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Introduction



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The Bible Seminary (TBS) is an independent, non-denominational, 501(c)(3) charitable institution of higher education incorporated in Texas in 2010 to offer training for laity and vocational ministry professionals. On-campus and Distance Education programs include a non-degree certificate program, as well as Dual Degree Completion, nine Master of Arts, and a Master of Divinity degree program.

The seminary is an accredited member of the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS), a member of the National Council for State

Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) approved to offer Distance Education, a member of the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), an approved CEU provider for the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI), and an accredited member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA).

TBS aims to glorify God by impacting multitudes of souls for Christ and to help fulfill the Great Commission by the power of God's Spirit. Our mission is to foster biblical literacy through comprehensive and strategic studies of all 66 books of the Bible, cultivate professional leadership skills for life and ministry, and deploy Christian disciples in service worldwide. Faculty integrate studies of the Bible with historical, theological, and practical disciplines and engage in experiential education through classroom instruction, study tours, hands-on ministry training, and community-based training with ministry professionals.

Leadership includes Dr. K. Lynn Lewis, President; Dr. Scott Stripling, Provost and Vice-President of Donor Relations; Dr. Israel Steinmetz, Dean of the Graduate Programs and full-time Professor; numerous adjunct faculty members, ministry professionals, and mentors who serve as part of the teaching team; and a Board of Trustees.

Accreditation



The Bible Seminary is a member of the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) [15935 Forest Road, Forest, VA 24551; Telephone: (434) 525-9539; e-mail: info@tracs.org] having been awarded Accredited Status as a Category III institution by the TRACS Accreditation Commission on October 26, 2020. This status is effective for a period of five years. TRACS is recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDOE), the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), and the International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE). For more information, visit TRACS.org.

TBS is an Accredited member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). Based on the ECFA Seven Standards of Responsible Stewardship™, including financial accountability, transparency, sound board governance and ethical fundraising, ECFA accredits leading Christian nonprofit organizations that faithfully demonstrate compliance with the ECFA Standards pertaining to financial accountability, fundraising, and board governance. For more information, visit ECFA.org or call 1-800-323-9473.





The Bible Seminary is a participating member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), a private nonprofit organization 501(c)(3) that helps expand students' access to educational opportunities and ensure more efficient, consistent, and effective regulation of distance education programs. For more information, visit NC-SARA.org.

Also see:

- Council for Higher Education Database of Accredited Institutions
- U.S. Department of Education Database of Accredited Institutions

Covenantal Documents

The Bible Seminary requires all administration and staff, Board members, faculty, and graduate students to read and sign agreement with the covenantal documents below that help define the ideological, relational, and theological parameters of the seminary community. Generally, everyone signs these documents annually in conjunction with their employment, enrollment or re-enrollment, and service contracts.

Vision and Mission

Vision: The Bible Seminary (TBS) exists to glorify God by impacting multitudes of souls for Christ and to help fulfill the Great Commission by the power of God's Spirit.

Mission: Our mission is to foster biblical literacy through studies of all 66 books of the Bible, cultivate professional and lay leadership skills, and deploy trained Christian disciples in service worldwide.

Core Values

Key Verse

"They read from the book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people could understand what was being read."

Nehemiah 8:8

Lordship – Because He is Lord (Philippians 2:11), we will continually ask Jesus Christ to sit on the throne of the seminary and on the throne of the lives of its faculty, administrators, and students for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31).

Bible – Because the Bible is the fully true Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16), we will offer and require the study of all 66 books of the Bible before graduation with a degree. We will seek to creatively integrate classical theological disciplines and ministry training by studying books of the Bible (i.e. Church History will begin with the Book of Acts and keep going; Pastoral Leadership will come through the study of the Pastoral Epistles; Systematic Theology will flow out of the study of the Pauline Epistles).

Prayer – Because apart from Him we can do nothing (John 15:5), we will continually seek to plug into the Vine Jesus Christ through yielding to Him in prayer. We will offer a unique emphasis on prayer, integrated with the curriculum, in classroom settings, meetings, and continual prayer opportunities in the life of the seminary.

Unreached Peoples – Because the return of Christ awaits the evangelization of all people groups (Matthew 24:14), we will keep our eyes on the unreached peoples of the world and train our students to have a heart for the fulfillment of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20) by seeking to reach millions of souls for Jesus Christ.

Local Church – Because the church universal (the body of Christ) is God's plan (Matthew 16:18), comprised of local churches (Acts 20:28; Romans 16:3-5; Acts 5:42), we will have a symbiotic relationship of service, training and education with local churches and parachurch ministries.

Community – Because we were created for community (Genesis 1:26; Hebrews 10:24-25), we will seek to build a unique fellowship where we continually grow together in relationship and as followers of Christ, seeking to live as examples of biblical community, where authenticity and accountability are practiced, and where integrity is modeled and taught (Romans 12:4-5; Acts 2:42-47; 4:32-35).

Compassion – Because God has a huge heart for the poor and overlooked (Matthew 25:31-46), we will strive to motivate, equip, and train students to minister to "the least of these" as a lifestyle.

Institutional Objectives

The Bible Seminary strives to provide faculty, staff, and support services that:

- Promote belief in Jesus Christ as LORD and the centrality of discipleship by offering Christcentered educational programs and courses.
- Promote all 66 books of the **BIBLE** as the fully true Word of God by integrating the study of these biblical books into studies of classical theological disciplines and ministry training.
- Promote the vital priority of PRAYER by modeling and teaching prayer in classes, events, meetings, publications, and retreats.
- Promote awareness of and compassion for **UNREACHED PEOPLES** of the world by offering education in missions and engagement in cross-cultural endeavors.
- Promote experiential training by integrating **LOCAL CHURCH** and parachurch ministry leaders, site visits, and service opportunities into educational experiences.
- Promote authenticity, accountability, and integrity through genuine communication, collaborative learning, and ethical relationships in an academic faith **COMMUNITY**.
- Promote COMPASSION by providing education and cooperative experiences in ministering to the poor, overlooked, and underprivileged.

Progress in achieving each institutional objective is measured with Likert Scale assessments completed by students prior to beginning and upon completion of curriculum.

Institutional Outcomes

- The student will demonstrate mastery of all 66 biblical books by completing a summative Capstone project (CAP 590) as the culmination of his or her program prior to graduating with a degree.
- The student will demonstrate learning proficiency, progression in study skills, and academic achievement through successfully passing course exams, improving scores between pre-course and post-course assessments, research reports, written papers, and class presentations.
- The student will demonstrate evidence of core ministry skills in basic and advanced hermeneutics,
 pastoral leadership, preaching and teaching, biblically-based counseling, and cultivation of
 personal and group spiritual formation by successfully passing course exams, improving scores
 between pre-course and post-course assessments, and submitting respectable quality research
 reports, written papers, class presentations, and ministry service reports.
- The student will demonstrate exegetical comprehension and applied learning from the study of biblical cultures, languages, history and theology through successful engagement in course assignments and ministry activities within the seminary educational community and beyond, and by successfully passing course exams, improving scores between pre-course and post-course assessments, and submitting respectable quality, research reports, written papers and class presentations.

Doctrinal Statement

- We believe in the inspiration and authority of Scripture The Bible is the only inspired Word of God, fully true, and our sole authority for all that we believe and do (2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Matthew 5:18). We hold to the inerrancy of Scripture, as outlined in the "Chicago Statement on Biblical Inerrancy."
- We believe in one God There is only one true God who exists eternally in three Persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (Genesis 1:26; Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19; John 14:9; Acts 5:3-4,9; 2 Corinthians 3:17; 13:14; Hebrews 1:1-3, I John 5:7).
- We believe in the deity and humanity of Christ Jesus Christ is Lord, being fully God and yet fully Man, born of a virgin, as affirmed in the Nicene, and Apostles' Creeds (Matthew 1:18-23; Luke 1:26-38; John 1:1-2,14; Philippians 2:5-8; Colossians 1:13-20; Hebrews 1:8).
- We believe in substitutionary atonement Jesus Christ died on the cross as our substitute taking upon Himself the penalty of the sins of fallen humans (John 1:29; Romans 3:25-26; 5:8, 12-19; Galatians 3:13; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 3:18).
- We believe in the resurrection of Christ Jesus rose from the dead in a bodily resurrection defeating sin and death (Romans 6:4-9; 10:9; 1 Corinthians 15:3-6).
- We believe in salvation by grace through faith alone A person is saved from eternal separation from God as a free gift when that person places their faith in Jesus Christ who is the only way to the Father (John 1:12; 3:16; 5:24; 14:6; Acts 4:12; Romans 1:16-17; Ephesians 2:8-9; Revelation 21:27).
- We believe in the Second Coming of Jesus Christ Jesus Christ will come again to judge the living and the dead (Matthew 24-25; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Revelation 19-21).
- We believe in heaven and hell Believers in Jesus Christ will be resurrected to everlasting blessedness and joy in eternal fellowship with God (1 Corinthians 15:35-57; 2 Corinthians 5:1-9; Philippians 3:20-21; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Revelation 21:1-7; 22:1-5). Unbelievers will be resurrected to conscious separation from God and eternal punishment (Matthew 25:41,46; Mark 9:43-48; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; Revelation 14:9-11;20:10-15; 21:8).

WHERE WE STAND ON SOME CONTROVERSIAL SOCIAL ISSUES

We acknowledge that the following social issues generate much pain and division in some churches, and we do not approach these issues lightly or glibly. But we also acknowledge that at the heart, these are authority of Scripture issues. We believe the Bible is clear about the following:

- **Abortion** We believe human life inside a mother's womb begins at conception and that at conception, a real human being is created in the image of God (Psalm 139:13-16; Jeremiah 1:4-5; Luke 1:39-45) and, therefore, that abortion is murder and wrong/sin (Exodus 20:13). We believe God offers full forgiveness to an abortive mother/father who has turned to Jesus Christ (Colossians 2:13-15; Ephesians 1:7).
- Celibacy, Marriage, and Sexuality We believe God created humans in His image, intentionally and immutably male and female, each bringing unique and complementary qualities to sexuality and relationships (e.g., Genesis 1:27; 2:18, 21-24; Matthew 19:4-5; Ephesians 5:22-33). Celibacy, marriage, and sexuality in general are gifts from God to be expressed: (1) within specific boundaries He designed for our safety and pleasure, and (2) within the confines of His purposes, which include gratefully honoring the Lord with our bodies and minds (e.g., Proverbs 6:20-7:27; Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 7:19-20; Ephesians 4:17-5:21).

