used to unlock communities' spiritual doors and release the blessings of God.

PTH 301 **Present Day Truths**
This course seeks to bring into focus all that God is doing in the earth today. It demonstrates the Lordship of Christ and how He has everything under His control.

PTH 302 **Winds of Doctrine**
This course is a study on how to maintain balance when winds of doctrine blow. How to gain and maintain a balanced perspective when many different teachers are promoting different teaching methods and viewpoints.

PTH 401 **Pastoral Ethics**
This course deals with the principles of ethics in the pastoral ministry with emphasis on relationships with church members, other pastors and visiting ministries.

PTH 402 **Theology & Psychology**
This study is intended to help pastors and other Christian leaders develop proficiency in enabling people to solve their problems while understanding the tensions between psychology and theology.

PTH 403 **Theology of Christian Education**

This course is a survey in the basic elements of Christian education, including its biblical foundation, a look at the teaching and learning process, and the role of both home and church in Christian education.

PTH 405 Contemporary Theology

This course is a survey of major theological developments in the 19th and 20th centuries. Topics covered include liberal Protestantism, neo-orthodoxy, current liberation, and hermeneutic, ecumenical and evangelical theologies.

Psychology

Psychology (PSY), Counseling Studies (CNS), Sociology (SOC)

Psychology (PSY)

PSY 401 Introduction to Psychology

This course is a study in the basic theories and historical development of psychology. Emphasis will be given to a biblical analysis of these theories.

PSY 403 Stress

This course proposes the Christ-centered, biblical approach in understanding and helping people with stress related problems.

Counseling Studies (CNS)

CNS 401 The Bible and Counseling

This course module is a study designed to help the Christian worker utilize Scripture, naturally, as a part of the counseling ministry. It also assists the counselor to understand in a greater way what Scripture does and does not say about contemporary issues.

CNS 402 Introduction to Christian Counseling

This course purposes to help the student discover the basic concepts, philosophies, techniques and ethics of Christian counseling and increase skill and confidence in various counseling situations.

CNS 403 Grace Principles

This course module communicates a biblical view of humanity through the eyes of the spirit of grace. It further demonstrates doctrinally the essentials of grace in a Christ-centered approach to helping people.

CNS 404 Nouthetic Counseling

This module covers the following subjects from a Nouthetic view: The counselor, the console, the working of the Holy Spirit in counseling, the basic principles, practices and process of Nouthetic counseling.

CNS 405 Spiritual Therapy

This course presents the Christ-centered, biblical approach to understanding and helping people who are in bondage to past hurts and to help them lead a fuller, richer life.

CNS 406 Marriage and Family

This study deals with the marriage and family as God's originally ordered divine institution, with a primary emphasis on relationship, communication, economics, etc. The purpose of this course is to assist theology students in their development of a ministry to family systems.

CNS 407 Relationships

To present the Christ-centered, biblical approach to understanding and helping people with their deep longings for true relationships.

- CNS 408 Pastoral Counseling I**
This course provides a detailed study of the pastor and his role as a life-giver in the community. It further provides a model for providing true pastoral care.
- CNS 409 Temperament Theory**
This course provides a detailed study of the five God-given temperaments and how understanding them will prepare the Christian believer with relationship skills.
- CNS 410 Grief, Death & Counseling**
This course module purposes to examine such areas as terminology, social influences and grief, grief responses, significant features of grief, complications and duration's of grief, grief response styles, faith and the expressions of grief, and various models of assessment of the mourner.

Sociology (SOC)

- SOC 401 Chaplaincy to the Imprisoned**
This course provides a detailed study of jail and prison chaplaincy, offering a historical perspective as well as addressing the issues of the present moment.

Ministry

Preaching (PRE), Missions (ECM)

Preaching (PRE)

- PRE 401 Homiletics**
This course is a study of the nature of preaching and principles of sermon construction. Attention is given to the basic materials of the sermon, methods of preparation and delivery, and the problems of the preaching ministry.

Missions (ECM)

- ECM 100 Practicum-Practicum**
Practicum – Ministry of Helps in the local church under supervision of the Pastor.
- ECM 200 Stewardship-Practicum**
Steward in God's House-beginning leadership in Bible studies, home fellowships, and helping disciple new Christians, soul-winning, teaching Sunday school, etc.
- ECM 300 Pastoral Ministry-Practicum**
Pastoral Ministry – preaching, teaching, worship leading, missions, weddings, funerals, communion, visitation, etc.
- ECM 301 Introduction to Missions**

This course is intended to provide a basic introduction to Christian Missions with emphasis on the theology of missions from Pentecost to the present.

