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2020-2021 Schedule

note: chapter 1 does not include the genealogy from vs. 1-17

October 10: Local Quiz #1
Matthew 1-6 (155 vs.)
LL: Matthew 1:18-4:11 (60 vs.)

November 14: Local Quiz #2 Matthew 7, 12-13 (137 vs.) LL: Matthew 4:12-5:48 (62 vs.)

November 21: Great Lakes Regional??? to be announced

Matthew 1-7, 12-13 (292 vs.) *LL: Matthew 1:18-5:30 (104 vs.)*

December 12: Local Quiz #3 Matthew 14-17 (130 vs.) LL: Matthew 26:1-56 (56 vs.)

January 9: Local Quiz #4 Matthew 18-19, 24 (121 vs.) *LL: Matthew 26:57-27:26 (45 vs.)*

February 13: Local Quiz #5 Matthew 25-26 (121 vs.) LL: Matthew 27:27-28:20 (60 vs.)

March 13: Local Quiz #6
Day of Champions Tournament
Matthew 1-7, 12-19, 24-28
(745 vs.; 86 new)
LL: full review (283 vs.)

March 20 WBQA Chicago Tournament JV/Var: full review (745 vs.) LL: full review (283 vs.)

A big welcome to Stony Creek Church in

Utica. This rookie quiz program joining Detroit Bible Quizzing is already causing quite a splash with its enthusiasm for Bible memorization—four teams signed up on the first informational day; and a **Little League**



Division is now forming again after a five-year hiatus. Stay tuned for updates whether Little League will be a pilot project or a full-fledged division this season.

For a trip down memory lane, here are the results from March 2014, the last time DBQ had Little League quizzing; there are some familiar names here:

	Rnk	First Name	Last Name	Team Name	Pts	Avg.	Епт	Err Mar P & Er	
LL - March 2015	1	Owen	Parker	MCC Dark Sun	1410	67.14	22	410	6
	2	Nathan	Mayer	LP Kingdom of God	660	31.43	7	270	4
	3	Carmen	Yonker	LP Kingdom of God	660	31.43	36	80	12
	4	Alissa	Dorie	Blood, Fire and Vapor	410	27.33	16	0	0
	5	Sam	Hatfield	Blood, Fire and Vapor	370	17.62	31	130	13
	6	Cordelia	Fike*	LP Kingdom of God	320	15.24	6	60	3
	7	Patrick	King*	CMC Silver & Gold	320	15.24	29	110	7
	8	Deven	Dorie	Blood, Fire and Vapor	300	20.00	3	0	0
	9	Curtis	Parker*	MCC Dark Sun	150	7.14	8	50	3
	10	Claire	Ogden*	CMC Silver & Gold	0	0.00	17	0	3
	11	Liam	Ogden*	CMC Silver & Gold	0	0.00	7	0	5
	12	Averi	McCulloch*	CMC Silver & Gold	0	0.00	3	0	1
	13	Collin	Gibson*	MCC Dark Sun	0	0.00	1	0	1

Little League Team Standings March 2015						
Plc	Team Name	Pts	Record			
1	MCC Dark Sun	171	14-6-1			
2	LP Kingdom of God	152	11-5-5			
3	Blood, Fire and Vapor	120	3-15-3			
4	CMC Silver & Gold	29	0-2-19			

Combined JV and Varsity Division. A preliminary head count indicates there will not be five Varsity teams this year (there should be six for a division). Accordingly, it is anticipated that Varsity and JV will once again be combined in a single division.

Registration is due Saturday, 9/26. Use the "Registration" tab at www.detroitbible-quizzing.org. The information needed and how to pay are all laid out there.

Fees are the same as last year—an individual fee of \$50. 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 church and limit the overal length to 24 characters and spaces. "EpicCC TheEndIsStillToCome" 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.



From the archives: Heart's first uniform in '92.

First Quiz. The first quiz competition will begin promptly at 12:00 P.M. October 10 at **Marimont Community Church**, 424 W Walton Boulevard, Pontiac. A map and directions are on page 4.

