

CHRISTIAN LIFE TRAINING

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Dear Pastor, Dean and Administrator,

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1. October, November

Isn't it frightening to think that we are already at the end of the year? Well, we are not afraid of course, except, like Asterix and Obelisk, that the sky fall on our heads, (and since they also know that this cannot happen) we are not afraid. But our courage is in Christ. His stripes bring us healing and in Him we have access to the Father and to all the promises that are ours.

In these two months you will finalise most of your Bible School activities and submit your Certificates. This is when you rely so heavily on Lorenza to make out those Certificates. But at this time she is at home and getting nursed for a cancer that has spread to the liver after it has been removed from two other places. She is stable at the moment but still weak and believing for healing as she does not get any other treatment for the cancer.

We are setting up an sms-line on number **0741 79 2008** which will NOT be answered. The messages will be relayed to her. Instead of advice and preaching, rather send her short messages of encouragement, saying who you are and from where. She will appreciate it. She has been the administrative backbone of CLT for more than a decade and most of you have spoken to her often, even several times per month.

2. Church Life in 2011

You are aware of the new curriculum and the fact that it is replacing the A5 booklets. A number of schools have already switched over and we hear that the Bible Schools are very impressed with the improvement. Since Afrikaans is spoken as first language in South Africa by 6 million people (59% of whites, 79% of coloureds and 250,000 blacks speak Afrikaans) and worldwide about 15+ million people speak Afrikaans, we will translate the twelve additional MBC books in Afrikaans. While we need to do such a lot of preparation for next year, the accounts are taking a hammering because of the recession which we refuse to partake in. Therefore some of the students should stop guzzling Coke and fast-food and start paying their bills. We are talking straight because we all know that that is what happens. We will send you some information sheets to help you understand the simplicity of the Church Life programme. In short: It has three phases instead of 4 semesters to reach a Diploma. Each phase is 80 credits: $3 \times 80 = 240$ credits. Everything is in an A4 format. 6 or 7 A5 books are bundled together in one A4 book in a different order. **Three** such books are in a phase. **Four** MBC books are added. These present the lectures differently in a complete-written-out style. This means the student can also read the whole lecture as it is presented. **Three** Skills are dealt with. Each of these count 2 credits and are really useful skills: How to Listen, How to Learn, How to use your Spare Time Effectively. One IT skill is added each Phase starting with Computer Basics. A **Study Guide** is also available which provides vital information. A Ministry Skills Workbook called **Praxis Phase 1** is used to monitor the practical side of studies. It requires the students to read the Bible, describe virtues and learn memory verses.

3. Accounts and Certificates

Now your favourite topic of the news letter. Well, I must say, I have spoken very little about accounts being in arrears this past year. With every other organisation you may deal with, you have to pay **cash up front**. With us it is different. We grant you 30 days. Half of the Bible Schools pay immediately. The other half go up to 90 and 120 days. So, this is directed **NOT** at the faithful that do their utmost to help us quickly. Remember, the books you get from us are on average already 6 months on the shelves, waiting for your order. We have now had a holiday and we feel the pinch because of the lapse of administration during the past three weeks. Please clear your account **when you order your Certificates**, as usual. Would you also **please** put your TC number on the eft notice to us, just the number is needed not "TC". You may add anything else if you wish, not the invoice.

4. Calvary Academics e.l.p.

We are making good progress with the e-Learning Platform. Moodle was not good enough and that is equivalent to what the universities are using. In the beginning of the year you will be able to register your students. And remember, we will eventually go from 2½ year old up to PhD. Yessss! This is the future!

5. New Skills Publications

The Interpersonal Communication's skill of "Solving Problems" as well as the Personal Skill of "How to be a Self-Starter" will be ready in October. @R36.

7. Chapters to Read per Module

As you know, we now require each student to read 4 Bible chapters per module. We have a list of 84 chapters that will be dealt with over the 3 Phases. This is a mere 7% of the whole Bible but deals with 99% of all the important doctrine. Very few people read through the Bible which contains 1189 Chapters. Get them to read please!

6. Poems on Chapters

Personal note: I have started to write poems on whole chapters of the Bible as a means of teaching Bible concepts. I have added several of these to the e-mails.

8. Calvary Literal Translation

In order to be able to print the 84 Bible chapters without infringing copyright, we have done a pilot project of translating 14 chapters into English, referring to the NKJV the Holman CSB as well as the Greek and Hebrew. We will attach a few samples of the CLT version which will only tackle 84 chapters and is for students.

9. Bible Chapter Reader

We are preparing a Bible Chapter Reader for the first half of Phase one. It contains 14 chapters and 12 teaching poems. The 46 A4 pages is available for R25. As soon as they are printed we will let some of you have a sample or if you phone.

God bless your work,

The CLT Board