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THE BASIS OF
ADELAIDE BIBLE COLLEGE THEOLOGY

The full inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, their authority and consistency as not only containing, but being in themselves the Word of God; the reliability of the New Testament in its Testimony to the character and authorship of the Old Testament; and the need for the teaching of the Holy Spirit to a true and spiritual understanding of the whole.

The unity of the Godhead and the Divine co-equality of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; the sovereignty of God in creation, providence and redemption.

The utter depravity of human nature in consequence of the fall, and the necessity for regeneration.

The true and proper Deity of our Lord Jesus Christ; His Virgin Birth, His real and perfect manhood; the authority of His teaching; and the infallibility of all His utterances; His work of atonement for sinners by His vicarious sufferings and death; His bodily resurrection and His Ascension into Heaven, and His present priestly intercession for His people.

The justification of the sinner solely by faith, through the atoning merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The necessity for the work of the Holy Spirit in regeneration, conversion and sanctification; also in Holy Spirit led ministry and worship.

The ordinances of Baptism and the Lord’s Supper as being instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ, but not in Baptism as conveying regenerating grace, nor in the Lord’s Supper as being a sacrifice for sin and involving any change in the bread or wine.

The personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ in Glory.

The resurrection of the body; the judgment of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, with the eternal blessedness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked.
INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Adelaide Bible College prospectus. It is an exciting time for Adelaide College at present as we continue to maintain the excellent reputation and level of hard work as in previous years. The founder of both Adelaide College and the Come Back To God Campaign (the Christian Missionary society where our trainees gain practical experience) was called home in 2005 but the vision given for a centre training men and women in the deeper areas of life and spirituality is living on and we are seeing the fulfilment of his prophecies everyday. Adelaide College is one of the very rare community based training centres in Britain and its focus on personal development is unique. We keep class numbers and year numbers small so as each trainee benefits from individual time with tutors and staff. Although a Christian based training centre, we see it as important that our trainees can support themselves in their future ministries whether this being on the mission field abroad or the social mission field in our country.

Whatever your background, current abilities, benefits, we will support you in every possible way as you launch yourself into the next stage of fulfilment in life and spirituality.

The College structures its courses to offer equal opportunities to all levels of academic and practical ability. Our trainee support tutors will offer one to one and small group tuition tailored to the needs of the individual and whilst we believe challenge is essential will regulate schedules around the student’s abilities.

Our course has been developed in conjunction with Christian experience and the excellent reputation and practical nature of our course means our graduates and those who may not last the whole course do well in their future training and future choice.

Our lecturers come from a wide variety of backgrounds and experience bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge to the classroom. We are eager for our trainees to seek the deeper answers to life’s questions and our well grounded team of staff will be on hand to make the most of your time at Adelaide Bible College. Our hope is to help you fulfil your highest potential not only as a trainee but also as an individual person.

We are dedicated to providing a quality training service and making our trainees’ studies enjoyable and rewarding.
THE COURSE – COURSE PROFILE STRUCTURE

THEOLOGICAL STUDIES, SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

COURSE PROFILE

This course holds a different structure to most with strong emphasis on overcoming challenges and developing stress management.

Although the course is divided into 3 sections, all areas of the course are integrated and compliment one another.

The 3 focuses of the course are:

THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

The academics of the course are scheduled over an intense three year course. Each unit has 8 scheduled assignments and most units are concluded with an exam.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

The spiritual training within the course is mostly gained through daily prayer (both public and private) and community life. Students are encouraged in spiritual growth.

PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENT

The all round practical experience gained within Adelaide Bible College is second to none and personality develops as challenges are overcome. Trainees are encouraged to achieve levels of excellence in their chosen field, yet individual ability is never overlooked.

Campaign training involves far more than Bible study. We learned to apply the Bible to our lives by discipline and hard work. It wasn’t an easy place to live - any bad attitudes would be challenged and we learned to be flexible and willing to do whatever we were asked. The Campaign motto was RFA - Ready for Anything - and that’s a good lesson for followers of Jesus to learn!

Joanna, Graduate
THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

The academic focus of the course provides a challenging, stimulating and heart searching introduction to the depth of theology. The different course assignments, activities, projects, exams, lecture tasks etc inspire our trainees to consider the material studied and become grounded in an understanding of self, society and the spiritual world.

Trainees examine faith, deity, history, psychology, truth, doctrines, the spiritual realm, counselling and pastoral care from a Christian perspective. Trainees are expected to show evidence of self-evaluation throughout their studies.

The course is made up of individual subject units and a pass is compulsory in most subject areas.

There is nowhere that will adequately prepare a man or woman for ministry in the Church of God. The Holy Spirit alone is the One who can accomplish that. He alone is our Teacher, as the Lord Jesus said. My own experience, after 14 years in ministry 'training' of one sort or another (now ordained in the Church of England), is that the Holy Spirit uses many places and many people to invest in us as part of His training programme. Adelaide College is a special place, which the Holy Spirit has made good use of in my own life, and in the lives of many others. It does not suffice for training. God Himself is the only all-sufficient. Neither is Adelaide College perfect. But what it does do is to preserve much that is lost elsewhere, encouraging a life of faith in a God who is powerful and personal, a life rooted in prayer and in the Scriptures. Anyone open-heartedly following the Holy Spirit's lead into training here, should not be disappointed.

