



Nipawin Bible College  
PR1011/1021/2011/2021- Student Ministry - Living Proof  
Mr. Doug Harkness  
2022/2023  
1 credit hour/semester  
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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Living Proof will creatively communicate biblical truths reflecting excellence in God-honouring dramatic presentations to a variety of audiences utilizing and developing the gifts and talents of each team member. Team members should expect to grow in skills relating to drama, communication, leadership, and evangelism while cultivating faith and character.

*"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed..." (2 Tim. 2:15).*

## **THE BIG QUESTION**

How can I utilize drama to effectively communicate biblical truth?

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

With successful completion of this program, students will:

- Demonstrate the Great Command/Great Commission through the medium of drama.
- Develop faithful service to Christ by being accountable to God and leadership.
- Develop God-given gifts and abilities while working harmoniously with others.
- Build-up and encourage fellow believers in faith, hope and love.
- Guard the integrity of NBC through effective and excellent service.

## **COURSE ASSIGNMENTS**

### **Fulfillment Requirement: Rehearsals and Outreach - 40%**

- Attend and contribute to the success of all *Living Proof* rehearsals with enthusiasm, creativity, and courage (**Tuesdays 2:30-4:00pm & Thursdays 2:30-4:00pm**).
- Memorize repertoire by deadlines given at rehearsals.
- Contribute to all *Living Proof* events (**three weekends or roughly 6-8 events per semester & nine-day spring tour**):
  - reach out to people during all outreach events.
  - perform all presentations with diligence and generosity.
  - execute all given responsibilities (i.e. set-up, take-down, clean-up, props, sound equipment, etc.).

## Personal Testimonies - 20%

- Students will each prepare a five to seven-minute presentation sharing part of their walk with Christ. After submission to the supervisor, testimonies will be presented in a regular rehearsal and at one or more outreach events throughout the semester at the supervisor's discretion.
- Personal testimonies should not seek to synthesize everything from your life story. Instead, such a brief presentation should follow a particular theme or aspect of your life and encounter with Jesus Christ.
- A second testimony will be prepared in the second semester highlighting a different theme or event(s) in the student's life.

Personal Testimony 1

***DUE: Thursday, October 20, 2022***

Personal Testimony 2

***DUE: Thursday, February 9, 2023***

## Ministry Synthesis - 20%

- Students will write a short ministry synthesis *each semester*.
- Interact with your personal experience of the semester's ministry, personal growth, and surprises.
- "What did I see in a new way?"
- "What will I do differently next time?"
- Students will individually debrief with the team leader to discuss their reflection, receive personal feedback, and pray.
- DO NOT summarize your ministry activities. Reflect on your growth.
- Hint: Keeping a journal will help you identify patterns and themes.

NOTE: This synthesis will be 3 full pages in length, and is to be typed in accordance to the guidelines in Kate L. Turabian's *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, 9th ed. (Chicago, IL: The University of Chicago Press, 2018) for papers. These assignments will be graded on the basis of content, clarity, grammar, spelling, and the student's ability to follow the instructions given. Assignments will be due **at 8:30 am** on the day that they are assigned.

First semester Ministry Synthesis paper

***DUE: Thursday, December 8, 2022***

Second semester Ministry Synthesis paper

***DUE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023***

## Debriefing - 20%

- Each student will meet to debrief with the *Living Proof* Director at least once each month, prepared to report on their involvement, discuss the results of their ministry engagements and pray together. A schedule will be posted on the office door of

Mr. Harkness, and it is the responsibility of each student to schedule his/her own meeting.

### ***MINISTRY GUIDELINES***

- Pray for the Lord's enablement as you serve.
- Grow personally in your relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Love those we serve:
  - Intentionally interacting (initiate conversation, ask questions, listen intently);
  - Being attentive to the needs around you;
  - Having fun!
- Assist in whatever responsibilities assigned by the ministry leader.
- Model Christ in word and deed as you interact with people.