

JULY/AUGUST BQ NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY AM AT NATIONAL FINALS-JUNE 30, 2024

Bob Eby is back, and he's better than ever! Even though it has been 33 years since he quizzed at Bible Quiz Nationals, Bob connected with us in the Sunday morning service like he had been around the whole time. After giving a brief introduction laced with stories of the life-changing experiences during his time in quiz, Eby asked the congregation to stand for the reading of God's word. Eby then did the unexpected. Instead of reading aloud James 1:16-25, he invited those who knew the passage to quote it aloud. Within seconds, the room was filled with a multitude of voices---young and old alike reciting the Word of God from memory. It was a sound that will not soon be forgotten.

Eby's message focused on the need for God's Word in our lives. Whether physical or spiritual, Eby declared that we need God's Word close at hand because it is His Word alone that has the answers. To be ready to face any challenge, the Word needs to be ready to access. To illustrate this point, Eby shared a portion of his testimony. Three years ago in June of 2021, Bob Eby suffered a massive heart attack and coded four times before he miraculously survived. Not only did he wake up the next morning, but he also had no brain damage. When he asked God why he had been brought back, the Holy Spirit reminded him of the words he had memorized from Acts 27 during his Jr. year of Bible Quiz. Using this example of his terrible heart attack, miraculous recovery, and interaction with the Holy Spirit, Eby shared that while suffering is all around us, the answer to the struggles, doubts, and questions that arise is found in the Word. The Words God spoke in his darkest hour were words he had hidden in his heart thirty years prior.

Returning to the passage from James 1, Eby connected the dots between the recovery from his heart attack and what James wrote. James 1:21 says to "humbly accept the Word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your souls." In order to have the Word accessible when we face challenges, it must be planted deep within our hearts; it must be the foundation on which our lives are built. God used Eby to challenge the attendees of Nationals 2024 to not let the Word become stagnant and unused, but to continually and diligently immerse themselves in the Word of God. All across the room, the Holy Spirit used Eby's words to touch the hearts of his audience. As the participants left to embark on the week's competition, they were left with this resounding encouragement and challenge: "The answer is always found in the Word".

Dr. Robert Eby, is the Director of the Cordas C. Burnett Preaching Center at the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary in Springfield, MO
Shreanna Powell, Calvary Church, Naperville, IL

2024 NATIONAL BIBLE QUIZ FINALS RESULTS, DALLAS, TEXAS

TOP TEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

| | W/L | Points | Avg. |
|---|------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1. Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH <i>National Champions</i> | 16-3 | 3,800 | 200 |
| 2. Braeswood AG, Houston, TX "Precious Ladies" * | 13-6 | 2,995 | 158 |
| 3. Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX "Trinty One" * | 13-6 | 3,230 | 170 |
| 4. Hope Church, Springfield, MO * | 12-7 | 3,215 | 169 |
| 5. Cedar Park, Bothell, WA * | 12-7 | 2,780 | 146 |
| 6. New Life Church, Colorado Springs, CO | 11-8 | 2,875 | 151 |
| 7. Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX "Trinity Black" ** | 10-9 | 3,185 | 168 |
| 8. Calvary Church, Naperville, IL ** | 10-9 | 3,085 | 161 |
| 9. Harvest AG, Oconto, WI "Willing To Accept Donations" ** | 10-9 | 2,780 | 146 |
| 10. New Life AG, Sparta, WI | 9-10 | 2,905 | 153 |