Rev. A. Miller, Graduate
INTRODUCTORY AND SHORT UNITS

HOW TO STUDY

It is essential to learn and practise good studying skills when undertaking such a demanding academic course. Our How To Study unit guides trainees through a wealth of useful studying techniques whilst explaining why the brain works in certain manners. Concentration levels vary and a major part of the course is designed to encourage the individual to know how they can best retrieve information. This unit will teach the trainee how to understand material, questions and marks relieving confusion and stress.

This short unit consists of only seven lecture headings but passes on the art of studying to all new trainees. We take nothing for granted at Adelaide College and all help is offered to see that students get the best out of a three year intensive training course.
A good grasp of the English language is essential when conveying information accurately. This unit is a basic reminder of the rules which hold our international language together. When completed our trainees should be equipped with successful communication skills.

Proficiency in the English language is essential before undertaking the task of learning another, therefore our English Grammar course is a great compliment to the study of Greek which many of our trainees have ambition to study. Adelaide College aims to offer New Testament Greek and Hebrew units in the near future.

Adelaide College does not teach what should be believed, nor how to live but teaches how to find and know and live in the truth through an individual relationship with God.

Adelaide College is not a usual setup, nor is the course usual. Therefore comparison with other courses is futile.

Adelaide College is a spirit-led training centre which invests in people by moulding and shaping its facilities to the needs of individual personalities. The tutors are concerned with names and not numbers, imparting the unique necessary skills for success in both inner life and within Society.

No one is seen as just a trainee but a valued member of the family bringing their talents and developing their gifts through their willingness within the College family.

Emily, Graduate
HOW TO LIVE BY FAITH SUCCESSFULLY

Previously known as History and Origins unit, this unit studies the amazing history of Adelaide Bible College and the Come Back to God Campaign from its earliest stages. As trainees read the unit handbook they not only relive the astonishing miracles which kept the College in existence but they learn the keys to faith living. To study this course and be left without a rekindled faith and urge to trust in the Lord would be impossible. On completion of this unit trainees should be aware of principles by which any work claiming to be of God can be tested.

15 years after graduating, I still draw almost daily on the experiences I gained as a student of Adelaide Bible College. That three year period in my life studying the Word of God, and dealing with the challenges it put in my path, formed such a solid bedrock of Biblical understanding that my walk with the Lord has been enriched ever since.

I studied from the Bible every single day, and during that intense period of learning I discovered the wonder of the many intricacies in God’s huge master plan for mankind, and how my life fits into that plan.

But if I could impart one piece of advice for anyone considering becoming a student of Adelaide Bible College it would be this: For most academic students the learning ends after the final exam, when you’ve learnt all there is to learn. Not so here! God’s Word is alive, and my three years provided me with the skills and understanding to keep learning from His Word for the rest of my life!

Dan, Graduate
Islam is one of the fastest growing religions in the world today. It is important to maintain an accurate opinion and a respectful attitude towards those adhering to this tradition. After studying this unit trainees should have the knowledge to understand and fellowship with Muslims in a profitable manner. This unit is supported by video lectures which give consideration to the challenge posed by Islam on Britain’s heritage. This unit uncovers what the media hardly ever reveal and addresses the real issues Christians have to consider when studying Islam.
NEW AGE

The New Age label covers the whole world of spiritualism. It is essential for trainees to know facts and the Biblical stand behind spiritual practices. This unit guides trainees through a discussion on the New Age giving them the understanding to make judgements for themselves. This short unit takes up only eight lectures but the wealth of knowledge gained will help provide trainees to develop solid opinions and safe guidelines when in contact with new age teachings.

CREATION SCIENCE

During this unit trainees look at some of the scientific evidence which backs up the Biblical account of creation as opposed to the scientific evidence for the theory of evolution.
Looking back on the time I spent as a student at Adelaide College the main thing that stands out to me is the opportunity that I had to not only learn more about God’s Word, but also to mature as a person in Christ. This was through the teaching of the courses and being in a place where time is set aside in the day to spend with God, He was able to teach me about myself and more importantly Himself, bringing me closer to Him.

Rev. G. Muessig, Graduate

GRADED SUBJECTS

BIBLE KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING

Hidden within ancient Biblical texts are pictures giving prophecy for the future. This unit takes the Scriptures in chronological order and by connecting them to the historical events and landscape of their time uncovers the unseen message behind the words. Within the unit trainees will learn the skill of Bible study and interpretation through which they can continue to deepen their knowledge of Bible truth after their studies with ourselves. With thirty-three lecture headings taking up more than one lecture period this unit stretches over all three academic years and schedules eleven lectures per academic year. Trainees sit one examination in this subject a year. The unit runs from Genesis to Revelation looking at God’s Word under the title of “God’s Masterplan.”
John 13

13 And he cometh to the house of Simon and Simon's brother Andrew there; and there sat Jairus' wife and his mother in law.

14 And when he came in, he saith unto them, Whence is this kind of wisdom coming unto you?

15 And he said, Blessed art thou Simon, for this thing was not hid from kings and rulers, that ye should know the things which belong unto the kingdom of heaven; but I have considered it necessary for thee to hear it, because thou art beloved of God.

