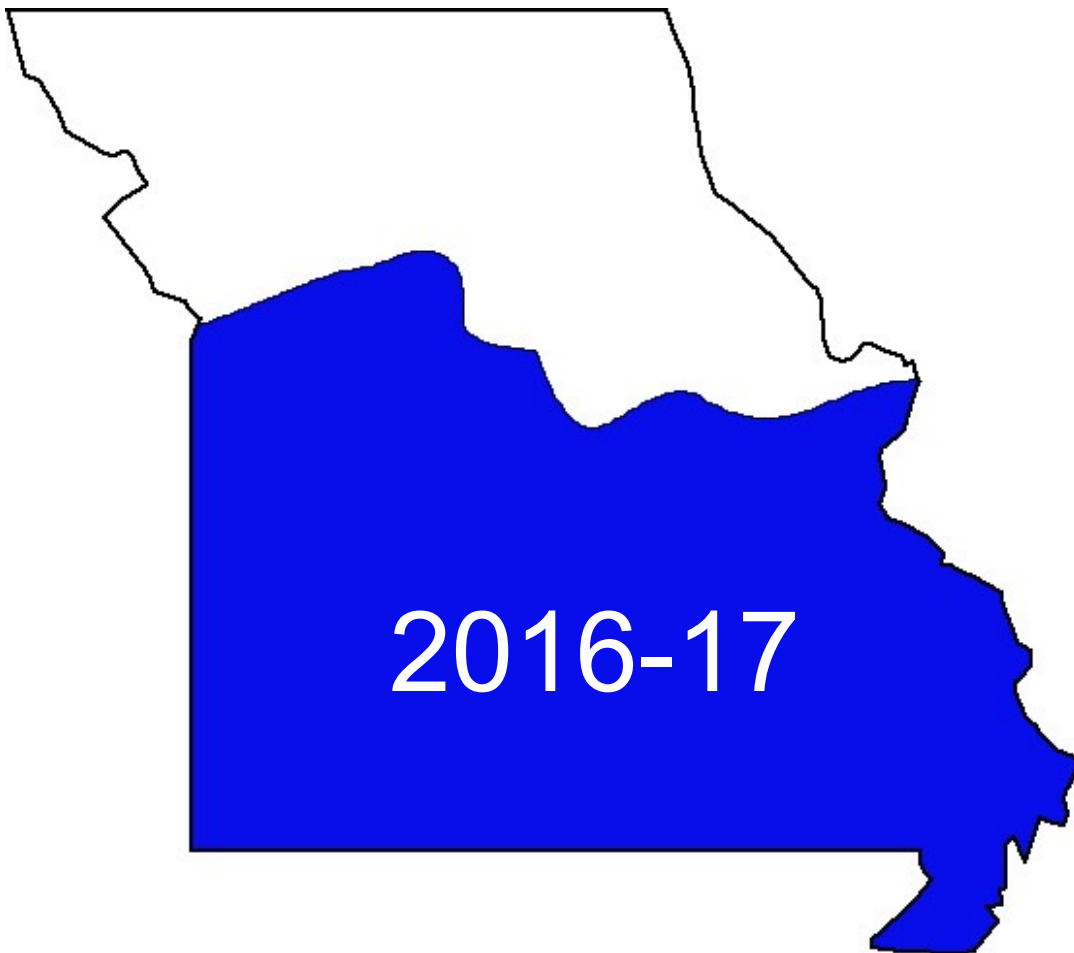


Southern Missouri Bible Quiz



District Guidelines

PURPOSE: The goal of the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry is to:

1. Bring each quizzier, coach, and official to a closer relationship with the Lordship of Jesus Christ.
2. Encourage by systematic study an in-depth knowledge of God's Word.
3. Motivate youth to memorize God's Word.
4. Teach youth to make daily application of God's Word.
5. Provide an opportunity for service and discipleship.
6. Teach youth to reflect the character of Jesus Christ in their attitudes and actions.
7. Provide, through competition and travel, opportunities for youth to expand Christian friendships and fellowship.

(Notice that while Bible Quiz is competitive by nature, the emphasis should be on discipleship and fellowship.)

The 2016-2017 Bible Quiz Rule Book and any amendments will be the basis for competition in the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry, except as noted below.

