



Greensboro Bible Institute
Guidance and Policy Handbook
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Training Men and Women in the Truth of God's Word since 1967

*Study to show thyself approved unto God,
a workman that needeth not to be ashamed;
rightly dividing the Word of Truth.*

II Timothy 2:15

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Profile

The Greensboro Bible Institute (GBI) began on September 24, 1967 as a vision of the late Dr. J. William Kanoy. Education and exaltation were always the trademarks of Dr. Kanoy's ministry, who served as the pastor of Church Street Baptist Church for 28 years. Dr. Kanoy felt a real need among those in the community who had been called to preach and were not able to attend Bible college full-time because of family, work, and ministry obligations. Since its founding, it has been training men and women in the truths of God's Word. The first graduating class was in 1972.

Church Street Baptist Church (CSBC) is an independent and conservative congregation operating under a Bible-based doctrine engaged in the Great Commission and the teaching of the Bible as the inspired Word of God, using a literal, historical, grammatical, and contextual framework of biblical interpretation. Neither CSBC or GBI are affiliated with any religious or denominational organizations.

Students of GBI are individuals who seek to serve the Lord, the Church, and desire a deeper understanding of the Bible. They intend to learn strategies for effective ministry through the local church and parachurch organizations. Students are enrolled based on their agreement with the doctrinal statement of the Institute, their stated desire to participate in a constructive and Christ-honoring manner, and their good standing in meeting the financial obligations of being a student.

God has tremendously blessed the school, which is evidenced by the ever-increasing demand for its graduates. Presently, graduates are planting and pastoring churches in many states and foreign organizations, and still others are supporting their local churches in diverse staff and volunteer positions. However, the greatest blessing is the countless number of souls being reached by GBI graduates with the Gospel and spiritually helped for the glory of God.

GBI awards certificates and diplomas which incorporate courses taught by a faculty that reflect the doctrines and convictions of CSBC. All programs incorporate some courses approved by the Evangelical Training Association (ETA). The theme verse of GBI is II Timothy 2:15, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed; rightly dividing the Word of Truth."

Administration

As pastor of Church Street Baptist Church, Rev. Tyler Gauden serves as the president of GBI. As an extension of the church, GBI as a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation has its own board of directors. The faculty and administration are instrumental in establishing and approving changes to the programs of study, the schedule of courses, and the assignment of teaching duties. Other issues are also subject to these committees, including admission requirements, graduation requirements, and discipline issues.

Website

Information is available for GBI and CSBC online at greensborobibleinstitute.org and csbc.org.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Institute is to assist in training individuals in the Word of God as the foundation for the "perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ" (Ephesians 4:12). This includes training in the biblical, technical, practical, and personal aspects of ministry. The goal is to graduate individuals with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions necessary to function as servant-leaders in a variety of capacities in the local church and its related ministries. As an "example of the believers" (I Timothy 4:12), each student is expected to reflect the doctrinal statement and the ethical standards of the Institute.

Admissions

Admission in the Institute requires the following:

- Submission of a completed and signed application;
- A letter of reference from the individual's pastor;
- Transcripts of other post-secondary academic work if appropriate for transfer.

Individuals who miss two consecutive semesters will be required to re-apply as if a new student.

Students may audit classes and attend chapel services provided they pay the assigned fee(s). Additionally, guests may attend as visitors, pending approval by the administration.

Dress Code

The dress code reflects a conservative Christian assembly. Thus, students are expected to dress in manner that reflects biblical ideals of modesty and gender distinction. For ladies, this implies modest cut and length in dresses, skirts, and dress slacks; for men, a tucked-in collared shirt (no t-shirts) and pants. Jeans for men and women may be worn, but must be modest and good quality material. No shorts for men or women.

Similarly, hair styles and jewelry should reflect gender distinction. Students should always err on the side of conservative in style and ask questions of the administration before coming to campus in uncertain style or cut. If any items are questionable, the administration has the discretion to speak to the student individually.

Bible Version

Students are expected to bring a Bible to classes and chapel. As reflects the doctrinal statement regarding the Scripture, all courses, course work, and chapel services use the King James Version.

Student Conduct

Attending the Institute is a privilege granted to those who meet the application requirements and maintain good standing in the eyes of the faculty and administration. Students are expected to exhibit Christian character in their obligations and interaction with instructors and peers. Students are expected to comply with policies and guidelines related to attendance, dress code, moral conduct, attitude in class, and overall Christian testimony. Individuals who step beyond these expectations are subject to disciplinary actions as determined by the administration, including, but not limited to, grade reduction, failure of a course, suspension, or expulsion.

Parking on Campus

Ample parking is provided on the campus, including handicapped spaces. Because there is no parking lot security personnel, students are reminded to lock vehicles while attending GBI. GBI and CSBC assume no responsibility for vehicles or property while attending classes, chapel, or services.

