

***THE ALPHA and OMEGA BIBLE STUDY***  
***INSTITUTE***

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## INTRODUCTION

Greetings in the Name of Jesus,

Welcome to The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute a place for all of God's creation. Thank you for your interest in our school. We trust that this catalog is now in your hands by Divine Providence and could be the **KEY** to greater opportunities in your life.

If God has placed a desire in your heart for a Christian Education and/or Christian enrichment, then we encourage you to carefully read and prayerfully examine this catalog. The most important things in your life are your soul's salvation, your choice of life companion and then your career.

Relating directly to that is selecting the school that best suits you in preparation for a fruitful Christian life and /or an effective ministry. This book is your **NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION** guide. It may take some time to read it, but we think you will find it both interesting and informative. Then as you pray for God's will to be revealed, if He should prompt you to become a student of The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute, we will be happy to receive you.

We are a no-denominational school and The Holy Bible is our supreme textbook.

Your Servant in Christ,

Dr. Carolyn L. Johnson, Founder

## **OUR LEGITIMATE STANDING**

The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute is formally organized with a Board of Directors, Articles of Organization, Constitution, and By-Laws. We are a Tax-Exempt Organization and thus recognized by the I.R.S. as a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization. Our Group Exemption Number (G.E.N.) is 3317 and our Employers Identification Number (E.I.N) is 80-0326066

## **ACCREDITATION**

We are fully accredited by the WORLD-WIDE ACCREDITATION COMMISSION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (WWAC). Anyone wishing to contact them for verification may write to: The WWAC, Dr. Paul Richardson, Executive President, 2800 Blendwell Road, Richmond VA 24234.

We wish to make it perfectly clear that due to the principle of separation of Church and state Mark 12:17; James 4:4; II Corinthians 6:14, the WWAC has chosen not to seek endorsement by either the EAES or COPA. The WAAC is a rapidly growing organization with a respected network of over 200 schools on the cutting edge of the Cause of Christ.

## **EXPLANATION ABOUT ACCREDITATION**

Over the years, the word “accreditation” as used by those involved in higher education has acquired various interpretations, but essentially it indicates that some outside responsible body of educators have examined a school and found it to be doctrinally, academically, and financially reliable, and has certified that it meets their ethical standards. The purpose is to simply assure the public that the school is a reputable establishment.

What ordination is to a minister, accreditation is to a school. Therefore, most faculty and degree students feel that accreditation is very important, although it is not legally required. It’s a voluntary process.

There is no such thing as Federal or State accreditation of a Bible school, for civil government has no authority to regulate religious training or what certificates we issue for it. This is an issue of separation of church and state, as Jesus said, “Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s”. Mark 12:17.

In a Spiritual sense, the highest accreditation any school could have would be the blessings of Divine Providence. Our best accreditation is the successful lives and ministries of our satisfied students.

### **LAY WORKERS**

The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute is deeply committed to providing quality Bible programs for lay Christian workers.

Our courses are for Christians who wish to learn how to integrate Biblical principles into their daily lives, homes, and businesses – those who want to be a better witness for the Lord, and to effectively participate in their local Church, community, and country. These courses are a little more than Bible Study and a little less than Seminary Training. It is for the person that wants to serve one another for the Lord's sake.

### **BIBLE COLLEGES**

A college is an educational institution that offers courses of study beyond the high school level.

There are over a thousand home study Bible Institutes in the U.S.A. today, and many are just offices that mail out Bible courses to thousands of students. Sometimes correspondence schools start having local classes or offer them over the internet.

Spiraling costs are a common complaint, as a residential school can cost over \$20,000.00 per year, which is financially infeasible. When a school gets too expensive, time consuming, and strenuous its enrollment usually begins to shrink.

Like churches there are different kinds of Schools. We acknowledge many good schools around the world, but I don't believe you will ever regret your decision to start your religious education with The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute.

## CERTIFICATES

We are not certified by the State of Virginia to issue any degrees. You will receive a Certificate of Completion after each Module is completed. In the future it is our intention to complete all of the required paperwork that is necessary by the State of Virginia to issue various types of degrees for theological education.

## FEES AND EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

There will be a fee of \$25.00 for registration at the beginning of each school year. **We do not turn anyone away because they cannot pay the registration fee.** Classes are **free** and open to the public. We ask that you give a donation each week to help defray the cost of class materials and rent.

The only educational requirements are a **WILLING HEART** and **OPEN MIND** to learn the Word of God. You will **NOT** be required to take exams or turn in homework. You will have work each week to help you better understand the lesson.

In developing the body, they say, “No pain, no gain.” In developing Christian character, we say, “No cross, no crown.” And in the development of the mind, we say, “No work, no honor.”

The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute has prepared excellent courses, but you receive no benefit until you start studying them. The very word “study” implies an ongoing commitment, application, and persistence to complete a course. In the end, it will develop your mental abilities, and promote your Spiritual refinement.

