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## BGW FAQ SHEET ON BIBLICAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

### **Q: What is B.E?**

B.E. is a comprehensive, transformational, **discipleship course** that provides a strong mix of core concepts and biblical principles. It is designed to teach how to use the Word of God as a guide to exercising stewardship over His resources. This 3-part course includes the following classes:

- Principles of Biblical Entrepreneurship (BE I)
- Practices of Biblical Entrepreneurship (BE II)
- Planning a Kingdom Business (BE III)

### **Q: Is B.E. only for people in business?**

No. B.E. 1 is for everyone in a church/community. The curriculum focuses on biblical stewardship (God's ownership) where the concepts of faith, work and economics intersect. BE 1 will look at four key components: 1) The principle of ownership, 2) The principle of responsibility, 3) The principle of accountability, and finally, 4) The principle of reward. The concept of stewardship is one of the most exciting and life-transforming concepts in the entire Bible. B.E. helps believers understand and apply this compelling truth, transforming every area of their lives – home, careers, and church.

### **Q: Why are we doing BE 1 in our church to start our capital campaign process?**

It is vital that everyone has a foundational understanding of what it means to be a steward of the resources entrusted to all of us. In addition, many churches are looking toward sustainable projects (business on their church campus) and we want everyone to be on the same page and understand why and how the church should be stewarding these businesses. While there is great information shared in the class, **it is the individual transformation that we are looking for in the life of every person within the church in relationship to their stewardship responsibilities.**

### **Q: Is it important to reach those who consider themselves Entrepreneurs?**

Yes. Business leaders and potential business leaders are not only foundational in a community; they are also foundational in the life of a church. Entrepreneurs have a unique opportunity to make positive global changes while remaining profitable. They have the power to change lives and livelihoods in the communities and countries where they operate. We see them as the conduit for real change and development – a ripple effect that begins with the business and moves into the community at the grassroots level. B.E. will teach them God's way rather than the world's way of operating their business.

### **Q: Would BE appeal to business leaders outside of our congregation?**



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Yes. Some churches are encouraging members to bring one person they know in business for free to take the course with them. This also is a great opportunity to introduce people in business to your local church. Many entrepreneurs who take BE often join the local church they attend the class at. So not only are you blessing your own church, you can also bless your community.

## **Q: Is there a cost to B.E?**

We have opened this event to everyone for FREE. BGW is offering BE 1 as part of the capital campaign process. The normal cost for BE 1 is \$495.00 per person. If individuals choose to take BE 2 and BE 3 they would pay for that cost themselves. BE 2 and BE 3 are not offered under BGW but are available nationwide with Nehemiah Project International Ministries.

## **Q: Will BE 2 and 3 be offered?**

Yes, if a church chooses to offer 2 & 3 they can do so outside of the BGW capital campaign process. BE 2 & 3 really are for those who want to start a business or are in business and for that reason they are not part of the BGW capital campaign process, but they are very helpful in the continual discipleship process of business leaders and a great way to continue to build the local congregation. BGW will provide further information on upcoming class opportunities and allow for your local church to host those classes if desired.

## **Q: What is the class format like?**

The class is a highly interventional with plenty of opportunity for discussion. We try and engage all styles of learning with plenty of breaks.