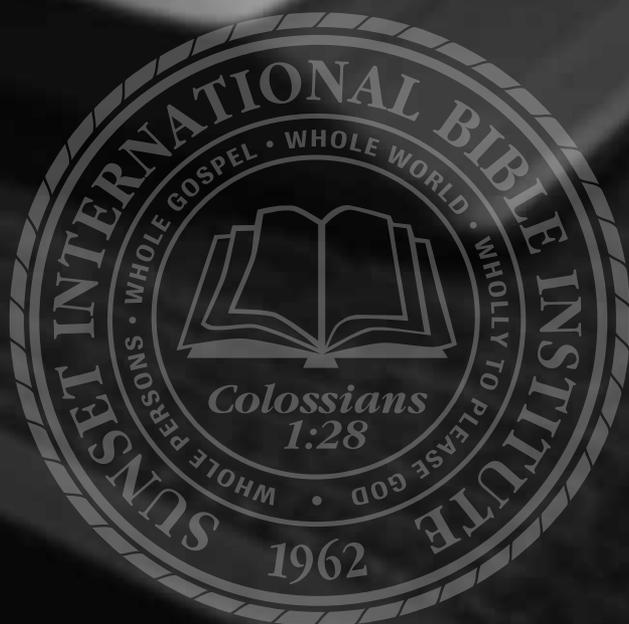


SUNSET INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE



PREACH THE WORD



Dear Partners In the Gospel,

From its improbable beginning, Sunset International Bible Institute has had one main purpose— to prepare people to learn and share God’s Word around the world.

That original purpose remains at the heart of SIBI to this day.

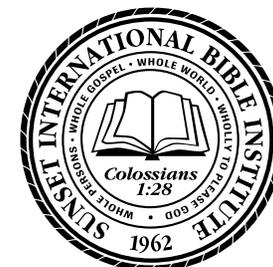
Begun in 1962 by missionaries as an effort to train Spanish-speaking preachers,

SIBI has grown into a comprehensive program that provides college and graduate level instruction and training, including practical ministry development in missions and a number of other specialties.

FROM SUNSET TO THE WORLD

As a ministry of the Sunset Church of Christ based in Lubbock, Texas, SIBI prepares students to effectively serve churches in the United States and around the world. We believe God still wants the gospel taken to the whole world, and we remain committed to that purpose.

Tim Burow, President



*“He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom,
so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ.”*

– Colossians 1:28



- Over **55** years of service
- **10,000+** graduates
- Graduates have served in **113** countries
- Graduates in all **50** United States
- Over **90** partner schools in **40** plus nations

SIBI BY THE NUMBERS

- AIM teams in **48** countries & **13** U.S. states
- Over **90** satellite schools in churches
- **3,000** students studying SIBI curriculum
- **30,000+** using SIBI material on any given day

“and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.”

– 2 Timothy 2:2



Depth and Scope

Beginning in 1962, SIBI began training men to *Preach the Word*.

As SIBI has grown, it has added additional ways to train men and women to spread the Kingdom.

With over 40 courses and 120 credit hours, the rigorous two-year program of study and application covers the entire Bible and provides a college-level degree in Biblical Studies.

Through its many programs, SIBI prepares students to minister almost anywhere. With AIM (Adventures in Missions) and Senior AIM (Senior Adventures in Ministry), everyone, young and old, can find their place to serve.

GO DEEP GO FAR

All faculty are former missionaries, church planters or ministers.

The design of SIBI with multiple programs, distance learning and over 90 international schools in 40+ nations allows for a truly global reach.

The depth and reach of SIBI means you can go deep into God's Word and take the Good News far, even to the ends of the earth. *Want to go?*

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you."

– Matthew 28:19-20a



Core Knowledge

The Bachelor of Biblical Studies degree is the core training program at SIBI. Students study 40 courses equaling 120 college-level credit hours that cover the entire Bible. Each student also chooses a four-course emphasis in preparation for his or her chosen ministry. Students may choose an emphasis in congregational ministry, family & youth ministry, missions, or Christian interpreter training.

BACHELOR OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

Historically, training preachers has been the main focus of this core program.

