

# COACH'S NEWSLETTER

Assemblies of God Teen Bible Quiz • September 2016

## BREAKDOWN & WRITERS TIPS

	<b>“A”</b>	<b>“Middle School”</b>	<b>“Experience Division”</b>
Meet # 1	Gal 1-6 149 vs	Gal 1-5 131 vs	Gal 3 & 5 55 vs
Meet # 2	Eph 1-6 155 vs	Gal 6-Eph1-4 116 vs	Eph 1& 4 55 vs
Meet # 3	Philippians 104 vs	Eph 5-6 57 vs	Eph 5-6:9 42 vs
Meet # 4	Col, Philemon 120 vs	Philippians 1-3 81 vs	Eph 6:10-24 & Phil 2 45 vs
	<i>Total: 528 vs</i>	<i>Total: 385 vs</i>	<i>Total: 197 vs</i>

### **“A League” written by Jesse Czubkowski:**

As these questions will be relatively new to a large number of you, know that there will be a few tweaks to the “status quo” of certain question types. I believe that an incremental, cover-to-cover mastery of your scripture portion is essential, so knowledge of items like references & chapter analysis will be tested. Due to the brevity of the material, make sure you are quoting early and often. I use a lot of section titles to direct you (especially at League Level). As you advance to higher levels of competition, the direction will change and/or become slightly more sparse.

Most 10-pointers will be straightforward and easy - usually 7 words or less - at all levels of competition.

For 20s and 30s, League level questions will be very easy, most coming from one verse, and no change in difficulty between league meets. There will also be two Application questions per set from League Meet # 1 to League Meet #4.

There will be no Application Questions in Meet # 5, District Finals, Regional Finals or National Finals.

District Final questions will step up quotes and some answers to two and three verses. Basic in-chapter concordance questions will be introduced. Regional Final questions will use more difficult question types. 20s will vary in difficulty with some easy, medium and tough questions, while the 30s will see a big step-up in difficulty, including cross-reference material. National Final questions will find most 20s and all 30s challenging – anticipating and expecting a mastery of the material.

### **“Middle School” written by Danielle Brozovich:**

*Middle School Practice Questions* (found on CD available from My Healthy Church) are a direct reflection of the questions that will be seen at League Matches. For new quizzers, learning the *Middle School Study Questions* (found on the Basic 5 CD) is a great place to start. These questions are sometimes slightly more complex and do not always have the shortest answers, but learning these questions will hopefully widen their ability to answer other questions as well.

Pay attention to patterns in introductory remarks. They were written specifically to indicate the length/type of question. Ten-pointers are written to have 1-6 words, longer if it requires a complete answer. Twenty-pointers begin to vary more in question type, i.e. two-part question, multiple part answer, etc. Typically, a

twenty-pointer will require part of a long verse or most of a short verse. Thirty pointers are written to be slightly more challenging than twenty-pointers, whether it be in the question completion or the length of the answer. When a question is designated as a Scripture Text Question, the quizzer should slow down and listen for a key word. An interruption should not be anticipated with STQ's.

Meet # 1 there will be 10 MS Study Questions; Meet # 2-4 there will be 5 MS Study Questions. District Finals and Regionals there will not be any. There will also be 2 Application Questions for Meet # 1-4.

### **“Experience” written by Danielle Brozovich & Bernie Elliot:**

Within the first 12 “Toss Up” Questions, 10 will be *Middle School Study Questions* (found on the Basic 5 CD) written by Danielle. There will be 2 Application questions per match and they will always be between question number 13 and 20.

The rest of the questions will almost always be asked by Section Titles and will include several chapter analysis answers. There will be very few quotes, but those that are asked are from Primary Verses. There will be several 1 word answers in each set.

## **BQ MISSIONARY COACHES**

*MISSION STATEMENT: Learn, Live, Lead*

(Learn God's Word, Live out God's Word, Lead with God's Word)

In the Assemblies of God Bible Quiz ministry, every year we graduate many outstanding quizzers who have not only been quite successful as a quizzer, but also as an outstanding student, and true follower of Jesus Christ. The above mission statement is tri-fold. We have done a reasonably good job of Learning and Living the Word, but have lacked in the Leading area. Almost 100% of our graduating seniors go on to post high education. *What might it look like if we could get a large percentage of our college freshman to coach a Bible Quiz team?*

We started in the fall of 2015 with 2 former quizzers that fulfilled the following requirements:

1. Be a Bible quiz coach or assistant coach.
2. Go to an A/G church that does not have the Bible Ministry or has had it for no more than 1 year.
3. Be involved weekly for a minimum of 1 hour during the quiz season or college year.
4. Be held accountable to a seasoned coach on a regular basis.
5. Recruit adults from within that church to be involved in the Bible Quiz ministry.