Due to COVID-19 precautions, bring your own lunch and snacks.

Chicago Tournament=World Championships. Once the season gets going, an important goal for many quizzers is to qualify for a DBQ team going to the Chicago Tournament in March. Since Chicago is now the last tournament on offer from WBQA, it has been designated the World Championships of quizzing. Ready, set, go!!!!!!!

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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 September 13 and October 11, 2020 by telephone conference. 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



Quizzify App. Jake Fairbairn has hugely revised his online practice question app at biblequizzing azurewebsites.net. Besides the new name "Quizzify," it has lots of fun new features to check out. Accumulate experience points and medals and then check the Leaderboard to compare your progress with others.

DBQ's Facebook Group Page. If you are on Facebook—whether a quizzer, parent, coach, official or fan—please join the Detroit Bible Quizzing Group. The newsletter and other information gets posted there; set your preferences to receive notifications from the group and you can stay on top of any developments.



Obtaining Quiz Materials. The Berean Study Bible ("BSB") text in print and audio, questions and quiz generator are available as free downloads from the World Bible Quiz Association, http://www.wbqa.org/. You can also read and study the BSB online at BibleHub.com or with the Bible Hub app on your smart phone. Another web site and study app is BibleMemory, 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:

- 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. The 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.

Promote Quizzing!! One of the best ways to keep quizzing fun and exciting is to get new quizzers involved each year. Even with four 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. If your church doesn't have a copy, download it from the Resources area of DBQ's web site.
- Download the Promotional Flyer from the Resources area of DBQ's web site. Also, direct friends and acquaintances to the DBQ and WBQA web sites, where they can see events, awards, history, testimonials, how-to articles and more.
- 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 some pizzas) and do a demo quiz for a friend's youth group.

Quizmasters/scorekeepers. There is always value in having quizmasters and scorekeepers trained to be ready to fill in when and as needed. If you can help, please talk to Nathan Parker at the October quiz. Quizmasters-in-training will be assigned to a veteran quizmaster to learn the ropes. Experience may begin at either the Little League or JV/Varsity levels.

Great Lakes Regional Tournament. With COVID-19, this Tournament is up in the air. Keep an eye on the WBQA web site for updates. For now, reserve the target date on your calendar—Saturday, November 21, 2020. If the Tournament comes together, there will be online registration available until November 6.



This 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, Matthew 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 the Matthew chapters 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." •

DBQ COVID-19 Procedures

- Maintain physical distancing and wash your hands frequently
- O2 Avoid touching other quizzers- this means no hugs, high fives, or handshakes. Use verbal encouragement!
- 03 Masks are encouraged, not required
- O4 Check your temperature and stay home if you are sick- there will be extra flexibility for quizzers qualifying for Chicago due to missing quizzes because of sickness
- O5 All rooms will be cleaned between use and extra tables will be available at quizzes in the lunch area
- 06 Bring your own food! Snacks and drinks will not be available during quizzes



SEE YOU AT THE POLE™ 2020 is happening! It's about one simple thing—STUDENTS in PRAYER.

TWO opportunities to unite in prayer with your friends:

DAY: Wednesday, September 23, 7 a.m. local time. Around the globe, students meet at flagpoles to pray for their schools.

WEEK: The Global Week of Student Prayer, September 20 - 26. Public, private or home school students, pray in unique ways, places and times all week. Some will launch on-campus Bible clubs.

Plus, go to your app store and download "Campus Prayer." It will help you prepare for SYATP and keep the student prayer movement alive at your school.

October 10, 2020 Quiz Day #1

Marimont is on the north side of Walton Boulevard in Pontiac just west of Telegraph Road. The driveway into the parking lot is on the west side of the church.

via M-59 from the east:

Come west to Woodward, turn right and half-way around the loop turn right on Cesar E Chavez Avenue. At Telegraph, turn right. At Walton, turn left and the church will be on your right.

from the I-696 corridor: From the east, take I-75 north to M-59 and follow the directions above. From the west, take Telegraph north all the way to Walton, turn left and the church will be on your right.

