

**2016 - 2017**

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**BIBLE QUIZZING OVERVIEW**

Our mission is to ignite a passion in Missionary Church youth ministries that enables students to MEET Jesus (winning), to KNOW Jesus (building), and to SERVE just like Jesus (equipping).

**PURPOSE**

A. To learn God's Word.

B. To develop Christian character.

C. To participate in good Christian competition.

D. To develop group unity through the Holy Spirit to accomplish a goal.

E. To use a fun way of studying the Bible daily.

F. To meet other youth who are quizzers.

G. To travel to many tournaments, conventions, etc.

H. To compete in order to bring honor and glory to Christ.

I. To help people grow spiritually.

J. To help people become more disciplined.

K. To equip people to reach others for Christ.

**IMPORTANCE**

A. The Word can cleanse our ways (Psalm 119:9).

B. The Word that is hidden in our hearts may be used to keep us from sinning (Psalm 119:11).

C. The Word gives us direction in life (Psalm 119:105).

D. The Word can refute Satan and aid in dealing with temptation

 (Matthew 4:1-11).

E. The Word can refute heresies (I Peter 3:15).

F. The Word can help us in witnessing (Acts 2:14-40).

G. We are told to study the Word to show ourselves approved of God, thus we can rightly divide the word of truth (II Timothy 2:15).

H. The Word of God is the only offensive weapon in the Christian's armor (Ephesians 6:11-18).

**QUESTIONS PROSPECTIVE QUIZZERS ASK**

**A. *How much work is involved in being a quizzer?***

 1. Quizzing is like a high school sport, only harder. It may require eleven months of the year.

 2. Quizzing requires daily work from a half hour to four hours.

 3. Quizzing requires obedience when a coach says work.

 4. Quizzing requires faithfulness at all practices.

 5. Quizzing requires giving up some things. (One real problem we all face is doing too many things and none of them well.)

**B. *How do I go about studying?***

 1. Find a regular time each day (early morning works for some).

 2. Make the quiz book like another class that you have to prepare for.

 3. Study the material only from one Bible the entire year.

 4. First read the entire book through.

 5. Then read the particular chapter through until you understand its meaning (usually three times).

 6. Then learn or memorize by phrases, a verse at a time, then four or five verses, then the whole chapter.

 7. Read over and over by phrases. Look for key words.

 8. Fill out the questions your coach has given you, being careful to give the answers as written in the Bible and giving references with your answers.

 9. Have someone ask you questions for practice.

 10. As you cover new chapters, always review the old chapters.

**TYPES OF QUESTIONS**

***Direct***

 Whom has God lifted up?

 *the humble* (Luke 1:52)

 When did Zechariah return home?

 *when his time of service was complete* (Luke 1:23)

 Of whom was Joseph a descendant?

 *David* (Luke 1:27)

 To where did Mary hurry?

 *to a town in the hill country of Judea* (Luke 1:39)

***Reference***

 According to Matthew 1:1, who was the son of David, the son of Abraham?

 *Jesus Christ*

***Situation***

 Who said it, to whom as it said, "Do not be afraid, your prayer has been heard."

 *the angel to Zechariah* (Luke 1:13)

***Finish the Verse***

 His mercy extends to those ...

 *... who fear him, from generation to generation.*  (Luke 1:50)

***Verse Quote*** (Either one, two or three verses)

 Quote Luke 1:32 &33.

 *He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.*

**SUGGESTIONS FOR COACHES**

A. Gather the youth informally to introduce quizzing to them (a breakfast meeting, pizza party, etc.). Emphasize they are under no obligation.

B. Inform them of the book to study.

C Inform them of the rules and procedures for a quiz.

D. Set up practice schedules and times to suit your teens.

E. Explain the necessity of obeying the coach and attending practices.

F. Make the first practice an encouraging one. Use the easier questions and then compliment them on the great job. They'll be more apt to keep at it.

G. Suggest a minimum of a half hour a day in study.

H. If you can make good questions, do so.

I. Make copies of each chapter for each quizzer.

J. At each practice, give them questions to fill out. Explain the chapter to them and give them until the next practice to complete them.

K. Start practice by covering the new material. However, spend most of your practice reviewing everything to date.

L. Use any method necessary to explain a chapter so they understand it. I recommend using various versions of the Bible. Also, Bible commentaries are helpful.

