

34th Annual Sterling Invitational Bible Quizzing Tournament February 21, 2009

Who is invited: Any church that has a Teen Bible Quiz Team consisting of at least two quizzers. We do not allow All-Star teams, although we do allow combined teams that have quizzed together all season. If you have any questions about your team status, please let me know.

When and where: Saturday, February 21, 2009, at First Church of the Nazarene, 411 13th Avenue in Sterling, Illinois, 61081. There will be a coaches' meeting at 7:45 a.m., with quizzing beginning promptly at 8:30 a.m. All quizzing should be finished by 6:00 p.m.

Chapters covered: Luke chapters 1-21 from the New International Version.

Entry fee: \$30.00 per team, no refunds. The entry fee now includes the snacks on Friday evening *and* lunch on Saturday for the coach and team. Additional lunches may be purchased for \$5 per person. The entry fee goes toward the expenses of the tournament. Please make checks payable to Sterling First Church of the Nazarene.

Deadline for Entries: February 8, 2009, or until all positions are filled. We will be setting up a "Round Robin" tournament for up to 27 experienced teams and 18 novice teams. *Please register early to reserve your spot!* Register online at www.centralregionbq.org (preferred method) or Mail your registration to the address listed below. *Packets containing the registration forms are usually mailed the first week in December. If you do not receive one or want to make sure you do, please contact the tournament director.*

Scholarship Award: Scholarships from Olivet Nazarene University will be awarded to the top quizzers and team.

Trophies: Trophies will be awarded for the top individuals and teams.

Offering: We will be taking a special offering for the translation of Bible Quizzing materials and support of the USA/Canada quiz ministry. God has blessed us so much; let's give back to those in need. Personal checks will be accepted and should be written to General Treasurer COTN with a memo stating JFANG offering.

Friday Night: Again this year we are planning a come and go fellowship time on Friday, February 20, 2009 beginning at 7:00 P.M. Please come by for a time of fellowship and refreshments. Also, we are planning a short officials meeting beginning at 8:00 P.M. We would like as much of the equipment as possible to be delivered / set-up on Friday evening. We will be using the Quiz Machine program in all rooms and having the equipment set-up beforehand will make the morning much smoother.

Officials: If you are interested in officiating, please contact Bill Horning at www.centralregionbq.org or register at www.centralregionbq.org/tournaments.htm.

Overnight Lodging: We strongly recommend coming in and staying Friday night, as quizzing begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday and may not end until after 6:00 p.m. This can be a very long and tiring day for your quizzers.

There are seven large motels in the area:

Country Inn & Suites – 815-625-3200

2106 1st Ave, Rock Falls, IL
Off I-88 (Sterling-Rock Falls exit)

Holiday Inn – 815-626-5500

2105 1st Ave, Rock Falls, IL
Off I-88 (Sterling-Rock Falls exit)

Super 8 Motel – 815-626-8800

2100 1st Ave, Rock Falls, IL
Off I-88 (Sterling-Rock Falls exit)

Americas Best Value Hotel – 815-284-1890

443 IL Route 2, Dixon, IL
located between Sterling and Dixon on Route 2

Comfort Inn – 815-284-0500

136 Plaza Dr, Dixon, IL
Off I-88 (Dixon exit)

Quality Inn & Suites – 815-288-2001

154 Plaza Dr, Dixon, IL
Off I-88 (Dixon exit)

Super 8 Motel – 815-284-1800

1800 S Galena Ave, Dixon, IL
Off I-88 (Dixon exit)

If you do not get your reservation in early enough this year, please continue to try next year. We are always excited to greet new teams! Also, if you know of a quiz team who may not receive our information, please pass it along to them. We are looking forward to a great Invitational!

RESERVATION FORM

TEAM ROSTER

Coach _____ 1. _____

Address _____ 2. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ 3. _____

Contact Phone _____ 4. _____

Church/Team Name _____ 5. _____

Church Phone _____ Division: Experienced / Novice

E-mail _____ Amount Paid _____

Are you bringing quiz equipment? Y N Qty _____ Type _____

Also, please list any **personnel** that may want to help along with their **phone number**.

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For more information, please contact:

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