We believe God ordained marriage to be a lifelong union between one man and one woman (e.g., Genesis 2:18, 21-24; Matthew 19:4-9, Mark 10:5-9, Ephesians 5:31). God's design for sexual acts is within marriage for the purpose of moral human procreation and the unique pleasurable intimacy (one flesh) intended for husbands and wives (e.g., Genesis 1:27-28; 9:1; 35:11; Psalm 127:3; Proverbs 5:18-19; Song of Solomon 7:6-13; 1 Corinthians 7:5). Sexual acts outside God-instituted boundaries are sinful and defy God's natural order, plans, and purposes (e.g., Exodus 20:14; Leviticus 18:7-23; 20:10-21; Matthew 5:27-28; 15:19; 1 Corinthians 6:9-13; Galatians 5:19; Colossians 3:5; 1 Thessalonians 4:2-8; 1 Timothy 1:8-11; Jude 7, cf. Genesis 19). We do not believe in ordaining self-avowed practicers of such sexual sin and do not believe in the validity of ceremonies that celebrate same-sex unions (e.g., Leviticus 18:22; 20:13; Romans 1:18-32; Hebrews 13:4).

• Ministry Leadership – We believe persons engaged in willful, ongoing sinful practice(s) should not serve in ministry leadership (Romans 1:18-32; I Corinthians 5:1-13 and 6:9-20; I Thessalonians 4:1-8; I Timothy 3:1-13; Titus 1:5-9), and those already serving in ministry leadership who engage in ongoing sinful behavior(s) should be disciplined and removed from ministry leadership (I Samuel 15: Matthew 18:15-18). We believe true repentance is an essential first step in the sanctification process necessary towards restoration of ministry leadership (I Corinthians 6:9-11; I Thessalonians 4:1-8). Therefore, anyone considering ministry leadership via a path that includes seeking a degree from and/or working for The Bible Seminary should evidence public and private freedom from sinful behavior(s) over time (Matthew 3:8; Acts 26:20; James 2:14-26), since ministry leadership is incorporated into official positions and roles at The Bible Seminary, including administration, board, faculty, staff, volunteers and students."

Ethos Statement

It is a high honor and privilege to represent God to people by training for and serving in ministry. When people see someone "in the ministry," they see that person as representing Christ's church. It is for this reason that the Bible outlines in 1 Timothy 3 some of the expectations and qualifications of a leader in the church. It is very important for each member of the seminary community (no matter what their position) to seek to live up to these standards (with God's help and empowerment). Thus, we ask each member of the seminary community to covenant to lead a life that is "above reproach" as defined by the following Ethos Statement. The heart of this document is healthy community full of grace and truth (John 1:17).

As a member of the seminary community, I agree, with God's help and empowerment, to live by the following ideals to the best of my ability:

- 1. I will seek to walk with God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ (Genesis 5:22; John 17:3; Mark 12:29-31; Ephesians 2:8-9).
- 2. I will seek to have no other gods than Jesus Christ (Exodus 20:3-6; 1 Peter 3:15). I will seek to keep myself from idolatry (1 John 5:21) by not making idols out of money, sex, power, people, material things, school, or ministry success.
- 3. I will work as "unto the Lord" (Colossians 3:23-24). I will give God my best in my family, in my job performance, and in my training for ministry.
- 4. I will refrain from sexual immorality (1 Thessalonians 4:3-5). If I am married, I will be faithful to my spouse (Exodus 20:14). If I am single, I will remain celibate in my singleness. I will not engage in homosexual practice (1 Corinthians 6:9-11).
- 5. I will refrain from drunkenness or the use of illegal drugs (Ephesians 5:18). I will not allow a substance to control me, rather I will seek to be controlled by God. If I choose to "drink socially," I will do so in a way that does not cause other people to stumble (1 Corinthians 8).
- 6. I will practice biblical conflict resolution. If someone hurts or offends me, I will go to that person and speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15,25) and forgive them (Ephesians 4:32). If this does not resolve the issue, I will then involve a second person as prescribed in Matthew 18:15-17. I will not slander another person by talking negatively about him/her (Ephesians 4:31). I will seek to build others up with my words (Ephesians 4:29). If I cannot bring resolution through these steps, I will seek counsel.
- 7. I will be respectful of those in authority over me and submit to their leadership (Hebrews 13:17) unless they were to call me to do something contrary to Scripture (Acts 5:27-29). I will seek humbleness in my life (1 Peter 5:5-6).

The purpose of this Ethos Statement is to maintain order (1 Corinthians 14:40) and to uphold integrity, respect, honor, and character (2 Timothy 2:20-22). There is plenty of grace in this community for mistakes (James 5:16), whereas there is not room in this community for blatant and unrepentant rebellion (1 Corinthians 5). I agree to do my best to live by this Ethos Statement with God's help and power through Jesus Christ and for His glory.

Academic Freedom Statement

The Bible Seminary (TBS) is in mission to provide academic instruction and vocational training for Christian ministers to perform as pastors, counselors, missionaries, church planters, and leaders. Supporting this mission are the seven adopted Core Values of TBS and basic Christian convictions stated in the TBS Covenantal Documents and the Faculty Handbook.

Diversity of education and religious viewpoint is available to society through the plurality of global academic institutions. At TBS, we invite the richness of interpretation and study of the Bible as we seek its deepest meaning and truth. TBS is to be distinguished as an academic institution that shares a basic set of Core Values among its students, faculty, administrators, and Board of Trustees. Instruction, research, and academic investigation are to uphold and respect the positions provided in the Core Values, the Ethos and Doctrinal Statements, and the Faculty Handbook. For example, the following statement from the TBS Faculty Handbook summarizes one of our institutional doctrinal positions that we expect all TBS faculty to uphold:

Creationism versus Evolution

God created the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:1); God set the land to produce seed-bearing plants and trees (Genesis 1:11-12); God created all living things in the sea and on land, and the birds of the sky (Genesis 1:20-25); and God created man, male and female (Genesis 1:26-27). Scientific observations make obvious that God's creation is uniquely enabled by God to adapt to its environment, making subtle changes over time to survive and thrive in the world – a process often described as "micro-evolution." Humans have also adapted and diversified, as indicated by the many races, peoples, and societies that have developed through the ages. However, this ability to adapt is not a substitution for the absolute truth that God created humans in His image (Genesis 1:27), breathed life into man (Genesis 2:7), and, after the discovery of sin by the first humans, Adam and Eve, God dispatched mankind to the less-than-perfect circumstances in which we live life today (Genesis 3:14-24). Therefore, while we acknowledge the phenomena of micro-evolution, we reject the macro-evolutionary theory of how plants, animals, and humans came to exist. Rather, we embrace the biblical view of creation that God created the heavens and the earth and all that is within it, including humans. We are open to either a young earth view of creation (where "yowm" = 24-hour period) or an old earth view of creation (where "yowm" = an age).

In general, Academic freedom means individuals have rights to engage in intellectual debate, research, and speech, through written or electronic correspondence, on and off campus, without fear of censorship, retaliation, or sanction. This freedom encompasses rights to maintain academic standards and gives faculty members reasonable latitude in deciding how to teach assigned courses; encourages intellectual integrity; sustains pedagogical approaches consistent with disciplines taught; and informs evaluations of student work, all exercised within the shared boundaries defined by the TBS Covenantal Documents.

Academic freedom does not involve expressions that substantially impair the rights of others or the imposition of political, religious, or philosophical beliefs on individuals of the TBS community. Academic Freedom does not provide protection of faculty who demonstrate professional ignorance, incompetence, or dishonesty with regard to their assigned discipline or fields of expertise, or who engage in arbitrary or capricious evaluation of students.

All members of the TBS community have a right to due process. Anyone alleging or responding to a potential breach of academic freedom should follow the TBS Grievance Policy.

Nondiscriminatory Policy

The Bible Seminary admits students of any race, sex, color, disability, age, or national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the Seminary. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, disability, age, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of its hiring policies, educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other school-administered programs.

Philosophy of Education

We believe the Bible is one book, written by many authors over time, inspired by one Spirit for all time – and is the best training manual for ministry.

We believe that doing ministry, debriefing ministry, and studying ministry – in association with called, life-giving, seasoned and Spirit-filled professionals – is an effective educational model.

We believe a balanced, Bible-based, Christ-centered, mission-focused educational approach includes a comprehensive curriculum that integrates studying through all 66 biblical books along with studying standard historical, theological, and practical disciplines critical to developing professional skills for 21st century ministry.

We believe that challenging and nurturing students, getting them into the Word of God, and helping them think biblically while listening to the Holy Spirit, involves a unique combination of professional ministry training, cutting-edge tools, and extraordinary experiences.

We believe that interactive personal engagement over time, among groups of individuals with a common set of core values and doctrines and ethical standards, and with diverse backgrounds and experiences, can offer an exciting, family-friendly, practical, rich, and unparalleled learning environment.

We believe that a journey of theological education should accomplish the following:

- Glorify the Lord
- Be rooted in His Word
- Nurture an intimate, faithful, trusting relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
- Cultivate a contextual and more profound understanding of God and creation, scripture and the world, heaven and earth, culture and history, time and eternity, and things seen and unseen
- Equip students with relevant experiences, knowledge, relationships, training, and tools for a lifetime of ministry leadership
- Lead to a passionate commitment to love and serve the Lord and others with all that students are and have, in perpetuity.

