



FLORIDA APOSTOLIC BIBLE CENTER



Course Catalog

PREFACE

The Florida Apostolic Bible Center (FABC) program is designed to help equip individuals for Christian service and ministry. The curriculum has been approved by the Florida District as preparation for license as a minister in the United Pentecostal Church International.

FABC serves the entire state of Florida, and classes are open to anyone with pastoral approval. Most courses are offered live at the Tampa location, but there are some online offerings.

Individuals can register at Floridaab.center or by sending a query via email to qcharles@yourNLT.com.

Classes cost \$10 per credit plus \$2 book fee per course. There is a technology fee of \$5 per session, and a one-time registration fee of \$20.

The FABC Curriculum focuses on four areas of the Christian Education:

- Bible
- Doctrine
- Christian Living
- Ministerial Preparation



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ABOUT FABC

FABC is the successor of the New Life Tabernacle *Ministers in Training* Program founded by Pastor Daniel M. Davy, graduate of Ryerson University, Aeon Bible College, and Alpha Bible College. This intensive program was designed to cover every aspect of ministry preparation including: Doctrinal Foundation, Leadership Principles, Personal Development, and Church Growth. Under his leadership, more than 50 ministers have been licensed with the United Pentecostal Church International.

Pastor David Cantillo, PhD, the current Institute Director, joined the faculty in 2015, contributing his experience of more than fifteen years in Higher Education as a teacher and administrator. He has helped expand and restructure FABC into a program with a college format, with classes that continue to improve through curriculum review and faculty development.

FABC benefits from a close association with New Life Tabernacle church and other local churches, meeting at the beautiful New Life campus in Tampa, and using as teachers, various ministers and pastors from the local area.

FABC offers two program tracks: Ministry and Christian Service:

MINISTRY TRACK

The Ministry track is designed for individuals interested in becoming ministers. This program provides knowledge of the Bible, doctrine and ministry preparation with a focus on leadership in the church. Courses includes: Church Growth, Planting Churches, and the Christian Pastorate.

For those interested in ministerial license with the United Pentecostal Church International, the Florida District accepts FABC as a training program for licensing. The Institute serves the entire Florida District, and classes are open to everyone.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE TRACK

This Service track equips individuals who are passionate about ministry, but don't necessarily feel the call for ministerial licensing. Although many of the courses are the same as in the Ministry track, there are specializations in the third-year program.

MEET THE TEAM



DANIEL M. DAVY, FOUNDER

Sr. Pastor of New Life Tabernacle UPC
Ordained Minister, UPCI
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B.S. in Chemistry, Ryerson University
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Ira Easington, DIRECTOR

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M.Sc. in Mathematics Education, Perdue/Kaplan University
M.A. in Teaching English as a foreign language, University of Georgia
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B.Sc. Design & Construction Management, Greenwich University, London
Diploma, Theology & Biblical Studies, Emmanuel School of Ministries, London
Former District Superintendent, London; South District, United Kingdom
Pioneered Bethel Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church, London



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Ordained Minister, UPCI
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Retired War Veteran of the United States Airforce (20 years)
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B.S. in Speech Pathology & Audiology, E. Carolina University
A.S. in Allied Health Sciences, Community College of the Airforce

COURSE OF STUDY



FIRST YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER

Homiletics (4 credits)
Hermeneutics 101 (6 credits)
The Doctrine of God (4 credits)
The Geography of the Bible (2 credits)

WINTER SEMESTER

JANUARY – APRIL

Bible Survey (6 credits)
Systematic Theology 101 (5 credits)
Outreach Principles (2 credits)
Personal Preparation for Ministry (3 credits)

SUMMER SEMESTER

MAY – AUGUST

The Christian Life (5 credits)
Preparation & Sermon Delivery 101 (4 credits)
Personal Evangelism (2 credits)
History of the Church (5 credits)

Completion of this curriculum and reading requirements meets the Florida District Board criteria for licensing at the Local level.

