



2023-2024 Schedule

October 14: Local Quiz #1
location TBD
Galatians 1-3 (74 vs.)
LL: *Ephesians 4-5:20 (52 vs.)*

November 11: Local Quiz #2
location TBD
Galatians 4-6 (75 vs.)
LL: *Ephesians 5:21-6 (37 vs.)*

November 18: Great Lakes Regional
CrossPointe Community Church, Wayne
Galatians 1-6 (149 vs.)
LL: *Ephesians 4-6 (89 vs.)*

December 9: Local Quiz #3
St. Paul Lutheran, Northville
Ephesians 1-4:16 (82 vs.)
LL: *Philippians 1 (30 vs.)*

January 13: Local Quiz #4
Stony Creek Church, Utica
Eph 4:17-6, Phil 1 (103 vs.)
LL: *Philippians 2 (30 vs.)*

January 20: All Timers
CrossPoint Church, Clinton Twp
Eph 4-6, Phil 1-2 (149 vs.)

February 10: Local Quiz #5
location TBD
Phil 2-4, Philemon (99 vs.)
LL: *Philippians 3-4 (44 vs.)*

March 9: Day of Champions
Marimont Community Church
full review (433 vs.)
LL: *full review (193 vs.)*

March 16
WBQA Chicago Tournament
full review (433 vs.)
LL: *full review (193 vs.)*

Highlights

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DBQ growth continues. The 2019-2020 season ended with just 8 teams. Steady growth the last three years saw 2022-2023 end with 27 teams: 14 Little League and 13 Varsity.

Projections for this new season envision teams from four new quiz programs: Romeo United Methodist Church, Oakdale Academy in Waterford Twp, Christ Our Savior Lutheran in Livonia and Faith Church EPC in Rochester Hills.

This anticipated growth means one more quiz room (for a total of six) will be put into play for each month's competition. And it gets us even closer to growing to three divisions, adding Junior Varsity in between Little League and Varsity.

Registration is due Saturday, 9/30. Use the "Registration" tab at www.detroitbiblequizzing.org. The information needed and how to pay are all laid out there.

The fee for the six-month season is \$50 per individual quizzier. Should you still have individuals to register on the day of the quiz, please arrive well in advance of the noon start time to get that taken care of.

Team Names. Identify the sponsoring group and limit overall length to 24 characters and spaces. "BC IDoNotUnderstandWhatIDo" is still too long.

Uniforms. Teams are to wear matching shirts at all quizzes. "Matching" does not mean identical—it is sufficient if shirts match based on color or theme, although most teams get identical shirts. The idea is that they identify the quizzers as a team.



SCC Drunk on New Wine in 2022-2023

First Quiz. The first quiz competition will begin promptly at 12:00 P.M. on October 14 at a location still to be determined. Keep an eye out for an update by text, email, the DBQ website or the DBQ Facebook page.

Got Tournament Fever? Besides the six monthly league competitions, there are some optional tournaments available for those who enjoy quizzing so much that they just have to do more of it. Or maybe you want to hone your quizzing skills so you can do better in league competition. Or maybe you want to do some recruiting.

Great Lakes Regional Tournament. DBQ is running this WBQA tournament in November. It is local and the material fits well with the season schedule, so it is a good tournament to go to. Read more about it on page 2.

All Timers Tournament. This January tournament is where coaches, quizmasters, parents and anyone else get to quiz. League quizzers will find it more competitive than any other quiz event, so it can be a big help getting ready for March. This season, the material schedule works well for both Varsity and Little League quizzers.

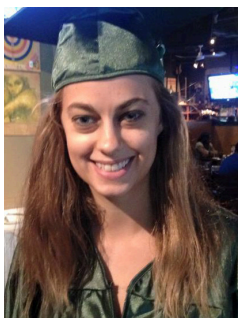
Padawn Tournament. This February tournament is all about developing quizzing. All the information for it is on the Quizzify "app" at biblequizzing.azurewebsites.net.

