

PMI Center for Biblical Studies

Distance Bible and Pastoral Ministry Training

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Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15).

Dr. Mike Johnston began the PMI Center for Biblical Studies in 1981 in an effort to offer top quality tuition free ¹ distance seminary level education to born-again, Bible believing, Christ-honoring prisoners all across America. To date, over 20,000 have taken advantage of the vast opportunities offered through our intense, doctrinally sound distance Bible and Ministry training center. Prisoners and non-prisoners are both cordially invited to begin their Bible study and ministry preparation by placing an [X] in any **one** of the following areas of interest, and by mailing in the information on page 4.

CAVEAT: All programs have been carefully and prayerfully structured and require completion of our NON NEGOTIABLE 8 Lesson Foundations of Faith Study Project prior to seminary level enrollment. All study tracks require that you read through the Bible at least one time per academic year. Six year Biblical Studies students read it through 6 times; two year ministry students read it through twice, and so on. Each study track also includes a wide range of collateral reading assignments on relevant exciting topics ranging from the manuscripts, fundamentalism, end times, hermeneutics, apologetics, contemporary issues, evangelism, theology, cults, and heresies. Optional degrees ² are available upon completion of all programs.

Matriculation with Advanced Standing

Advanced Standing allows a student to matriculate at a higher degree level. Example: if you enroll in the 60 hour, 2 year Jack Van Impe Prophecy program with- let's say- 60 hours credit from any combination of your studies and life experience, you would be eligible for a Counselor and an Associate degree (now), along with a Graduate of Theology (3rd year, 90 hours) and Bachelor of Theology upon completion of your sixty hours of study (120 credit hours total). You may request a DACE after you complete all 8 Lessons of your Foundations Study Project.

Bible College and Seminary Level Program Tracks

Diplomas and Degrees in BIBLICAL STUDIES (as mentioned, optional degrees will be in Biblical Studies)

[] BIBLICAL STUDIES MAJOR: 30 to 180 Hours – (6 Years)

Prepares pastors and Bible teachers with a great working knowledge of Scriptures. You'll dig deeper into God's Word than you perhaps ever have before as you explore every one of the sixty six inspired Books. Dr. Mike suggests doing this (or any of our programs) with an Old Scofield Study Bible ³ if possible. (Non Prisoners- \$200 per year up front; or \$25 per month enrolled)

¹ We don't charge per credit hour fees students can't afford. We believe the means of support outlined in the Bible is through tithes and offerings. Also, we utilize gently used books whenever possible. If that is a problem, don't enroll.

² Diplomas and optional degrees will contain the title listed in the bold headings. They will range from a first year Counselor's degree through a Doctor's and are issued from a co-op college accepting our credits at full value. PMI handles all paperwork for our graduates.

³ We have these Old Scofield Study Bibles in bonded leather, KJV, available for a gift to PMI of \$34 including s/h to help us minister to you and others. Please remember, when you order from us, you help support us. Stamps are welcome and payments are tracked for you.

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Diplomas and Degrees in MINISTRY (optional degrees will be in Ministry)

[] MINISTRY ORDINATION MAJOR: 60 to 90 Hours – (2-3 Years)

Step by step soul winning training along with other church ministry preparation for pastors including doctrinal studies, heresy awareness, sermon writing, preaching, and a variety of ministry duties most have to stumble through as they go; like how to perform weddings, funerals, hold communion, dedicate children, baptize converts, deal with the public, organize and set up a non-profit, and much more. Master of Ministry (60 hrs) or Master of Divinity (90 hrs) option available upon completion. This track is open to men only. (Non Prisoners- \$200 per year up front; or \$25 per month enrolled)

[] NOUTHETIC COUNSELING MAJOR: 60 Hours – (2 Years) (HB)