SECOND YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER

Homiletics 201 (4 credits)
Ministerial Ethics (3 credits)
Conducting the Service (2 credits)
Bible Survey of the Old Testament (6 credits)

WINTER SEMESTER

JANUARY – APRIL

Hermeneutics 2 (6 credits)
Systematic Theology 201 (5 credits)
Good Communication (2 credit)
Man's Religions (3 credits)

SUMMER SEMESTER

MAY – AUGUST

Leadership Principles 101 (5 credits)
Preparation & Delivery of Sermons 201 (4 credits)
Life of Christ 1 (4 credits)
Principles of Discipleship (3 credits)

Completion of this curriculum and reading requirements meets the Florida District Board criteria for licensing at the General level.



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THIRD YEAR

FALL SEMESTER

SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER

Pentecostal Heritage (2 credits)
Eschatology (5 credits)
Life of Christ 2 (3 credits)
Gifts of the Spirit (3 credits)
Leadership Principles 201 (4 credits)

WINTER SEMESTER

JANUARY – APRIL

Systematic Theology 301 (4 credits)
Christian Counseling (4 credit)
Multicultural Church (3 credits)
Church Leadership & Administration (5 credits)

SUMMER SEMESTER

MAY – AUGUST

CHRISTIAN SERVICE TRACK

Assimilation and Retention (4 credits)
Your Role in the Church (4 credits)
Church Service & Practicum (4 credits)
Excellence in Teaching (4 credits)

MINISTRY TRACK

Church Growth Principles (5 credits)
Planting Churches (5 credits)
The Christian Pastorate (6 credits)

Completion of this curriculum and reading requirements meets the Florida District Board criteria for licensing at the Ordination level.



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

FIRST YEAR

HOMILETICS 101

This is the study of the art and science of preparing and delivering sermons, with an initial focus on the life and character of the preacher. Various classifications of sermons are examined, and the crafting of a sermon outline is discussed based on various principles.

BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS 101

These are classes that deal with the science of Bible interpretation. They will show the various methods that are employed, but our emphasis is on the Grammatical-Historical Method. This course offers practical examples and their application to various scriptures.

THE DOCTRINE OF GOD

This is a study of the Mighty God in Christ as viewed from a oneness theology perspective. The Biblical view is emphasized to show that Jesus Christ of the New Testament is Jehovah God of the Old Testament.

THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE BIBLE

This course is designed to make the student aware of the geography of Palestine and surrounding areas. The student will learn about important dates, times, characters, and people that impact the Biblical background. Cities and climate are also considered as being a factor in historical narratives.

BIBLE SURVEY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

The student will travel through all the books of the New Testament to glean the most important topics of each book.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 101

This is primarily a study of the great doctrines of the Bible. The scientists gather information from nature and then develop some principles and laws. The student is taught to use the Bible to gather related relevant pieces of information and then conclude right doctrine, law or principle from them. The various facts are used to build a logical system.

OUTREACH PRINCIPLES

The command of The Great Commission is to go into all the world and preach the Gospel. Corporate Outreach has many components and this course examines the effectiveness of various methods. One of the most effective ways is teaching Home Bible Studies.

PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY

Ministry is service. Every successful person must have a positive attitude. This is designed to prepare the potential minister with that winning culture so he can succeed. John Maxwell calls it "The Winning Attitude".

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

This course focuses on daily elements of the Christian life, including personal disciplines like prayer and fasting, and principles of practical holiness.

PREPARATION AND DELIVERY OF SERMONS 101

The student will continue to have hands on application to interact with preparing and preaching sermons. Feedback is given on various elements learned in Homiletics.

PERSONAL EVANGELISM

Prospective ministers must have a body of work that includes personal soul winning. The focus of this subject is how to use tools such as home bible studies, personal witnessing, and prayer to become a soul winner.

