## CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND THEOLOGY STUDENT PROSPECTUS

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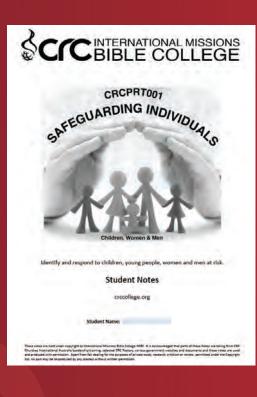


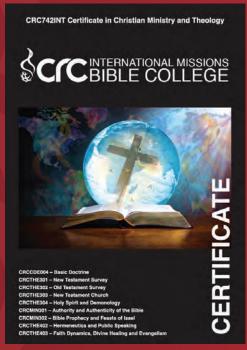


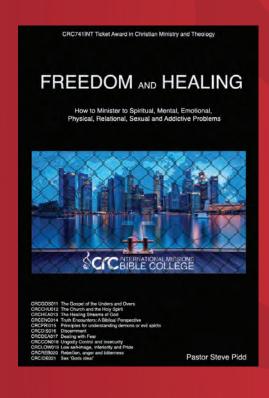
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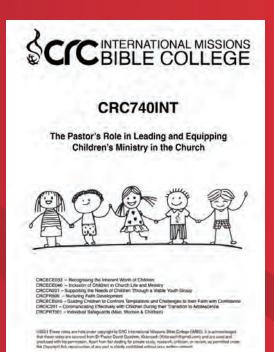
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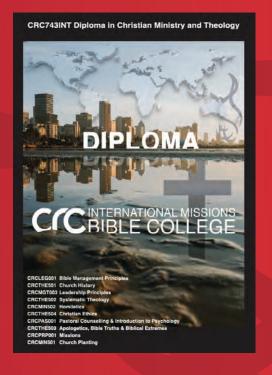
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## **I**NTRODUCTION

Welcome to CRC Churches International Missions Bible College Training. CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) exists to empower believers in Ascension Ministry for the wellbeing of God's Church throughout the world. CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) passionately believes in lifelong learning and the development of the whole person so that the integration of our faith can be experienced and expressed across all endeavors of life.

The CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) Handbook introduces you to aspects of what it is to study, and the privileges and opportunities which can be gained from working within an International College.

There is no greater fulfillment and no greater joy than to be the person God has created you to be, doing what He has called you to do. We at CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) do this by helping you discover and step into the calling God has placed on your life.

## A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

I am so pleased to welcome you to CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC). Our local church based Bible College programs have been at the forefront of Bible College ministry for many decades.

Our vision is to place quality Biblical and Christian ministry studies into the hands of students everywhere at an affordable price. I believe that no study is as valuable to an individual or any group of people as the study of the Word of God. No other education can so affect a man or woman as does the study of the Word of God.

Through our courses, you can expect to grow spiritually and become better equipped to minister the Word of God with power. We are also a school that places a major emphasis upon helping our students to develop their God-given ministry potential. We believe that our programs will help to create in you as well as impart to you, a personal Vision of an exciting future in the service of Christ. We want you to complete these studies, and to complete them well. If we can be of assistance to you at any time, please feel free to call us and allow us to help you. We will work with you as you face issues that will challenge, confront, bless, and develop your skills. Be assured of our prayers for your wellbeing.

Pastor Phil Cayner





## HISTORY OF THE CRC COLLEGES

Since its beginnings in 1945, CRC Churches International has been a denomination passionate about expanding the Kingdom of Jesus Christ on earth by creating Bible-based, contemporary local churches and ministries. An international movement was birthed when small groups of Holy Spirit-inspired and activated Christians experienced explosive growth. The CRC has helped people from all walks of life not just to find Jesus, but also to find His call on their life. The CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) is a further extension of that heartbeat.

The CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) is one of the official training and college arms of the CRC Churches International movement. We are committed to training up believers and the leaders of our next generation. Since the inception in Adelaide Australia of the first CRC Bible College in 1959, the College has continued to grow and change.

