Basic Information for Beginning Bible Drills

Developed for teaching young people, in grades 4-6, youth in grades 7-9, and high school students 10-12th grades, how to study the Bible, develop memorization skills, and the proper use and handling of the Bible. Bible Drills are progressive, beginning with training that leads to participating in church drill, association drill and then the Regional Bible Drill. ALL drillers must compete in the church drill before advancing to the associational drill then the regional drills.

A participant may participate in each division of drills for 3 years. Children’s, 3 years; youth 3 years and high school 3 years.

Children’s Bible Drill

Requires:

- **Memorization** - 25 verses of current cycle.
- **Locating/quoting** - the verses in the Bible correctly.
- **Key Passages** - located by title such as; *The Shepherd’s Song*, Psalm 100.
- **Identifying Verses** by the first portion of the verse.
- **Book of the Bible** - Students must also be able to memorize and locate the books of the Bible. Requested by leader to locate certain book, they respond with the book preceding, the book called and the book following. Example...**Mark**: Matthew, Mark, and Luke.

Each child has the opportunity to be a state winner. The regional level is the highest level possible for the children. At this level, if they score 20 or more, they are declared a state **winner**.

**Correct answers determine advancement to next level:**
Church – 12 or more, Association – 16 or more, Regional – 20 or more.

**Time:** 10 seconds
Youth Bible Drill

Requires:
- **Books of the Bible** - Students must also be able to memorize and locate the Book before, the book called (requested by leader to locate) and the book after the one called.
- **Identifying Verses**: Identify 10 verses from the Verse Card by portions from anywhere in the verse as given by the leader.
- **Doctrinal Verses**: Locate 10 Doctrinal passages from the Verse Card.
- **Bible Answers Verses**: Give Bible Answers to 10 questions asked by the leader.
- **Scripture Searching** - Locate five verses chosen by the leader from any location in the Bible.

Correct answers determine advancement to next level:
*Church-200 or more, Association-235 or more, Regional-270 or more.*

Drillers who score 270 or more at the Regional level are declared state winners.

The highest scorer in each drill section at regionals will advance to state finals to compete to qualify for Nationals. All drillers advancing to state finals must be from a participating North Carolina Baptist Church in order to qualify for the scholarship and to represent North Carolina at the National Invitational Tournament.

Time: 8 seconds

High School Drills

Requires:
- **Books of the Bible** - Students must also be able to memorize and locate the Book before, the book called (requested by leader to locate) and the book after the one called.
- **Scripture Searching** - Locate five verses chosen by the leader from any Book in the Bible.
- **Steps to Salvation** - Youth recall verses in order to share the plan of salvation with someone. (6 verses)
- **What We Believe Drill** - The caller will ask a question. Driller must state the question, recite the verse(s), and state the Scripture reference. (10 verses)
- **Key Biblical Passage** - located by title and quoted from memory; Example; *Faith*, Hebrews 11:1-6. (6 Key Biblical Passages)

Correct answers determine advancement to next level:
*Church-200 or more, Association-235 or more, Regional-270 or more.*

Drillers who score 270 or more at the Regional level are declared state winners.

The highest scorer in each drill section at regionals will advance to state finals to compete to qualify for Nationals. All drillers advancing to state finals must be from a participating North Carolina Baptist Church in order to qualify for the scholarship and to represent North Carolina at the National Invitational Tournament.

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Bible Drills are done in a three-year cycle and students can begin any year, on that particular cycle. No cycle builds on the previous one.
**Cycles:** The cycles for children will be identified by colors: Red Cycle, Blue Cycle, and Green Cycle.

The cycles for youth/high school will be identified by number: Cycle One, Cycle Two, and Cycle Three.

**See the website for the current cycles.**

**Scholarship Info:**
Awarded to the North Carolina Finalist in the following categories:

1) High School Bible Drill (grades 10-12)  Minimum score of 270
2) Youth Speakers’ Tournament (grades 10-12)
3) Youth Bible Drill (grades 7-9)  Minimum score of 270

The Scholarship is provided by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina for the finalist in each division who is from a participating NC Baptist Church. This scholarship will be for the amount of $2,500 and is made possible by gifts of North Carolina Baptists through the Cooperative Program. See the website for more info.

