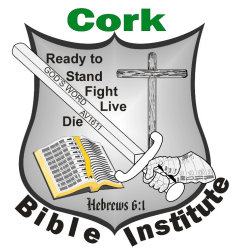


# Cork Bible Institute

## Spring 2014 Prospectus



**Cork Bible Institute** is dedicated to the principle that local church training is God's best and most efficient means for the equipping of the preacher and the layman alike for the work of the ministry. Here at CBI we are prepared to offer college-level instruction for the preacher preparing for the pastoral ministry, as well as for the layman who seeks to prepare themselves to better minister the word of God in their church. Our programmes offer a convenient schedule of comprehensive Bible courses coupled with opportunities for practical involvement in various church ministries. It is ideal especially for men preparing for any aspect of the Gospel ministry. For others who simply want to further their Bible knowledge for the purpose of service in their local church, we also offer a laymen's programme. **The Cork Bible Institute** is distinctively Baptist in its theology and practice. We believe the Bible is able to fully meet the spiritual needs of every individual (2 Timothy 3:16,17). We do not apologize for simply believing and living by the "faith once delivered to the saints" (Jude 1:3). If your desire is to be trained to better serve the Lord as a layman or to prepare for a full-time ministry, you should consider **Cork Bible Institute**.

### HISTORY AND PURPOSE

*Cork Bible Institute* was established in 1999 to provide Christians with formal Bible training that is both practical, and effective in accomplishing our Lord's command to evangelise our world. It was designed to help Pastors, Missionaries, Sunday School Teachers, Church Workers, Ushers, Deacons, Elders, Personal Workers, Soul Winners, Parents and all Laymen rightly divide the Word of Truth.

The Bible Institute we offer is a small training college where every student is developed to the utmost of his/her spiritual abilities. Some of the advantages of this arrangement are that a student is linked with a good local church where he/she can develop their abilities and potential. We provide a family atmosphere with close concern for each student. Our purpose is to help the student grow in true spiritual character while academically preparing him for Christian service.

### PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE AVAILABLE

Every student is directly involved in the starting and growing of local churches throughout the Cork and Munster area through the following weekly church related activities: soul-winning, preaching, training of new Christians in Discipleship, Teaching of Sunday School Classes, Helping out with and even leading Holiday Bible Clubs, Helping out with the running of Youth Camp, Participating in Men's Retreats, Family Retreats, and the Music Ministry.

### TEACHING SCHEDULE

We have structured the possible learning times from the weekly schedule of both the Bible Institute and Church sessions to get the most hours each week in study and learning.

- **Saturday** (9am – 12.30pm) IS THE MAIN CLASS TEACHING TIME.
- **Sunday AM** – every student must take notes on the Sermon preached and turned in at the end of every Semester.
- **Sunday 5pm-6pm** – Preacher Workshop.
- **Sunday PM** – every student must take notes on the Sermon preached, or the Scripture passage taught and turned in at the end of every Semester.
- **Wednesday** – There is a practical Verse by Verse Study of a Book, and students are encouraged to take notes for grading at the end of each Semester.

**See Other Side for Classes on Offer this Semester**

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Classes begin, Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 2014 and run until the 17<sup>th</sup> of May

There are Three Main Courses on offer this Semester at CBI:

**The Book of Genesis (Module 2 covers chapter 11 through 24).** A verse-by-verse study of this most incredible Book! Genesis is the *foundational* book for the Bible - it is the cornerstone upon which EVERYTHING written in the Bible is based. Without it, none of the major themes of the Bible make any sense. Its theme is "Beginnings". The beginning of Sin, of Life and Death, the origin of Languages, the beginnings of music, the arts, and creativity, the origin of the races. This module covers the life and faith of Abraham; the wrong and costly choices of Lot; Isaac, and the curse of Ishmael!

**Argumentation and Debate.** This class will focus on practical methods of learning to discuss, debate, Biblically argue and persuade people to the truth as Jesus did. This is an exciting way to learn how to get our world to think, and challenge themselves, but will require the student to first learn how to think for themselves and challenge themselves and what they think they believe.

**Sunday School Teacher Training.** Every Teacher of Scripture feels inadequate, but with this class, they can know that they are focusing and learning the important ways to study in preparation to teach a children's Sunday School class. Things that will be explained and taught include the writing of lesson outlines, the use of visuals, puppets, songs and crafts. This is a very practical class, especially for people who want to just help in Sunday School.

**Other Courses currently being taught include:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians on Wednesday Evenings.** This New Testament Book will explain the costs, hardships and fruits of the Gospel ministry! Sign up today for this time to be counted towards credit, and get started taking notes, and you can earn Bible Institute Credits right away!

**Preacher's Workshop** is taught on Sunday evenings from 5pm to 6pm. Every man needs to learn how to declare the truths of the Bible, and especially of the Gospel! Preacher's Workshop will teach you how to study for a message, and how to deliver that message, whether to a Sunday School class, or a Church full of adults, or a Nursing home even! Sign up today for this exciting class that prepares the next generation of preachers!

If you wish to obtain any of the class notes for any of the courses CBI has on offer (past or present), there is a €25 charge for printing the notes for each class. There are many classes already recorded so you can still take any of the previous classes and get credit for them!

**COST PER SEMESTER.** *Cork Bible Institute* seeks to keep course fees very affordable. The only charges are course matriculation fees, designed to offset some of the immediate expenses. All other costs are underwritten by the Bible Baptist Church. Complete fees are due the first night of class each trimester. In addition to the course matriculation fee, the cost of any required textbooks is also the responsibility of the student. After the second week of class, no refund will be granted to any student withdrawing from a class.

## GRADUATION CERTIFICATES

There are three levels of completion awards.

1. **Bible Diploma (BD):** Requires the Completion of 400 hours of course study – 2 years of course study with an 80% overall grade.
2. **Graduate of Theology (Th.G) Degree:** Requires the Completion of 618 hours – 3 ½ years of course study with an 85% overall grade. A written Graduation Thesis paper will be required to be written, and a Half year Internship working under your pastor, or an approved pastor and church.
3. **Associate in Missions (AIM) Degree:** This is a diploma for those seeking to become church starters which has an advanced set of requirements beyond the Graduate of Theology Degree.



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