A number of training Colleges have subsequently been launched from the CRC Churches International. One of these is the CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC), which offers graduate training to various nations in English, French, Portuguese and Swahili.



## CRC CHURCHES INTERNATIONAL CORE VALUES

## **Holy Spirit Empowered**

Through understanding the supernatural power of God and growing intimacy and surrender to Holy Spirit, we see students become proficient in the operation of the Gifts of the Spirit in various ministry settings.

## **CRC Values Endorsing**

We wholeheartedly endorse and promote the core values and unique ideology of the CRC Churches International. Through exposing students to leaders within the movement during CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) Camps, International Trips, as well as involvement in both State and National Conferences, we communicate to students the heartbeat and vision of the CRC.

## **Lifelong Learning**

We recognise that one program can never cover everything, and that God will continue to deposit, shape and develop us during our lifetime. Therefore, CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) aims to impart to students the value of lifelong learning, by developing the good habits of reading, research and self-development, along with acquiring other tools needed for continuous growth in personal and ministry skills.

## **Strongly Practical**

In partnership with local churches, CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) equips students for effective ministry by practical application of theological studies in an environment which promotes both fruitfulness in ministry, and is also personally fulfilling.

#### **Bible Based**

We believe that the Bible, as originally written and correctly interpreted in its historical context, is the authoritative word of God, informing all of our theological beliefs and ministry practices. Our intention is that students become thoroughly grounded in the knowledge, truth and principles of the Bible, and its application.

#### **Local Church Collaboration**

Study at CRC Churches International Missions Bible College (IMBC) requires every student to be actively involved in at least one ministry area within their local church. All students are required to work in cooperation with their home church or in a church endorsed by their Pastor.

## WHAT WE OFFER

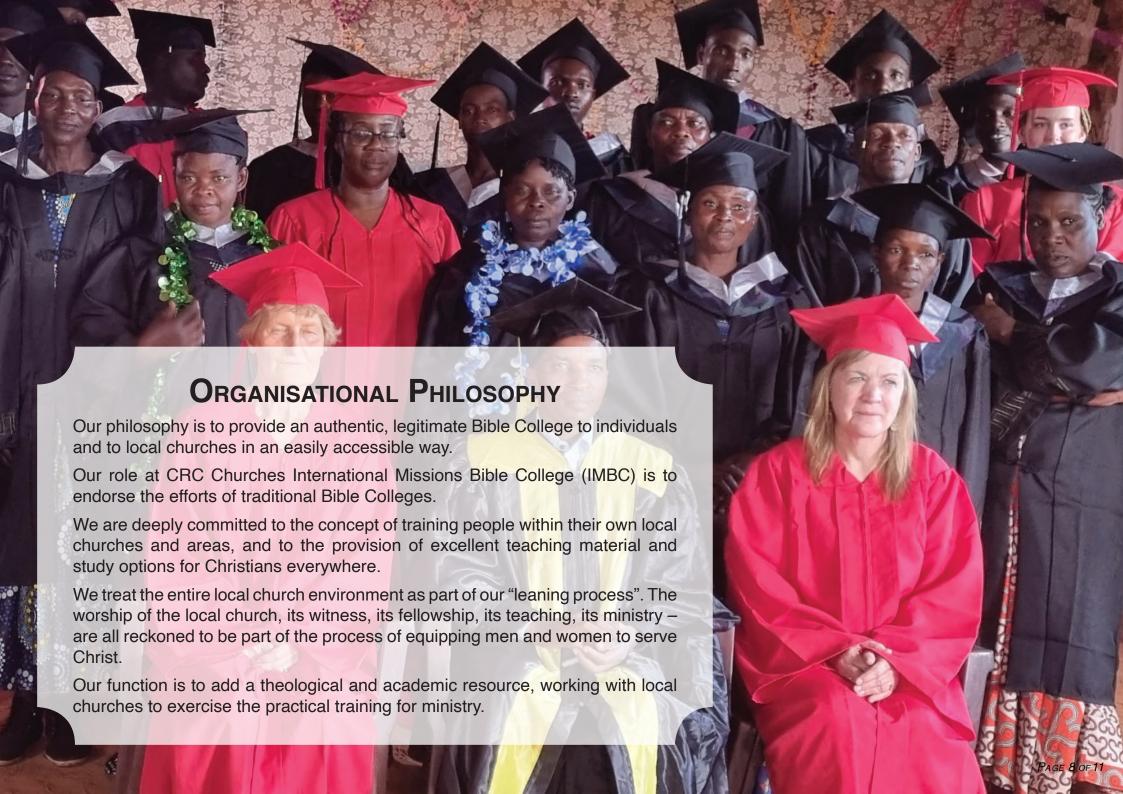
Through CRC Churches International Missions Bible College, we are able to offer:

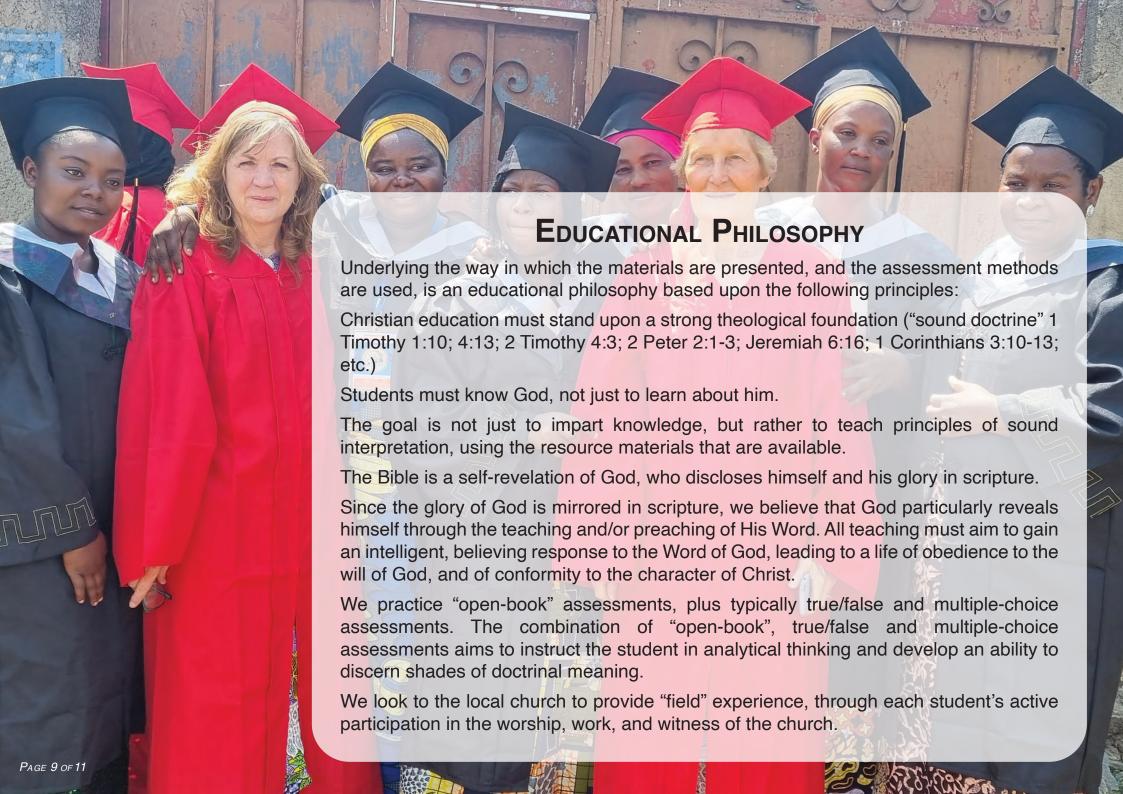
Christian Ministry and Theology

- CRC739INT Safeguarding Individuals
- CRC749INT Children and Youth Ministry
- CRC742INT Freedom and Healing Ministry
- CRC742INT Certificate in Christian Ministry and Theology
- CRC743INT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology

These Graduate awards can be offered in pastoral ministry in Christian Ministry and Theology. This suite of Christian Ministry and Theology subjects form the base requirements for pastoral and platform ministry for anyone wishing to serve in ministry within the CRC Churches International.