16 But I have not found such an one as thee among the Jews: for the children of David have loved me, and they knew me not.

17 He said also to Simon, For this reason I was sent: except to declare the glad tidings of the kingdom of God, and to heal those that are diseased.

18 For I also am sent, and am not sent, to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

19 And he said unto the disciples, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

20 Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

21 Give us this day our daily bread.

22 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us.

23 And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.
SOUL SURGERY – THE PERSONAL LIFE

Psychologists have not been able to find the location of consciousness within the human brain. A study of the Bible soon reveals the word “soul” as the place where consciousness lives. Often called Christian psychology this unit gives trainees the opportunity to better understand human nature and asks the timeless question, “What does it mean to be a person?” Trainees are better equipped to counsel and pray with the needy once they have studied the condition of the human race from a professional and Biblical angle. Please note that this unit is unique to the Adelaide Bible College course. Being one of the College’s main subjects, lecture topics often cover more than one lecture period. The third year more deliberately considers the subject of Soul Surgery and practical experience is offered to all trainees showing aptitude in this area.

The mixture of psychology, spirituality and primarily the Word of God in this subject helps us to see how God can minister to the soul in many ways. Also, in learning more about myself in the ‘personal life’ part of the course I began to understand and appreciate others, which has helped me so much in counselling as well as in other pastoral duties.

Rev. J. Paterson, Graduate
Church History brings together the past and future, it unites us with where our faith comes from. I have found it enjoyable to finally have some of my questions answered and to see how we in this generation will leave behind a mark on the future for others to look back on and learn from our mistakes and successes.

William, Student

The visible Church and its traditions have originated from the events of the past. Biblical studies teach foundations for belief but 2000 plus years have passed since the last writer put aside his prophetic pen. Trainees must gain an understanding and knowledge of Church History if they are to differentiate between tradition and dedication. Much of the past has sculpted the present and many mistakes can be avoided if history is allowed to speak. This unit pulls back the curtain on the life of the Church from the Garden of Eden to present day and teaches trainees to learn from a critical study of the past. This is another major unit and embraces thirty lectures in all across the three year course. Supported by video lectures, the Church History unit ranges over the whole of Christian History finally reaching current discussions and debates.
DOCTRINE

All Doctrine units are major units at Adelaide College. Introduction to Doctrine is covered within twelve lecture subjects. However, each subject may take more than one lecture period. The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit and Healing and Deliverance are studied over the whole second year of the course with much of the Doctrine of Scripture applied during the lectures on Bible Knowledge and Understanding but also a precise subject in its own right. Another subject covered in the second and third years is the Doctrine of the Person and Work of Christ.

The Doctrinal subjects are applied to all studies in other areas including the study of other religions and world views giving our trainees a comprehensive knowledge and understanding of society. Where it is important to show the relevance of Scriptural and traditional truth, all necessary discussion is entered into, with as much detail as any given part of Doctrinal teaching may require.

The study of Doctrine will provide trainees with an understanding of what the Bible teaches. It is essential to know the Scriptures and their position on many of the issues studied within the Doctrine course. Starting with a basic Introduction to Doctrine, the Doctrine units themselves cover many subjects over the 3 year period and provide the knowledge which years of self study could not. Doctrine subjects progress through the following units:

INTRODUCTION TO DOCTRINE

A basic introduction to what Doctrine is, how it is written and the fundamental Biblical truths.

DOCTRINE OF SCRIPTURE

Once largely covered between Introduction to Doctrine and Bible Knowledge, this unit has been developed into a solid block of lectures. The question of Scriptural authenticity is discussed against Biblical claims and the truth regarding its authority evaluated by trainees as they study. Whilst Doctrine can seem a dry subject this unit unlocks the Scriptures.

DOCTRINE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Person of the Holy Spirit is a subject not often taught or discussed in theological depth. The history, purpose and attitudes of the Holy Spirit are closely listed and studied within the twelve subject lectures.

DOCTRINE OF HEALING AND DELIVERANCE

Complimented by both the Soul Surgery and Demonology units, this unit is one of the major focuses in the Adelaide College course. Healing and Deliverance is a controversial subject
it is highly important that trainees know what they believe when considering involvement in this dangerous area. Once trainees have undergone the theoretical side of these lecture subjects they will have the opportunity to gain experience under guidance first hand.

DOCTRINE OF THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST

The central Doctrine for the Christian faith is taught during the second and third years and twelve lecture periods per year are occupied by this subject, again these lectures often occupy more than one lecture period. Christ, as He is portrayed in the Gospels, is a shadow of the knowledge we gain through in-depth studies of the prophetic writings dated before and after His lifetime.

DEMONOLOGY

The Bible is full of references to supernatural activity and beings which infiltrate the human spirituality. This unit studies the reality of these forces and the areas they infiltrate, what gives them ground and what effect their existence has upon the life they inhabit. Taught from a wealth of experience, trainees are given a protected environment to learn frontline spiritual warfare.
When I was born again I hungered to find out all I could about God’s Holy Spirit. I read 40 or 50 books on the subject but they did not satisfy me. When I studied the Holy Spirit unit at Adelaide College I knew God had led me to the life-changing truth of the Person and work of His Spirit.

