

LANDRUM INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH



STUDENT HANDBOOK
LIBC SATELLITE CAMPUS
OF
TEMPLE BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Founder of Temple Bible Baptist College

Dr Raymond Sorrells

Dr. Raymond Sorrells founded Temple Baptist Bible College in 1992 and he remains the Professor of Studies and Chairman still today. Brother Sorrells and his wife have faithfully served the Lord for many years.

From 1979 through 1991, they served as missionaries with Baptist International Mission, Inc. in the South Pacific Island of Papua New Guinea in the field of Church planting and education. Dr. and Mrs. Sorrells planted three churches during their mission there.

There was a great need to train men and women to work in the ministry. Port Moresby Baptist Bible College was a product of that need. Many men and women have been trained there and are still serving today. Praise the Lord!!

From 1992 through 2005, Dr. Sorrells was the Pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Temple in Valley Alabama and founded Temple Baptist Bible College. Many pastors, preachers, teachers, evangelist and laymen were trained during those years and continue to serve our Lord.

In 2005, Dr. Sorrells left the Pastorate went into Evangelism and moved the Seminary to Roanoke, Alabama. He started Titus Seminary here and several campuses around the world training men and women for Christian service.

In 2015 the Lord allowed Pastor Shane Jackson, after years of prayers and multiple phone calls and emails, with Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Sorrells, to see The Landrum Independent Baptist Church Satellite of Temple Baptist Bible College come to fruition.



"I love Thy Church, O God!
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand."

—Timothy Dwight
1800 a.

A Word from Pastor Shane Jackson

Pastor of Landrum Independent Baptist Church and
Director of Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC
Satellite School)

Having been led of the Lord to begin a College where primarily our preachers, teachers, leaders and avid Bible students could grow in the Grace and Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and then as He may lead to open it up to others who desire a Bible Honoring, Baptist upholding, King James Bible Education: We contacted Dr Raymond Sorrells a mighty man of God who has been greatly used in the education of many Biblically sound preachers, pastors and missionaries all over the World. He agreed to assist us with the materials and begin a local church based Bible College as a Satellite to his established for many years, Temple Baptist Bible College. This Temple Baptist Bible College Satellite School of LIBC is a ministry of Landrum Independent Baptist Church; therefore, it is a pastor-led, Independent Baptist College. We offer a Graduate of Theology in three years with a Masters, (for preachers only), in four years. We have a focus on local church ministry. We are to “Study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, “rightly dividing” the word of truth” (2 Tim. 2:15).



We are glad the Lord has brought you to school, and our prayer is to be a place where men and women can grow in grace, and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We feel the Lord has guided us to start this school to fulfill, 2 Timothy 2:1-Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. So we simply ask you to follow the Lord in your studies and may we all be found faithful in the Lords work. God bless you in your studies as you endeavor to spend time with Him in His precious WORD!

In HIS service,

Pastor Shane Jackson
1 Samuel 12:24

“Thy testimonies are very sure;
holiness becometh Thy house,
O Lord, for ever”—*Psalms 93:5*.

Our Purpose

I. Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE) Mission

A. **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)** is a local ministry that is designed to prepare men and women for serving the Lord. Our purpose is local church oriented. We believe that the hope for our culture will come from the local church, and the training is designed to help make a difference in lives.

B. **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)** is distinctly Baptist in its philosophy and purpose and is dedicated to promote and defend Biblical truths held by Baptists throughout the centuries.

C. **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)** is without denominational or governmental support or influence.

D. Our staff is dedicated to help students who love the Lord and His work. The college will provide basic training for preachers, teachers, and missionaries. We invite any serious Bible student to come be a part of **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)**

II. College Distinctives

A. With a burden to provide a means of education for our preachers, future pastors, missionaries, Christian workers and students who could not leave families, jobs, and other obligations to go to Bible College, Pastor Shane Jackson worked with a great Man of God by the name of Dr. Raymond Sorrells to institute a local church Bible College in Landrum Independent Baptist Church.

B. The primary focus of the ministry of **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)** is for the working student who has neither the time nor resources to attend a full-time Bible College, to follow the Biblical command to have our feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel. Eph 6:15

III. Local Church Focus

A. The Autonomy of the Local Church – **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)**, holds strongly to the truth of local church autonomy. We believe the local church is the center of God's working to evangelize the world with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We believe the pastor of the church is the most qualified individual for the training of preachers and making disciples. Therefore, our goal is to assist local pastors, (as we grow and open up to other churches), in the training of preachers and Christian workers by providing the necessary tools for education and discipleship.

