

Bible Quiz Newsletter

JULY/ AUGUST 2025

SUNDAY AM AT NATIONAL FINALS-JUNE 29, 2025

After a year apart, the participants of Teen Bible Quiz Nationals 2025 gathered together on Sunday, June 29, for a time of prayer and teaching to kick off the week. After a moving time of worship with an invitation to make room and the reminder that “Nothing but the Blood” of Jesus can save us, Pastor Bernie Elliot introduced the speaker, Jay Mooney, the Chief Ministries and Resources Officer for the Assemblies of God. As a longtime friend of Pastor Bernie and the one who hired Doug Black to be the district coordinator in Georgia, Mooney is not a stranger to Bible quiz. An ordained minister, he used his gift of preaching to bring the Word of God in a fresh way on Sunday. In his message, Mooney focused on two ways for believers to lean in to their faith.

One lesson Mooney focused on was how believers should interact with Scripture. While Mooney acknowledged that the room was filled with people who read Scripture regularly and who had memorized passages and even books of the Bible, he encouraged his listeners to go beyond reading and memorizing by studying the Word of God. But more than simply exhorting his listeners to dive deeper into God's Word, Mooney went a step further by showing how this could be done through his sermon on Acts 10. He began by reading the entire text of Acts 10 and the first section of Acts 11 aloud. As he did so, he paused often to make note of interesting aspects of the passage such as the repetition of Peter's vision and encounter with Cornelius as well as how this specific part of Acts is a turning point, not only for the book, but also for the church as a whole as God makes a way for Gentiles to become believers and members of His church. Then, Mooney dove into the passage, providing his audience with ten key takeaways from Acts 10. These ten takeaways focused on God's actions, our response to those actions, and the life-changing power of the Holy Spirit. Each takeaway was tied to the text; once again illustrating for his fellow believers how to engage with Scripture in a deep and meaningful way, beyond a surface-level read-through.

The second lesson Mooney wove throughout his sermon was the idea of redemption. He introduced this idea by summarizing the Bible with the three words, "Eden to Eden." He went on to discuss how God is moving toward a new Eden, a redemption of the fallen first Eden. But, he explained, the way God brings about this redemption is through His people—His sons and daughters—who have been grafted into his family tree. Mooney reminded his listeners that since they are God's children; they have been born into the family business: redeeming creation. God is using His children to bring about the second Eden. As a result, Mooney gave his listeners this exhortation: If you are part of God's family, then you need to be about God's business. As God's children, we need to be actively obeying the Great Commission, making disciples who make disciples who make disciples, starting a chain reaction of redemption. In order to take part in God's redemptive work, we need more than our gifts and skills. We need to dive deep into our study of His Word. We need to be bold enough to step into His redeeming work. But more importantly, we need to lean into what we need most: the presence and power of God. As Mooney articulated, when we lean in to God's Word and His plan redeeming plan, we make room for God to show up and show off. So wherever you are and whatever your life holds, lean in.

Shreanna Powell, Naperville, IL

2025 NATIONAL BIBLE QUIZ FINALS RESULTS, St. LOUIS, MISSOURI

TOP TEN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

	W/L	Points	Average
1. Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX “One” <i>National Champions</i> **	15-4	3,525	186
2. Valley Assembly, Spokane, WA *	15-4	3,225	170
3. Cedar Park AG, Bothell, WA	15-4	3,455	182
4. Atlanta Indian Prayer Fellowship, Marietta, GA	14-5	3,300	174
5. Hope Church, Springfield, MO	13-6	3,645	192
6. Calvary Church Christian Church, Lynnfield, MA	12-7	2,865	151
7. Braeswood AG, Houston, TX “DKY”	11-8	3,130	165
8. New Life Church, Colorado Springs, CO	11-8	2,675	141
9. Redeemer Church, Utica, NY	10-9	2,995	158
10. Bellevue Neighborhood Church, Bellevue, WA	9-10	2,450	129

* First playoff game won against Cedar Park Church, WA

** Second playoff game won against Valley Assembly, Spokane, WA

TOP 10 SCORERS CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

	Points	Average	QO
1. Shaylee Powell, Calvary Church, Naperville, IL	2,375	125	19
2. Steve Joy, Atlanta Indian Prayer Fellowship, Marietta, GA	2,290	121	18
3. Nathan Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH	2,275	120	16
4. Leiah Gries, Cedar Park AG, Bothell, WA	1,900	100	15
5. Meghan Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO	1,660	87	15
6. Alyssa Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO	1,615	85	17
7. Yatin Mokana, Bellevue Neighborhood Church, Bellevue, WA	1,550	82	12
8. Amariah Galliers, First AG, Lexington, KY	1,525	80	11
9. Madison Day, Harvest AG, Oconto, WI	1,495	79	9
10. Courtney Ellwein, Valley Assembly, Spokane Valley, WA	1,485	78	10