Pat, Graduate

HISTORY AND REBIRTH OF REVIVAL

This unit was originally linked with our major Evangelism unit. Trainees study what revival really is, what it could mean to our nation and world, what the conditions and outcomes of revival are and where revival begins. Through this unit trainees learn how best to pray for revival and what is realistic to believe for.
PASTORALIA

Being a Christian worker or a Minister of the Gospel requires certain knowledge and skills. Close to the art of preaching has to be the skill of a Pastor’s work in his “caring for souls”. Instruction is given in the use of the sacraments, the order of service for special services such as marriage, dedication of infants, funerals etc: with teaching on the manner in which such services and sacraments are conducted. The theory of worship is dealt with in some measure during the unit on Preaching, but in the Pastoralia unit further teaching is given. Although there are only twelve lecture subjects in this unit they usually take up more than one lecture period per subject and stretch over the whole of the second and third years of study.
PRACTICALLY BASED SUBJECTS

PREACHING

Careful attention is paid to homiletical skills from the start of any of the Adelaide College units, and six lectures (covering more than six lecture sessions usually) on the theory of preaching in the first year, are followed by six more in the second year on the workshop of preaching. During the third year attention is paid to the manner in which a Minister preaches, with instruction on the reading of Scripture in public as a special feature of the third year’s work. Preaching is a major subject and trainees receive practical experience through bringing God’s Word in sermon form to their class and faculty members.
PRACTICALLY BASED SUBJECTS

EVANGELISM

The outcome of all the training in spiritual areas is sharing that experience with others. So many Christians find it difficult and even frightening to share their faith with others, whilst many do not know where to start in such a multi-cultural society. This unit gives the trainee practical experience and academic theory through a series of discussions, projects and meetings. Closely linked with both the Church History and the Revival units, Evangelism studies the great evangelists and trainees are asked to comment upon patterns found in their recorded lives and journals. Trainees are encouraged to review all Doctrine from the viewpoint of the evangelist and those unfamiliar with the Christian faith. The Evangelism unit discusses how best to share all that trainees have learned and studied with those unfamiliar in a non-offensive manner.

The Church is full of hurting people who need answers to their pain. The teaching and the practical experiences I gained through Adelaide College equipped me well for the challenges of helping people in the real world.

Andrew, Graduate
PERFORMING ARTS (2 DEPARTMENTS)

MUSIC AND SINGING

Every trainee who undertakes the academic course with Adelaide Bible College will be given the opportunity to benefit from professional singing tuition. Some trainees are offered a place within the touring “Singers”; one of the main points of interest in the Come Back to God Campaign has always been the support given by the Campaign Singers. The training of singers and bandsmen (and women) occupies a sufficient part of the College teaching time, which indicates the importance attached to public presentation in this way. Most students are given a voice test and many have the opportunity to develop a personal singing ministry. Over a one year session at least one hundred one hour periods are used for the purpose of singing in particular, with rehearsals and banding practice extra to that. Occasionally outside professional trainers are asked to conduct and coach the singers. Every trainee attends the music unit and can choose to learn an instrument from a wide selection provided by the College. Many of our trainees have achieved a good pass throughout their grades and some simply play for enjoyment or within the “Music Makers” who back the Singers.

DRAMA

This unit, although tailored to the needs of Christian entertainment and very specifically for “Ad - col” (the Come Back to God Campaign’s Theatre Company), offers the trainee experience and professional training in the art of Dramatics and Acting. Trainees are given the opportunity to write, coach and direct whilst also being moulded into all-round entertainers. The Drama unit is academic as well as practical and provides an introduction into various dramatic subjects such as: Theatre History, Voice, Movement, Community Drama, Acting and Performance.
CHILDREN’S EVANGELISM

Children’s work is vital and this excellent form of child evangelism has been central to the Come Back To God Campaign’s (the missionary society where our trainees work in their placements) ministry from its earliest days, being a part of every major mission conducted by the Campaign Team. Trainees are taught from early in the first year how to relate to children and how to bring an evangelical focus into their young lives. Closely linked with the Drama unit the practical aspect of this course provides venues for trainees to entertain children and young people whilst impacting their lives with positive spiritual and social messages. The unit also guides trainees through what it is to be a child, what our responsibilities are to them and consideration of the challenges Christians face when taking part in child evangelism.

Within the Children’s Evangelism Unit many arts are taught and trainees are offered the chance to gain valuable experience in: Puppet-making and presentation, Children’s Drama and Clowning. Trainees put theory into practice regularly when they perform at school assemblies, Church events, community open days, festivals and mission tours.
SPRITUAL GROWTH

At Adelaide College we are training all-round professional ambassadors for Christ as well as successful individuals. We assess our trainees attitudes to differing circumstances in community life. Self-control, patience and dedication with flexibility are all valued virtues and keys to success throughout industry and the modern environment, and are indications of spiritual growth.

Adelaide Bible College uses its community base as the training ground for growth in such areas as:

COMMUNICATION

Good communication is the basis for good team-making which in turn makes for good business and peaceful living. The experience trainees receive through teamwork whilst living within the College “family” will travel with them and lead to many successful and peaceful ventures in future life. We encourage a deep relationship with Jesus Christ which leads to an inner peace so often hungered for by many today.

