

## BACKGROUND AND REQUEST

### God's Bible School and College

#### RECOMMENDATION

God's Bible School and College meets the Chancellor's standards, and the staff recommend continued institutional authorization through December 31, 2013, to coincide with the college's next accreditation review with the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC). The Chancellor may, in his judgment, withdraw authorization or require additional review, at the institution's expense, if the college fails to continue to meet the Chancellor's standards for authorization or is sanctioned by HLC.

**Profile:** God's Bible School and College (GBSC), located in Cincinnati, Ohio, is an independent, non-profit institution. One of the oldest Bible colleges in the United States, GBSC was founded in 1900 to offer a diploma course, the Christian Worker's Course. Today the college serves almost 300 undergraduate students in its associate's and bachelor's degree programs according to its mission "to glorify God and to serve His Church by providing higher education centered in Holy Scripture and shaped by Wesleyan conviction, thus preparing faithful servants to proclaim Jesus Christ and spread scripture and holiness throughout the world."

**Accreditation/Authorization:** GBSC is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and by the Commission on Accreditation of the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE). The Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents has authorized the college since 1986.

**Program Offerings:** GBSC offers the following degrees: Associate of Applied Science, Associate of Arts, and Bachelor of Arts. In addition, the college offers teacher preparation programs that prepare students to apply to the Association of Christian Schools International for certification in their teaching areas and to apply for a State of Ohio Non-Tax Teaching Certificate.

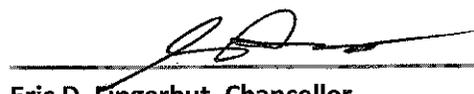
**Institutional Changes:** Since the college's last reauthorization review, the institution has had a change in the presidency and has modified its program offerings to better align with the Chancellor's standards and with student and community needs.

**Recommendation to the Chancellor:** GBSC meets the Chancellor's standards, and the staff recommend continued institutional authorization through December 31, 2013, to coincide with the college's next accreditation review with the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC). The Chancellor may, in his judgment, withdraw authorization or require additional review, at the institution's expense, if the college fails to continue to meet the Chancellor's standards for authorization or is sanctioned by HLC.

**End of Comment Period: February 15, 2010**

**No Comments Received, Recommend Approval**

APPROVED



Eric D. Fingerhut, Chancellor

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