M. Have them learn the material by phrases. Ultimately they should have the material memorized. Make them read over and over by phrases. Soon they will be doing it in their sleep.

N. When they start signaling, realize they aren't good until they begin signaling before the question is completed. If they learn by phrases, they will be able to finish the question. Anticipation of the key word is very important.

O. Get them involved in competition. Start a league even if it is only within your church.

P. Make sure that if your teens do not memorize all the material, they do memorize the "Finish this Verse"
 and "Quotes.” Eighty points can easily make the difference in a quiz.

**RULES**

**A. TEAM REQUIREMENTS**

 1. Each team should be composed of four regulars with an unspecified number of substitutes. There shall be a maximum of seven team members participating in any single quiz. No team can start a quiz with less than two quizzers. A local church may field more than one team, if they so desire.

 2. A team shall be composed of young people in attendance weekly in at least one service other than quizzing in the local Missionary Church or the local church they are representing. Exceptions may be made for college students desiring to quiz for their home church and mixed church teams with approval of the district director.

 3. The same team members and coaches (coach and/or assistant coach) that compete in District Finals will compete in International Finals.

 4. The quiz year will be from August 1 to July 31.

 5. A team shall be composed of unmarried young people who must turn at least 12 during the quiz year and remain under 21 years of age during the quiz year.

 6. Each team shall have a coach and may have an assistant coach. Also, a team member shall be selected as the captain.

 7. The coach or assistant coach must submit to the Quizmaster a team line-up (name and number in quizzing order) prior to the quiz. (Suggestion: The line-up should be submitted at the automatic time-out of the previous quiz.)

 8. A rookie team will consist of only quizzers in their first or second year of quizzing. No post-high school youth at the beginning of the quiz year may participate on a rookie team anytime during the quiz year regardless of whether they are 1st or 2nd year quizzers. If a quizzer in his first year only quizzes part of a quiz year, it will not constitute a year of experience with regard to this rule with the approval of the district quiz director.

 9. Any exceptions and questionable situations may be approved on the district level and must be communicated in writing to the Denominational Quiz Committee for ratification.

**B. CAPTAINS**

 1. A captain must be on the platform at all times during the quiz. In the event of his leaving the quiz, an acting captain will be appointed.

**C. TIME-OUTS**

 1. Only captains and coaches may call a time-out.

 2. The Quizmaster will recognize coaches and captains calling a time-out. No time-out may be called after any information concerning the new question is given.

 3. Each team is permitted three time-outs per quiz.

 4. A time-out will be of 45 seconds duration.

 5. Only coaches may converse with teams during time-outs.

 6. An official time-out may be called by the Quizmaster and will not count against a team’s time-outs. There is an automatic time-out after the 15th question and before a sudden-death question.

**D. SUBSTITUTIONS**

 1. A quizzer being substituted may return to the quiz unless he has been removed because of five correct answers or three errors.

 2. Coaches may substitute quizzers only during time-outs.

 3. At the discretion of the coaches and/or captain, a substitute may replace a quizzer leaving the quiz with five correct answers or three errors. This is an official time-out for the replacement of the quizzer only.

 4. Once a line-up has been submitted in a quiz, a quizzer cannot change positions unless he is removed from the quiz for at least one question.

 5. After the quiz begins, if the quizzers are not seated according to the line-up, a penalty of -10 points and two time-outs will be charged to correct the situation.

 6. Substitutions must be reported to the official scorer. Failure to do so will result in the deduction of ten points from the team score.

**E. SIGNALING**

 1. Judging to determine the first quizzer signaling shall be by an electronic judging device. In the event of an equipment malfunction during a quiz, the Quizmaster will start the quiz over. In the event a switch has not been turned on, the Quizmaster will return to the point of the quiz when the switch was turned off.

 2. When seats are used, the feet of the quizzers must be on the floor and hands must not touch any part of the chair or bench. Exceptions will be granted for quizzers with physical limitations.

 3. From the time the first quizzer signaling has been recognized by the Quizmaster and has reached the microphone, the quizzer has a total of 30 seconds to start and finish his answer. The quizzer must not take unnecessary time reaching the microphone. If a quizzer who has not been recognized by the Quizmaster gives a portion of the question or answer, it will be considered his error. Ten points will be deducted and the Quizmaster will give a bonus question in its entirety to the quizzer opposite the one who received the error.