Statement of Non-Discrimination

The Greensboro Bible Institute does not prohibit admission based on ethnicity, gender, disability, marital status, or military status. Admission is based on a personal testimony of saving faith in Christ, agreement with the doctrinal statement, and adherence to campus policies. Participation in some courses may be impacted by marital status and/or gender as addressed in the course descriptions.

Objectives

The goal of the Greensboro Bible Institute, especially for those in the Bible and Theology programs, is to produce graduates that display the following characteristics:

- A working knowledge of the books, events, people, and doctrines of the Bible from a literal, historical, grammatical, and contextual framework of interpretation;
- The appropriate skills necessary for the organization and implementation of practical ministries that support the work of a local church;
- The ability to communicate the Gospel effectively to individuals, groups, or assemblies;
- A Christian maturity that reflects servant-leadership in action and humility in attitude.

Framework for Schedules

The general academic and operating calendar of GBI is structured around a fall and spring semester, and may include expedited module courses. Courses in the fall semester typically begin in late August-early September, with module courses in December-January. Courses in the spring typically begin late January and end in April-May, with module courses to follow. A fall and/or spring break may be included in each semester. Academic calendars are typically available at the end of each semester for the upcoming semester.

Courses meet on Monday evenings according to the following schedule:

- 6:30-7:20 PM, Period 1
- 7:30-8:00 PM, Chapel
- 8:05-8:55 PM, Period 2
- 9:00-9:50 PM, Period 3

Online course times will vary. Module courses consist of 6 hours of in-person classes and 6 hours of online work.

Christian Service

Students in the Bible and Theology diploma programs are required to document their Christian service each semester. Satisfactory service reports converts into one academic credit per semester and is part of the graduation requirements for each diploma. Details and documentation requirements are provided at the start of each semester.

Requirements for Certificates and Diplomas

Certificates are awarded based on the number of credits a student earns by completing work from each concentration. All require 12 credits. The certificates available are:

- Old Testament Concentration
- New Testament Concentration
- Ministry Concentration
- General Courses Concentration

Diplomas are awarded based on the number of credits a student earns by completing course work and documented Christian service. See the Master Course List and Course Descriptions for more details. Diplomas available are:

- Bible Diploma 56 credits
- Theology Diploma 70 credits

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is a standard of both intellectual honesty and Christian character. Students are expected to exhibit in all circumstances the key elements of academic integrity, which includes:

- No copying from other students' work or cheating on quizzes, tests, or exams, including no use of electronic devices (phone, tables, computers) to retrieve information, except as permitted by the instructor.
- No sharing the content of quizzes, tests, or exams which you have taken that other students have not taken.
- No plagiarism (submitting other people's ideas and comments as if they were your own). Submitted assignments should be original. When they do incorporate the ideas and quotes of others, there should be proper citations and references, reflecting the guidelines in the MLA Handbook.

Consequences of academic misconduct related to these or other similar issues may result in an academic penalty, failure of a course, or expulsion from the Institute.

Textbooks

Textbooks and/or workbooks are a typical requirement for courses. Textbooks are the student's responsibility to purchase prior to the semester. Students are encouraged to integrate these resources into their own personal library for future use and reference. Except for the case of family members, students should not share textbooks.

Grade Scale

All courses use the following grade scale to represent the academic level of student work:

98-100	A+	88-89	B+	78-79	C+	68-69	D+	0-59	F
93-97	A	83-87	B	73-77	C	63-67	D		
90-92	A-	80-82	B-	70-72	C-	60-62	D-		

Inclement Weather

Occasionally, weather conditions require classes to be cancelled. In such cases, an announcement will be posted on the website of the Church and Institute and/or through local television channels (News 2 and/or Fox 8). We will also send out emails, text messages, and/or phone calls. Students should be aware of such possibilities and contact the Institute before travel.

Sickness Policy

Any individuals with symptoms of illness are asked NOT to participate in class. Inform the school or your instructor of your condition as soon as possible. See the new attendance policy, which addresses any need for excessive absences. You must have a doctor's note upon your return to classes for an absence to be considered for excusal.

Attendance and Punctuality

Time is a valuable commodity for instructors and students. Students are expected to be in class at the designated time. Missing more than 3 classes during one semester results in an automatic failure. When a student arrives late, it disrupts the class for everyone. Students who are consistently tardy may receive a grade reduction. Students must attend 30 minutes of a class to get credit for attendance. Exceptions are allowed only for extreme extenuating circumstances and with the approval of the instructor and/or administration.

Should a student miss more than 3 classes due, at least in part, to extended illness, injury, or quarantine, he/she should submit a written appeal to the Institute with sufficient documentation to justify the absences. In addition, all assignments must be completed prior to submission of a final grade by the instructor, which may be reduced due to excessive absences.