While training preachers is still central at SIBI, the bachelor's degree has proven effective in preparing men and women for a wide variety of other ministry opportunities in the Kingdom.

Graduates of SIBI are serving not only as pulpit ministers but also as youth ministers, inner-city ministers, prison ministers, women's ministry leaders, non-profit organization leaders and missionaries in many countries and cultures throughout the world.

SIBI's Biblical Studies program has provided a foundation from which a variety of ministries have been launched.

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

– 2 Timothy 3:16-17



Enhanced Practical Learning

Applying the biblical text to the actual work of ministry is the purpose of SIBI's Master of Biblical Studies degree.

Courses in leadership principles, conflict resolution, and congregational planning prepare and equip ministers to offer effective and enduring service to the Kingdom.

MASTER OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

With a combination of full-time and adjunct faculty, all of whom hold advanced degrees in their field, this 36-credit hour degree provides rigorous academic preparation seasoned with the multi-year practical experience provided by each instructor.

"For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope."

– Romans 15:4



For Those Who Go the Distance

Going the distance makes a difference.

The apostle Paul obviously thought understanding the worldview and customs of those in Athens was necessary to communicate the message of the risen Christ. It is just as important in our time.

The gospel doesn't change, but learning how to connect with people in their own culture is still critically important.

ADVANCED SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

The Advanced School of Missions is a four or nine month program of advanced, targeted training in missions to equip mission teams to effectively share the gospel in the culture they have chosen.

The instructors in the Advanced School of Missions were missionaries themselves. They provide not only theoretical knowledge but also hands-on experience and hearts for world evangelism.

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word... that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me."

– John 17:20,23b



Still Following

AIM teams are made up of college-aged young people who spend eight months in intensive study and preparation before going to a mission point for at least 14 months.

While there, AIMers work under the supervision of an experienced missionary or minister in a foreign country or in the United States.

ADVENTURES IN MISSIONS

AIM is a life-changing experience for those who go and for the many they meet who are changed by the gospel.

Over 40 years of experience since

AIM began has shown that many of those who serve in AIM will become missionaries, ministers, elders and leaders in local congregations.

They are already shaping the future of the church.



“Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.”

– 2 Timothy 2:22



Any Place and Any Time

Not everyone can study in Lubbock, Texas, but many people all around the world want to know the Bible and equip themselves for more effective service in the Kingdom.

Through SIBI's External Studies, on any given day across the globe there are around 3,000 students studying SIBI courses for credit and 30,000+ more people using SIBI materials. Through technology, there are four main ways through which people can learn about God in virtually any place, at any time.

EXTERNAL STUDIES



Congregational Learning

Currently there are SIBI classes in over 90 Satellite Schools in churches around the country.



Printed Materials and Media Ordered Online

All resources are available for individual course study at the SIBI Bookstore.



Online Learning

Students earn either a Bachelor's degree or simply audit courses for their own enrichment.



Sunset Digital Library

Anyone can watch and listen to over 2,500 Biblical lessons on almost any digital device.

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth."

- 2 Timothy 2:15



Equipping the World

Experience has shown that it is best to train and mentor people in their own culture where they can be most effective. They already know the language, the social norms and how things work locally.

SIBI partners with over 90 Bible training schools in 40 plus nations around the world.

PARTNER SCHOOLS

For a school to partner with SIBI, it must adhere to a set of standards which SIBI determines for their curriculum and ministry training programs. While each school is responsible to administer itself, SIBI helps in a variety of ways to ensure solid Biblical training takes place.