B. By providing educational opportunities under the direction and authority of the local church, students desirous of obtaining Biblical training can do so without having to leave their local church to attend Bible College. This keeps the students involved in the ministry of their local church while gaining an education; which, is consistent with the doctrines of their pastor and church leaders.

C. Our goal is not to grow into an immense local educational institution, but rather to train Christian leaders for the work of the ministry. This allows for hands-on or practical training with students.

D. Respect for Local Church Authority – By keeping the training of preachers and Christian workers under the authority of the pastor and the local church, graduates cultivate much needed respect for the pastor's authority: thus, a servant's heart is more readily developed by allowing the pastor to train the student while also serving by his/her side.

ADMISSIONS POLICY

ADMISSIONS

1. Since the express purpose of **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)** is to train men and women for Christian service, it is expected that those who seek admission manifest evidence of good character, a dedication to purpose, a willingness to learn, and a sincere desire to know the will of God. Such demands the utmost in personal discipline of the Christian life.
2. All applicants must attend all church services and be a contributing member in good standing to their local church. They must be faithful in witnessing, tithing, and missions giving.
3. All students must attend all classes or do extensive make up work prior approved.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Applications may be requested from the Church/College office or go to the Landrum Independent Baptist Church website. (Lord willing, this will be possible in the future.)
2. Completion of Application
 - a. Complete and submit the Student Application
 - b. Read the church & college Doctrinal Statement and student handbook & polices.
 - c. Please send completed applications to:
Mail: LIBC PO BOX 357 Landrum SC 29356
3. Send a \$15.00 application fee with application. This fee is non-refundable.
4. A copy of applicant's High School Diploma or General Education Diploma must be submitted with application. If you haven't completed either, NOTE. One must be finished before a degree is conferred or else a certificate will be given in lieu of a Degree.

REFUND POLICY

We will not be able to refund application fee, tuition, or book costs if a student decides to drop a course or all courses. Our tuition cost is so low; we are not able to issue refunds, due to the expenses of operating the school.

GENERAL CONDUCT

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE

The administration of **Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE)** strives to accept students who express a sincere desire to live for Jesus Christ and whose character gives evidence that is consistent with such a profession.

Students and faculty of **Temple Baptist Bible College (LIBC SATELLITE)** are expected to CONDUCT themselves in a manner that befits a Christian and brings honor to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Attendance at **Temple Baptist Bible College (LIBC SATELLITE)** is a privilege and the college specifically reserves the right to dismiss students who conduct themselves in a manner incompatible with its purpose and functions.

LOCAL CHURCH ISSUES

Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC SATELLITE), purpose is centered on the ministry and authority of the local church and pastor.

Students must maintain a proper New Testament Christian relationship with their local pastor and church. Any student dismissed from a local church due to immorality, unfaithfulness, false doctrine, disloyalty, dissension or any other such matter opposed to New Testament standards of Christian conduct may be dismissed from enrollment at the discretion of the Pastor, (Pastor Shane Jackson), of Landrum Independent Baptist Church who is to be the Director of this Baptist Bible College.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe that the King James Bible is the Word of God, supernaturally inspired, so that it is inerrant and preserved by God in its verbal inspiration, so that it is an authoritative standard for every age and every life. We believe that once a person is saved he becomes a new creation in Christ. The goal of the Christian will be to grow in spiritual maturity through obedience to the Word of God and the indwelling Spirit.

We believe the church exists for the purpose of sharing the exciting message of Christ with our community and with the world. We also believe it is the responsibility of the church to develop mature Disciples of Christ through joyful worship service and meaningful Bible studies.

SEE ALSO ATTACHMENT FOR THE CORE OF OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH.

STATEMENT OF CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

Qualifications of a Pastor

We believe that this office should be held by an individual who is qualified by the standard set in I Timothy 3:1-7. Specifically, we believe that this office should be held by a man, either single or having only one wife. We believe that the statement "husband of one wife" excludes women from this office.

We hold to this standard further by the truth found in 1 Timothy 2:11-12.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

APPLICATION FEE

Application Fee..... \$15.00 Application Fee is non-refundable

COSTS AND FEES

Tuition per MONTH.....	\$100.00
Graduation Fee	\$150.00
Audit Fee.....	\$ 30.00
Food.....	donation

Tuition fees are non-refundable.

This is necessary due to the fact the financial obligations of the school must be met for the school to have a good reputation and standing before the public.