Chapel

Chapel is scheduled for each night of classes (7:30-8:00) and is considered an integral part of what it means to attend the Institute. Chapel time allows the student body to assemble for announcements, prayer, music, and preaching. Chapel speakers include Institute faculty & students, local pastors, GBI alumni, missionaries, and other invited guests. Students must attend chapel if they are taking a first period class, the first two periods, or all three periods. Students who come only during one period or during the last two periods are encouraged to attend chapel, but are not required. All students, regardless of the number of courses they take, are asked to attend the first chapel of each semester for orientation, announcements, and to ask questions.

Add/Drop Policy

The add/drop period for fall and spring semesters begins immediately on the first day of the semester and extends through the first three weeks of the semester. During this time, you can add and drop courses to your schedule using the official add/drop form. Please keep in mind that adding a course during the third week will forfeit your 3 allotted absences for the new course, so plan accordingly. A fourth absence in the added course will result in an automatic failure. After the add/drop period ends, you can no longer drop a course, but you may withdraw from a course with administration approval. Refunds will not be offered for withdrawn courses, and this may result in a failing grade for the dropped course(s).

Make-Up Work

Whenever an assessment is missed (quiz, test, exam), it is up to the student to arrange with the instructor regarding how and when to best complete a missed assignment. Any assignments that are not completed or submitted on the due date may be subject to a grade reduction. The timely and proper completion of assignments is the responsibility of each student. Any allowance for assignments submitted late is entirely at the discretion of the instructor.

Graduation

Graduation is a time to commemorate with family and friends the completion of individual programs and receive the appropriate diplomas. It is held at the end of the spring semester in the sanctuary of Church Street Baptist Church. Graduates are required to attend and purchase the necessary graduation regalia, which will be ordered during the semester. Graduation is also a time to recognize students who received certificates from the Evangelical Training Association. Students enrolled in the spring semester are expected to attend graduation, and unless a pre-approved absence is allowed, students receive a letter grade reduction in each spring course if they miss graduation. A fellowship follows the ceremony for everyone in attendance at the graduation.

Awards of Excellence

The top two academic achievers in each graduating class are recognized as valedictorian and salutatorian. Additionally, two awards may be presented (*The Timothy Award* and *The Dorcas Award*) to recognize exemplary Christian conduct and character for one male and one female students. These awards are presented at the graduation ceremony or at the end of the Spring semester.

Transfer Policy

Individuals may transfer in credits based on a certified and original transcript from another approved Bible institute where they did not receive a diploma. However, such students must earn at least half of their credits at GBI in order to receive a diploma.

Financial Information

It is the desire of the Institute to provide an affordable opportunity for learning. Regular student expenses may include tuition, fees, and textbooks. Students are expected to purchase textbooks at the beginning of the semester (often available through the Institute's bookstore) and have all financial obligations settled as each semester begins, which may include monthly payments. Tuition, fees, and textbook costs are provided by the beginning of each semester and must be paid in full prior to exams. Students who do not have all financial obligations settled by the end of each semester will not receive their final grade report. Tuition cost for a course will not be reimbursed once a student attends two classes.

Upon registration, you will receive a total tuition balance to the email address provided for your records. Your total tuition balance must be paid in full by the deadline set for each semester to receive credit for your courses.

Tuition balances can be paid in 2 ways:

1. By paying online with a credit card or ACH draft from the invoices you will receive via email,
2. In person by credit card, cash, or check on the provided dates only.

You will NOT be able to make in-person payments other than the provided nights. Final grades and course credit will not be issued if your balance is not paid.

If you have any questions regarding payments, please email Mary Black at mary@csbc.org or call the office at 336-375-4218.

Payments for the 2023-24 school year:

Tuition per course/module: \$80.00

- \$50 min. of total cost due at time of registration
- 15% off total cost if paid in full at time of registration

Textbooks: Student's obligation to purchase.

Appendix A: Master Course List for the Bible and Theology Diplomas

(Revised July 2022)

Bible Courses *(Bible & Theology require 16)*

1. OT-101 Pentateuch I (Gen.-Exodus)
2. OT-102 Pentateuch II (Lev.-Deut.)
3. OT-103 Historical I (Joshua, Judges, Ruth)
4. OT-104 Historical II (I & II Sam.-I & II Ki.)
5. OT-205 Historical III (I & II Chron.-Esther)
6. OT-206 Poetic (Job-Song of Solomon)
7. OT-207 Major Prophetic I (Isa., Jer., Lam.)
8. OT-208 Major Prophetic II (Ezekiel, Daniel)
9. OT-309 Minor Prophets (Hosea-Malachi)
10. OT-311x Old Testament Book Study
11. NT-301 Gospels I (Matt-Mark)
12. NT-302 Gospels II (Luke-John)
13. NT-303 Acts
14. NT-404 General Epistles
15. NT-405 Pastoral Epistles
16. NT-406 Prison Epistles
17. NT-407 Revelation
18. NT-408x New Testament Book Study