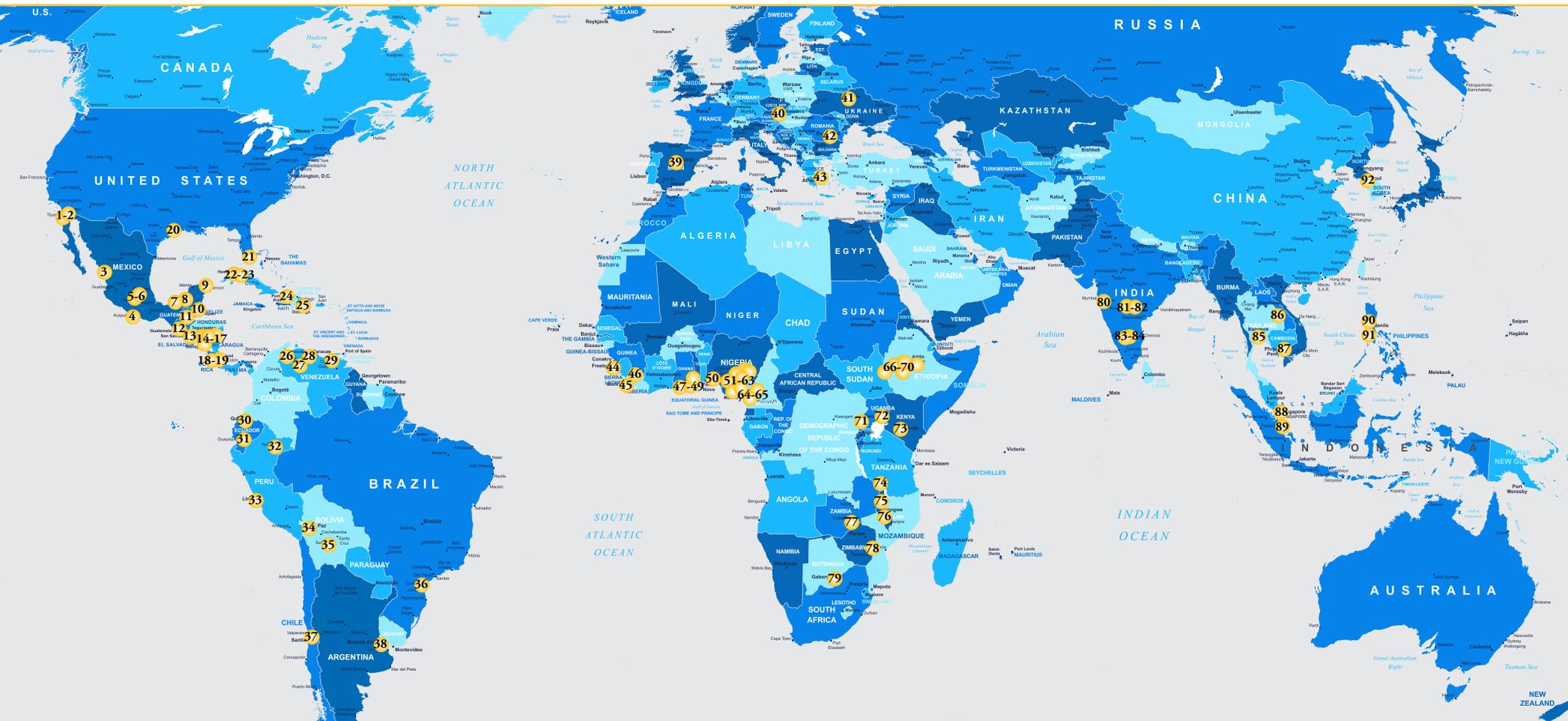
Through these schools, students are able to not only develop depth in their own faith, but also learn how to effectively reach people in their own culture with the gospel.



"I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings."

- 1 Corinthians 9:22b-23

92 PARTNER SCHOOLS IN 42 NATIONS



1. Ensenada, Mexico
2. Mexicali, Mexico
3. Mazatlan, Mexico*
4. Guerrero, Mexico
5. Toluca, Mexico
6. Mexico City, Mexico*
7. Ciudad de Carmen, Mexico*
8. Escarcega, Mexico*
9. Cancun, Mexico*
10. Belize City, Belize
11. Petén, Guatemala*
12. Guatemala City, Guatemala*
13. San Miguel, El Salvador*
14. Azaria, Nicaragua*
15. Managua, Nicaragua
16. Managuas, Nicaragua*
17. Tipitapa, Nicaragua*
18. San José, Costa Rica*

