

COACH'S NEWSLETTER

Assemblies of God Teen Bible Quiz • May 2016

QUESTION SETS NOW AVAILABLE

River Classic questions are available MSQ sets (Michael Pearson-writer) - 20 regular sets and 5 individual tournament sets = \$70.00

A Division sets (Seth Sundell-writer) - 25 sets (includes individual tournament which still has 20 questions in each set) = \$70.00 Contact John & Bev Porter at jporter4@us.ibm.com

Pre-Nats #1 questions are now available for purchase. We've also provided a bundle option again this year if you would like to purchase both Pre-Nats #1 and Pre-Nats #2 sets. You'll find the order form on the BQ website: <http://biblequiz.ag.org/compete.cfm>. Once the form is completed, please send it to bq@ag.org.

NATIONAL FINALS

July 2-8, 2016, Evangel University, Springfield, Missouri

All of the below information can be found at <http://biblequiz.ag.org/compete.cfm> or go to "Compete Tab" at biblequiz.ag.org

Schedules, registration, scholarship application, and exhibitor and sponsor info. Also, housing info is under FAQ's. The Doubletree hotel will be the headquarters hotel.

Adult Quizzing:

Veteran Division- Comprised of any adult who wishes to quiz and any former regional or national quizzier.

Acts Chapters 1-5 178 verses

Novice Division- Comprised of adults with no experience beyond league quizzing.

Acts Chapters 1-3 99 verses

Senior Shootout: Will now include any senior, registered as a senior at National Finals, either on one of the 40 teams or as an individual in the One-On-One tournament.

Challenger Division: After the round robin in the Challenger bracket the top 2 teams will playoff for the first place position. This playoff will take place at the same time as the Championship 3rd - 4th matchup.

Alumni Meeting:

Former quizzers there is something nice being planned for you at this years National Finals. More details next month.

One On One: *(For those whose team does not qualify for National Finals)*

1. All A-league quizzers are eligible to compete as long as they meet the competition and eligibility requirements.

2. Scholarships will be awarded to the top two quizzers: \$1,000.00 and \$500.00
3. Each round will consist of ten questions: four 10s, four 20s, and two 30s.
4. There will be no coaches for the quizzers.
5. The score will be read after questions three, five, seven, and nine. Failure to read the score or to be advised of correct or incorrect question amounts is not grounds for a Contest.
6. No Contests are allowed for the correctness or incorrectness of the completion of a question or an answer, but any quizzer may Contest obvious validity or obvious additional scriptural evidence. A Contest on validity or scriptural evidence will be limited to one minute. No response is allowed to a Contest. Once the Officials have ruled in response to a Contest, no further Contests may be presented on that question.
7. No time outs are allowed.
8. The match will end before question ten if the Quizmaster and Judges determine that the match is out of reach of the other quizzer.
9. All other official Bible Quiz rules are in effect.
10. Exact format will be announced at finals after determining number of participants.

BREAKDOWN FOR BQ SEASON 2016-2017

Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon

	“A”	“Middle School”	“Experience Division”
Meet # 1	Gal 1-6 149 vs	Gal 1-5 131 vs	Gal 3 & 5 55 vs
Meet # 2	Eph 1-6 155 vs	Gal 6-Eph1-4 116 vs	Eph 1& 4 55 vs
Meet # 3	Philippians 104 vs	Eph 5-6 57 vs	Eph 5-6:9 42 vs
Meet # 4	Col, Philemon 120 vs	Philippians 1-3 81 vs	Eph 6:10-24 & Phil 2 45 vs
	<i>Total: 528 vs</i>	<i>Total: 385 vs</i>	<i>Total: 197 vs</i>

KEEP A CLEAR CONSCIENCE

“So I strive always to keep my conscience clear before God and man.” – Acts 24:16

March 18, 1937. The date is chiseled on dozens of tombstones in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in New London, Texas. On the fateful day, some 1200 students were in attendance at the town’s only school. At 3:10 pm, just twenty minutes before the end of the school day, the shop teacher flipped off the electrical switch to the power saws. Suddenly, a spark from the switch touched off an explosion and the entire stone building was leveled. The blast killed 297 students and teachers. It was heard some 35 miles away in Tyler and Kilgore Texas.

A subsequent investigation found that a spark had ignited some 6,000 cubic feet of natural gas that had accumulated in the basement the school. A nearby oil company had an oil pipeline close to the school. Someone had decided to siphon the natural gas, the by-product of petroleum extraction, from the company’s pipeline to fuel the school’s furnace free of charge.