Ministry Courses *(All required for both diplomas)*

1. MI-101 Great Doctrines of the Bible I
2. MI-102 Great Doctrines of the Bible II
3. MI-201 Systematic Theology I
4. MI-202 Systematic Theology II
5. MI-301 Hermeneutics
6. MI-302 Homiletics

General Education & Language Courses

(All required for both diplomas)

1. GE-101 English I (Grammar)
2. GE-102 English II (Composition)
3. GE-201 America's Christian Heritage
4. GE-202 Music: Theory & Learning
(or Exalt His Name: Music & Worship)
5. GE-301 Biblical Creation (Gen. 1-11)
6. GE-302 Origins
7. GE-401 Greek I
8. GE-402 Greek II
9. GE-405 Introduction to Hebrew

Elective Courses

(Bible requires 25; Theology requires 39)

1. EL-101 Tabernacle
2. EL-102 The Apostles
3. EL-103 "Life of" Course (e.g. Moses/Paul)
4. EL-104 Dispensationalism
5. EL-105 Bible Geography
6. EL-106 Introduction to Philosophy
7. EL-107 Manners & Customs of the Bible
8. EL-108 History of Missions
9. EL-109 History of the Bible
10. EL-201 Baptist History
11. EL-202 Biblical Numerology
12. EL-203 Spiritual Disciplines
13. EL-204 Contemporary Cults
14. EL-205 Israel: The Experience (tour)
15. EL-206 Israel: Past, Present, and Future
16. EL-207 Apologetics
17. EL-208 Biblical Leadership
18. EL-209 Christian Ethics
19. EL-301 Evangelism
20. EL-302 Teaching Techniques and Practices
21. EL-303 The Triune God
22. EL-304 Introduction to Denominations
23. EL-305 Christian in Law & Politics
24. EL-306 World Religions and Cults
25. EL-307 Atheism and the Occult
26. EL-308 General Psychology
27. EL-309 Personal Finance
28. EL-401 Church History I (Acts to 1517)
29. EL-402 Church History II (1517 to present)
30. EL-403 The Local Church
(Doctrines, Administration, & Finance)
31. EL-404 Biblical Counseling
32. EL-405 Growing Spiritually
33. EL-406 The Biblical Family
34. EL-407 Survey of Church Ministries
35. EL-408 Trends & Issues in Ministry
36. EL-409 Technology in Ministry
37. EL-501 The Christian Woman
38. EL-502 Special Topics Course
39. CS-10X Christian Service
(Bible: 8 max.; Theology: 10 max)

Appendix B: Bible/Theology Diploma & Certificate Sequence Options

Bible Diploma Sequence Options

Students have the option of using up to 8 Christian Service credits to meet requirements for the Bible diploma with no attached tuition costs. Students who do not use the Christian Service credits will have to replace those credits with additional Elective courses that cost the standard course fee. Completion of the Bible Diploma requires 56 credits either way.

Option with Christian Service Credits

Course Category	Credits
Bible	16
Ministry	6
General & Lang.	9
Electives	17
Christian Service	8
Total	56

Option without Christian Service Credits

Course Category	Credits
Bible	16
Ministry	6
General & Lang.	9
Electives	25
Christian Service	0
Total	56

Theology Diploma Sequence Options

Students have the option of using up to 10 Christian Service credits to meet requirements for the Theology diploma with no attached tuition costs. Students who do not use the Christian Service credits will have to replace those credits with additional Elective courses that cost the standard course fee. Completion of the Theology Diploma requires 70 credits either way.

Option with Christian Service Credits

Course Category	Credits
Bible	16
Ministry	6
General & Lang.	9
Electives	29
Christian Service	10
Total	70

Option without Christian Service Credits

Course Category	Credits
Bible	16
Ministry	6
General & Lang.	9
Electives	39
Christian Service	0
Total	70

Certificate Sequence Options

All certificates require 12 course credits.

