



Biblical Education by Extension

BEE Bible School International

Annual Report 2023-2024

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Words from the Principal

This year the word is ‘worry’ or rather how not to worry.

Fresh out of business school, a young man answered a want ad for an accountant. Now he was being interviewed by a very nervous businessman who ran a small business that he had started himself. “I need someone with an accounting degree,” the businessman said. “But mainly, I’m looking for someone to do my worrying for me.” “Excuse me?” the accountant said.

“I worry about a lot of things,” the business man said. “But I don’t want to have to worry about money. Your job will be to take all the money worries off my back.” “I see,” the accountant said. “And how much does the job pay?” “I’ll start you at eighty thousand,” said the businessman.

“Eighty thousand dollars!” the accountant exclaimed. “How can such a small business afford a sum like that?” “That,” the businessman said, “is your first worry.”

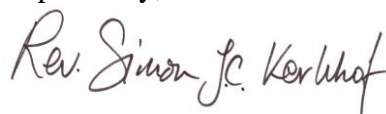
The word “worry” comes from an old Anglo-Saxon word meaning to strangle or to choke. While we need to be attentive to life’s concerns, worrying about them “chokes” the joy out of life. Worrying is like driving a car with one foot on the accelerator and the other foot on the brake. The wheels are spinning, a lot of rubber is being burnt, but you are going nowhere.

Or as someone has said: “Worry is like a rocking chair. It will give you something to do but it will not get you anywhere!”

Jesus addresses worry as in Matthew 6:25-27: ***“Therefore I tell you, stop being worried or anxious (perpetually uneasy, distracted) about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, as to what you will wear. Is life not more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow [seed] nor reap [the harvest] nor gather [the crops] into barns, and yet your heavenly Father keeps feeding them. Are you not worth much more than they? ²⁷ And who of you by worrying can add one hour to his life? (AMP)***

With this instruction from the Lord Jesus Christ, we rejoice and look forward to what the Lord has for our school in the next Academic Year.

Expectantly,



Rev. Simon J.C. Kerkhof

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Report from the Board

Introduction

This past academic year has possibly been more trying than previous years. Covid-19 still has a major effect not only on people in not going anymore to their churches but also for our BEE Bible school as people seem to have lost interest to know the reality of the Word of God. We had a small start however we began the academic year with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in control and now we closed our sixteenth academic year.

We had 5 students this year in total. Several of our students did not finish the program, either because of illness or other personal situations, either because their inability to study in the English language or because they had different expectations. Regrettably this meant that they did not earn their module certificate(s). Due to the lack of students for the 4th module we were forced to close the school. However we do rejoice that in the end we did have one graduate who, in spite of her personal circumstance, received her diploma.

The BEE Bible School in Sierra Leone after making a new attempt to start up the school in Bo regrettably due to unrest in their country it did work in the end. Poverty remains continuously to be so destructive in so many African nations. Also the new Presidential election and then the military attempt to take over the government caused such a political uproar which had a deep impact in the daily lives of the people. Again we have had no reports from the BEE Bible Schools in Liberia or Guinea. Also the Principal underwent major surgery earlier in 2024 which resulted in a very slow healing process. Because of these realities the Principal was not able to visit these nations. We are still seeking the Lord Jesus in prayer to see if by the Special Grace of God the BEE Bible Schools can be restored.

In spite of the situation this year we are grateful to the Lord as He provided for the school in so many ways even with such a low attendance. Nevertheless we are very thankful to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and our sponsors who stood with us both in prayers and finances.

This report will give an account of the developments of Stichting BEE Bible School in the Academic Year 2023-2024.

Organization

Stichting BEE Bible School (hereafter called BEE) is governed by a Board. This year gave no changes. Therefore the positions of the Board were filled as follows: Rev. Simon J.C. Kerkhof (Principal/Chairman), Elder Diamond Ugbeye (Secretary/Treasurer), Minister Raquel Maitland (Coordinator) and Pastor Semere Woldegabriel. We are still seeking the Lord for a Vice-Principal who will also function as Secretary. The Board has met 3 times this academic year due to other commitments and other duties that took priority for some of the members of the Board.

This year the visit to Ghana had to be postponed once again.

The Standing Committee (Principal, Secretary/Treasurer) met 12 times either in person, via phone, WhatsApp, and or e-mails.

BEE preserved the ANBI qualification which recognizes our charitable aim and makes gifts to BEE tax deductible.

Teachers & Teachers Conferences

We thank the Lord that He blessed us with a complete teaching staff this academic year. Each of the teachers was able to renew their commitment to the school.

