

Bible Quiz Newsletter

April 2023

2023 REGIONAL LOCATIONS

NORTHEAST: May 5, 6, 2023

Evangel Church, Scotch Plains, NJ

Coordinator: Jesse Czubkowski njbiblequiz@gmail.com

SOUTHEAST: May 20, 2023

Parkway Assembly, Macon, GA

Coordinator: Doug Black bqgeorgia@gmail.com

GREAT LAKES: May 12, 13, 2023

Grace Assembly, Greenwood, IN

Coordinator: David Powell wheatonpowells@yahoo.com

NORTH CENTRAL: April 28-29, 2023

Sioux Falls First, Sioux Falls, SD

Coordinator: Don Jones donvjones@comcast.net

SOUTH CENTRAL: May 5, 6, 2023

Braeswood Church, Houston, TX

Coordinator: Steve Fowler sf1106@Aol.com

NORTHWEST: April 28-29, 2023

Cedar Park Church, Bothell, WA

Coordinator: Kevin Gallo kgallo@gallohome.com

SOUTHWEST: May 13, 2023

Riverside, CA

Coordinator: Irv Kuroishi iskuroishi@hotmail.com

- **NATIONAL BIBLE QUIZ FINALS: 2023**

National BQ Finals will be held at the Renaissance Hotel, St. Louis, MO July 1-7, 2023. \$99.00 a night hotel, free parking. Coach & Quizzer registration remains the same at \$195.00. Registration includes 4 lunches (Mon-Thur), Friday's formal banquet, ice cream fellowship, Thursday night fellowship, finals program, T-shirt, lanyard and more.

Registration is open and can be found [here](#)!

If you not seen the news posted on the FB page, here it is:

UNBELIEVABLE NEWS:

In all the years I have been associated with the BQ Ministry (46-but who's counting) something will happen at the National Finals in St. Louis that has never happened before. It will be earth-shattering, life-changing, and monumental !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
What is it? Stand by for further details. You have to be there to believe it!
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SPONSORSHIP & SCHOLARSHIPS OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATIONAL FINALS:

(As of 27 March)

SPONSORSHIP:

- Need 1 more Platinum Sponsors of at least \$3,000.00
- Need 1 more Diamond Sponsors of at least \$1,500.00
- Need 14 more Silver Sponsors for Quiz Rooms sponsored at \$300.00
- Need 20 more Bible Boosters of at least \$25.00

SCHOLARSHIPS:

- ~~• George Edgerly Scholarship \$1,000.00 (Already Sponsored)~~
- ~~• Mark and Becky Gilmer Scholarship \$1,000.00 (Already sponsored)~~
- Hollis Kelly Scholarship \$1,000.00
- ~~• Kent Kloefkorn Scholarship \$ 1,000.00 (Already Sponsored)~~
- Individual Tournament \$850.00
- Male Quizzer of the year \$1,000.00
- Female Quizzer of the year \$1,000.00
- ~~• Quoting Bee \$850.00 (Already sponsored)~~

To donate please go to: <https://giving.aq.org/donate/nym> and then select **"24 NATL BIBLE QUIZ OFF"** for **Sponsorship**. Scholarships are marked **"Youth-Bible Quiz"**

Please contact Bernie Elliot if you would like to donate to the above so we can ensure the monies get to the specific category you want sponsored.

- Master Memorization Award. All of 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, and 1, 2, 3 John within 45 minutes, 5 mistakes or less and must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting.

- Adult quizzing at National BQ Finals 2023: *******PLEASE NOTE CHANGE*******

Veteran Division: 1 Timothy chapters 1-6
Fun Division: 1 Timothy chapters 1-4. Question writer TBA.

- Deadline for Memorization & Discipleship Awards to NYM is May 5, 2023. Only District Bible Quiz Coordinators will submit names between May 3rd and May 5th. Coaches, please check in with your DBQC to make sure you know the exact deadline to submit names, as each district has different dates, because of District acknowledgements, besides NYM.
- Requirements for the Discipleship Award are posted at <http://www.biblequiz.com> for the 2022-2023 BQ Season.

- Need a quiz set?

Steve Kirkman, www.quizequipment.com

- Need to find other BQ information?

<http://www.biblequiz.com>

Scripture Portion:

A. Error in 1 Timothy 3:12. There should not be the word “his” before household.” Please delete it.

B. Please note Crete in Titus 1:5 is not in “Italics”- It should be. It is listed as such in the CA, and the new Entire CA. It also italicized in vs 12.