## CRC739INT SAFEGUARDING INDIVIDUALS

### **CRCPRT001 Safeguarding Individuals**

CRC supports the precedence of child and vulnerable adults abuse prevention over prosecution of culprits, because prevention is better than cure; though in practice the two ought to go hand in hand. CRC also considers Child Abuse a violation of human rights and abhors it due to the way it causes emotional, physical, and spiritual trauma to its victims. Therefore, this policy is our organization's deliberate effort to protect children and vulnerable adults as a deterrent measure and is our organization's resolve.

Implementation of the policy will also afford CRC, its leaders, staff, consultants, contractors, partners, volunteers and visitors, an opportunity to learn from the gained experiences of others for use in contributing to the existing body of knowledge for protecting children and vulnerable adults.

CRC has a "zero tolerance" towards child and vulnerable adults abuse, harassment, or neglect. This is also a manual for use by CRC workers, volunteers, supporters, leaders, employees, consultants, partners, and visitors regarding the protection of children and vulnerable adults, by equipping them with dos and don'ts.

Therefore, the policy is for guiding its leaders, staff, consultants, visitors, partners, and volunteers who have been entrusted with providing care to children and/or youths under eighteen years of age and vulnerable adults, when interacting with them on behalf of the CRC.

This course is for those who desire to live a life following the example of Jesus Christ. It is empowering, Holy Spirit led, highly practical and Biblically based training, and is the CRC Churches' mission and foundation. Set upon the foundation of fostering greater intimacy with God, from where all ministry expression flows, it prepares students for active Christian service. The Safeguarding Individual is a 1-2 days course and should be done through face to face training.

#### PREREQUISITES:

- A high school academic requirement or equivalent;
- Recommendation of a CRC of Churches International pastor;
- Recommendation from your Pentecostal church pastor;
- Demonstrate some sound knowledge of the Word of God.

## CRC740INT LEADING AND EQUIPMENT CHILDREN'S MINISTRY IN THE CHURCH

#### THE SUBJECTS ARE AS PER THE FOLLOWING:

CRCECE003 Recognising the Inherent Worth of Children

CRCECE046 Inclusion of Children in Church Life and

**MINISTRY** 

CRCCNC201 SUPPORTING THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN THROUGH A

VIABLE YOUTH GROUP

CRCPRC509 Nurturing Faith Development

CRCECE045 GUIDING CHILDREN TO CONFRONT TEMPTATIONS AND

CHALLENGES TO THEIR FAITH WITH CONFIDENCE

CRCICI201 COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY WITH CHILDREN

DURING THEIR TRANSITION TO ADOLESCENCE

CRCPRT001 INDIVIDUAL SAFEGUARDS (MEN, WOMEN AND

CHILDREN)

#### PREREQUISITES:

- Completed the Safeguarding Individuals Course
- A high school academic requirement or equivalent;
- Recommendation of a CRC Churches International pastor;
- Recommendation from your Pentecostal church pastor;
- One-year minimum active service within the local Pentecostal church;
- Demonstrate some sound knowledge of the Word of God.

Investing in children's ministry is investing in the future. However, children are also a vital part of the church of today. They contribute to church life with fresh energy, open hearts, and willingness to learn and participate in worship and service Matthew 21:12-17.

Investing in children's ministry is more than just a smart strategy; it's a matter of love and responsibility Matthew 18:1-14; Matthew 19:13-15.

Jesus loved children dearly. He welcomed them into his arms and encouraged adults to learn from their openness and trust Matthew 18:1-5. When we nurture children in faith, we follow the example of Jesus.

