

INDIGENOUS TRAINING MINISTRIES, INC. REVC'S NEWS & VIEWS

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CTC ONLINE IS HERE!



YES, THAT'S RIGHT! ONLY 2 MONTHS SHY OF 6 YEARS IN THE MAKING! TODAY IT IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DO CTC ONLINE!

Before I go any further, I must stop and give praise to the Lord for making this a reality. There is absolutely no doubt in my mind that it would not have happened if He had not undertaken for us throughout.

Thank you, Lord God, for your enablement to do what I thought was next to impossible! You are worthy of all praise, honor and glory!!

I also want to express my sincere appreciation to individuals who helped make the online program a reality. First, to **Rev. Steve Beam**, who helped get me started with the CTC program in missions and encouraged me years ago to put it online. My response was exactly what I knew to be the case: "I'm sorry but no thanks! It is entirely too much work, and I don't have the time or will to take that much on in addition to the training centers." But then God! Steve later approached me again, and I soon realized that if CTC online was going to happen, I would need to get more involved than I wanted. Steve and I had presented our desire to a couple of programmers who declined to do the job for what we offered to pay. We even went to a group of men who had a programming business. They wanted \$160,000 to do the first phase.

That brings me to the second person I want to acknowledge. Rev. John Juliano has labored for six years doing all the programming for a small fraction of what it otherwise would have cost. When we first started, the vision was for something much less than the program that we have today. As we moved forward, we saw things (surely it was the Lord showing us) that needed to be done to make it as safe to use in a closed country as in a country open to the gospel. Many, many times John would see a problem and not know what to do. He would make it a matter of prayer. Then in some way God would show him how to solve the issue and move forward. Thank you, John and Carol, for the hours and hours John has spent over these past years to get us to this day. It certainly would not have happened without your vision and sacrifice.

The format of the online program is simple from the

student side. There are 29 subjects in the CTC program. These subjects are divided into four semesters for a total of 68 credits. At the completion of the program, the student earns an Associate of Biblical Studies degree. This program is accredited in the USA by the Association of Independent Christian Colleges and Seminaries.

Each subject builds on the one that comes before it. Students do not pick and choose subjects. Rather, they take them in a designed progression. Like the actual

classroom setting, the online students read the material and take notes as they do each lesson. At the end of each lesson is a short quiz. Students are encouraged to use their notes and their Bibles in answering the quiz questions as well as the final exam for that subject.

I for one have never been someone who has it all in his head. I depend on my notes when I teach or preach. I also depend on the presence of the Holy Spirit to show me things and quicken things to my heart and mind as I do. I envy those pastors who can stand up without a script and speak so eloquently—but then perhaps that is why I am much more of a teacher than a preacher. This is part of the reason for students taking notes as they study; they, too, will have good material to use in helping teach and train others as God opens doors for them. Even the great Apostle Paul went through a time of preparation and instruction before God released him to ministry. If you prepare, God will open doors for you to be used.

Each student, when achieving a passing grade, will be invited to progress on to the next subject and so on, working their way through the full program at their own pace and completing all 29 subjects. In the unlikelihood that a student might not do well enough on their quizzes (one third of their grade) and the final exam (two thirds of their grade) they are given a second chance to pass the final exam with a grade high enough to secure the right to continue to the next subject. However, if they still have not achieved the score needed to move on, they will be prompted to repeat the subject from the beginning until they have scored well enough to move forward. Our goal is to see everyone who enrolls, with a call of God on their lives or with a simple desire to learn more about God and be better equipped to serve, com-

plete the CTC program and earn their degree.

Here is a list of the subjects in the order that they are presented in the online and normal CTC classes:

FIRST SEMESTER

BE 100 General Discipleship I-2 credits

An in-depth examination of the basic truths which should be taught to each new convert. These truths include: Salvation, Three Baptisms, Confession and Repentance, Servanthood, Evangelism, Knowing God's Will, Stewardship, Prayer, God's Word, The Principles of the "Exchanged Life," and How to Study the Bible.

