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WCBCS EXHIBITS

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WCBCS BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS STATEMENT

WHAT WE BELIEVE

THE BIBLE
WCBCS believes the Word of God is 100% Divinely Inspired and holds to the total authority of Scripture for effectively living the Christian life. Furthermore, we believe the Word of God is free from error in dealing with any subject matter, including scientific, historical, moral, and theological.

THE TRINITY
WCBCS believes in the triune, Godhead—one eternal, transcendent, omnipotent, personal God existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

God the Father, the first person of the Divine Trinity, is infinite Spirit—sovereign, eternal, and unchangeable in all His attributes. He is worthy of honor, adoration, and obedience.

Jesus, The Son, is the Perfect, sinless humanity and the absolute, full deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, indissolubly united in one divine-human person since His unique incarnation by miraculous conception and virgin birth.

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Godhead who convicts, regenerates, indwells, seals all believers in Christ, and fills those who yield to Him. The Holy Spirit gives spiritual gifts to all believers; however, the manifestation of any particular gift is not required as evidence of salvation.

HISTORICITY
WCBCS believes in the full historicity and accepts the clear explanation of the biblical record of primeval history. This belief includes the literal existence of Adam and Eve as the progenitors of all people, the literal fall of man into sin and resulting divine curse on the creation, the worldwide cataclysmic deluge, and the origin of nations and languages at the tower of Babel.

REDEMPTION
WCBCS believes in the substitutionary and redemptive sacrifice of Jesus Christ for the sin of the world, through His literal physical death, burial, and resurrection, followed by His bodily ascension into heaven.

SALVATION
WCBCS believes that personal salvation from the eternal penalty of sin is provided solely by the grace of God on the basis of the atoning death and resurrection of Christ. One may only receive Salvation through personal faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ.
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LAST THINGS
WCBCS believes in the future, personal, bodily return of Jesus Christ to the earth to judge and purge sin, to establish His eternal Kingdom, and to consummate and fulfill His purposes in the works of Creation and redemption with eternal rewards and punishments.

BIBLICAL CREATION
WCBCS believes the world was created in a literal six days of the Creation week.

SATAN
WCBCS believes in the existence of a personal, malicious being called Satan. He acts as the tempter and accuser, for whom the place of eternal punishment was prepared, where all who die outside of Christ shall be confined in conscious torment for eternity.

THE ORDINANCES OF THE CHURCH
WCBCS believes in and practices baptism by immersion as an outward expression of the inward decision to place one’s faith in Jesus Christ, as well as taking communion to remember the sacrifice and suffering of Jesus on the cross.

PERSONAL DEVOTION
WCBCS believes Christians should develop in their faith and be committed to a life of personal devotion to God. Commitment is expressed through corporate and private worship, participation in small group Bible study, meaningful service in a ministry, giving financially in a God-honoring way, and intentionally introducing others to a personal relationship with Christ.

LEADERSHIP
WCBCS believes in a divinely called and Scripturally ordained leadership ministry to serve the Church.
WCBCS MISSION STATEMENT
WHAT WE ARE CALLED TO DO

"Creating disciples of Christ without creating disciples of debt"

The mission of West Coast Bible College & Seminary is to honor God by educating and ministering to a diverse community of students for the purpose of developing servant-leaders who will radically impact the world where they live with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We accomplish this through biblically based programs and services that have an appreciation of past traditions, but that utilize cutting-edge technology and the latest resources to equip our student for the future.
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CORE VALUES
WHO WE ARE CALLED TO BE

WCBCS is a non-denominational seminary that exists to provide high-quality ministry training at the lowest cost possible to ensure that finances will not be a hindrance to the global training of leaders and the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

1) Christ-Centered – Our reason for existence centers around the person of Jesus Christ and therefore all of our programs, professors, and instruction will reflect this core value.

2) People-Focused – We know that all people matter to Jesus and they matter to us, as well. Therefore, we will do everything in our power to ensure that all people are treated equally, fairly, and with respect because they are made in God’s image and likeness (Genesis 1:27).

3) Uncompromisingly Bible-based – We neither neglect, compromise, nor apologize for teaching the Word of God in every class.

4) Educationally Relevant – We are committed to using the latest resources and delivery methods for our students to experience a culturally relevant education that will enable them to be effective wherever they live.

5) Spirit-led – We believe the Holy Spirit leads all believers into fellowship with Jesus Christ and will direct the steps of those whose hearts are set on Him. We are committed to listening to the voice of the Holy Spirit in all facets of the educational process.
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6) Missions-oriented – We are committed to pouring 10% of all finances that come into West Coast Bible College & Seminary back into missions to build churches and to provide practical needs for those in countries outside of the U.S. who are working in partnership with WCBCS.