## DOCTRINAL STATEMENT OF THE ALPHA AND OMEGA BIBLE STUDY INSTITUTE

1. We believe the Inspired Scriptures are the Word of God and the authoritative rule of all faith, doctrine, and practice for the Church today.
2. We believe there is only one true living God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – Three in One and One in Three. He is Omniscient, Omnipotent, Omnipresent and all Eternal.
3. We believe the Lord Jesus Christ was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, is the Divine Son of God, lived a sinless life, worked all manner of miracles, was

striped for our healing, and crucified for our sins. He was bodily resurrected from the dead, ascended to heaven, is sitting at the right hand of God, and shall return to rule in the kingdom of God. He is the only Savior of all mankind.

4. All of mankind is sinners by nature and subject to eternal judgment. Man is a free moral agent to choose salvation by repentance from sin, and turning to God with faith in Christ. We may know that we are saved and must endure to the end.
5. New converts are commanded to be baptized in water by immersion in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
6. We are to pray daily, study the Word of God often and fellowship in the Church regularly. We are to love others, be humble, and obey God.
7. We believe Christ is the Foundation and Head of the church, which is made up of every born again believer on earth.
8. Christ is coming soon to reward His saints and punish the wicked.
9. We believe in an endless Heaven for the redeemed and an everlasting Hell for the damned.

### **CONDUCT STANDARDS**

The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute is for sincere Christians who are dedicated to the Lord Jesus Christ. We subscribe to the highest Christian standards, and we expect our students to also reflect high moral and spiritual standards of life; to always manifest Christ in their attitude and deportment. We endeavor to provide leadership by example.

We urge students to find a good local Church to fellowship and worship God regularly, unless they are a Pastor in their own Church. The Bible teaches us to so live as to never cast a reproach upon the Name of the Lord Jesus, or His Church.

### **OUR KEY TEXT**

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” II Timothy 2:15. (KJV)

## **FOUNDER/CHANCELLOR**

Dr. Carolyn L. Johnson is the Founder and chancellor of Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute. She has gained a solid academic background at both a residential Bible College and non-traditional higher education as follows:

**VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY, PETERSBURG, VA – 1966**

She spent three years as a full-time residential student.

**VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY, RICHMOND, VA – 1969**

She earned approximately 21 credits on a part-time basis over a period of time.

**HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C. – 1984**

Accounting Certificate

**ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE, LAWRENCEVILLE, VA – 1993**

Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management

**AVERETT UNIVERSITY, DANVILLE, VA – 1995**

Masters in Business Administration

**RICHMOND VIRGINIA SEMINARY, RICHMOND, VA 1997**

Bachelor of Arts in Religion

**TRINITY COLLEGE AND SEMINARY, NEWBURGH, IN – 2002**

She currently is working on her dissertation for a Doctor of Christian Education Degree.

**VIRGINIA TRIUMPHANT COLLEGE AND SEMINARY – 2009**

Doctor of Theology Degree

Dr. Carolyn L. Johnson was license to preach in 2000 and ordained in 2003 and has held various positions since that time: Minister of Christian Education at two different churches, Youth Pastor, workshop facilitator, Seminary Instructor and Assistant Pastor. She is the founder of The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute and facilitates the classes each week.

Dr. Johnson is the Founder and Pastor of The Alpha and Omega Bible Church, a place for all of God's creation in transition. This is a unique ministry that is focused on the homeless, those persons that are in between churches, and the lost. It is a no-membership, no-denominational church that goes out into the community.

## **ADJUNCT FACULTY**

The following persons will teach whenever necessary:

**Rev. Roland Cuffee**, Pastor of Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Virginia.

**Rev. Margaret Minnicks**, founder of The Way of Life Development Center in partnership with The Oral Roberts University, Richmond, Virginia.

**Rev. Keith Robinson**, Assistant Pastor of The Alpha and Omega Bible Church, Richmond, Virginia.

## **NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

The Alpha and Omega Bible Church is open to all Christians of good moral character. We are happy to instruct and train God's Children regardless of: Race, Nationality, Color, Cultural profile, Denominational background, Class, Gender, Economic status, or Ethnic Origin. Every student is admitted to the same educational programs, rights, privileges, and honors.

## **WE CARE ABOUT OUR STUDENTS**

The administration and staff of The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute are concerned about each of our students, and sincerely care about their needs. We stand ready to assist you in attaining your future goals; and we are committed to providing personal attention and encouragement. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to talk to us after class, call or E-Mail us.

## **FLEXIBILITY**

Some schools are such sticklers about their many rules and regulations. By doing this, they do a disservice to the Body of Christ, which is why some of them eventually become defunct. But

The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute does not wish to be so rigid in dealing with individual student circumstances. If there's something we can work with you on, let us know how we can accommodate you. If you have a unique situation, perhaps we can find a creative solution. For instance, if you are home bound, we may be able to do one on one teaching if it is possible in our schedule.

### **INTER-FELLOWSHIP AND COOPERATION**

The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute believes in fellowship with all members of the Body of Christ. We seek to cooperate with all local churches that stand upon the uncompromised Word of God; and to work with all other Christian organizations.