Facts

Incorporation and Licensing

- Independent and non-denominational
- Registered Domestic Non-Profit Corporation in the state of Texas (Feb 2010)
- Registered IRS 501(c)(3) Charitable Institution of Higher Education (Aug 2010)
- Exemption by Texas Workforce Commission (Mar 2011, Oct 2018, Aug 2020)
- Exemption by Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (May 2011)
- Affiliate Member of the Association for Biblical Higher Education (2012 Jul 2021)
- Approved CEU provider by the Association of Christian Schools International (Oct 2015)
- Approved by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) for Applicant Status (Jan 2018), Candidate status (Apr 2019), Accredited status (Oct 2020), and to offer Distance Education (Apr 2021)
- Approved accredited member of ECFA (Sep 2019)
- Approved member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (Dec 2021, Aug 2023)

Founders

- Dr. James E. Leggett, Founding President (2010-13)
- Rev. Paul Helbig, Bible Institute Co-founder and Lead Faculty (2008-16)
- Mr. Dan Dunham, Founding Board of Trustees Chair (2010-13)
- Grace Fellowship Church, Seed funding for launch (2010-11)

Executive Officers

- President, Dr. K. Lynn Lewis (2014-present), Executive Vice-President/Provost (2011-13)
- Provost, Dr. Scott Stripling (2017-present)
- Vice-President of Finance and Administration, Mr. Rick McCalip (2010-present)
- Board of Trustees, Mr. Adam Peters (Chair) with 11 total members

Programs

- Master of Divinity (84-credit hours)
- Master of Arts (four majors plus four concentrations, 48 to 60-credit hours)
- Dual Degree Completion (Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministry in conjunction with a TBS MA or MDiv)
- Certificate of Theological Studies (27-credit hours)

Faculty

- Two full-time administrators who also teach
- One full-time faculty member and 15+ adjunct professors and teaching assistants
- 50+ professionals who serve as mentors and visiting teachers

Unique Features

- All programs cover all 66 books of the Bible
- Comprehensive, relevant education and training for 21st century leadership
- Local mentoring and training opportunities throughout the graduate degree programs
- Educational experiences in classrooms, on-site visits to regional locations and international locations, especially in Israel

Special Program Elements

- Distinctively clear core values, doctrine, and ethos statements
- Holy Land Study tours and archaeological excavation opportunities
- Technological study and resource tools
- Multiple experiential learning opportunities
- Strong commitment to helping students graduate with ZERO (\$0) seminary debt

History

The Bible Seminary's passion for vibrant Bible-based, Christ-centered, mission-focused leadership training began with Dr. James E. Leggett, founder and senior pastor of Grace Fellowship Church in Katy, Texas. Under the leadership of Teaching Pastor, Paul Helbig, the church established a Bible Institute in 2008 teaching all 66 books of the Bible. A team led by future Board Chair, Dan Dunham, and Vice-President of Finance and Administration, Rick McCalip, helped incorporate The Bible Seminary (TBS) in 2010 as an independent, non-denominational, charitable 501(c)(3), educational institution of higher education. The Board named Dr. Leggett as volunteer President and the church raised \$1,100,000 from 260 donors to help launch the seminary.

In 2011, the Board hired Dr. K. Lynn Lewis as full-time Executive Vice-President and Provost; received exemptions for its Master of Divinity program by the Texas Workforce Commission and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board; transferred the Bible Institute from Grace Fellowship to TBS; and graduated the first 12 students from the Bible Certificate program in December 2011.

In 2012, TBS received approval for Affiliate status with the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE). The graduate program launched on September 4, 2012 with 12 inaugural students. In 2014, Dr. Leggett resigned as volunteer President, the Board named Dr. Lewis as President, and TBS hired a full-time Provost.

In 2015, TBS established a Master of Arts program, a Dual Degree Completion program, a Licensed Professional program consisting of core graduate courses, awarded its first graduate degrees (seven Master of Divinity and one Master of Arts), launched a Spanish Bible Certificate program, and received approval from the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) to provide continuing education.

In 2016, TBS began offering courses in regional locations. In 2017, the seminary hired Dr. Scott Stripling as Provost and Dr. Douglas Petrovich as full-time faculty member, revised the Bible Certificate program, and received recognition by the Knowledge Review as one of the 10 Most Preferred Divinity Schools for Religious Studies 2017. In 2018, TBS added four new Master of Arts programs, reduced Master of Divinity credit hours from 96 to 84, revised the Licensed Professional program, received approvals of exemption from the Texas Workforce Commission, and added new remote instructional locations.

In 2019, TBS hired Dr. J. Paul Nyquist as Dean of Graduate Programs and became an accredited member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). In 2020, TBS named Dr. Doug Petrovich Dean of Graduate Programs and Mrs. Carousel Pieterse Director of the Bible Certificate Program, renamed the "Licensed Professional" program the "Vocational Ministry" certificate program, and earned Accredited Status with the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS). In 2021, TBS received approval from TRACS to offer Distance Education and became a member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA).

In 2022, TBS added four Master of Arts Concentrations, formed a publishing division (Nehemiah Press), opened the 3J Archaeological Museum, hired Dr. Israel Steinmetz as Graduate Dean, and named Dr. Scott Stripling as Provost and Vice-President of Donor Relations.

In 2023, TBS transformed the non-degree Bible Certificate and Vocational Ministry Certificate programs into the non-degree Certificate of Theological Studies program.

Planning, Use, and Design

Planning and Use

This TBS Comprehensive Strategic Plan (CSP) depicts a schematic outline summarizing progression of ongoing planning, budgeting, engagement, and governance processes. It ensures alignment of the institution's Covenant Documents (Mission, Purpose, Core Values, Doctrines, Ethos, Institutional Objectives, Educational Philosophy, and policies) with annual strategic objectives, goals, budgets, and implementation timing. Alignment spans key areas addressed directly in the CSP component sections.

Original Version Development

Since 2010, as detailed in the bylaws, TBS has engaged in an annual planning and budgeting process involving the Administration and the Board. Following the launch of the Master of Divinity program in September 2012, the Board commissioned subcommittees to provide supplemental annual planning efforts to address strategic areas. Additionally, in February 2014, the Board convened the first annual Board Strategy Retreat with three distinct goals:

- 1. To understand the current state of TBS, including internal and external challenges
- 2. To identify key upcoming priorities
- 3. To identify specific actions needed to advance select priorities

Retreat follow-up included forming a Strategic Plan Sub-committee to advance the work and integrate it with existing TBS planning and governance processes to formulate the first 5-year Comprehensive Strategic Plan (CSP). Over the next few months, CSP Subcommittee Chair Bob Button initiated sessions with Administration and the Board Chair to map out a process to develop and approve an official CSP. The process included convening a workshop with administration, faculty, and student representatives to obtain grass roots constituency input. Additional discussions between the TBS President, Board Chair, and subcommittee chair, and then a subcommittee meeting with the TBS President, resulted in adoption of the CSP design framework, identification of component sections, identification of section objectives, goals, timetables, responsible individuals tasked with completing, financial resources, and item statuses. The committee issued the first draft to the Board in mid-August, received feedback, made revisions, the Board received the original version and approved it at the September 28, 2014 Board meeting.

Ensuing Versions and Use

TBS administration and staff review the CSP annually as part of the ongoing cycle of planning, budgeting and assessments outlined in the Comprehensive Assessment Plan (CAP). The Board utilizes the CSP as the outline for the annual Strategic Planning Retreat, normally held each February or March, and approves updated CSP's regularly. The back page of the plan notes the dates of the original Board-approved version, most recent Board-approved version, and most recent edited version.

Design

The outline consists of ten component sections: 1) Prayer, 2) Educational Programs, 3) Enrollment, 4) Staffing, 5) Finances, 6) Facilities, 7) Policies and Procedures, 8) Accreditation, 9) Alumni, and 10) Communications and Marketing. Each section is further divided to address the following elements:

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Forecast	Status
				Budget key	
Initiative(s) to		Time ranges,	Position(s)	category	Status at the
pursue	Specific goals	deadlines,	responsible for	related to	time of latest
pursue		targets, etc.	implementation	funding the	plan review
				initiative(s)	

In practice, TBS leaders additionally engage in a SWOT analysis of each of the ten areas. The administration, staff, faculty, students, and Board conduct analysis separately during January and February, and these are combined for joint review during the annual Board planning retreat. The graphic below depicts the general format.

SWOT ANALYSIS



Plan Components

1. Prayer

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Undergird the work of TBS with a foundation and network of prayer in accordance with our Core Values and Doctrine	D - Open all regular Board meetings with focused, strategic prayer • Agenda item • Prayer prompts • Corporate and sub-groups	Every Board meeting	Board Chair	\$0	Ongoing since 2010
A - Classes on prayer	D – Open/Close class w/prayer	Regularly	Faculty	l.	Ongoing
B - School of prayer C - Prayer faculty D - Opportunities for prayer in the life of the	A – Graduate courses, "PRA 501" and PRA 502 (old)	Regularly	Faculty	l.	Ongoing since Spring 2013
seminary	 C – Prayer faculty Helbig, Chaplain T. Teykl L. Pattillo L. Lewis 	2012-17 2014-17 2017-18 2020-present	Provost	l. l. l. l.	Ongoing
	D - Strategic prayer initiatives	9/2011 1/14/2012 10/2013 10-11/2015 3-5/2019 11/19 – 9/20 2021-23 2023-present 2023-26	Board Chair President President Board Chair President President President Dev. Dir. President	\$0 I. I. \$0 I. I. I.	Complete Complete Complete Complete Complete Complete Complete Ongoing Began 2023 Began Sep 2023
	 D - Participate in Katy Church prayer initiatives Monthly Pastor's Prayer Luncheons (TBS annual host at Grace Fellowship) 	Monthly and annually	President	l.	@TBS/Grace 2/01/12, 2/13/13, 2/05/14, 2/04/15, 2/03/16, 2/01/17, 2/07/18, 2/02/22, 3/1/23
	National Day of Prayer	Annually	President	D.4	Since 2012
	Summit Prayer Retreats	Annually	President	K.1,3	Since 2012
	 B – Prayer School Draft outline with Teykl Launch Prayer School Affiliate education with Great SW Prayer Center 	Dec 2015 Paused Ongoing	President and Provost	l.	Completed (on hold) Su 2020, PRA 501 Sp 2022, PRA 101 Fa 2023, PRA 501

2. Educational Programs

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Bible Certificate Program (BC)			l		
Offer a BIBLE CERTIFICATE (BC) program that engages students in all 66 Bible books	Offer Bible Certificate (BC) courses every semester	Annually	Provost		Since 2008 (Fall and Spring semesters)
Begin with program consisting of 7 core classes plus at least 1 elective.	Offer at least one Bible Study Methods (BSM) class every year	Annually	Provost		2013-2023 (except 2020)
1 elective.	Offer one OT and NT course every semester	Annually	Provost	F.2-8	2013-23
	Offer minimum of 1 Elective/semester	Annually	Provost	l. J.1	2013-23
	Offer every class at least once every 4 semesters	Annually	Provost		2013-23
	Deliver instruction face-to- face every semester	Annually	Provost		2008-23
	Deliver instruction online	Annually	Provost		2020-23
Offer Continuing Education credit (CEU) for BC courses	Review CEU organizations for options, select one, pursue relationship, and implement CEU credits as an option.	Initiated 2015	Provost	I.	Completed summer 2015
	Establish relationship with the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) to offer CEU credit for TBS BC courses.	Initiated 2015	Provost	I.	Approved Nov 2015, 1 st credits given Dec 2015 and continues
	Conduct Audit of BC courses and CEU recipients	Summer 2020	Registrar	l.	Complete
Evaluate the scope, design, and delivery of the BC program	Conduct research, suggest improvements based on research, and formulate plans	2017	Admin. Faculty Students Alumni	I.	Completed 2017
		2021-23	Admin. FA, SGA		Completed 2023