Note: A spouse of a full-time college student of **Temple Baptist Bible College (LIBC SATELLITE)** may attend at half the cost for tuition. Graduation fee will apply to both.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Tuition and fees are due and will be charged to the student's account upon registration. All students should come prepared to pay tuition costs at or before registration or on the first Monday of every month.

SCHOLASTIC REQUIREMENTS

I.Limitations on Transfer Credit

TBD

II. Life Experience Credits

TBD

III. Transfer Credits

TBD

IV. Application of Credits

TBD

COLLEGE CURRICULUM

I. Lesson Material

Lesson Development:

A. Currently all lessons are being taught via video by Dr. Raymond Sorrells and Facilitated by Pastor/Director Shane Jackson.

B. These lessons were developed from a historical Baptist perspective and find their basis in the King James Authorized Bible.

C. These lessons are designed for a twelve-week quarter and offer doctrinally sound content for instructors and students.

II. Textbooks

A. Textbooks- Are being provided right now, at no extra cost and are developed by Dr Sorrells.

B. Costs of Textbooks – When added to the tuition will be at retail to assist in operating expense and ministry support of the Bible College.

C. Requirement of Textbook Purchase – All students must purchase all textbooks for themselves and thus be able to build a reference library for your future studies.

III. Homework Assignments

1. Textbook Assignments

2. Writing Assignment

3. Homework Assignment

4.The Exam –

DRESS CODE

This is a Christian School and all students and faculty should present themselves as a living sacrifice unto our God, Romans 12:1-2. This involves an appearance that does not draw attention to ones self and glorifies God. Thus, any clothing that classifies the student/faculty with worldliness must be avoided.

- 1. LADIES.** Dresses or blouses and skirts to class and to all other school functions. No low necklines and no high hemlines. Modesty is the key standard. No slits, dresses or skirts should reveal the knee or above at a sitting position.
- 2. MEN.** Casual or dress wear is permissible. This consists of shirt and pants. Neatness and cleanliness are important and should only be given leniency when coming straight from work as given permission by the Director. No shorts, t-shirts without a collar or with ungodly slogans, flip flops, earrings or other body piercings will be tolerated. Men will always keep their shirts tucked in and maintain a proper placement of their trousers. (No sagging pants etc.)

Conduct

Each student is expected to maintain the highest level of Godliness while attending school as you are representing the Lord Jesus Christ, the Local Church, Bride of Christ, and the Bible College. The Bible College and or LIBC reserve the right to dismiss students without refund or recourse for un-Godly, un-Biblical lifestyles.

The Bible

Temple Bible College, Landrum Independent Baptist Church and **LIBC SATELLITE** believe the King James Bible to be God's Holy Preserved Word: Therefore, any assigned Bible reading, homework, lessons, sermon outlines, and papers must be completed by using the King James Bible. We further suggest that if you are against this TRUTH, (we hold very dear to our Faith); you may not want to attend this Bible College.

Chapel Attendance

All students are required to attend Chapel as this counts as part of your class time.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

GRADING SCALE

A = 90-100 B = 80-89 C = 70-79 D = 60-69 F = below 60 I = incomplete Audit = course not taken for credit

GPA VALUE

A=4.0 B=3.0 C=2.0 D=1.0 F=0.0

Grades will be determined by the following procedure:

Lesson Review Avg.25% ---Text Book Assignment Avg.25% Lesson Review Exams 25%---Finals Exam 25%

Accreditation

Temple Baptist Bible College, (and LIBC SATELLITE) do not seek accreditation from an outside public, private or governmental agency. It is the sole purpose of this Bible College to teach the Bible, its doctrine, and principles so that the child of God may be thoroughly furnished. Temple was started by a vision given to a Brother Sorrells by God Himself. Furthermore, **LIBC SATELLITE** was started as a burden placed on Pastor Shane Jackson from God himself through His Holy Word in 2 Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. And 2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth and lastly Ephesians 4:11-16. Pastor Jackson had a desire to see Preachers of our Local Church be able to study the Word together and still grow under the leadership of the Pastor God placed them under. Not only for our church but specifically for our Local body of believers in Landrum Independent Baptist Church. Temple Baptist Bible College works under the Authority of the local church: Mt Calvary Baptist Church in Roanoke, AL. This Satellite, (**LIBC SATELLITE**), is also working under the Authority of the Local Church: Landrum Independent Baptist Church in Landrum, South Carolina. Other schools have the prerogative to accept or reject any other school's courses; however, many other Bible Schools may accept your degree from Temple Baptist Bible College taken at this Local Church Satellite: LIBC Bible College Satellite.