ORGANIZATION: Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry is organized as follows:

District Youth Director (DYD):	Rev. Darin Poe	
District Bible Quiz Coordinator:	Dilla Dawson	
Section Coordinators:	Kansas City	Betty Brown
	St. Louis	Allen Moore
	Springfield	Dilla Dawson

SECTIONS: Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz will be divided into geographic sections, with assignment to each section based on teams' geographical locations at registration.

SCHEDULE: 2016-2017 Season – Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon

<u>LEAGUE COMPETITION:</u>	<u>A Division</u>	<u>MS/B Division</u>	<u>Acts Experience</u>
October 1, 2016 League #1	Gal 1-6	Gal 1-5	Gal 3 & 5
November 12, 2016 League #2	Eph 1-6	Gal 6-Eph 1-4	Eph 1 & 4
January 14, 2017 League #3	Philippians	Eph 5-6	Eph. 5-6:9
February 11, 2017 League #4	Col, Philemon	Philippians 1-3	Philippians 2

The February meet will be our League Finals

League competitions #2-4 include 25% of questions over previous material.

League Finals includes an approximately even distribution over all of the material.

Our Discipleship Division this year will be replaced with a new division created by the National Bible Quiz Office. It will be called the Acts Experience. The guidelines are included in this packet.

OFFICIAL COMPETITION:

<i>Date: March 25, 2017</i>	<i>District Finals</i>	<i>Location: Lebanon First</i>
<i>May 6, 2017</i>	<i>Regional Finals</i>	<i>Evangel Temple, Springfield, MO</i>

REGISTRATION:

1. All teams must register with the District Bible Quiz Coordinator.
2. To insure a smooth start-up of the season, registrations need to be submitted as early as possible prior to the first section meet. Teams will be permitted to register for the quiz season at any time; however, any team(s) registering after the first section quiz will not make up missed matches. Since we will have open rosters this year, we will need an e-mail notification of any team members that are moving between teams at least one week prior to each league meet.
3. Each team must report its section classification with tentative team rosters at the time of registration.
4. We will have open rosters this year, meaning that you can move quizzers around between league meets. Please notify your league coordinator of any roster changes at least one week prior to the league meet. After teams are registered for District Finals, changes may NOT be made. Teams must remain the same through Districts, Regionals, and Nationals.
5. Registration Fees:
 - a. Early Registration Fee (postmarked by September 15th) will be \$50 for each team.
 - b. Registrations postmarked after September 15th will be \$60 per team.
6. Registration fees for **one** team are waived for first-year churches.

2017 DISTRICT FINALS REGISTRATION:

1. A separate registration is required for those teams participating in District Finals. This registration form will be made available later in the season.
2. 2017 District Finals Registration:
 - a. Registrations must be postmarked by March 10, 2017.
 - b. Registration fees to be determined later.

REGISTRATION ROSTER:

1. Rosters listing individual quizzers comprising a team must be submitted to the Section Coordinator by the first section quiz in October. Again, changes may be made, but the League Coordinator must be notified at least one week prior to the meet in which the change will be made.
2. Registration and team rosters for District Finals (**official competition**) must be submitted to the District Bible Quiz Coordinator along with the District Registration.
3. Churches may consolidate teams or move quizzers between teams for District Finals. Quizzers must remain in the same division (A, B, MSQ) in which they quizzed during section competition, unless approved by the District Bible Quiz Coordinator.

TEAM CLASSIFICATION: Southern Missouri District Teams may compete in one of following three division classifications:

A DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2016. These teams cover all of Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon

B DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2016. These teams will cover Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians 1-3.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-8 as of September 1, 2016. These teams will cover Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians 1-3.

EXPERIENCE DIVISION: Teams comprised of 2-6 quizzers (recommend 3-4) who are enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2016. These teams will cover Galatians 3 & 5, Ephesians 1, 4, 5, 6, and Philippians 2. (see attached rules on page 8 for this division).

(Note - B Division and Middle School Division will study the same material and use the same questions. B Division is designed for those A Division quizzers who may be new to quizzing, or who, because of time constraints, may be unable to compete at an A Division level, or those churches that have quizzers spanning a wide range of ages.)