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Implement BC changes	Refine BC CORE to:	Initiated Fall			Complete
suggested derived from reviews	Bible Study MethodsOT I, II, and IIINT I and II	2017			
	Add "Bible Panorama" as CORE 14-wk launch course to provide overall Bible framework perspective	Initiated Fall 2017			Ongoing since 2017
	Maintain total classroom contact hours but lengthen course sessions and decrease number of classes to 8 weeks to help accommodate two 8-week sessions per semester	Initiated Fall 2017	President		Mixed results w/some locations still only offer 1/sem.
	 Add graduate courses as electives for \$250 audit Deliver new BC program 	Initiated Fall 2017 Initiated	Provost	J.1	Continues (increased to \$300 F 2019, \$375 F 2020)
	book to all BC students	Spring 2018			Sp 2018 – S 2020
	Add new adjuncts to accommodate growth	Ongoing			Hired as needed
	Partner with other churches and ministries to produce select BC classes	churches and ministries to		Reasons to Believe ("God & Science")	
	Merge BC and grad classes	2021			Completed
	 Phase out BC by merging with VMC and rename "Certificate of Theological Studies (CTS)" 	2023			Completed Sum 2023
Expand access to BC program content (revised to CTS during 2023)	Offer BC in other languages • Spanish at TBS • Spanish w/Church on Rock	Initiated Fall 2015 Explore 2019	Provost President		Cont. thru Fall 2018 No longer applicable No longer applicable
	Offer BC courses physically in other locations (Remote Instructional Locations):		Provost President		 @Location YR began Katy/W Houston @TBS 12 @GFUMC 14 @Kingsland 15 NA
	 Katy/W Houston NW Houston SW Houston (Explore other locations) 	Fall 2014 Fall 2016 Fall 2017	Provost	l. J.1 K.3	@COTHA 17 NA @Ecclesia 18 NA @MissionBend 18 NA @Parkway 18 • NW Houston
	Continue to solicit clusters of churches in regional areas to offer TBS programming together in their region	Ongoing	President		@Faithbridge 16 NA @The Brook 16 NA @Windwood 18 • SW Houston @SLFC 17 NA @COLW 18 NA • San Antonio @MCF 17, NA

Offer BC courses online	Begin 2019	Com. Dir.	2019-23
			Offered
Offer seminars live in-person	Begin 2013	Provost	<u>Offered</u> ■ Boss Like God
Offer seminars live online	Begin 2022	Com. Dir.	F 13, Sp 21, F 22, Sp 23, Sp 24
Offer seminars On-Demand	Begin 2023	Com. Dir.	• Coach Like Jesus, Sp 14
oner seminars on beinana	DCB.11 2023	Com. Dir.	 Joshua's Conquest Su 22, Sp 23
			• Multiply Like Jesus, F 22
			 Late 2nd Temple Ossuaries, Sp 23
			• SOULutions, F 19
			• Top 10 Finds Bib. Arch. Sum 23
			• First Apologists, F 23
			<u>Available</u>
			ApologeticsModernism, Postmod.,
			and Christianity
			 Shaking the Foundations of Doubt
			ArchaeologyGo Now to Shiloh
			Mt. Ebal Tablet
			 Walls of Jericho Leadership
			Conflict Resolution
			 Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts
			Shaping Spiritual
			Leaders Society and Culture
			God and Science
			Hello?Revival, Awakening, and
Align with other programs			Reform
Parkway Fellowship Resid.	Begin 2023	Provost	What is Justice?
Crown of Glory	Begin 2023	S. Goss	
Global Methodist Church	Begin 2023	President	
Intern programs	2024	Provost	
Retreats and camps	2024	FIOVUST	
o Pine Cove	Sum 2024	Dussidant	(moved to Graduate
o Others?	2025	President	programs area)
Align with other programs in 6 areas of cultural influence:		Pres.,	
Business, Education, Families,	2024	Provost	
Government, Media, Religion			

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er GRADUATE degree grams that cover all 66 May 2015 May 2015		Administration	F.2-8 H.3, I.	Complete
Explore instructional plan options offering classes during nights and weekends	Initiated Fall 2016	Provost	F.2-8 I. J.2	Offered every semester
Network with local, national, and international ministries to incorporate additional teaching sites and guest speakers into the program	Annually	Provost	J.2, I.	Ongoing since 2013
Beta test offering select courses online synchronously (live) and recording for potential asynchronous delivery (on demand).	Begin beta testing in 2016	Administration Faculty Provost	F.2-8 I.	Began beta testing in Fall 2017 semester
Beta Test Models:SkypeZoomSlingStudio, YouTube, and Zoom	F 2016 – S 17 F 2018 – S 19 F 2019 – F 20	President Com. Team Com. Dir.	F.2-8 I.	Complete
Officially launch Distance Education Program	Summer 2021	President Provost Com. Dir.	F.2-8 I.	TRACS approved DE in 4/2021 NC-SARA approved 12/2021
Add Master of Arts (MA) program	2014-15	President Provost	l. J.2	Since 2015
Add Dual Degree Completion (DD) program	2014-15	President Provost	l. J.2	Since 2015
Add Licensed Professional (LP)	2014-15			Completed 2015
Rename Vocational Ministry Certificate (VMC) Rename Certificate of Theological Studies (CTS)	2020 2023	President Provost	I. J.2	Completed 2020 Completed 2023
Conduct Holy Land study tours regularly with TBS students, family and friends	Began 2015, annually starting 2018	Administration		Israel Tours • Jan 15 • May/Jun 18, 19, 22, 23
Add archaeological dig opportunities	Starting 2018	Provost	(Paid for by ind.	Mar 2024(annually)Egypt ToursMar 19
Offer study trips to other historical/religious locations in the U.S. and abroad	Ongoing	Provost	part.)	Archeological Digs May/Jun 18, 19, 22, 23 (annually) Others?
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Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Offer graduate courses, and eventually entire programs, in other physical locations	Begin by offering grad classes in regional proximity locations to attract student body for potential MA and MDiv Other Houston regions Israel Other Texas regions? Other states Arkansas (Branson)? Georgia (Atlanta-metro)? N. Carolina (Charlotte)? Tennessee? Others?	2016 2018 2024 2025	President Provost Provost President & Provost	I. J.2 K.3	NW Houston @Faithbridge F 16, SFM 501 S 17, SFM 502 F 17, PAS 501 S 18, PAS 511 F 18, BSM 501 S 19, THE 510 F 19, THE 501 Other @Israel since '18 ARC 510 ARC 520 and 521
Assess graduate degree	Match Bible book(s) with	Intermittent	Provost		Began 2012
courses, programs, and schedules (see CAP for schedules) and make prudent	appropriate course(s)Examine course content relative to overall programs	Intermittent	Provost		Began 2012
adjustments	Curriculum alignment review instit/prog/course	Launched Jan 2020	Provost		In process
	Determine most effective ways to deliver content	Intermittent	Provost		Ongoing since Fall 2017
	Offer some elective course options for degrees	Launched Fall 2017	President Provost		Completed 2018
	Review Grad programs • Assess matches, course offerings, and content	Launched Fall 2017	Faculty Students Staff Board		Switched Bible book matches, added/changed some courses
	 Explore number of credit hours/courses required for MDiv, MA, VMC Add MA majors/conc. for 6 cultural areas of influence 	Starting		I.	Reduced MDiv to 84 credit hours Added 4 MA's: BHA, BLC, BS, CHT (2017)
	 Biblical History and Archaeology (BHA) Biblical Languages and 	2017			LP to 9 courses
	Culture (BLC) Biblical Studies (BS) Church History and				Added Capstone Added 4 conc.:
	Theology (CHT) Biblical Leadership (BL) Christian Education (CE) Missions (M)				BL, CE, M, MP (2022)
	 Media Production (MP) Biblical Counseling (BC) – Licensure and Non-Lic. 	(Pending \$)			On hold
	Convert BC to CTS grad AUAdd denom. course options:	2023			Complete 5/23
	 Free Methodist GMC Review assessment criteria and methods 	2023-24 2023-24 Ongoing			In process In process Scheduled

Develop and promote archaeological programs to leverage combination of biblical studies and biblical archaeology	 Create MA in Biblical History and Archaeology (MABHA) Add annual excavations as options along with Holy Land study tours 	2017	Provost Provost		Completed 2017
biblical studies and biblical	options along with Holy Land study tours	2018	Provost		
	11111				2018, 2019, 2022, 2023
	 Utilize media to promote TBS archaeological news Conduct interviews Publish articles/books Shiloh Network News Social Media Speaking engagements Press conferences 	2018	Provost, President, MABHA stud./alumni, Com. Dir., Mar. Dir.		Ongoing Ongoing Launched 2018 Ongoing Ongoing Mt. Ebal Tablet (3/24/22 at LTL)
	 Create traveling museum exhibits for sharing "World of Jesus" Univ. of Pikeville Pike County Library Grace Fellowship Windwood Presbyterian HBU Dunham Bible Mu. Andrews University Dayspring Univ. of Pikeville Mid-Atlantic Chr. Univ. 	2018	Provost, MABHA stud./alumni	I.	Hosted ○ 9/2018 ○ 10-11/2018 ○ 11-12/2018 ○ 1-2/2019 ○ 2-4/2019 ○ 9-10/2019 ○ 10-12/2019 ○ 2020 ○ 2021
	"3J" Churches Colleges/Universities Conferences Expos	Annually	Provost		PF, FBC Houston, HCU BTW 4/27-29/23 KCE, 8/23 ETS 11/23
	 Engage students in attending/presenting at ETS and NEAS conf. & meetings 	Annually	Provost		<u>Participated</u> 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022
Establish Archaeological Studies Institute (ASI) to continue archaeological programs (see above section) and oversee all TBS-related archaeological initiatives • Launch ASI • Develop ASI website • Seek ASI funding • Establish campus museum • Host museum events • Grand Opening • Katy Church • Katy Church • Katy Chr. Chamber • Hannukah to Christmas		2021 2022 2022 2022 2022 Annually Annually	Provost Pres/Com Dir Prov/Dev Dir Provost Provost Mar. Dir. Mar. Dir. Provost	I.	2021 2022 Ongoing Opened 3/22 3/22 3/22, 3/23 12/22 12/22, 12/23