In return each student coach will receive \$500.00 toward their education. The finances will come from the BQ Scholarship Fund. This does not negate any student from working a part time job. The Bible Quiz leadership, in consultation with a District BQ Coordinator, will help you in identifying what churches need and want coaches.

To be considered for the missionary coach position each student will submit a 100-200 word paper sharing why you should be considered. Two members of the Steering Committee and I will select the Missionary Coaches over the Books of Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon.

Applications should be sent to Bernie Elliot, via E-Mail, and should include your full name, name and location of school, major if known, and why you would like to be selected as a missionary coach. Applications can be sent in anytime as we would like to be able to identify the students by August 30.

Looking forward to advancing the Kingdom of God through this wonderful ministry opportunity!

## THE RIPPLE EFFECT

*(Author Unknown)*

In 1855, a Sunday School teacher, Mr. Kimball, led a Boston shoe clerk to give his life to Christ. The clerk, Dwight L. Moody, became an evangelist.

In England in 1879, Dwight L. Moody awakened evangelistic zeal in the heart of Fredrick B. Meyer, pastor of a small church.

F.B. Meyer, preaching to an American college campus, brought to Christ a student named J. Wilbur Chapman.

J. Wilbur Chapman, engaged to YMCA work, employed a former baseball player, Billy Sunday, to do evangelistic work.

Bill Sunday held a revival in Charlotte, N.C. A group of local men were so enthusiastic afterward that they planned another evangelistic campaign, bringing Mordecai Hamm to town to preach.

During Mordecai Hamm's revival, a young man named Billy Graham heard the Gospel and yielded his life to Christ.

Only Eternity will reveal the tremendous impact of that one Sunday School teacher, Mr. Kimball, who invested his life in the lives of others.

## JAMES RIVER BIBLE QUIZ TEAM TRAVELS TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

At 4 a.m. on July 25, nine student and adult members of James River's Bible Quiz ministry met in the Springfield, Mo., airport to begin the first day of a weeklong Bible Quiz missions trip to the Dominican Republic. Although the mission's team also included six non-quizzers, the original motivation behind the trip was to give quizzers an opportunity to use the Scriptures they had studied in a unique, immersive way.

Nearly every chapter we studied during the last quiz season gave some demonstration of how the Early Church responded to Jesus' words in Acts 1:8: "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

In the Dominican Republic, we worked with missionary Chad Nelson, a former Bible Quiz national champion (Park Crest AG of Springfield, Mo., 1992), and his wife, Terri. The Nelsons have devoted their lives to witnessing to "the ends of the earth." It was exciting to partner with them for a short time as witnesses to the people of the Dominican Republic.

We worked in children's ministry outreaches, playing games and sharing the gospel through drama. In youth and adult services, we quoted passages from Acts to inspire the Dominican people to memorize Scripture. Some quizzers gave a personal testimony, and one even presented a short sermon. We also renovated an Assemblies of God school for needy children, and prayed for people in churches and on the streets. JBQ materials in Spanish were shared with



*Prayer walk in the streets of Santa Domingo*



*Children's ministry in remote villages*

the children's pastor of the church as well as practical applications for their use in both the school and church environments.

"This trip had many firsts for me: the first time I ever left the country, rode an airplane, ate fried plantains, performed a drama and danced in front of kids, worshiped in a different language, and shared my testimony," said quizzier Zara Rethman. "I was definitely out of my comfort zone, but I loved every minute."



It was moving to see how grateful the Dominican people were that we had come to work in their country. What we were doing became more significant to us as we realized how much it mattered to them. God used members of our mission's team to encourage, show His love, and lead people to salvation. And the long-term significance of the mission's trip goes beyond what happened while we were in the Dominican Republic. It also extends into our lives now that we've returned home, as our experiences continue to shape our perspectives.

Megumi Sinniah, who competed at both the National Fine Arts Festival and Bible Quiz National Finals this year, said God used the trip to speak to her. "While I was working with the people, I could feel God telling me that He loved the people there so much," she said. "He also loves the people of America. There is so much hurt and brokenness in both countries, and it is time for our generation to start changing this and share the love the Father has for us."

Linsey Garrison, who also competed this year at Bible Quiz National Finals, said the trip inspired her to make a difference in her community by starting a children's outreach. "This trip has shown me that no matter where you live, people still need God, and it is our responsibility to bring joy and hope no matter where we are," she said.

