

**2011-12 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**BEGINNER BIBLE BOWL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Question Corrections:**

- None

**Interchangeability of Words in Answers:**

- The word "Psalms" and "Psalm" will be interchangeable.
- In phrases incorporating numbers (or fractional numbers) as answers such as "a cubit and a half," "one hundred and fifty," and "a tenth," the words "a" and "one" will be interchangeable, or may be omitted altogether.  
Example: "a cubit and a half" or "one cubit and a half" or "cubit and a half"  
"a hundred and fifty" or "one hundred and fifty" or "hundred and fifty"  
"a tenth" or "one tenth" or "tenth"

**Monthly Competition Schedule:**

This season, each Beginner round robin is given the flexibility to set their own competition schedule with several options:

- Start in either October, November, or December
- Have an optional "warm-up" meet over block 1
- Skip a month(s) during the year, perhaps after the holidays
- End the season early

Here are three suggested schedules: (questions will be posted according to schedule 1)

	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3
October	Block 1		
November	Block 1	Block 1	
December	Block 2	Block 2	Block 1
January			Block 2
February	Block 3	Block 3	Block 3
March	Block 4	Block 4	Block 4
April	Block 5	Block 5	Block 5
May	Blocks 1-5	Blocks 1-5	Blocks 1-5

**Beginner Nationals:**

- The 2012 Beginner National Bible Bowl will be held June 10-12 at the Crowne Plaza/Coco Key resort in Sharonville (Cincinnati North), Ohio.

**NIV for Matthew:**

- Please note that there are several different versions of the NIV currently in circulation, including the new 2011 version. In order to ensure that players and coaches are using the official Bible Bowl version, PLEASE USE AN OFFICIAL STUDY TEXT/QUESTION BOOK.

**Translation for Bible Bowl for the 2012-13 Season and beyond:**

- As previously announced, we have been informed by Zondervan that after this season we are no longer permitted to publish any materials using the 1984 version of the NIV. Because of this, during this past winter the Board of Directors solicited input from the Bible Bowl community as to which translation Bible Bowl should adopt going forward. After considering these comments, and after careful research of all the issues involved (including consultation with some of our Bible college professors), and much prayer, the Board of Directors has unanimously decided that the official Bible Bowl translation beginning with the 2012-13 season (the season after Matthew) will be the English Standard Version (ESV). The ESV is one of the top 5 most popular translations and we feel that it will make a wonderful translation for Bible Bowl. For additional information about this decision, click here: <http://www.biblebowl.net/Data/AnnouncementsEsv.pdf>