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH – UPCI AND NEW LIFE TABERNACLE

A brief review of the history of the Christian church, with special emphasis on the history of the UPCI and New Life Tabernacle in Seffner, Florida.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS: SECOND YEAR

HOMILETICS 201

This is a continuation of the previous Homiletics class, with a greater emphasis of the preacher as the master craftsman that puts together all the pieces: Bible doctrine, illustrations, personal experience and anointing to produce a compelling sermon. Students will have a chance to present and be critiqued by class members.

MINISTERIAL ETHICS

This is a class on how ministers must conduct their personal lives, with regards to how they deal with other ministers, how they deal with authority, and how they deal with people in general. The emphasis is on honesty and integrity. This class has a broader application than just those with a ministerial license.

CONDUCTING THE SERVICE

The importance of a regular service is outlined. The various components of a service are discussed so as to make it effective. Various outlines can be contemplated.

BIBLE SURVEY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

This is a panoramic view of the 39 books of the Old Testament highlighting the most salient themes and events of each book.

BIBLICAL HERMENEUTICS 201

This course is a continuation of the previous Hermeneutics class, with emphasis on some important Hermeneutical principles, like the principles of First Mention, the Dispensational view of the Bible, the Ethnic Division, etc.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 201

This course is a continuation of the study of the great doctrines of the Bible, how they are based on Scripture, and the process a student must follow to construct right doctrine based on a logical Biblical foundation.

GOOD COMMUNICATION SKILLS

This class designed to help students evaluate and improve their style of communication using various media. The role of education in personal growth will be emphasized as a life skill.

MAN'S RELIGIONS

This is a comparative overview of the main religions across the world.

LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES 101

This course addresses the most important elements of Leadership, including definitions of Leadership, Characteristics of Leadership, Integrity, Resolution, Vision Setting, Delegating, and overcoming failure.

PREPARATION AND DELIVERY OF SERMONS 201

The student will continue to have hands on application and interaction while preparing and preaching sermons. Feedback is given on various elements learned in Homiletics 101 and 201.

THE LIFE OF CHRIST 1

This is a study of the three years of Jesus' ministry. It is broken down into time and geography. This includes a review of His Galilean, Judean, and Perea ministry phases.

DISCIPLESHIP PRINCIPLES

This course presents to the student the principles and application of Biblical discipleship.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS: THIRD YEAR

PENTECOSTAL HERITAGE

This course will be based on the life of Howard Goss, an early Apostolic who was very instrumental in the development of the Jesus name movement and the UPCI in the United States.

ESCHATOLOGY

This is the study of last things. The Scriptures have much to say about future events such as the reign of Christ, the resurrection, the judgment, and the destiny of mankind. This study examines these very interesting subjects.

THE LIFE OF CHRIST 2

A continuation of the study of the three years of Jesus' ministry. It is broken down into time and geography. This includes a review of His Galilean, Judean, and Perea ministry phases.

GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

This course is an examination of the various gifts as seen in the scriptures and how they relate to the overall health of the local church. In addition, it offers a more specific study of the nine gifts of the Holy Ghost. Each gift is examined, defined and examples are given of its outworking.

LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES 201

This course concludes the Leadership series of classes as described earlier, covering philosophical and practical aspects of leadership in the church.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY 301

This is primarily a study of the great doctrines of the Bible. The scientists gather information from nature and then develop some principles and laws. The student is taught to use the Bible to gather related bits and pieces of information and then draw the relevant doctrine, law or principle from them. The various facts are used to build a logical system.

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Since counseling has become part of the ministry, the principles and the art of counseling is examined. Guidelines are given and helpful hints are suggested.

THE MULTICULTURAL CHURCH

God has called the Apostolic church to preach the Gospel to every demographic. This course is designed to highlight the need for intentional multiculturalism in our approach to ministry.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP & ADMINISTRATION

In order to do an effective work in building a church, there must be an effective administration. Principles of how to set up a functioning office are taught as well as legal and financial considerations.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE TRACK

ASSIMILATION AND RETENTION

A study of factors that help new converts fit into the life of the church, and how to close the back door to members leaving to achieve steady growth in the church. Issues and practical applications will be discussed.