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
	Train museum docents	Annually	Provost		<u>Offered</u>
	 Offer arch. seminars Joshua's Conquest Late 2nd Temple Top 10 Finds Bib. Arch. 	Annually	Pres/Prov/Dev		Su '22, Sp '23 Sp '23 Sum '23
	Establish a permanent museum space that includes public access areas as well as ASI administrative headquarters, and possibly incorporates all TBS facilities	2023-25	Provost and others		In process
	 Manage NEAS Launch new website Recruit members Publish and present 	Annually	Provost and others		Began 2022 Jan 2023 Ongoing Ongoing
	Write and publish on archaeological topics	Annually	Provost		3J Guidebook (2022) The El-Burnat (A) Structure(s): Joshua's Altar? (2022) - Book Excavations at Khirbet el-Maqatir (2023) - Book Mt. Ebal Tablet (2023) - Article Open Bible Sup. (24)
	Lead Tel Shiloh excavations	Annually	Provost		2018, 2019, 2022, 2023 →
	Explore leading other excavations and projects	Annually	Provost		MEDS (Ebal) 2019
	Explore educational engagements with other archaeological programs	Ongoing	Provost		
	Create PhD program in archaeology	2024-25	Provost		

3. Enrollment

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Loodon(s)	Dudget	Chahua
Establish a healthy	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
baseline student			Provost	E.1-3,5	Averages YR BC F,S G F, S
enrollment in each class			FIOVOSC	l. 1.	12 11,18 9, 9
and program	Enroll per CLASS	By:			13 10,12 15,12
and program	• 10	• 20 14 -15			14 14,13 13,15
	• 12	• 20 15 -16			15 14,15 5, 6
	• 10	• 20 16 -17			16 12,12 5, 7
	• 10	• 20 17 -18			17 14, 9 9, 6
	• 12	• 20 18 -19			18 11, 9 7,11
	• 14	• 20 19 -20			19 39, 8 8,11
	• 12	• 20 20 -21			20 8, 4 8,10
	• 10	• 20 21 -22			21 4,4,76 10, 8,4
	• 12	• 20 22 -23			22 17,10,60 7, 7,8
	• 14	• 20 23 -24			23 11
	• 15	• 20 24 -25			24
		_			
	Enroll BC	By:			BC Actual
	• 80	• 20 14 -15			14 = 82
	• 90	• 20 15 -16			15 = 99
	• 100	• 20 16 -17			16 = 70
	• 100	• 20 17 -18			17 = 125
	• 100	• 20 18 -19			18 = 106
	• 125	• 20 19 -20			19 = 240
	• 150	• 20 20 -21			20 = 10
	• 75	• 20 21 -22			21 = 82
	• 90	• 20 22 -23			22 = 142
	Enroll VMC/CTS	Dv.			VMC/CTS Actual
	• 2	By: • 20 15 -16			15 = 2
	• 4	• 20 15 -16 • 20 16 -17			16 = 12
	• 6				17 = 7
	• 8	• 20 17 -18			18 = 10
	• 10	• 20 18 -19			19 = 8
	• 12	• 20 19 -20			20 = <mark>2</mark>
	• 8	• 20 20 -21			21 = 5
	• 10	• 20 21 -22			22 = 3
	• 10	• 20 22 -23			23 = 5
	• 10	• 20 23 -24			
	Enroll MA	By:			MA Actual
	• 1	• 20 15 -16			15 = 3
	• 3	• 20 16 -17			16 = 4
	• 5	• 20 17 -18			17 = 11
		• 20 17 -18			18 = 15
	• 10	• 20 19 -20			19 = 25
	• 15	• 20 20 -21			20 = 25
	• 20	• 20 20 -21 • 20 21 -22			21 = 28
	• 25	• 20 21 -22			22 = 34
	• 30	• 20 22 -23 • 20 23 -24			23 = 23
	• 35	• 20 23 -24 • 20 24 -25			24 =
	• 40				25 =
	• 45	• 20 25 -26			26 =
	• 50	• 20 26 -27			27 =
	• 55	• 20 27 -28			1

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
	Enroll MDiv	By:	zeade! (3)		MDiv Actual 12 = 11 13 = 17 14 = 19 15 = 7 16 = 5 17 = 9 18 = 4 19 = 3 20 = 7 21 = 11 22 = 8 23 = 5 24 = 25 = 26 = 27 =
Expand to additional PROGRAM locations where at least 15 new students commit to enroll in the program	Add 1 new location	By 2016	President Provost	I. J.1-2 K.3	Added in Fall 2016 location at Faithbridge (as of Spring 2020 on- hold (avg of 6 students)
	Research options	Ongoing			On hold
Grow MDiv program	Increase the number of MDiv students	Fall 2020 and beyond	Provost	E.5, I.	Ongoing
Employ use of seminars and modular elective to attract new students	Implement seminar options into regular courses	Spring 2021	Provost		Began Sp 2021
	Add modular elective	2021-22	Provost		Complete 2022
	Add new seminars by extracting key sections out of existing classes	2022	Provost		(See progress in BC section on p. 19)
	(See corresponding BC section on p. 19 for plans related to expanding seminars)				

4. Staffing

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Employ FULL-TIME staff to	President (CEO)	Annually	Board of Trustees	I.	7/2011
help lead the seminary with annual renewal contracts offered each June-May	Provost (CAO)	Annually	President	I.	10/15 – 12/16 1/17 – 5/22
onered each June-May	Provost (CAO)/VP Donor Rel.	Annually	President	I.	6/22
	Faculty/Dean (FT)	Annually	President/Provost	I.	1/12 – 11/16 7/17 – 5/22 8/22
	2 nd Faculty/Dean (FT)	2019	President/Provost	I.	1/19 – 12/19
	2 nd Faculty (FT)	2023-24	President/Provost	I.	(pending \$)
	Business Manager (FT)	Annually	President	I.	5/19
	Communications Dir. (FT)	Annually	President	I.	6/21
	Marketing Director	2023?	President	I.	
	Office Manager/Registrar	2023?	President	I.	
	Development Director	2024?	President	l.	
	VP Fin. & Adm.	2024?	President	l.	
	Museum Director	2025?	Provost	l.	
	ASI Director	2027?	Provost	I.	
Employ PART-TIME staff to help manage the seminary with annual renewal contracts offered each June- May (other than seasonal	Communications Director (Outsource team)	Annually	President	I. I. I. J.4 I.	8/12 – 7/15 8/15 – 5/16 None 16-18 11/18–10/19 11/19 – 5/21
employees, such as Summer Interns)	Admin. Assistant/Librarian	Annually	President	I. \$0	1/12–12/17 Vol. 1/18-5/23
	Administrative Coordinator	Annually	President	l. l. l.	7/12 - 8/14 8/14 - 2/15 3/15 - 5/19
	Summer Intern(s)	2014	President	I.	5/14 – 7/14
	Business Manager	2016-19	President	I.	8/16 – 7/19
	Communications Coord.	2017-19	President	I.	8/17 – 5/19
	Marketing Coord.	2017-19	President	I.	8/17 – 5/19
	Finance Administrator	2018-19	President	I.	5/18 – 4/19
	Student Services Co.	Annually	President	l.	2/19 – 5/21 9/21 – 5/21 6/21 – 5/23
	Office Manager/Registrar	Annually	President	I.	5/19
	Marketing Director	Annually	President	I.	1/21 – 12/21 3/22
	Development Director	Annually	President	I.	7/21
	and Librarian	Annually	President	I.	6/23
	Communications Staff	2023-24	President	I. 	
	ASI Co-Director	2024-25	Provost	1.	
	ASI Staff	2025-26	Provost	I.	
	Dev/Marketing Staff	2025-26	President	l.	

Employ additional ADJUNCT FACULTY to teach new classes	Hire Latino faculty for Bible Certificate program	2015	Provost	l. J.1	23 N/A 3, 1 F 15 +1 Sp 18 + 1 F 18 Ended
Employ sufficient ADJUNCT FACULTY to help teach current program courses	Classes per semester, BC G 3 5 4 5 5 5 6 6 7 6 8 6 9 5 5 6 6 7 6 8 6 8 6 8	By: 2012-13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2020-21 2021-22 2021-22 2022-23 2023-24	Provost	l. J.1-2	Actual Classes/sem YR BC F,S G F,S, Su 12 3, 3 5, 5 13 6, 5 5, 5 14 5, 4 7, 5 15 6, 5 5, 6 16 5, 4 6, 5 17 9, 8 7,10 18 9, 6 10,11, 3 19 6, 3 8, 7, 3 20 1, 3 7, 3, 2 21 1, 3 10, 7, 5 22 5, 4 8, 9,
Secure regular part-time VOLUNTEERS to help with seminary administration Secure seasonal part-time VOLUNTEERS to help with various events and projects	VP Finance/Administration Finance Administrator Librarian (convert to paid summer 2023) Banquet Team Communications Assistant(s) Fundraising Events Museum Docents	Annually 2014-16 Annually Bi-annually Annually Annually Annually	President VP Finance/Adm. President Board Chair Com. Director Board Chair Provost	i. \$0 i. \$0 i.	8/2010 1/14 – 7/16 1/2018 – 5/23 2014, 17, 19 5/2014 2018, 19, 20, 24 Began 2022

5. Finances

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Maintain an Annual	Preliminary and final	Annual according to	VP Fin/Admin		Ongoing
Operating Budget	budget approvals by	Budget Process	Bus. Man.	1	since 2010
	Board	Guideline	Board Fin. Com.		
	Review and update each	Annually each	VP Fin/Admin		Ongoing
Maintain a 5-year	year; prepare detailed	January	Staff		since 2010
financial plan	summary/assumptions		Board Finance	l.	
	for each line item		Committee		
	Set tuition and fees to	Annually in Winter as	President		Ongoing
Review tuition and	reflect market	part of budgeting	VP Fin/Admin	l.	since 2011
fees schedule	consistency and meet	process	Bus. Man.	1.	
	operational solvency		Provost, Board		
Distribute invoices	Notify students of	Monthly in			Ongoing
and statements to	payments due	conjunction with	Business	I.	since 2012
students		semester schedules	Manager	G.2	
Assist students with	Provide guidance and	Annually			Ongoing
fundraising	resource materials	Ailliually	Provost	l.	since 2012
runuraising	resource materials		Office Manager	G.2-4	Since 2012
Host large	Provide TBS updates and	Bi-annually			9/21/14
fundraising event	solicit donor support				1/27/17 2/8/19
			President	1.	1/29/21 online
			Board Chair	E.4	2024 Jan
			Dev. Dir.	2	2025
					2027
Participate in	Host online fundraising	Annually			2021
GivingTuesday	activities in association				Goal =\$50,000
	with global event				Rcvd = \$145,900 72 donors
			Com. Dir.		2022
			Dev. Dir.	l.	Goal = \$250,000
			Mar. Dir.	E.4	Rcvd = \$239,000
			IVIGIT. DIT.		75 donors 2023
					Goal = \$250,000
					Rcvd =
Host smaller info	Provide TBS updates and	Bi-annually beginning			Date, # Attended
meetings	solicit donor support	in 2018 (off-set from			3/24/18, 34
•		banquet years)			4/21/18, 26
		, , ,	Administration	l. 	11/15/19, 58 (3 cancelled
			Board	E.4	due to COVID)
					2/20/22, 38
Canalyst fire events	Audia financi-l		D 14 10		Onneite
Conduct financial	Audit financial	Approve in Winter Approve in Winter	Board Aud Com	I.	Ongoing
audit	statements, including	Begin after 5/31	VP Fin/Admin	J.3	since 2012
Complete annual	select/approve Auditor File Form 990	• Complete by 11/1 By Oct 15 each year	Bus. Man.		Ongoing
•	File FOITH 990	by Oct 15 each year	VP Fin/Admin,	l.	since 2011
IRS filings			Bus. Man.	J.3	Since 2011
Engage in general					Actual FYE
fundraising to help				A.	(in 1,000's)
fund TBS			President	E.4	
operations			Board Chair	L.4 I.	44 44
					11 = \$1,059
					12 = \$95

