



May 24, 2024

Rev. Thomas I. Peretic
President
Free Gospel Bible Institute
P.O. Box 447
Export, Pennsylvania 15632

Dear Rev. Peretic:

This is to notify you that the Pennsylvania State Approving Agency (PA SAA) has determined that Free Gospel Bible Institute (school or institution) meets the criteria for approval for Veterans Education under the provisions of Title 38, United States Code, Section 3676. Authority for this approval is taken from U.S. Code, Section 3676 for non-accredited institutions.

The school's approval is effective August 29, 2023. The PA SAA verifies that all required documentation was completed on March 9, 2023. It is for the **new catalog**. This approval is based on a review of the school's most recent publications:

Free Gospel Bible Institute
2023-2025 2.1 Catalog

A list of the specific programs approved for the enrollment of persons eligible for veterans' education benefits is enclosed.

The school does not have any Extension (Teaching site) locations.

Based on a review of the application documents submitted by the school, the PA SAA has made the following determinations specific to the noted regulations:

- The school does not utilize advertising, sales or enrollment practices that are erroneous, deceptive or misleading either by actual statement, omission or intimation (38 CFR 21.4254 (c) (10)). A website/social media review was completed on March 9, 2023.
- The educational institution keeps adequate records to show progress and grades of the eligible person or veteran and to show that satisfactory standards relating to attendance, progress and conduct are enforced (38 CFR 21.4254 (c) (7)).
- The educational institution maintains a written record of the previous education and training of the eligible person or veteran that clearly indicates that appropriate credit has been given by the educational institution for previous education and training, with the training period shortened proportionately (38 CFR 21.4254 (c) (4))
- The school has adequate space, instructional materials, and instructor personnel to provide training of good quality (38 CFR 21.4254 (c) (3)).
- Based on the documentation provided by the facility that has been reviewed by the SAA, to the best knowledge of the SAA, the facility reference above complies with all local, county, municipal, State, and Federal regulations such as fire codes, building, and sanitation codes (38 CFR 21.4254(c)(8)).

- The educational and experience qualifications of directors, administrators, and instructors are adequate (CFR 21.4254 (c) (3)) and are supported by an attestation from your school of these qualifications.
- The institution, per the reviewed financial documents, is financially sound/capable of fulfilling its training commitment.
- The approved programs are not avocational or recreational (38 USC 3680A).
- The courses, curriculum, and instruction are consistent in quality, content, and length with similar recognized accepted standards. (38 CFR 21.4254 (c) (1)).
- We accept that the institution's administrators, directors, owners and instructors are of good reputation and character as attested by the institution.
- Certificates of completion are provided to students.
- The institution follows an acceptable pro rata refund policy (38 CFR 21.4254 (c) (13)).

Also, from the documents submitted, the following are approved:

- In residence training
- Non-College Degree (NCD) Programs listed on Diploma/Certificate Inventory

Enrollment limitations continue to meet the provisions of 38 CFR 21.4254 (non-accredited). All courses are limited. Student to Teacher Ratio is 4 to 1.

The school is not approved for contracted education (38 CFR 21.4233(e) and 38 CFR 21.4252(m))

Please note the following stipulations to the school's approval:

- In accordance with Title 38 USC 3679(e), the school will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities, or the requirement that a covered individual borrow additional funds, on any covered individual because of the individual's inability to meet his or her financial obligations to the institution due to the delayed disbursement funding from VA under chapter 31 or 33.
- Records and accounts of students will be kept intact and in good condition on your premises for not less than three years following last date of attendance.
- This approval acknowledges the school's intent to accept and participate in staff development opportunities as made available by the Pennsylvania State Approving Agency or in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.
- The institution is required to keep complete records of all advertising, sales, and enrollment materials used during the most immediate twelve months which shall be made available for inspection. The school is constrained from using advertising, sales, or enrollment practices which are erroneous, deceptive, or misleading by actual statement, omission, or intimation.
- Any additional facilities used for instructional purposes in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania require prior approval by the Pennsylvania SAA.
- The institution hereby assures the Pennsylvania State Approving Agency that it does not provide any commission, bonus, or other incentive payment based directly or indirectly on success in securing enrollments or financial aid to any persons or entities engages in any student recruiting or admissions activities or in making decisions regarding the award of student financial assistance.



- This approval may not be extended to a new owner or location without approval by the Pennsylvania SAA.
- The school is required to notify the Pennsylvania State Approving Agency of changes in academic policies or procedures, as well as new programs.
- As required per 38 USC § 3684, the school will report to the VA any enrollments, interruptions, or terminations of the education of each eligible person.
- VA may discontinue benefit payments if VA determines that the program fails to meet any of the requirements outlined in Title 38.
- Not required, non-credit courses and/or courses taken on an auditor basis are excepted from this approval.

Notification of this approval has been forwarded to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) in Pittsburgh. Following review by VA staff the approval will be entered into their computer system. Enrollments and payment will not be processed until this approval is entered into the system.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN							
PROGRAMS:	IHL	NCD	APP	OJT	CORR	FLIGHT	L & C
Approved/Revised		1					
Disapproved							
Other Actions:							
Approvals		2					
Disapprovals							

I appreciate your continued cooperation in meeting the educational needs of our country's veterans, eligible dependents, and reservists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Renner", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dennis J. Renner, Veterans Education Advisor
 Division of Veterans and Military Education

cc: Jacob Jellison
 Pittsburgh VA (38012738)



APPROVED DIPLOMA/CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Title 38, United States Code, Section 3676

INSTITUTION: Free Gospel Bible Institute

FACILITY CODE: 38012738

Diploma/ Certificate	Program	Total Credit Hrs.	Total Clock Hrs.	Theory Hours (classroom learning)	Practical Hours (hands on learning)	Remarks	Pg. #
Diploma	Ministry		2016	2016	0		26

**Approved Teaching Locations
C. F. R. 21.4266**

INSTITUTION: Free Gospel Bible Institute

CATALOG: 2023-2025

Definitions:

Main campus means the location where the primary teaching facilities of an educational institution are located. Branch locations that have their own facility code and administrative capacity are listed as main locations.

Extension means a location of an educational institution that is geographically apart from and is operationally dependent on the main campus or a branch campus of the educational institution.

Type (Main or Extension)	Name	Address	Facility Code
Main	Free Gospel Bible Institute	PO Box 477 Export, PA 15632	38012738