Whether we were in the church, in the streets or in remote villages, the Holy Spirit fell on us and the people we ministered to. Lives were changed, and many of us will never be the same again.

## **BE GOAL ORIENTED**

Talk to your quizzers about their goal for the season. Some may want to quiz out a match, or go to districts or just quiz in league meets.

But if your goal is nationals. **Get On A Ladder**

You must make a plan with each quizzier. Let them work to achieve mini goals along the way. In making a plan, make each step count.

Each step should take you closer to your goals. Make each quizzier responsible for each step they take towards their goal.

When coaching over material that is between 500 and 600 verse, everyone will know the material. You need to know it better.

Remember there is nobody better than your quizzers. However, some quizzers will work harder.

Spend time learning the rules. Every practice we worked on rules with a set of questions that were written by me to spark contests and find out how much they knew about the rules.

Give your quizzers a chance to contest. Let them learn about public speaking.

As a coach, be prepared for practice. Make it structured, quoting, questions and discussions.

After each league match review the questions with your quizzers and write the same type of questions for the next match. This is very helpful.

The bottom line will be quizzers learning the word of God and hiding it in their hearts. The reward for that will be enough.

*Dave Lemley, National Championship Coach, New Day A/G, Upper St. Clair, PA*

## ADVICE TO A NEW COACH

1. Memorize in short and multiple time slots throughout the day. It's better to start small, then to bite off more than you can chew and get discouraged. Experiment to find out when your most productive study time is.
2. Review, review, review. Can't stress this enough. If you don't review what you have learned, you lose it. One strategy is to review daily for one week all the new material learned. After that, review should be at least once a week. Quote, quote, quote as part of your review.
3. Ask lots of different types of questions. Get your quizzers used to the opening remarks.

Best BQ product - Study Pro for the computer or for IOS or Android. It allows you to have quote cards on your computer or phone or electronic device. Quote cards, electronic or paper form, are an absolute must to get references and to review.

*Maureen Harr, First Assembly, East Lansing, MI*

## NUTS & BOLTS

- **Corrections** needed for G, E, P, C, P:
  - Gal 4:23 Add the word "to" "according **to** the flesh"
  - Phil 4:10 Add the letter "d" to the word "rejoice" should be "rejoiced"
- Master Memorization Award. All of G, E, P, C, P must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting, within a 45 minute time limit, beginning with Galatians Chapter one, verse one, and continuing through Philemon verse 25. The quizzers are permitted 5 mistakes for the entirety of the material.
- No new Rules again this year!!!!
  - National BQ Finals will be held at Sandy Cove Ministries, North East, MD, July 1-7, 2017. Video <https://vimeo.com/169765935>
    - We will start the National Finals competition on Saturday AM, July 1 with a Volleyball Competition.
    - The winning team will receive \$500 cash. A generous sponsor (who will be announced later) is blessing the winners. Specific rules will be announced in the future.
    - Adult quizzing at National Finals. Veteran: Book of Ephesians-155 verses. Novice: Ephesians Chapters 4, 5, 6 for 89 verses. There will be some changes to Adult Quizzing for 2017!!! Will announce more details in the future.
    - At the Nationals 2017 banquet, 1 name from each region will be drawn for the quizzers receiving the Discipleship Award. The 8 quizzers will each receive a \$500.00 Scholarship for any post high school education.

- At the Nationals 2017 banquet, 1 name from each region will be drawn for the “A” Division quizzers receiving the National Memorization Award. The 8 quizzers will each receive a \$500.00 Scholarship for any post high school education.
- At the Nationals 2017 banquet, the National Finals Champions will each receive \$1,000.00 per person (instead of the current model of a total of \$2,500 per team) for any post high school education.
- At the Nationals 2017 banquet, the National Finals 2nd place team will each receive \$500.00 per person (instead of the current model of a total of \$1,500 per team) for any post high school education.
- At the Nationals 2017 banquet, the National Finals 3rd place team will each receive \$250.00 per person (instead of the current model of a total of \$500 per team) for any post high school education.
- Non-AG churches will be permitted to compete at National Finals. Specific criteria will be announced in the next few months.
- We will continue the BQ Missionary Coach ministry throughout this next BQ season.
- Sponsoring rooms at National Finals. We are looking to sponsor all 20 Quiz rooms at National Finals next years for \$300.00. As of today 15 have been sponsored. We are also looking at sponsoring the 4 One on One rooms, and getting additional activities sponsored as well. Please contact me for more information.

- Discipleship Books for the 2016-2017 BQ Season: *The Word and The Spirit*, by David Hertweck and the Human Right Devotional.