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Objective	Donations per year: \$ 500,000 \$ 550,000 \$ 600,000 \$ 650,000 \$ 700,000 \$ 750,000 \$ 800,000 \$ 850,000 \$ 900,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,100,000 \$ 1,200,000	By: 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20 2020-21 2021-22 2022-23 2023-24 2024-25 2025-26	Leader(s)	Budget	\$\text{status}\$ 13 = \$364 14 = \$368 15 = \$456 16 = \$566 17 = \$554 18 = \$616 19 = \$704 20 = \$666 21 = \$661 22 = \$478 23 = \$759 24 =
Subscribe to FoundationSearch	\$ 1,300,000 Access online fundraising resources	2026- 27 By 2013 Renew in 2018	President	l. E.4	Since 2013
Update fundraising plan	Outline strategic fundraising plan	By annual Board meeting each year	President	l.	Annually since 2015
Apply to Foundations	Submit LOI and proposals	Annually	President Dev. Dir.	I.	Annually since 2012
Mission Tithe	Support other ministries with tithe of TBS tuition and fees income	Annually	President VP Fin./Adm.	D.4	Ongoing since 2012
	Add tithe from TBS publishing initiatives	Annually	President		Neh. Press launch 3/22
Leverage financial credibility through key alliances	Seek ECFA accreditation Maintain profiles on: GuideStar (Candid) Great Non-Profits	2019 Annually	Pres/Bus. Man. Pres/Bus. Man.	l.	Completed Sep 2019 Ongoing Ongoing
Maintain minimum balances in fund accounts	General = \$500,000 Scholarship = \$50,000 Reserve = \$200,000 Endowment = \$5,000,000	Annually beginning 2023	President Provost/VP DR Dev. Dir.	I.	Seeking
Grow Endowment	Add donations during each annual year equivalent to at least 10% of the principle balance at the beginning of the year	Beginning 2024 for five years	President Provost/VP DR Dev. Dir.	I.	Scheduled

6. Facilities

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Review main campus facilities adequacy, maintenance, and obsolescence	Assure consistency of facilities with current and immediate demands, based on enrollment/programs	Annually	President VP Fin/Admin	i.	Ongoing since 2012
Forecast long-range plans for main campus	Determine space requirements for seminary activities	Annually	Board Campus Development Committee	F.	GFUMC 08-12 GSWEC 12
Fire/safety inspections	Operability and adequacy of smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, evacuation plans, etc.	Monthly	VP Fin/Admin	F.7 L.2	Ongoing, procedure documented
Arrange for extension sites to teach courses, including individual class sessions as well as entire courses	Cultivate LOCAL sites and ministry partners Cultivate REGIONAL sites and ministry partners Cultivate NATIONAL sites and ministry partners	Annually	President Provost	l. K.2-3	(see BC and Graduate sections)
Secure permanent campus facilities for administration, classroom(s), library, media production, museum, student space(s), and storage, as well as parking, restrooms, and other general facility and grounds needs	Envisioning Future TBS (EFT) meetings with administration, alumni, board, faculty, staff, students, and others to detail specific needs and plans. Raise \$5 million capital \$ Secure new location Prepare new location Move to new location	Begin 2022 and report to Board May 2023 In process TBD TBD TBD	President EFT Team President, Provost, VP Fin/Adm, Board/CDC	I.	EFT Sessions 2/26/22 Board 4/26/22 Com. 5/2/22 Board 9/8/22 Mix 9/16/22 Ad/Fac 9/20/22 Stud. 10/2/22 Board 11/9/22 Crown 1/8/23 ExCom 2/15/23 Staff 2/25/23 Board 5/8/23 Board

The Bible Seminary's main campus facilities consist of 3,800 sq. ft. of leased space with one 40-seat classroom (Suite 270) and small kitchen area (cabinets, microwave, refrigerator) and storage closet, a museum (Suite 250), a 16-seat Library/Boardroom (Suite 263), five individual offices, a combined office/production studio, a combined office/reception area, and access to common restroom facilities and a parking lot with 100 parking spaces. Total simultaneous capacity on the main campus approximates 40 students in one classroom plus up to 16 in the library. The campus is located at 2655 S Mason Rd, Katy, TX 77450, in the business complex on the grounds of the 80-acre Great Southwest Equestrian Center (GSWEC) and next door to the 30-acre Grace Fellowship Church campus.

The Board established a Campus Development Committee (CDC) in 2012 to work with administration to evaluate facility needs and provision strategies. Current leases at the GSWEC extend through July 2023. Options to acquire additional space in the current facilities are reviewed as they come available, but several recent options were declined in favor of improved options related to possible relocation.

7. Policies and Procedures

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Provide the catalogs, handbooks, and manual	Board Handbook	Annually reviewed and	Board Chair		Since 2013
required for TRACS accreditation in printable	Board Packet	regularly approved by	Board Chair		Since 2012
formats and available for online viewing and download	Faculty Handbook	the Board	Provost		Since 2011
Trewing and download	Policy Manual		VP/Fin & Adm		Since 2012
	Student Catalog		Provost		Since 2012
	Student Handbook		Provost	I.	Since 2013
Convert common sections among docs to shared source files	Use MS Word features to build new document templates	2021-22	President		Completed
Convert to online document management and file sourcing via the TBS website	Implement as part of new website development	2023-24	President and Com. Dir.		Completed Sum 2023
Institute a Comprehensive Assessment Plan (CAP)	Write CAP	By 2014	Administration		Since May 2014
, recessioner i am (e. a. ,	Implement	In 2014		I.	
	Evaluate and improve	Annually			
Conduct Annual reviews in accordance with the CAP	(see CAP for details and schedules)	Annually	Administration	I.	Since 2014
Integrate use of a	Write CSP	By 2014	Administration		Sep 2014
Comprehensive Strategic Plan	Implement	Ongoing	Administration		Began 2014
(CSP)	Review, eval, improve, and approve CSP	Annually	Administration		Since 2015
	Conduct Board Strategic Planning Retreats using CSP as a guide	Annually	Pres./Board	l.	Feb 15, 16, 17, 18, Mar 19, Feb 20, 21, 22, 23
	Conduct Staff Planning Retreats that include CSP interaction	Intermittent	President		Sep 12, 13, Jul 19, Feb 23
	Conduct annual TBS Retreats that include CSP interaction	Begin 2023	President		Began 2023

8. Accreditation

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
ABHE Affiliation	Maintain affiliation	Annual	President	G.15	2012 - 21
		renewal		0.13	
Prepare for TRACS application	Complete the 10 IER's	Fall 2014			Submitted
	(Institutional Eligibility				• Jul 2015
	Requirements)	C 2017			
		Summer 2017	President	11.40	Resubmitted
			Provost	H.10	• Jul 2017
					Annroyed
					Approved ● Jan 2018
					● Jail 2016
Apply for TRACS Applicant	Submit TRACS "Applicant				Submitted
status	Institutional Profile"	Fall 2014			• May 2015
Status	more definition of the second	Sum 2017	President		• Jul 2017
		Win 2017-18	Provost	H.10	• Jan 2018
					Approved
					• Jan 2018
Move from Applicant to	Submit Self-study Proposal	Jan 2018			Completed
Candidate to Accredited	Initial TRACS staff visit	Mar 2018			Completed
status	Conduct Self-study #1	Sum 2018			Completed
	Submit Self-study Report #1	Sep 2018			Completed
	Host Evaluation Team #1	Nov 2018			Completed
	Appear TRACS Commission	Apr 2019			Completed
	Pay TRACS Candidate Fees	Apr 2019	Dunnisland	11.10	Completed
	Conduct Self-study #2	Winter 2020	President	H.10	Completed
	Submit Self-study report #2	Feb 2020			Completed
	Host Evaluation Team #2	Jul 2020			Completed
	Appear TRACS Commission	Oct 2020			Completed
	Pay TRACS Accredited fees	Oct 2020			Completed Completed
	Earn Accredited Status	Oct 2020			Completed
					Completed
Notify appropriate networks	Obtain TheBibleSeminary.edu	2020	President	E.	Completed
about accredited status	through Educause		_	I.	Nov 2020
	• Redirect .com, .net., and .org	2020	Pres./Com.		Nov 2020
	to .edu site	2020	Dung /Com		15
	Send press releases	2020 2020	Pres./Com. Pres./Com.		15+ outlets 400+
	Notify Katy Church emails,	2020	Pres./Com.		Houston org
	letters, flyers	2021	President		Complete
	Seek registration on federal, patienal (IREDS), state	2021	rresident		Complete
	national (IPEDS), state,				
Maintain TRACS Accreditation	regional, and local org sites Submit required annual	Annually	President	l.	Submitted
ivianitani TRACS ACCIEUITATION	operational reports (AOR)	Aimually	FIESIUEIIL	١.	2019, 2020,
	operational reports (AON)				2019, 2020,
Pursue Distance Education	TRACS				Completed
(DE) approvals	Submit TRACS Prospectus	2020	President		Dec 2020
	Host TRACS Site Visit	2021	President		Jan 2021
	Gain TRACS approval	2021	President	H.10	Apr 2021
				I.	
	Texas Workforce Com (TWC)	2020	President		Nov 2020
	NC-SARA	2021	Pres/Bus Man		Dec 2021,
					Aug 2023