 4. If the quizzer signals after the Quizmaster calls, “Question,” and before the question is finished, the quizzer must finish the question to the satisfaction of the Quizmaster before answering. Situation questions do not need to be finished. Time required to finish the question is counted against the 30-second time limit. Any information already given by the Quizmaster is on record as being correct.

 5. The quizzer has only one try at the answer. The Quizmaster must accept his first answer. If the question is missed, an error is charged and ten points are deducted from the team score. If no part of the answer is given, the Quizmaster then gives the question in its entirety to the quizzer of the corresponding chair on the other team. If any part of the answer is given, a new bonus question shall be given. If a “Quote” or “Finish this Verse” question is missed, and no part of the answer is given, the same question may be asked as a bonus question. If any part of the answer is given, a new bonus “Quote” or “Finish this Verse” question will be given. In case of a situation question, a regular bonus question will be asked. (Example: if a part of a “Quote” is missed, a new “Quote” will be given as a bonus. If a part of a “Finish this Verse” is missed, a new “Finish this Verse” will be given as a bonus, by giving the first five words.) Ten points will be awarded to the team for a correct answer on the bonus question. No error points are charged for an error.

 6. If no quizzer on either team signals within five seconds after the question is completed by the Quizmaster, no points will be awarded for that question.

**F. TIE IN SIGNALING**

 1. In the event of a tie in signaling, the question will be thrown out and a new question asked.

**G. QUESTIONS**

 1. No question or part thereof will be repeated after any quizzer has signaled.

 2. The decision of whether an answer is right or wrong will be made by the Quizmaster and the judges, if the Quizmaster needs their help.

 3. When a question is “Finish this Verse” or “Quote,” the answer must be word perfect from the verse(s) that the Quizmaster wanted. If the quizzer has incorrectly completed the “Finish this Verse” or “Quote,” the Quizmaster will say, “Please correct it.” At that time or whenever the quizzer realized the error, the quizzer may go back to the beginning of the “Finish this Verse” or “Quote” and correct it within the remaining time.

 4. On “Finish This Verse” questions, the answer must be completed from the point at which the quizmaster has stopped reading, or, started at the beginning of the verse.

 5. Each quiz will contain two “Finish this Verse” and two “Quote” questions. These questions will fall on the 4th, 8th, 12th, and 18th questions of each quiz.

 6. When a quizzer gives an answer which could be correct but is not the answer which the Quizmaster wanted, if the quizzer can give a reference for his answer, and if the answer is found within five verses preceding or following the reference in the same chapter within an additional 30 seconds, it shall be scored as a correct answer. Captain may not request that a quizzer give a reference nor should the quizmaster ask for one.

 7. There is to be no verbal communication between quizzers, coaches, or audience from the time the Quizmaster calls “Question” until the points have been awarded.

 8. A quiz shall not end with a situation question.

 9. A situation question may not be used as a bonus.

**H. CHALLENGING**

 1. A question cannot be challenged. Only the answer can be challenged. (however, a quiz master’s judgement concerning how a quizzer has finished a question may be challenged.)

 2. A challenge will be considered only when it is presented with Scripture pertinent to the reference to the question on the quiz master’s sheet if no reference is provided by the quizzer. If a quizzer has provided a reference (see G. 6.), the content of the challenge from the captain must come from within five verses of that reference.

 3. When an answer is challenged, it will not be charged as a time-out.

 4. The decision of the Quizmaster on any answer may be challenged by the captain, subject to the following rules:

 a. A challenge must be made immediately at the time of the Quizmaster’s decision. The reference for the challenge must be provided within 30 seconds of the captain indicating an intention to challenge.

 b. The captain cannot confer with other team members or coaches before challenging.

 c. Only the captain or acting captain may challenge.

 d. Once a decision has been made by the judges, no further challenge is allowed by that team.

 e. In the event the answer is challenged and judged incorrect the bonus question will be a new one.

 f. The captain may ask that the recording be played back with a valid reference and challenge rationale.

 5. Procedural checks do not require a reference.

**I. SCORING**

 1. A correct answer is given twenty points.

 2. Five correct answers (not including bonus answers) by any quizzer without an error is given a ten-point bonus to the team total if the quizzer chooses to leave the quiz.

