

# Bible Bowl

## PURPOSE:

To encourage personal commitment to Bible study as a continuing way of life. Bible Bowl helps young people to:

- Appreciate the Bible as the inspired Word of God
- Learn to handle Scripture in locating specific information
- Gain confidence resulting from excellence in Bible study and improved self-image
- Increase personal knowledge of God's Word

## SCOPE OF THE EVENT:

1. The subject of study for the 2024 Bible Bowl will be the Life of Moses, from:
  - **EXODUS:** Chapters 1-20, 32-34
  - **NUMBERS:** Chapters 1-3, 9-14, 16-17, 20-27, 31-32, 35-36
  - **DEUTERONOMY:** Chapters 31-34
2. Content of all questions will be drawn from the text, including footnotes and chapter headings of the 2011 New International Version of the Bible. Any information in the text may be asked, and questions may contain information provided through multiple verses.
3. The GPLTC test designers are dedicated to encouraging Bible study and will carefully prepare Bible Bowl questions to be fair to all participants. All questions will be objective, calling for specific facts. No question will call for interpretation.

## EVENT GUIDELINES:

### *Participation*

1. Bible Bowl is now an individual event only. Individuals will need to be registered in one of four grade levels (3-4, 5-6, 7-9, 10-12).
2. Each participating congregation should provide an adult Facilitator for the event who will help disseminate and score tests. Congregations with more than 4 participants should provide more than 1 Facilitator.
3. Bible Bowl Facilitators should stop by the event room prior to the event between 6:00-6:45pm. The event coordinators will provide instructions on how to facilitate during the event. This will allow the event to immediately begin following the 7:00pm devotional.
4. Participants should wear their official LTC name tag to the event. Participants may sit in any available seat facing the front of the room. Any audience members should be seated in the back of the room.
5. Spectators are not allowed to enter or leave the room while an event is in progress. No talking is allowed by spectators during a testing round.

### *Tests*

1. Tests are distributed at the beginning of each round and participants may work through the questions at their own pace, marking answers by pencil. Pencils will be provided.
2. The Bible Bowl Event consists of four tests with each round using Scripture from the book(s) of study from that year's theme. Each test is presented in a multiple-choice answer style. Example tests that demonstrate the style of each test can be found at <http://gpltc.net/gpltc-resources>. Tests will be passed out at the beginning of each

round and taken up only at the end of the round. Participants may turn in their test only once the allotted time for that round has passed.

Round	Length	Description	Time
1	40 questions	Closed book identification of chapter numbers for 20 headings, 10 events, and 10 quotes or phrases	10 minutes
2	35 questions	Closed book objective questions of facts and identification. A Scripture reference will be given for each question.	15 minutes
3	15 questions	Open book find-the-verse test identifying passages of Scripture.	10 minutes
4	35 questions	Open book objective questions regarding general facts and identification. No Scripture reference given for the questions.	20 minutes

### **Answers**

1. Participants will provide answers to questions in rounds 1, 2 and 4 by filling in an answer bubble on the test sheet using a pencil.
2. Every question will be a multiple-choice question. Five potential answers will be given for each question: “A”, “B”, “C”, “D” and “E”. Each of the letters A through E will have a circle around it like the following:  A. An answer is provided by filling in the circle of the participant’s answer.
3. In round 3, participants will provide the chapter and verse number of the verse of Scripture.

### **Protests**

1. During the event, congregational Bible Bowl coordinators may ask for a copy of each round that is given. They may lodge a protest on a test question by bringing it to the attention of the Quizmaster.
2. Protests are to be made immediately following the round in question. After the Quizmaster’s protest closure at the end of a round, no further protests will be heard concerning that round.

### **Scoring and Awards**

1. Tests will be collected at the end of each round. After tests have been disseminated for the next round, Facilitators will score the previous round using provided answer key templates.
2. A participant’s final score will be the cumulative score of all tests with a maximum of 125 points possible. Based on that score, individual Bible Bowl Awards (Gold, Silver, or Bronze) will be given.
3. Awarding of medals is subjective and is based on the highest total and distribution of scores in a particular division. If you have any questions on scoring and awarding of medals, please contact the Event Coordinator.

4. The top scorer in Bible Bowl from the 7th-12th grades will receive a monetary scholarship award to be used at a Christian university of choice that is affiliated with the churches of Christ. This is separate from the LTC Academic scholarship and is sponsored by the event coordinator.
5. Results will be posted in the medals room by Saturday morning.

### ***Bibles***

1. For the first and second rounds, Bibles may not be opened, and may not be on the testing tables. For the last two rounds, each team member will need text of the Bible to complete the test.
2. No help, other than text of the Bible may be used. Charts, concordances, maps, etc., included in the Bible, may not be used. No extra papers that may be inserted into the Bible are to be used and should be removed.
3. Printed texts may be used. The margins may be no larger than one inch. Bible Guideline #2 from above also applies to these copies. Printed texts may be highlighted and marked in any way desired including writing in the margins. No digital versions of text (i.e. through an iPhone or iPad) will be allowed during the test.
4. One of GPLTC's goals is to facilitate the learning process as much as possible for all participants. We desire to make it simple. Therefore, copying of the text is highly recommended. Please print the text using the guidelines listed above in order to provide a fair opportunity for all participants and in compliance with all copyright laws. Biblica, Inc. does require all congregations to obtain permission for printing the New International Version. If you want to avoid this process, GPLTC has been given permission to distribute copies through our website. GPLTC provides Word and PDF texts on the GPLTC [Resource](#) page.

### **COACHES:**

1. Read and understand the guidelines for the current year.
2. Communicate the number of individuals and their respective grade level to your church coordinator.
3. Be certain that participants are registered for Bible Bowl and only Bible Bowl for the given time period. No one will be able to participate in multiple events that conflict with another.
4. Make certain each participant has their name tag with them during the event.

### **CHURCH COORDINATORS:**

Verify that the coaches have accomplished their tasks and correctly reported participants to you. Make certain that the participant is correctly registered in this event