- Old Testament (Bible Courses #1-9 & 3 add. Bible Courses or approved Elective Courses)
- New Testament (Bible Courses #11-17 & 5 add. Bible Courses or approved Elective Courses)
- Ministry Concentration (Ministry Courses #1-6 & 6 add. approved courses)
- General Courses Concentration (General Education & Language Courses #1-9 & 3 add. approved courses)

Appendix C: Bible/Theology Diploma Checklists

Bible Diploma Student Checklist

STUDENT _____

Sem./Grade	Bible Course Requirements (16 credit)
_____	OT-101 Pentateuch I (Gen.-Exodus)
_____	OT-102 Pentateuch II (Lev.-Deut.)
_____	OT-103 Historical I (Joshua, Judges, Ruth)
_____	OT-104 Historical II (I & II Samuel-I & II Kings)
_____	OT-205 Historical III (I & II Chronicles-Esther)
_____	OT-206 Poetic (Job-Song of Solomon)
_____	OT-207 Major Prophetic I (Isa., Jer., Lam.)
_____	OT-208 Major Prophetic II (Ezekiel, Daniel)
_____	OT-309 Minor Prophets (Hosea-Malachi)
_____	NT-301 Gospels I (Matt-Mark)
_____	NT-302 Gospels II (Luke-John)
_____	NT-303 Acts
_____	NT-404 General Epistles
_____	NT-405 Pastoral Epistles
_____	NT-406 Prison Epistles
_____	NT-407 Revelation
	Ministry Course Requirements (6 credits)
_____	MI-101 Great Doctrines of the Bible I
_____	MI-102 Great Doctrines of the Bible II
_____	MI-201 Systematic Theology I
_____	MI-202 Systematic Theology II
_____	MI-301 Hermeneutics
_____	MI-302 Homiletics
	General Education & Language Course Requirements (9 credits)
_____	GE-101 English I (Grammar)
_____	GE-102 English II (Composition)
_____	GE-201 America's Christian Heritage
_____	GE-202 Music: Theory & Learning (or Exalt His Name: Music & Worship)
_____	GE-301 Biblical Creation (Gen. 1-11)
_____	GE-302 Origins
_____	MI-401 Greek I
_____	MI-402 Greek II
_____	MI-405 Introduction to Hebrew

Elective Courses (17 cr. without Christian Service or 9 cr. with Christian Service)	
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Christian Service (up to 8 credits) or Additional Electives	
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Sem./Grade	Bible Course Requirements (16 credit)
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Ministry Course Requirements (6 credits)	
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General Education & Language Course Requirements (9 credits)	
<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>GE-101 English I (Grammar)</p> <p>GE-102 English II (Composition)</p> <p>GE-201 America's Christian Heritage</p> <p>GE-202 Music: Theory & Learning (or Exalt His Name: Music & Worship)</p> <p>GE-301 Biblical Creation (Gen. 1-11)</p> <p>GE-302 Origins</p> <p>MI-401 Greek I</p> <p>MI-402 Greek II</p> <p>MI-405 Introduction to Hebrew</p>

Elective Courses (39 cr. without Christian Service or 29 cr. with Christian Service)	
Christian Service (up to 10 credits) or Additional Electives	

Appendix D: Course Descriptions

BIBLE COURSES (*Bible & Theology require 16*)

OT-101 Pentateuch I (Gen.-Exodus) & OT-102 Pentateuch II (Lev.-Deut.)

A look at Pre-Abrahamic history (Gen. 1-11) as it relates to creation, the Garden of Eden, Noah's Ark, and the Tower of Babel. Abrahamic and Post-Abrahamic history (Genesis 12 and following) trails the lineage that leads to the nation of Israel through the Patriarchs, the Egyptian captivity, the Exodus, and the wilderness travels.

OT-103 Historical I (Joshua, Judges, Ruth), OT-104 Historical II (I & II Samuel-I & II Kings), & OT-205 Historical III (I & II Chronicles-Esther)

This sequence of courses surveys of the nation of Israel from the completion of the wilderness travels, to entering the Promised Land, the conquest, the period of the Judges, the establishment of the monarchy, and the divided kingdom.

OT-206 Poetic (Job-Song of Solomon)

This course examines the "wisdom" literature as recorded in poetic and allegorical form, but always about the issues of life, truth, and the virtues of pursuing God's path of wisdom and righteousness.

OT-207 Major Prophetic I (Isaiah., Jeremiah, Lamentations) & OT-208 Major Prophetic II (Ezekiel, Daniel)

These two courses first survey the historical, political, and spiritual truths God intended for Israel to know and understand, including how they complement the New Testament writings regarding the apocalypse.

OT-309 Minor Prophets (Hosea-Malachi)

These two courses look at the lives and times of twelve prophets, surveying the text for the historical, political, and spiritual circumstances to which God called them to deliver His message, including how they complement New Testament writings regarding the apocalypse.

OT-311x Old Testament Book Study

This course is a study of one or more Old Testament books, taking the time to examine the details associated with the text, the time-period, and the truth contained in each book.

NT-301 Gospels I (Matt-Mark) & NT-302 Gospels II (Luke-John)

These two courses take a survey look at the Gospels as they record the life of Christ, including his teaching, miracles, death, and resurrection. A point of emphasis is also His interaction with individuals, disciples, and opponents as they encounter the Son of God.

NT-303 Acts

This course examines the historical events of the early church, especially those related to Pentecost, the ministry of the Apostle Peter, and the missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul.