Looking Ahead: Bible Quiz Season 2023-2024 Romans & James

	<u>CHAMPIONSHIP</u>	<u>CONTENDER</u>	<u>XP5</u>
MEET 1	Romans 1-7 186 verses	Romans 1-5 138 verses	Romans 8 39 verses
MEET 2	Romans 8-11 129 verses	Romans 6-8 87 verses	James 1 27 verses
MEET 3	Romans 12-16 117 verses	Romans 12-14 58 verses	James 2-3 44 verses
MEET 4	James 1-5 108 verses	James 1-5 108 verses	James 4-5 37 verses
TOTAL	540 verses	391 verses	147 verses

* No Romans 16:24

DISCIPLESHIP BOOK: ROMANS & JAMES

“IF” by Mark Batterson

“That tiny two-letter word is the hinge on the door of possibilities. Some of us are stuck in *if only*, living lives marked by regret. But God can turn your *if only* regrets into a *what if* attitude, a faith that looks forward to the future with holy confidence. There are 1,784 *ifs* in the Bible. The most significant? “If God is for us, who can ever be against us? Romans 8:31. It’s the game changer! God is always on our side-every day, in every way. That one little *if* changes everything”

DISCIPLESHIP AWARD:

When the new Romans & James materials are released, you will notice the more streamlined Discipleship award requirements this year. They will be more focused on actual scripture. In addition to the *Commentary* there will also be *Discussion Questions* at the end of each of the 21 chapters for Romans & James.

ROMANS & JAMES MATERIALS:

The Romans & James BQ materials will be released very soon. Announcement will be made on our "AG Bible Quiz Community" Facebook page.

Contesting Changes Summary

Two Unsuccessful Contests

Teams will be allowed a maximum of two unsuccessful contests. After two unsuccessful contests, a team will not be allowed to present any more contests. No foul will be assessed for requesting additional contests.

Announcing

Scorekeepers should announce when a team has two unsuccessful contests. (Note that failure to announce this is not grounds for a contest.)

Timekeeping

When a team initiates a contest, the timekeeper will first set a 30-second timer. Upon expiration, if the team has an available timeout, they may elect to use the timeout instead of continuing the contest. In this case, no additional time will be given, a timeout will be deducted, no unsuccessful contest will be given, and the match will resume.

If the team elects to continue the contest (either by starting to present before the 30 second timer expires or by stating their intention to continue after the timer expires), they will be given 2 additional minutes to present after the 30 second timer expires.

Multi-Issue Contests

Teams may present validity as part of a multi-issue contest. If validity is presented in a multi-issue contest, officials must vote on the validity issue first.

All other contesting rules are in effect.

This takes place immediately for all 2023 District Finals for all divisions.

BOOK OF ACTS

As mentioned earlier in the Romans & James article regarding the Discipleship Award that we be more focused on actual scripture. In addition to the *Commentary* there will also be *Discussion Questions* at the end of each of the 28 chapters for the Book of Acts. As of March 27, we only have 9 chapters left out of the 28 chapters. You will have until October 1 to accomplish the 6-10 discussion questions. The chapters that are available are Acts 11, 12, 14, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26. Please contact Bernie Elliot, at ElliotBQ@gmail.com, if you would like to participate or if you have any questions.

BQ TOURNAMENTS

Emerald City Tournament

April 14-15, 2023

Seattle, WA (Area)

Championship only

Richie Nelson: richiedn@gmail.com

253-232-9995

Jersey Shore Pre-Nats
June 2-3, 2023
Tinton Falls, NJ
All material covered
Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

BQ MATERIALS AVAILABLE

Pre-Nats # 1 Questions. By Championship Question Writers

\$70.00 12 sets of Pre-Nationals Questions, Set #1

\$70 - 12 sets of Pre-Nationals Questions, Set #2 Available at end of May

\$120 - Both Pre-Nationals #1 and #2

Order here: https://AGYouth.formstack.com/forms/2023_prenat

District, Regional, National Practice Sets

These 25 sets are comprised of:

10 sets over all material at a District Level

10 sets over all material at a Regional Level

5 sets over all material at a National Level

Available as Digital Download at My Healthy Church

<https://myhealthychurch.com>

WINDY CITY TOURNAMENT RESULTS,

Calvary Church, Napierville, IL March 3, 4, 2023

CHAMPIONSHIP: 19 Teams

TOP 4 TEAMS:

	W	L	AVG
1. New Life Church, Colorado Springs, CO	18	0	206
2. Atlanta Indian Prayer Fell., Marietta, GA	16	2	191
3. Hope Church, Springfield, MO	14	4	189
4. Praise Church, Garfield, NJ	14	4	129

TOP 5 QUIZZERS:

	AVG	QO
1. Josiah Brookbank, Colorado Springs 107	14	
2. Shaylee Powell, Napierville, IL	100	14
3. Joshua Spencer, Houston, PA	98	13
4. Ryan Schiebel, Garfield, NJ	96	15
5. Steve Joy, Marietta, GA	88	14

