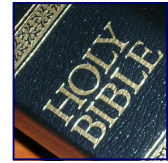




Sydney Bible Baptist College



Established 1974

TRAINING NATIONALS TO REACH NATIONALS

2 January 2009

Dear Pastor

Reflecting on 2008, we rejoice with 4 students graduating and eager to serve their Lord. Thank you to all that prayed and supported our Graduation Meetings. God blessed our services with 450 people attending the Thursday evening graduation meeting and powerful messages and teaching from Dr W. L. Smith throughout the week.

As we prepare for 2009, we would ask that you please note the following commencement details for SBBC. Please pass on these details to all continuing & any prospective students. Please encourage prospective full-time students to make their application for entry by 31 January, 2009. We also welcome part-time day students to attend courses of interest.

- ✓ **Registration Day details:** Monday, February 2
 - 6 – 7.00pm: Registration of all students (new, continuing & part-time students)
 - 6.30pm: Meeting for all college lecturers scheduled to teach in Semester I
 - 7.30pm: Commencement service. **Pastor H. R. Hester will officially open the training year with the preaching of God's Word. All are welcome to attend this Commencement Service.**
- ✓ **Commencement of day lectures:** Tuesday, February 3 at 7.55am
- ✓ **Commencement of Monday evening course:**
 - Hymn playing with Mrs Marie Hall: February 9 at 7.30pm.
- ✓ **Commencement of Tuesday evening course:**
 - Cults with Pastor Keith Piper: February 3 at 7.30pm.
 - Please see enclosed 2009 class schedule and flyers for further details.

A recent trip to PNG afforded me a renewed vision of the vital importance of SBBC's ministry. Whilst there, many young men and Pastors approached me and expressed their burden for further Bible teaching and training. Most of these men had completed national Bible Institute training but still felt very unprepared. While I praise the Lord for the ministry of our fellow labourers in PNG and for the hunger of these young men for God's Word, this experience left me very grateful for SBBC. SBBC is a uniquely blessed ministry that provides thorough training over 3 full-time years of study drawing on the pastoral insights of our experienced lecturing staff, using fine curricula and working in conjunction with the pastors of our student body. I believe students of SBBC graduate with a sense of having 'full cups' and being well equipped for future ministry.

We covet your prayers and support for the ministry of Sydney Bible Baptist College as we continue to train labourers for our Lord's harvest field – Matthew 13:38.

Yours sincerely

Pastor M. R. Schiavone