

Association of Certified Biblical Counselors



Pursuing Excellence in Biblical Counseling Since 1976



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• **2,100+ certified biblical counselors**

• **Counselors in 38 countries and counting...**

Albania, Australia, Bahamas, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chad, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Germany, Honduras, Hungary, Madagascar, Mexico, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Romania, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand, Ukraine, and more.

• **76 Certified Training Centers; 2 are international (South Africa & Ecuador)**



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Ways to keep in touch:

- **Truth in Love weekly podcast**
- **www.biblicalcounseling.com**
- **Blog, ACBC Essays, Store**
- **Follow us on Twitter (@ACBC) and Facebook**



PATHWAY

Through Certification

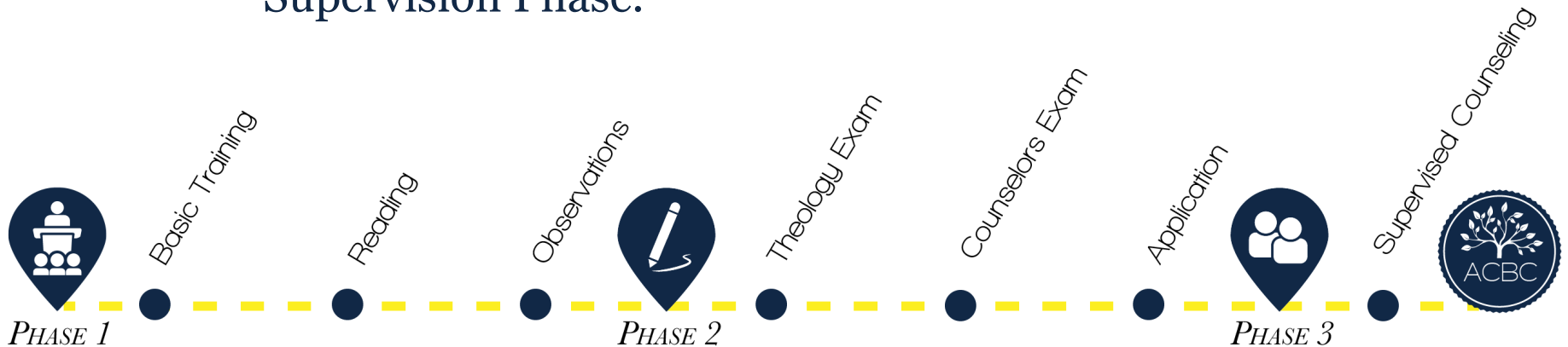
Enroll for free today!

<https://biblicalcounseling.com/pathway/>



PATHWAY Through Certification

- Pathway Through Certification will walk you through...
 - All of Phase 1, with instruction on when and how to log hours and reading requirements
 - Insight and resources for every question on the ACBC Exams in Phase 2
 - An overview of Phase 3 and what to expect during the Supervision Phase.



Three Phases Of The Certification Process



Phase 1: Training

Phase 2: Exams and Evaluations

Phase 3: Supervised Counseling



Phase 1: Training

Fundamentals

Take a Fundamentals Training Course at an ACBC Certified Training Center.

Included in every Fundamentals course is 30 hours (or more) of instruction in theology and biblical counseling.

ACBC Training Centers List

biblicalcounseling.com/training-centers

ACBC Counseling and Discipleship Trainings

Regional Events

Kansas City – Fall 2020

Baton Rouge – Spring 2021

Colorado Springs – Spring 2021

Oklahoma City – Spring 2021

<http://www.biblicalcounseling.com/training/>



Phase 1: Training

Online Training

ACBC Training Centers

<https://biblicalcounseling.com/training-2/online-training/>



Phase 1: Training

Observation

-10 hours or more of observing an ACBC Certified Counselor in person or by viewing an approved DVD set

-FAQ/Instructions for information
(read online)

-Observation Log



Phase 1: Training

Reading

A reading requirement of 1,000 pages from the Approved Reading List, 300 of which must be from B.C. & Theology section.

You can find the reading requirements online.

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Complete the reading log to record your work.



Phase 2: Exams and Evaluations

Exams

- 1.) Theology Exam
- 2.) Counseling Exam

- Open book
- Essay style
- Original work
- 1 page min. to 1½ pages max.
- Cite sources
- Support your answers with Scripture
- Formatting requirements in Exam

FAQ's:

(<http://www.biblicalcounseling.com/certification/exams>)



Phase 2:

Exams and Evaluations

Evaluations

- Pastor/Elder Evaluation
- Colleague Evaluation
- Church Member and Authority Letter



Phase 2: Exams and Evaluations

Evaluations & Exams to Grader

Once the exams, evaluations, and grading fee have been submitted, the student's packet (exams, evaluations, contact profile, etc.) will be assigned to an Approved ACBC Grader for review and grading.



Phase 3:

**Supervised
Counseling**

Supervised Counseling

50 sessions of supervised counseling
with an ACBC Fellow

Read FAQ/Instructions (provided to
all who enter Phase III)

Necessary Resources will be available
once connected with a Fellow



Final Steps: Membership Application

Certification Complete

Once you have successfully completed the Certification Process, you will be invited to take the final steps into membership of ACBC as a Certified Biblical Counselor.

New Membership & Annual Renewal Requirements:

- 1) Membership Covenant
- 2) Membership Dues
- 3) Pastor/Elder/Ecclesiastical Authority Form
- 4) Background Check (every 5 yrs)
- 5) Update Counselors Map Information
- 6) Digital and/or Physical Certificate



Certification Benefits

Benefits of Membership

What you get as a Certified ACBC Member:

1. Training under key leaders in biblical counseling
2. Accountability for faithful counseling practice
3. Endorsement from the largest biblical counseling association in the world
4. Recommendation on our Find a Counselor on-line map
5. Networking with like-minded biblical counselors
6. Exclusive invites to our Live training webinars
7. Discounts on registration for ACBC events

One Final Comment



Pay Careful Attention to
the FAQ/What We Believe
items online

Questions?

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