



The Bible Skills Institute
INTERNATIONAL REMOTE STUDIES

**Training Christian workers faster,
less expensively and more effectively
through digital technology**



Faster...

...because once a native has recorded the courses in a native language, schools can be started everywhere the language is spoken

Less expensively...

...because a school can be set up for \$1,000 while a foreign teacher costs \$55,000 a year

More effectively...

...because they are listening to one of their own, teaching skills that are essential to soul winning, church planting, disciple training and leadership

Brief History

The Bible Skills Institute was established in February, 2005 for the purpose of training Christian workers who did not have access to quality Christian education. The founder, Moody Adams, who was labeled America's "Front line Evangelist" by the Miami Herald, moved Christian training into the front lines of technology. He previously had been one of the first to utilize mass e-mails and web sites. He went into Iraq following the invasion of Baghdad and set up a web site in Arabic to get the gospel out to the 280 million Arabic speaking people.

He launched The Bible Skills Institute in February, 2005 using digital video cameras to record courses in local languages by local teachers, DVD players and solar panels (where there was no electricity).

The school began in one of the most difficult places on earth, in Africa's war-ravaged Sudan. The growth quickly exceeded all expectations, spreading rapidly to 15 schools in four countries during the first year.

Mission Statement

Under the authority of God's Word and in commitment to Jesus Christ's Great Commission, The Bible Skills Institute exists to train people in the skills necessary to win souls and plant churches and make disciples.

Academics

The Bible Skills Institute grants:

- Christian Ministry Certificates
- Christian Ministry Diplomas
- Advanced Degrees through the Southwest Bible College & Seminary which accepts all BSI credits.

Accreditation

Bible Skills Institute degrees are accredited by the Accrediting Commission International Inc. and the American Accrediting Association of Theological Institutions in partnership with Southwest Bible College & Seminary.



Curriculum

First year, 30 hours for Christian Ministry Certificate

Each subject giving 3 hours of credit

TH-101 Doctrine/Great Themes of the Bible	3
BI-101 Old Testament Survey	3
BI-101 New Testament Survey.....	3
PR-101 Homiletics/Preaching and teaching.....	3
BI-101 Hermeneutics/Bible study method	3
DL-201 Discipleship	3
MS-101 Missions/How to plant new churches	3
PM-101 Pastoral ministries.....	3
PM-101 Leadership	3
DL-101 Christology/Christ indwelling	3
Total credit hours	30

Second year 30 hours for Christian Ministry Diploma

Each subject giving 3 hours of credit

BI-201 Christ's life/ the four Gospels	3
TH-201 Cults and false religions.....	3
MS-201 Holiness	3
DL-201 Prayer.....	3
PM-201 How to influence people for Christ	3
PM-201 How to win souls to Christ	3
FM-201 Winning teenagers	3
HT-201 Church history	3
DL-201 How to manage money ..	3
TH-201 Apologetics/proof of the Christian faith	3
Total credit hours	30

All credits can be transferred to the Southwest Bible College & Seminary
in order to obtain advanced degrees.



Schedule

Courses require 12 hours of classroom study per subject. By completing one course a month, 10 months of study can be completed in one year with two months off. This will enable a student to complete a Christian Ministry Certification in one year and a Christian Ministry Diploma in two years.

The sessions can be scheduled in the way best suited to the school. Here are three examples:

Two hour sessions, three nights a week, for two weeks.

Six hours sessions on two Saturdays.

A two day weekend with six hour sessions on Saturday and Sunday.

These twelve sessions include:

2 hours translating a work book so the students can write the main points in their own language.

8 hours of 30 minute segments of DVD lecture per hour session

2 hours of testing

Students will need to do 18 hours of home work in order to pass.

The twelve sessions are divided into 45 minutes of work and a 15 minute breaks, as follows:

Session 1: Translating work book, chapters 1-28

Session 2: Translating work book, chapters 29-56

Session 3: Play chapters 1-7 of course on DVD.

Session 4: Play chapters 8-14 of course on DVD.

Session 5: Play chapters 15-21 of course on DVD.

Session 6: Play chapters 22-28 of course on DVD.

Session 7: Play chapters 29-35 of course on DVD.

Session 8: Play chapters 36-42 of course on DVD.

Session 9: Play chapters 43-49 of course on DVD.

Session 10: Play chapters 50-56 of course on DVD.

Session 11: Exam.

Session 12: Exam.

One week later, schedule a makeup exam for those who missed the exam or failed.

Two weeks later, schedule an award session to present certificate of completion.



Doctrinal Statement

Article I

- There is only one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen: Isaiah 44:6 *I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.*
- God is a trinity: 2 Cor. 13:14 *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.*

Article II

The Bible is the one and only true inerrant Word of God: 2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

Article III

- Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary: Philip. 2:5-8 *Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*
- On the third day he rose again in a physical body, 1 Corinthians 15:4 *And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.*
- Jesus is the one and only mediator between God and man, 1 Tim. 2:5 *For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.*

Article IV

- The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity, not just a force, Acts 13:2 *The Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.*

