

# **Southern Indiana Baptist College**

## **DEAR PROSPECTIVE STUDENT:**

Thank you for your interest in Southern Indiana Baptist College (SIBC). We count it an honor that you are considering our school. The goal of SIBC is to do all we can to assist you in earning your degree in Theology. We certainly pray that the Lord will lead you to enroll.

SIBC was established for the sole purpose of giving every child of God an opportunity to receive a quality Bible education. Our institution is dedicated to God and His glory. We will do everything we can to help you earn the degree you desire at a price that is affordable. You can receive the same courses from SIBC that you would have to pay thousands of dollars for at some other schools.

We believe in quality Bible education and believe you will not regret enrolling in our correspondence school. A correspondence seminary allows you the opportunity to work at your own pace from the privacy of your home or office. All lectures are on quality CDs.

Another goal that we had in mind was to make it easy for you to enroll. You can begin the process towards earning your degree by completing the enclosed application and simply sending with it a registration fee of \$100.00 and the first tuition payment of \$50.00, for a total of \$150.00. Your monthly tuition will only be \$50.00 per month payable by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Once we receive your application, registration, and first month's tuition, we will send you your first course, Why We Are Baptists. Your first responsibility as a student of SIBC, will be to listen to the CD's and take notes. When you have finished taking notes, we ask that you send us a typed copy of your notes. Upon the receiving of these notes, we will send you the next courses.

Again, thank you for considering SIBC. May God bless you as you discern His will for your life. If we can be of any further help, do not hesitate to call.

## **DOCTRINAL STATEMENT**

1. We believe in the original verbal inspiration and external preserved in the Masoretic Hebrew Text, the Greek Textus Receptus, and the King James Version English Bible. The Bible is our final authority in all matters of faith and practice. The canon, the sixty-six books of the Bible, is complete. Nothing shall be added to it nor taken from it.
2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, His sinless life, His vicarious and atoning death, in His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection and His ascension to the Father's right hand.

4. We believe that man is totally depraved, a sinner both in nature and practice, therefore totally separated from God, totally lost and in need of the conviction and regeneration ministry of the Holy Ghost.
5. We believe that salvation is a free gift from God offered to any man totally “by grace” and must be received “through faith” apart from any works, plus nothing and minus nothing.
6. We believe in the bodily resurrection of the saved unto “LIFE” and the unsaved unto “JUDGMENT” and everlasting damnation. We believe in a literal heaven with golden streets and a literal burning hell with fire and brimstone.
7. We believe in the visible, personal and pre-millennial return of Jesus Christ.
8. We believe in the local New Testament church, which is a body of baptized believers who come together in obedience to Christ to carry out the dictates of the Word of God.
9. We believe that there are two ordinances of the local church-Baptism and the Lord’s Supper. We believe baptism to be the symbolic act of a saved believer being immersed in water, the Lord’s Supper being observed by the church, by the taking of bread and grape juice as a memorial of the Lord’s death and in expectation of His return.
10. We believe that when a person accepts the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Saviour, he can never be lost, as he is kept by the power of God.
11. We believe in the personality of Satan; in his power and kingdom, in his wiles, in his judgment at the cross, and in his eternal destruction in hell.

### **PRIMARY PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES**

\*To provide you Scriptural training from the Word of God. We are a Bible believing college and seminary that majors in God’s Word and proclaims, “Thus saith the Lord...”

\*To prepare you for effective Christian service in all Christian fields of employment.

\*To assist students in developing the cognitive and determined approach to fulfilling their lifelong vocation as an act of obedience to the will and call of God.

\*To provide the foundation for a life of evangelism, Christian faith, and servitude that stands as a testimony of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

\*To strengthen the student’s personal commitment to Christ as a lifelong witness and effective minister of God’s Word and to enhance the understanding of God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, and His will for the life of the individual.