YOUR ROLE IN THE CHURCH

A practical preparation for those that will be working in the church as a volunteer/minister. to help seekers realize their need and lead them through repentance and baptisms.

CHURCH SERVICE & PRACTICUM

All church members are called to serve even if they are not part of the paid staff. This course will cover principles of Christian service and how to work with volunteers for maximum effectiveness. This course will include service in some church department and some reflection on that experience.

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

This course will cover the basics of good teaching. Students will learn about different learning styles and teaching methods, with emphasis both on the natural and the spiritual.

MINISTRY TRACK

CHURCH GROWTH

This is a course that examines some of the more cogent principles involved in church growth. A review of church health, church systems and characteristics that promote steady growth.

PLANTING CHURCHES

This course examines the various considerations that must be dealt with when starting a church. An examination of factors for success such as the planter's character and vision, support and mentoring, and the process for successful church startups.

THE CHRISTIAN PASTORATE

This course describes the work of the typical pastor, including the roles of minister, manager, and leader. The student will be exposed to various tasks to be accomplished within each of the roles mentioned.

POLICIES

RACIAL NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

Tampa Apostolic Bible Institute Inc., (FABC) has a racial non-discriminatory policy. The Institute admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the Institute. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, and other Institute-administered programs. Enrollment in the Institute is privileged. FABC reserves the right to suspend or expel any student, without refund, in accordance with the official policies determined by the FABC Board.

ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL

Adding Courses. Courses may be added through the end of the second Saturday session during the semester. Courses added after the official registration period are subject to class availability and attendance requirements. To add a course, submit an updated Registration Form with all courses you intend to attend. Registration forms are available at Administration Office. Students are responsible for full payment of added course(s).

Dropping Courses. Courses may be dropped through the end of the second Saturday session during the semester. Students will not be obligated for tuition and certain fees for courses dropped within the above specified time frame. Students may notify the administrative office of their intention to drop or withdraw from a course in any manner; however, we request that students submit an email to: gcharles@yournlt.com in order to ensure that all the necessary information has been received.

Withdrawal from Courses. Withdrawal from a course means that a student registered for the course and did not take action to drop the course **AFTER the drop/add deadline. Non-attendance is considered a withdrawal.** The student's transcript will display "W" grade for any course withdrawn. If an instructor administratively withdraws a student from the class **AFTER the Add/Drop deadline**, the transcript will reflect "WA" grade. Students are responsible for full payment of all courses that have not been dropped **AFTER the Add/Drop deadline.**

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Students receiving academic scholarships must contact the FABC Administration Office **PRIOR** to dropping a course or withdrawing from a course to determine the impact on the student's financial payment for the semester.

PAYMENT

Charges for tuition and fees, are due on or before the add/drop date of each semester. Students eligible to receive institutional or outside scholarships, grants, or loans must contact both their sponsor and the Institute's financial office to ensure payments are applied to their account by the deadline. Student's enrollments are considered complete when all charges and fees are fully satisfied. A student's schedule is viable for cancellation at the sole discretion of the Institute if an account is unpaid. In the event that funds are not fully processed or returned due to insufficient funds, after the add/drop date will result in the cancellation of a student's schedule. A student who fails to meet and satisfy financial obligations will not be recognized as a matriculated student.

The Institute encourages and holds the student responsible for auditing the payment information recorded on account and billing statements. Billing information is accessible through Gradelink and is administered prior to the start of each term, prior to the add/drop period, and post the add/drop period. FABC holds all student's responsible for account balances. In addition, students are responsible for ensuring all outside or internal resources *ie.* (Scholarships, Grants, Loans) are applied to accounts as requested. Students will be subjected to the revocation of services such as issuance of official transcripts and diploma or registration accessibility, should there be any outstanding debts owed to the Institute.

Payments may be made via Gradelink, during class sessions, and at the Administration office (Monday – Friday 1:30-5:30), and after services at New Life Tabernacle church.

