

Bible Institute of South Africa Winter School

BIBLICAL COUNSELLING

with Dr Greg Cook

July 2022



What is Winter School?

Every year BISA offers intensive courses for two weeks during the college inter-semester period. In July 2022 we are able to offer world class tuition in counselling: 'Biblical Counselling' with Dr Greg Cook. This course forms part of the Bachelor of Theology programme running full time on campus and is open to the public for audit (personal study).

What are the times & where is the venue for the Biblical Counselling Course?

Venue: BISA Campus, 180 Main Road, Kalk Bay, Cape Town (parking available on site)

Dates: Monday to Friday from 11th – 21st July 2022

Time: The Biblical Counselling Course runs from 0830 to 1300

What does it cost?

For Audit (personal study) the course fee is ZAR 1.650 per student per 2-week course.

Articles and notes will be provided online, but you will need to purchase a set work textbook at a discounted purchase price. You will be required to bring your bible (hard copy or on your device), plus a notepad. [Note: this fee is heavily subsidised].

What about lunch?

The courses end at 13:00 and you may wish to stay for lunch with the other students. You may book lunch in the BI dining room for R45 per meal.

Who is the lecturer?



Greg Cook has been an associate pastor at Christ Chapel Bible Church, Fort Worth Texas since 1995 and the founder and director of Soul Care since 2004. He graduated with a Doctor of Ministry from Westminster Theological Seminary in Pastoral Counselling, Masters in Counselling from Amberton University, and Master of Arts in Biblical Studies at Dallas Theological Seminary. He also serves as a council board member of the [Biblical Counselling Coalition](#) – Greg is married to Nancy and they have three

daughters and a son-in-law

Why should I study Biblical Counselling?

Although every Christian is called upon to show the compassion of Christ to those needing help, there are some who are specially called and gifted to provide help at a deeper level. This course is designed to help equip both groups by providing an *understanding of the theory and practice of counselling from a biblical perspective*. By the end of the course, students should have developed a basic understanding in dealing with some counselling situations.

Society today puts enormous pressures on people and many are finding it difficult to cope. In the past, people could look to various support systems that helped them cope, such as family, friends, community and the church. A biblical approach was there when it was needed.

Today for various reasons, biblical counsel is rarely offered outside of the Church, and we find ourselves living amongst a host of broken people not only outside the church, but also, sadly, within it.

What are some of their problems? spiritual brokenness and isolation, relationship difficulties, unemployment, depression, addictions, worry & anxiety, loneliness, sickness, aging & retirement, dying, death and bereavement, grief, guilt, bitterness, unforgiveness, mental illness, sexual problems, identity & gender confusion and suicide. These are the challenges facing the Church.

This course is introductory to the whole discipline of biblical counselling. Students who intend to become more involved in pastoral counselling will need to study further and should work under the supervision of a professional counsellor.

Please note that although this course will be helpful, it is not a qualification for the student to do professional counselling. This course will help you to draw alongside others with compassion and understanding, extending Christ, and Words of Life to them.

**To book: Submit the google form or call the registrar
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Isa 6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.