The teaching staff reflects the international character of the school. This year we had two teachers from Nigeria, one American, one from Jamaica, two from Ethiopia, one from New Zealand, one from Congo and two from Sierra Leone. Several teachers hold a degree in theology; all teachers serve in their local churches as pastors, elders, evangelists, or have a church leadership position.

We give thanks for each of our teachers as they so generously share their time, energy and God given knowledge as they teach at BEE. By their faithful implanting of the Word of God, our students have been equipped to serve the Lord more effectively wherever the Lord takes them.

This year the Teachers Conference was on June 22, 2024.

Students

Looking at each of the separate modules we have had some major challenges this year.

1st module

5 students

1 student met the requirements of the curriculum

3 didn't manage to meet the requirements of the curriculum

1 left the program

2nd module

4 students

2 students met the requirements

2 didn't manage to meet the requirements of the curriculum

3rd module

3 students

2 didn't manage to meet the requirements of the curriculum

1 left the program

4th module

no students

Our students had different levels of former education from a university degree to no formal education. They have come from countries like: Ethiopia, Curaçao , Uganda and Sierra Leone.

Teaching Days

In the academic year 2023-2024 we were only able to have lesson days for the first 3 modules, thus making our academic year a total of 15 teaching days. On each teaching day three subjects have been taught according to the following time frame:

1st period: 10.00 - 11.30

break

2nd period: 12.00 - 13.30

break

3rd period: 14.00 - 15.30

Lesson days were held every two weeks except for holidays. A lesson day consists of a 90-minute lesson for each of the three streams: *Bible, Faith* and *Skills*. A module consists of five lesson days, thus with four modules there is a total of 60 lessons, or 90 hours of teaching time in total.

Module	Bible (B)	Faith (F)	Skills (S)
1	B1 - What is the Bible?	F1 - Who is God?	S1 – Communication Skills
2	B2 - Old Testament	F2 - Man, Sin & Salvation	S2 – Christian Ethics

3	B3 - New Testament	F3 - Sanctification & Discipleship	S3 – Evangelism
4	B4 - Wider Issues	F4 - Calling, Gifts & Ministry	S4 – Church History

Study Hours

BEE Bible School is characterized by assignments which the student must do at home. Students commit themselves to about 10.5 hours of study each week of the 10 month program. Each subject will have an average of 7.0 hours of homework per teaching day. This is 3.5 hours per week per subject.

Every subject consists of 5 lessons of 1.5 hours. Including the homework assignments this makes 42.5 hours per subject. Each module consists of three subjects. To successfully finish a module takes 127.5 hours of study. To become a BEE graduate and receive the BEE diploma all four modules need to be passed. BEE graduates have thus studied 510 hours to attain their diploma.

A Study Load Form is used by each teacher for each of the 12 subjects. This does not only allow for monitoring the amount of homework assignments, it also provides for insight and more credit when our graduates transfer to other educational institutions to further their education.

In The Netherlands study hours are calculated according to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). One study credit (EC) stands for 28 hours of study. This means that each BEE subject is 1.5 EC ($42.5 / 28 = 1.5$). Each module successfully passed gives 4.5 EC and the full BEE program grants 18 EC.

Graduation

We started this academic year with five students. Then down to four students in the 2nd module, to three in the 3rd module, and the 4th module with no students. Two students met the requirements for the modules. On June 22 we had our Graduation service where one student received her diploma.

Public Relations

This academic year some of the challenges with the BEE website were not resolved. We looking for an IT engineer, who can work on the website. The web address is still <http://www.bee-bible-school.org>. The Principal has posted several articles on Facebook. At the closing of the academic year 200 people were fan of BEE Bible School on Facebook.

The Principal spoke at several churches and other events to make work of BEE more known.

Challenges and future objectives

By the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, BEE keeps receiving students and because of His blessings, it continues to develop in spite of the challenges faced. We are particularly asking for prayer in that more students will come to study at our institution and that the Lord Jesus will grant us more sponsors.

Finding mentors for each of our students to assist them in their studies continuous to be an issue. Regrettably it is still a challenge to find the right people.

We are blessed again that we could use the Nebokerk in Rotterdam as our teaching location.

The plans of the Principal to go to Ghana and Uganda to start BEE Bible Schools were canceled and thus remain on hold.

Last but not least we want to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to our prayer partners and our sponsors. In the financial part of this Annual Report you can see how much has been given this year to further the work of BEE Bible School International. These partners do not want their names to be made known – however Father knows you and He will reward you for your faithfulness.

The Board is indebted to each person involved in the ministry of BEE Bible School International. By faith we have worked these last 16 years and now by faith we are looking forward to the coming academic years with the continuous aim to equip more workers for the Kingdom of God.

