

Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools

**Accreditation Commission Meeting
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ACCREDITATION COMMISSION ACTON

1. *The following institution was continued on accreditation by the Accreditation Commission after completing a successful five-year status report and after having been evaluated by an on-site team.*
 - **Institute of Creation Research, Santee, CA.** A **Category III** institution (masters degree granting) was continued on accreditation for the remaining five years of the ten-year cycle. A self study and on-site team evaluation is required in the tenth year.

2. *The following institutions were granted reaffirmation of accreditation by the Accreditation Commission after completing a successful self-study, and being evaluated by an on-site evaluation team.*
 - **Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, Moore, OK.** A **Category III** institution (bachelors and masters degree granting) for the initial period of ten years, with an Interim Five-Year Status Report and on-site evaluation required in the fifth year. A self-study and on-site team evaluation is required in the tenth year.
 - **Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary, Capitol Heights, MD.** A **Category IV** institution (bachelors, masters, doctorate degree granting) Reaffirmed for the initial period of ten years, with an Interim Five-Year Status Report and on-site evaluation required in the fifth year. A self-study and on-site team evaluation is required in the tenth year.

3. *The following institutions were granted initial accreditation by the Accreditation Commission after completing a self-study and hosting an on-site evaluation team:*
 - **Apex School of Theology, Durham, NC.** A **Category III** institution (bachelors and masters degree granting) accredited for a five-year period, with a self-study, on-site team evaluation and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.

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- **Midwest Theological Seminary, Wentzville, MO.** A **Category IV** institution (masters and doctorate degree-granting) accredited for a five-year period, with a self-study, on-site evaluation team evaluation and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Pacific Islands Bible College, Guam.** A **Category II** institution (associate, bachelors degree-granting) accredited for a five-year period, with a self-study, on-site team evaluation and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Trinity Life Bible College, Sacramento, CA.** A **Category II** institution (associate, bachelors degree-granting) accredited for a five-year period, with the following conditions:
 - 1) The institution continue to demonstrate compliance in financial operations (Standards 18.2-18.5).
 - 2) The institution continue to demonstrate compliance with Title IV regulations so that the need for a letter of credit be eliminated Standard F3, Financial Aid Programs, Standards 20.1-20.5)
 - 3) The institution employ only faculty with the appropriate academic credentials (Standard 14.4).
4. *The following institutions were granted candidacy by the Accreditation Commission after completing a successful self-study, and hosting an on-site team evaluation:*
- **Carolina Evangelical Divinity School, High Point, NC.** A **Category III** institution (masters degree granting) for the initial five-year period, with a self-study, on-site team evaluation and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Virginia Beach, VA.** A **Category III** institution (masters degree-granting) for the initial five-year period, with a self-study, on-site team evaluation and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.
 - **Gutenberg College, Eugene, OR.** A **Category II** institution, (bachelors degree-granting) for the initial five-year period, with a self-study, on-site team evaluation and review by the Accreditation Commission within five years.

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5. *The following institution's application for candidacy was deferred by the Accreditation Commission:*

- **Visible School, Lakeland, TN.** A Category II institution (bachelors degree-granting) for the following:

A sufficient number of faculty do not possess the appropriate academic credentials for their teaching assignments (Standard 14.4).

6. *The following institutions were granted approval by the Accreditation Commission for substantive changes:*

- **Piedmont Baptist College, Winston-Salem, NC:**

1) Granted final approval to include a Branch Campus in Agami, Egypt after a self-study and on-site evaluation.

- **ICR Graduate School, Santee CA** approval for a distance-learning program through Internet for the Master of Science degree at the approved (same) level or category.

- **Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA,** approval for the Juris Doctor program and Master of Communications program at the approved (same) level or category.

- **Northwest Baptist Seminary, Seattle, WA,** approval for the Doctor of Ministry program at the approved (same) level or category.

- **Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, NC,** approval for the Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies completion program at a lower level or category, (Category III).

- **Southern California Bible College and Seminary, El Cajon, CA,** approval for the **Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)** program at a higher level or category, (Category III to Category IV).

- **Beacon University, Columbus, GA,** approval for the Cell Church Growth program at the approved (same) level or category.

7. *The Accreditation Commission placed the following institution on probation:*

- **California Christian College, Fresno, CA,** for twelve months for failure to comply with Standard F6, Institutional Default, a default rate exceeding 25%.

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8. *The Accreditation placed the following institutions on Warning:*

- **Michigan Theological Seminary, Plymouth, MI**, for a period of twelve months for failure to comply with Standard F1, Financial Operation: 18.3, 18.4, 18.5, 18.9. Institutional deficits four of last five years.
- **Southern Methodist College, Orangeburg, SC**, for a period of twelve months for failure to comply with Standard F1, Financial Operation: 18.3, 18.4, 18.5, 18.9. Institutional deficits four of last five years.

9. *The Accreditation Commission accepted the institution's closing of the listed teaching sites:*

- **Luther Rice Bible College and Seminary, Lithonia, GA**, closed teaching sites Baxley, Georgia, Jacksonville, Florida, Orlando Florida by June 30, 2005. A teach-out plan is in effect for students.