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Midwest Bible College

2022 Annual Report



Graduation 2022

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2022 Annual Summary

As the world seems to be falling apart, those who know God's Word have the answer to bring hope and peace to all the people around us that are troubled. John 14:1 *"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in me."*



Jesus said: *"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you..."*
John 14:27

The purpose for Midwest Bible College is to help students to be strong in the Word so they can share with those that are searching for truth. Whether it is in the home, workplace or around the world we believe this is the answer that multitudes are searching for.

We thank God for every donor, board member, volunteer, student and faculty member that contributes to make our mission possible. We are so thankful for your support. There is much work to do as we plan to open our new live classes in Appleton, WI this fall with additional new live classes planned in other areas as well. We continue to serve students and churches in nine countries and growing.

My prayer is that you will be anxious to partner with us so that our graduates and students can share what the Lord has done.



MBC Africa

With encouragement and approval from the Government of Uganda’s Counsel for Higher Education, Midwest Bible College has maintained a Memorandum of Understanding with Yesu Akwagala Bible College in Kampala, Uganda since 2019. Cooperation between the two colleges has helped raise the level of education and increased the value of the degrees earned at Yesu Akwagala Bible College. Since beginning this partnership, Midwest Bible College has graduated 32 online students under this program, 3 of which are currently professors at Yesu Akwagala Bible College.

Several of our African students and graduates are heads of the ministry in their respective nations, or have one or more churches under their care. There are over four hundred churches in this network of churches. Pastors are being trained and sent out to pioneer new churches and grow the Kingdom of God.



U.S. Veteran’s Administration



Veterans who are serious about studying the Bible may be eligible for tuition assistance using their VA benefits. Midwest Bible College is approved by the Wisconsin State Approving Agency (SAA) for students to be able to attend classes under the GI Bill®. This means students can attend our college while obtaining funds under the GI Bill® to pay for their education.

U.S. Ordinations

To date, we have ordained 16 ministers that are active in ministry, many of whom are working in the greater Milwaukee area. These ministers are making a difference in the communities they serve, and we are thankful for each of them and the positive impact they create. Our other ordained ministers serve in communities both across the United States as well as in Africa.



Professors

There are currently 9 professors teaching at Midwest Bible College, many of whom are themselves graduates from our advanced degree programs. We are so grateful to work alongside dynamic and dedicated educators who care about every student.

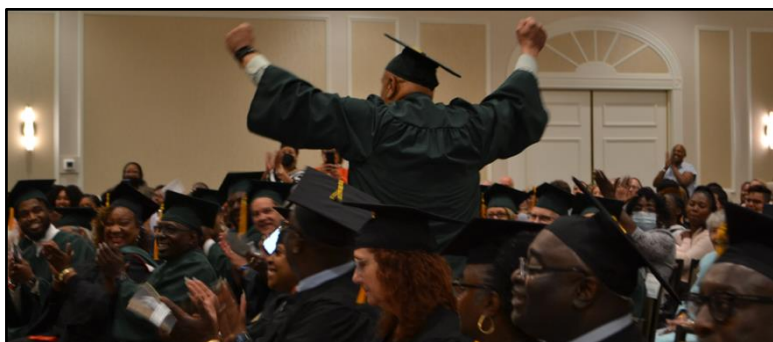


Volunteers

In the past year, our volunteer staff have collectively contributed more than 450 hours of their time to help Midwest Bible College in countless ways. We could never do what we do without their dedication and tireless efforts. Thank you to our faithful volunteers!

Graduation 2022

Graduation is always a special time of year for our students and their families, who come together to celebrate this important achievement. In May, an audience of 350 saw 38 students receive various degrees and certificates from their instructors. Since 2004, Midwest Bible College had conferred 715 student degrees, including 32 from our African students.



Moving Forward

As we look towards the future, the long-term for goals for Midwest Bible College include finding a permanent, brick-and-mortar home for the college here in Milwaukee. A suitable campus and office space with ample parking will help us continue to grow along with our next generation of students. We have funds set aside for this purpose, and are seeking additional financial support for this eventual purchase.

Additionally, we continue working to build up an endowment fund that is able to sustain the college while fueling new programs and classes as enrollment expands.

The future is bright, and we look forward to continued growth of our college and mission, both here in Milwaukee and abroad!



Board of Directors



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Founder & President



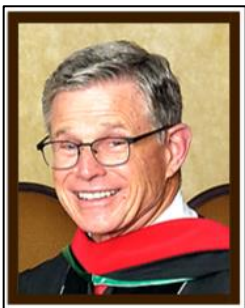
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Testimonials from our 2022 Graduates

"I got exactly what I was looking for and more. I have never felt closer to God. I am so appreciative for all I have learned at MBC and for the wonderful staff."

~

"Midwest Bible College has challenged me at times but has helped me to grow deeper in my love and passion for Christ."

~

"I feel more confident, and when talking with others I realize how much I have grown."

~

"Midwest Bible College has changed my life dramatically over the last two years and has given me a desire to learn and study the WORD and to share it with others!"

~

"My experience here has been incredible! Rich, new, and overflowing. Accountability and full reliance on God!"

~

"Midwest Bible College has given me a deeper walk with God and made me more confident in helping/discipling others."

~

"I was able to disciple this weekend and felt confident because of Midwest Bible College."



Midwest Bible College – Fact Sheet

Overview

Midwest Bible College was founded in 2004 to train servants of God to deepen their faith and understanding of God’s Word through Scripture and education so they can effectively communicate God’s Word to others and graciously minister to their local churches, communities, and the world.