Nouthetic counseling is not psychology or psychoanalysis. Nouthetic counseling is simply directed discussion led by the Nouthetic counselor who uses the Word of God and relies on the Holy Spirit to change the life of the counselee. According to Dr. Jay Adams in the Christian Counselor's Commentary: "Counseling . . . is the process of bringing Christians face to face with the Savior in His Word in order to effect the changes that He wants. And when a counselee comes to Jesus for change, that change can be as certain as His promises in the Bible. Only Biblical counselors can offer such certainty of change." Students will develop a confident competency in Nouthetic counseling by studying the methodology and theology of Dr. Jay Adams followed by a wide variety of written case studies they will provide the Nouthetic counseling for. [Requires a \$300 sponsor for prisoners/\$350 for non prisoners. ⁴ Stamps are welcome]

Diplomas and Degrees in RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (optional degrees will be in Religious Education)

[] RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MAJOR: 60 Hours – (2 Years) (HB)

Imagine yourself contemplating, researching, and expounding upon a wide spectrum of issues facing today's church including ethics, theology, and apologetics. The Religious Education degree track has been carefully designed to place you in the center of these debates, equipped with truths learned from some of most notably brilliant Christian educators, apologists, and scholars in the world, like: Kenneth Gangel, Carl FH Henry, Norman Geisler, John Stott, Ravi Zacharias, Josh McDowell, and many more. Second year Religious Education includes a thorough study of Bible survey, creationism, and projects. It is well-suited for individuals seeking a broad, foundational degree in ministry capacities such as associate pastor, discipleship pastor, small group pastor, apologetics writing and counseling, as well as other positions that require a general knowledge of church educational programs, discipleship oriented ministries, blogging, debating, etc. Optional PhD available for those enrolling in 60 hour R.E. track with 150 hours. [Requires a \$300 sponsor for prisoners/\$350 for non prisoners. Stamps are welcome]

Diplomas and Degrees in THEOLOGY (optional degrees will be in Theology)

[] APOLOGETICS MAJOR: 60 Hours – (2 Years)

Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers (Titus 1:9). The forces of evil are waging war against two pillars of Biblical Christianity: the Scriptures, and Creationism. The PMI Apologetics track prepares students to contend for the faith (Jude 1:3) in the face of these relentless assaults. The focus in the first year is on Biblical Apologetics including: its purpose, the authority of the Bible, its origin, documentation, the deity of Christ, Biblical criticism, alleged contradictions, skepticism, Gnosticism, God's work throughout

⁴ Offerings can be sent over time but certain restrictions may apply regarding distribution of text material and coursework. Diplomas and text materials are included in price; optional degrees are separate.

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history; Christian uniqueness, and much more. Second year students will explore Creation Apologetics including: the history of evolution, big bang and stellar evolution, age of the earth, problem of times, inaccurate dating methods, DNA and protein, natural selection, mutations, ancient man, effects of the flood, similarities and divergence, animal and plant societies, fossils and strata, sub species, index fossils, and much more. [Requires a \$300 sponsor for prisoners/\$350 for non prisoners. Stamps are welcome]

[] JACK VAN IMPE PROPHECY MAJOR: 60 Hours – (2 Years)

The Bible is at least twenty-five percent prophecy, and your faith in Christ will grow strong as you study it and teach it to family and friends. Learn from premier prophecy experts like Dr. Jack Van Impe as he explains the Book of Revelation to you verse by verse, and provides insight and answers to many of the end times questions you'll be asked. In this program, you'll build a foundation upon sound Christian doctrine, you'll survey the entire Bible; you'll study and identify Last Days False Prophets, learn about the Antichrist, explore the Book of Daniel, discover the link between judgments on America and our forcing Israel to divide covenant land, rightly divide the difference between the mystery Rapture and the prophesied Revelation in light of Dispensational truth, and discover the 9 signs telling us we are living in the end times. (Non Prisoners- \$200 per year up front; or \$25 per month enrolled)

[] OLD SCOFIELD THEOLOGY MAJOR: 60 Hours – (2 Years)

Dr. Mike has preached the Scofield notes over 30 years and believes this is the finest study Bible on the planet. Many times he has stated this is- in itself- a sound seminary education and often recommends this as the first course hungry students should enroll in for at least two reasons: the Old Scofield Bible you'll receive with the course- which is a lifetime Bible-, and the knowledge you'll acquire in how to use it for Christ in your ministry. You will dig through Scripture from 5 disciplines in 4 separate modules that will include: Scofield Studies, Biographical Studies, Biblical Studies, Theme Studies, and Theological Studies. This course comes with a beautiful bonded leather KJV Old Scofield Study Bible. [Requires a \$124 sponsor for prisoners, \$225 up front for non prisoners, or \$62.50 x 4 incremental payments].

