



# GRACE BIBLE COLLEGE-

## SOUTH AFRICA

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***We train men and women***

***to know Christ***

***and***

***to make Him known***

**1 Corinthians 2 NASB**

*1 And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God.*

***2 For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.***

*3 I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling,*

*4 and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,*

*5 so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.*

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# Welcome to Grace Bible College

## THE PRIVILEGE AND JOY OF THE CALL OF GOD INTO CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Undoubtedly, there is an unequalled and unrivalled sense of being chosen by the God of the universe to serve as one of His dedicated servants to His church and to a generation in desperate need of moral and spiritual guidance.

The Lord has blessed individual church members with various but complementary gifts and callings. These gifts from the Lord are primarily for Christ's glory, the church's growth, edification of individual believers and for the rescue of a perishing generation from the coming wrath of God.

These gifts for Christians take on various shapes and forms including:

- Pastoral: preaching, teaching, discipleship, practical (funerals, weddings, thanksgiving)
- Worship Teams (Musicians and Vocalists), Choir, Worship Leaders, back-up
- Audio-Visual Teams
- Children's Ministry: Sunday School, Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- Youth Ministry: Youth Groups, Bible Studies for Teens, Youth Events and Retreats
- Adult ministry (Men and Women ministry): Adult Sunday School, Bible Studies, Small Groups
- Seniors Ministry: Bible Studies, Visitation Teams, Fellowship Events
- Missions: Evangelism training, Practical evangelism: from personal to cross-cultural Missions
- Prayer Ministry: Intercessory Prayer Teams, Prayer Meetings
- Counseling Ministry: Pastoral Counseling, Support Groups, Marriage and Family Counseling
- Hospitality Ministry: Poor & needy, hosting missionaries
- Ushers, welcoming Teams
- Technology and IT Ministry: Media and Technology Ministry, Website Management, Social Media, Audio-Visual Production
- Administrative Ministry: Event Planning, Volunteer Coordination
- Financial Stewardship Ministry: Financial Counseling, Stewardship Education
- Health & Wellness Ministry: Health Seminars & education, community medical assessments
- Emergency Response Planning

If you have sensed the divine call to embark on ministry for the Lord Jesus, it becomes imperative to seek the highest quality biblical training. The decision to select a Bible College is the most important choice you will make in your ministry journey. This is because the ministry course of your life, and subsequently the lives of God's people under your care, will be shaped by the quality of education and convictions that are imparted to you by the Bible College.

Grace Bible College is a non denominational, evangelical, conservative college that offers theological education unashamedly grounded in the inspired and inerrant Word of God and firmly centred on the Person and work of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our training approach is based on careful Bible study, mentoring disciples and practical ministry- all this for the goal of personal spiritual development and effectiveness in both church ministry and missions to the lost.

If you sense a divine call to a ministry we warmly invite you to earnestly contemplate the exciting possibilities for study with us at Grace Bible College.

# Vision And Mission Of Grace Bible College:

## VISION:

To see every Christian

- personally possessing,
- wholeheartedly loving,
- comprehensively reading,
- accurately interpreting,
- passionately proclaiming,
- fearlessly defending, and
- single-mindedly obeying

God's Word, the Bible.

## MISSION:

To teach the truth of God's Word to individuals of every ethnic background, striving to equip the Church of the living God establishing a Christ-centred and Cross-centred foundation of biblical proclamation and unwavering obedience to the Great Commission.

# Statement Of Faith

## **WE BELIEVE IN ONE TRIUNE GOD**

We believe in the one true God, eternally existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each person of the Trinity possesses the same essence and attributes, working inseparably and harmoniously in creation, providence, and redemption.

## **WE BELIEVE IN THE AUTHORITY OF SCRIPTURE**

We believe that the Bible, both the Old and New Testaments, is the inspired and authoritative Word of God, without error in the original manuscripts. It is the supreme and final authority in all matters of faith and conduct.