* Ties broken by Head-to-Head

** Ties broken by points

TOP 10 SCORERS

| | Points | Avg. | QO |
|--|--------|------|----|
| 1. Jayden Nimako, Radiant Church, Dublin, OH | 2,260 | 119 | 16 |
| 2. Steve Joy, AIPF, Marietta, GA "More Than Conquerors" | 1,880 | 99 | 16 |
| 3. Madison Day, Harvest AG, Oconto, WI "Willing To Accept Donations" | 1,805 | 95 | 12 |
| 4. Sawyer Curtis, New Life Church, Sparta, WI | 1,770 | 93 | 12 |
| 5. Camden Haney, Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX "Trinity One" | 1,765 | 93 | 13 |
| 6. Elizabeth Li, Living Water Bible Church, Sand Diego, CA | 1,690 | 89 | 12 |
| 7. Meghan Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO | 1,685 | 89 | 14 |
| 8. Shaylee Powell, Calvary Church, Naperville, IL | 1,650 | 87 | 10 |
| 9. Caleb Brookbank, New Life Church, Colorado Springs, CO | 1,585 | 83 | 13 |

For complete results go to www.biblequiz.com

2024 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

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| National Champions | \$1,000.00 Scholarship each quizzer | Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH |
| 2nd Place Team | \$ 500.00 Scholarship each quizzer | Braeswood AG, Houston, TX "Precious Ladies" |
| 3 rd Place Team | \$ 250.00 Scholarship each quizzer | Trinty Church, Cedar Hill, TX "Trinity One" |
| High Scorer | 1 st place \$1,000.00 | Jayden Nimako, Radiant Life, Dublin, OH |
| High Scorer | 2 nd place \$ 750.00 | Steve Joy, AIFP, Marietta, GA "More Than Conquerors" |
| High Scorer | 3 rd place \$ 500.00 | Madison Day, Harvest AG, Oconto, WI "WTAD" |
| Male Quizzer of the Year | \$1,000.00 * | Jayden Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH |
| Female Quizzer of the Year | \$1,000.00 * | Elizabeth Li, Living Waters Bible, San Diego, CA |
| Quoting Bee 1 st Place | \$ 650.00 | Jayden Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH |
| Quoting Bee 2 nd place | \$ 250.00 | Nathan Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH |
| Quoting Bee 3 rd place | \$ 100.00 | Ian Horn, Redeemer Church, Utica, NY |
| Ind. Tourn. Champion | \$ 650.00 | Nathan Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH |
| Ind. Tourn. 2 nd place | \$ 250.00 | Elizabeth Li, Living Water Bible, San Diego, CA |
| Ind. Tourn. 3 rd place | \$ 100.00 | Jayden Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH |
| NYM-A/G Scholarships | \$1,000.00 ** | Courtney Ellwein, Valley Assembly, Spokane, WA |
| NYM-AG Scholarships | \$1,000.00 ** | Camden Haney, Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX |
| NYM-AG Scholarships | \$1,000.00** | Kaitlyn Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO |
| Mark & Becky Gilmer Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000.00 *** | Joseph Barajas, Trinty Church, Cedar Hill, TX |
| Hollis Kelly Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000.00 **** | Janet An, Living Water Bible, San Diego, CA |
| Kent Kloefkorn Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000.00 ***** | Tania Anand, AIPF, Marietta, GA |
| George Edgerly Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000.00 ***** | Joseph Barajas, Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX |
| Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO | \$2,500.00 | Ember Yoder, Ypsilanti AG, Ypsilanti, MI |
| Evangel University, Springfield, MO | \$18,000.00 | Abigail Ellwein, Valley Assembly, Spokane, WA |

* The above National Finals Female & Male Quizzer of the Year is based on 9 different categories.

** The NYM Scholarship is awarded based on achievement in the areas of Academics, Community Service, Extra-Curricular Activities, and Ministry.

Scholarship was for any A/G school of higher education. (All other scholarships listed above are for any post high school education - AG or not)

*** The scholarship is awarded based on achievement in the areas of Academics, Community Service, Extra-Curricular Activities, and Ministry. In addition, the quizzer had to submit a paper on overcoming adversity. Scholarship was awarded for any post high school education.