- ECM 302 Foundations of Missions**
This course introduces methods and motives for successful missionary work and provides sound theological and strategic foundations for the missionary of today and tomorrow.
- ECM 400 Missions-Practicum**
Missions Field – Hands on training in practical ministry on a mission’s field, under the direction of the local pastor.
- ECM 401 Pastoral Duties**
This course gives practical wisdom for senior pastors appointed by God to lead the local church into its vision and destiny. It is a study of a wide variety of pastoral responsibilities and the challenges in today’s cultures.
- ECM 402 The Pastor & Staff**
The pastoral staff second only to the pastors family, is the most important support for pastoral ministry. This course looks at the roles, functions, potential pitfalls and joys of a multiple pastoral team.
- ECM 403 Principles of Missions**
This course is a study of the call and responsibilities of the missionary.
- ECM 404 The Five Fold Ministry**
Ephesians 4:11 says that Christ has given to the church apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors and evangelists for the building up of the saints for the work of the ministry. This course explains the roles and functions of each ministry gift and how they work together for the church under Christ’s leadership.
- ECM 405 Youth Ministry**
How to develop a youth program and service in the local church. Emphasis will be on pastoring youth in a new generation.
- ECM 406 Cross-Culture Christianity**
The course studies the ministry need in our present day urban church. The intent of the course is to be able to develop a program of ministry involving culture and taking our cities for Christ.
- ECM 407 Apostolic Evangelism**
This course is designed to give practical understanding and training in evangelism. It focuses the student on the apostolic method of evangelism, which is “fishing with a net” versus “fishing with a single line.”
- ECM 408 Miracle Evangelism**
The core of this course is practical training in the philosophy and methods of soul winning, visitation, discipleship follow-up, and evangelistic outreach including signs and wonders.
- ECM 409 Church Growth**
This course is a study in the principles of Church growth. What makes one church grow while another in very similar circumstances does not grow at all? This course will consider important ingredients, and necessary elements for successful church growth and vitality.
- ECM 410 Biblical Eldership**
This course will educate and help to equip the student in team ministry. The Biblical basis and benefits of team ministry and how to determine the effectiveness and functionality of a team ministry is addressed.

- ECM 412 Christian Discipleship**
This course will guide the student through the disciple making process, step by step; as well as helping individuals or groups to read, meditate on, pray through, discuss, apply, and obey the will of Christ.

Education Christian Education (CED)

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- CED 401 English Composition**
The ability to communicate effectively, both in oral and written form is studied in this course. Emphasis on proper grammar, sentence structure, etc. is reviewed.
- CED 402 Dynamic Methods of Teaching**
This course proposes to help the student discover the basic concepts and methods of teaching.
- CED 403 Biblical Christian Education**
This course is an introductory study of the biblical and theological foundation for educational ministries of the church.
- CED 404 Foundations of Christian Education**
This course is an introduction to the basics of a healthy Christian education program.
- CED 405 History & Philosophy - Christian Education**
This course is an overview of the history and philosophy of Christian education.
- CED 406 Laws of learning**
This course is a study of the seven laws of learning.
- CED 407 Christian Educational Psychology**
This course helps the student to make an application of psychological principles to the design and guidance of educational experiences. It also provides the tools necessary to make the teaching and learning process a more effective and rewarding part of Christian ministry.
- CED 408 Laws of Teaching**
How to teach almost anything to practically anyone.
- CED 409 Elementary Education**
An in-depth study of elementary education within the Christian perspective.
- CED 410 Secondary Education**
An in-depth study of secondary education within the Christian perspective.
- CED 412 Developmental Psychology in Christian Education**
This course of study emphasizes the importance of understanding spiritual growth through six developmental domains.

Business

Business Studies (BBS)

BBS 401 Church Business Management

The Church is required by God to be an example and to live in harmony with the laws of government. This course discusses the inter-relationship of law, government, finance, and reporting requirements

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Prospective Student Financial Information

Degree Programs Fee Schedule

Degrees Offered	Credit Hours Required	Cost Per Credit Hour	Cost Per Program Fees Included
Certificate of Biblical Studies	30	\$150.00	\$4,500.00
Associate of Biblical Studies	60*	\$150.00	\$9,000.00
Diploma of Ministry	90*	\$150.00	\$13,500.00
Bachelor of Biblical Counseling	120*	\$150.00	\$18,000.00
Bachelor of Biblical Studies	120*	\$150.00	\$18,000.00
Bachelor of Christian Education	120*	\$150.00	\$18,000.00
Bachelor of Church Administration	120*	\$150.00	\$18,000.00
Bachelor of Theology	120*	\$150.00	\$18,000.00
Master of Biblical Studies	36	\$180.00	\$6,840.00
Master of Divinity	30*	\$180.00	\$5,400.00
Master of Ministry in Church Business Administration	36	\$180.00	\$6,480.00
Master of Ministry in Church Planting	36	\$180.00	\$6,480.00
Master of Ministry in Missiology	36	\$180.00	\$6,480.00
Master of Ministry in Pastoral Leadership	36	\$180.00	\$6,480.00
Master of Professional Pastoral Counseling	43*	\$180.00	\$8,640.00
Master of Religious Education	36	\$180.00	\$6,480.00
Master of Theology	39	\$180.00	\$7,020.00
Doctor of Divinity	30*	\$210.00	\$6,300.00
Doctor of Ministry	39	\$210.00	\$8,190.00
Doctor of Philosophy in Clinical Pastoral Counseling with prerequisite of NCCA Certification and License	51*	\$210.00	\$10,710.00
Doctor of Philosophy Clinical Pastoral Counseling	55*	\$210.00	\$11,550.00
Doctor of Philosophy in Religion	48	\$210.00	\$10,080.00
Doctor of Theology	48	\$210.00	\$10,080.00

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The most important assets of any school are its faculty. These are the persons who influence the students through practical examples as well as through instructions. It is the faculty who best models the purpose and philosophy of a school.

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