## **WE BELIEVE IN THE DEITY OF JESUS CHRIST**

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, His virgin birth, sinless life, miracles, substitutionary atonement through His shed blood, bodily resurrection, ascension to the right hand of the Father, and His personal return in power and glory.

## **WE BELIEVE IN SALVATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH**

We believe that salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone. This salvation is a free gift, not the result of any human works, so that no one may boast.

Salvation is a divine gift, freely given by God's grace, not earned through human efforts. Rooted in the biblical truth that all fall short due to sin, our faith centres on the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, who, through His sacrifice, offers forgiveness and eternal life. Salvation is accessed through faith in Christ, acknowledging Him as Lord. This belief reaches across all human boundaries, making salvation attainable to all who trust in the Lord Jesus. Salvation by grace alone inspires humility, gratitude, and a life characterized by love and obedience.

Our mission is to share this Gospel, inviting all to experience God's transformative love and embrace the free gift of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, leading to assurance and an eternal relationship with God.

### **WE BELIEVE IN THE EXISTENCE OF HELL:**

We believe in the existence of a literal hell as a place of eternal separation from God, reserved for those who reject the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Hell is portrayed in Scripture as a state of conscious and eternal punishment for those who have chosen to remain in rebellion against God. It is a place of ultimate justice where the consequences of one's rejection of God's grace are realized.

We affirm the teachings of the Bible, which describes hell as a place of darkness, suffering, and separation from God's love and presence. It is a solemn reality that underscores the importance of accepting the salvation offered through faith in Jesus Christ. The hope of salvation is extended to all, and it is through repentance and faith in Christ that individuals can escape the judgment of hell and enter into eternal fellowship with God.

### **WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK**

We believe in the person and work of the Holy Spirit, who convicts the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment. The Holy Spirit regenerates, indwells, and empowers believers for godly living and service.

### **WE BELIEVE IN THE CHURCH**

We believe in the universal church, the body of Christ, composed of all true believers in Him. Local assemblies of believers are called to worship, fellowship, and participate in the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper.

### **WE BELIEVE IN CHRISTIAN LIVING**

We believe that Christians are called to a life of holiness, characterized by love for God and others, obedience to His Word, and the pursuit of righteousness and justice in the world.

### **WE BELIEVE IN THE BLESSED HOPE**

We believe in the blessed hope – the imminent, personal return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. His return will bring the fulfillment of God's kingdom and the resurrection of the dead, leading to the final judgment.



## **WE BELIEVE IN ETERNAL LIFE**

We believe in the bodily resurrection of all people, the saved to eternal life with God and the unsaved to judgment and eternal separation from God.

# Core Values

At Grace Bible College, we are committed to upholding a set of core values that guide our mission, vision, and daily operations. These values reflect our identity, shape our culture, and inspire our community to live out our shared purpose.

## **1. Christ-Centered Education**

We value education that is centered on the person and teachings of Jesus Christ. Our commitment is to integrate faith and learning, fostering an environment where students grow intellectually, spiritually, and morally.

## **2. Biblical Integrity**

We uphold the Bible as the infallible and authoritative Word of God. Our community is dedicated to studying, teaching, and living according to biblical principles, recognizing its role as the foundation for all aspects of life and knowledge.

## **3. Excellence in Scholarship**

We strive for excellence in academic pursuits, encouraging rigorous scholarship, critical thinking, and creative exploration. We believe that intellectual growth is an essential aspect of Christian discipleship.

## **4. Community and Fellowship**

We value a supportive and caring community where students, faculty, and staff build meaningful relationships. Through fellowship, mentorship, and collaboration, we seek to create an environment that nurtures personal and spiritual growth.

## **5. Servant Leadership**

We embrace the example of Jesus Christ as the ultimate servant leader. We cultivate a culture of humility, service, and empathy, preparing our students to lead with integrity, compassion, and a commitment to the well-being of others.

## **6. Global Engagement**

We are dedicated to fostering a global perspective, recognizing the diversity of God's creation. We encourage cross-cultural understanding, missions, and engagement with global issues, preparing students to be responsible and compassionate global citizens.