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Achieve 5-yr Reaffirmation of TRACS Accredited Status	 Submit Self-study Proposal Host TRACS staff visit Conduct Self-study Host TRACS Eval. Team Complete Team Report Team Report to Commission Appear for Reaffirmation 	Nov 2023 By Jan 2024 By Dec 1, 2024 By Jan 15, '25 By Feb 1, 2025 Mar 2025 Apr 2025	President President President President TRACS Team TRACS Team President	H.10	Scheduled
Attend TRACS Annual Conferences	Send TBS representative	Annually each Fall	President	H.10	Attended Oct 2013 (San Diego) Oct 2022 (Orlando) Oct 2023 (Orlando)
Explore additional options for accreditation and association	Apply for membership with the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (EFCA)	2019	Business Manager		Completed Sep 2019
	Explore pursuing accreditation with the Association of Theological Schools (ATS)	TBD	President and Provost	G.15	On hold
	Explore pursuing accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)	TBD President and Provost		0.13	On hold
	Join NC-SARA (Distance Ed)	2021	President		Completed Dec 2021

9. Alumni

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Establish an Alumni network of communications with and for TBS Alumni	Build a communications foundation by employing online resources to establish connections with future TBS alumni (current students)				
	TBS Student Information System - assist current students in setting up and learning how to manage and update their personal	During SFM 505 class, in Orientation, and during student life	SFM faculty, Provost, Registrar, and Student Services Coordinator	I.	Began 2015
	 data in the system Social media sites – form TBS-related groups and pages and establish links to students and alumni (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter, etc.) 	Annually	Com. and Mar. Directors	I.	Completed 2022
	Create a Student Gov. Ass. (SGA) and hold reg. meetings	2019	Provost/Stud. Services Coor.	K.2	Completed 2019
	Elect SGA officers (President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer)	Annually	SGA	H.2	Since 2019
	Work with SGA to form alumni association vision, mission, and purpose	2020	SGA and Marketing Dir.	H.2 I.	In process
	Include alumni highlights and updates in <i>The Sentinel</i>	Annually	Com. & Mar. Directors	E.3 I.	Since 2015
	Post alumni highlights online in social media posts	Regularly	Com. & Mar. Directors	I.	Since 2015
	Invite alumni to participate in TBS podcasts	Regularly	Com. & Mar. Directors	I.	Since 2021
Encourage and support Alumni	Regularly contact	Annually	President, Staff	I.	Since 2015
Audilli	Conduct regular surveys 5 years after 1st grad class Bi-annual surveys	2020 Begin 2023	Mar. Dir.	E.1, I.	Completed Scheduled
	Invite to events and seminars	Since 2015	President, Staff	I.	Ongoing
	Handwritten birthday cards	2023	Dev. Dir.	l.	Ongoing

10. Communications and Marketing

Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Recruit students utilizing	Local print media	Annually	Com/Mar.		Since 2012
advertising in local	 Marquee signs 		Directors		Since 2013
media	Online			E.5, I.	Since 2011
	Local radio				2013
	Local TV				2014
Market TBS regionally &	Advertise online	Annually	Com/Mar.	E.5	Since 2013
nationally	Attend Grad Fairs		Directors	K.1-3	Since 2013
	 Engage schools w/shared 			I.	Since 2012
	values, especially ABHE, ATS				
	and TRACS schools			V 1 2	Since 2014
	Attend conf./events			K.1-3 K.1-3	Since 2014 Since 2017
	Speak at conf./events			N.1-5	3/2022
	Press Conference(s)		- 4		,
Market TBS through TBS	Publish The Sentinel	Annually	Com/Mar.	E.3, I.	<u>Issues</u> 2012 Fa
publications and	Mail print copy		Directors		2013 W, Su
productions	Post digital copy online				2014 W, Su
	 Duplicate select content in social media platforms 				2015 Sp, Su 2016 – 2023 Su
	•				
	Host TBS website	Constantly	Com. Director		<u>Website versions</u> 2011, 2014, 2018,
					2020, 2023
	Mail postcards	Intermittent	C/M Directors	F 1 I	Postcards
	Mail postcards	Intermittent	C/M Directors	E.1, I.	2011, 2012, 2013,
					2014, 2016, (On hold)
	Provide staff Business Cards	Since 2012	Pres/Com Dir.	E.3	Ongoing
	Produce promo videos	Intermittent	C/M Directors	G.2, I.	Ongoing
	Social Media presence	Constantly	Pres/Com/Mar	E.3, I.	Facebook, Instagram
	·				LinkedIn, Twitter,
					YouTube
	Financial media presence	Since 2019	President	E.3, I.	Ongoing
	 President's note cards 	Since 2020	President	E.5, I.	Ongoing
	• 2020 Vision meetings	2019-20	President	E.3, I.	Completed 2/20
	Convert to .edu domain	2020	President	E.4, I.	Completed 11/20
	Launch TBS Podcast	Since 2020	Com/Mar Dir.	E.1, I.	Ongoing
	Launch Nehemiah Press	Since 2022	President	E.4, I.	Ongoing
	Rebrand TBS	2023	Com/Mar Dir.	E.4, I.	Complete
	Launch TBS app	2023	Com/President	E.4, I.	Complete Sep 2023
	Beyond meetings/dinners	2023-24	President	E.4, I.	Began Sep 2023
Market TDC through TDC	Conclusion and a second as	Appualler	1 dm /Fc = /C+= ff		Ongoing
Market TBS through TBS administrators, board,	Speaking engagements as TRS representatives.	Annually	Adm/Fac/Staff	I.	Ongoing
faculty, staff, students &	TBS representatives • Published works with TBS-	Intermittent	Adm/Fac/Staff	ı.	Cawthorne
alumni	related authors	Intermittent	Admiracistan	١.	Leavitt
alamin	Telated adtitions				• Lewis
					McClinton Detrovish
					PetrovichStripling
	TBS apparel	Intermittent	President, SGA	I.	2013
	TBS bumper stickers	2020	SGA	E.5, H.2	2019
	3J merchandise	2022	ASI	I.	2023

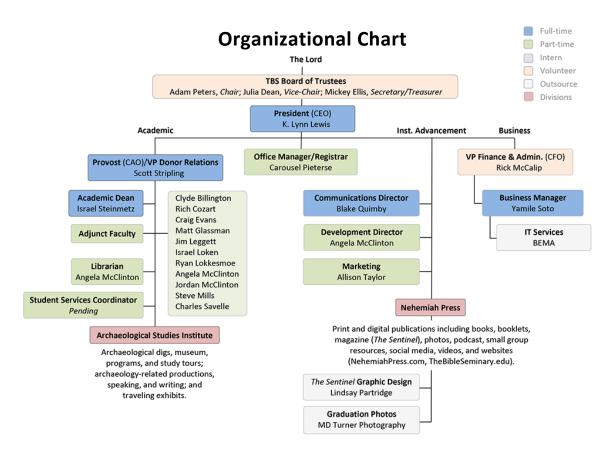
Objective	Goals	Timeline	Leader(s)	Budget	Status
Work in conjunction	Offer online course(s) to	Fall/Spring	Provost/Com.	F.4-5, I.	Ongoing since
with internal & external	utilize as TBS promos	Semesters	Dir.		2016
organizations &					
individuals to market	 Offer TBS course(s) and/or 	Fall/Spring	Provost/Com.	l.	Ongoing since
TBS	course sessions at other local	Semesters	Dir.	J.1-2	2016
	and regional locations			K.2-3	
	Utilize TBS personal	Ongoing	Adm/Fac	l.	<u>Productions</u>
	connections with media				Digging for Truth
	groups, ministry leaders, and				Shiloh Network
	persons of influence to				NewsGo Now to Shiloh
	market TBS to new audiences				• The 700 Club
					AR101 Archaeology
	Ass. For Biblical Research	1. 2018-23	1. Pres/Prov/Fac		in Action
	2. Bible Land Passages	2. 2019 3. 2018	Provost Provost		• Is Genesis History?
	3. CBN 4. Faithlife	4. 2018	4. Provost		 Joshua's Conquest Patterns of
	5. Gesher Media	5. 2022	5. Provost		Evidence series
	6. Netflix	6. 2017	6. Fac		Expedition
	7. TBN: InGrace, Takeaways	7. 2019, 2023	7. Provost		Unknown
	with Kirk Cameron	0. 2040	o Fee Breezest		Quest for the Throng of Cod
	8. Thinking Man Films	8. 2018 9. 2017	8. Fac, Provost 9. Provost		Throne of God
	 Travel Channel Podcasts: Elisa Childers, Sean 	10. 2022	10. Provost		
	McDowell, Eric Metaxes	10. 2022	2011 101001		
	11. (numerous articles)	11. Ongoing	11. Pres/Prov/Fac		
	"World of Jesus" Exhibit	Ongoing	Provost, TBS	l.	2018-2022
	"- "		students		
	• "3 J" Museum exhibit	Begin 2023	3J staff		A manually in Ass
	 Katy Christian Expo ETS Annual Meeting 	Begin 2023	33 Stail		Annually in Aug
	2. LT3 Attribut Weeting	DCGIII 2023			Annually in Nov
Engage outside	Meet with consultant	Fall 2014	Administration	l.	Completed
consulting to assist with					
marketing and	Meet with higher education	2018	Administration	H.10	In process in
recruitment	consulting firm (TRACS				conjunction with
	process serves this function				TRACS
	for now)				interactions

