



PORT ELIZABETH, SOUTH AFRICA

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6

We have only
one opportunity to
educate our
children...

MAKE IT
CHRISTIAN!

“All thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of thy children.” Isaiah 54:13



A WORD FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

After living in South Africa as a church planting missionary for only a short period of time, we began to see the desperate need for quality education. We minister in the townships of South Africa. These areas are saturated with young people who are being left behind both socially and academically. Only 10-12% of the children attending schools in these townships are expected to graduate from high school. Without a strong education, these children will be very limited.

There is one young man in particular, whose story left a lasting impression on my heart. I was introduced to Babalo when his mom started bringing him to our church after their family had been saved through a soup kitchen ministry. He was 6 years old at the time and was very sharp and attentive during Sunday School classes. A few years after joining our church, his family moved to a different area of town, where there was no available school. Money was too tight in their family to afford transportation elsewhere. Even if money was available, many schools in South Africa are filled to capacity with overworked teachers, little to no books and materials, and a very meager curriculum. This is when the Lord began to work in my heart about the idea of a Christian school.

My desire has always been to start churches and train national leaders to take over those churches. I believe this process could be expedited if we had a place where Christian, young boys and girls could be educated at an early age, not only in basic academics, but most importantly, receive a solid Biblical foundation. Our prayer is that these young men and women will not merely graduate with a diploma, but that they will go on to serve and have an impact in their communities and most importantly serve the Lord in their local church.

We are happy to introduce you to Bay Baptist Academy. We are dedicated to the purpose of training young people for Christian leadership and to be productive individuals in society for the glory of God.

Our Plan:

- To see Christian young people conformed to the image of Christ
- To provide the best academic training with a Christian Worldview
- To achieve mastery in the tools of learning, communication, and service
- To prepare children spiritually by instilling in them a personal responsibility to their Creator



In His Service,
Jeremy Hall



ABOUT US

OUR STORY

Bay Baptist Academy is a burden in the hearts of four missionary families who want to reach not only their own children but the many others that they minister to as they seek to start churches in each township of Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Opening the school as an extension to their local churches will provide a way to reach young people both spiritually and academically. It will help to instill in their hearts a Biblical worldview that will allow them to be both academically and spiritually equipped for life beyond their school years. The goal of BBA is for students to learn how to apply Biblical truth in their everyday living, in the hope that they will teach their children the same. Almost one third of the South African population is children. If we begin training young people to think and act Biblically in their early years, there is hope in reaching future generations of South Africans and leaving a heritage that will last for years to come.

PHILOSOPHY

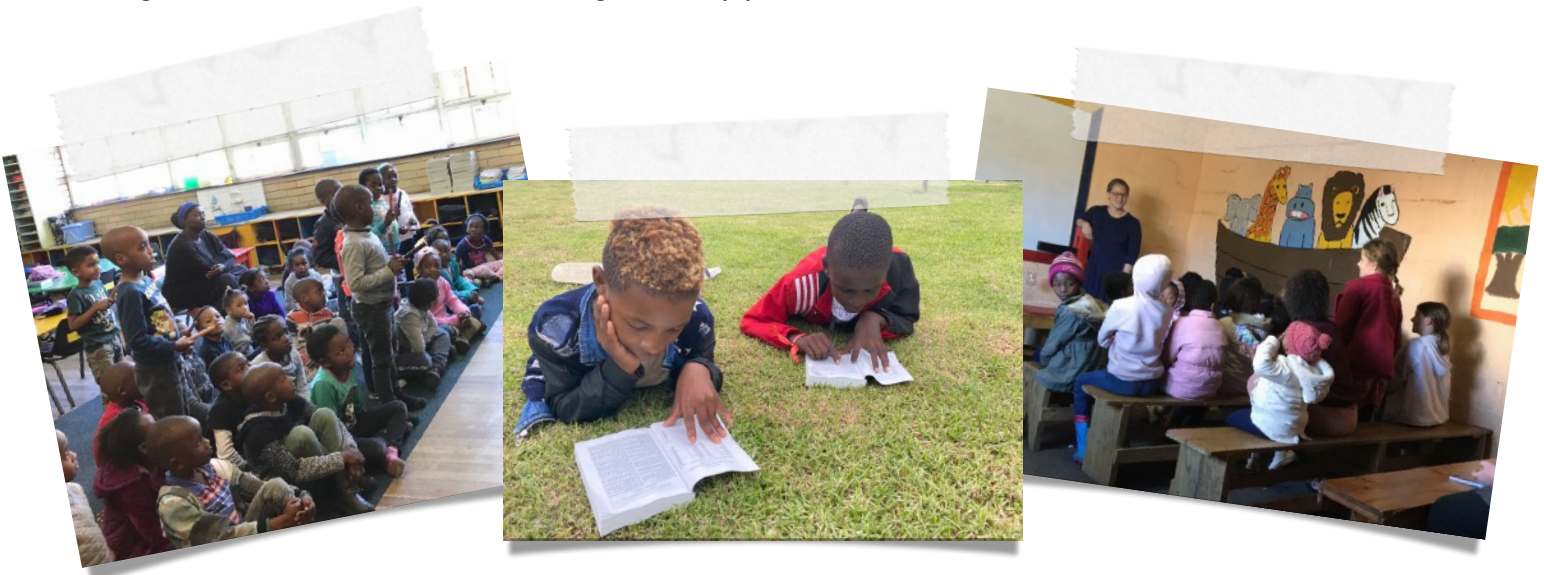
Bay Baptist Academy is being founded to train students to have solid academics, godly character, and a Christian world view, teaching them to be knowledgeable, articulate, and productive individuals for the glory of God wherever life leads them. We will strive for excellency in every area of their education and consider this endeavor to be a calling from God.