NT-404 General Epistles, NT-405 Pastoral Epistles, & NT-406 Prison Epistles

These courses survey the doctrines and truths found in the series of letters as they are segmented into these three groups.

NT-407 Revelation

This course examines the setting and apocalyptic prophecies of the end time as given to the Apostle John. Interpretation is based upon a pre-tribulational and pre-millennial framework.

NT-408x New Testament Book Study

This course is a study of one or more New Testament books, taking the time to examine more detail regarding the spiritual truth, doctrines, and applications found in each book.

MINISTRY COURSES *(All required for both diplomas)*

MI-101 Great Doctrines of the Bible I & MI-102 Great Doctrines of the Bible II

These two courses together cover the essential 10 doctrines that provide the foundation and framework of essential biblical truth.

MI-201 Systematic Theology I & MI-202 Systematic Theology II

These two courses together examine the essential truths of theology and its related topics, including the Trinity, Satan, Heaven, Hell, the Church, end times, and salvation.

MI-301 Hermeneutics

This course examines the essentials of biblical interpretation based on a literal, grammatical, historical, and contextual framework of the Scripture.

MI-302 Homiletics

This course integrates the means and methods of effective delivery of the Gospel through the avenues of preaching and teaching.

GENERAL EDUCATION & LANGUAGE COURSES *(All required for both diplomas)*

GE-101 English I (Grammar) & GE-102 English II (Composition)

Effective communication is an important tool for presenting and defending the Gospel, therefore, these two courses target the use of grammar and composition as tools for use as a student and as a communicator.

GE-201 America's Christian Heritage

A survey course of the people, ideas, laws, and writings that reflect the biblical influence upon America's founding and development as a nation. It covers the entirety of America's history, from the Pilgrims to modern times.

GE-202 Music: Theory & Learning (or Exalt His Name: Music & Worship)

This is a survey of music principles for use in church and other ministry related settings.

GE-301 Biblical Creation (Gen. 1-11)

This course is a detailed examination of the Genesis text which affirms the literal days of creation, the Garden of Eden, Noah's flood, and the Tower of Babel.

GE-302 Origins

A course that examines the scientific reasoning and the philosophical implications of the issues related to biblical origins as contrasted with Evolution and Intelligent Design.

GE-401 Greek I & GE-402 Greek II

These two courses provide the basic skills necessary to understand biblical Greek noun and verb and the tools of the language necessary for more in-depth expository research and teaching/preaching.

GE-405 Introduction to Hebrew

A course that provides the basic skills necessary to understand biblical Hebrew noun and verb and the tools of the language necessary for more in-depth expository research and teaching/preaching.

ELECTIVES (*Bible requires 25; Theology requires 39*)

EL-101 Tabernacle

An examination of the structure and function of the Tabernacle, both as described in Exodus, and as used by the Priests in Leviticus. Particular attention is paid to the symbolism of Christ found in its structure and the sacrifices.

EL-102 The Apostles

A look at what the Bible teaches about the men whom Christ personally called to be his disciples as He prepared them to be His ambassadors in the early Church.

EL-103 “Life of” Course (e.g. Moses/Paul)

A biographical study of one or more selected individuals from the Bible.

EL-104 Dispensationalism

An examination of the framework of dispensational periods as they reflect God’s interaction with humanity and the avenue of faith each one emphasizes.

EL-105 Bible Geography

A look at the major landmarks, countries, and cities of the Bible, with a particular interest toward the events recorded in the Bible at these various locations.

EL-106 Introduction to Philosophy

A survey of the essential philosophical elements as they relate to a biblical worldview. This course also reviews a variety of philosophies that have most influenced Christian and non-Christian thought.

EL-107 Manners & Customs of the Bible

A look at the social, cultural, and civil traditions of biblical times and the impact they have on understanding biblical history and truth.

EL-108 History of Missions

An investigation of the people, organizations, and undertakings that have shaped the work of missions, incorporating the Great Commission, the travels of the Apostle Paul, and the modern missionary movement.

EL-109 History of the Bible

An overview of the people, events, languages, and groups influential in how the biblical text came into existence, tracing the path from the original verbal and plenary inspired manuscripts to the English translations.

EL-201 Baptist History

A course to survey the people, events, and organizations important to the founding of the Baptist denomination in England and the ensuing spread to America, including the distinctives of doctrine, the local church, and missions.

EL-202 Biblical Numerology

This course examines the importance of how the Bible reveals a symbolism and purpose to the use of numbers.

EL-203 Spiritual Disciplines

This course studies the priority and application of disciplines for spiritual growth as applied to individuals, families, and churches.

EL-204 Contemporary Cults

This course examines the history and teachings of the modern-day cults, particularly those founded in America in the 19th and 20th centuries, and how they contrast with biblical truth.