 3. Error points (minus ten) will be deducted from the team total.

 4. When any three team members have answered questions correctly, a ten-point bonus will be added to the

 team score. Bonus questions do not count on this.

 5. When any four team members have answered questions correctly, a twenty-point bonus will be added to the team score. Bonus questions do not count on this.

 6. When four team members have answered questions correctly, each additional team member answering a question correctly will add another twenty-point bonus to the team total. Bonus questions do not count on this.

 7. Bonus points are always added to the team total, including bonus question points.

 8. Three errors by any quizzer, not including bonus errors, will disqualify the quizzer from jumping. If the quizzer chooses to remain on the platform, he may answer bonus questions only. If he leaves the quiz, he may not return during the quiz.

 9. After four team errors, each error will count an additional 10 points against the team (i.e. 5th error = -20 from score).

 10. For individual statistics the following will determine an individual’s average: correct answers (20), errors (-10) and perfect quiz out (10).

**J. PERFECT SCORE**

 1. Any quizzer with five correct answers may leave the quiz platform for the duration of the quiz. If he has a perfect score (no errors) and he chooses to leave the quiz, a bonus of ten points will be added to the team score.

 2. If the quizzer chooses to remain on the platform, he may answer bonus questions only, and the team will not receive the bonus points mentioned above. This choice must be made at the time a perfect score is reached.

**K. BONUS POINTS ON 20TH QUESTION**

 1. Bonus points are doubled if an error is made on the 20th question. This means twenty points are awarded to the opposing team if the bonus question is answered correctly on the last question of the quiz.

 2. Unless the score is tied, the 20th question ends the quiz. In the event of a tie after the 20th question, the quiz will be decided by a sudden-death question.

**L. DIMENSIONS OF QUIZ BENCHES**

 When benches are used the following specifications should be observed:

 1. Height--Benches should be 18” high, from the floor to the top of the bench.

 2. The hinge for the seat should be at the front of the bench.

 3. The switch should be at the rear of the seat at least 7” from the front of the bench.

**M. ONE-ON-ONE QUIZZING**

 Basic team rules apply with the exception of:

1. In the case of a tie, there will be a one question sudden death playoff.
2. A bonus question asked on question 7 is worth 10 points.

 3. Question #4 will be a specialty question.

 4. Each quizzer acts as their own captain and is allowed one time out per quiz. In the case of a tie after question #7, there will be an automatic time out.

 5. The quiz will end as soon as a winner is determined.

**N. QUOTER COMPETITION**

 1. THE PRELIMINARIES – Quoters will be placed in the competition according to district ranking. A modified spelling bee format will be employed (using quotes only) until 8 or fewer quoters remain, each of whom will have quoted an equal number of correct quotes. When a quoter errs, he/she is eliminated. Each quoter acts as their own captain and is allotted 30 seconds per question and may correct the verse. After the 6th round there will be no opportunity to correct.

 2. THE SEMI-FINALS – The remaining quoters will compete on quiz equipment with the first two quizzers correctly answering 5 “Quote” or “Finish this Verse” questions (without three errors) will proceed to the finals.

 3. THE FINALS – The two remaining quoters go head-to-head in a seven question quiz. All questions are either ‘Quote’ or ‘Finish this Verse.’ Otherwise, rules for One-on-One quizzing will apply.

**O. ALL-STAR COMPETITION**

 1. Each district is allowed to select a total of 7 All-Stars: four starters and three substitutes.

 2. We will run a round-robin tournament, with each quiz lasting just 15 questions (3 specialty questions and an automatic time-out after question 10). Each quizzer will be allowed a maximum of 4 correct answers or 1 error. All other rules, including perfect quiz-outs (after 4 correct instead of 5) and error rules (after 3 team errors instead of 4), will apply. The team with the best record after round-robin quizzing will be the winner. In case of tie, tiebreaker rules will apply (P-6 in manual).

 3. There will be no time-outs, except at question 10; however, free substituting of quizzers is allowed.

**P. FINALS**

 1. In Regional, District and International Quizzing Finals, a recording device shall be used.

 2. No team shall draw more than one bye in any double elimination quiz-off.

 3. All districts or pending districts may enter the top six experienced teams and top six rookie teams from their district finals in the International Quiz Finals. In the event that one of these teams is unable to participate in the International Finals, the district may send an alternate team. Each district may send a maximum of eight One-on-One quizzers and four entrants for the Quoter competition.