19. Tarbaca, Costa Rica*
20. Houston, Texas
21. Miami, Florida
22. Havana, Cuba
23. Matanzas, Cuba*
24. Cap Haitien, Haiti
25. Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
26. Maracaibo, Venezuela*
27. Barinas, Venezuela*
28. Los Sauces, Venezuela*
29. Maturin, Venezuela*
30. Quito, Ecuador
31. Cuenca, Ecuador*
32. Iquitos, Peru*
33. Lima, Peru*
34. La Paz, Bolivia*
35. Sucre, Bolivia*

36. Curitiba, Brazil
37. Santiago, Chile*
38. Buenos Aires, Argentina*
39. Madrid, Spain*
40. Vienna, Austria
41. Kiev, Ukraine
42. Bucharest, Romania
43. Athens, Greece
44. Freetown, Sierra Leone
45. Monrovia, Liberia
46. Weah, Liberia
47. Ho, Ghana
48. Swedru, Ghana
49. Tarkwa, Ghana
50. Lagos, Nigeria
51. Ikot Usen, Nigeria
52. Ankpa, Nigeria*
53. Ogoja, Nigeria*

54. Obudu, Nigeria
55. Afikpo, Nigeria*
56. Enohia-Item, Nigeria
57. Obot Akara, Nigeria*
58. Onicha Ngwa, Nigeria
59. Port Haracourt, Nigeria*
60. Ukanafun, Nigeria*
61. Abak, Nigeria*
62. Eket, Nigeria*
63. Calabar, Nigeria
64. Batibo, Cameroon
65. Buea, Cameroon
66. Gambella, Ethiopia
67. Nekemte, Ethiopia
68. Jajura, Ethiopia
69. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

70. Santarica, Ethiopia
71. Kasese, Uganda
72. Mutumba, Uganda
73. Nairobi, Kenya
74. Karonga, Malawi
75. Mzimba, Malawi
76. Dedza, Malawi
77. Chilanga, Zambia
78. Mutare, Zimbabwe
79. Gabarone, Botswana
80. Pune, India
81. Bidar, India
82. Hyderabad, India*
83. Bangalore, India (1 of 2)
84. Bangalore, India (2 of 2)
85. Bangkok, Thailand

86. Savannakhet, Laos*
87. Phnom Penh, Cambodia
88. Singapore
89. Batam, Indonesia
90. Baguio City, Philippines
91. Olongapo, Philippines
92. Seoul, South Korea

* Spanish videoconferencing school locations operating through our partner, Texas International Bible Institute, Houston, TX
 * Extension School locations using Sunset resources for their curriculum
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Speaking Life to the Deaf

One in every thousand people in the world is deaf. The Deaf are a large population which responds when they are taught the Word in their own language. SIBI's ministry training for and with the Deaf thoroughly prepares hearing and deaf people for effective ministry, whether it is starting a new church or working in an existing ministry among the Deaf.

DEAF MINISTRY & CHRISTIAN INTERPRETER TRAINING

The Deaf are taught the same in-depth Bible curriculum by ministers who are either deaf or have lived in the Deaf culture.

A complete sign language curriculum and courses in deaf culture prepare interpreters to bridge the language gap for Deaf Christians. Together these ministries proclaim the good news of Jesus to those who otherwise would not hear.



"In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and out of darkness."

– Isaiah 29:18



Women Impacting the World

Many women serving the Lord today are doing innovative and effective ministry around the world. In the New Testament it was Phoebe, Lois and Dorcas. Today it could be Doris, Natasha or Denise.

Women can earn any degree from SIBI, plus SIBI has a full offering of other targeted study opportunities that allow women to customize a program that fits their time availability or their particular area of service.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women graduates serve God on mission teams, inner-city outreach, recovery programs, and jail ministries. Opportunities exist as interpreters for the Deaf, benevolence providers, children's ministers and as teaching staff for ministries. Women who come to SIBI experience personal growth while they prepare to help grow the Kingdom.



*"She opens her hand to the poor and reaches out her hands to the needy...
She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue."*

– Proverbs 31:20,26



Not Retired from Service to God

With many years of experience, senior Christians have much to offer. They want to use their experience, knowledge, perspective, resources and time to make a difference for the Lord. Seniors who become part of Senior AIM come to Lubbock and get further Biblical study and training. Then they can combine that training with their experience to serve with others in a wide variety of ways.