EL-205 Israel: The Experience (tour)

A 10-day Holy Land tour with Pastor Tyler Gaulden. Provides 2 credits and no tuition cost.

EL-206 Israel: Past, Present, and Future

A course that examines the history of the people of Israel from Bible Times to present, and examines her future from a Biblically historically view.

EL-207 Apologetics

This course is a study of the issues and evidences related to defending the truths of the Bible and the Christian faith, addressing topics of both historical and contemporary significance.

EL-208 Biblical Leadership

This course examines the biblical examples and truths which apply to being a servant-leader in a variety of church and ministry-related positions.

EL-209 Christian Ethics

A course that addresses primary issues of ethics from a biblical perspective, including topics related to bioethics, sexuality, war, capital punishment, and contemporary culture.

EL-301 Evangelism

Evangelism is a key mandate for the Church; this course looks at the opportunities, strategies, and challenges of presenting the Gospel in contemporary culture.

EL-302 Teaching Techniques and Practices

This course examines various teaching methods used in church education and discusses the teaching methods of Jesus and what constitutes effective teaching to a variety of age groups.

EL-303 The Triune God

This course examines the doctrine of the Godhead as revealed in Scripture, including the unique characteristics of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

EL-304 Introduction to Denominations

A course that examines historical and doctrinal distinctives of evangelical denominations.

EL-305 Christian in Law & Politics

A course that examines topics of church by-laws, political involvement, and other legal requirements.

EL-306 World Religions and Cults**EL-307 Atheism and the Occult****EL-308 General Psychology**

This is a basic course in human development from prenatal to senior adults, examining the characteristics of each age group and how to best provide appropriate ministry.

EL-309 Personal Finance

An overview of individual and household finance strategies.

EL-401 Church History I (Acts to 1517) & EL-402 Church History II (1517 to present)

These courses are a survey of church history in four periods: The Ancient Church, The Medieval Church, The Reformation Church, and The Modern Church, highlighting the people and events that have shaped the Church.

EL-403 The Local Church (Doctrines, Administration, & Finance)

A practical course that examines the theological doctrine related to ecclesiology and the practical aspect of church administration and finance.

EL-404 Biblical Counseling

This course examines issues related to counselling those seeking guidance through the issues of life and family.

EL-405 Growing Spiritually

This course looks at the practical steps of individual spiritual growth and discipleship, including a survey of the spiritual gifts.

EL-406 The Biblical Family

An essential course to understand the biblical framework of the family.

EL-407 Survey of Church Ministries

This course surveys the need for and organization of various church ministries, including those for infants, toddlers, children, teens, and adults of various ages. The intent is to incorporate “best practices” of establishing and operating these various ministries.

EL-408 Trends & Issues in Ministry

This course examines the church and related ministries in light of contemporary culture and trends. The goal is to establish a biblical framework in response to various movements that often threaten to sidetrack the church from the established goals of evangelism and ministry.

EL-409 Technology in Ministry

This course examines the technology options available to churches as they conduct regular services, communicate with the congregation, and engage the community.

EL-501 The Christian Woman

A biblical examination of the valued roles of women in the family, the church, and ministry, especially in a culture that typically has a very different priority of what it means to be a woman

EL-502 Special Topics Course

This course provides an opportunity for the faculty to address a contemporary issue deemed relevant.

CS-10X Christian Service (*Bible: 8 max.; Theology: 10 max.*)

Students receive one credit per semester to apply to their graduation requirements.

Appendix E: Doctrinal Statement

THE SCRIPTURE

We believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Bible, “as it is in truth, the Word of God...” (I Thessalonians 2:13). We believe in verbal, plenary inspiration in the original writings, and God’s preservation of His pure words to every generation (II Timothy 3:16, Psalms 12:6-8).

The Masoretic Text of the Old Testament and the Received Text of the New Testament (Textus Receptus) are those texts of the original languages we accept and use; the King James Version of the Bible is the only English version we accept and use. The Bible is our sole authority for faith and practice.

THE GODHEAD

We believe in one Triune God, eternally existing in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, co-eternal in being, co-identical in nature, co-equal in power and glory, and having the same attributes and perfections (Deuteronomy 6:4; II Corinthians 13:14).

THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, became man, without ceasing to be God, having been conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary, in order that He might reveal God and redeem sinful men (John 1:1-2, 14; Luke 1:35; Isaiah 9:6; 7:14; Philippians 2:5-8; Galatians 4:4-5).

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ accomplished our redemption through His finished work on the cross as a representative, vicarious, substitutionary sacrifice; and that our justification is made sure by His literal, physical resurrection from the dead (Romans 3:24-25; I Peter 2:24; Ephesians 1:7; I Peter 1:3-5).

