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Satellite University Campus

Why will branch institutes, colleges, affiliates, and training centers of **The Word of God International University (WGIU)** open across the United States and in foreign countries?

WGIU has a vision expressed in its motto:

"Discover The Way of LOVE!"

We believe that Christians everywhere can work together to bring The Word of God to a lost and suffering world. Our student body will comprise representation from many religious organizations:

African Methodist Episcopal, Anglican, Assembly of God, Baptists, Brethren, Catholic, Church of God, Church of God in Christ, Congregational, Jewish, Eastern Orthodox, Episcopal, Evangelical, Foursquare, Holiness, Lutheran, Messianic Jewish, Methodist, Pentecostal, Presbyterian, as well as other Denominational and Non-Denominational Churches.

It is easier than you may expect to establish a satellite branch of **WGIU** in your church or ministry. Since we are planning to start satellite branches and training centers throughout the world, most of the legal procedures, policies and programs are already in place. We will work closely with you in every phase of planning to help you adapt our programs to your individual needs, but the daily administration is yours. You will oversee as chancellor, choosing a dean, registrar, and professors. You can be assured that we will help you with your university any time you need us. Your branch will offer **accredited degrees** in Theology.

The Word of God International University will take care of all the details. Your religious nonprofit corporate branch will be chartered from the State of Nevada with a certificate of good standing, qualification, and international apostile. Degrees will be issued from the main office in Los Angeles, California.

Your initial financial responsibility includes a one-time branch fee of \$2,600, covering professional, credential, government, and business requirements. Within this fee, there is an annual membership fee of \$100 per year. You may contact us for our university catalog and a breakdown of the complete tuition cost. Financial support for your branch will come from your tuition.

If a **WGIU** branch sounds like something your church or ministry has been needing, you may contact a representative through our website www.wgiuniversity.org or call (323) 73-LIGHT (5-4448).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Before you put your ideas into action, please consider the following information.

- Starting a **WGIU** satellite branch is not an "overnight process." Various meetings will be held and your application will be closely reviewed.
- After you submit your application, registration form, and additional information, you can anticipate at the most four to six weeks for review before notification.
- Approval of your campus is at the discretion of the **Board of Trustees of WGIU**. The president makes the final decision.
- Before approval is granted, you must demonstrate how you will sustain yourselves over time.
- Meeting with us is very important since you will be working with us closely. Without our approval, your satellite campus cannot exist. Refer to the following guidelines and checklist.

How to Start a University?

VISION AND MISSION

THE WORD OF GOD INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (WGIU) is equipping God's people with satellite, "local church" based locations and educational resources for effective ministry, carrying out the Gospel of the Kingdom... "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. ...In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Mark 16:15-18

"But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." Matthew 24:13 Some of our "local church" satellite campus locations will be in countries where there is great persecution of Christians, like China and the Philippines. Based upon the Book of Acts model of local churches as centers for teaching of the gospel, even these locations will sponsor our university-level Christian education program using **WGIU** curriculum.

With our "Soul-Winning Universities", **WGIU** will become a world-wide, local church-based educational network, empowering men and women with maturity of intellect, character, and Christian faith in preparation for service and leadership, fulfilling the Gospel of the Kingdom... "And the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." Matthew 24:14

PHILOSOPHY AND OBJECTIVES

Looking at the moral decadence that prevails today, all Christians must remember that the Bible (the revelation of God's way, truth and life), must determine not only our doctrinal faith, but also our lifestyle. Christian life should exemplify learning the Bible, Christ-like character and building ones prayer life. In a changing world, the Christian has an unchanging standard, The Word of God. Our beliefs are based upon the apostles' doctrine, teachings of Jesus Christ and principles of the Bible, seeking to develop personal holiness and discipline exemplified in a lifestyle glorifying to God.

WGIU is a Bible-based, Christ-centered institution dedicated to the teaching, training and renewing of Christians for the work of the ministry throughout the world. Of course, the pastor is over the house of God or church and is President and Chancellor of the **WGIU** satellite campus. The pastor can appoint a dean of students to run the campus. The whole church membership attends the university. There is a reduced price for church members and a scholarship or work/study program for the poor. **WGIU** builds the church; the church builds **WGIU**. The pastor prospers in the natural and spiritual. The following statement of purpose covers the scope of the vision of the University...

