

Across Wabash Conference several churches are planning meetings with parents, promoting quizzing among the teens and ordering materials. This year the designated books for study are First and Second Corinthians. Bible quizzing gives the teens of our church an opportunity to study God's word in depth, travel and get exposure to other churches in the conference and develop new, lasting relationships with fellow Free Methodists across the country. In addition Bible quizzing appeals to the competitive and physical side as well.

Many of you are very familiar with Bible quizzing and know how to get started but for others let me encourage you. It is very easy. All you need are two kids (between the grades of 6th and 12th) and 1 adult willing to coach them.

Church size doesn't matter. Costs are minimal. But rewards are eternal.

What is Bible Quizzing? Bible Quizzing is a ministry that combines Bible study and Christian competition for youth in grades 6-12. The purpose is to establish youth in their faith through the systematic study, application, and memorization of the Word of God.

How is it done? At weekly practices, coaches strive to balance the three main components of quizzing: **1) learning and applying the Bible, 2) having fun and fellowship, and 3) practicing to compete with other churches.** At monthly tournaments, teams of three teens quiz against teams from other churches by jumping off electronic chairs to earn the opportunity to answer questions about a certain book of the Bible. In each round, the team answering the most questions is declared the winner-- though in Bible Quizzing, anyone who studies God's word is considered a winner.

How can we get a team started at our local church?

1. Pray for the Lord's direction in starting this ministry.
2. Talk with and secure the support of your pastor.
3. Contact quizzing leadership for support and tournament schedule.
4. Promote quizzing at your church: Have a nearby coach or conference quiz leader provide a demonstration. Then talk with parents and teens to recruit at least two teens to quiz and an adult coach.
5. Purchase resources (Scripture portions, rulebook, practice questions). They can be ordered online at www.fmquizzing.org.
6. Borrow or purchase jump seats.
7. Set dates and times for weekly practices. Then contact each quizzers a few days before the first practice to encourage participation.
8. Make practice fun so the quizzers will want to come back each week.
9. Study with your quizzers to make sure they will have a good experience at their first tournament and be able to answer many of the questions.

Who can I contact for assistance in getting started?

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2009-2010 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

October 3	1 Cor. 1-4	Aldersgate
November 7	1 Cor. 1-9	Winona Lake
December 5	1 Cor. 1-13	Anderson
January 9	1 Cor. 1-15	Vincennes
February 13	1 Cor. – 2 Cor. 4	Bedford
March 13	1 Cor. – 2 Cor. 9	Greenville, IL
April 10	1 Cor – 2 Cor.	Bloomington
May 8	1 st & 2 nd Cor.	West Morris
June 5	1 st & 2 nd Cor.	Wilmore, KY
June 28-July 2	National Finals	Greenville College