SENIOR ADVENTURES IN MINISTRY

Senior AIMers can serve anywhere – across town, across the country or across the world. They participate in evangelistic campaigns, provide teaching in congregations, help with benevolent efforts and contribute in a host of other ways.

Seniors know it's not just about where you've been,
but where God is taking you next.



*"Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings
about Christ and be taken forward to maturity."*

– Hebrews 6:1



Faith Taking Flight

DiscipleTrips offers short-term missions designed to prepare and send PEOPLE to mission PLACES in order to fulfill our Christian PURPOSE to *“go and make disciples of all nations.”*

We create intergenerational teams who are looking for opportunities to serve others and share their faith in a global context.

DISCIPLETRIPS

Those who go are not only taking and teaching the Word, but they further develop their own faith.

This results in life-long commitments to missions and service for those who are on each trip.

Trips to Mexico, Antigua, Nicaragua and other places may be short in length, but they have an impact long after the trip has ended.



“Paul wanted to take (Timothy) along on the journey... So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.”

– Acts 16:3a,5



Preparing for the Future

Young men and women serving God inspire us,

but who is inspiring them?

SIBI is intentionally speaking into the lives of students
to help them see the opportunities available in serving God.

CAMP APOLLOS & PRISCILLA

These two camps encourage boys and girls ages 12-18

to develop their gifts to serve the body of Christ.

Through close mentoring relationships with SIBI's faculty & students,
these young people are challenged to speak the word of God.

PREACHER TRAINING CAMP

CAMP
APOLLOS

WOMEN TO WOMEN TRAINING

CAMP
Priscilla

*"Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example
in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity."*

- 1 Timothy 4:12

Addressing the Leadership Crisis in the Church

SIBI exists as an extension of the body of Christ.
Without a healthy church fellowship, SIBI cannot stand.

To help ensure a healthy future for itself,
SIBI is dedicated to help any congregation confront the
many issues confronting leaders in the body of Christ.

SUNSET ACADEMY OF LEADERSHIP TRAINING

SIBI provides free lessons and training materials on its website and
on-site seminars to any church wanting to address the issues facing them.

The health of each individual church body effects
the overall health of the church worldwide.

SIBI cares about strong churches for a strong future.



*"...so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or
any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish."*

– Ephesians 5:27



Using the Sun to Teach About the Son

Millions couldn't read the Bible even if it were given to them in their own language.

In fact, 773 million adults in the world can't read.

Additionally, 1.2 billion people don't have the benefits of electricity.

Through no fault of their own, these hundreds of millions of people are left out from receiving the gospel. In an effort to better reach the most remote peoples of the world,

SIBI has developed and launched the Solar Mission.

SOLAR MISSION

The solar player is a hand-held audio player that is powered by the sun.

Each solar player contains the entire Bible, SIBI's core courses, World Bible School lessons, New Life Behavior lessons, and multiple hours of hymns.

Over ten thousand have been distributed across Africa, Central & South America, and Asia in the common language of the people, resulting in an exponential growth in believers.



"But if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin."

- 1 John 1:7



Building a Global Legacy

The kingdom legacy of the SIBI Foundation is ensuring the preparation of preachers, missionaries and ministers by SIBI to carry the gospel to the world for decades to come.

SIBI FOUNDATION LEGACY CIRCLE

The Legacy Circle allows donors to entrust gifts, assets, or a portion of an estate with the endowment of the Sunset International Bible Institute.

The SIBI Foundation is a legally-recognized 501(c)3 organization that receives and manages financial assets for the sole purpose of funding SIBI to carry the gospel to all the world.



"Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful."

– 1 Corinthians 4:2



Answer the Call

The proclaiming of God's word is the responsibility
of everyone in the body of Christ.

SIBI seeks to empower everyone with the word of God so they can

Preach the Word

in whatever way God has gifted them to do so.

**PREACH
THE WORD**

The Word of God compels its hearers to action.

SIBI provides training for that action.

SIBI trains people to take the Word everywhere.

Preach the word to every one, every day,

in every place and in every way.


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*"Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season;
reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching."*

– 2 Timothy 4:2