BE 115 Dispensations – 2 credits

An examination of the scriptures from the dispensational viewpoint. This will provide the student with a general overview of God's plan for mankind.

BI 130 Old Testament Survey – 4 credits

A survey of the Old Testament books Genesis through the Song of Solomon with emphasis on their unity, special events, and relationship to the Bible as a whole.

BI 120 Christ in the Gospels – 4 credits

An overview of the major gospel themes with particular emphasis on the life of Christ.

BE 116 Covenant – 2 credits

A study by Rev. Malcome Smith of the teaching on the importance of the covenant relationship God has with His people.

BE 105 General Discipleship II – 3 credits

This class endeavors to take the new student into areas of study that will enhance their daily experience with God. The study is from the "Experiencing God" materials.

SECOND SEMESTER

BI 205 The Book of Acts – 3 credits

A chapter by chapter study with primary focus on the Great Commission and the missionary journeys of Paul. The study concludes with a brief overview of Church history and introduction to cross cultural missions.

DC 245 Systematic Theology I – 3 credits

A survey of the major Bible doctrines of: Scriptures, God, Christ, the Holy Spirit, and Salvation.

CA 210 Marriage and Family – 2 credits

An examination of the individual responsibilities and difficulties facing today's family. Particular emphasis will focus on the roles of husband, wife, and parents as we discover what makes a Christ-centered family.

BE 215 Spiritual Authority – 1 credit

A close look at the major areas of authority which we are to recognize and the balance between the use of and submission to authority in preparation for ministry.

BI 220 Major Prophets – 3 credits

An in-depth study of key chapters from Isaiah, Ezekiel, and Jeremiah.

BI 215 Epistles I-2 credits

A verse-by-verse study of Galatians and Ephesians, emphasizing the dynamics of our salvation and our role as the Church of Jesus Christ.

BI 225 Epistles II – 3 credits

An in-depth exposition of Philippians, Colossians, Philemon, and I-II-III John.

THIRD SEMESTER

DC 355 Systematic Theology II – 2 credits

A survey of the major Bible doctrines of: Angels, Man, Sin, Last Things, and the Church.

BI 300 Romans – 2 credits

A study of the major themes of the book of Romans with emphasis on the development of personal life principles.

BI 311 Epistles III – 3 credits

An examination of I-II Timothy, I-II Thessalonians, and Titus with emphasis on their pastoral theology.

BI 320 Epistles IV – 3 credits

A close examination of the teachings of James, I-II Peter, and Jude, sharing how these important writings can be applied to daily living.

BI 350 I-II Corinthians – 3 credits

A chapter by chapter study of these two epistles with emphasis on their unique application to the body of Christ today.

BE 305 World Religions – 2 credits

An overview examination of the major cults, comparing their doctrinal beliefs to that of Christianity.

DC 370 The Holy Spirit – 1 credit

A study of the person, work, and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

FOURTH SEMESTER

CA 445 Pastoral Theology – 2 credits

This class centers around the ministerial life of a pastor, presenting the practical and ethical aspects of ministry along with an examination of pastoral responsibilities.

CA 410 Christian Counseling – 3 credits

An introduction to the principles and practices necessary for effective Christian counseling.

BI 420 Hebrews – 1 credit

A study of the book of Hebrews with an emphasis on its unique perspective on Christianity, Judaism, and the fulfillment obtained by Christ.

BI 440 Minor Prophets – 3 credits

An overview of the last 12 books of the Old Testament with emphasis on each book's relevance to God's dealings with man.

BI 415 Daniel – 2 credits

An in-depth study with added emphasis on corresponding historical events.

BE 425 The Resurrection – 1 credit

A scriptural examination of the body, soul, and spirit in relationship to life, death, and the end times.

BI 405 Revelation – 2 credits

A chapter by chapter study of the revelation of Jesus Christ to the apostle John.

