

RIBI

RIVERS INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

*Distance Learning
Program the Graduate of
Theology Accelerated
Program*



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

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THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY



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RIVERS INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE

Rivers International Bible Institute is designed to assist everyone to include new converts and senior leaders who want to grow in faith by building a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. RIBI's purpose is to assist students with producing the whole armor of God through biblical discipleship in the Word of God. Spiritual zeal will increase for every disciple as they learn and share God's principals by applying faith and knowledge in all areas of the Gospel.



OUR HISTORY

Rivers International Church was founded by the Holy Spirit in August 2005 through the vision of Apostle Gerald Robinson and Pastor April Robinson. The vision of the ministry is to reach, teach, train, and God will spiritually promote his people. The vision is now being further realized with the induction of its first accredited school, Rivers International Bible Institute. (RIBI) Its birth and founding date is July, 2023. The purpose of the school is to instruct God's people by rightly dividing the word of truth.

Our official launching is July 15, 2023, and we are excited about the knowledge God's people will attain. We are thankful for the partnership with Bible Institutes of America Theological Seminary for helping us start our educational journey to serve through this distance learning biblical program.

Rivers International Church has been currently serving our community for more than 18 years worldwide and will continue to positively change the lives of others by serving and assisting and now providing them with a spiritual education.

DOCTRINE

RIBI is a nondenominational and Christian based school which teaches the Gospel according to the Bible and the instructions of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. The Bible speaks life and compels us to love one another as Christ loved the Church. We believe in the confession and remission of sins and the compelling to save the lost. By faith, we trust God and decree that he will continue to lead us into life eternal.



COURSE STRUCTURE

The distance learning program courses of study are intended to help provide guidance, direction, discipline to study, and focus to our commitment as disciples of Christ. The courses are biblically based with applicable resources and research aids that will help enhance the overall learn.

CERTIFICATES & DIPLOMAS

If the student is pursuing a certificate or “Graduate of Theology” diploma, you will be required to complete all prerequisites to obtain course completion.



HOW TO ENROLL

- **18 Years of Age**

without regard to sex, race, creed, ethnicity, denomination, or religious affiliation

- **Desire to learn the Word of God**

for effective kingdom witness and living

- **Register Online**

www.riverschurchnc.org and click on the school tab to register online. Attach a copy of your ministry resume, copy of previous biblical courses taken, copy of your conferred degree and unofficial copy of transcripts (if applicable)

- **\$40 Registration**

Indicate the program that you want to take. You will be contacted by our office to discuss your eligibility for program and payment requirements.

This handbook is intended to be an honest depiction of what we will offer in our program. However, the seminary reserves the right to modify or change the curriculum, admission standards, limit the number of students for admission to specific programs each year, course content, degree requirements, regulations, tuition, or fees at any time without prior notice. The information in this handbook should not be regarded as a binding contract between the student and the school. All applicants are considered for admission, regardless of religious affiliation, race, ethnicity, gender, or physical ability.

TEXTBOOKS REQUIRED

The textbooks that will be required for course(s) are as follows:

- **The bible**
- **Any course manuals assigned**
- **Any textbooks assigned with any needed study aids or online resources tools which will be indicated in the course syllabus**

The courses will be taught in both an online and class setting. Any materials needed for the course will be emailed to the student. All courses will require class attendance, participation, quizzes, assignments, study discussions, exams, and research paper.

REFUND POLICY

Application and registration fees are non-refundable. Course units can be returned to Rivers International Church c/o RIBI, P.O. Box 85, Parkton, NC 28371.

The amount of refund that students can receive if they withdraw from a paid class will be as follows:

- **during 1st week of classes – 60 percent refunded**
- **during 2nd week of classes – 40 percent refunded**
- **during 3rd week of classes – 10 percent refunded**

Note: there will be no refunds after 3rd week of classes.

PAYMENT POLICY

We recognize the cost of education can be challenging for some students, and we have attempted to adjust our cost to help the students achieve their biblical goals to study the Word of God. Monthly payment arrangements can be setup with our office so that you can manage your budget while pursuing your degree program. A payment agreement with an initial deposit must be paid at time payment agreement has been signed and placed on file with the school. An initial payment amount must be approved by the Dean prior to start of classes. Monthly payments must be made based upon the signed commitment.

WAYS TO PAY

DEBIT or CREDIT



CAN BE DONE VIA
RIVERSCHURCHNC.ORG

VIA MAIL



RIVERS INT'L CHURCH
C/O RIBI
P.O. BOX 85
PARKTON, NC 28371



CHECK/CASH IN-PERSON PROCESS

// included money orders and cashier checks.

*We do not accept third party checks at this time.

CALL or TEXT 910-670-1354 TO ARRANGE IN-PERSON PROCESSING OF YOUR PAYMENTS

COURSE GRADING

The courses will be taught in both an online and class setting. Any materials needed for the course will be emailed to the student. All courses will require class attendance, participation, quizzes, assignments, study discussions, exams, and research papers. Grades will be given toward completion.

STUDENT GRADING SCALE

- **QUIZZES:** You will receive 10 percent toward your grade for each quiz passed.
- **ASSIGNMENTS:** You will receive 20 percent toward your grade for completion of assignments.
- **MID-TERM EXAM:** You will receive 25 percent toward your final grade.
- **EXIT EXAM:** The exit examination will count 25 percent toward your final grade.
- **THESIS PAPER:** The thesis paper will count 20 percent toward your final grade.