## **7. Holistic Development**

We value the holistic development of individuals—mind, body, and spirit. Our commitment extends beyond academic success to the overall well-being of our students, emphasizing physical health, emotional resilience, and spiritual maturity.

## **8. Social Justice and Compassion**

We are passionate about social justice and compassion. We believe in actively seeking to address systemic issues of injustice and inequality, reflecting the love and compassion of Christ in our actions and advocacy.

## **9. Integrity and Ethics**

We uphold the highest standards of integrity and ethical conduct. Our commitment to honesty, accountability, and transparency extends to all areas of academic, personal, and professional life.

## **10. Prayer and Spiritual Formation**

We recognize the centrality of prayer and spiritual formation in the life of our community. We encourage a vibrant prayer life and intentional spiritual disciplines as essential components of our journey with Christ.

# Ethical Guidelines

At Grace Bible College, we are committed to fostering an environment that promotes ethical behavior, integrity, and Christian principles. Our ethical guidelines serve as a foundation for the conduct of students, faculty, staff, and all members of our community. We believe that adherence to these principles is essential for maintaining a community of trust, respect, and accountability.

## 1. Christian Character

We expect all members of the Grace Bible College community to exemplify Christian character in their actions, attitudes, and interactions. This includes demonstrating love, kindness, humility, and grace in all relationships.

## 2. Honesty and Truthfulness

Integrity is at the heart of our community. We expect honesty and truthfulness in all academic endeavors, communications, and personal interactions. Plagiarism, cheating, and any form of dishonesty are unacceptable.

## 3. Respect for Others

We value the dignity and worth of every individual, recognizing that each person is created in the image of God. We expect all members of the community to treat others with respect, empathy, and sensitivity, regardless of differences in background, beliefs, or perspectives.

## 4. Stewardship

We believe in responsible stewardship of resources, including time, talents, and the environment. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use their abilities and resources wisely and to contribute positively to the well-being of the community.

## 5. Confidentiality

Respecting the privacy of others is paramount. Members of the community are expected to maintain the confidentiality of personal information, academic records, and any sensitive information shared within the college community.

## **6. Conflict Resolution**

In the spirit of Christian reconciliation, we encourage the resolution of conflicts through open communication, understanding, and forgiveness. Gossip, slander, and divisive behavior are inconsistent with our commitment to resolving conflicts in a biblical and Christ-like manner.

## **7. Professionalism**

All members of the Grace Bible College community are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner, adhering to the highest standards of behavior in academic, personal, and professional settings.

## **8. Social Responsibility**

We encourage engagement in social issues and service to others. Our community is committed to promoting justice, compassion, and positive social change both locally and globally.

## **9. Alcohol and Substance Use**

As a Christian institution, we expect members of the community to refrain from the misuse of alcohol and illegal substances, recognizing the importance of maintaining a healthy and disciplined lifestyle.

## **10. Sexual Purity**

We uphold biblical principles regarding sexual purity and fidelity. Sexual misconduct, harassment, and any form of exploitation are not tolerated within our community.

# One Year Theological Certificate

2024 School Calendar year:

23 January - 16 November 2024

Module 1: Introduction to Theology and Understanding God

Module 2: Human Nature and Sin

Module 3: The Person of Christ and Salvation

Module 4: The Church and End Times

Module 5: World Religions - Islam, Hinduism, Mormonism, Catholicism

Module 6: Understanding the Pentateuch

Module 7: Exploring the Synoptic Gospels

Module 8: Surveying the Book of Romans

Module 9: Studying the Book of Ephesians

Module 10: Unveiling the Prophecies in Daniel & Revelation

## **Admission Requirements:**

Grace Bible College has an open admission policy to all interested in studying the Bible with a commitment to subscribing to the college's policies.

## **Assessment and Grading:**

Assessment methods may include exams, assignments, projects, and class participation.

