

# aboriginal BIBLE ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2018

With 2018 coming to a close, a time of reflection is often quite appropriate. Looking back on the year that was, brings a sense of gratitude and thankfulness to the Lord for His faithfulness. And with currently over 80 students actively engaged at various levels of studies, perhaps a bit of reflection coming from some students would be apt at this time as well:

***“The ability to study and take tests online at my own convenience was a great benefit and afforded me great flexibility in my quest for my ministerial diploma.”***

***“I have found that even if you have a full-time job you can easily make the time to work on your courses. Every day I purposely take time out to do my studies, it’s my special time.”***

***“I have just begun my ministerial studies and I am having an awesome experience. The course is easy to follow, and it is affordable as I aspire to reach my goal of becoming a minister.***

***“I spent most of my teenage years struggling through high school. Teachers said I couldn’t learn. When I received my call to pursue ministry, the learning process was amazing, and I regained confidence in myself through God’s word.”***

***“I had faith and I read my Bible, but my courses have helped me articulate my faith and to be a more discerning believer.”***

We are so humbled by the role God is allowing us to fulfill within the various educational and ministry aspirations of so many Indigenous believers across Canada. We encourage you to continue to stand with us in meeting this vital need.

2 Corinthians 9:7 says, ***“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart....”***

Yes, giving is a personal decision - and we’re asking you to help us charge ahead and finish strong for 2018! Your donation will help us share bold biblical teaching, so God can use it to transform lives through the love of His Son and the power of His truth and grace.

***Thank you for being a part of His work and for making what we do at ABA possible!***

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# Greetings From Our Board

Dear Friends:

This season of celebration is such a wonderful time of year! Christmas is special, isn't it? All of us have had new experiences, changes, challenges and many wonderful memories of God's faithfulness! The future is bright with God's promise to "*never leave us...!*" Warm Christmas greetings to you!

These are exciting days at Aboriginal Bible Academy! Our journey has been blessed abundantly. For over 9 years now we have been crisscrossing Canada delivering ministry and discipleship resources to First Nations peoples and others. These are excellent materials made possible through Global University, Springfield, MO. From Newfoundland and Labrador, all the way to British Columbia and north to Iqaluit relationships have developed. Currently there are more than 80 students enrolled! Our goal is to get the word of God into as many lives as opportunities arise!

Your partnership is deeply appreciated and your prayers are essential to this ministry! Please continue to pray for us in the days ahead...more than 1.5 million Indigenous people in Canada speaking over 60 different languages need to hear the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ! Pray for our ministry personnel as they travel, especially Rev. Dan Collado (Dean) who goes to many remote regions and communities.

We continue to distribute the "Native Book of Hope" which is proving to be an amazing blessing, particularly to many who are in prisons. This 208-page book has wonderful stories of hope plus solid Bible teaching regarding specific life issues. Perhaps you would like to obtain some of these books to use in your outreach ministry. We can send you this evangelism tool at your request.

In addition "First Things First" written by Rev. Keith Parks is available for discipleship training. This 29-lesson study book offers excellent foundational teaching that will enhance the Christian life! Simply place your order with us for either or both of these books and it will be processed right away.

These are exciting times as we get closer to the second coming of Jesus! Thank you for your commitment and faithfulness...it is not taken for granted and your support is a blessing indeed!

Perhaps you would consider a special year-end gift to Aboriginal Bible Academy. You may send it via regular mail or online giving. Please see the information in this newsletter as it relates donating to ABA. Your generosity makes a great difference!

On behalf of the Board of Governors - Bill Rendell, John E. Maracle, Jason Luscombe, Stewart Hunter and me, we wish you a wonderful Christmas and a healthy, prosperous New Year!



Cal Anthony (Rev.)

*Board Chair*

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

## *Bible Ethics*

Would you like to...

- BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS?
- EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORKS IN YOU?
- BE A LIGHT FOR GOD IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

The Word of God teaches a new way of life with a character of its own. It is a basic normal life clearly absent from excesses that lead away from God's purpose. In this course, the author shows the way to biblical living that reflects true Christian values. It also teaches how to apply with balance, the principles outlined in the Scriptures.

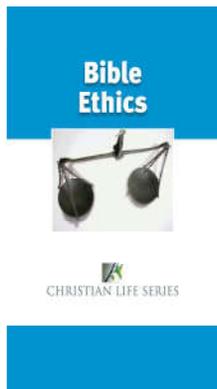
Far too often we think about the things we cannot do because we are Christians. But the purpose of right living should be as Jesus said, *“Be holy, because I am holy”* (1 Peter 1:16).

The idea of positive living means to show the right actions in your lifestyle as a Christian following the example in the life and teaching of Jesus.

Positive commands and promises rather than mere demands bring fulfillment and joyful living instead of frustration.

Jesus is our example. We are personally responsible for cooperating with Christ to bring about positive living, which results from our love for Him.

*The Christian Life series comprises of 18 courses, divided into three units of six courses each*



**This is Course 6 in Unit 1**

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