Children are ready to embrace God's love. Their curious minds and open hearts make them receptive to spiritual guidance. The church must help them grow into strong, spiritual and compassionate disciples of Christ by providing them with a safe and nurturing church environment to express their love for Jesus and to explore their faith Matthew 21:15-16.

It's not just about numbers; it's about souls. Children are unique individuals needful of love and care. The church must love them just as Jesus loved them Matthew 18:10; Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 9: 36-37; Mark 10:13-16; Luke 18:16-17.

Children's ministry must be a central part of church life, not an afterthought. Opening our hearts to children builds a community of love and faith that extends to future generations.

## CRC741INT FREEDOM AND HEALING MINISTRY

#### The subjects are as per the following:

CRCGOS011 THE GOSPEL OF THE UNDERS AND OVERS

CRCCHU012 THE CHURCH AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

CRCHEA013 THE HEALING STREAMS OF GOD

CRCENC014 Truth Encounters: A Biblical Perspective

CRCPRI015 PRINCIPLES FOR UNDERSTANDING DEMONS OR EVIL SPIRITS

CRCDIS0016 DISCERNMENT

CRCDEA017 DEALING WITH FEAR

CRCCON018 UNGODLY CONTROL AND INSECURITY

CRCLOW019 Low Self-IMAGE, INFERIORITY AND PRIDE

CRCCRE010 REBELLION, ANGER AND BITTERNESS

CRCIDE021 SEX 'GOD IDEAL'

#### PREREQUISITES:

- Completed the Safeguarding Individuals Course
- A high school academic requirement or equivalent;
- Recommendation of a CRC Churches International pastor;
- Recommendation from your Pentecostal church pastor;
- One-year minimum active service within the local Pentecostal church;
- Demonstrate some sound knowledge of the Word of God.

The modern church seems to be largely focused on things such as leadership, growing the numbers in their congregations, or church planting. However, is seems to be very little focus on healing ministries and as a consequence the doctors are the first port of call for physical problems.

The focus appears to be that time spent is on presentation and how things look, that dealing with the subsurface problems of the church may never be addressed. Often times when people are trained in leadership, and develop or release gifts but don't deal with the unresolved issues in their lives, is this just building on sand? However when the focus is on people being set free, the gifts and leadership come with motivation that God is pleased to bless.

If the church is to be stable, then there is a need to consider spending a more time on working below the water line and sorting out the areas that are not always visible.

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## CRC742INT CERTIFICATE IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND THEOLOGY.

THE FORMAT AND SUBJECTS ARE AS PER THE FOLLOWING:

**CRCCDE004 BASIC DOCTRINE** 

Implement practical and engaging strategies

**CRCTHE301 New Testament Survey** 

Identify how Christian Life Practices are understood today

CRCTHE302 OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

Identify theological data

**CRCTHE303 New Testament Church** 

Identify a range of information within a theological theme or issue

CRCTHE304 HOLY SPIRIT AND DEMONOLOGY

Identify new theological insights

CRCMIN301 AUTHORITY AND AUTHENTICITY OF THE BIBLE

Identify theological knowledge in relationship to the Christian way of life

CRCMIN302 BIBLE PROPHECY AND THE FEASTS OF ISRAEL

Communicate theology in everyday language

CRCTHE402 HERMENEUTICS AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

Interpret theological Data

CRCTHE403 FAITH, HEALING, EVANGELISM

Identify a range of information within a theological theme or issue

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#### PREREQUISITES:

- Completed the Safeguarding Individuals Course
- A high school academic requirement or equivalent;
- Recommendation of a CRC Churches International pastor;
- Recommendation from your Pentecostal church pastor;
- One-year minimum active service within the local Pentecostal church;
- Demonstrate some sound knowledge of the Word of God.