Financial Forecast

TBS Financial Forecast 2024-2029

Code	Fiscal Year	Actual 2016-17	Actual 2017-18	Actual 2018-19	Actual 2019-20	Actual 2020-21	Actual 2021-22	Actual 2023-23	Budget 2023-24	Forecast 2024-25	Forecast 2025-26	Forecast 2026-27	Forecast 2027-28	Forecast 2028-29
A. 1. 2. 3. 4.	Fundraising Targets General Operations Scholarship Fund Student IT Fund Holy Land Fund Library Fund Facilities Fund	550,181 3,800	613,889 2,150	703,807 0	668,464 850	605,355 5,250	461,980 4,900	784,605 6,300	733,000 6,000	740,330 0	747,733 0	755,211 0	762,763 0	770,390 0
6. 7.	Other Restricted Funds					50,605	6,395	15	0					
B. 1. 2. 3.	Investment Income Interest Classroom/Library Rent Library/Bookstore Sales	45 0 422	923 0 726	206 0 104	370 0 0	(1,017)	(1,444) 4,174	(2,401)	100 0 0	250 600 0	250 600 0	250 600 0	250 600 0	250 600 0
4. 5. 6. 7. 8.	3J Merchandise Sales Guidebook Merch Pack T-Shirt Sticker Hanukah to Christmas Bundle	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0			1,580 330 1,574 23 620	3,500 1,000 2,500 10 0					
9.	Nehemiah Press							958	1,000					
C. 1. 2.	Program Income Tuition, Fees - TBI Tuition, Fees - TBS	20,300 51,519	40,703 83,015	24,942 84,238	14,152 140,290	0 118,830	0 166,178	158,815	5,910 136,990	6,383 150,689	6,893 173,292	7,445 199,286	8,040 229,179	8,684 263,556
	Grant Income				51,904	127,794	18,800	10,000	200,000	220,000	242,000	266,200	292,820	322,102
	Total Income	626,267	741,406	813,296	876,030	906,817	660,983	962,419	1,090,010	1,118,252	1,170,769	1,228,992	1,293,652	1,365,582
D. 1. 2. 3. 4.	Awards and Grants Pioneer Scholarships Student Scholarships (TBS) Scholarships - TBI Missions (Tithe)	1,708 4,275 0 6,500	1,260 8,750 0 11,463	240 4,021 0 10,787	0 600 0 15,623	0 0 0 14,600	13,773	15,641	0 0 0 14,290	0 0 0 15,707	0 0 0 18,019	0 0 0 20,673	0 0 0 23,722	0 0 0 27,224
E. 1.	Marketing/Recruiting Web Design/Maint	0	61	22,400	0	1	216	2,500 0	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
2.	Logo/Brand SEO	457	0	0				4,753 0	0 18,000	0 18,000	0 18,000	0 18,000	0 18,000	18,000
4. 5. 6.	Printed Materials Fundraising Advertising	0 15,138 7,361	0 4,251 6,020	7,131 15,235 5,560	9,787 527 8,111	11,137 82 13,765	20,517 287 10,964	18,574 526 5,486	15,500 20,000 9,500	20,000 20,000 10,000	20,000 20,000 12,000	20,000 20,000 12,000	20,000 20,000 13,000	20,000 20,000 13,000
F. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Facilities and Equipment Depreciation Office Space Rental Classroom Space Rental Office/Classroom Equipment IT Infrastructure Student IT Resources	9,904 23,552 34,252 3,258 834 945	7,094 24,013 34,139 4,732 34 800	6,113 25,385 33,903 6,391 0	4,529 27,480 35,318 2,663 310 199	3,954 28,290 37,931 4,967 0	8,703 28,428 37,428 6,006	10,792 29,138 38,358 7,255	10,700 49,508 25,834 7,000 500 2,500	10,700 50,993 26,609 5,000 500 2,575	10,700 52,523 27,407 5,000 500 2,652	10,700 54,099 28,230 5,000 500 2,732	10,700 55,722 29,076 5,000 500 2,814	10,700 57,393 29,949 5,000 500 2,898
7. 8. 9.	Properrty Insurance Facility Repairs & Maint. Utilities	0 3,438	110 3,123	212 3,392	360 3,361	552 3,427	2,256 3,333	4,233 844 3,550	2,500 4,000	1,500 4,100	1,500 4,203	1,500 4,308	1,500 4,415	1,500 4,526
G. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Administrative Expense Accounting Postage Copies/Reproduction Office Supplies Library Operations	0 1,123 2,150 1,008 532	0 1,843 1,504 1,652 258	0 4,909 1,349 2,007 781	200 6,963 4,277 4,655 636	0 4,550 2,950 3,093 830	2,781 1,459 9,279 1,215	576 1,708 8,683 865	0 3,707 1,200 9,000 1,000	0 4,000 1,500 9,000 1,000	0 4,500 1,750 9,000 1,000	0 5,000 2,000 9,000 1,000	0 5,500 2,250 9,000 1,000	0 6,000 2,500 9,000 1,000
6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13.	Instructional Expense Telephone Internet Cellular Phones Software & Hardware Bank/Brokerage Fees Credit Card Processing Legal Fees Regulatory Compliance	0 2,327 804 2,215 5,259 277 2,697 68 69	0 3,048 631 2,078 8,250 696 3,364 113 70	0 5,182 934 2,272 6,342 138 4,502 128 70	0 3,305 1,113 2,310 8,492 603 4,480 26 70	250 2,557 1,270 2,664 4,792 1,326 5,533 34 73	1,895 1,501 2,200 9,044 1,533 5,195 43	2,058 1,436 2,362 12,496 1,845 6,611 28	2,000 1,500 2,600 13,874 1,800 5,400 150	2,000 1,500 2,600 14,000 1,900 5,800 150 100	2,250 1,550 2,600 14,000 1,950 5,950 150 100	2,500 1,600 2,600 14,000 2,000 6,100 150 100	2,750 1,650 2,600 14,000 2,050 6,250 150 100	3,000 1,700 2,600 14,000 2,050 6,250 150 100
15.	Memberships	(802)	1,485	1,113	858	2,250	5,581	3,074	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200
H. 1. 2. 3. 4.	Other Expenses Insurance SGA Graduation/Ordination Interest Expense - General	3,736 0 1,051 0	5,180 0 1,298 0	6,381 0 3,686 0	5,863 (133) 2,881	6,161 35 2,497 317	8,058 154 3,990	5,785 (38) 4,423	7,200 300 2,000	7,200 300 2,500	7,200 300 2,500	7,200 300 2,500	7,200 300 2,500	7,200 300 2,500
5. 6.	Storage Gifts	0	0	0	0	0 128	1,487 64	3,315	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. 8. 9. 10.	Tuition & Fees - External Staff Development/ Continuin E Uncollected Accounts Accreditation Royalties	0	0 5,963	0 1,338 1,030 8,028	0 275 (80) 24,391	0 0 0 10,001	655 9,237	9,683 291	5,000 0 10,000	5,000 0 10,000	5,000 0 10,000	5,000 0 10,000	5,000 0 10,000	5,000 0 10,000
l. 1.	Payroll Expenses Base Salaries	236,056	357,307	413,001	480,344	469,395	516,384	525,144	602,950	621,039	615,808	634,282	653,311	672,910
2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.	Fed. Income Tax Social Security Medicare Health Insurance HSA Contribution Disability/Life Insurance 401(k) Processing Fees (ADP)	22,141 26,225 6,133 62,016 3,750 6,763 19,584 2,127	0 19,520 4,565 63,810 11,750 11,590 8,509 2,342	0 20,325 4,754 65,527 13,500 11,213 13,236 2,455	23,392 5,451 82,724 17,583 14,889 12,902 4,369	26,542 6,207 64,399 15,334 12,343 11,655 6,716	29,810 6,972 77,632 12,125 11,038 13,645 38	28,445 6,652 84,152 13,025 13,000 15,023 3,595	0 33,663 8,743 64,374 12,601 12,427 15,939 4,446	0 34,157 8,483 67,593 10,000 12,800 16,417 4,579	0 36,320 8,929 70,972 20,000 13,184 16,910 4,717	0 37,410 9,197 74,521 20,000 13,579 17,417 4,858	0 38,532 9,473 78,247 20,000 13,987 17,939 5,004	1 39,688 9,757 82,159 20,000 14,406 18,478 5,154

Code	Fiscal Year	Actual 2016-17	Actual 2017-18	Actual 2018-19	Actual 2019-20	Actual 2020-21	Actual 2021-22	Actual 2023-23	Budget 2023-24	Forecast 2024-25	Forecast 2025-26	Forecast 2026-27	Forecast 2027-28	Forecast 2028-29
10.	Relocation Reimb.	157	2,477	3,751	0	0	3,415	6,705	0	0	0	0	0	0
11.	GFUMC Reimb.	(7,000)	0	0	0	100			0	0	0	0	0	0
J	Contracts													
1.	Adjunct Faculty - TBI	13,700	19,000	25,800	4,200	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
2.	Adjunct Faculty - TBS	14,775	12,600	4,000	8,900	29,550	36,382	23,063	29,250	30,128	31,031	31,962	32,921	33,909
3.	Auditor	5,500	5,500	6,850	8,500	8,500	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,738	9,981	10,230	10,486	10,748
4.	Consultants	0	0	0	0	6,800	17,355							
5.	IT Support	7,200	7,320	7,560	21,790	7,200	8,120	7,800	7,800	8,580	9,438	10,382	11,420	12,562
J.	Travel and Meetings													
1.	Conference/Meeting	544	3,872	964	362	1,515	1,161	1,094	2,500	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
2.	Entertainment/Misc.	3,320	2,491	3,689	2,059	3,255	5,621	5,658	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
3.	Travel/Mileage	4,951	6,361	8,729	4,809	712	9,259	4,687	7,500	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
4.	Holy Land Travel								2,500					
	Contingency	0	0	0					0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Operating Expense	564,418	682,294	796,310	872,327	840,240	955,739	954,394	1,072,556	1,101,448	1,123,294	1,156,329	1,191,769	1,227,512
	Net Revenue over Expense	61,849	59,112	16,985	3,703	66,577	(294,756)	8,025	17,454	16,804	47,476	72,662	101,883	138,070
L.	Capital Expenditures													
1.	Capital Projects	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
2.	Capital Equipment	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Total Capital	0	0	5,000	5,000	5,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000



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Succession Plan

General Succession Plan outlined in the following chart depicts organizational succession plans in the event of untimely death, departure, dismissal, or dissolution of individual paid or volunteer relationships with The Bible Seminary.

Position	Immediate, Interim Succession	Long-Term Succession			
Board Chair	Vice-Chair	Board Nomination and Vote			
Board Vice-Chair	Chair designated Board member	Board Nomination and Vote			
Board Secretary	Chair designated Board member	Board Nomination and Vote			
President (CEO)	Vice-Pres. of Finance & Admin. (CFO)	Board Search and Vote			
Provost (CAO)	President (CEO)	President and VP Search			
Vice-Pres. of Finance & Adm. (CFO)	Business Manager	President Search			
Business Manager	Vice-Pres. of Finance & Admin. (CFO)	President and VP Search			
Dean of Graduate Programs	Provost (CAO)	President and Provost Search			
Director of Bible Certificate	Provost (CAO)	President and Provost Search			
Office Manager	Business Manager	President Search			
Registrar	Provost (CAO)	Provost Search			
Adjunct Faculty member	Adjunct Faculty Member	Provost Search			
Librarian	Student Services Coordinator	Provost Search			
Student Services Coordinator	Provost (CAO)	Provost Search			
Communications Director	Marketing Director	President Search			
Marketing Director	Communications Director	President Search			
Development Director	President (CEO)	President Search			

Catastrophic Plan in case of loss of multiple top leaders: Ask former President to serve as Interim President and determine if key remaining staff and adjuncts are capable of continuing operations in full, scaled back, or suspended until the positions are recruited and filled in accordance with the General Succession Plan. Secondary option is for the Board to hire an interim, qualified leader to help rebuild the top leadership position(s).

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