



Aboriginal BIBLE ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

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THE NEED

Having almost 1.4 million Aboriginal people stretched across our nation (many in isolated and/or hard to reach areas) there is a desperate need to get training resources to the individual instead of simply expecting the individual to come to the training.

To that end we here at Aboriginal Bible Academy are fully committed to help establish indigenous leadership within the areas of evangelism and pastoring as well as effectual and dynamic Christian living.

Our hearts cry is for the continued development of local training centres (a collection of small group gatherings) to stretch across Canada. Each of these centres would be over-seen by qualified facilitators, enabling discipleship training and even pulpit preparation to be accomplished.

It's a large undertaking but it is one that we are committed to seeing fulfilled through strategic partnering within the body of Christ across Canada.

THE SOLUTION

With the current bible training resources utilized by us here at Aboriginal Bible Academy (both in printed and electronic format), the possibility to establish sustainable local training centres within or near more remote areas becomes possible.

Students will have the opportunity to study independently or in group settings (training centres). It has long been proven that in-class study opportunities greatly re-enforces a course's content and increases comprehension, not to mention providing a natural accountability for the students(s) to help stay on track and to progress through the material.

But the key to a successful training centre lies with the facilitator and that is where some of you could be a part of the solution.

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Check This Out! (Contact our office for more information)

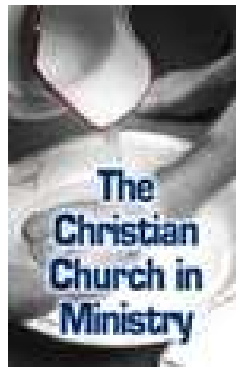
The Christian Church in Ministry is a practical course of study of the church and the men and women who make it a reality. Attention is given to the church's redemptive ministry and the need for the believer to actively participate in this ministry.

The course is designed to help you in three ways:

1. It will help you understand the importance of the church in God's plan for the world.
2. It will give you a better

understanding of the importance of the Christian's role in Christ's plan for the church

3. It will help you to see how you can become personally involved in doing God's will through ministry in the church.



**CHECK
OUT EVEN
MORE
RESOURCES
ON OUR
WEBSITE!**

Moving Forward Through Forgiveness

A wonderful reconciliation event took place back in early May during the General Conference of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada (PAOC).

For the purpose of reconciliation and to strengthen a mutual relationship, the PAOC leadership publically apologized and asked forgiveness of Aboriginal leadership for a

number of sensitive issues that have spanned several decades.

There was a deep expression of intent (from both side) to be in right relationship with one another moving forward.

A reconciliation document was signed and the event was concluded by the whole assembly (almost 1,000 in attendance) partaking of Communion.



WE NEED YOUR HELP (Continued from page 1)

So, How Can You Help? *conducted is totally up to you.*

Perhaps you could host and/or facilitate a training centre in your area.

Don't let the thought of "hosting" a training centre intimidate you or the uncertainty of what it means to be a "facilitator" dissuade you. It's actually not that complicated or difficult and in the majority of churches that have implemented a "training centre", it simply became a natural extension and expression of the church's already existing discipleship ministry: Whether through an adult Sunday School class, mid-week Bible study or a handful of special weekend intensives, *how training is*

We are also willing to come to your area and conduct a training seminar that will walk you through not only the steps necessary to host a successful training centre, but also provide you with the proper tools and the ongoing support needed to be an effective facilitator.

Please contact our office for more information.

We simply desire to come alongside existing ministry to the Aboriginal community in order to efficiently equip, train and assist in the development of indigenous leadership across Canada. We have a plan and perhaps you can be a part of the solution.



Upcoming Travels

Please remember to pray for Dan Collado (Academic Director). He'll be travelling over the next few months to various destinations across Canada.

Near the end of June

he'll be in a northern Quebec community (Waswanipi) for a four day teaching initiative on how to develop healthy and mature leaders within the church.

Of course, with the

arrival of summer comes camp season and ABA will be at a couple of them in Ontario continuing to bring attention to the need of developing indigenous leadership all across our nation.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BIBLICAL STUDIES?

Here's How ABA can Help:

- Simply contact our office via phone, email or through our website. (Anyone is eligible to take the courses we offer)
- A "New Student Registration Form" will need to be filled out and returned to our office (by mail or fax)
- Included with the submitted forms needs to be a cheque for all appropriate academic fees made out to Aboriginal Bible Academy
- Once all forms and payment have been received by our office the process takes about 10 days by which time you can have your curriculum and study materials in your hand! If you choose to take your course online.....you can be well into your studies in 3-5 days!

SOME COURSE SYNOPSIS

SYNOPTIC GOSPELS

- A study of the life and teachings of Christ based on Matthew, Mark, and Luke. After a brief introduction to the world into which Jesus was born, it provides a chronological study of His life. Emphasis is given to the context of His teachings and miracles. The content is arranged to help students apply the principles of the study to their own lives and to use them in their preaching and teaching.

EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP

- A biblical approach to the principles of leadership. This course applies those principles in the church setting, giving the student the practical skills needed to serve in a leadership role in the local church.

ESCHATOLOGY: A STUDY OF THINGS TO COME

- A biblical study of end-time events written from a Pentecostal perspective. The course studies the Rapture, plus various views of the Tribulation and the Millennium. It provides excellent material for teaching and preaching on the second coming of Christ.

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