



## Mission of Equip Biblical Institute

Our mission is to bring glory to God by assisting local churches to equip believers of various cultures and languages to live and minister biblically based on the inerrant Word of God. This equipping includes building biblical knowledge, Christian character, and ministry skills. The vision is to provide EBI Church Planting and Leadership Training Centers at no charge to local churches and associations except the honorarium for the professor.

## Benefits of Learning through EBI

The goal is to equip church planters, pastors, and church leaders and members for effective servant ministry by making Bible college and seminary level courses available to local churches at a fraction of the cost of traditional schools. Each EBI Leadership Training Center is self-supporting. Graduates are eligible to participate in Southern California Seminary commencement. EBI students can apply up to 60 semester units toward a Bachelor of Arts degree at Southern California Seminary.

## EBI accepts CLD and SE credit

Equip Biblical Institute accepts transfer credit from Southern Baptist Contextualized Leadership Development (CLD) and Seminary Extension (SE) into the Diploma and Associate degrees.

## EBI credits are transferable

Although EBI is a religious exempt institution, up to 60 EBI semester units are transferable to the accredited Southern California Seminary Bachelor of Arts (see articulation agreements for details).



## Curriculum

- 101 Bible Overview
- 102 Experiencing God
- 103 Teaching the Old Testament
- 104 Spiritual Leadership
- 108 Christian Life
- 109 Teaching the New Testament
- 112 Biblical Interpretation
- 115 Theology 1
- 116 Communication Skills
- 224 Teaching to Change Lives
- 225 Simple Church
- 227 Strategic Evangelism
- 228 Church Administration
- 232 Conflict Resolution
- 341 Expository Preaching/Teaching

## Certificate of Leadership

The Certificate of Leadership is a 1 ½ -year leadership program provided by The Feather River Baptist Association. Certificate involves completing the following requirements:

1. Studying the 15 course textbooks.
2. Attending the 15 courses (10 class hrs. each).
3. Participate in discussions based on the books
4. Creating visual panoramas of the textbooks.
5. Typing action plan based on the textbooks.

The Certificate of Leadership is a developmental certificate that is equal to 15 CEU's (Continuing Education Units) as set by The American National Standards Institute. It' is specifically designed for

those interested in rapidly enhancing their leadership, teaching, and preaching skills through the local church. The goal is multiplying churches by making "Each Church a School and each Pastor a Teacher."

Students who complete the 1 1/2 year course of studies will receive the Certificate of Leadership and will be eligible to march in the May joint commencement of Southern California Seminary and Equip Biblical Institute; Church Leadership Development.

Costs:

\$15 Books, or purchase on your

\$20 Audit class – attend class.

\$35 Credit for Certificate from EBI of FRBA - CEU's (Continuing Education Units,)

\$25 One time Registration Fee payable to Feather River Baptist Association (EBI)

There is a \$130 graduation fee for the rental of cap and gown and the certificate and cover. Graduates will receive a complimentary meal for two at the Annual Alumni Banquet.

The Certificate of Leadership is excellent preparation for those interested in the Diploma and Associate Programs, but who desire foundational leadership training first.  
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## Admission Requirements

1. Submit an application and pastor's endorsement.
2. Submit transcripts of CLD or college courses.

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## Graduation requirements

1. **Certificate of Biblical Studies in Leadership:**  
Successfully complete 15 units (10hr. ea.)
2. **Diploma of Biblical Studies in Leadership:**  
Successfully complete 30 units. (28 hr. ea.)
3. **Associate of Biblical Studies in Leadership:**  
Successfully complete 60 units. (28 hr. ea.)
4. **Bachelor of Biblical Studies in Leadership:**  
Successfully complete 130 units. (28 hr. ea.)



Over 600 pastors, church planters, leaders, teachers, and members have attended EBI Leadership Training Centers.

Student-leaders are trained in transformational leadership, church planting, essential church, the disciple-making process, relationship building, Bible interpretation, Sunday School growth, expository preaching, church growth, servant leadership, small group coaching, team leadership, conflict resolution, church administration, prayer ministry, biblical marriage, worship, fellowship, community ministry, evangelism, missions, and more.

## Partnering with Southern California Seminary

Equip Biblical Institute is partnering with Southern Baptists, the California Southern Baptist Convention, Southern California Seminary, and Shadow Mountain Community Church to provide leadership training and education for those in nontraditional and multicultural contexts, and in urban and rural areas.

Southern California Seminary [www.socalsem.edu](http://www.socalsem.edu) is accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS [www.tracs.org](http://www.tracs.org)) as an educational institution that has the right to grant degrees at the Associate (AA), Baccalaureate (BA), Masters (MRS, MA, M.Div.), and Doctoral (Psy.D.) levels.

## Recognized by the State of California

EBI is recognized by the State of California, under the Bureau of Private Post-secondary and Vocational Education, under the Education Code 94739 (b)(6) as a religious exempt institution [www.bppve.ca.gov](http://www.bppve.ca.gov) BPPVE 400 R Street, Suite 5000, Sacramento, CA 95814-6200

## Director of Equip Biblical Institute

Dr. Gary C. Woods, professor at Southern California Seminary, earned a Doctor of Education in Technology and Learning from Alliant International University, a Master of Divinity in Theological Education by Extension from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Bachelor of Science in Cross-Cultural Ministry from Liberty University. He is involved in transformational leadership development on the high school thru doctoral level.



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## Leadership Training Center



## Developing Servant-Leaders Starting and Growing Churches

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