SOCIETY

Trainees learn tolerance through daily communal living. Community life rubs off the rough “self-areas”, which hinder progress in our lives.

EMOTIONAL REACTIONS

“He who cannot control his temper cannot control anything” and community life gives the trainee a chance to learn self-control when under pressure. This is also a fruit of the spirit and trainees are encouraged to learn from the spirit how to develop this fruit.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

It is often through fellowship that we benefit spiritually. Community life provides the opportunity to share and admire the spiritual experiences of one another whilst deepening our own in a loving and supportive environment.

Trainees are given guidance as they become aware of their own temperaments, attitudes and virtues.

Trainees are assessed on their character development and positively encouraged to seek the deeper experiences of the Holy Spirit through which character change is a natural process. Trainees are expected to maintain a healthy spiritual life and our staff look for a spiritual change becoming evident in their practical and social lives.

Again varying subjects and responsibilities are integrated into this thrust of the course.
The view at night from Adelaide College
PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Adelaide College course promotes self-motivation and determination to give our trainees the highest level of skill and sufficient ability to succeed in the career or future they choose. Adelaide College trainees are expected to obtain a degree of proficiency in at least two trades or professions. It may be that some will apply to the College equipped from other years of study but in addition to such experience may well have to become proficient in another area. The idea is that should Graduates of the College be called into other forms of Christian work which may require certain practical expertise, or to some Christian endeavour unable at the stage of calling to support a pastor/worker financially then our Graduates will be able to work for their support or use their practical skills to assist a cause in need of them. To this end trainees must learn professions/trades from a variety made available. Our trainees are expected to train in two trades and may (if applicable) work toward SVQs in their chosen practical area. The course provides the means and facilities needed to give our trainees professional, unvalued and unmeasured knowledge and ability in their practical areas.
Adelaide College has a complex and quite extensive administration, overseen by a number of senior staff. The gap between senior staff and the trainee body is filled by team employees who have themselves graduated from Adelaide College. Working closely with the Administrator these provide a “middle management” strata, of great helpfulness on the one hand but also a highly stabilising factor on the other. This means that a practical unit in management becomes available and we encourage trainees to continue their management qualifications with the Open University.
Trainees are taught what “out front” Hospitality requires at the highest standards. From housekeeping, waiting, reception managing, restaurant managing, etc. Trainees receive an all round training experience and then are offered further experience in the area in which they show most ability.
PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENT

AUDIO VISUAL

Adelaide College has its own recording studio, often used by the Come Back to God Campaign Singers and other local groups to record top quality music etc. Trainees learn on the job and whether it be recording, mixing live events, setting up sound control on missions etc our trainees have the opportunity to become adept in the Audio Visual field.
In business today creating successful teams is vital. During my course at Adelaide College I gained valuable insight in how successful teams are created and managed. This knowledge has helped me progress since leaving the College, managing hospitality companies across the country.

Dave, Graduate
CATERING

Within our professional kitchen trainees can experience the hub of professional catering. Along with our resident chefs, trainees may be required to cater for over 100 people depending upon the event: weddings, funerals, coach parties, conference meals etc. Adelaide College is known for its good food and we attribute this to the fact that we serve home-made food, therefore trainees learn to chef properly.
Our knitwear department is small but the quality clothing they make is astonishing. Trainees have the opportunity to produce beautiful garments and use the skills involved to support themselves in their future ministries.
Trainees are offered experience in decorating and taught to maintain high standards. Trainees obviously learn the procedures and the art of decorating but will be expected to show the correct preparation and cleaning up procedures also.
This may seem a somewhat prosaic subject for a Bible College training centre, however, the College grounds include two large garden areas, one in which our own vegetables are grown. This is where our trainees will acquire their gardening skills and learn the theory behind growing healthy vegetation. This not only keeps the body and soul together but also maintains the beauty of the College gardens and shows what self-sufficiency can mean to a faith work.
PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENT

DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Whilst this may not be viewed as a science or an art by many, it is important that all Adelaide College trainees learn to clean and keep tidy the areas which we use and share every day. Domestic science is compulsory for all first years so that before they graduate into other departments they have realised the expectations required by all practical managers in cleanliness. This is one of the qualifying units for the College diplomas.
With the progression of computers, design is a highly specialised field and trainees are welcomed under the wing of our professional designers to learn this trade whilst on the job.
PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENT

PRINTING AND PUBLISHING

Adelaide College print trainees have the opportunity to work with the best printing equipment in the industry. Working closely with design trainees and staff they will produce top of the range material for College departments and outside paid jobs.
SPECIALIST UNITS
PROVERBS 9.10  FEAR THE LORD AND BE WISE

The Christian community / Church is unique in that based on the uncompromising message of the Gospel; it opens its doors to all. Godly wisdom is therefore essential in order to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults entrusted to the Church’s care.

It is important that every organisation and individual takes responsibility and the necessary steps to prevent and report any abuse discovered or suspected.