Chicago Tournament. An important goal for many quizzers each year is to qualify for a DBQ team going to the Chicago Tournament in March. This season, with Chicago coming just a week after the season-ending Day of Champions, quizzers who don't meet the qualifying criteria are still invited to come on DBQ teams. Details to follow. Since Chicago is now the last tournament on offer from WBQA, it has been designated the World Championships of quizzing. Ready, set, go!!!!!!! ☆

Tidbits

From Shannon

Gibson: “Bible Quizzing was one of the best investments I ever made in myself. Over the 8 years I was involved as a quizzer and a coach, I made lifelong friends, went on adventures in new cities and became absolutely unbeatable at hide-and-go-seek. There was hardly a time when I didn’t have a quiz portion in my hand. Once, a teacher thought I was studying for the ACTs, but I was really studying the book of Acts! The Bible says to always be ready to give an answer to those who ask about your faith, and thanks to Bible Quizzing I always have a verse in mind for whatever situation arises. Years after I think I have forgotten everything I learned, a Bible verse will just roll off my tongue. I never know what God will bring to mind. As if that wasn’t great enough, the years I spent diligently studying have helped immensely in my schooling and career. The more you memorize, the better you get at it! If you have any hesitations about starting Bible Quizzing this year, remember this: even if you learn only one new verse, you will gain friends, memories and adventures that last a lifetime.”



STEERING COMMITTEE

The DBQ Steering Committee will be meeting at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 10, 2023 via Google Meet. Participating churches and organizations are welcome to have a representative join in.

CONTRIBUTIONS

If you have news to share about a quizzer or quiz-related subject, please E-mail the editor at pdpaternoster@sbcglobal.net

Obtaining Quiz Materials. The Berean Standard Bible (“BSB”) text in print is available as a free download from the World Bible Quiz Association, www.wbqa.org. You can also read and study the BSB on-line at BibleHub.com or with the **Bible Hub** app or the **YouVersion** app on your smart phone. Another web site and study app is **Bible-Memory**, where you can join the Detroit Bible Quizzing group and gauge your progress relative to other quizzers.

Also, take advantage of the resources available on the DBQ web site, which include:

- an always-current copy of the questions—regular, memory, reference and situation,
- the DBQ Handbook with strategy and other suggestions for quizzing,
- the DBQ Rules for quizzing,
- the DBQ scoresheet that you can copy for your practice quizzes,
- the newsletter (print it in color on your ink jet printer).

Study calendar and regular practices. These are two fundamental aids for learning the amount of material that is required each month. A study calendar shows a daily amount of scriptures that will keep the quizzers on pace to participate fully in each practice session and have the month’s material completed before the quiz.

Quizzify App. Jake Fairbairn has again made some sweet upgrades to his online practice question app at biblequizzing.azurewebsites.net. It has even more fun new features to check out. And coaches, this is where you can generate practice quizzes.

Promote Quizzing!! One of the best ways to keep quizzing fun and exciting is to get new quizzers involved each year. Even with six weeks to go until the first quiz, there is still time to do some last-minute recruiting. Here are some ideas:

- Show the DBQ promotional video in church, Sunday School or a friend’s home. Download or print it from the Resources area of DBQ’s web site.
- Make sure your coaches read the recruiting hints in section 1.1 of the DBQ Handbook.
- Get a quiz box and some fellow quizzers (and maybe pizza) and do a demo quiz for a friend’s youth group.
- Tuck this idea away for later: in February, the Padawan Tournament is a short quiz experience ideal for exposing new people to quizzing. Find it in the Quizzify app.

Great Lakes Regional Tournament. The date is Saturday, November 18, 2023, one week after the local November competition. The cost is \$40 per team. Registration is through the WBQA website. Standard WBQA rules apply—20-question quizzes, 4-person teams.

While the Tournament is optional, there are a number of reasons why it is well worth attending. These are in no particular order:

- it is a tournament involving quizzers from other programs to meet, get to know and become friends with;
- there is no tournament closer to home;
- stats do not count for the local season, so there is no pressure for results; it’s a great opportunity early in the season to learn to be a better quizzer, pushing the envelope on jumping skills and quizzing strategies;
- being a review of all material to date and done under WBQA rules, it is a great preview of the Chicago Tournament that follows the end of the quiz season.

This WBQA Tournament is for league teams, not All Star teams. However, it uses a four-person team structure. Thus, it is usually necessary to combine quizzers from multiple teams as needed in order to have four or five quizzers on the tournament line-up.

If there are not enough quizzers available from your church or group, combining with some quizzers from another is a great way to go—it can result in new friendships and will reinforce that we quiz with each other, not against each other. ✪



IF YOU KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO QUIZ BUT NEED SOME HELP WITH STUDY AND MEMORIZATION HABITS, READ THIS!

