**GRADUATION REPORT**

**INTRODUCTION**

BVBIZ held her first ever graduation ceremony on the 2nd of June. The program was well attended and went beyond our expectation. Many church leaders and preachers came to witness the event, besides relatives and friends of the graduates. Members of the church from far and wide were also present. We appreciate God for such sacrifices. The program took place at the Nashville church of Christ grounds.

GRADUATES

**Certificate of Biblical Studies**

The following students graduated with the BVBII certificate;

Partmore Simbi

Kudakwashe Madyira

Godknows Mutambara

Tinashe Mazhambe

Tafadzwa Maseko

Happison Bvukumbwe

Tomson Mlawuzi

Innocent Stima

Divine Jana

Daniel Chikware

**Certificate of Completion**

The following ladies received a local certificate of completion;

Victoria Chayabandi

Linda Mutsambi

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

BVBIZ was blessed to have 2 guest speakers, that is, Donnie Estep and Dr Daniel Gwini. Dr. C.T Mugweni was also available to lead the ordination process. These succeeded in giving a relevant message to the students, faculty and those in attendance. We appreciate the sacrifice these two made to be with the school during this important day.

**AWARDS**

Students who do well should be recognised and rewarded for their efforts. Almost all awards found sponsorship from individuals who have chosen to be associated with the school. Some of the awards have been named after their sponsors and some of these shall stand as a memorial for long in the school. The following is the full list of awards and the students who got the award.

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|  | **AWARD** | **STAKE** | **NAME** |
| 1 | **Raradza Valedictorian Award** (Student with Highest grades) | Trophy and Cash | Kudakwashe Madyira |
| 2 | **Nyamadzawo Homiletics Award** | Cash | Tinashe Mazhambe |
| 3 | **ALDN ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARD**– Best Entrepreneur | ALDN to sponsor the student in a diploma program | Innocent Stima |
| 4 | **Nyahada Leadership Award** | Trophy and Cash | Tomson Mlawuzi |
| 5 | **Kufa Award** (for the Most Improved Student) | Cash | Happison Bvukumbwe |
| 6 | **Greek Award**(Sponsor Anonymous) | Cash | Kudakwashe Madyira |
| 7 | BVBIZ Best Female Award | Books | Victoria Chayabandi |
| 8 | **Mpofu Barnabas Award**For the Student who encouraged others more*The award is chosen by students* | Cash | Partmore Simbi |
| 9 | **Timothy Award**(Anonymous Sponsor)*The student who showed the greatest zeal in evangelism* | Cash | Godknows Mutambara |
| 10 | ALDN Smartest Student(in terms of dressing) | Student to proceed to Diploma free of Charge | Tafadzwe Maseko |
| 11 | **Isaiah Suwari Memorial Award***Given to a student who is a visionary and who displayed a high level strategic thinking in terms of God’s work* | Memorial Shield | Partmore Simbi |

**LEGEND OF THE CLASS**

The graduation class set a record which is yet to be surpassed by the next classes. This is in terms of their practical which they did throughout the period as students. The following have been their comprehensive results.

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|  | **2016** | **2017** | **2018** | **TOTAL** |
| Total Hours Out | 410 | 2650 | 1165 | 4225 |
| Sermons Preached | 61 | 223 | 75 | 359 |
| Counselling sessions | 4 | 59 | 11 | 74 |
| Bible Classes Taught | 81 | 156 | 62 | 299 |
| Song leading opportunities | 31 | 125 | 47 | 203 |
| Restorations | 5 | 47 | 13 | 65 |
| Baptisms | 30 | 102 | 119 | 251 |
| Total prospects | 501 | 2191 | 574 | 3266 |
| New Congregations |  | 3 | 2 | 5 |

**APPRECIATION**

BVBIZ would like to thank all those who attended including our guest speakers. We also appreciate the sacrifices made by Nashville church of Christ in the preparation of food and setting up the venue. Appreciation will also go to those who sponsored the awards. The awards lightened up the event and gave the new students the impetus to work hard.

This day represented the sacrifices, sponsorships and donations that were made. Without these, this would not have been possible. Special mention go to Woodland Oaks Church of Christ and Bear Valley Bible Institute International. Thank you once again.