This module will cover the following areas:

Introduction to child protection
The Law
Understanding the process of sexual offending
Dealing with allegations of abuse
Safe practice
YEAR 1 (SUMMATIVE)

Major Subject Units:
Bible Knowledge and Understanding
Soul Surgery and Personal Life
Introduction to Doctrine
Church History
Preaching
Evangelism
How to Live by Faith
Minor Subject Units:
English
How to Study
Creation Science
Music
Drama
Children's Evangelism
YEAR 2 (SUMMATIVE)

Major Subject Units:
Bible Knowledge and Understanding
Soul Surgery and Psychology
Doctrine of Holy Spirit
Doctrine of Healing and Deliverance
Preaching
Church History
Evangelism
History and Rebirth of Revival
Doctrine of Person and Work of Christ
Pastoralia

Minor Subject Units:
Islam
New Age
Music
Drama
Children’s Evangelism

YEAR 3 (SUMMATIVE)

Major Subject Units:
Bible Knowledge and Understanding
Soul Surgery Application
Doctrine of Holy Spirit
Doctrine of Healing and Deliverance
Preaching Application
Church History
Evangelism
History and Rebirth of Revival
Doctrine of Person and Work of Christ
Pastoralia
YEAR 4 (OPTIONAL YEAR)

Candidates wishing to graduate must submit the titles of their potential practical credits to the examiners, in writing, on the first day of their final examinations. The candidate will then be examined in two of those submitted. In the usual run of college training centres trainees leave at the end of their courses whether or not they have a job to begin, or in the run of theological colleges whether or not they have been offered a pastorate or a post of service. Adelaide College is not the usual run of college training centres in many ways and trainees are not necessarily expected to leave when their training is complete. Trainees may have come into training as a potential Campaign staff member and might conceivably go straight from student life into one of the student pastor opportunities open to the Campaign and in need of leadership but this would be the exception rather than the rule. Usually all our trainees whether they choose to remain as staff members of the Come Back to God Campaign or not take advantage of the optional year, a means by which they may stay within the disciplines and authority of the College while waiting on God for their next move, even though it may be outside the service of the Come Back to God Campaign or Adelaide College. During the optional year Graduate trainees give back to the College, or to the support of Campaign activities, the use of those skills acquired during their College days and on which the College and Campaign may have come to depend in some measure. This can be one way of giving thanks for the years in which the College has freely given its services to its trainees. However, no trainee is in anyway obliged to remain for an optional year and where any trainee has a useful post to take up they would be encouraged in every way to do so. Once their College course is completed all trainees are welcome to leave but experience has shown that the opportunity to stay on whilst seeking the Lord’s mind and considering the future can be of mutual benefit to the trainee and the College alike.

Further possibilities include:

Internal Management
Field Experience
Open University Degree Studies (Supported)
Campaign Team Service
The Associates Diploma (A.Th)
FUTURE SUPPORT

Once the 3 year course is complete some trainees are offered the opportunity to undertake a practical optional year. Our fourth year trainees become active members of the Come Back to God Campaign missionary team and gain valuable experience in missionary work.

During this year the individual can spend hours putting theory into practice and continuing to use and develop practical trades.

It is a joy for our staff to see trainees giving back time and effort in the work of the missionary society which gave 3 years of excellent training to them.

The optional year offers the opportunity of further development by Adelaide College sending and supporting their graduates on further courses.

*Please Note: Optional years can be spent within Adelaide House, the Come Back to God Campaign headquarters (which houses the College training centre) or further afield in a College experience placement.

END OF COURSE INTERVIEW

Every trainee is asked to attend an end of course interview where they are congratulated on their graduation. At Adelaide College we do not say goodbye to trainees, instead we attempt to support them in their future work. Graduates are given guidance on future courses and opportunities with references freely offered.

The Bible is full of supernatural accounts of how God reaches down to rescue His people in their distress, the College instilled in me the faith to believe that God is still able to help His people in exactly the same way today.

Rev. A. Lunn, Graduate
ADELAIDE COLLEGE GRADING SYSTEM

As we are a unique training centre we have a unique grading system which meets with the requirements of our course.

All summative assignments are given two marks which are multiplied together to give the recorded mark:

70% of all summative assignment marks are found by criterion referencing. These are found by using a proforma which will help the tutor determine how well the trainee has answered the question or undertaken the task set.

30% of all summative assignment marks are found by ipsative referencing. These are found within the College office where the College registrar will compare the current assignments to the trainees personal development file. Once comparison has been made a mark will be given for effort, and certified by the College bursar.

These two marks are totalled to give a fair personal mark for each assignment.

BLIND MARKING

Community life is not a fair environment for tutors to mark summative assignments. Therefore, we employ a blind marking procedure where all assignments and task records are expected to be word processed. The College office will provide each trainee with an identification code and tutors mark summative assignments without knowing which student submitted the work.

DOUBLE MARKING

To be sure that all summative assignments receive the correct grade criterion referencing is used twice for each assignment. Two marking tutors will use the same assignment proforma and only when the marks tally will the marks be recorded towards a final mark.

TRAINEE’S ENTITLEMENT

Trainees are entitled to 3 attempts at every summative assignment or task.

TRAINEE’S FEEDBACK

Adelaide Bible College desires to make studying a pleasurable experience and a beneficial one by providing trainees with as much information on their work as possible. We are committed to giving our trainees the information they need to develop every area they study.