## **ADMISSION POLICY**

### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

Southern Indiana Baptist College is a non-discriminatory educational institution. All applications are considered without regard to sex, race, national or ethnic origin. In considering every application, the Admission's Office reviews the applicant's completed application, academic record, when it is applicable, and personal information.

The undergraduate and graduate programs are open to any individual meeting the Admission requirements of SIBC. Our college/seminary is strictly Baptist; however, students are accepted from various backgrounds.

**No grants, scholarships,  
or government loans available.**

### **ACCREDITATION**

Southern Indiana Baptist College does not seek the approval or accreditation of the non-Christian academic world. However, we do have the recognition of virtually all of the fundamental Baptist colleges in America. Credits earned from SIBC are widely accepted for transfer by most of these schools.

### **DEGREE PROGRAMS**

#### **ASSOCIATE PROGRAM**

Prerequisite: None

The Associate's Degree requires 60 credit hours of work. These credits will be completed by taking 20 courses. Each course is worth 3 credit hours.

#### **BACHELOR PROGRAM**

Prerequisite: An Associate's degree in Theology, Ministry, Biblical studies or a related field or 60 credit hours in Theology or related field.

The Bachelor's Degree requires 60 credit hours above the Associate's Degree. These hours are composed of 20 courses.

## **MASTER PROGRAM**

Prerequisite: A Bachelor's Degree in Theology, Ministry, Divinity, Biblical Studies, Religions or a related field.

SIBC offers 3 degrees in the master level. They are as follows:

1. Master of Theology- This degree requires the student to take 30 credit hours above the Bachelor's Degree. The 30 hours comes in the form of 10 courses. You will also need to write a 1,000 word thesis on one of the 10 courses. The tuition cost is \$500.00
2. Master of Ministry- This degree requires the student to take 45 credit hours above the Bachelor's Degree. The 45 hours comes in the form of 15 courses. You will also need to write a 1,500 word thesis on one of the 15 courses. The tuition cost is \$600.00
3. Master of Divinity- This degree requires the student to take 60 credit hours above the Bachelor's Degree. The 60 hours comes in the form of 20 courses. You will also need to write a 2,000 word thesis on one of the 20 courses. The tuition cost is \$700.00

## **DOCTORATE PROGRAM**

Prerequisite: A Master's degree in Theology, Ministry, Divinity, Biblical Studies, or a related field.

There are 3 Doctorate degrees offered. They are as follows:

1. Doctor of Theology- This degree requires the student to take 30 credit hours above the Master's degree. The 30 hours comes in the form of 10 courses. You will also need to write a 3,000 word thesis on one of the 10 courses. The tuition cost is \$500.00
2. Doctor of Ministry- This degree requires the student to take 45 credit hours above the Master's degree. The 45 hours comes in the form of 15 courses. You will also need to write a 4,000 word thesis on one of the 15 courses. The tuition cost is \$600.00
3. Doctor of Divinity- This degree requires the student to take 60 credit hours above the Master's degree. The 60 hours comes in the form of 20 courses. You will also need to write a 5,000 word thesis on one of the 20 courses. The tuition cost is \$700.00

## **ACADEMIC POLICIES**

**CREDIT SYSTEM:** SIBC operates on a semester system. The unit for counting credit is the semester hour.

**CREDIT COMPLETION DATE:** Students working towards their degree by correspondence are allowed to complete at his/her own pace.

## **GRADING SCALE**

A-90-100

B-80-89

C-70-79

D-60-69

F-59-BELOW\*

**\*NOTE:** If a student makes **below** 60%, he may retake the test. The failing grade and the passing grade will be averaged together. The final grade is determined by that average.