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ ascended to Heaven, and is now exalted at the right hand of God, where, as our High Priest, He fulfills the ministry of Representative, Intercessor, and Advocate (Acts 1:9-10; Hebrews 9:24, 7:25; Romans 8:34; I John 2:1-2).

THE PERSON AND WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe that the Holy Spirit is the Person who reproves the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment; and that He is the Supernatural Agent in regeneration, indwelling all believers and sealing them unto the day of redemption (John 16:8-11; II Corinthians 3:6; Romans 8:9; Ephesians 1:13-14).

We believe that the sign gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as speaking in tongues and the gift of healing, were temporary. We believe that speaking in tongues was never the common or necessary sign of the baptism or filling of the Holy Spirit and that ultimate deliverance of the body from sickness or death awaits the consummation of our salvation in the resurrection, though God frequently chooses to answer the prayer of believers for physical healing (II Corinthians 12:12; I Corinthians 13:8; Hebrews 2:3-4; Mark 16:17-20; I Corinthians 1:22, 14:21-22).

MAN

We believe that man was created in the image and likeness of God, but that in Adam’s sin the race fell, inherited a sinful nature, and became alienated from God; and that man is totally depraved, and, of himself, utterly unable to remedy his lost condition (Genesis 1:26-27; Romans 3:22-23; Ephesians 2:1-3, 12).

The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image and is mindful of him, and in that Christ died for man; therefore every individual possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love (Psalm 8:4-9; Colossians 3:9-11).

THE WAY OF SALVATION

We believe that the clear message of salvation is “repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ” (Acts 20:21).

We believe that salvation is “by grace” plus nothing minus nothing. We believe that men are justified by faith alone and are accounted righteous before God only through the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ (Ephesians 2:8-10; John 1:12; I Peter 1:18-19).

We believe that all the redeemed, once saved are kept by God’s power and are thus secure in Christ forever. We believe that eternal life is the present possession of every believer (John 6:37-40,10:27-30; Romans 8:1, 38-39; I Corinthians 1:4-8; I Peter 1:4-5; Jude 1, 2).

THE CHURCH

We believe that the New Testament church is a local assembly of baptized believers who have voluntarily joined themselves together to carry out the Great Commission. The Lord is doing His work in this world through local churches. The establishment and continuance of local churches is clearly taught and defined in the New Testament Scriptures (Acts 14:27; 20:17, 28-32; I Timothy 3:1-13; Titus 1:5-11).

We believe in the autonomy of the local church free of any external authority or control. Christ is the only head of the church (Acts 13:1-4, 15:19-31, 20:28; Romans 16:1, 4; I Corinthians 3:9,16; 5:4-7,13; I Peter 5:1-4).

THE ORDINANCES OF THE CHURCH

We recognize the ordinances of baptism by immersion in water and the Lord’s Supper as a Scriptural means of testimony for local churches in this age (Matthew. 28:19-20; Acts 2:41-42, 18:18; I Corinthians 11:23-26).

BIBLICAL SEPARATION

We believe that all the saved should live in such a manner as not to bring reproach upon their Savior and Lord; and, that separation from all religious apostasy, all worldly and sinful pleasures, practices and associations is commanded of God (II Timothy 3:1-5; Romans 12:1, 2, 14:13; I John 2:15-17; II John 9-11; II Corinthians 6:14-7:1).

THE RETURN OF CHRIST

We believe the “Blessed Hope” of our Lord’s return is literal, personal, visible, imminent, premillennial, and pretribulational. Believers will be caught up to be with the Lord prior to the seven years of tribulation, and at the end of the tribulation Christ will return with His saints to establish His thousand-year reign on the earth (I Thessalonians 4:13-18; Titus 2:13; I Thessalonians 1:10; Revelation 3:10; Zechariah 14:4-11; Revelation 19:11-16, 20:1-6; Psalm 89:3-4).

OUR ETERNAL STATE

We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved to eternal life, and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment (Matthew 25:46; John 5:28, 29, 11:25-26; Revelation 20:5-6, 12-13).

We believe that the souls of the redeemed are, at death, absent from the body and present with the Lord, where in conscious bliss they await the first resurrection, when spirit, soul, and body are reunited to be glorified forever with the Lord (Luke 23:43; Revelation 20:4-6; II Corinthians 5:8; Philippians 1:23, 3:21; I Thessalonians 4:16-17).

We believe that the souls of unbelievers remain, after death, in conscious misery until the second resurrection, when with soul and body reunited they shall appear at the Great White Throne Judgment, and shall be cast into the Lake of Fire, not to be annihilated, but to suffer everlasting, conscious punishment (Luke 16:19-26; Matthew 25:41-46; II Thessalonians 1:7-9; Jude 6-7; Mark 9:43-48; Revelation 20:11-15).