For complete results go to registration.biblequiz.com

2025 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

National Champions	\$1,000.00 Scholarship each quizzer	Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX
2nd Place Team	\$ 500.00 Scholarship each quizzer	Valley Assembly, Spokane Valley, WA
3rd Place Team	\$ 250.00 Scholarship each quizzer	Cedar Park AG, Bothell, WA
High Scorer 1 st place	\$1,000.00	Shaylee Powell, Calvary Church, Naperville, IL
High Scorer 2 nd place	\$ 750.00	Steve Joy, Atlanta Indian Prayer F., Marietta, GA
High Scorer 3 rd place	\$ 500.00	Nathan Nimako, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH
Male Quizzer of the Year	\$1,000.00*	Steve Joy, Atlanta Indian Prayer F., Marietta, GA
Female Quizzer of the Year	\$1,000.00*	Leiah Gries, Cedar Park AG, Bothell, WA
Quoting Bee 1 st Place	\$ 650.00	Ian Horn, Redeemer Church, Utica, NY
Quoting Bee 2 nd place	\$ 250.00	Sogo Ayeni, Braeswood Church, Houston, TX
Quoting Bee 3 rd place	\$ 100.00	Izundu Ike, Braeswood, Houston, TX
Ind. Tourn. Champion	\$ 650.00	Christian Alapati, Cedar Hill, TX
Ind. Tourn. 2 nd place	\$ 250.00	Meghan Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO
Ind. Tourn. 3 rd place	\$ 100.00	Leiah Gries, Cedar Park AG, Bothell, WA
NYM-A/G Scholarships	\$1,000.00**	Mark Ciampa, Calvary Christian, Lynnfield, MA
NYM-A/G Scholarships	\$1,000.00**	Leslie Cowan, Atlanta Indian Prayer F., Marietta, GA
NYM-A/G Scholarships	\$1,000.00**	Abigail Ellwein, Valley Assembly, Spokane Valley, WA
NYM-A/G Scholarships	\$1,000.00**	Samantha Morgan, Gateway Church, Midlothian, TX
Mark & Becky Gilmer Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000.00***	Jonah Gallo, Neighborhood Church, Bellevue, WA
George Edgerly Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000.00****	Aulora Sullivan, Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX
Hollis Kelly Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000.00*****	Steve Joy, Atlanta Indian Prayer F., Marietta, GA
Kent Kloefkorn Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000.00*****	Janet AN, Living Water Bible Church, San Diego, CA
Anonymous Scholarship	\$1,500.00*****	Miguel Vargas, Harvest AG, Oconto, WI
Evangel University, Springfield, MO	\$18,000.00 x 4 yrs	Ava Schoessow, Crosspoint AG, Portage, WI
Global University, Springfield, MO	\$1,000.00	Bryan James, Love of Jesus Indian, South Amboy, NJ
Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO	\$84,000.00	Miguel Vargas, Harvest AG, Oconto, WI

* 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 is only 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 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.

***** 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.

***** This Scholarship was provided by an anonymous donor and given to a quizzer the Lord laid on their heart.

10's & 20's

42 quizzers received the Master Memorization Award this year. Acts chapters 1-17 had to be quoted consecutively, in one sitting, within a 75-minute time limit, beginning with chapter one, verse one, and continuing through the end. The quizzer was permitted 15 mistakes for the entirety of the material when quoting Acts Chapters 1-17.

71 quizzers received the National Memorization Award this year in the “Championship” Division. (The 42 MMA were not included in this number). Those earning the National Memorization Award (NMA) in the “Championship” Division quoted Acts chapters 1-17 with 4 or fewer mistakes per chapter.

28 quizzers received the National Memorization Award in the “Contender” Division.

Those earning the National Memorization Award (NMA) in the “Contender” Division quoted Acts chapters 1-10 with 4 or fewer mistakes per chapter.

32 quizzers received the National Memorization Award in the “XP5” Division.

Those earning the National Memorization Award (NMA) in the “XP5” Division quoted Acts chapters 2, 4, 5 and 9 with 4 or fewer mistakes per chapter.