 4. All team members must be pre-registered by the deadline for registrations and are encouraged to be present during the entire International Finals.

 5. Any team which is registered but withdraws after the registration deadline or does not complete competition at the International Quiz Finals will become ineligible for the International Quiz Finals the following year.

 6. Tie-breaker guidelines. When a tie occurs, the winner or top-seed will be determined by:

 a. Head-to-head competition

 b. Total points scored

 c. Points against

 In multiple ties, the guidelines will be used to determine one position at a time.

 Example: Three teams finish round robin quizzing with 5-2 records. Team A beat Team B with 760 points. Team B beat Team C with 900 points. Team C beat Team A with 700 points. Head-to-head does not break the tie. Total points breaks the tie putting Team B in first position. To determine the second position, you move back to the top of the tie breakers. In head-to-head Team C gets the second position, having beaten Team A, even though Team A had more points.

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**QUIZ BOOK SCHEDULE**

 2016 – 2017 Luke

 2017– 2018 I & II Corinthians

 2018 – 2019 John

 2019 – 2020 Hebrews, I & II Peter

2020 – 2021 Matthew

2021 – 2022 Romans & James

2022 – 2023 Acts

2023 – 2024 Colossians, Philippians, Philemon, Galatians, Ephesians,

Note: The cycle then repeats.

**DIVISION of MATERIAL for** **2016 - 2017**

**Luke**

**Month** **Material Covered Verses Added Verses Added**

October Luke 5 - 8 194

November Luke 5 - 11 158

December Luke 5 - 14 129

January Luke 5 -18 143

February Luke 5 - 21 133

March Luke 5 - 24 180

**INVITATIONAL SCHEDULE for 2016 – 2017**

**Month Region Location Material Covered**

October 22 \* East Central TBD Luke 5 - 9

November 18 & 19 Central TBD Luke 5 - 11

January 27 & 28 North Central TBD Luke 5 – 19

February 26 & 27 Michigan Colonial Woods Luke 5 – 22:38

March 24 & 25 *(tentative)* Canada TBD All

**QUIZ FINALS for 2017**

**Dates Location Cost Registration Due Date**

May 19 - 21 Bethel College Team Fee $150 April 28

 Individual Fee $80 (Plan A)

*\*Note: The October Invitational will be a quizzer/alumni/adult/family event similar to last year. More Details to follow*.

**TEAM SANCTION FEES**

Sanction fees support the writing and editing of questions, printing and other administration costs. This fee is assessed each participating team. District directors are responsible for sending the sanction fees from their respective districts to the national office. The fee for the 2016 – 2017 quiz season is $50.

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**THE CORE VALUES OF BIBLE QUIZZING**

**Discipline** – Because of the daily study schedule that is necessary in order to be successful in Bible quizzing, young people who are active in the program learn what it means to establish regular patterns in their lives that will help them attain their goals. Not surprisingly, students that are involved in the program will typically reap benefits in other areas of their lives as well.

**Information** – One of the greatest strengths of the Quiz program is that it gets our young people into the Word of God. Few discipleship programs, if any, can match the amount of learning of biblical facts that occurs within quizzing, and that is crucial in light of the coming “apostasy.’ There are numerous warnings throughout the NT regarding those who will be led astray simply because they don’t have a handle on the truth. The Bible Quiz program combats that trend.

**Social Relationships** – The Quiz program offers our youth the opportunity to build solid friendships not only with their fellow team members, but additionally with other young people from other churches and in other districts. Many of the lasting and most meaningful memories one can have, as a teenager will occur while participating in Bible Quizzing with other youth.

**Competition** – We believe this is a strength of the Quiz program, because of that the Quiz committee doesn’t want to lower the standards just so everybody can feel good about them-selves. “Lowering the bar” only encourages mediocrity. Admittedly, the Bible Quiz program will not necessarily appeal to every young person, yet at the same time, there is a certain element of youth in any given church who will enjoy and excel in the program if they’re given the opportunity.