Nondiscriminatory Policy

Temple Baptist Bible College and **LIBC SATELLITE** do not discriminate. However, we do believe you must be a believer of the Bible to be a student of it.

We Believe the King James Bible to be the final Authority of life and Rule!

“The King James Holy Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe. We, of Landrum Independent Baptist Church, do believe- however, that the following accurately represents the teaching of the Bible and, therefore, is binding upon all members.” This also applies to all Ministries operating under the authority of LIBC: A Local New Testament Church: To Include Temple Baptist Bible College, (LIBC Satellite Bible College).

(A) The Holy Scriptures We believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the verbally and plenary inspired Word of God. The Scriptures are inerrant, infallible, and God-breathed, (not simply God breathed in but God breathed through), the scriptures were breathed in the minds and hearts of those God used to pen them and breathed through them to the writ on page while HE alone controlled their very movements and accuracy. Therefore, the scriptures are the final authority for faith and life. The sixty-six books of the Old and New Testaments are the complete and divine revelation of God to man. The KJV Bible does not contain the Word of God; it **IS** The Word of God. The Scriptures shall be interpreted according to their normal grammatical-historical meaning. Many scriptures have literal and applicable lessons and these principles of interpretations shall be followed without adding to or taking away from the context of the passage. We also believe in the PRESERVATION of the scriptures. That is, the same Holy God which inspired The Precious Book was and is today maintaining the purity of the scriptures within the pages of “The Holy Bible”--Authorized King James Bible. There is no other version accepted by the church nor are there other versions to be used in teaching, preaching etc. The Authorized King James Bible shall be the official and only Bible used by the Church (2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Pet. 1:20-21).

(B) Dispensationalism- We believe that the Scriptures interpreted in their natural, literal sense reveal divinely determined dispensations or rules of life which define man's responsibilities in successive ages. These dispensations are not ways of salvation, but rather are divinely ordered stewardships by which God directs man according to His purpose. Three of these dispensations --the age of law, the age of the Church, (current) and the age of the kingdom --are the subjects of detailed revelation in Scripture (Gen. 1:28; 1 Cor. 9:17; 2 Cor. 3:9-18; Gal. 3:13-25; Eph. 1:10; 3:2-10; Col. 1:24-25, 27, Rev. 20:2-6).

(C) The Godhead We believe in one Triune God, eternally existing in three persons --Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, each co-eternal in being, co-identical in nature, co-equal in power and glory, and having the same attributes and perfections (Deut. 6:4; Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14; John 14:10, 26).

(D) The Person and Work of Christ (1) We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, became man, without ceasing to be God, having been conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary, in order that He might reveal God and redeem sinful men (Isa. 7:14; 9:6; Luke 1:35; John 1:1-2, 14; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Phil. 2:5-8). (2) We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ accomplished our redemption through his death on the cross as a representative, vicarious, substitutionary sacrifice; and that our justification is made sure by His literal, physical resurrection from the dead (Acts 2:18-36; Rom. 3:24-25; 1 Peter 2:24; Eph. 1:7; 1 Peter 1:3-5). **THUS HE DIED FOR ALL TO BE SAVED BUT ROSE FROM THE GRAVE ON THE THIRD DAY FOR ALL WHO WOULD BELIEVE ON HIM (Romans 4:25).** (3) We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ ascended to Heaven, and is now exalted at the right hand of God, where, as our High Priest, He fulfills the ministry of Representative, Intercessor, and Advocate (Acts 1:9-10; Heb. 9:24; 7:25; Rom. 8:34, 1 John 2:1-2). (4) We believe that Christ while on earth was impeccable, that he lived a sinless life without any inward ability to sin (1 John 3:5), and that He vicariously became sin for us. (Heb 4:15)

