

First Jurisdiction Illinois—Church of God in Christ
Bishop Ocie Booker, State Prelate Mother Shirley Hughes, State Supervisor

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



9:00 a.m.

Registration & Continental
Breakfast

Sunday School Olympics

Saturday, June 8, 2019
New Birth COGIC
1500 West 69th Street
Chicago, Illinois

- Featuring -
Bible Bowl, Spelling Bee, Math & Bible Art Competition
...also more activities, food and fun

Bible Bowl Seniors: Ages 16-23
Bible Bowl Juniors: Ages 5-15

Bible Bowl Rounds:
1) Church of God in Christ History
2) Church of God in Christ Doctrine
3) The Book of Mark

Math Competition:
Level 1 Grades 3-4
Level 2A Grades 5-6 Level 2B Grades 7-8
Level 3A Grades 9-10 Level 3B Grades 11-12

Spelling Bee Level I: Grades 1 - 2
Spelling Bee Level II: Grades 3 - 4
Spelling Bee Level III: Grades 5 - 6
Spelling Bee Level IV: Grades 7 - 8
Spelling Bee Level V: Grades 9 - 12

Art Competition Theme:
Elementary 1st - 4th Grade
Junior 5th - 8th Grade
Senior 9th - 12th Grade

*Contact your District Sunday School Officials for competition rules and Spelling Bee List or
Missionary LaTasha McGary- Sunday School Olympics Coordinator*

Elder Michael Payton, State Sunday School Supt.

Missy Mirriam Knox, State Field Rep.



Sunday School Olympics 2019 Oratorical Competition



Topic

“Has the identity of the church been affected by today’s progressive society?”

Should address:

1. the legalizing marijuana
2. the legalizing same sex marriage
3. Use of Bible reference

5 to 10 minutes Memorized

Junior Level Ages 12-15

Senior Level Ages 16-22

The characteristic of oratory which distinguishes it from public speaking, in general, is its appeal to the emotions. No matter how clear, logical, or effective speaking may be, as long as it appeals primarily to the intellect, it remains public speaking.

When, however, emotions are touched — love, joy, hate, ambition — then speaking becomes oratory. And although oratory appeals powerfully to the emotions of the hearer, yet it is not necessarily preaching.

Oratory is composed of two elements: matter and manner. When one gives an oration, one should be certain of the content and substance of his/her oration.

Oratorical topics are received yearly from the National Coordinator. Orations must be original, and are to be done from memory. The time limit is 5-10 minutes.



Sunday School Olympics 2019 Mathematics Competition

Contrary to popular thinking, mathematics, not music, is the only true universal language. Mathematics is one of the most useful and fascinating divisions of human knowledge. It is a part of the experience of all people, regardless of how far they have gone in school. Mathematics helps us in many other important areas of study, and has the power to solve some of the deepest puzzles man faces. Mathematics is the very foundation of scientific technology.

Most people, whether they realize it or not, use mathematics in varying degrees in their everyday activities. Mom, for instance, utilizes mathematics when she goes grocery shopping, or plans out the family budget. Dad uses mathematics when he works in his carpentry shop, or makes out the income tax returns. The daughter uses mathematics when she cuts out a pattern for a new dress, and their son utilizes mathematics for his model-building hobby. (SMM COGIC)

The mathematics competition is provided to promote excellence in mathematics. Students with a strong background in mathematics are encouraged to participate. Calculators are not permitted in Level I and Level II competitions. Level III participants are encouraged to bring and use their own calculators.

Who is eligible?

The Mathematics Competition is conducted on three levels:

Level I Grades 3 – 4

**Preparation: Basic Operations - Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division
Basic Fractions, Word Problems**

Level II A: Grades 5 – 6, B: Grades 7 – 8

Preparation: Basic Operations, Fractions, Decimals, Percents and Word Problems

Level III A: Grades 9 – 10, B: Grades 11 – 12

Preparation: Algebra, Geometry, Word Problems, SAT Math

Each level will have a 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winner from each session (A & B). The test will be graded. The student with the highest grade on their level will receive 1st place. The student with 2nd highest grade will receive 2nd place and third highest grade will receive 3rd place. In the event of a tie, students will be administered tie breakers problems.