## CRC743INT DIPLOMA OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND THEOLOGY

THE FORMAT AND SUBJECTS ARE AS PER THE FOLLOWING:

**CRCPRP001 Missions** 

Develop and maintain networks and collaborative partnerships

**CRCTHE501 CHURCH HISTORY** 

Analyse and interpret theological beliefs in the light of current thinking

CRCTHE502 Systematic TheoLogy & Bible Customs
Analyse and interpret theological data

CRCTHE503 APOLOGETICS, BIBLICAL TRUTHS AND BIBLICAL EXTREMES

Research and analyse information within a theological theme or issue

**CRCTHE504 CHRISTIAN ETHICS** 

Identify new theological information

**CRCMIN501 Church Planting** 

Relate theological ideas to the Christian way of life

CRCMIN502 Homiletics, Special Services, & Communication
Communicate theology in a clear form

**CRCLEG001 CHURCH MANAGEMENT** 

Manage legal and ethical compliance

CRCMGT003 LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES

Lead the work team

CRCPAS001 PASTORAL COUNSELLING & INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

Provide coaching and motivation

For those who are continuing from Certificate, or who enter into the course with advanced standing, the Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology continues and extends the students' skills in learning, enhancing their faith in and understanding of God's Word and will for their ministry and at a corporate level.

The course includes a broad range of challenging, faith building, and Biblically-based studies relevant for personal, pastoral, church and community life. Students will learn to apply Biblical principles to their daily lives, and gain the ability to explain and share those Christian truths with others.

This course is designed to train effective Christian Ministry in His Church locally and abroad, bringing an ability to effectively communicate the Gospel. Ascension-gifted individuals and church leaders will be equipped in a range of Christian ministry activities relevant to the local Church, Christian organisation and the workplace.

#### PREREQUISITES:

- Completed the CRC Safeguarding Individuals course
- Completed the IMBC Certificate in Christian Ministry and Theology
- Recommendation of a CRC Churches International pastor
   Recommendation from your Pentecostal pastor
- Two years minimum active service within the local Pentecostal church
- Demonstrate some sound knowledge of the Word of God Active in pastoral or platform ministry.

#### FULL-TIME STUDENTS

A student who is enrolled into the program and intends to complete one subject per month, is considered a full-time student.

#### **Course Emphasis**

A student may be able to specialise in a specific field of study such as Counselling, Missions, Chaplaincy or other while satisfying a particular award level.

#### THEOLOGY UNITS

We recommend that students read the material three times,

- First as a "scan read" to become familiar with the material,
- 2. The second time to study the material in depth,
- 3. The third time to complete the open book assessments as supplied with the subject.

#### RESOURCES

The flexibility of the delivery modes makes it possible for the students to learn in their preferred place of learning.

Resources may include and are not limited to the following options:

- 1. Prepared notes
- 2. Recommended texts
- 3. Experienced mentors
- 4. Email
- 5. Seminars

#### STUDENT RECORDS

Student records are maintained in a secure Student Management System Database. No student can receive a graduation without work for each subject being marked compliant (competent), and stored with the CRC International Missions Bible College (IMBC) Trainer. Sample work from selected students will be requested and each student, along with their trainer, will need to sign a course successfully completion form statement that will be stored in the IMBC database. Also stored in the IMBC is a copy of each student's awards, their student application and their student photo. Students may contact CRC International Missions Bible College (IMBC) to request information about the records.

#### **CHURCH AFFILIATION**

All students must be active members within the life of a local church. This means attending their regular services, and other appropriate church programs. Students must make themselves available for service above and beyond what is required of an ordinary member of the local church. This service may count towards RPL credit for the practical experience units Title.

#### GRADUATION

Student graduation ceremonies can held after the CRC International Missions Bible College (IMBC) have received all the required forms showing the student have successfully completed and these have be verified and entered all data into the IMBC database. After the CRC International Missions Bible College (IMBC) have completed these steps they will produce the Awards and give permission for the graduation ceremony to he held. After receiving permission for the graduation ceremony, a date will be nominated by the local bible college and preparation for the ceremony will be made by the local bible college.

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15





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