(E) The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit We believe that the Holy Spirit is a Person who convicts the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment; and that He is the Supernatural Agent in regeneration, baptizing all believers into the body of Christ at salvation, indwelling and sealing them unto the day of redemption (John 16: 8-11; Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 12:12-14; 2 Cor. 3:6, Eph. 1:13-14). (2) We believe that He is the Divine Teacher who assists believers to understand and appropriate the Scriptures and that it is the **privilege and duty** of all the saved **to be filled with the Spirit**; *baptism puts you in something and filling puts something in you*; Now, there are times in a Christian's life when they need to be picked up by their feet spiritually and emptied out of themselves and filled with Spirit of God, (refreshed-Titus 3)--(Eph. 1:17-18; 5:18; I John 2:20, 27, Eph. 5:18). (3) We believe that God is sovereign in the bestowal of spiritual gifts to every believer. God uniquely uses evangelists, pastors, and teachers to equip the believers in the assembly in order that they can do the work of the ministry (Rom. 12:3-8; 1 Cor. 12:4-11, 28; Eph. 4:7-12). (4) We believe that the sign gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as speaking in tongues and the gift of healing were temporary. However, we also note that God can still touch someone with a gift to preach the Gospel to a people who are not of their native tongue, through prayer and preparation. (Not an unknown tongue as some say angelic tongue----be advised that Satan is a fallen angel--- or some other tinkering symbol mess as witches and Voo-Doo people use in their un-Godly and satanic rituals and worship). We believe that the real miracle at Pentecost was that all nations present heard the Apostles preaching, in their own language: Thus, the real miracle was in the hearing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the subsequent furtherance of the Kingdom of Heaven. We further believe that, speaking in tongues was never a necessary sign of the baptism or filling of the Holy Spirit, rather the control of the tongue and subsequent use in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ was and is the sign as seen in 'Acts 1:8'. Healing and other sign-gifts proved to a generation of sign seekers, (in the early days of the Church), that God approved of their work. However, we must remember Christ warned us of looking for signs and not living and walking by Faith alone. We further realize, through prayerful reading of the scriptures, that we await the deliverance of the body from all sickness and or death at the consummation of our salvation in the resurrection (Romans 8:18-25). Though God frequently chooses to answer the prayers of believers for physical healing, no one commands God to heal anyone. This prayer is to be done as a Church and in accordance with the principles and directions given with the book of James 5! (1 Cor. 1:22; 13:8; 14:21-22, James 5:13-16). We believe we will see an increase in sensational movements seeking only to promote signs, wealth etc (2 Timothy 3:5-9 & 2 Timothy 12-14).

(F) The Total Depravity of Man We believe that man was created in the image and likeness of God, but that in Adam's sin the human race fell, inherited a sinful nature, and became alienated from God; and, that man is totally depraved, and, of himself, utterly unable to remedy his lost condition and possesses a fallen will: **HOWEVER**, (*Praise the Lord*), once convicted by the Holy Ghost, the individual then possess a choice and thus has a free will choosing to accept or reject God's call to salvation (Gen. 1:26-27; Rom. 3:22-23; 5:12; 6:23; Eph. 2:1-3; 4:17-19, John 6:44).

(G) Salvation We believe that salvation is the gift of God brought to man by grace and received through repentance, (Luke 24:47), and personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, whose precious blood was shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins and that it is God's will that no one should perish, but that all should come to repentance (John 1:12; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-10; 1 Pet. 1:18-19).

(H) The Eternal Security and Assurance of Believers We believe the truth in Hebrews 5:9, “**And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;**” (1) We believe that all the redeemed, once saved, are kept by God's power and not their works, (good or bad) and are thus secure in Christ forever (John 6:37-40; 10:27-30; Rom. 8:1, 38-39; 1 Cor. 1:4-8; 1 Pet. 1:4-5). (2) We believe that it is the privilege of believers to rejoice in the assurance of their salvation through the testimony of God's Word! However, the Scripture clearly forbids the use of Christian liberty as an occasion to the flesh; thus, eliminating these false professing Wordlings who claim to love Christ and yet display a clear love of the world. (Rom. 13:13-14; Gal. 5:13; Titus 2:11-15& remember Matthew 6:24).

(I) The Church (1) We believe that the local church, which is the body and the espoused bride of Christ, is solely made up of born-again persons (1 Cor. 12:12-14; II Cor. 11:2; Eph. 1:22-23; 5:25-27). (2) We believe that the establishment and continuance of local churches is clearly taught and defined in the New Testament Scriptures (Acts 14:27, 20:17, 28-32; I Tim. 3:1-13; Titus 1: 5-11). (3) We believe in the autonomy of the local church free of any external authority or control (Acts 13:1-4, 15:19-31, 20:28; Rom. 16:1, 4; I Cor. 3:9, 16; 5:4-7, 13; I Pet. 5:1-4). (4) We recognize only water baptism and the Lord's Supper as the Scriptural ordinances of obedience for the Church in this Age (Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 2:41-42; 18:18; I Cor. 11:23-26).