Please Note: If any grade **category** has less than four “4” participants, the First & Second Sessions (A&B) will be combined for awards purposes.

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Who is eligible?

Any youth age 6 to 18 who are in grades 1 thru 12.

Guideline and Rules

- Level I ~~~~~ Grades 1 - 2
- Level II ~~~~~ Grades 3 - 4
- Level III ~~~~~ Grades 5 - 6
- Level IV ~~~~~ Grades 7 - 8
- Level V ~~~~~ Grades 9 - 12

Study words requirement:

1. Study your grade level list, put the spelling in a sentence, and look up definitions

Competition

1. The Spell master shall pronounce each word clearly to each contestant. The contestant will have to "say spell say" repeat the word then spell the word then repeat the word a second time. The contestant can ask the Spell master to put the word in a simple sentence or give a definition. (Note some words have more than one spelling or definition. If the word is spelled right it will be accepted)
2. Having started to spell a word, a contestant shall be given **no opportunity** to change the letters once pronounced. A speller, having started to spell a word may retrace, providing the letters and their sequence are not changed in the retracing.
3. Upon missing the spelling of a word, the contestant drops out of the contest.
4. When the contestants are reduced to two, the elimination procedure changes. When one person misspells a word the next person must spell that word plus the next word to win. If one of the last two people misspells, and the other person after correcting the error of the first person misses the next word given, the first can have the chance to spell that word, if spelled correctly then if the same person spells the next word right then that person wins. (You must spell two words right in a row to win).

5. Any question during the contest must be referred to the judges immediately. No protest can be considered after a round has started.

Judges

1. The three **judges** are in complete control of the Bee.
2. Head Judge has the final say during the Bee. (Timekeeper)
2nd Judge shall follow the Spell master word List. (Recording Judge)
3rd Judge shall check the Webster Dictionary for correct spelling and assist the Spell master with the words.



Sunday School Olympics 2019 Bible Bowl Competition



RULES

AGE: Sr. Team members must meet age requirements. They must have attained the age of 16 – 23 by the start of the convention. Jr. Team members must be between the ages of 5 and 15. Each District may submit one (1) Junior level team and one (1) senior level team. Participants should meet the required age range by the time of the event.

TEAMS: The Teams shall consist of not more than eight (8) people. Only four (4) will compete in each round. Four (4) people **MUST** compete in every round. At the end of each round the team may make substitutions. A team may consist of males, females, or both. A team may consist of people from one church or a mixture of the district. All junior team members must register for Session I only and all senior team members must register for Session II only.

If there are an odd number of teams competing per session, then the champion team from the previous year will defend their title by competing against the winner of the first two teams.

Only First and Second Place Winners from both sessions will be awarded individual trophies.

COACHES: It is your responsibility to contact the Bible Bowl Coordinator(s) with the total number of team members on each team by May 2010 in order to prepare for the purchase of trophies. It is also your responsibility to review the rules with your team(s).

OFFICIALS: There will be an adult Moderator, the person who will read all questions. There will be three (3) Judges and a scorekeeper. The panel of judges will be given a copy of the questions and answers with chapter/scripture references for Bible questions on the day of the competition.

SCORING: All correctly answered questions will receive its assigned points: The Bible (2 points), COGIC History (1 point) and COGIC Doctrine (1 point). For each incorrect answer, points will be subtracted. The score from each round will be carried into the next round and

totalled at the end of the third (3rd) round. In the event of a tie, 3 additional Bible Bowl questions will be asked to determine the winning team.

ROUNDS: The competition shall consist of three (3) rounds; one each of the specified book or books of the Bible, Church History and Church Doctrine. There shall be 12 Bible questions, 7 COGIC History questions and 5 COGIC Doctrine questions. All Bible questions will be asked in sequence of chapters.

QUESTIONING: The moderator will announce the topic of the round. Each team will then have the opportunity to choose the four (4) team members who will answer the questions for that round. Team members **MAY NOT** confer with each other during the questioning. Each person should listen to the entire question before buzzing in, **BUT THEY DO NOT HAVE TO. (REMEMBER IF YOU BUZZ IN AND ANSWER INCORRECTLY YOU WILL LOSE A POINT OR POINTS.)**

Once a person buzzes in he or she should wait to be recognized by the judges and then give the most precise answer to the question in a loud clear voice.