PhD Degrees (requires a Master's Degree or 150 Hours Advanced Standing)

[] PhD in CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: 60 Hours – (2 Years) (HB)

For advanced, highly motivated students with a master's degree from an approved college/seminary (like Calvary Christian), or 150 hours Advanced Standing by DACE analysis. This track is not to prepare school teachers, but for those involved in church based educational ministries who desire knowledge of America's Christian education foundation and how it relates and applies to today's church. The first year focuses on education that is Bible based, with collateral studies that reinforce America's rich Christian heritage. Students will learn to define and develop a Christ centered Biblical Christian Education (CE) program that will effectively reach and teach at every age level. He or she will study proper implementation and function of the CE Board; how to manage classrooms; how to select and develop good leaders; and even about educating through public, Christian, and homeschool settings. The second year, students will continue to broaden his or her knowledge by contemplating, researching, and expounding upon a wide spectrum of issues facing today's church including ethics, theology, and apologetics. This entire degree track has been carefully designed to place you in the center of these debates, equipped with truths learned from some of most notably brilliant Christian educators, apologists, and scholars in the world, like: Kenneth Gangel, Carl FH Henry, Norman Geisler, John Stott, Ravi Zacharias, Josh McDowell, and many more. Second year Christian Education track includes a thorough study of Bible survey, creationism, and projects. It is well-suited for individuals seeking a broad, foundational degree in ministry capacities such as associate pastor, discipleship pastor, small group pastor, apologetics writing and counseling, as well as other positions that require a general knowledge of

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church educational programs, discipleship oriented ministries, blogging, debating, etc. [Requires a \$300 sponsor for prisoners/\$350 for non prisoners. Stamps are welcome]

PhD in Religious Education: 60 Hours—(2 Years) (HB) (see info and cost p2)

PhD in THEOLOGY: 60 Hours – (2 Years) (HB)

The PhD in Theology is a terminal 2 year, 60 credit hour study program reserved for advanced, highly motivated students with a Master's degree from an approved college/seminary (like Calvary Christian), or 150 hours Advanced Standing by DACE analysis. In Modules 1 and 2 (30 hours credit each), candidates will study a wide range of important theological subjects including Theism, Bibliology, Theology, Angelology, Anthropology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, Eschatology, Creationism and the fallacy of Evolution; the Pentateuch, Apologetics for One Isaiah, Genesis, the Book of Daniel, Archeology, the Atonement, Grace, Salvation, Regeneration, Justification, and more. Collateral reading and writing projects will also be assigned by your instructor as theological reinforcement. This track may include slightly used books. If that is a problem, please don't enroll. A \$300 sponsor is required for prisoners and \$350 for non-prisoners. Texts and study materials are sent after checks are received and cleared for each module (\$150/\$175). Money orders clear immediately. Stamps are welcome.

Student Preliminary Address and Background Information

(Please complete all of the following)

Dr. Mike: Now that I have placed an [x] in my study track choice, here's my info. Please get me started:

Name _____ # _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

I am saved I am not sure I'm saved, but I want to be. Please send me some info

I am a prisoner I am not a prisoner ←select one

I have completed the **REQUIRED 8 Lesson Foundations of Theology Study Project**

I am a graduate of PMI (year) _____ with a

diploma degree in _____

I hold the following degrees from other schools for which I will request a DACE later:

Assoc of _____ Bachelor of _____

Master of _____ Doctor of _____

CAVEAT

In an effort to save the Lord's money, we purchase and re-use gently used books at the college and seminary level. If that's a problem for you or your institution, please don't enroll.