(J) Separation We believe that all the saved should live in such a manner as not to bring reproach upon their Saviour and Lord; that our conduct, dress, and speech should be of the highest standards to avoid offending others around us, and, that separation from all religious apostasy, all worldly and sinful pleasures, practices and associations is commanded of God (Rom. 12:1-2; 14:13; II Cor. 6:14-17; II Tim. 3:1-5; I John 2:15-17; II John 9-11).

(K) The Second Advent of Christ We believe in that "Blessed Hope," the personal, imminent return of Christ Who will rapture His Church prior to the seven-year tribulation period. At the end of the Tribulation, Christ will personally and visibly return, with His saints, to establish His earthly Messianic Kingdom which was promised to the Nation of Israel (Ps. 89:3-4; Daniel 2:31-41; Zech. 14:4-11; I Thess. 1:10; 4:13-18; Titus 2:13; Rev. 3:10; 19:11-16; 20:1-6). Thus, it is a 2 fold return. (2 Timothy 4:1)

(L) The Eternal State (1) We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved to eternal life, and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment (Matt. 25:46; John 5:28-29; 11:25-26; Rev. 20:5-6; 12-13). (2) We believe that the souls of the redeemed are, at death, absent from the body and present with the Lord, wherein conscious bliss they await the first resurrection, when spirit, soul, and body are reunited to be glorified forever with the Lord (Luke 23:43; II Cor. 5:8; Phil. 1:23; 3:21; I Thess. 4:16-17; Rev. 20:4-6). (3) We believe that the souls of unbelievers remain, after death in conscious punishment and torment until the second resurrection, when with the soul and body reunited they shall appear at the Great White Throne Judgment, and shall be cast into the Lake of Fire, not to be annihilated, but to suffer everlasting conscious punishment and torment (Matt. 25:41-46; Mark 9:43-48; Luke 16:19-26; II Thess. 1:7-9; Jude 6-7; Rev. 20:11-15).

(M) The Personality of Satan We believe that Satan is a real fallen angelic being who was once the anointed cherub hovering over the throne of God. He is the author of sin and the cause of the Fall of Man; that he is the open and declared enemy of God and man; and, that he shall eternally be punished in the Lake of Fire (Job 1:6-7; Isa. 14:12-17; Matt. 4:2-11; 25:41; Rev. 20:10).

(N) Creation We believe that God created the universe in six literal, 24- hour periods. We reject evolution, the Day-Age Theory, Gap and Theistic Evolution as unscriptural theories of origin (Gen. 1-2; Exodus 20:11).

(O) Civil Government We believe that God has ordained and created all authority consisting of three basic institutions: 1) the home; 2) the Church; 3) the state. Every person is subject to these authorities, but all (including the authorities themselves) are answerable to God and governed by His Word. God has given each institution specific Biblical responsibilities and balanced those responsibilities with the understanding that no institution has the right to infringe upon the other.

The home, the Church, and the state are sovereign in their Respective, Biblically & Divinely assigned spheres of responsibility under God. (Rom. 13:1-7; Eph. 5:22-24; Heb. 13:17; I Pet. 2:13-14)

(P) Human Sexuality We believe that God has commanded that no sexual activity including verbal, visual, or physical stimulus should be engaged in outside of a marriage between a man (born and remaining male) and woman (born and remaining female). We believe that any form of homosexuality, lesbianism, bisexuality, bestiality, incest, fornication, pedophilia, adultery and pornography, transvestitism, deviant gender or transgender identity, or any other deviant sexual behavior are sinful perversions of God's gift of sex (Gen. 2:24; 19:5, 13; 26:8-9; Leviticus 18:1-30; Rom. 1:26-29; I Cor. 5:1; 6:9; I Thess. 4:1-8; Heb. 13:4).

(Q) Divorce and Remarriage We believe that God hates divorce and intends marriage between a man biologically born and remaining a male and a woman biologically born and remaining a female to last until one of the spouses dies. Divorce and remarriage is regarded in scripture as adultery except on the grounds of fornication according to the principle outlined in Deuteronomy 22 and 24. Although previously divorced and remarried persons, or previously divorced persons, may join the Church after repenting of same and hold positions of service in the Church and be greatly used of God for Christian service, they may not be considered for the offices of pastor or deacon. The Church property shall not be used for a marriage ceremony that will constitute adultery, the Pastor, nor any minister ordained by this Church, shall not conduct a marriage ceremony that will constitute adultery, nor will the Church allow the marriage or remarriage of a member that will constitute adultery (Mal. 2:14-17; Matt. 19:3-12; Rom. 7:1-3; I Tim. 3:2, 12; Titus 1:6). Any and all marriage ceremonies must be held to all church rules and statements of faith as these are Biblical principles seen in the Holy Word of God. All music must be Christian, (only true Christian not so-called Christian rock etc.), and all persons should be dressed at all times in a Godly manner so as to bring credit upon Christ and not shame.