CONTENDER TEAMS: 5 Teams

TOP 4 TEAMS:

	W	L	AVG
1. First AG, Carlinville, IL	11	1	163
2. Calvary Church, Napierville, IL	8	4	92
3. First AG, Louisville, OH	8	4	55
4. First Methodist, Sedalia, MO	6	6	34

TOP 5 QUIZZERS

	AVG	QO
1. Anna Cloninger, Carlinville, IL	123	12
2. Nathan Muchowicz, Orland Park, IL	67	7
3. Jayden Suresh, Napierville, Il	61	4
4. Becca Bartsch, Louisville, OH	54	5
5. Ethan Cloninger, Carlinville, IL	40	2

Reprint from the Jan/Feb 2022 BQ Newsletter

Jerome Tang has a competitive fire in his belly. It comes with the job as second-in-command of the Baylor Bears men's basketball team, the defending NCAA national champions.

But that fire began not just on a basketball court, but at a table with a buzzer and a Scripture Portion.

Tang, the associate head coach of the Bears for 19 seasons alongside Head Coach Scott Drew — Tang is often called Drew's "wingman" — was a member of his church's Bible Quiz team. That path began because he didn't want to be in his church's sanctuary.

"On Wednesday nights I didn't want to go into 'big church,' and my younger brother was a member of Royal Rangers," Tang said in an interview at the 2021 Teen Bible Quiz National Finals in St. Louis. "So I was going to sneak into Rangers with him. But he said I was too old and he didn't want me to embarrass him by going to in there. So, he took me down the hallway, walked me in a room and said, 'My brother wants to join Bible Quiz.'"

What Tang learned there has served him very well.

"The impact that Bible Quiz has on my life has many layers. First of all, as a man, having a foundation on the Word of God. It starts in your head, but it filters to your heart. It becomes part of your lifestyle — how you talk, how you walk, how you treat people. In my career, it helps me to be grounded, to understand that it's more than what you make, it's more than the title that you have, but the Word of God is the foundation that you make all your decisions on. Every difficult decision I've had to make, I've been able to go into the Word of God and get my answer. Any book that I've ever read of any value, I can always find those same answers in the Scripture and be able to be grounded in what the Word of God says."

Tang is not just well known for his abilities as a coach, where he led the top-rated Heritage Christian Academy high school program in Cleveland, Texas to four state championships in 10 years — and was also youth pastor at First Assembly of God. He is also renowned as a recruiter, with eight of the Bears' recruiting classes ranked in the consensus top 25 during his tenure. Ten Baylor players have moved on to the NBA since Drew and Tang came to Waco.

Tang's position puts him in a position to influence multitudes of players, many of whom did not come from the best of backgrounds.

"Being a Division I basketball coach, I have contact with a lot of young men who are extremely competitive and drive, very goal oriented," Tang said. "A lot of times they are just laser-focused on what they want to do. The problem is if you're laser-focused on basketball or your career of what you do with life and death, then there's so much pressure on your life. Being able to share the Word of God with our young men to teach them that life is more than what they do, so when they go to the free throw line they don't shoot a life-and-death free throw because their foundation is in Jesus Christ, and there's more to your life."

Tang uses his freedom to reach those players with the message of Christ that he learned at the quiz table.

"We do chapel before games, and ... we go out to breakfast with our young men to spend mentoring time with them. I get to share the Word of God with them, share how to be a

good husband, how to be a good father, how to be a good man — all of the answers to that are in the Word of God, and I learned that in Bible Quiz.

“I was excited about being involved in Bible Quiz because it was competitive, so the fact that I am a basketball coach in a very competitive profession, and yet I can lean on the Word of God — the thing that got me most involved in competition itself. It’s like all of that coming back together. I’m blessed to be able to do what I do, but more importantly, I’m blessed because I was able to be a part of Bible Quiz. It’s really impacted my whole career.”

— Robert Carter

In March of 2022, Jerome took over the head coaching job at Kansas State. He took a multi-year losing team and took the KS team to a 26-10 record. Jerome was named Coach of the year in the Big 12 Conference in his first year! In March of 2023, his team advanced to the Elite 8 and came up just a few points short to advance to the Final Four. Congratulations on a great first year as head coach!!!!
Editor update.

Facebook Group

If you have not joined us, please do so on our Facebook page. Take part in great discussions and sharing of ideas about the Bible Quiz Ministry: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/aqbiblequiz>



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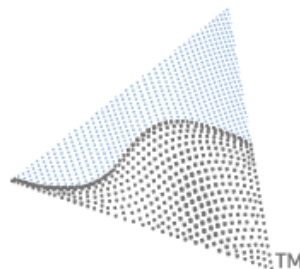
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