84 quizzers received the Discipleship Award. *Those earning the Discipleship Award completed 4 different application points, including reading the book Azusa Street by Frank Bartleman.*

One name was chosen per region for a \$500.00 post high school education scholarship.

Northeast Region:	Blessey Devi, United Evangelical Christian Fellowship, Westfield, NJ
Southeast Region:	Cherisha Karthikeyan, Atlanta Tamil Church, Norcross, GA
Great Lakes Region:	Caleb Karthik, Radiant Life Church, Dublin, OH
Gulf Region:	Drew Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO
North Central Region:	TaKayla Kaiser, Open Bible Church, Rapid City, SD
South Central Region:	Josiah Lapusan, Gateway Church, Midothian, TX
Northwest Region:	Leiah Gries, Cedra Park AG, Bothell, WA
Southwest Region:	Caleb Brookbank, New life Church, Colorado Springs, CO

113 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 42 Master Memorization Awards)**

Northeast Region:	Claire Cook, Redeemer Church, Utica, NY
Southeast Region:	Breanna Lamas, Faith AG, Orlando, FL
Great Lakes Region:	Chloe King, First AG, Lexington, KY
Gulf Region:	Meghan Ramsey, Hope Church, Springfield, MO
North Central Region:	Ave Schoessow, Crosspoint AG, Portage, WI
South Central Region:	Izundu Ike, Braeswood AG, Houston, TX
Northwest Region:	Johan Kallem, Bellevue Neighborhood Church, Bellevue, WA
Southwest Region:	Tehilah Jebaraj, Bethel Church of San Jose, CA

THANK YOU:

- Special thanks to Jay Mooney, Chief Ministries & Resources Officer for the Assemblies of God for sharing a very inspirational message on Sunday morning.
- 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 Ava Schoessow, Crosspoint AG, Portage, WI
- A huge thanks to Dr. John Porter, President of Lindenwood University, St. Charles MO offered one quizzers a \$84,000 Scholarship for 4 years to Lindenwood University. The

- recipient was Miguel Vargas, Harvest AG, Oconto, WI,.
- Thankful for the time Marcae Robertson from Global Ministries, Springfield, MO spent sharing their ministry and offering a Scholarship for \$1,000.00 to Bryan James, from Love of Jesus Indian Church. South Amboy, NJ
- A huge thanks to Rick Henderson for the donation of the 2025-2026 Discipleship Book “The Art of Wisdom”
- 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, Nathan Nimako, Jayda Spencer, Ryan Scheibel, and Aulora Sullivan
- Thanks to Hannah John, from Bethel Church of San Jose, CA for leading the Wednesday night Prayer Meeting.
- Thanks to all the quizzers who shared their talents throughout all the services.
- A huge thanks to Danielle Mori for great questions at National Finals!!
- Thanks to Lucas Cox for heading up the Quoting BEE.
- Thanks to Kaitlyn Czubkowski for heading up the Senior Shootout and the assigned seating at the Banquet
- Thanks to Bryan Turner for heading up the Individual Tournament.
- Thanks to Josi Haugo for making the rooms signs!
- Thanks to Kara Gallo for heading up the Alumni Fellowship. Great fellowship & food.
- Thanks to Patti Smith and Kaitlyn Czubkowski for heading up the Adult Bible Quizzing.
- Thanks to Patti Smith for writing the adult questions. 57 Adult Quizzers this year!!!
- Thanks to Jonathan Brown and Josh Fuller 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, Quoting Bee verses and the Match of Death.
- Thanks to Shreanna Powell for the article on Jay Mooney’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 Lindenwood University for hosting the Thursday night fellowship in providing food and give-a-ways.
- Thanks to all the sponsors - you are greatly appreciated!!! We couldn’t do this without you!!!!!!!!
- Special thanks to Holly Davis, Jean Elliot, Caleb Ellis, Paul Freitag, Jason Martin: National BQ Finals Staff!
- 100 people served here, in St. Louis, at the 2025 National Bible Quiz Finals to make this a great event!!!
- East/West quiz at Banquet: West 100 - East 90

NATIONAL BIBLE QUIZ FINALS: 2026

National BQ Finals will be held at the beautiful Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson, AZ

June 27 - through July 3, 2026

Complete details will be announced in the future.

For all Scholarships, except for the Evangel University, Lindenwood University, and the Global University 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.