**** *The Hollis Kelly Memorial Scholarship is awarded based on achievement in the areas of Academics, Community Service, Extra-Curricular Activities, and Ministry. Scholarship was awarded for any post high school education. The scholarship is in honor of Hollis Kelly who coached a TBQ team from Dayton, OH in the late 70's that competed at National Finals (back when it was only 8 teams) multiple years. He moved to AL in the 80's and was a big proponent of the Bible Quiz ministry. He helped develop Bible Quiz on the district level. Hollis served in the Navy during WW II and passed away in 1999 after pastoring most of his life in Alabama and Ohio.*

**** *The Kent Kloefkorn Memorial Scholarship was based on several factors. One of the criteria was that the quizzers be "steadfast and faithful". Kent was the coach at Cedar Park, Bothell, WA for many years and was the National Championship coach in 2005. Kent was also a tremendous question writer and invested in many of the current writers.*

***** *The George Edgerly Memorial Scholarship was based on several factors. The student must major in any type of full type ministry, such as Lead Pastor, Youth Pastor, Missions, etc. The actual award will be given to a student in the 2nd year of their education. George was the original producer of Scripture Portions and quote cards in "his garage". Many of his quizzers worked there. George wrote many of the commentaries and devotionals for many years. He was also the founder of the JBQ Fact-Pak.*

10's & 20's

39 quizzers received the Master Memorization Award this year. All of Romans & James had to be quoted consecutively, in one sitting, within a 55-minute time limit, beginning with chapter one, verse one, and continuing through the end. The quizzers were permitted 11 mistakes for the entirety of the material when quoting all of Romans & James.

26 quizzers received the National Memorization Award in the "Contender" Division.

32 quizzers received the National Memorization Award in the "XP5" Division.

72 quizzers received the Discipleship Award. Five different requirements were required. One name was chosen per region for a \$500.00 post high school education scholarship.

Northeast Region: Ariadna Avila Velez, First Spanish Church, Lancaster, PA

Southeast Region: Joel Christopher, Atlanta Tamil Church, Norcross, GA

Great Lakes Region: Michael Grutzius, The Stone Church, Orland Park, IL

Gulf Region: Kaitlyn Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO

North Central Region: TaKayla Kaiser, Open Bible Church, Rapid City, SD

South Central Region: Neo Pradeep, Gateway Church, Midlothian, TX

Northwest Region: Leiah Gries, Cedar Park Church, Bothell, WA

Southwest Region: Odum Mo, North Park Community Church, Fresno, CA

116 quizzers received the National Memorization Award in the "Championship" Division. Each chapter had to be quoted with 4 mistakes or less. One "Championship" division quizzers name was drawn, per region, for a \$500.00 post high school education scholarship. **(These names includes the 39 Master Memorization Awards)**

Northeast Region: Valentina Immanuel, Metuchen AG, Metuchen, NJ

Southeast Region: Chris Immanuel John, AIPF, Marietta, GA

Great Lakes Region: Chloe King, First AG, Lexington, KY

Gulf Region: Alyssa Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO

North Central Region: Brenna Schoessow, Crosspoint AG, Portage, WI

South Central Region: Christian Alapati, Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX

Northwest Region: Talia Jarrell, Cedar Park Church, Bothell, WA

Southwest Region: Kryslie John, Bethel Church, San Jose, CA

NEW FOR THE FIRST TIME AT NATIONAL FINALS!!!!:

We drew 3 names from those earning the **Master Memorization Award** and awarded those quizzers a \$1,000.00 scholarship to a school of their chose, for quoting all of Romans and James within 55 minutes and having no more than 11 mistakes, in one sitting.

Janet An, Living Water Bible Church, San Diego, CA
Precious Cyrus-David, Braeswood AG, Houston, TX
Shaymis Powell, Calvary Church, Naperville, IL

THANK YOU:

- *A tremendous shout out to Dr. Darin Poe, Director of Ministry leaders of Tomorrow at Evangel University in Springfield, MO. Darin and EU offered an \$18,000.00 Scholarship, renewable for all 4 years at EU!! The recipient was Abigail Ellwein of Valley Assembly in Spokane, WA*
- *A huge thanks to Dr. John Porter, President of Lindenwood University, St. Charles MO who offered every quizzer at National Finals a \$1,000.00 scholarship to Lindenwood! He also awarded one quizzer a \$2,500.00 Scholarship to Lindenwood. The recipient was Ember Yoder, of Ypsilanti AG, Ypsilanti, MI*
- Special thanks to Dr. Bob Eby from AGTS for sharing a very inspirational message on Sunday morning.
- We are grateful for the time Nelson de Freitas, missionary at Nelson University, from the World Mission Department, spent with us sharing his passion for Global Mobilization.
- Thanks to Brian Brookbank for sharing the videos about the explosion of the JBQ ministry in Africa!
- Thanks to Larry & Cindy Mullins for a beautiful “Hero’s Display”. Also, thanks for the scorekeeping system and the photography area.
- Thanks to the worship team: Jesse Czubkowski, Chase Hill, Shreya Joy, Janelle Nimako and Jayda Spencer.
- Thanks to Hannah John, from Bethel Church of San Jose, CA for leading the Wednesday night Prayer Mtg.
- Thanks to all the quizzers who shared their talents throughout all the services.
- A huge thanks to Jesse Czubkowski for great questions at National Finals!!
- Thanks to Lucas Cox for heading up the Quoting BEE.
- Thanks to Kaitlyn Czubkowski and Katie Randolph for heading up the Senior Shootout.
- Thanks to Bryan Turner for heading up the Individual Tournament.
- Thanks to Josi Haugo for making the rooms signs! She was overlooked at the banquet- accept our apologies.
- Thanks to Katie Randolph and Tamera Ludwig for heading up the Alumni Fellowship. 90 in attendance!
- Thanks to Patti Smith, Kaitlyn Czubkowski and Katie Randolph for heading up the Adult Bible Quizzing.
- Thanks to Patti Smith for writing the adult questions. 58 Adult Quizzers this year!!!
- Thanks to Dave Lemley and Jonathan Brown for all the tech support.
- Thanks to Chris Scarborough for her work making and donating the corsages and boutonnieres for the seniors.
- Thanks to Joey Bohanon for the daily quiz schedules and the Quoting Bee verses.
- Thanks to Shreanna Powell for the article on Dr. Bob Eby’s Sunday AM service.
- Thanks to all the officials.
- Thanks to all the District Bible Quiz Coordinators who attended National Finals.
- Thanks to the entire Steering Committee for serving in so many areas.
- Thanks to Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX for hosting the Thursday night fellowship.
- Thanks to all the sponsors-you are greatly appreciated!!! We couldn’t do this without you!!!!!!!!
- Special thanks to Jean Elliot, Caleb Ellis, Ashton Peters, Paul Freitag, Jason Martin: National Finals Staff!
- 90 people served here at the 2024 National Bible Quiz Finals to make this a great event!!!
- East/West quiz at Banquet: West 115 - East 50
- **NATIONAL BIBLE QUIZ FINALS: 2025**
National BO Finals will be held at the Renaissance Hotel, St. Louis, MO June 28-July 4, 2025.
Complete details will be announced in the future.

For all Scholarships, except for the Evangel University and Lindenwood Scholarships, to request payment go to youth.ag.org under the Invest tab and fill out the Formstack form. You have 7 years from graduation to claim your scholarship.

2024-2025 QUIZ SEASON OVER ACTS:

| | <u>CHAMPIONSHIP</u> | <u>CONTENDER</u> | <u>XP5</u> |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| MEET 1 | Acts 1-5 178 verses | Acts 1- 4 136 verses | Acts 2 47 verses |
| MEET 2 | Acts 6-9 117 verses | Acts 5-7 117 verses | Acts 4 37 verses |
| MEET 3 | Acts 10-13 155 verses | Acts 8-9:19 58 verses | Acts 5 42 verses |
| MEET 4 | Acts 14-17 143 verses | Acts 9:20-10:48 72 verses | Acts 9 43 verses |
| TOTAL | 634 verses | 383 verses | 169 verses |

ACTS SCRIPTURE PORTIONS

The Acts Scripture Portions are available through My Healthy Church.