The DBQ Handbook, available on the DBQ web site, lays out quite a number of study and memorization methods. What works best for you is a matter of personal preference and probably some trial and error. The following tips are directed toward making the most of the time and effort you put into whatever method you have chosen. They are general tips about concentration and recall.

☞ Pay attention to get information right the first time. It's difficult to replace wrong information with the right information.

☞ Make certain you understand the material—it is difficult to recall what is fuzzy. Read and reread, ask questions and try to explain the passage to someone else.

☞ Use "chunking." There are limits to how much you can recall, but these limits expand when the material is meaningfully organized, *e.g.*, identify the key concepts of a chapter and see how other ideas are grouped under those key ones. Cluster ideas around a heading or category. One item may serve as a cue to another.

☞ Create a peg on which to hang the information you want to remember. It might be a rhyme, an unusual image or maybe a sequence of meaningful words or images (like "Every Good Boy Deserves Fudge" to represent the lines of the treble clef in sheet music).

☞ Eliminate distractions.

- Use a "cue"—*e.g.*, when you are wearing a certain baseball hat, you are not to be disturbed. Use your desk to read, write, review, but use your bed only for a relaxing break.

- Remove obstacles—an audio or visual background which is unobtrusive may help to screen out distractions.

- Have all of your equipment available before you begin—lamp, pencil, highlighter, quizzing scripture booklet, good comfortable chair, extra paper, 3x5 cards, questions, *etc.*

- Record stray thoughts on a note pad, but don't act on them until later. Call this your

"worry pad," *e.g.*, personal tasks that need to be completed. By writing them down, you free yourself to not think about them while you study.

"the best highlighter ... is the yellow one made by Major Accent"
Angus T. K. Wong

☞ Check your concentration as you go—every page if you are reading, every paragraph if you are memorizing, or whatever amount works for you.

☞ Use all of your senses, *e.g.*, diagram on paper, look for unique visual patterns, talk it out to somebody, rehearse in front of the mirror.

☞ Erase to remember. Write out a chapter completely in pencil. Progressively erase words as you commit them to memory.

credit for these ideas goes to www.willamette.edu/cla/ler/memory.htm ★

IF YOU THINK YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO BE ON YOUR BIBLE QUIZZING TEAM, READ THIS!

There's no doubt about it. Bible Quizzing takes time. But you can still find or make time to commit to memorizing God's Word.

1. Keep it portable. Use the pocket edition of the scripture so that you can carry it with you everywhere you go.

2. The file card method. Write the particular verses out on 3x5 cards. You can pull a card out numerous times during the day for review and study.

3. MP3 (or even CD?). Secure a copy of Galatians and/or Ephesians, Philippians, Philemon from <https://bibleq.com/audio.htm> and listen to it at various times—in the car, in your room, on the go.

4. Early riser or late nighter? Learn some of your verses in one setting by getting up early or by staying up a little later. Make this a regular pattern.

5. Appointment. "Can you schedule me in for 10 verses on Thursday at 4:30 p.m.?" Lock in a quality time that is appointed each day for study. No cancellations, please! Try to not cancel this appointment.

6. The supreme sacrifice. Give up one TV show a day for preparation. Or worse yet, lay off the iPhone, Switch, PlayStation or Xbox for a while.

7. Meal time preparation. Eat and study. Have your parents or friends check your knowledge. If most of us studied each time we ate, well—we'd be great!

8. On the school bus. You'll have to sit alone and try to block out the noise. But hey, no problem, right? They all behave perfectly on the bus, don't they?

9. Walking or biking. Using 3x5 cards (see #2), study the material while walking to school, walking down the hall at school, walking in the mall (after you've run out of money), walking to a friend's house, *etc.*

10. School time. School is for study, isn't it? Use all of the "down time" school provides for you—dull assemblies, pep rallies, lunch time, study hall, empty classroom time, *etc.*

11. TV commercials. Keep your Bible near the TV (if you're not up for the "supreme sacrifice," see #6) and study during every commercial. This is not exactly ideal, but a possibility.

12. Your own creative idea. You know your schedule better than anyone. Plan your day using time that is available to you. Yes, you are busy, but you can always find or make time to do whatever you want to do!

"There are two things in this world that are going to last forever—the Word of God and people. Invest your time wisely." ★

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Billy Graham

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*Map to
October 14, 2023 quiz*