BE 430 Leadership and Management – 1 credit is class deals with the hiblical approach to church leader-

This class deals with the biblical approach to church leadership and management.

BE 435 Homiletics and Hermeneutics - 3 credits

This course will examine the practical methods of study, preparation, and presentation of the gospel. The main focus of the class will provide each student the opportunity to gain experience in presenting the word of God in a teaching/preaching format.

Today there are 70+ CTC locations that I am aware of worldwide with 1411 students enrolled and almost 3400 graduates to date. CTC has grown over the years

by word of mouth, not by any advertisement effort. We want to keep that method of growth; in doing so, we sense more of the Lord's hand in it. It is our design to have "directors" who serve to invite people to get involved in the program and oversee their work, issuing the diplomas as they complete the program. It will also be the director's responsibility to collect fees and forward the CTC portion of the fees to Indigenous Training Ministries (ITM). If you are a pastor interested in using the CTC program to help train leaders in your church, please call or email me.

The CTC program has never been about money. It has always been about training as many people as we possibly can to the glory of our Lord and Savior. However, it does take money to do much of the Lord's work. At this point, we are operating three internet sites just to maintain and run the CTC online program in a way that will maintain the safety of students in closed countries. We would like the online program to pay for itself going forward, and if possible, help support the expansion of more CTC classroom locations.

The cost of tuition for the top 50 most affordable Bible schools ranges from \$4200 to over \$30K. It is our desire to train laborers for the harvest and still help support the CTC programs worldwide. Outside the USA, we are asking local directors to help us determine a cost. We have learned that every student should invest something of him or herself in their training. Doing so gives value to them and to the CTC program that is being offered to them. Very often CTC is in areas where the people have little financial ability; in those places, we ask them to give some of their time in service to another ministry. We will continue to do this in the online version but where money is collected a portion will return to ITM to help maintain the program. We will also adjust for those who can pay what their cost is per credit. Please know that for those outside the USA in the classroom version of CTC who do pay something, none of that money comes to us or ITM. Again, the idea is that even those who may not pay in dollars will give something of value of themselves in return. In the USA, we have determined to charge \$30.00 per credit based on the number of credits for each class. Thus, the first subject is two credits and costs \$60.00 in tuition.

We are working on the Spanish, French, and Mace-

donian versions of the online program that we wish to have operational as soon as possible. At this point, I believe we will need to raise about \$10,000 to get the Spanish operational. I'll let you know about the other two as soon as I have nailed down the cost. I am releasing God to speak to some hearts to step in and help make these three languages possible this year! After that, we need to finish Arabic and get it online. So much to do, so little time! We need your help!!!

If you are interested in enrolling in CTC online, contact me as I am the only director at this time in the USA. Please consider this newsletter your invitation to get involved. You can email me at revdc22@4securemail.com. As with any school tuition, your payment is not tax deductible as you will receive a service in return.

One final testimony: To help us work the bugs out of the program, we offered scholarships to three students. The first student, Josh Hire, is a missionary serving in Peru who has already finished the program, graduated, and received his diploma. He did so in what I consider record time given that we had to make him wait several times as we worked out the bugs. Josh liked the program so much that he sent a sizeable contribution to help us with the cost. Thank you, Josh!

I'm writing this newsletter from Malawi, Africa. While in Malawi, I will be preaching in two of the three churches we helped build last year as well as teaching two different pastoral leadership groups in the bush and at least one of our CTC groups. We will also make another trip to Mozambique to visit Pastor Samuel to see the progress on the new church building and bring him just over \$4800 to help with the building. PTL!!!

As always, we covet your prayers and financial care for us! I'm releasing God's blessings on you and us so we can all be a greater blessing to His work. Know we love and appreciate each of you. Thank you for standing with us, and give me a call to enroll in CTC online!

Please remember these needs: \$20K Myanmar; \$10K Spanish online; \$13K for India CTC. Please help us move forward! This is your opportunity to make a difference. Mark your gift by project name. Thank you for your help!!! TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

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