PLAGIARISM

Adelaide Bible College is very strict on plagiarism. In the event of plagiarism a trainee may be asked to leave the course completely. Please note plagiarism is a criminal offence.
ADELAIDE COLLEGE QUALIFICATIONS
EXPLAINED

Adelaide Bible College is an independent educational training centre registered with the DFES. The College’s academic and theology qualifications are validated by both our internal and external examining boards. These boards are comprised of highly qualified and experienced individuals: from trustees, ministers of the Gospel, scholars, lecturers etc. All academic work is set to a level equivalent to second year of university and we are negotiating validation from the Scottish Executive Board although our Adelaide College diplomas are of good repute themselves.

All practical training is assessed by our resident practical trainers and trainees must show aptitude in two trades to pass their College course. However, we encourage all our trainees to become as highly qualified as possible and therefore often link with other training organisations to award SVQs in practical tasks.

We as a College support our trainees in achieving the highest level of education possible and are keen for trainees to undertake university degrees; usually beginning in the optional year through the Open University but even first year trainees have been known to attempt university studies alongside Adelaide College.

WORKPLACE QUALIFICATIONS, SCOTTISH VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (SVQS)

All SVQs are made up of units, usually 6 to 8 of them. Each unit breaks down a job into a number of elements and tasks which describes what it means to be competent at that job. Gaining a unit does not mean sitting an exam – instead, candidates have to prove their practical skills and knowledge to the satisfaction of a qualified assessor in the workplace. Achieving a unit means they have proved their competence in one of the tasks which make up the job.

SVQs are available at up to 5 levels – to cover jobs of increasing complexity and responsibility. However, the vast majority of SVQs are available at levels 2 and 3 and are equally relevant to both new recruits and to people with lots of experience who simply want qualifications to prove it.
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Whilst we are aware of the differences between people and their abilities, Adelaide Bible College is an Equal Opportunities institution and positively promotes equality. Whatever race, sex, background, physical ability, academic ability or age, Adelaide Bible College is dedicated to providing the same opportunities for all who study and work with us.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The founder of Adelaide Bible College envisaged the College as training Christian men and women to serve in the British Isles. However, over the years we have been privileged to see many overseas trainees trained within the College building and also many of our trainees have received calls to serve abroad in their future work.

Although we encourage overseas applications and positively promote race equality we cannot offer payment for visas nor travelling funds for applicants. We do provide letters upon acceptance to assist with visa applications.

Overseas applicants often cannot attend interviews and in this case we will ask for references or in some cases telephone, or internet conferencing interviews may be required.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Trainees who are not fluent in English are required to show a degree of English acceptable to undertake studies at HND level. There are qualifications which trainees can take to help them understand English. Further training will be given and supported study classes will be offered to students struggling with the English language but an acceptable level of English is a necessity before enrolment in the course is considered.
Saltcoats Harbour, Arran in the background
STUDYING IN SALTCOATS

We encourage our trainees to share in the community life, we often congregate in the trainee and resident staff common room called the “Kosi-bar” (given its name for its homely and relaxed atmosphere).

Adelaide College is situated within the small seaside town of Saltcoats, surrounded by the delightful and breathtaking scenery of Ayrshire. From the College building itself we are stunned by the beautiful Arran hills by daylight and the lights of Prestwick bay by night fall. Such views bring refreshment in the morning and relaxation when retiring at the end of busy College days.

The main shopping centre is on the College doorstep and a step from our side entrance bringing you to the peace and tranquillity of the sea; the College is amicably situated. The town’s cinema, bowling alley, ice rink, swimming pool, sauna, gym and museum are all no more than 5 minutes walk from the College’s main reception; making attractions easily accessible and filling free time far from difficult. Saltcoats is home to many sporting communities and clubs also, which could leave the sporty with little time to fill. In the heart of 40 miles of coastland oozing with beauty and charm there are many delightful places to walk around Saltcoats bay.

Glasgow (Scotland’s largest and most exciting city) is about 30 minutes distance by train and 40 minutes by car which gives trainees and staff even greater variety when considering entertainment and shopping facilities.
TRAINEE ACCOMMODATION

All round personal development and spiritual growth requires the trainee to become part of the College community. Therefore, the Adelaide Bible College course is residential (unless in circumstances beyond our control). Therefore we ask our single trainees to live in the College headquarters for at least the first year of the course. Married couples and those with children are asked to find accommodation close enough not to interfere with College responsibilities.

Full board accommodation is offered to all trainees for a minor fee.
TRAINEE SUPPORT

Trainees may find they are in need of academic, spiritual or personal support. We provide as much support as possible within our boundaries at Adelaide Bible College:

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Within our custom built one to one tutorial suite, Adelaide College staff are on hand to offer personal and small group assistance with academic work. Trainees can be offered assistance from simple spell checks to actual one to one reviews on lectures etc. We tailor the level of assistance to the level of need and it is our aim that no trainee is left to struggle.

Every year of trainees is assigned a mediator who will liaise between the College faculty and the year, thus providing the trainees with a voice and mentor when challenges arise.

SPIRITUAL SUPPORT

The trainee can choose to speak to any one of the College oversight at any time of need by making an appointment through the College office or their mentor. The resident College ministers are always on hand to give spiritual advice and counselling and College mentors are assigned to each year.

