

Global Schools of Biblical Studies

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Committing God's Word to
Faithful Men

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NEWS AND NEEDS

BIM:

As most things are on hold, the work in Springfield is continuing. We have switched to an online format for everything. Even Bible classes and worship services are broadcast online at this time.

Zambia:

We need to raise a minimum of \$1,000 per month to meet the monthly budget. This will keep the work financially solvent. If you can help, please send the funds to the "Zambia Mission Fund."

Uganda:

We need to raise \$30,000 to help our brethren with famine relief in the hard hit areas in Uganda. This will help them greatly until their next harvest. Please send all contributions to the "Uganda Mission Fund" (Memo: "Famine Relief").

Ghana:

We still lack \$300 of monthly support to meet our full operating budget at this time. Please send all contributions to the "Ghana Mission Fund."

Africa/Coronavirus:

Presently, all of our schools in Africa have shut down because of the spread of the coronavirus. We have extended the present school break, hoping classes can resume in the near future. Although classes have been suspended, the support of students and staff is continuing at each school. If we all pull together, we will be able to weather this very difficult time. Please keep all of the brethren in Africa in your prayers as they also struggle with the same virus that we all are dealing with here. May we all continue to trust in the Lord with all of our hearts (Prov. 3:5) for He truly cares for us.

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- * Two-Year Program
- * 40+ Courses
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- * Mission Opportunities

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FOUR SCHOOLS

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ONE NEWSLETTER

"Global News"

Jerry Sullins

Welcome to the first edition of our new global newsletter. Starting in 2020, we are combining our efforts to keep you informed about the Global Schools of Biblical Studies. We first employed this name two years ago, and now the time has come for a combined newsletter. Those who once received the Zambia/Uganda newsletter or the Bible Institute of Missouri newsletter will now be receiving one single newsletter instead. The goal is to keep you better informed about all of our schools while saving time and money through this consolidation.

At this time we would also like to update our records and your mailing preference. We will still be sending out paper copies to individuals and churches who prefer such. However, if you would now prefer an electronic copy only, then please email Brent Green at kofibgreen@gmail.com and let him know your mailing preference.

While each school will maintain its individual name locally, all four collectively will now be called the Global Schools of Biblical Studies. All of these schools exist as evangelistic efforts under the oversight of the elders of the Kansas Exp. Church of Christ. They will remain committed to the purpose of committing God's Word to faithful men who can spread the truth of the gospel to another generation (2 Tim. 2:2).

Over 50 men are presently training all over the world. Please keep all of these efforts in your prayers. Praise be to God!



Since 2003 Springfield, Missouri

This school year is quickly drawing to a close. We are now in our 4th quarter. Classes began as usual, but during the final week of March we were required to switch to online classes. It has been an adjustment for sure, but we are pressing on.



Michael Dylan Chaney, Casey Rice, and Dante Villarreal will graduate on May 23, 2020, pending the completion of all courses. They are making future plans now and searching for places to preach.

Prior to graduation, the BIM lectureship is scheduled for May 3-6, 2020. This year all of the soon-to-be graduates will be speaking as well as some of our past graduates. The theme is entitled "Loyalty to God and Family." Please plan to attend.

This year will be the 14th graduating class from the BIM, totaling 41 graduates to date. Presently, graduates are preaching in 7 different states and 2 countries. The search is underway right now for more faithful men willing to train. Classes begin in August 2020 and scholarships are available for those who may be interested. Contact us today.



Since 1988 Zambia

The 15th class of ZSOBS is now in its second quarter of the second year. The 16 students (15 from Zambia, 1 from Malawi) are now looking forward to graduation in November 2020.

Every weekend the students participate in evangelistic efforts around Livingstone. Some travel as far as 50 miles from school on a regular basis to help local congregations. It is valuable for the students, as they are able to use the skills and knowledge they have learned. During the drier seasons they participate in gospel meetings throughout the region. When they graduate they are fully qualified to proclaim the Word of God.

Since the beginning of ZSOBS in Botswana in 1988, 14 classes with a total of 203 graduates are preaching in at least 9 African countries. Our goal is to spread the good news throughout all of Africa.



Just recently, the school experienced a major flood, knocking out part of the school wall and destroying the road out front. The only good part of the flood is that it provided water for crops throughout the region, and it started the rainy season. Although we doubted that the crops would mature this year, it seems there will be a harvest this year in Zambia. Thanks be to God.

Every summer several teams of workers visit Zambia and help with the school as well as evangelistic efforts. We do not know yet whether any of the teams will go this year because of the coronavirus. On June 1st the decision to go or not will be made. Pray for those of us who need to go that we will make a proper decision. If we do not go, our bi-annual seminar at ZSOBS will not be held this year. Pray for Africa as they deal with the spread of the coronavirus as well.

We want to thank all our supporters for your faithful support throughout the years. We are now appealing for funds especially from our one-time contributors to keep our work going this year. Our work must continue even in difficult times. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated. When we work together, we can accomplish great things.



Since 2003 Uganda

Things are going well at EASOBS. Progress has been made at the facility. A new full block and 3 new staff houses



have been completed. Presently, in this 7th class, we have 16 full-time students from Uganda and Kenya. They are in the second quarter of the second year. In the judgement of the staff at EASOBS, it is believed that all 16 will graduate this coming November and will take their places in preaching for established congregations or plant new ones. The evangelistic spirit of the Ugandans is exemplified in the fact that over 95% of all graduates are faithfully preaching the gospel in Uganda and Kenya.



Since 2003 when EASOBS was established, there has only been one time when we helped in a very limited way to help feed our brethren in Uganda. This year, floods came right before harvest time and completely destroyed the food supply throughout Uganda and parts of Kenya. Our poor saints in Uganda and Kenya have put out a cry for help. When hearing about the need, I immediately contacted the school in Uganda. A general meeting of many churches was held. The information they gave us is that there is widespread hunger. Our focus is to provide for at least 27 congregations of our brethren, and if funds are available, we will assist whomever we can. In order to supply these congregations with a six-month supply of food, the estimate given to us by our brothers is Uganda is \$5,000 per month. For more info contact Jerry Sullins. Please remember this special effort and the ongoing work in your prayers.



Since 2017 Ghana

God continues to bless the good work in Ghana. Brent and Ray just returned from a trip to Ghana in February, and all is well with the school. Currently, we have 10 men training, and they have now completed over one year of their studies. Lord willing, they will graduate in November 2020. Please prayer for them and their instructors.

While in Ghana we accomplished a lot in the work of the Lord. First, we were able to teach classes in the school daily. We were also able to visit with and encourage several congregations.



Another important task was meeting with the landlord about the property we rent for the school. She is willing to continue renting it to us for up to another 4 years as needed. The cost of renting the facility will be around \$2000/year (about \$166 a month). We will need to raise some funds for this by the end of 2020. We were also able to organize the purchase of a generator for the school. We also hired another full-time teacher. Henry Owusu, an alumnus of our school, will start full-time in June, allowing Samson to return home to Kenya. Brother Samson has been helping for 3 years now in Ghana and is greatly loved and appreciated by all.



Finally, let me say that we still lack about \$300/month to meet our full budget. If you can help with this need, it would be greatly appreciated and will help us to meet our monthly needs without relying on one-time donations. May God bless us all as we strive to do His will for the church throughout the world.