THE PURPOSE OF WGIU

WGIU is centered on Christ. Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life. People all over the world are hungry to know and learn about Him and His Word. Students will grow in Him, and in the knowledge of His Word in a “local church” setting that helps Christians learn the Bible and develop their full potential as men and women of God. **WGIU** is not a Bible college, but a “soul-winning university” with satellite campuses established in “local churches”.

WGIU was founded for education and training, locally and internationally. From the beginning of the New Testament church era, the Lord Jesus Christ has used the “local church” as well as its pastoral leadership to teach and train its people for God’s service.

WGIU is a resource to be used by and for the local church to fulfill its calling or vision. The main campus and administrative headquarters is located in Los Angeles, California.

WGIU provides a complete university-based curriculum for the local church satellite. We have designed a comprehensive four year curriculum for the local church to train men and women for effective service, under pastoral authority and professional discipleship. Transfer of credit is granted to students of **WGIU** colleges, satellite campuses, and affiliates for degree granting purposes at any location throughout the world.

WGIU is committed to high academic achievement and excellence. With this in mind, we have launched outstanding courses to develop Christian leaders for effective service. Promoting life empowerment, scholarship, practice, and leadership skills are core values.

WGIU is a model for ministry training following the churches at Antioch and Ephesus. In the Old Testament, the training for ministry was Spirit led and birthed in the school of the prophets. In the New Testament, the best model for ministry training is seen in the church in the cities of Antioch and Ephesus, as seen in Acts 11:19-26, 13:1-4, 14:26-28, 15:30-35 and 19:1-20. Here, we see the church in the city, alive with the power of God along with Paul, Barnabas, Silas, Dr. Luke, other prophets, and teachers, training men and women for fruitful, “spirit-filled” ministry. They did so under the authority of the elders, and were accountable to those who sent them out. This remains our model for education.

WGIU is more than an academic institution. It is an educational ministry with spirit, power, and focus on the restoration and transformation of lives, cities, and nations by the power of God. Service leadership is anchored in Spirit-led humility and responsibility.

WGIU offers a Bible-based program with an emphasis on dynamic leadership; a learning environment integrated with the local church; advanced standing to qualified individuals who have attained equivalent training through life experience; quality educational opportunities at a cost that is within reach of the average person; intern programs for urban ministry emphasis in the inner city; as well as counseling ministry with appropriate training. Ministry or effectual service leadership is service to humanity.

WGIU provides individual programs that can be studied within the local church designed to meet the needs of the individual minister or pastor. Continuing education programs for advanced ministry are available, offering a Bible-based program with an emphasis on dynamic leadership, service leadership, and life empowerment. We bring the education to you, offering a learning environment integrated within the local church.

QUALIFYING TO START A UNIVERSITY

Pastors, churches and organizations desiring to operate a branch of **The Word of God International University** are required to follow an application process, and if approved, will be required to maintain the ethos of our university.

Applicants follow a pre-qualification process to ensure that individuals or organizations intending to operate a Bible university have the capacity to do so. If you do not qualify, other options are available.

Pre-Qualifying Requirements for Starting a Bible University

A potential **WGIU** applicant (host) has to complete an application, providing us with the following details:

·	All enrollment information, resume, and portfolio
·	General information on ministry, church, or organization
·	Statement of Faith and 500 word essay (vision/mission)
·	Church/organization affiliations and entrance exam
·	Demographic information (Individual/group application)
·	3 letters of recommendation and ministerial references
·	Spiritual covering for the University satellite location
·	Evidence that you meet minimum standards to operate
·	Twenty-five (25) or more qualified student candidates
·	Four (4) lecturers available who are suitably qualified
·	A minimum year experience in Bible University lecturing
·	Details of any other theological training and experience
·	Provide and fulfill necessary PC and IT requirements

A potential **WGIU** host must undertake to:

·	Uphold the WGIU catalog values and code of ethics (see www.wgiuniversity.org)
·	Be in agreement with the theological doctrinal statement of faith, satellite contract, and disclaimer
·	Uphold a biblical Christian ethos and lifestyle along with ensuring that lecturers do the same
·	Meet any necessary accreditation requirements and government requirements
·	Provide audited financial statements and meet all business requirements
·	Have suitable academic, professional, organizational, theological training, and ministerial qualifications
·	Abide by the specified admission policy, application requirements, and meet all enrollment requirements
·	Indicate the demarcation of the ministerial area or specialization in which you will operate:
·	Make relevant geographical requirements, health, and safety information, procedures and considerations
·	Make relevant demographic requirements, socio-economic, and cultural information and considerations
·	Designate the exact location of venue(s) to be utilized, considerations, and expectations for student occupancy
·	Must be willing and able to meet the financial, fiscal management, facilitation, PC, and IT requirements

If you do not meet these requirements, please liaison with us and we will work with you to help you to meet these requirements.

EIGHT STEP PROCESS for Registration

If you are interested in forming a new campus, the following eight step process should assist you in your planning.

1. Complete our on-line application form and submit.
2. Contact our **University Office** to discuss your intentions and follow up with the submitted form.
3. Contact local churches which are impacted by the formation of your campus to discuss your intentions.
4. Require your church members to attend **WGIU** and see which ones would be interested in leadership positions as dean, registrar, and professors.
5. Complete the Registration Form and print it, and mail it in to the **University Office**.
6. Please keep in mind that the purpose of your satellite campus must be in accordance with the mission of the University and the principles and teachings of **WGIU**.
7. If possible and necessary, arrange a meeting with Overseer Joshua Smith, PhD, Religious Education, President, and Chancellor.
8. After final approval is obtained from us, submit all paperwork for books, administrative forms, and other requisitions necessary for effective management of your campus. The paperwork will be reviewed and materials shipped after all fees are paid. At this time, a decision will be made as to the status of your campus (please be aware that this process can take as much as four to six weeks, depending on what time of year your complete application is submitted).

For further information, contact our **University Office**.

* Please be aware that the process (and timeline) may change depending on the conditions of your student body, staff, and satellite location. For more information regarding new universities, contact us: (323) 73-LIGHT (5-4448) or learn@lovingtolearn.org.

CUTTING-EDGE CURRICULUM

The WGIU Curriculum has been developed and refined over a period of 41 years and is theologically sound, doctrinally balanced, and practically effective. The curriculum provides a highly effective discipleship tool that equips students for effective Christian leadership. Updated books provide both students and lecturers with professionally packaged material that they can take home and use to continue the learning process. In addition, on-going refinement and development of the curriculum ensures that it remains relevant to our contemporary world and current learning patterns, while remaining true to God's Word.

The Curriculum is modular, building upon one class, one quarter and one year after another. The modular approach:

· Encourages students to experience steady growth
· Results in students becoming accustomed to a culture of learning
· Allows Pastors and Church leaders to get a good indication of the student's capacity, spiritual maturity and level of biblical knowledge

Curriculum Objectives

In keeping with this quarterly class modular approach, we have a specific objective as set out below:

FIRST	To disciple believers in the foundations of their Christian faith.
SECOND	To disciple potential leaders by mentoring believers into a deeper understanding of successful Christian living.
THIRD	To equip leaders to impact the world starting close to home.

SOPHISTICATED SOFTWARE

WGIU has developed an innovative and fully supported **University Management System** that will provide satellite campuses with the systems they need to effectively administer their respective locations.

The **University Management System** will:

· Assist you with the registration of students
· Provide you with access to class registers and forms that are easy to update
· Help you to track students' marks
· Enable you to manage student payments and other areas of financial management
· Facilitate easy student and lecturer management by creating timetables for students and schedules for lecturers
· Build a global community of believers

This software not only makes the day-to-day administration of each satellite campus possible, but it creates a common foundation for communication and interaction within the global community of **WGIU**. In addition to the **University Management System**, each satellite campus has access to a comprehensive **University Catalog** that guides each Dean through the process of operating a University branch from the initial marketing phase through the final graduation of the students.