**Integration** – Leaders and coaches in the Quiz program need to continue to work at creative ways of making sure our youth can not only recall the Biblical facts that they need to, but additionally that they understand and are putting into practice what they’re learning in their study sessions. The Holy Spirit himself will also fulfill that role. In other words, He will call those memorized Scriptures to mind at the precise time we need them.

**Positive Peer Pressure** – Another term for this concept would be that of accountability. The Bible Quiz team becomes a small group within the church’s youth program, but that does is not necessarily a negative, even the Sonlife strategy, encourages the development of a leadership or ministry team within the youth program. Within the Bible Quiz team there is the opportunity for positive peer pressure as we hold each other accountable and challenge one another to do our very best for Jesus Christ.

**Leadership** – Typically what you will find is that Bible Quizzers are some of the “cream of the crop” within a local church’s youth program. The reason for that is simple; spending hour upon hour in God’s Word will ultimately shape young hearts and encourage them to grow in conformity to their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As a result, there have been countless individuals who have come up through the quiz program to become Pastors, Missionaries or other key lay leaders within the local church.

**Endurance** – Bible Quizzing is challenging, it’s not easy to persevere from September to June in the study of God’s Word, and as a result many will fall along the way side. We would like to see the attrition rate improve, but not at the cost of watering down the standards of the program. This means that young people will have to make choices. It is highly unlikely that they can attend school, play in the band, join the drama troupe, hold down a job, play on the school’s sports teams and still be a successful quizzer. We all make choices, based on what’s important to us; it’s no different when it comes to Bible quizzing.

**NON-MISSIONARY CHURCH PARTICIPATION**

Churches who are not a part of the Missionary Church denomination may participate in the Missionary Church quiz program. They are required to submit the following application to the quiz director of the district in which they are applying to participate. The application must be approved by the district director.

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**APPLICATION FOR “NON-MISSIONARY CHURCH” CHURCHES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MISSIONARY CHURCH BIBLE QUIZ PROGRAM**

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“We agree to adhere to the Missionary Church Bible Quizzing rules and standard of conduct as outlined in the Missionary Church Bible Quizzing manual.”

Coaches Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The Missionary Church is committed to this basic statement of faith:

GOD. There is but one eternal, all-powerful, all-knowing and everywhere-present Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit— who is the creator and sustainer of all things (Deuteronomy 6:4-5; 1 Timothy 2:5).

JESUS CHRIST. He is God incarnate, yet human. He lived a sinless life, died to make atonement for the sins of all mankind, was bodily resurrected and is now mediator at the right hand of the Father. He is assuredly coming in power and glory for His believing followers, and is the only Savior of men (John 1:1, 14; Titus 2:11-14).

HOLY SPIRIT. He convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment, regenerating all who repent of their sins and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. He sanctifies, empowers, teaches, guides and comforts the believers (John 16:7,8, 12-15).

BIBLE. The Bible is the divinely inspired Word of God and thus authoritative in all matters it addresses (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21).

SALVATION. Salvation is the result of genuine repentance of sin and faith in the atoning work of Christ. It brings forgiveness to the penitent, makes him a partaker of the divine nature and gives peace with God. We call this new birth (Titus 3:5; 1 Peter 1:3-5).

CHURCH. We believe in the invisible and universal Church as an organism. It is composed of all believers in the Lord Jesus who have been vitally united by faith to Christ, its living Head and sovereign Lord (Matthew 16:18; Hebrews 12:22-24).

ORDINANCES. We believe the Christian ordinances are two: baptism and the Lord’s Supper. We believe they are outward rites appointed by Christ to be administered in each church, not as a means of salvation, but as a visible sign and seal of its reality (Acts 8:36; 1 Corinthians 11:24-34).

Our church is in agreement with this statement of core doctrines of the Christian faith:

Pastor’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If there are any points of disagreement with the above doctrinal statement please list those here:

I approve this non-Missionary Church for involvement in the Missionary Church program.

District Quiz Director’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Non- Missionary Churches may be expected to pay up to 25% above whatever fees are being charged for participation.

Non- Missionary Churches are expected to participate in 2/3rds of the District’s quiz events before they are eligible for District Quiz Finals and Denominational Quiz Finals.

The Missionary Church Quiz Committee reserves the right to revoke membership as a “Missionary Church Quiz Team” at anytime.