**Resources needed:**

**Bibles: Translations used are KJV and Holman:**

HCSB (Holman)Drill Bible (9781433603648 - retail $12.99 - carton qty 18)

KJV Drill Bible (9780879816001 - retail $12.99 - carton quantity 24)

Beginning 09/01/12, LifeWay Stores can offer churches a $7.31 price per unit for carton quantity purchases of the new HCSB Drill Bible and the KV Drill Bible. LifeWay Stores will not stock carton quantities of either product in their stores, but store managers can place special orders for churches for the carton quantities churches wish to purchase.

Both the Holman and KJV drill Bibles may be purchased from Lifeway.com or your local LifeWay store.

**IF YOU REGISTER ONLINE, YOUR DRILLERS MAY USE DIFFERENT TRANSLATIONS. IF YOU OPT TO MAIL IN YOUR REGISTRATION, ALL DRILLERS MUST USE THE SAME TRANSLATION.**

* **Bible Skills Drills and Thrills:** These large notebooks for each cycle will be needed for conducting the drill program. This resource is translation neutral and may be used with the KJV or Holman Bible. Complete with games, planning tips, Bible study and Skills information and so much more. Order from LifeWay Christian Resources or LifeWay Bookstores.
* **Children’s Verse Cards**- Verse cards only may be purchased from LifeWay. The cards contain all the verses and passages that the children will memorize. You would need a card for each child. Verse cards may also be downloaded for free at www.ncbibledrill.org.

* **Youth Verse Cards** for the current cycle are available online and may be downloaded to cardstock for your drillers.

  Georgia Baptist Convention has published a Youth Curriculum.  www.gabaptist.org

* **High School Verse Cards** for the current cycle are available online and may be downloaded to cardstock for your drillers.

* **Ring Verse Cards**-may be downloaded onto cardstock and laminated at www.ncbibledrill.org.

**Topics and information for Youth Speaker’s Tournament may be found on the website.**

**NC Leader’s Manual for Bible Drill 2013 ED.** explains the drill commands, scoring and procedures for all age levels. Also contains score sheets and other forms that may be copied. Will be available to download at www.ncbibledrill.org by fall 2013 or the 2007 edition may be purchased from the Bible Drill office by contacting Abby Earle at aearle@ncbaptist.org for a small fee. Samples of current materials and order form are available on the Bible Drill website at www.ncbibledrill.org.

Information for the current cycle may be downloaded by August at www.ncbibledrill.org. A great way to get your children started is by memorizing the Books of the Bible and being able to locate them quickly.

Beginning in 2014, all churches and associations will be sent a letter in early February with the link to download the church and association drills. If a leader would like to receive a hard copy of the drill in the mail, then they will need to call or email Abby Earle at aearle@ncbaptist.org or 1-800-395-5102 ext. 5646.

You will need to be prepared for your church drill in time to participate in an association drill prior to the Regional Bible Drill Registration deadline. Please check with your association office for your association drill dates. Once your group has qualified to participate in a regional drill they may drill at any of the locations listed on the schedule if registering online.

The **Regional Bible Drill schedule** for the year can be found on the website.

**How to Register?**

1. **Register your church:** Please register your church by Dec. 1 by going online at www.ncbibledrill.org. This will update your info so we will have your current info.

2. **Register your drillers:** Please register your drillers after you have had your church drill. Please register ALL drillers! You may do this by going to www.ncbibledrill.org

Try to attend a drill near you to see the event firsthand.

Please contact the Bible Drill Coordinator with further questions, or for assistance. **Bible Drill Coordinator, Deborah Robson, drobson@ncbaptist.org or 800-395-5102 ext.5652 or Abby Earle, ministry assistant at 800-395-5102 ext. 5646.**