REINSTATEMENT FEE

To ensure the integrity of academic records (official transcripts) and to remain compliant with all financial policies in place, students must officially withdraw or drop courses with the Administration Office by the designated deadline. (*see registration policies for more information*) In the event a student does not follow the proper withdrawal protocol, he or she is subjected to the cancellation of their schedule and can be reinstated under the approval of the TABI administration and must pay a reinstatement fee of \$25. If funds have been collected from a student and that student properly withdraws from a course within the allotted time frame, he or she is eligible for a refund or having funds applied to the following term. However, if a student is dropped from a term or courses, due to the student's inability to meet the add/drop period or for academic related purposes, any funds collected are automatically credited to the following term, student will be attending.

REFUNDS

Students may be eligible for a refund due to an overage in payments that exceed the charges on their student account. However, we offer the opportunity to have any possible excess funds on a student's account, applied to the semester immediately following.

FABC SCHOLARSHIPS

The Cantillo Scholarship

The Cantillo scholarship is awarded to a first-year student who demonstrates:

- A desire to serve God in the ministry full-time (licensed ministers);
- A commitment to life-long Christian education;
- A passion for souls; and
- An emphasis on Biblical doctrine.

The scholarship is in honor of Pastor Pedro Cantillo (1921-2004) and his wife, Sister Rosa Cantillo. In 1956, Pastor Cantillo founded Iglesia Apostolica de Jesucristo in Havana, Cuba. In 1994, the Cantillo's founded Templo Biblico Saron in Miami, Florida.

Both Pastor Pedro and Rosa Cantillo believed in the value of education and service. They gave their lives to the gospel and service.

Dionne R. Kerr Scholarship

The Dionne R. Kerr scholarship is awarded to a second-year student who demonstrates:

- A desire to work in ministry;
- A passion for evangelism;
- A commitment to soul-winning;

Prior to her untimely passing in September 2018, Associate Pastor Dionne Kerr had been associated with the Institute for thirteen years, being one of the first graduates and its first Director. She continued to serve as the Dean of Students, while devoting time to pastoring New Life Tabernacle in Carrollwood. She also served as the Director of Educational programs at new Life Tabernacle – Seffner.

Daniel M. Davy Scholarship

The Daniel M. Davy scholarship is awarded to a third-year student who demonstrates exceptional leadership qualities. Coming from a family of spiritual leaders, Pastor Davy has remained focused on spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world without compromise.

As Senior Pastor of New Life Tabernacle UPC, Pastor Davy has mentored countless men and women via programs and initiatives designed to develop the whole person. His sound teaching, fatherly coaching, and ability to mold leaders continues to transform the Apostolic movement.

To apply for the available scholarships, please contact the Administration Office.

BEYOND FABC

Our Alumni have taken the classes, walked across the stage, and are ready for the harvest. What now? Here at FABC, we believe that our alumni are family and encourage them to stay connected!

Volunteerism

At the heart of Tampa ABI's founding principles is the call to serve, and our alumni demonstrate that spirit in their lives. There are many volunteering opportunities at FABC and we encourage our alumni to consider volunteering in the following areas:

- Administrative Support
- Mentorship (current students)
- Fundraising / Sponsorship
- Event Planning
- Outreach / Networking
- Resource Development
- Commencement Ceremony

FREE Resources

Alumni can make the most of their experience by taking advantage of special resources available to them. Our faculty and staff are available to guide our alumni in their personal and spiritual development. Several additional classes are available to them:

- Pastoral Development
- You and Your Money
- Training Up Your Child
- Marriage Principles
- Personal Development
- Excellence in Teaching

Other resources are available based on need.

Continuing Education at FABC

At FABC, we strive to expand our student body and programs. This results in providing courses designed to support continuing growth. Alumni are welcome to attend courses added to programs at a fraction of the cost.

Give

Every donation made to FABC helps support programs and activities designed to

improve the Institute and its students. We encourage our alumni to continue to support our mission to equip our students for the harvest.



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