## **ACADEMIC HONORS**

**GRADUATION HONORS:** All credit hours, with a passing grade, are awarded quality points based on the level achieved. Honors are determined by the student's cumulative grade point average earned at SIBC. The student must meet the following GPA standards to receive the honors listed below:

3.95-4.00 = "Summa Cum Laude"

3.75-3.94 = "Magna Cum Laude"

3.50-3.74 = "Cum Laude"

**NOTE:** Graduation honors will be noted on the official transcript. A student will receive an official transcript with his degree.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION**

An earned degree from SIBC requires a minimum of sixty (60) hours of course work for any student. A transferred student must complete at least 30 credit hours to receive a degree from SIBC.

If the student has never had any **seminary/Bible college credits** to be considered for transfer, he/she automatically begins with the **Associate of Theology** program.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

### **FEES & TUITIONS**

**There is a non-refundable Registration fee of \$100 due at the start of each degree. This fee is added to your Total Tuition Cost and is to be paid in advance.**

\*An additional fee may be charged for shipping outside of the contiguous United States or if express shipping is requested. Otherwise, all shipping will be mailed via the United States Postal Service –media mail and is covered in your tuition cost.

\*Before a student can proceed to the next level, they must have their tuition paid in full on his/her previous degree program. ALL TUITION MUST BE SATISFIED BEFORE THE DEGREE IS ISSUED.

### **DEGREE COSTS:**

Associate of Theology = \$500

Bachelor of Theology = \$500

Master/Doctor of Theology = \$500

Master/Doctor of Ministry = \$600

Master/Doctor of Divinity = \$700

**PAYMENT PLAN:** The tuition costs of your degree program can be paid in monthly installments. To enter any of the degree programs, a registration fee of \$100.00 and the first month's tuition of \$50.00 (total \$150.00) must be paid in advance. Once the initial payment has been received, the student may pay the remainder of the tuition balance in monthly payments of at least \$50.

**PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE 20TH OF THE MONTH. Any payment received after the 20th is automatically considered late.** If there are circumstances beyond your control that may cause you to be late in your payments, **please call the office** and we will be glad to work with you on alternate arrangements.

### **LATE PAYMENTS**

If a student becomes delinquent in their payments two consecutive months, there will be a **\$5 late fee added each month**. You will be notified of your past due status by **mail** and then by **phone**. **If neither of these result in bringing the past due amount up to date, we will notify your pastor as to your lack of faithfulness regarding the matter.** If a student remains delinquent, we will be forced to seek outside sources for collection.

### **RETURNED CHECK FEES**

There will be a \$20 fee for any check returned to SIBC for insufficient funds and will be subject to the original late charge.

### **DISCOUNTS**

\*Payment in Full: If you decide to pay your entire tuition cost up front, you will receive a \$50 discount on your registration fee.

\*CD share: If two members of the same household both enroll and want to share CDs, one of the two will receive a \$50 discount on their registration fee.

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### **REFERRAL PROGRAM**

Once you are enrolled with Southern Indiana Baptist College you are eligible for our referral program. For every student who enrolls placing your name on their application as to where they heard about SIBC, you will receive a referral check for \$50! However, you **MUST BE ENROLLED!**

### **PROCESSING/MAILING**

**Please allow an ample amount of time  
for processing and mailing.**

Processing times may vary with volume and church scheduling.

Note that the following are **approximate** processing times:

Applications: 1 week after receiving them.

Tests: 1 week after receiving them.

Diplomas/Transcripts: 30 days upon completion of tests and/or final tuition payment.

### **DAMAGED, DEFECTIVE, OR MISSING MATERIALS**

If you receive damaged or defective materials, or if you are missing materials, please call the office for a replacement.

\*Incomplete tests, due to the above reasons, should NOT be mailed in to be graded until you have called the office for replacement. Once we receive your test, it is graded as if it is completed.

## **CLOSING**

Thank you for inquiring about our college. We hope to hear from you again in the near future. I ask that you please prayerfully consider our school and the many accomplishments you can achieve once you graduate. If you have sought a degree in the past and found yourself unable to achieve your goal, now is the time to act.

