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## Introduction to Global Connect

God bless you for responding to His call. What a tremendous privilege and responsibility you have, a high calling--training for the work of the ministry. You are helping fulfill your call by becoming equipped for present and future ministries. In this first chapter we want to provide an overview of orientation information. Your Academic Dean may be the one to personally acquaint you with this information or he may request that you attend an orientation.

The Student Handbook is designed to help familiarize the student with Bible school life. It will tell the student what he can expect of the Institute and what the Institute expects of him as he seeks to prepare himself for Christian ministry.

General student conduct is governed by the ideals and standards of the school as stated in the Student Handbook. It serves as a guide to develop lifestyles, ideals, and standards consistent with the high calling of the ministry. Each student should seek to develop these ideals and standards of conduct while he is enrolled in Global Connect, whether he is on the campus or away.

### **History, Purpose, and Development of the School**

In this section we include a brief history of the founding and development of the school. We suggest that you become acquainted with this to get a sense of how the school came into being, the vision of its founders, and how the school is developing.

The institute is birthing a vision designed to move laymen from vision to reality. The curriculum takes students beyond teaching to training where participation is required. The participation to which students are challenged is that of spiritual reproduction. Jesus final command was to reproduce spiritually (Matthew 23:19-20).

Global Connect is not as inclusive as a traditional Bible Institute because it eliminates materials not directly related to spiritual growth and productivity. We are not in competition with the traditional Bible Institute structure but our training is for lay men and women who do not have opportunities, educationally and/or financially, for such training.

Global Connect equips students with creative Bible study skills to enable continued study of Scriptures following basic course training. But the primary focus of Institute training is teaching what Jesus taught to move men from observation to demonstration of the power of God.

### **The Vision of Global Connect**

The Vision of GLOBAL CONNECT is in agreement with the vision of Resurrection Life Worship Center which is to increase in the knowledge and understanding of God's Word. Graduates of GLOBAL CONNECT will be prepared to operate in the ministry of God proficiently and knowledgably. We have a genuine burden for ministers, pastors, church ministry workers and everyday Christians who desire a higher education.



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## The Overall Picture of the School

### Church-Based Ministry Training

This church-based institute with spirit-filled staff offers aggressive ministry training for thorough equipping of Christian leadership. We emphasize balanced doctrine, servanthood, leadership, character development and developing a biblical global perspective.

Global Connect is a place to train men and women called to full-time ministry and those interested in becoming better equipped to serve their local church.

We offer academic excellence and methods that will train you to maximize your leadership skills and attitude to reach your God-given potential.

### Administration

The Academic Dean of the Bible College may have an orientation meeting for all new students or he may give you individual orientation. Your orientation will provide needed and beneficial information about many of the procedures, services and opportunities at Global Connect.

### Academic Practices and Procedures

The Academic Dean is responsible for the scheduling of courses. Although the Academic Dean wants to know what courses you prefer to take, you need to remember that he has to consider **all** courses, **all** students and courses they need, as well as **all** teacher schedules, etc. Therefore, there will be times when you may not get your preference of courses or schedule.

You will have questions arise during the term. Your school Student Handbook is a good resource for many questions you may have. If after referring to it you do not find the answer to your question, do not hesitate to approach your Academic Dean.

### Relationships with Church and Community

Those who are called by the Lord to ministry are equally called to be a reflection of His character in both word and deed. A number of requirements and expectations are placed upon Bible school students by both the church and the community. The successful student should be aware of and observe these with diligence. You will want to be an example in both church attendance and in the paying of your tithes and offering. Guard your reputation in the community by maintaining your integrity in financial and other community matters.

### Accountability

We are a non-denominational, Word of Faith-based, spirit-filled institute. Our school is accountable to a Board of Directors.