

# Distinctiveness

The **singular focus** of Norris Bible Baptist Seminary is to train pastors and missionaries, as well as their wives for church ministry. NBBS is on a **mission to specialize** and to prepare its graduates to excel for God.



The combination of features which characterize the educational program, in keeping with its heritage, makes Norris a **one-of-a-kind preacher training center**.

The school year starts sooner at the NBBS (the first semester in mid August, and the second semester in mid January), and classes are longer and **more in depth** than those of most other Bible colleges.

**NBBS is family friendly!** Classes are conducted from 7:00 am to 1:10 pm, Tuesday through Friday, giving students the flexibility to spend time with their families or on the job as needed.

The **premiere objective** of NBBS is equipping the student to excel in the **preaching of Christ** to all mankind.

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## A School of Specialization

# NORRIS BIBLE BAPTIST SEMINARY

of Fort Worth, Texas  
*Since 1984*



“the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”  
II Timothy 2:2

For those who take training for the ministry seriously.

Come and see the difference 35 hours of lecture time per course, per semester makes!

# Features

**44 of the 48 Classes (92%) are in Bible, Theology, and Church Ministry/Practical Christian Living Courses** within a Four Year Program.



## Teaching the Whole

**English Bible by Studying the Books of the Bible in Consecutive Order** – thereby establishing the Old Testament basis before entering into the New Testament.

**A “Preacher-Training-Preachers” Approach to Teaching** wherein preachers and their wives from across the DFW area make up the faculty. Who is better suited to train preachers than preachers?

**Committed to the Historic Baptist Distinctives.**

**A Week of Concentrated Study Each Semester.** Regular classes are suspended for a week while sessions are conducted on ministry-related subjects.

**Classes Conducted Tuesday through Friday (7:00 am-1:10 pm).** This, and the feature to follow, give a student more flexibility to work a job.

**Same-Day, Single-Subject, Double Lecture Class Structure**, whereby both lectures of a course are given before or after chapel on the same day rather than two different days of the week.



## Low Student – Teacher Ratio.

Students do not get lost in the crowd before they have a chance to lead it.

**Daily Chapel** with preachers from across the metroplex, the state, the nation, and the mission field.

**All Student Preachers will have the Opportunity Each Semester to Preach at Least Once in Chapel.**

**Low Overall Cost.** Besides the cost of books and a low registration fee of \$125, all courses are three credit hours at \$75 per credit hour (\$225 per course). Furthermore, wives of full-time ministerial students go tuition free.

**A Supporting Network of the Independent Baptist Fellowship International (IBFI) Churches Already in Place for Graduates Going to the Mission Field.** Many of these churches’ pastors are on the faculty.



# Program

**In half of the courses at Norris Bible Baptist Seminary a student is taught the contents and teachings of each book of the Bible.** The remaining half, are courses in theology, church ministry and practical Christian living.

All the bachelor level degrees are a Bachelor of Biblical Studies, with a **major in Bible**, and a minor either in pastoral studies, missions, youth directorship, or church ministries (primarily for women).

**There may be no other place** where a student’s foundational Bible training will be as thoroughgoing, relevant, and ministry directed as it will be at NBBS.

# Heritage

In 1984, a large group of pastors came together under the leadership of Dr. Raymond W. Barber, to start both the IBFI and the NBBS. The NBBS was established to



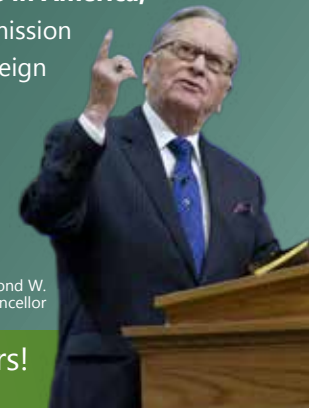
Images of Norris and Entzminger with the BBS in the early 1940s



largely mirror the Bible Baptist Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas. It had its beginning in 1939 under the direction of Dr. J. Frank Norris and Dr. Louis Entzminger. In addition to their commitment to teach **the whole English Bible, they instilled within their students a fervency for evangelism and world-wide church planting, as well as the need for doctrinal and practical preaching fully in keeping with the Baptist faith.** Accordingly, they saw God bless greatly through the years.

Both Norris and Entzminger, in spite of having been educated in the typical fashion of denominational schools, (Norris having graduated at the top of his class in seminary), **felt their approach was a major improvement.** Rather than the Bachelor of Arts or Science degree programs, they went with theological degrees, and consequently more Bible courses.

Several BBS graduates went on to build **some of the most prominent churches in America**, or pioneered church planting mission works stateside, and on the foreign field. Some of these, as well as other graduates, were among the founders of the NBBS, and in so doing, were training preachers the way they were trained.



Dr. Raymond W. Barber, Chancellor

You only have one chance to lay a foundation for your ministry, choose a school that only has one focus - training preachers!