PERSONAL SUPPORT

The College oversight take an active and hands on approach in day to day College life and are available to give personal support in any area required. It is easy for trainees to meet with the oversight by appointment or within the community life at appropriate times.

TRAINEE INTERVIEWS

Trainees are asked to attend regular review interviews with an oversight member or their mentor so we can support them as best as possible throughout their years in Adelaide College.

FORMATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the units within the course include formative assignments. These assignment marks do not tally towards the end of year grades but rather give the trainee and the tutor an idea of how the trainee is commencing in the subject area and show what support is needed to progress further.

TIME MANAGEMENT AND TUTOR OFFICE HOURS

Trainees are given time to study within the College curriculum and tutor support hours are allocated on College days. Within a tutor’s office hours trainees are welcome to receive extra help as they require.
Our Special Educational Needs tutors are committed to giving as much time as possible in the assistance of trainees with such needs. Deadlines may be relaxed for students who find academic work a struggle and who work alongside our Special Educational Needs Tutors.
PERSONAL FRIENDSHIPS

Adelaide College encourages healthy friendships between the sexes. However the College must also maintain the primary aim: namely, total concentration on the call of Christ during the first two years (when concentration really counts). We feel given genuine concentration to the training offered, that the habits of the first two years will ensure sensible attention to work during the important final year, even if a deeper relationship begins then. For this reason close relationships between the sexes is not permitted during the first two years of the College course and if a relationship has started in previous years no affectionate display of the same can be tolerated on the College premises. During the third year relationships may become more obvious but affectionate displays of only a very limited nature may be tolerated during time spent in the College itself. All potential trainees are asked to note that the College faculty place great importance on rightful behaviour in this respect, so that the Lord and our calling always matters most in all things.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To be a trainee at Adelaide College it is best to have at least a comfortable ability in GCSE level work in order to sit comfortably at the lecture teaching standards. However, no one with less than that need decide against applying. All who are accepted are helped in every way to reach the standards required.

Much more important to Adelaide College is the spiritual position of our applicants. We need to know that the salvation of applicants is a solid truth and the rebirth experience is at least beginning if not complete in the new life. We value previous consistency within a Christian church and some evidence of useful Christian service therein prior to an opportunity to train for the Lord’s work.

FEES AND FUNDING

The fees at Adelaide College are the same as any college of this kind, namely approximately £4,000 a year. For our trainees however, the College course becomes more than the usual academic year of thirty-three teaching weeks a year. Adelaide College is a training community which not only lays an appropriate stress on academic achievement, but also requires its trainees to succeed in a number of practical ways and that means that about nine months out of each year are given over to academic study and practical experience about three.

It is important to say that where a trainee is in the position to pay fees, in whole or in part they are expected to do so. No accepted trainee is turned away because of lack of money, in Adelaide College money is not the determining factor. A minimum of £500 however, per term, has to be believed for out of the normal fee schedule of £4,000 a year elsewhere – and trainees are asked to see that a minimum of £1,000 is paid into the College for each of the years in study where possible. Perhaps the most important factor in our seeking the Mind of God for the applicants future here lies in their willingness to share in community life. Practical trades which have stood a number of our ex-trainees in good stead in later years are taught here. Willingness for anything at almost anytime is an imperative for trainees who are preparing for the Lord’s work in Adelaide College and within its outreach ministry as part of the Come Back to God Campaign.
APPLICATION PROCEDURE

PRE-ENROLMENT SUPPORT

* Potential trainee is asked to contact the College and attend a Taste and See event, a Conference or an Open Day.

* Trainees will be given a questionnaire to help them decide and evaluate their motives behind their application.

* Once they have decided to apply, application to the College office must be made by formal letter and/or application form.

* Interviews will be scheduled or references required (depending on situation of applicant).

* Once the interview stage has commenced the College oversight and faculty will prayerfully consider the application.

* Notification of acceptance will be given within a month of application to the course.

* Please note the initial 6 months of the course are probationary. After this time the trainee and the faculty can assess if the course is the best avenue for the individual in the Lord’s service.
Directions to Adelaide College:

By Road from North:
From Greenock follow coastal road south (A78). At Kilwinning roundabout (Supermarket on right) turn right and follow map below.

By Road from South:
From Ayr follow A78 toward Greenock until Kilwinning roundabout. Supermarket infront on left, turn left and follow map below.

By Road from East:
From Glasgow follow M77 to Kilmarnock. Turn onto A71 toward Irvine at Hurlford roundabout. At Irvine roundabout turn on A78 toward Greenock. Follow A78 until Kilwinning roundabout. Supermarket infront on left, turn left and follow map below.

There is ample car parking available on the shore side, infront of Adelaide College.

By Air:
Both Glasgow International and Glasgow Prestwick Airports are within 30 minutes drive of Adelaide College.

By Train or Bus:
Saltcoats train and bus stations are within 100 yards of Adelaide College.

‘Adelaide College’ is the main headquarters of the ‘Come Back To God’ Campaign, a Christian Charity who aim to help anyone in need.

Built in the 1800’s and formerly known as the ‘Glasgow Mission Coast Home’, the building retains its historical significance and fame, even with its now modern facilities.

Please contact us to make a booking, view the facilities or ask any further questions:

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