SECTION SCORING: During the first three league meets, certificates will be awarded for each meet independently for both team and individual performance. The final league meet in February will be considered as League Finals and trophies will be awarded based on performance at that meet.

STARTING TIME: Section competition starting times will be determined by the Section Coordinators. A start time of 9:00 a.m. is recommended unless weather, other delays, or cancellations have been approved in advance.

1. Teams and officials should make every effort to report before the official starting time to allow the Section Coordinator time to manage any team or officials' scheduling issues.
2. Teams arriving after the official starting time risk forfeiting the affected matches. The opposing team of a forfeited match will receive a win. The point totals for the non-forfeiting team and individual quizzers will be based on the average points scored for all other matches for that competition. The forfeiting team and individual quizzers will receive no points for any forfeited matches. Teams with first round byes are also expected to report on time.
3. The Section Coordinator will make weather and other cancellations in consultation with at least one coach in their immediate area and at least one (preferably two coaches) representing teams outside their immediate area. This decision will be final as of 10:00 p.m. on the Friday before the scheduled section competition. Any section competition cancellation will not be rescheduled.

OFFICIALS:

1. Each team should provide at least two officials, if possible. New churches need only provide one official per team.
2. Each room should have a minimum of a quizmaster and scorekeeper. If the quizmaster and coaches agree, a room may have only a quizmaster with the official score kept by each of the opposing coaches. Should a room lack sufficient officials, coaches bringing no officials may be required to officiate.

OFFICIAL COMPETITION:

1. Official team competition commences with District Finals for the A, B and Middle School Divisions.
2. The format for District Finals will be based upon the total number of registrations received.
3. The total number of teams (in all divisions) registered for competition determines the number of teams that can qualify for Regional Finals. If there are less than 25 teams, 2 teams per division qualify; 25-49 teams, 3 teams per division qualify; and 50 or more teams, 4 teams per division qualify.
4. There is no further competition beyond Regional Finals for the Middle School Division teams.
5. There is no further competition beyond District Finals for B Division teams.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT MEMORIZATION AWARD:

1. A quizzer must quote an entire chapter at one time to a qualified Bible Quiz coach or official not related to the quizzer following the same guidelines as the National Memorization award.
2. The quizzer must quote all the required material by March 15, 2017, in order to receive the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Memory Award at District Finals. The National Memorization award form will be used to record the chapters quoted. Only this official form will be accepted. If mailed, it must be postmarked by March 5, 2016, with the names e-mailed to the District Bible Quiz Coordinator. (Quizzers may quote until the deadline set for the National Memorization award. They will not, however, receive their Southern Missouri District Memorization award at the District Finals competition. The award will be sent later.)
3. A Division quizzers must quote the entire A material. B and Middle School Division quizzers must quote the Middle School material. B and Middle School quizzers may also choose to quote all of the A Division material and receive the A Division memorization award.
4. Quizzers achieving the A Division National memorization award and the National Master Memorization award are eligible for scholarship awards from the Southern Missouri District. Amounts for each are as follows:
 - a. National Memorization Award, \$100 scholarship.
 - b. National Master Memorization Award, \$100 scholarship.

QUIZ AWARDS:

Section Competition: Top individuals and teams from each division will be recognized and presented with a certificate of achievement at each section quiz competition. The number of awards will vary depending upon the number of teams within each division.

At the end of the section season (Section Finals); awards will be presented as follows:

1. Individual Quizzer Awards: All Divisions

Top individual scorers will be recognized in each section and division. Recognition is based upon the total number of points scored during the final day of competition. Ties will be decided by the total points, followed by quiz outs. The number of awards will be determined by the number of teams in each division and section.

2. Team Awards: All Divisions

Awards will be presented to the top teams in each section and division. Recognition is based upon the win/loss percentage for each team during the final day of competition. Ties will be decided by head to head competition, and/or average total points. The number of awards will be determined by the number of teams in each division and section.

District Finals: Awards will be presented as follows:

1. Individual Quizzer Awards: A, B and Middle School Divisions.

Top quizzers will receive awards. Recognition will be based on total number of points scored during the District Finals competition. The number of awards presented will be determined by the number of teams competing within each division. Rules for deciding ties will be announced at the start of District Finals.