GLOBAL ACCESSIBILITY

WGIU Deans and Lecturers have access to the password-protected **Operating System** at www.wgiu.org. This is an innovative website aimed at meeting the needs of **WGIU**, providing Pastors, University Deans, Administrators and Lecturers with tools to be more effective in their respective areas of service.

By making use of the **Operating System** you will:

· Find resources for your satellite campus
· Receive further training
· Provide updated information about the growth and development of the University internationally
· Have your questions answers
· Have a platform to discuss the challenges that you are facing locally and open the floor to constructive input from other Pastors, Deans, Administrators and Lecturers
· Build relationships online with other Pastors, Deans, Administrators and Lecturers

The **Operating System** at www.wgiu.org enables schools to request:

· Miscellaneous curriculum material
· Lecturers notes
· Student notes
· Updated exams
· The latest University products
· Deans and Lecturer resources. Deans and Lecturers have access to a growing library of Frequently Asked Questions, Recommended Books, Online Books, and Online articles.

Such global accessibility is not, however, restricted to University Deans and Lecturers. University students will have access to a **Worldwide Student Centre** online.

WORLDWIDE STUDENT CENTRE

The **WGIU** student website, www.wgiu.org, creates a global community of all University students. Here they can:

· Ask questions and find answers to issues concerning them
· Chat to fellow students from around the world
· Find out information about a wide range of subjects
· Join discussion forums about current global issues
· Read articles about the application of God's Word to our contemporary world
· Explore the internet and learn from solid biblical content
· Stay in touch with fellow students and their University through the WGIU .

To ensure that **WGIU** continues to offer the best service to their students, satellite university campuses have access to Ongoing Training.

ONGOING TRAINING

The **WGIU** provides ongoing, strategic training for Pastors, University Deans, Lecturers and Administrators. With our years of practical insight on how to run a Bible college or university, we assist satellite campuses to operate more effectively and efficiently, ensuring that we maintain a high standard of excellence worldwide.

Such training takes the form of:

<p>▪ Annual or bi-yearly training seminars. They are one to three day events depending on demand, focus on lecturer and administrator training, particularly with reference to the University Management System, and launch curriculum modules in the respective centers.</p>
<p>▪ Ongoing mentorship of Deans and Lecturers through innovative use of the websites.</p>
<p>▪ Ongoing training on how to utilize and integrate specially produced workbooks, run tutorial groups, and access frequently asked questions for each course and the recommended reading list.</p>
<p>▪ The provision of additional learning materials and resources to University lecturers and Deans.</p>
<p>▪ The provision of extensive guidelines and checklists, for example on how to set up and create an atmosphere in lecture venues, the marking of exams and tutorials, and preparation for a graduation ceremony.</p>
<p>▪ Training in how to access and utilize www.wgiu.org.</p>

While effective training facilitates the smooth operation of the University, **Customized Marketing** attracts students to the **WGIU** campus in their community.

CUSTOMIZED MARKETING

WGIU has access to top-quality, purpose-developed marketing materials. The marketing materials produced by the **WGIU** are continually updated and enhanced in keeping with contemporary marketing trends and fashions. Marketing material is produced in such a manner that the respective satellite branch, to meet their local needs, can customize them. University campuses benefit from an economy of scale when ordering materials. The quality and look of these materials ensure that the **WGIU** brand is maintained and remains relevant.

Furthermore, University satellite campuses are provided with a comprehensive marketing strategy with a proven record of attracting enrollment. Included within this strategy, each Dean receives advice on:

· When to promote Universities: This is in the form of a timeline giving the most strategic way of maximizing customer response.
· Where to promote Universities: The promotional investment which Universities make are best placed to achieve the greatest results
· How to promote Universities: Universities are provided with hints and techniques for attracting students to their satellite location.

In addition to **Customized Marketing**, individual satellite universities have access to dedicated **Service and Support** from the **WGIU**.

