

## ***INTRODUCING SAGE BIBLE INSTITUTE***

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Most Christian leaders are keenly aware of a need to make disciples and equip their people with ministry skills and leadership capacities, yet do not have the time or resources they would like to be able to accomplish this. We offer a variety of solutions that can be tailored for your situation.

### ***For individuals***

We provide quality, low-cost, distance learning study programs to serve people:-

- who are hungry to become familiar with the wisdom of the Bible
- who desire to become closer to God spiritually
- who want to understand the Scriptures and want a structured method to help them accomplish this
- who are keen to be equipped for ministering to others
- who don't have the financial resources or time to attend a residential Bible College
- who may be in a period of their life where they find they are "time rich but money poor"
- who live in rural or remote locations
- who are shift-workers
- who care for young children or someone with disability at home
- who just enjoy the flexibility of independent learning

We do this by providing relevant studies that are based on the Bible, our textbook.

### ***For small groups***

We desire to assist Christian leaders in their task of equipping God's people for works of service (Ephesians 4: 10-13; John 15: 16-17) through providing a variety of subjects that are individually rich in Biblical content regarding the broad areas of theology and ministry skills.

Most Pastors and other leaders are keen to develop their key people using a small group environment and our range of programs can help. We can work both with groups who are all studying the same program and with groups where members may be studying different programs from each other, with pastoral oversight. Trainees individually enrol with us (and we provide the learning materials to each student and do the administrative work), and the Pastor/leader meets regularly with them (say, every 2 weeks, or monthly) in a small group to check-in on what they have been learning, insights gained, problems encountered, etc - like a tutorial group. This meeting is a valuable opportunity for pastoral care, listening to one another, praying for each other and bearing each other's burdens – and learning to do ministry together.

We also recommend that your trainees be given opportunities to become involved in the ministries of your fellowship/church with an experienced person.

This strategy enables effective discipling in ministry skills and leadership development in your local context, wherever you are. It also fosters a strengthening of men and women assuming personal responsibility for their own learning and spiritual growth, while increasing their real connectedness with brothers and sisters in Christ. It borrows a lot from the method of the Theological Education by Extension movement which has been so effective for over four decades in the countries of South America and South Asia.

In consultation with you, we can either tailor our regular study programs or develop unique study programs for your specific situation. The unique study programs are known as the Certificate of Christian Service.

The regular study programs currently available are:-

Certificate of Christian Discipleship [30 credits]  
Certificate of New Testament Studies  
Certificate of Old Testament Studies  
Certificate of Theology  
Certificate of Jesus Studies  
Certificate of Biblical Wisdom Studies  
Certificate of Ministry

Certificate of Family Leadership  
Certificate of Evangelism & Outreach  
Certificate of Pastoral Care  
Certificate of Worship & Prayer  
Certificate of Small Group Leadership  
Certificate of Peacemaking  
Certificate of Christian Studies

Diploma of New Testament Studies [60 credits]  
Diploma of Old Testament Studies  
Diploma of Theology  
Diploma of Divinity in Jesus Studies  
Diploma of Christian Leadership  
Diploma of Intercultural Service  
Diploma of Ministry  
Diploma of Peace Ministry  
Diploma of Christian Studies

Diploma of Ministry Leadership [90 credits]

Licentiate of Theology [120 credits]

Our study programs are available to assist new disciples of Jesus to grow in their faith, and for Christian leaders who have little or no formal Biblical training or ministry training. These programs provide training across a wider range of fields than most theological and Bible colleges are able to offer. They are affordable and available to study by anyone, anywhere, at any time, by use of the internet and a computer. There are enough courses/subjects here to provide part-time students with ongoing study material for many years if they desire this, and more subjects are being developed for the future. Importantly, our study programs are also suitable for men and women who use English as an additional language to their main language.

All of our subjects use the Bible as the textbook and are designed to send people into the Scriptures to diligently study them in order to complete the work required.

We also have a series of five separate Family Bible Training certificates available for parents or guardians to use in nurturing their families. Further details are on the Programs Available page on our website.

**“It is impossible to enslave mentally or socially a Bible-reading people. The principles of the Bible are the groundwork of human freedom.”**

**- Horace Greeley**

Please contact us if you would like this kind of relationship with Sage Bible Institute in training Christian believers. If you know a leader who may benefit from what we offer please let them know about us.

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