Each team will have 15 seconds to buzz in after the moderator has finished reading the question.

Should a team member stop the moderator by buzzing in before he or she has completely read the question, the moderator will stop immediately. The person will then have 15 seconds to answer the question correctly, for which he or she will be given a point. Should the question not be answered or answered incorrectly a point shall be taken away. Then the moderator shall read the question completely and the opposing team shall have 15 seconds to answer the question, if they would like. If they buzz in they must answer the question correctly. They may also pass on the question if they would like. If after the moderator reads a question completely and one team buzzes in and answers the question incorrectly, the opposing team may have an opportunity to answer the question. The question, however, will not be repeated. The question must be answered correctly or a point or points will be deducted.

When 15 seconds have expired and neither team can answer the question, a judge will announce the correct answer and the moderator will proceed to the next question.

AUDIENCE: Bible Bowl teams are encouraged to invite District supporters/audience to cheer for their team. However, the audience must refrain from verbalizing answers or assisting teams in any way. Any form of cheating will result in disqualification from the competition.

CHALLENGE: If there is a dispute over a question or an answer, **THE COACH AND ONLY THE COACH MAY APPROACH THE JUDGES AT THE END OF A ROUND. ALL DISPUTES MUST BE MADE AT THE END OF EACH ROUND.**

To properly challenge a question or answer, the coach should stand and remain standing until recognized by the panel of judges. The judges will hear the challenge and confer with each other. Judges may consult with the Bible Bowl Coordinator(s) for assistance with final decisions. **THE JUDGES' DECISIONS SHALL BE FINAL ON ALL MATTERS.**

Insubordination by any team member(s) or coach will result in disqualification from the Bible Bowl Competition.

Some of the places to find information about the Church Of God In Christ: YPWW topic for June 1991-August 1991, December 1996–Feb 1997, Mar 2001- May 2001, Dec 2005-Feb 2006 and Sep 2008-Nov 2008. These are to be used as a study guide for the History of the Church. (You may write to the address below. Send \$15 to cover copying and postage). You may also study the manuals of the different auxiliaries. Also use the Manual of the Church of God In Christ (the little black book). Another source for church history is the book “Charles H. Mason: Roots of the Church Of God In Christ” by Bishop Ithiel C. Clemmons and also the Official handbook of the Women’s Department.

A source on the Church Doctrine is “Understanding Bible Doctrine as Taught in the Church of God in Christ” by Bishop P.A. Brooks and Charles Hawthorn. (Church bookstore in Memphis has these books or the bookstore of Bishop P. A. Brooks, Detroit, MI). Check out **ALL OF THE COGIC** Website. Know about the Leaders of our church past and present.

Old Sunday School books are also an excellent source for the books of the Bible. You may also go to the Bible Bookstore and pick up a study of a particular book.

STUDY TIP

PLEASE DO NOT MAKE UP QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE. If you make up the questions, they will only study those questions. Have them take the book verse by verse and let them come up with the questions and answers. They need to come up with as many questions as they can. Have them come up with questions. Answer them and then turn those questions around and make another question. This can also be done with the History and the Doctrine.

BOOK OF THE BIBLE FOR 2019:

Leviticus



Sunday School Olympics 2019 Bible Art Competition

Participants will display their artistic ability using inspiration from the Bible.

Each entry must reflect the theme:

“Portrait of a Biblical Character or a Pioneer of the Church of God in Christ”



Competition Levels

Elementary (Grades 1st – 4th)

Junior (Grades 5th – 8th)

Senior (9th – 12th)

Rules and Additional Information

- ✓ Bible Art entry must be presented on a Science Board or Display Board. Boards should be neat and a title must be on the board. Entries will be displayed throughout the day.
- ✓ The official information card must be filled out completely and turned in with the official registration form.
- ✓ Participants can use free drawn art or several pictures with a caption under the pictures and also clip art, but drawn pictures will receive the most points.
- ✓ You may choose the media – painting, pencil drawing, canvas, poster board, wood, etc.
- ✓ No minimum or maximum size requirements.
- ✓ Give scripture with art work and be ready to tell how the pictures are related to the scripture(s) and why you chose this vision or dream.