The one positive effect of this disastrous event was a government regulation requiring companies to add an odorant to natural gas. The distinctive “rotten eggs smell” of sulfur is now so familiar that we forget natural gas is actually odorless.

Just as the odorant in natural gas warns us of danger, a guilty conscience can warn us of sin in our lives. We need to heed this warning and seek always to keep a clear conscience before God and man. Do you have a

guilty conscience? Today in prayer, confess any sin to Christ, make any wrong right, and seek to keep a clear conscience before God and man.

“A conscience void of offense before God and man is an inheritance for eternity.” – *Daniel Webster*

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BIBLE QUIZ TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

PENN-DEL BQ CAMP

Aug 12-14, 2016

Bongiorno Conference Center, Carlisle, PA

Training for first year up to national quizzers.

Also training for officials and coaches.

Limited to 300 people

Contact Bernie Elliot at ElliotBQ@AOL.com

“STAND” TBQ TRAINING CAMP

August 18-20, 2016

Bethel A/G, Rapid City, SD

(Coaches and officials encouraged to attend)

Contact Denise and David Sullivan at

sullivan@rap.midco.net

GREAT LAKES REGION TBQ CAMP

Aug 19-21, 2016

Pokagon State Park, Angola, IN

Something for quizzers at every level-even adults!

Limited to 100 quizzers and 20 adults

Contact Julie Steel at juliesteel@gmail.com

NORTHERN NEWENGLAND BQ RETREAT

September 9-10, 2016

Milton A/G, Milton, New Hampshire

Something for everyone, but especially geared towards new quizzers and coaches.

Contact Nancy Lambert at jlnl@myfairpoint.net

GEORGIA BQ RETREAT

September 16-17, 2016

Camp Timberlake-Forsyth, GA

Training for new, intermediate and advanced quizzers. Classes for coaches.

Contact Doug Black at dougbq@comcast.net

BIBLE QUIZ TOURNAMENTS

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12th EMPIRE CLASSIC

Bethlehem Church, Richmond Hill, NY

Sept 2016, exact date TBA

TRINITY GOLD CUP

Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX

October 21-22, 2016

23rd GOBBLEFEST BQ TOURNAMENT

University of Valley Forge, PA

Nov 18-19, 2016

MISSOURI CLASSIC

Central Assembly, Springfield, MO

Dec 2-3, 2016

SOUTH TEXAS INVITATIONAL

Dallas, TX

Date TBA

2017 MID-WINTER CLASSIC

UW-Oshkosh Campus in Oshkosh, WI

January 13-14, 2017

32nd FRIENDSHIP CLASSIC

Pittsburgh, PA

Jan 27-28, 2017

2016 RIVER CLASSIC

James River A/G, Ozark, MO

March 3-4, 2017

(More info on tournaments in future newsletters)

NUTS & BOLTS

- Need a quiz set?
 1. Grass Lakes BQ Ministry <http://grasslakeassembly.org/589994.ihtml>
 2. Steve Kirkman www.quizequipment.com **Brand new feature - it will show who buzzes in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd**
- Need to find other BQ information?
 1. <http://www.biblequiz.ag.org>
 2. <http://www.biblequiz.com>

QUOTABLES

"Effort only fully releases its reward after a person refuses to quit." - Napoleon Hill

"Viewing a stop sign as a mere suggestion can cause tragic results. How much more tragic if we view God's commands in that matter." - Unknown

"You can be too big for God to use you, but no one can be too small for Him to use." - Dr. James Davis

JUST FOR LAUGHS

A caller to the USPS phone center said, "I need a baseball quote."

The USPS guy immediately answered with Yogi Berra's famous, "It ain't over 'til it's over!"

Caller (after a brief silence): "What was that??"

USPS guy: "You asked me for a baseball quote and that was the first thing that came into my head."

Caller: "Oh. Well, my boss told me to call and get a baseball quote to ship a package."

USPS guy (as light dawns): "Um... Maybe you want a ballpark figure?"

Caller: "Yeah, that's it!"

The Job Interview

Reaching the end of a job interview, the Human Resources Person asked a young Engineer fresh out of MIT, "And what starting salary were you looking for?"

The Engineer said, "In the neighborhood of \$125,000 a year, depending on the benefits package."

The interviewer said, "Well, what would you say to a package of 5 weeks vacation, 14 paid holidays, full medical and dental, company matching retirement fund to 50% of salary, and a company car leased every 2 years say, a red Corvette?"

The Engineer sat up straight and said, "Wow! Are you kidding?"

And the interviewer replied, "Yeah, but you started it."

Blessings,

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