(R) Abortion We believe that human life begins at conception and that the unborn child is a living, human being. Abortion (the elective man made death, ejection or removal of the unborn child from the womb) constitutes the unjustified, unexcused taking of unborn human life. Abortion is murder by any means whether surgical, chemical, physical injury, or deliberate conduct for the purpose terminating a pregnancy. We reject any teaching that abortions of pregnancy due to rape, incest, birth defects, gender selections, birth or population control, or the mental well-being of the mother are acceptable (Exodus 21:22 - 25; Job 3:16; Psalms 51:5; 139:14-16; Isa. 44:24; 49:1, 5; Jer. 1:5; 20:15-18; Luke 1:44).

(S) Missions We believe that God has given the Church a Great Commission to proclaim the Gospel to all nations so that there might be a great multitude from every nation, every tribe, every ethnic group, and language group who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. All Christians should be laborers in the field for God. The mission field is in front of us wherever we may be. Furthermore, we must not forget the Home Mission field as we seek to win souls for the Kingdom of Heaven. As Ambassadors of Christ, we must use all available means to go to the foreign nations and not wait for them to come to us (Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46-48; John 20:21; Acts 1:8; II Cor. 5:20). We believe the supporting of missions is to be by faith-based offerings and is to be supported by all Bible believing Christians.

(T) Lawsuits Between Believers We believe that Christians are prohibited from bringing civil lawsuits against other Christian brothers or Sisters and or the Church to resolve personal disputes. We believe the Church possesses all the resources necessary to resolve disputes between members. We do believe, however, a Christian may seek compensation for physical injuries from another Christian's insurance company as long as the claim is pursued without malice or slander (I Cor. 6:1-8; Eph. 4:31-32).

(U) The Lord's Tithe and The Christians Giving We believe that every Christian, as a steward of that portion of God's wealth entrusted to him or her, is obligated to support his local Church financially. We

believe that God has established the **tithe** (10% of **gross**, *[off the top-before taxes-before anything]* income) as **HIS** and we are simply bringing **His** portion to **His** house. As for **giving** we are taught in the scripture that every Christian, “should” in addition to the tithe give other offerings sacrificially and cheerfully to the support of the Church, the relief of those in need, and the spread of the Gospel. We believe that a Christian relinquishes all rights to direct the use of the tithe or offering once the gift has been made- (for it is to God and for God’s Kingdom) (Gen. 14:20; Proverbs 3:9-10; Acts 4:34-37; I Cor. 16:2; II Cor. 9:6-7; Gal. 6:6; Eph. 4:28; I Tim. 5:17-18; I John 3:17).

(V) Denomination We believe that the term Baptist was a term given in the Scriptures to those who believed what we should believe today. Jesus went to John the Baptist to be baptized in Jordan and the Spirit descended in form of a dove while the Father spoke from Heaven pronouncing He was pleased with His Son (Matthew 3). Note how Christ displayed the pattern to be followed by Christians. Christ came, **as the Son of God**, (how we must come--being Saved/Born again/Washed in the precious blood of Christ- Acts 8:36-37, Acts 2:41, 2 Cor.6:18), **to a Man of God**, who would Baptize only after seeing evidence of Salvation, (not required in Jesus -of course-as He was sinless), to be baptized **in the way of God**, (full immersion, Matthew 3, Acts 8:38-39 etc..) **for the Glory of God** and to be identified by man thus fulfilling all righteousness, (this is the same reason we get baptized- to reveal unashamedly to world, ‘outwardly’ what HE has done for us, ‘inwardly’). Baptism is not a means of Salvation but is the simple outward expression of salvation; in that it demonstrates the spiritual baptism into the body of Christ, (1 Cor. 12:12-13). Now, there have been many nicknames given to these Bible believers; in Antioch the followers of Christ were first called Christians in Acts 11:26, later they were known as Montanists, Paulicians, Waldenses, Ana-Baptist etc. Nevertheless, Bible believing Baptist can trace their heritage from the Lord Jesus Christ himself to the present day. What a great responsibility we have to maintain the truth and uphold God’s Word! We understand that many denominations came out of the Catholic Church and are now referred to as Protestant denominations. However, BAPTISTS are not Protestants nor have they ever been. **WE REJECT ANY TEACHING WHICH PORTRAYS BAPTISM AS A MEANS OF SALVATION.** It is faith in Christ’s Atonement made possible by His shed blood on Calvary and His Bodily resurrection from the grave which obtained eternal salvation for all who will repent, believe and receive. **PLUS AND MINUS NOTHING!**