Acts practice questions are available at [MHC Digital | Teen Bible Quiz \(myhealthychurch.com\)](https://myhealthychurch.com)

DISCIPLESHIP AWARD OVER ACTS

One of the great moments in modern church history was the famous Azusa Street revival of 1906-1909. What was very remarkable was that God used W.J. Seymour, an unlikely candidate in that period of American history. In that pre-Civil War Rights era God used Mr. Seymour, a black man who was blind in one eye, to lead thousands to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Read the book *Azusa Street* by Frank Bartleman and write a 200-word report on the book.

ACTS QUESTIONS

Karl Dawson, Nationals Coach and Quizzer, has 53 Championship-level Acts practice sets available for \$75.

There are 17-chapter sets, 20 section sets, and 16 comprehensive sets. E-mail Karl at karltdawson@mac.com to order.

Karl also is making available 20 Acts practice sets for XP5 FREE for anyone. There are 5 sets for each chapter, and they are all original questions (no study questions). Check out the Bible Quiz Facebook group or e-mail Karl to receive them.

- Master Memorization Award. Acts Chapters 1-17 within 1 hour and 15 minutes, 15 mistakes or less and must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting from Acts chapter 1 verse 1 through Acts chapter 17 verse 34.
- Application Questions are posted at <http://www.biblequiz.com> for the 2024-2025 BQ Season.
- Need a quiz set?
Steve Kirkman, www.quizequipment.com
- Quote Cards are available through Biblequizshop.com
- Need to find other BQ information?
<http://www.biblequiz.com>

BQ TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Pen Florida BQ Training

July 27th, 2024

Oxford, FL

Contact Dan Anderson sejbqdan@gmail.com

407-947-9927

Dakota Quiz

August 15-17, 2024

FLAME

Rimrock Camp, Rapid City SD

Contact: David & Denise Sullivan sullivan@rap.midco.net

Penn Del Bible Quiz Camp

Aug 16-18, 2024

Bongiorno Conference Center

Carlisle, PA

Registration and information @ Penndelyouth.com under Bible Quiz

Contact Patty Blake biblequiz@penndel.org 610-659-2059

Great Lakes Quiz Camp

August 24, 2024

Lexington First Assembly

9 am - 5 pm

Cost \$25 - includes lunch

For more info:

tbq.kentucky@gmail.com

Georgia BQ Training

September 7, 2024

Johns Creek, GA

Training for coaches & all levels of quizzers

Contact Doug Black bqgeorgia@gmail.com

678-767-2249

BQ TOURNAMENTS

Liberty Classic

September 28, 2024

Wyckoff, NJ

Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

40th Annual Gold Cup

October 26, 2024

Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, Texas

Divisions: Gold, Silver, XP

Email Lori Sullivan safkids@gmail.com

7th Annual Bluegrass Classic

October 26, 2024

Lexington First Assembly, Lexington, KY

Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP-5

Email tbq.kentucky@gmail.com for more information!

31st Gobblefest Bible Quiz Tournament

November 22-23, 2024

Championship; Contender; XP5

University of Valley Forge, PA

Contact: Bernie Elliot ElliotBQ@gmail.com

412-999-9330

Mid-Winter Classic BQ Tournament

January 10-11, 2025

Sioux Falls First, Sioux Falls, SD

Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP5, Adult

Contact: Don Batty debatty00@gmail.com

608-566-6255

40th Friendship Classic

January 24-25, 2025

Oxford AG, Oxford, FL

Championship only

Contact: Bernie Elliot ElliotBQ@gmail.com

Presidents Cup

February 1, 2025

Swedesboro, NJ

Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

Windy City Classic

Feb 28-Mar 1, 2025

Calvary Church, Naperville, IL

Contact: David Powell wheatonpowells@yahoo.com

Emerald City Tournament

April 2025

Exact date TBA

Seattle, WA (Area)

Championship only

Richie Nelson: richiedn@gmail.com

253-232-9995

Jersey Shore Pre-Nats

June 6-7, 2025

Tinton Falls, NJ

All material covered

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