June 27, 2012

DEAR PROSPECTIVE ONLINE STUDENT:

Thank you for your interest in W. L. Bonner College’s inaugural online degree program. You will join thousands of men and women, who assemble in cyber space, to pursue studies toward the Bachelor of Religious Studies degree, with a focus in Biblical Studies. This program will certainly enhance your ministry skills in leadership, and also, educational instruction and administration. This professional development initiative will launch you towards unlimited opportunities and possibilities.

We have enclosed an admission packet, which consists of an application, request for letters of recommendation (Pastoral, Professional, and Personal), and a request for transcript form. The request for letters of recommendation forms should be given to three individuals. One should be given to your Pastor or Church Overseer. The second one should be submitted to someone who knows you on a professional level. The third should be presented to a friend, or someone who can provide a personal letter of reference. Also, you must complete the request for transcript form, and give to institutions where you have completed academic course work for credit. If you plan to enroll in August 2012, your application for admission, letters of recommendation, and academic transcript(s), must be received in the Admission’s Office, by July 31, 2012.

WLBC is accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE), and is recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE). Students who are eligible, may receive Title IV funding (Pell Grant, Stafford Loan and College Work Study), to assist them in financing their educational program.

You may call me if you have further questions or concerns.

Sincerely

Sannie M. Wright

Director of Enrollment Management

Enclosures
PROGRAM APPLICATION
ONLINE BACHELOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES
(Biblical Studies)

INSTRUCTIONS: Please print clearly and with black ink. Please enclose a $30 check or money order for the non-refundable application fee.

APPLICATION DATE ____________ New Student Transfer Re-admission

Last Date Attended
When do you anticipate beginning the Online Bachelor of Religious Studies in Biblical Studies Program?

SEMESTER ____________ YEAR ____________

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME ________________________________

Gender:  □ Male  □ Female  Social Security No. ________________________________

Birth Date: ___________________________ Birthplace (City/State) ____________________

Street Address: __________________________

City: ___________________________ State ________ Zip Code ________

Email Address: __________________________

Home Phone ( ) ____________ Cell Phone ( ) ____________ Citizenship: ______

□ USA  □ Other (Country) ________________________________

If not a US citizen, what is your resident status (you must provide proof of status)?

□ Permanent  □ Student Visa  □ Resident Alien  □ Other ________________________________

Is English your first language?  □ Yes  □ No

If no, what is your first language? ________________________________

If English is not your first language, a TOEFL score is required.

TOEFL core Requested?  Yes □ No □ (TOFL code for W. L. Bonner College is..)

Ethnic Status: (optional)  □ American Indian or Alaskan Native  □ Hispanic  □ White, non-Hispanic

□ Asian or Pacific Islander  □ Black, non-Hispanic

Marital Status:  □ Single  □ Married  □ Separated  □ Divorced  □ Remarried  □ Widowed

Religious Affiliation:  □ African Methodist Episcopal  □ Baptist  □ Catholic  □ Pentecostal

□ Presbyterian  □ United Methodist  □ Other
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

How do you plan to finance your education?

☐ Financial Aid  ☐ Parental Assistance  ☐ Scholarship  ☐ Personal Resources  ☐ Other

STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

I will use all title IV money received only for expenses relate to my studies at:

Name of Institution  

SELECTIVE SERVICE STATUS

☐ I am a veteran  ☐ I certify that I am registered with Selective Services

☐ I certify that I am not required to be registered with Selective Services because:

☐ I am a female
☐ I am in the armed services on active duty
☐ I have not reached my 18th birthday
☐ I was born before 1960
☐ I am a resident of the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Marshall Islands, or permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau)

HEALTH/MEDICAL

Are you, or have you, recently been under medical care?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, please explain.

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What is your opinion of your current health status? Please note any health factors that deserve special notice.

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**ACADEMIC HISTORY (List all institutions attended beginning with high school)**

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**Note:** An official transcript from each institution is required. Transcripts must be mailed directly from each institution.

**TRANSFER STUDENTS**

If you have previously attended college, your academic transcripts from recognized institutions will be evaluated, and courses transferable toward your degree at WLBC will be identified. You will receive an official report of this audit, as well as your enrollment status in this program.

**PERSONAL REFERENCES**

Distribute the proper reference forms to three persons (as specified) and request that they mail them to: W. L. Bonner College, Office of Admissions 4430 Argent Court, Columbia, SC 29203. References should include 1 professional, 1 pastoral, and 1 personal.

Please list the names and titles of persons whom you have asked to complete letters of recommendation.

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CERTIFICATION

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information provided on this application and in other admission related documents is true, accurate, complete, and is voluntarily given. I hereby give my permission for this information to be used by W. L. Bonner College for the purpose of considering my application, for academic advisement, and for maintaining student records. I fully understand that false or misleading information provided to the college as a part of this application or in the accompanying documents may invalidate the approval process or, if admission has already occurred, may be considered as sufficient grounds for dismissal and/or for the denial or the revoking of an official academic transcript and/or degree. Further, I understand that illegal drug use, homosexual activity, heterosexual misconduct, cheating, abusive behavior, and/or other actions contrary to biblical moral standards or to the college policies also stand as sufficient grounds for denial of admission and/or dismissal at any time from the college.

My signature indicates my understanding of an agreement with the conditions under which this application is made.

Signature ____________________________________ Date __________________________

Please enclose the nonrefundable $30 application fee payable to W. L. Bonner College with your application. Mail to:

W. L. Bonner College
Office of Distance Learning
4430 Argent Court
Columbia, South Carolina 29203-5975

**W. L. Bonner College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability.
BACHELOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES
IN BIBLICAL STUDIES
PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMISSION

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Name of BRS applicant:

Name of person providing the reference:

Reference category: ____________ Clergy ____________ Professional ____________ Personal

Title or identification of person providing reference:

How long have you known the applicant?

My overall evaluation of this applicant: [ ] Excellent [ ] Above Average [ ] Average [ ] Below Average [ ] Poor

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Do you have any concerns about the applicant's personal habits, spiritual maturity, or moral character that would negatively affect your recommendation?  
Yes [ ]  No [ ]

If your answer is yes, please explain.

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Do you have any reservation about recommending this person for admission?  
Yes [ ]  No [ ]

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Reference’s Signature ______________________________________  Date ________________

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REQUEST FOR TRANSCRIPT
(The applicant is to fill in all spaces in Part I, and forward to the Registrar of his/her colleges)

PART I

____________________________________  __________________
APPLICANT'S NAME                      SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

To: REGISTRAR OF ___________________________________________________________

(Name of College)

In connection with my correspondence at W. L. Bonner College, I request that you send them a transcript of my college academic records. I also request that you supply the information requested below and mail to:

College Registrar
W. L. Bonner College
4430 Argent Court
Columbia, South Carolina 29203

Signature of Applicant: ______________________________________ Date: __________

PART II

1. The transcript of record for the student named above.
   ( ) is attached
   ( ) will be sent
   ( ) cannot be sent at this time for the following reason (s): _____________________________

2. Student graduated: _____/____/____ with the degree ___________________________
   Student expects to graduate _____/____/____

3. Cumulative Average: ________________ Hours earned: Semester _____ Quarter _____

4. Name of any personality or aptitude test taken: _______________________________________

5. Comprehensive Examinations (SAT, GRE, etc.):
   Name and Results ________________________________________________________________
   Dates (s) Taken: _____/____/____ Institution _________________________________________
   _____/____/____ Institution ______________________________________________________

SIGNED: ________________________________ TITLE: _______________________________