If you have decided that you are ready to start working towards your degree, fill out the enclosed application and return to the college: your application, your registration fee, and the first month's tuition for a total of \$150.00, and your degree will be mailed to you when your courses are completed and your balance is paid in full. **IT'S JUST THAT SIMPLE!**

We make a personal pledge to every prospective student, that this Bible College will be a blessing to you academically, spiritually, and financially as well.

God bless you!

Southern Indiana Baptist College,

Ministry of Dupont Baptist Church

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### Current courses available:

**Why We Are Baptists** - This course is one that many need today. We often know what we believe, but not why. It is vital that we be able to share not only what we believe, but why we believe it.

**Romans** - The great doctrines of salvation by faith alone in the finished work of Christ are studied. Sanctification and service via submission to the Holy Spirit so that we may walk in the Spirit and give evidence of the fruit of a Spirit-filled life are emphasized.

**Prayer**- A Biblical study of prayer emphasizing the importance of prayer and the development of the daily prayer life is taught.

**Personal Evangelism**- Teaching the different aspects and methods of evangelism with a Biblical basis. The emphasis is on the plan and program in leading a soul to Christ. Instruction is given in how to approach people who make excuses or may be involved in false religions.

**Biblical Leadership** - This course describes leadership from a biblical perspective. It deals with the qualities of a good Christian leader.

**The Local Church (I & II)**- An in-depth study of the local church including its Make-up, Manner, Mission, Message, Men & Members, and how each work together to accomplish the Great Commission given to the local church by its Master, Jesus Christ.

**Hebrews (I & II)**- An in-depth study of Hebrews noting the essential unity with the Old Testament and its fulfillment in the New Testament ministry of Christ.

**Revelations (I & II)**- A thorough, verse-by-verse examination of one of the most exciting portions of the Bible.

**The Christian Life**- Is a series of messages preached from the pulpit at DBC that were a great help and blessing to the members of our church. Good basic course for any Christian.

**The Covenants of God**- An interesting study of the different covenants that God made to His people throughout the ages.

**Seven Laws of the Harvest**- A look at the law of seedtime and harvest that runs through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation.

**Colossians & Titus**- A verse by verse study of the books of Colossians and Titus

**The Book of Ruth**- A look at Moabite woman that made a vow to make Naomi's God her God. One of the favorite books of the Bible labeled "The Romance of Redemption."

**Pastoral Epistles**- This is a study of the epistles that Paul wrote to the preachers, Timothy, and Titus. Looking at them from a pastoral perspective.

**Galatians**- A verse by verse study of the book of Galatians.

**The Book of John (I & II)**- One of the great gospels. This is an in depth, verse-by-verse study of the book of John.

**Disciples of Christ**- This course is an interesting, in depth look at each of the 12 disciples of Christ

**Messianic Psalms**- This is a course that looks at the messianic psalms and their relationship to the prophecies of Christ as to his coming, crucifixion, and his second coming.

**Jonah**- This unique course will be a chapter by chapter look at the book of Jonah. After each study there will be a message preached by Dr. Lonnie Mattingly, Shawnee Baptist Church (& College) Louisville, KY.

**Ephesians**- An in depth, verse-by-verse study of one of the favorite church epistles.

**Judges (I & II)**- A look at the twelve judges, their ministry, and the relationship that they had with the children of Israel.

**Southern Kings**-The kings of the southern kingdoms are looked at individually to find out if they served or did not serve the Lord and their effect that their service had on the kingdoms that they ruled.

**The Prophet Elijah**- A study of one of the great prophets of God.

**Philippians & Philemon** – A verse-by-verse study of the Epistles of Paul in both of these books of the N.T.

**Life of Christ (I & II)** – First half of the Life of Christ-from birth to resurrection includes miracles, parables, and teachings.

**Parables (I, II, & III)**- A look at all thirty-three parables of Christ, their meaning and application to the believer. A very interesting study that will help you to understand the Word, Work, and Will of God.