(W)

STILL MORE

We really thought we knew Him, we answered His call and we followed. A mis-matched band of men we were sailing off into tomorrow. I never knew a man to work so hard and spend himself like Him. And at last I saw Him finally lay down, while His old light was growing dim. And darkness came as did the wind. That lake became a beast, that howled and roared and reached for us, thirteen mortals for its feast. All I believed now seemed a lie and nothing made any sense. Waves of terror washed over my soul, each one even more intense. I felt my way to the back of the boat to where I'd seen Him lay. So human was He, that in His fatigue, despite those pounding waves, He slept. Like a man unaware that there was any reason for fear. Like one who knew just where he was going, and what He was doing here. Then one angry thought broke through my fear as my panic reached its peak. It erupted out of the hostile question I could not help but speak. We're going to Die! I cried out loud, to the one who would lead us there. You said, "Let's go over", but we're going under how is it that you don't care? At first He said nothing but seemed to be struggling with a mind not fully awakened. Straight from His dream into our nightmare, yet He wasn't the least bit shaken. Oh, He stood up suddenly and steadied himself. With one hand he held to the ropes. Like holding the reins of a stallion he rode that rising and falling boat. One hand on the ropes, one hand in the air, as we cowered along the sides. He confronted that beast that caused us to cower, so frightened and terrified. The words that He spoke were not a request; they were not a victim's plea. His words were not louder than the howl of the wind or the roar of the Galilee. But his words carried power, undeniable power! Even the force of the wind had to flee. Mightier than the thunder of great waters, mightier than breakers of the sea. He spoke to that wind like it was a dog. His command muzzled its jaw and it fled with its tail tucked between its legs. We huddled in silence and awe. Everything was quiet upon hearing those words the water, the earth, and the sky; Nothing more silent and speechless than we, who just witnessed this with our eyes. This man who took lordship over nature, for whom nature immediately complied, Now turned His gaze upon us little men just beginning to slowly arise. Why were you afraid? He asked us. How is it that you have no faith? We had no answer to give him then. Looking back we could only say that we were afraid of what was against us, Because we did not realize what manner of man He was that we followed And trusted with our very lives. We had no answer for His question to us, but we had many questions of our own. Someone finally spoke those words that still echo in my soul. What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him? Still more than I can know.

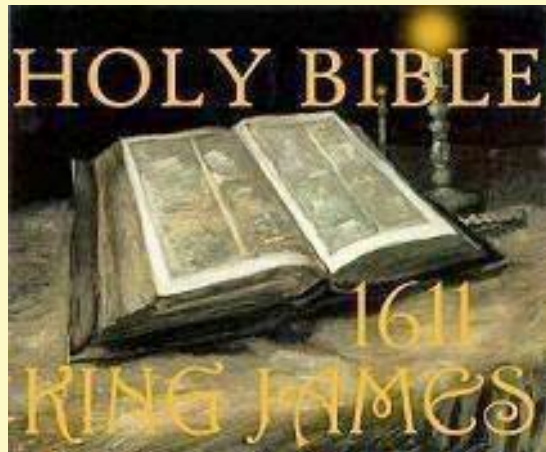
YES JESUS STILL MORE THAN I CAN KNOW.

(AN ANONYMOUS MATTHEW)

This poem represents our desire: "TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR LORD."

We ask you to sincerely pray and seek the Lord's will before attending the Bible College and once you have the leadership of our Lord Jesus Christ; dive in with both feet, go down deep in the truth of God, so deep you cant feel the bottom and so far you cant see the shore of disobedience. Our prayers are with you as we endeavor to all grow in the Grace and knowledge of Jesus our Lord and Saviour.

Brother Shane Jackson, Proverbs 3



Bible Placing Ceremony



And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. – *2 Timothy 2:2*

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. – *2 Timothy 2:15*



Landrum Independent Baptist Church

200 E. Blue Ridge St., Landrum, SC 29356

Pastor Shane Jackson

Home: 828-863-4743

Mobile: 828-817-1266

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Morning - 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening - 7:30 p.m.