## **Delivery Format:**

Courses are delivered through a combination of in person lectures, and online classes depending on the preference of the student and availability of the class option

## **Certification:**

Upon successful completion of the program, participants will receive a certificate in Theology. This is currently not accredited with CHE but college accreditation is on application.

# Integrated Missions: Bible Training, Evangelism, and Skills Development

Grace Bible College is committed to holistic missions that integrate Bible training, evangelism, and skills development. Our mission opportunities across Lesotho, Swaziland, South Africa, as well as Mozambique, and Botswana in the future offer students a chance to not only share the Gospel but also contribute to community development through practical skills training at these various locations.

## Equipping Communities with Biblical Training, Evangelism, and Skills development

- **Bible Training:**
  - Bible training sessions for local leaders that include Homiletics, hermeneutics, apologetics and biblical evangelism
  - Recruiting Christians into a daily Bible reading program
  - Recruiting Christians into the Grace Bible College theology program
- **Evangelism:**
  - Engage in community outreach, sharing the Gospel through door to door evangelism, personal testimonies and open-air meetings.
- **Skills Development:**
  - Offer practical skills workshops, such as basic medical first aid, small business development, and plumbing skills.

By combining Bible training, evangelism, and skills development, our students can contribute to both spiritual and practical transformation in the communities served.



# Student Code of Conduct

At Grace Bible College, we are committed to fostering an environment that promotes spiritual growth, academic excellence, and Christian principles. The following Code of Conduct outlines the expectations for student behavior, reflecting our core values and commitment to maintaining a community of integrity, respect, and responsibility.

## 1. Spiritual and Moral Integrity:

- Embrace and uphold Christian principles in all aspects of life.
- Demonstrate honesty, integrity, and a commitment to spiritual growth.

## 2. Respect for Others:

- Treat every individual with dignity, respect, and kindness.
- Embrace diversity and foster an inclusive and welcoming community.

## 3. Academic Integrity:

- Engage in honest and ethical academic practices.
- Avoid plagiarism, cheating, and any form of academic dishonesty.

## 4. Community Engagement:

- Actively participate in the life of the college community.
- Contribute to a positive and supportive atmosphere on campus.

## 5. Discipleship and Spiritual Formation:

- Engage in discipleship activities and spiritual formation opportunities.
- Respectfully participate in chapel services, prayer meetings, and spiritual growth programs.

## 6. Healthy Relationships:

- Foster healthy relationships with peers, faculty, and staff.

- Refrain from any form of harassment, discrimination, or disruptive behavior.

#### **7. Stewardship:**

- Be responsible stewards of resources, including time, talents, and the environment.
- Contribute to the well-being of the college community and beyond through service.

#### **8. Communication:**

- Communicate respectfully and constructively.
- Resolve conflicts in a spirit of reconciliation and understanding.

#### **9. Personal Conduct:**

- Abstain from the use of illegal substances, alcohol abuse, and any behavior inconsistent with Christian principles.
- Adhere to the guidelines set forth in the college's residential facilities.

#### **10. Social Media Use:**

- Exercise discretion and wisdom in the use of social media.
- Reflect the values of Grace Bible College in online interactions.

#### **11. Dress Code:**

- Adhere to a modest and respectful dress code in alignment with Christian values.

#### **12. Accountability:**

- Acknowledge personal responsibility for one's actions.
- Be receptive to correction and growth.

#### **13. Adherence to Laws and Regulations:**

- Follow the policies and regulations of Grace Bible College.

**Consequences for Violation:**

Violations of this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action, including counseling, probation, suspension, or expulsion, depending on the severity and nature of the offense.

By enrolling at Grace Bible College, students commit to upholding the principles and expectations outlined in this Code of Conduct, contributing to the creation of a vibrant and Christ-centered community.

# Contact And Study Centres

- Online
- Durban: Bonella
- Durban: Phoenix
- Durban: Chatsworth
- Johannesburg: East Rand
- Johannesburg Mid Rand
- Lesotho: Semongong
- Swaziland: Manzini