RANGE	GRADE	GPA	RANGE	GRADE	GPA
95-100	A+	4.0	85-86	B	2.7
93-94	A	3.7	82-84	B-	2.3
90-92	A-	3.3	79-81	C+	2.0
87-89	B+	3.0			

ASSOCIATE PROGRAM

ASSOCIATE OF THEOLOGY (36 HRS)

PREREQUISITE: HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
1 HOUR AND 30MIN FOR 4 WEEKS (ONE CLASS A MONTH)

BIB 101 – HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

BIB 102 – LIFE OF CHRIST I

BIB 103 – OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY I

BIB 104 – NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY I

BIB 105 – DOCTRINE I

BIB 106 – CHURCH HISTORY I

QUIZZES/ASSIGNMENTS

MID-TERM/EXIT EXAM

THESIS

\$950 TUITION

6 MONTH COURSE

Religious Exemption Statement

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BACHELOR PROGRAM

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY (64 HRS)

PREREQUISITE: ASSOCIATE DEGREE

1 HOUR AND 30MIN FOR 6 WEEKS (ONE CLASS A MONTH)

BIB 107 – OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY II

BIB 108 – NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY II

BIB 109 – BIBLE DOCTRINE II

BIB 110 – ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

BIB 111 – CHURCH HISTORY II

BIB 112 – SPIRITUAL WARFARE I

BIB 113 – GOD’S PROGRESSION OF REVELATION

BIB 114 – STUDYING BIBLE TECHNIQUES

**BIB 115 – PRINCIPLES OF BIBLICAL
INTERPRETATION**

**BIB 116 – PRINCIPLES OF PREACHING
(HOMELETICS)**

QUIZZES/ASSIGNMENTS

MID-TERM/EXIT EXAM

THESIS

\$1200 TUITION

12 MONTH COURSE

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MASTER PROGRAM

MASTER OF THEOLOGY (72 HRS)

PREREQUISITE: BACHELOR DEGREE
1 HOUR AND 30MIN FOR 8 WEEKS (ONE CLASS A MONTH)

BIB 118 – DOCTRINE III

BIB 119 – SPIRITUAL WARFARE II

BIB 120 – CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

BIB 121 – CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

BIB 123 – PARABLES OF JESUS

BIB 124 – CHURCH HISTORY

QUIZZES/ASSIGNMENTS

MID-TERM/EXIT EXAM

THESIS

\$1500 TUITION

12 MONTH COURSE

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DOCTORATE PROGRAM

DOCTORATE OF THEOLOGY (64 HRS)

PREREQUISITE: MASTER DEGREE

1 HOUR AND 30MIN FOR 8 WEEKS (ONE CLASS A MONTH)

BIB 124 – ROMAN ROAD TO RECOVERY I

BIB 125 – ROMAN ROAD TO RECOVERY II

BIB 126 – 21ST CENTURY CHRISTIANITY

BIB 127 – EMPOWERED TO SERVE

BIB 128 – CHRIST REVELATION TO CHURCH

BIB 129 – BOOK OF GENESIS

QUIZZES/ASSIGNMENTS

MID-TERM/EXIT EXAM

THESIS

\$1700 TUITION

12 MONTH COURSE

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CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

ALL OF THE CERTIFICATE TRAINING CLASSES ARE A MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) HOURS WITH A CERTIFICATE ISSUED AT COMPLETION.

ARMOR BEARER TRAINING - \$250

This is a five to eight hour training class. If you would like to become a trained and certified Armor Bearer. JOIN NOW!!! Take advantage of this training session that will help to equip you with all the tools needed to walk in the calling of an Armor Bearer.

CHURCH ADMINISTRATION - \$250

This will be a five to eight hour session. During this course you will learn about the aspects and functions of a church from a business standpoint. The Church be in legal compliance and financially good stewards of God's money.

MINISTERIAL 101 - \$250

This course is designed for those who have the call to ministry and need foundational teaching and preparation. During this 60-hour course you will be taught various functions of ministry that involves: ethics, leadership, and overview of the Bible, your role and duty as a minister, etc. This is not designed to license you as a minister but to help you start preparation and growth in the Word. You will be required to meet the clergy licensing requirements set forth by your individual organization or ministry covering.

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MISSIONARY TRAINING - \$250

This course is designed for those who have the call to ministry and need foundational teaching and preparation. During this 8-hour course you will be taught various functions of ministry that involves: ethics, leadership, and overview of the Bible, your role and duty as a missionary, etc. This is not designed to license you as a missionary but to help you start preparation and growth in the Word. You will be required to meet the clergy licensing requirements set forth by your individual organization or ministry covering.

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Complaint Policy: The State Authorization Unit of the University of North Carolina System Office serves as the official state entity to receive complaints concerning post-secondary institutions that are authorized to operate in North Carolina. If students are unable to resolve a complaint through the institution's grievance procedures, they can review the Student Complaint Policy (PDF) and submit their complaint using the online complaint format <https://studentcomplaints.northcarolina.edu/form>.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

North Carolina Post-Secondary Education Complaints
223 S. West Street, Suite 1800 Raleigh, NC 27603

To file a complaint with the Consumer Protection Division of the North Carolina Department of Justice, please visit The State Attorney General's webpage at: <http://www.ncdoj.gov/complaint>. North Carolina residents may call (877)566-7226. Outside of North Carolina, please call (919)716-6000.

En Espanol (919)716-0058. If you choose to mail a complaint, please use the following address: Consumer Protection Division Attorney General's Office Mail Service Center 9001 Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 (919)962-4550