### **THE IDEAL BIBLE COURSE**

The ideal Bible course should meet three specifications:

- It must be Biblically true, doctrinally sound, spiritually rich, very understandable, and useful in your daily life.
- It should be inexpensive, affordable, and within the reach of everyone.
- It should not be too time consuming, too much of an inconvenience upon one's busy schedule, and free from boring "busy work" requiring unnecessary toil and hassle.

The Holy Bible should be the Supreme Text Book of every Bible School and the steadfast criteria for judging all doctrine, practice, and experience.

Therefore, The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute has put meticulous care into its courses to make sure every statement lines up with the Word of God. Each course is a well-organized body of knowledge about God, man, the Christian life, and the ministry. They are spiritually inspiring and academically excellent, yet simply expressed and readable.

## CURRICULUM

Sunday Class/Tuesday Class

### **MODULE I -2007/2008**

THE BIBLE	3 Weeks
THE TRINITY	9 Weeks
ANGELS	3 Weeks
MAN, HIS CREATION AND FALL	3 Weeks

### **MODULE II – 2008/2009**

BIBLICAL DOCTRINES I	10 Weeks
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Repentance  
Faith  
Regeneration  
Justification  
Sanctification  
Redemption  
Atonement  
Grace  
Law and Grace  
Righteousness

BIBLICAL DOCTRINES II - 2009/2010	8 Weeks
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Assurance And Peace  
Substitution  
Reconciliation  
Adoption  
Election and Free Will  
Foreknowledge and Predestination  
The Two Adams  
The Two Natures  
Prayer

**MODULE III - 2010/2011**

**PRINCIPLES OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH I      5 Weeks**

The Christian Life  
The Priesthood of the Believer  
Introduction to Discipleship  
The Price of Discipleship  
Why Do Christians Suffer?

**PRINCIPLES OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH II      11 Weeks**

The Seven Great Judgments of God  
The Eight Great Covenants of God  
The Twelve Great Mysteries of God-Part I  
The Twelve Great Mysteries of God-Part II  
The Twelve Parables of the Kingdom  
The Church – The Body of Christ  
The Church – The Local Congregation  
The Antichrist and the False Prophet  
The Second Coming of Christ  
The King and His Kingdom  
The New Heaven And New Earth

**MODULE IV – 2010/2011**

SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT – September to April

**MODULE V – 2011/2012**

SURVEY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT – September to April

**MODULE VI – 2012/2013**

INTRODUCTION TO DISCIPLESHIP – September to December

**MODULE VII – 2013/2014**

INTRODUCTION TO MISSION – January to April

**MODULE VIII – 2013/2014**

LEADERSHIP – September to April

**MODULE IX – 2014/2015**

CHARACTERS OF THE BIBLE – OLD TESTAMENT – September to April

**MODULE X – 2015/2016**

CHARACTERS OF THE BIBLE – NEW TESTAMENT – September to April

## **CALENDAR FOR 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR**

	Registration by Mail or in person on first day of class
September 7, 2010	Classes start – Biblical Doctrines II - Tuesday
September 12, 2010	Classes start – Module IV – Sunday
November 28, 2010	End of First Semester – Sunday Class
November 30, 2010	End of First Semester – Tuesday Class
January 2, 2011	Classes start – Module IV (continue) – Sunday
January 4, 2011	Classes start – Module III - Tuesday
April 17, 2011	End of Second Semester – Sunday Class
April 19, 2011	End of Second Semester – Tuesday Class

Enrollment is on an ongoing basis. You may come at any time, but only those that attend at least two thirds of the classes will receive a Certificate of Completion.

**NO CLASSES IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2010.**

**NO CLASSES FROM MAY, 2011 TO AUGUST, 2011.**

**CLASSES RESUME SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**THE ALPHA AND OMEGA BIBLE STUDY INSTITUTE**

**Mailing Address: P O BOX 404, HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VA 23075**

**Classes will meet at: 2944 WEST MARSHALL STREET (Alpha and Omega Bible Church)**

**RICHMOND, VA 23230**

**(804) 400-6606 Church – (804) 332-3315 Cell**

**Nonrefundable Registration Fee - \$25.00**

**SCHOOL YEAR 2010 – 2011**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIPCODE** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME PHONE NUMBER ( )** \_\_\_\_\_

**CELL PHONE NUMBER ( )** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check all that apply: I will attend classes**  **Sunday;**  **Tuesday;**  **both classes**  
(only one registration fee required)

**In Case of Emergency please provide contact information.**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone ( )** \_\_\_\_\_ **Alternate Number ( )** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN FORM TO: The Alpha and Omega Bible Study Institute, P. O. Box 404, Highland Springs, VA 23075 – DO NOT SEND CASH IN MAIL – or in person at The Alpha and Omega Bible Church, 2944 West Marshall Street, Richmond, Virginia.**

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**Date of Registration** \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee** \_\_\_\_\_

**Received by** \_\_\_\_\_

**Module II**            **Completed ( )**            **Not Completed ( )**

**Module III**          **Completed ( )**            **Not Completed ( )**

**Module IV**          **Completed ( )**            **Not Completed ( )**