7) Theologically sound – We are committed to theologically sound education that is based upon the Word of God. While methods will certainly change throughout the ages, the principles of God’s Word are a firm foundation that must be properly discerned and taught so that our students will have a strong base of learning for life and ministry.

8) Great Commission driven – The entire reason for our existence is the Great Commission; to go into the world and preach the Gospel to everyone. Our ultimate goal is to build the Kingdom of God, and not an empire for ourselves!
WCBCS INSTITUTIONAL OBJECTIVES
HOW WE WILL ACCOMPLISH THE MISSION

WCBCS is a Bible college that believes every Christian is called to be a minister, regardless of their occupation. As such, WCBCS provides an environment of academic excellence from distinctly Christian perspective. Students who enroll at WCBCS can be assured that their education will be:

• **Uncompromisingly biblical** in its approach to every subject
• **Unmistakably driven** by the Great Commission to create disciples of Christ
• **Unambiguously adhering** to the traditional Christian understanding of history
• **Unencumbered academically** to explore various denominational beliefs
• **Undeniably relevant** in both subject matter and in use of technology
• **Unabashedly practical** in course content and application
• **Unashamedly devoted** to the development of Christ-like character in students
• **Unswervingly committed** to best academic and business practices
WCBCS STUDENT CORE COMPETENCIES

OUR COMMITMENT TO OUR STUDENTS

WCBCS is committed to educating and training students for the globalization of the Gospel. Students who graduate from the programs at WCBCS will be:

- **Exegetically competent** to comprehend and communicate the Word of God in any setting
- **Theologically competent** to understand and uphold the Truth of God’s Word to any person or audience
- **Pastorally competent** to lead and equip individuals and teams to accomplish the Great Commission, whether vocationally or voluntarily
- **Academically competent** to know how to research any topic and possess the critical thinking skills required to reason through problems with the assistance of the Holy Spirit
- ** Personally competent** to study God’s Word from a devotional perspective to develop Christ-like character as a disciple of Jesus
- **Communicatively competent** to share their personal faith, whether orally or written, for the growth of the Kingdom of God
WCBCS PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

WHAT WE BELIEVE ABOUT EDUCATION

WCBCS is an online Bible college that is wholly committed to educating and training men and women to serve in ministry, whether vocationally or voluntarily. As a Bible college, the heart of the teaching will center on the infallible and inerrant Word of God and its' relevance to all areas of life. However, we also understand there are numerous practical issues in education that must be addressed. As such, this is the WCBCS philosophy of education statement:

1. Education is focused on truth, and God is the ultimate source of Truth. He reveals Himself to us in nature; in His Son; and in the Bible, the only inerrant, authoritative, and sufficient rule for faith and practice (Psalm 8:2-4; Hebrews 1:1-3; 2 Timothy 3:16, 17).

2. The Lordship of Christ and the sovereignty of God are all-inclusive; therefore, all areas of life and learning are regarded as sacred (Romans 11:36).

3. Christian education is the result of all knowledge being tested against, and integrated with, a biblically based view of God and the world (Colossians 1:16, 17; John 1:3).
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4. The Christian teacher/professor, empowered by the Holy Spirit, guides and nurtures students through instruction, admonition and personal example. The Christian teacher/professor seeks to encourage the spiritual development of students since this is the foundation for their academic, social and personal growth (Colossians 1:28; Proverbs 1:7).

5. Christian education occurs as the Holy Spirit works effectively in the hearts and minds of the students. Through general revelation students learn of God and His world (Acts 14:17; Romans 1:18-20). Special revelation and regeneration are regarded as essential components of Christian education because a personal relationship with Jesus Christ provides students with the ability to view life from a Biblical perspective (1 Corinthians 2:14).

6. God has created all students with unique talents as well as particular developmental growth patterns. Therefore, the learning process is enhanced as teachers develop teaching strategies and environments to help students grow (Psalm 139:13-15; Romans 12:4-8).
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7. Service to others inside and outside the online classroom environment contributes to the development of each student's talents and abilities (1 Corinthians 12).

8. Excellence in the quality of education offered to students brings glory to God and provides a compelling witness to our neighbors (Philippians 1:9-11).

9. The goal of Christian education is to develop students who will serve God and impact their community and the world by thinking and acting biblically in all areas of life (Romans 12:2).

10. An online educational community allows for the training of anyone, anywhere, at any time and offers a relevant, contemporary means of fulfilling The Great Commission to “go and make disciples” (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15).

"IN ESSENTIALS, UNITY; IN NON-ESSENTIALS, LIBERTY; IN ALL THINGS, CHARITY"
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