MISSION STATEMENT

Bay Baptist Academy will strive to equip students with the knowledge and tools necessary to glorify God to the maximum of their potential for the remainder of their lives.

VISION

Bay Baptist Academy is being established to encourage and assist families committed to fulfilling the biblical mandate to provide a Christian education for their children. The purposes of BBA are to provide thorough academic instruction from a Biblical world view, to help students develop socially by teaching respect for authority, to encourage students spiritually by emphasizing their personal accountability to God while developing the mind of Christ, and to support the family and the work of the local church. We want BBA to be a training ground for laborers for world evangelism. Everything done will be for the purpose of filling student's hearts and minds with the responsibility of fulfilling the great commission. With this specific intent, the school will begin with a small group of students who currently attend our affiliated churches and expand each year as Christ will allow us to use this school as a ministry to reach into the communities and help those who are being so severely neglected in their education. BBA will begin with students ranging from grade R (kindergarten) – grade 7, with the intent to add a new grade every year.





OUR FELLOWSHIP

AFFILIATIONS

BBA is an affiliate of the Baptist Fellowship for World Evangelism (BFWE), a group of like-minded churches who have joined together for the work of evangelizing the world in our generation. The purpose of the BFWE is to promote fellowship between Bible-believing Baptist Churches of like faith and order. Our mission is to strengthen leadership, to spread the Gospel, and advance the cause of Christ through mutual efforts in Christian education and missions both at home and throughout the world. We strive to maintain a pure testimony to Jesus Christ - separated from the world but salt in the world. We seek to accomplish this by holding weekly pastors' meetings; developing and translating materials; holding conferences for ladies, men, and children; and through ministries including but not limited to a Christian School, a Bible College for further training of full-time Christian workers (Bay Baptist Training Centre/Bible College), and camp ministry.

Affiliated churches and ministries in Port Elizabeth, South Africa:

Bayland Baptist Church
Grace Baptist Church
Kuyga Baptist Church
Lighthouse Baptist Church

Madiba Bay Baptist Church
New Life Baptist Church
Nkandla Baptist Church
Soweto Baptist Church

Vision Baptist Church
Bay Baptist Training Centre
Camp Rhino



EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS

Sub-Saharan Africa is one of the few places in the world where poverty is increasing, mainly because the percentage of people that get a primary education continues to fall. We want to make sure that the people can take hold of opportunities that education provides.

"In South Africa, dropout has reached a national crisis. Approximately 60% of first graders will ultimately drop out rather than complete 12th Grade. Likewise, by Grade 12, only 52% of the age-appropriate population remain enrolled."

*(Department of Basic Education, Republic of South Africa, 2015)

38.9% of South African seniors graduated in 2019: schools in town make up 25% of the population and graduate close to 99% of their students, while township schools are left with less than 10% graduating. To add to the atrocity, the system has been oversimplified to help the students of the townships matriculate; for instance, on a grading scale of 100%, to pass you now only need to score 30% in most subjects. That means there are 89 out of 100 students within the locations who are unable to score 30% on all their core subjects (many times this even excludes math and sciences).

*Business Tech (<https://businesstech.co.za/news/government/364756/matric-2019-real-pass-rate-is-38-9/?>)





FUNDING & SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

ESTIMATED TUITION COST

Registration Fees R1800 (\$125 +/-) annually
Tuition Fees R1850 (\$130 +/-) per month x 10
Transport Fees R600 (\$45 +/-) per month x 10
Total cost per student annually = R 26,300 (\$1,880.00 +/-)

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We understand that paying for Christian education is an important decision and a significant investment. We are convinced that Christian education does not cost; it pays, and it pays dividends for a lifetime. For that reason, we hope to be able to offer tuition assistance for students in need who wish to attend the academy by offering a few scholarship options.

Through the generosity of our donors, some students will attend on full scholarship and some will attend on partial scholarship. We will also have some students whose tuition will be subsidized by their parents working at the school.

HOW TO DONATE

We are so grateful for the donors that God has blessed us with. This ministry would not exist without God working through His people to make it possible. Would you consider joining us in this endeavor?

All donations given to Bay Baptist Academy through Vision Baptist Missions are tax-deductible.

If you would like to give to Bay Baptist Academy, you can do so by supporting on a monthly basis or with a one-time love gift.

Give online:

visit www.visionmissions.org/give/
Select the designation: Bay Baptist Academy - South Africa

Give by check:

You can send all donations to:
Vision Baptist Missions
PO Box 442
Alpharetta, GA 30009

Make all checks payable to Vision Baptist Missions, but write "Bay Baptist Academy - South Africa" in the memo section of the check.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How much of my donation towards a project actually arrives to the project for which it was given?

A: Our approach as missionaries is probably much different than what you would expect. When many organizations raise money for a project, they find themselves in a position in which very little of what is given arrives to the project. There is overhead and expenses (i.e., rent, electricity, salaries, etc.) that must be paid. All these expenses eat away at the donation, causing only small percentage of the gift to arrive at its intended destination.

We understand the logic and the reasoning behind this approach, but we decided to go about fund raising in a slightly different way. Our support comes from generous great-commission-focused churches and individuals. Our supporters very graciously give monthly to make sure that our needs are met. This endeavor of raising personal support takes around 2 years, but once it is done it leaves us in a great place to do the work of the ministry. This small sacrifice makes it possible to do ministry for many years going forward, without needing to eat away at project-specific donations.

Out of every dollar that is given to a special project, 100% arrives to the field to be able to build a church building, buy a school property, or meet any other number of needs that arise from planting new churches. It is very hard to find organizations where this is the case, but we thought that our donors would love to know that all the money that is given for a specific project is used for the purpose for which it was given.

What amazes us is the generosity of God's people to see His work accomplished, and just how much more they give when there is transparency and clarity.