SERVICE AND SUPPORT

Student affairs are a crucial element of our vision at **WGIU**. Our focus is to serve satellite branches and their students worldwide by providing them with quality and excellence that will enrich their lives eternally and will equip them to change their world for God.

Registrar

University Deans and Administrators can find assistance on university issues by contacting the Registrar during office hours. Should the Registrar fail to answer your questions, he or she will then refer your query to the Dean who will either contact you personally concerning your request or will relay the necessary information via the Registrar.

Communication:

Communication is one of the key responsibilities of student affairs for University Deans. **WGIU** will communicate to Deans on a regular basis concerning:

· The growth of the University
· Suggestions for new developments
· Hints on how to solve problems encountered on campus
· Updates to the www.WGIU.org website
· Curriculum updates

We receive feedback from the Deans concerning:

·	Their needs/requirements
·	The problems they are encountering and the challenges they face
·	Their suggestions

Provision of support materials

Through the www.wgiu.org website, **WGIU** strives to provide all necessary support materials to University Lecturers and Deans. Such support materials will include:

·	Recommended books
·	Recommended periodical, journal and newspaper articles
·	Curriculum updates
·	Marketing updates
·	Administrative (including University Management System) updates

Marketing support

WGIU provides customized marketing advice whenever the need arises. Our professional staff members are well versed in marketing techniques involving a wide variety of cultures and situations.

Graduation support

WGIU provides guidelines on how to organize and administer a Graduation ceremony and will be available to answer any questions Deans might have concerning the organization of such an event. In addition, we will print out all graduation diplomas for all satellite locations, nationally and internationally. The names of all students who intend to graduate from the respective schools should be exported to our office a month before the graduation is due to take place. We will then forward the graduation diplomas to the respective schools.

Application Process

To apply to operate a satellite branch of the **The Word of God International University** location, individuals, churches and organizations first need to meet pre-qualification requirements and would then need to follow the following process:

1. Apply to operate a Bible University satellite branch by completing the form below. Once we receive your information we will contact you personally and make arrangements to send you our detailed application form if required.

First Name: Your Position Within Church/Organization

Email Address: Postal Address:

Contact Number:

Fax Number:

PRE-QUALIFYING QUESTIONS

What is the name of your church or organization?

Name the church covering or affiliation which your organization/ministry falls under (if any):

How many potential students do you have?

Who would serve as the spiritual covering for you and the students attending the **WGIU** branch that you will potentially operate?

(a) Name of person:

(b) Name of organization:

Do you have the full support of your church leadership/ministry organization to operate a **WGIU** satellite branch? YES NO

Why do you want to start a **WGIU** satellite branch?

Sum up your theological standpoint in a short paragraph:

Where do you intend operating a **WGIU** satellite branch?

(a) Suburb:

(b) City:

(c) Province:

(d) Country:

What is the nearest university or college campus to you?

How far is this university or college campus from where you would like to operate the **WGIU** satellite branch?

Do you foresee that you will be able to meet the financial requirements of operating a **WGIU** satellite branch by paying an initial set up fee and annual fee? YES NO

How many people have you identified as qualified to present Bible University lectures to the class?

Intended Starting Date of Bible University:

2. You may then be asked to undertake an interview either telephonically or in person depending on the situation.

3. Once your application form has been fully processed (over a period of from two to three months), you will then be informed of the decision regarding your application.

4. This decision will either be:
- a. 'YES', which means that you are fully eligible to operate a **WGIU** satellite branch? If this is the case, you will then be walked through a step-by-step process during which you will:
 - Pay the required fees for the 1st Quarter module.
 - Receive 1st Quarter module and start working your way through it.
 - Receive training regarding various aspects of the Bible University.
 - Interact with the **WGIU** regarding the specific timing and needs of your Bible University as you prepare to launch.
 - b. 'A QUALIFIED YES' which means that you will be eligible to operate a **WGIU** satellite branch only after answering further questions and meeting further prerequisites.
 - c. 'NO' which means that unfortunately, you are not presently eligible to operate a satellite branch.

We look forward to getting to know you and working with you over the months ahead.