The Southern Missouri Memorization Award will be presented at District finals to each individual who has memorized and quoted the scripture as outlined in these guidelines (see also the national guidelines).

2. Team Awards: A, B and Middle School Divisions.

Awards will be presented to the top teams. Recognition will be based upon the team's win-loss record during District Finals competition. The number of awards presented will be determined by the number of teams competing within each division. Rules for deciding ties will be announced at the start of District Finals.

COACHES

Coaches are **REQUIRED** to sign the attached Bible Quiz Coach Covenant or a similar document if their church has one. A copy needs be given to the Section Coordinator and should be given to the pastor or youth pastor of their church.

The District Bible Quiz Coordinator, in consultation with the District Youth Director and the Section Coordinators, may change or alter any of the above rules if it is deemed necessary to further the Teen Bible Quiz Ministry in the Southern Missouri District.

Experience Rules

The “Experience League” is designed to give students an opportunity to quiz even if they do not have the time or the desire to memorize larger portions of Scripture. This is also an excellent way for beginning quizzers to “try out” Bible Quiz without the pressure of the higher levels of competition.

The number of verses to be memorized for each season is greatly reduced, and the material covered is for a specific meet so a student can participate in a meet late in the year, even if they have not participated in earlier competitions.

For the 2016-17 Bible Quiz season, the Experience division will cover:

1st Meet: Gal 3 & 5—55 verses

2nd Meet Eph 1 & 4—56 verses

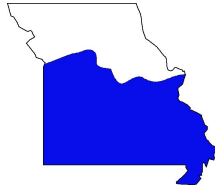
3rd Meet Eph 5:-6:9—42 verses

4th Meet Eph 6:10-24 & Phil 2—45 verses

The following special rules apply to this division.

1. 10 Middle School Study questions are in every set. They will be asked within the first 12 questions.
2. 2 Application questions are in every set. They will be asked between question # 13 and # 20.
3. The first 12 questions will alternate between each team, (*Toss Up Questions*) with the same point value being asked. Coin flip will decide who goes first. No interruption necessary. If a team interrupts and gets one of the first 12 questions wrong it is not reread.
4. At the conclusion of question # 12 an “Official Time-Out” will be called.
5. There are no review questions for each meet.

All other regular Bible Quiz rules are in effect.



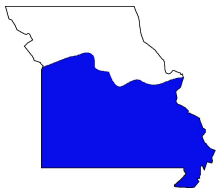
SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT TEEN BIBLE QUIZ COACH'S COVENANT

1. With God's help, I will do my best to accomplish all seven purposes of the Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quiz Ministry.
2. I will glorify God with my attitude, thoughts, speech and actions.
3. I will not play favorites, realizing that God has a wonderful plan for all quizzers.
4. I will submit to the leadership of my Youth Pastor, Pastor, and Deacons.
5. I will also submit to the leadership of the Bible Quiz Section Coordinator, the District Bible Quiz Coordinator, and the District Youth Director.
6. I realize that quizzers go where I lead them.
7. I will not settle for mediocrity in my passion as a coach.
8. I will strive to exalt Christ in my life and in this ministry this season.

Coach's Signature

Date

Witness



SO. MO DISTRICT TEEN BIBLE QUIZ 2016 – 2017 Section Registration Form

To register for Southern Missouri District Teen Bible Quizzing each team needs to fill out a separate registration form. Attach the appropriate registration fees, make checks payable to “**So MO District Youth Ministries**” and mail forms with payment to the **District Bible Quiz Coordinator** by the due date specified in the Southern Missouri Bible Quiz District Guidelines.

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Church Name: _____ Team Name: _____

Church Address: _____ Church Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Coach Name: _____ Phone: [H] _____ [W/C] _____

Coach Address: _____ e-mail: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Send mail to: Church ____ Coach ____ Assistant Coach Name: _____

Division: A B Middle School Acts Exp Section: Kansas City Springfield St Louis

Team Roster: List each team member’s name, age, grade and date of birth. *

Name	Age	Grade	Date of Birth

* To determine an individual’s eligibility see “Eligibility and Competition Structure” at www.biblequiz.com

OFFICE USE ONLY: Check # _____ Amt \$ _____ Date Postmarked _____