

Fall 2023 Newsletter



As Lake Michigan Bible Institute (LMBI) the first semester of classes have been going well. We are excited about the future of LMBI as we promote both the in-person and online education that we are offering. Check us out at lakemichiganbible.org.

One of our students, Jessica, had this to say about her studies thus far,

“If you are looking to grow in the knowledge of the Living Word, be spiritually challenged, and be in fellowship with fellow believers then look into LMBI. The teaching is not simple milk and cookies, but a full meat and potatoes meal. It is an experience you will never regret signing up for. If you think, “Well, it looks like a lot of work; I’m not sure if I would have time to do all that;” there’s no better way to spend your time than delving deeper into God’s Word that will challenge you on a daily basis.”

As of now, we are offering a Certificate In Biblical Studies. We are planning to offer an Associate Degree in Biblical Studies in the future. Since our school is part-time, it will take four years for a person to earn this. Each class is recorded so it is possible to take an in-person class each semester and the other two classes online.

All classes will be offered online after they are recorded, and you can work at your own pace. We also have an affiliation with Andersonville Theological Seminary and Master’s International University of Divinity that will, on a case-by-case basis, allow our students to continue towards a degree with them. We can share more regarding that as well.

We will also be contacting mission organizations and other Biblically centered groups to see whether an education with LMBI would fulfill the Bible requirements that some of these require. Our goal is to open doors for students as well as strengthen their involvement in the church they attend.

Some reflections on a Biblical passage: The verse that LMBI takes as a guiding principle in our studies is James 1:22. In the English Standard Version we read, “But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving ourselves.”

This verse is a part of a section in James 1 that includes vss. 22-25. The author is challenging us to allow God’s Word to not only be something that we listen to or read, but that we apply as well. The Bible produces action in our life, which we see in the phrase “But be doers” at the beginning of the verse.

We are not talking about a “works” salvation. Our life of obedience comes because of our new life in Christ. We show to others what we proclaim we believe. This does not mean that we are sinless, or never stumble, but what it does mean is that the “natural” pull for a Christian is to not only hear but live out the Word of God as well. We can only do that through the power of the Holy Spirit working in our life as we submit to Him.

In Christ,

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