Midwest Bible College engages individuals from all denominations, in all stages of their personal development, and from all facets of life to achieve degrees ranging from the Biblical Counseling Certificate Program to Associate’s, Bachelor’s, Master’s, and Doctoral Degrees. Midwest Bible College is dedicated to enlightening and educating people of all faiths about the teachings of the Bible.

Mission

Midwest Bible College prepares men and women for service and ministry in the local churches, their communities, and the world by helping them develop an understanding of God’s Word and learning to apply its teaching to everyday life.

History

Midwest Bible College was founded in 2004 by Doctor R. L. Bowen to provide sound, affordable Biblical teaching for students aged 19 years and older who have earned a high school diploma or equivalent.

“Our goal is to assist you in obtaining the knowledge that you need so that you can accomplish what God has called you to do. That foundation of knowledge is found in the Word of God.”

- Dr. R. L. Bowen

Accreditation

Fully accredited, at the highest level, by the Association of Independent Christian Colleges and Seminaries, Midwest Bible College is devoted to preparing its graduates for service in a comprehensive, affordable manner.

Accessibility

Our improved facilities and location within Milwaukee County in Wisconsin are enabling Midwest Bible College to better serve the needs of its students. This new location offers many advantages:

- ◆ The campus is centrally located so that people from all over the city of Milwaukee and surrounding suburbs can easily access the College via public or private transportation.
- ◆ The portion of the campus being utilized by the College was once a school, so the logistical arrangements of the offices, hallways, classrooms, and parking lots are conducive to an educational institution.

Advancements

This facility provides technological upgrade possibilities for its audio and visual systems to serve the students in this new age, including the capabilities to offer online and live-stream classes.

These upgrades will better serve the needs of current students and will help reach more prospective students so that they can deepen their understanding of the Bible. Through the continuity and expansion of the solid instruction at Midwest Bible College, students gain knowledge that fortifies their foundation of faith, the Kingdom of God grows stronger, more lives are transformed, and area churches strengthen in the unity of the faith to reach others in their sphere of influence.

Accountability

Midwest Bible College has built a strong fiscally responsible business that sustains itself primarily through the tuition and fees of its students, donations, and the prudent management of expenses. This conservative approach to finances however necessitates that a modest fundraising initiative is engaged to underwrite capital improvements to meet the needs of the increasing number of students who are called by Jesus Christ to gain enlightenment.

Inclusivity

This year, in the Milwaukee area alone, Midwest Bible College has welcomed students from more than thirty-nine different churches to become better Christians and Pastors, Professors, Chaplains, Biblical Counselors and Leaders in their own churches and communities! In addition, this year we have welcomed

students from nine other nations as online students assisting them to earn upgrades in their degree level. Midwest Bible College preaches and teaches inclusivity. Professor Dr. Tony Whitley expresses it best:

It does not matter where you are socially, economically, or what race is on your birth certificate. In the society of Heaven, there is no division, no segregation, no ethnicity label, and no social injustice. We see this heavenly model exemplified every day at MBC.

Here we not only learn the Word of God; we also live the Word of God.

'There is neither Jew nor Greek; there is neither slave nor free; there is neither male nor female. You are all one in Christ Jesus.'

- 2 Cor. 3:2

Instructors

Midwest Bible College employs 9 instructors:

- ◆ R. L. Bowen, Th.D., *President & Founder*
- ◆ N. Bowen, M.Ed., Th.D., *Lead Instructor*
- ◆ T. Whitley, Jr., Th.D., *Lead Instructor*
- ◆ D. Hadnot, Th.D., *Lead Instructor*
- ◆ C. Christofferson, M.A., *Lead Instructor*
- ◆ D. Daniels, Th.D., *Guest Instructor*
- ◆ P. Rouse, M.A., *Guest Instructor*
- ◆ R. Smith, B.A., *Guest Instructor*
- ◆ N. Norland, Ed.S., *Guest Instructor*

Curriculum

Our curriculum is streamlined, emphasizing key areas of study that are of major academic and spiritual significance. We provide flexible core and continuing educational programs, both at the Milwaukee campus, and for those unable to attend fulltime classes through external program studies and online distance learning systems. Midwest Bible College has created a unique curriculum that crosses denominational and ethnic lines, bringing believers from diverse spiritual perspectives together for the sole purpose of building the Kingdom of God.

As the need for knowledgeable Christian workers and leaders grows among our churches and in our world, Midwest Bible College graduates are being trained to answer the call to serve the Lord and to build the Kingdom of God in the church where they attend and in their communities for the Glory of God. This solid education of the Scriptures includes practical applications to everyday life and encourages personal responsibility.

With its expanded capacity, Midwest Bible College has an on-line presence that can be accessed by anyone wanting to have an in-depth study of the Bible. In addition, Midwest Bible College has extended its curriculum through its distance learning program to assist those desiring to earn higher degrees in biblical studies.

Opportunities

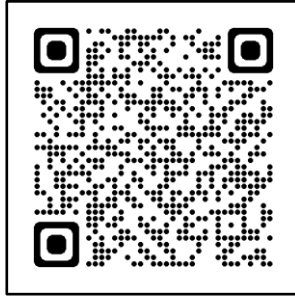
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- General Fund (use where needed most)
- MBC Scholarship Fund US
 To provide needed assistance for US Students in need
- Ministry Training Center US
 To provide permanent home for MEACO/MBC Classrooms,
 Administrative offices
- MBC Scholarship Fund Africa
 To assist African Pastors who are students of MBC online to obtain
 Bible training and degrees
- Africa Travel Fund
 To provide resources for US staff to travel to Africa to hold graduation
 exercises for African students/Pastors and to do missions outreach

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