Article V

- Man did not evolve, he was created, Genesis 1:26 *And God said, Let us Make man in our image.*
- Man is born with the sinful nature of Adam, Romans 5:12 *Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.*
- Jesus' sacrifice was a substitution, for all mankind, 1 John 2:2 *And He is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.*
- Salvation is a gift of God's grace, Ephesians, 2:8-9 *For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.*
- Salvation only comes through repentance of sin and faith in Jesus Christ as free a gift of God, Acts 20:21 *Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.*
- It is God's will that all should be saved, 1 Peter 3:9 *The Lord is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.*

Article VI

- Those who reject Jesus will go to Hell, Matthew 25:41, *Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:*
- The saved will go to their reward in heaven, Matthew 5:12 *Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven.*

Article VII

- The Church is a company of believers baptized by the Holy Spirit into the body of Christ. Christ is its sole head. Only members of the true church shall be eligible for membership in the local assembly, 1 Timothy 3:15, *But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.*



Student Application Form

Name _____ E-mail address _____

Address _____ Town _____ State _____ Country _____

Postal Code _____ Cell ph _____ home ph _____

phone contact _____ Today's date _____

Brief testimony of your conversion:

Brief recommendation of a pastor:

Name of church to which you belong: _____

Your position in the church: _____

Ministry calling: _____

What language/s do you speak _____

Do you read English _____

What education have you completed _____

What you intend to do with your schooling _____

Married status: Single ___ Married ___ Divorced ___ Birth date: _____

To maintain consistency with the Bible, The Bible Skills Institute requires its students to believe the school's basic doctrinal statement. Please read this and sign if you agree:

- the inspiration, authority, and inerrancy of Scripture
- the Trinity
- the creation of man in the image of God
- the spiritual lostness of mankind
- the substitutionary atonement and bodily resurrection of Christ
- salvation by grace through faith alone in Christ alone
- the eternal reward of the righteous and the eternal judgment of the lost.

Expectations

Students are expected to attend at least 80% of the classes, make 60 or above on the exam and participate in starting a church, a home cell, or serve in an existing church.

Students will receive a Students Work Manual and the courses free of charge. They will receive the appropriate diploma upon completion of the course.

Sign here _____

(Fill out and turn in to the School Leader)



Application for starting a new BSI school

Name of Applicant _____ Date _____

Church you belong to _____

P.O. Box or street address _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Contact persons phone _____

City _____ State or district _____

Zip code (where used) _____ Country _____

1. How many people would be interested in attending your school? _____

2. How many other schools could be started within a 40 mile radius? _____

3. How many new churches could be started within a 40 mile radius? _____

4. Where would your school meet? _____

5. Do you have electricity at _____ Do you have access to the Internet? _____

6. What language would be used in the school? _____

7. Do you, or someone working with you, read English? _____

8. Please tell when and how you were converted: _____

9. Please list education you have had: _____

10. Please list what experience you have had in Christian service: _____

Expectations

Schools can expect to receive support according to the following classifications (Please check the category your school would be in):

1. Pioneer mission schools. These are held in new fields. BSI provides a projector, where there is electricity, solar panels and DVD players where there is no electricity and the courses. In many cases the School Administrator may receive support.
2. Established missionary schools. These are led by a native pastor in an established mission/church. BSI provides a projector (where there is electricity), DVD players, the courses and solar panels (where there is no electricity).
3. Western schools. Located in the U.S. and Europe for example are led by a pastor or staff member. We provide the courses for these schools and English copies of DVDs. Perhaps later Spanish and French DVDs will be available.

As the leader of a school you will be expected to enroll qualified students, set up the equipment, preside over the classes, conduct and grade the exams and give a monthly report to the District leader by email or phone.

BSI Staff positions

BSI School Administrators

The School Administrators will receive:

- Monthly financial compensation
- A cell phone when one is needed
- The DVD player, speakers, DVD courses and solar panels (when solar energy is needed)
- Student course outlines for each subject
- Certificates and diplomas to award students

The School Administrators will be responsible for:

- Filling out enrollment sheets on each student
- Setting up the class schedules, which will complete a course a month
- Seeing to it the equipment is set up, stored when not in use and the batteries are charged
- Keeping attendance records
- Giving the exams
- Awarding the certificates and diplomas
- Filing a monthly report once a month, by E-mail, postal mail, or phone.

This report should include:

1. The course being studied currently
2. The number of students enrolled
3. The number attending each session
4. The report on souls the students have won to Christ.
5. The start of a new home cell or church
6. The number of students passing the exam

If possible this report should be made by email to the area director and the home office: moodyadams@moodynews.com, if not, over the phone when the Area Director calls

BSI Regional Directors

These leaders of up 10 to 15 schools each, are men who have Bible school training and experience. They will receive the following:

The Regional Directors will receive:

- A motor bike, when needed
- A base salary
- Traveling expenses varying with the school locations, etc.
- A digital still camera
- A digital video camera (when DVDs are not available in the local language)
- The text books and student outlines for all the courses
- Transportation expenses for an annual meeting when scheduled

The Regional Directors will be responsible for:

- Recording the courses in the local language if these are not already available
- Setting up 15 schools, securing a location and school leader
- Distributing the Student Course Outlines
- Visiting the schools once a month to check on activities, answering any questions and handling any problems
- Seeing to it the enrollment, attendance and exam figures for the schools are sent to the home office by the 15th of the month by email
- Sending pictures of converts, baptisms, new cell starts, or new churches planted by students
- Seeing to it the BSI manual is carried out exactly as written. Any changes must be approved by the home office.