2025-2026

G,E, P, C, P Breakdown

	Championship		Contender		XP5	
Meet 1	Gal 1-6	149 verses	Gal 1-5	131 verses	Gal 3 & 5	55 verses
Meet 2	Eph 1-6	155 verses	Gal 6 & Eph 1-4	116 verses	Eph 4	32 verses
Meet 3	Phil 1-4	104 verses	Eph 5 & 6	57 verses	Eph 5-6:9	42 verses
Meet 4	Col 1-4, Philemon	120 verses	Phil 1-2	60 verses	Eph 6:10-24 & Phil 2	45 verses
TOTAL		528 verses		364 verses		174 verses

BQ TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Penn Florida BQ Training Day

July 26, 2025

Oxford Assembly of God, Oxford, FL

Training for coaches, officials and those interested in learning more about JBQ & TBQ!

Northeast Bible Quiz Training Conference

Aug 15-16, 2025

River Of God, Enola, PA

For both quizzers, coaches, officials and parents!
(Only \$30.00 if registered by July 15)

Contact Dan Anderson cfcitykidsdan@gmail.com
407-947-9927

Dakota Quiz

August 14-16, 2025 (**deadline for registration is July 14**)

FLAME

Rimrock Camp & Retreat Center, Rapid City SD

Contact: David & Denise

Sullivan sullivan@rap.midco.net

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717-317-4233

Georgia BQ Training

September 6, 2025

Johns Creek, GA

Training for coaches & all levels of quizzers

Contact Doug Black bggeorgia@gmail.com

678-767-2249

September 6, 2025

BQ TOURNAMENTS

Liberty Classic

September 27, 2025

NJ (Location TBD)

Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP5

Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

41st Annual Gold Cup

October 25, 2025

Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, Texas

Divisions: Gold and Silver

Email Lori Sullivan safkids@gmail.com

8th Annual Bluegrass Classic

October 25, 2025

Lexington First Assembly, Lexington, KY

Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP-5

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

32nd Gobblefest Bible Quiz Tournament

November 21-22, 2025

Championship; Contender; XP5

University of Valley Forge, PA

Contact: Bernie Elliot ElliotBQ@gmail.com

412-999-9330

41st Friendship Classic

January 23-24, 2026

Oxford AG, Oxford, FL

Championship only

Contact: Bernie Elliot ElliotBQ@gmail.com

Presidents Cup

February 7, 2026

Swedesboro, NJ

Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP-5

Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

Windy City Classic

Mar 6-7, 2026

Calvary Church, Naperville, IL

Contact: David Powell wheatonpowells@yahoo.com

Emerald City Tournament

April 2026

Exact date TBA

Seattle, WA (Area)

Championship only

Richie Nelson: richiedn@gmail.com

Mid-Winter Classic BQ Tournament ?

January 9-10, 2026

Life Change Church, Sioux Falls, SD

Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP5, Adult

Contact: Don Batty debatty00@gmail.com

608-566-6255

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Jersey Shore Pre-Nats

June 5-6, 2026

Tinton Falls, NJ

All material covered

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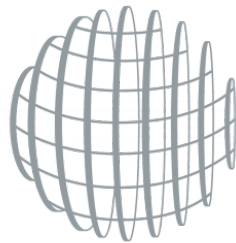
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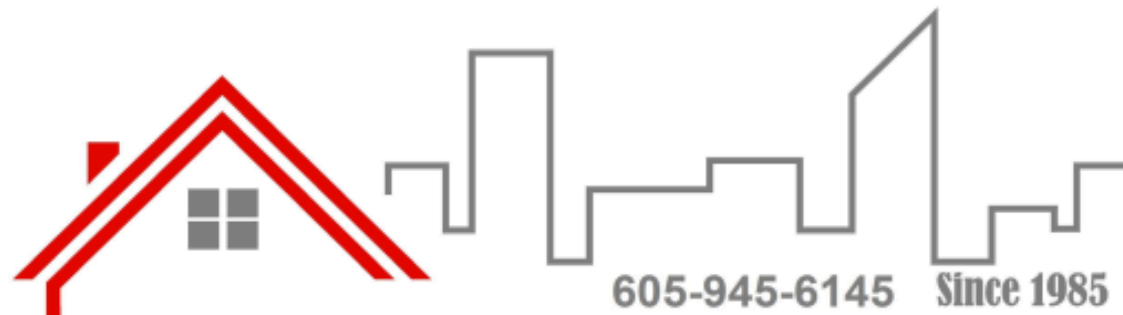
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