**Problem Passages**- This course deals with some of the passages of scripture that we have taken for granted because we have heard them all of our lives, instead of looking them up for ourselves. Deals primarily with difficult salvation passages.

**I & II Peter**- A verse by verse study of the books of I & II Peter

**The Life of Daniel**- Interesting stories of the great prophet and statesman, Daniel.

**The Home**- An inside look at the dynamics of the Christian home.

**The Life of Paul**– A look at the powerful impact the apostle Paul had on the growth and development of the early church; and as a servant of the Lord, that his life and work might inspire our own service to Jesus Christ.

**The Flesh and The Spirit**– This is no doubt the biggest battle of the Christian life. Every Christian must face this struggle, The Flesh and The Spirit. Which will you serve?

**Keeping Your Finances On Track**- “I wish someone would have told me that 20 years ago.” That is what led us to develop this course. These lessons will strengthen you and your church. Imagine what your church could do with debt free members. This will help make that happen!

**The Tabernacle**- This course is more than details and lists. However, there are many details and lists given. In this course, we find the great picture of Christ’s Redeeming Plan of Salvation.

**The Life of Moses (I, II, III, & IV)**- A study of the life of the man, “. . . Whom the Lord knew face to face.” Deuteronomy 34:10

**Minor Prophets (I, II, & III)** – A basic overview of each of the Minor Prophets.

**How to Study the Bible** - God gave us His Word so that we can know more about Him. However, many do not know how simple it is to read it. This course gives us the simplicity and necessity of Personal Bible Study.

**10 Commandments (I & II)** – A detailed look into the commands given by God to His children.

**Biblical Characters** – A study on certain characters in the Bible.

**Characteristics of a Biblical Leader** – A study on Nehemiah and his characteristics as a leader of God’s people.

**John’s Epistles (I, II, & III)** – An overview of I John, II John, & III John

**Biblical Promises**—There are an estimated 3000-8000 promises in the Bible. In this study we will look at just a few of those precious promises and make personal application so that we can live our lives standing on the promises of God.

**Victorious Christian Life**—This course is one that is needed for many Christians today. There is no doubt a great spiritual battle raging today and many Christians are living defeated lives. However, through this study we will see that the Christian life is to be a life of victory in every area of life.

**Sunday School Administration**—It is vital that we understand the purpose of Sunday school. The Sunday school hour is a time of teaching and guidance that must be done in a decently and orderly. This course is designed to challenge you to understand what Christian education is and why it is important to the church.

**Leadership**—One of the greatest needs in the ministry is that of Spirit-filled leadership. This course will give you the instruction you need to begin your preparation to be the leader in the place that God has called you to lead.

**Baptist Pastor**—This course is a detailed look at the office of the pastor according to the Bible. The Bible is very clear as to what the qualifications and expectations of the pastor are and in this study we will see the Scriptural design and duty of the pastor.

## **What Students Have Said About SIBC**

“Over twenty years ago, I started my education at a great Bible College. Due to several circumstances, I was unable to finish there and have tried on different occasions to finish elsewhere. The start of the correspondence school there has been a God-send to me and I know to others in the same shoes. It is affordable, biblical and valuable in content.” **Jeff Jones**

“Thank you for your time, and thank you for this ministry. It has had a tremendous effect on every aspect of my life.” **Glen Sargent**

“I want to thank you again for the blessing you have been to me. Your courses are interesting, inspirational, and very instructive. I have been staying up late and just can’t seem to put them down. It is like a buffet where you don’t get full, you can keep on enjoying the food.” **David Eaton**

“I have enjoyed the training I received at Southern Indiana Baptist College. The courses I took were informative, thorough, and practical. I would definitely recommend it to every Christian worker.” **Larry Staner**

“Thank God for this college and this church. Thank God for leading me to you. I know God is using *these studies* to help me be a better servant and tool in His hand. God bless you all.” **Nelson Shelby**