- Giving to the Scholarship is extremely easy as of now. Go to:  
<https://giving.ag.org/Give/Search?SearchFields.Ministry=Bible+Quiz>

In the box type “Bible Quiz Scholarship.” The account is 042001. You can give a one time gift or set it up as a recurring gift. We are looking for as many people as possible, especially BQ Alumni, to give at least \$52.00 a year (a dollar a week) by May 1, 2017. Yes, you may give any amount (one person has pledged \$500.00).

- Need a quiz set?
  - Grass Lakes BQ Ministry <http://grasslakeassembly.org/589994.ihtml>
  - Steve Kirkman [www.quizequipment.com](http://www.quizequipment.com)
- Need to find other BQ information?
  - <http://www.biblequiz.ag.org>
  - <http://www.biblequiz.com>
- Need some BQ promo videos for church or Youth group?
  - <http://biblequiz.com/blog/>

## **BIBLE QUIZ TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

### **NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND BQ RETREAT**

September 9-10, 2016

Milton A/G, Milton, New Hampshire

Something for everyone, but especially geared towards new quizzers and coaches.

Contact Nancy Lambert at [jlnl@myfairpoint.net](mailto:jlnl@myfairpoint.net)

### **GEORGIA BIBLE QUIZ RETREAT**

September 16-17, 2016

Camp Timberlake-Forsyth, GA

Training for new, intermediate and advanced quizzers. Classes for coaches.

Contact Doug Black at [dougbq@comcast.net](mailto:dougbq@comcast.net)

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## **BIBLE QUIZ TOURNAMENTS**

### **12th EMPIRE CLASSIC**

Bethlehem Church, Richmond Hill, NY

Sept 2016, exact date TBA

Contact Dave Pizzolo at [dave@pizzolo.com](mailto:dave@pizzolo.com)

### **TRINITY GOLD CUP**

Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX

October 21-22, 2016

Contact John and Lori Sullivan at [safkids@gmail.com](mailto:safkids@gmail.com)

### **WINDY CITY CLASSIC (Formerly Michiana)**

Calvary Church, Naperville, IL

Oct 29, 2016

“A” writer ?

“MS” writer Rosina Albanese

Contact Katie Randolph at [kaitlyn.randolph@gmail.com](mailto:kaitlyn.randolph@gmail.com)

### **23rd GOBBLEFEST BQ TOURNAMENT**

University of Valley Forge, PA

Nov 18-19, 2016

“A” Galatians & Eph 1-5

“MS” Galatians & Eph 1-3

“Experience” Gal 3 & Gal 5:1-12

Writer is Josh Gallo for “A” and “MS”

Bernie Elliot for “Experience”

Contact Bernie Elliot at [ElliotBQ@Aol.com](mailto:ElliotBQ@Aol.com)

### **MISSOURI CLASSIC**

Central Assembly, Springfield, MO

Dec 2-3, 2016

Contact Marci Woodward at [somobjbq@gmail.com](mailto:somobjbq@gmail.com)

### **SOUTH TEXAS INVITATIONAL**

Dallas, TX

Date TBA

## **BIBLE QUIZ TOURNAMENTS**

### **2017 MID-WINTER CLASSIC**

UW-Oshkosh Campus in Oshkosh, WI

January 13-14, 2017

Contact Don Batty at [debatty00@gmail.com](mailto:debatty00@gmail.com)

### **32nd FRIENDSHIP CLASSIC**

Limited to 24 National/Regional “A” teams

Allison Park Church, Pittsburgh, PA

Jan 27-28, 2017

“A” Gal, Eph, Phil, Col 1 & 2

Writer is Seth Sundell

Contact Bernie Elliot at [ElliotBQ@Aol.com](mailto:ElliotBQ@Aol.com)

### **2016 RIVER CLASSIC**

James River A/G, Ozark, MO

March 3-4, 2017

Contact Mark Griffith at [onegriff@gmail.com](mailto:onegriff@gmail.com)

(More info on tournaments in future newsletters)

## JUST FOR LAUGHS

A police recruit was asked during the exam, “What would you do if you had to arrest your own mother?” He said, “Call for backup.”

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied: “They couldn’t get a baby-sitter.”

## QUOTABLES

“Don’t say you don’t have enough time. You have exactly the same number of hours that were given to Helen Keller, Pasteur, Mother Teresa, Thomas Jefferson and Albert Einstein.”

“Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.”

“If you always DO what you’ve always DONE, you’ll always BE what you’ve always BEEN.”

Blessings,

Bernie Elliot

*National Bible Quiz Coordinator*

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