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and on the earth; Yours is the dominion and kingdom, O Lord, and You exalt Yourself as head over all. 1 Chronicles 29:11 (AMP)

Financial Report 2023-2024

Pijnacker, July 31, 2024

Introduction

This financial report is based on the financial administration of the foundation “Stichting BEE Bible School” (hereafter called BEE). The responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of this report lies with the Treasurer of BEE. This financial report is prepared ensuring that it conforms to the generally accepted accounting policies pertaining to financial statements in The Netherlands.

General

The major activity of BEE is giving of Biblical education in the English language to those who seek refuge in The Netherlands and anybody who wants to study the Bible in the English Language. BEE was founded on August 11, 2009 and is a non-profit organization.

Financial Position 2024

Net income according to income statement	(€ 656.38)
Fiscal year net income	(€ 656.38)

Basis for accounting and income recognition

Tangible assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost price less depreciation based on the estimated useful life of the fixed asset.

Other assets and liabilities

All other assets and liabilities are valued at face value.

Depreciation

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets is calculated using fixed percentage of 20%.

Computers & Accessories 20%

Balance sheet per 31-07-2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Current Assets	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
Cash	37.09	693.47	810.90	1184.63	832.51	665.75
Account receivable					-	-
Prepaid expenses					-	
Total Current Assets	37.09	693.47	810.90	1184.63	832.52	665.75
Fixed asset						
Equipment & building	-	-	-	-	-	-
Computer & Accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	37.09	693.47	810.90	1184.63	832.52	665.75
Liabilities (Expenses) and Equity						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts payable	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Long term liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Equity	37.09	693.47	810.90	1184.63	832.52	665.75
Total liabilities & Equity	37.09	693.47	810.90	1184.63	832.52	665.75

Notes on balance sheet 2024

The balance sheet per 31-07-2024 shows the assets and liabilities of BEE. The amount € 37.09 is the balance of BEE for the book year 2023-2024. Cash constitute residual cash after accounting for all expenses. The profit and loss account follows hereafter.

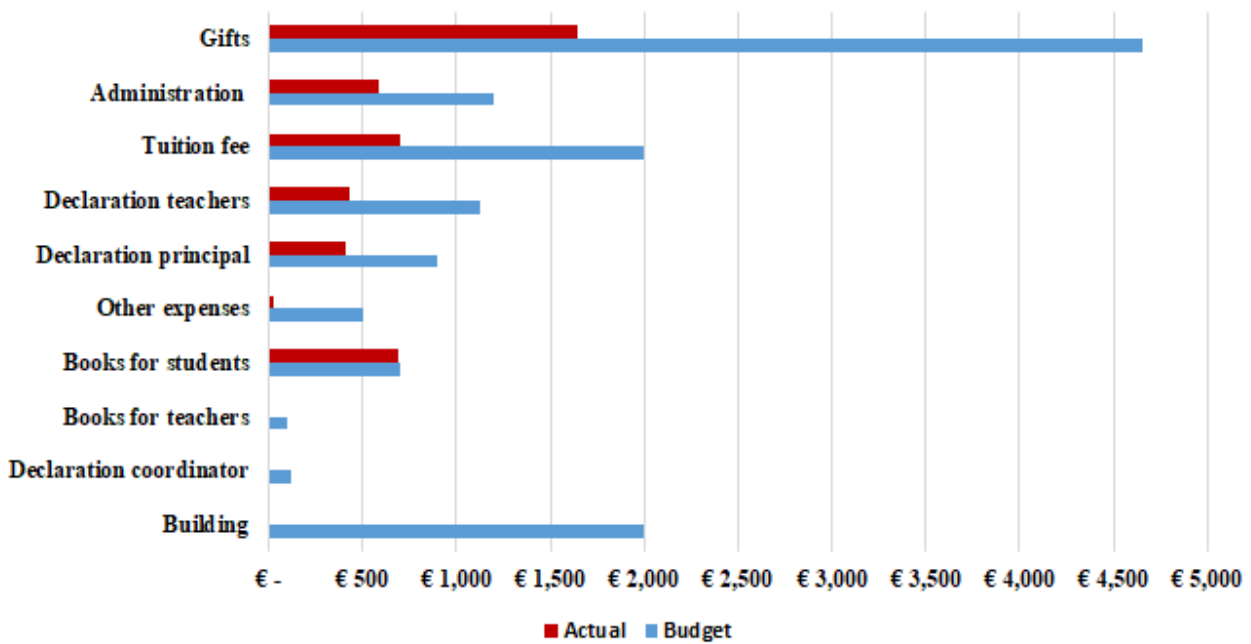
Financial review

Looking back to the book year 2023-2024, a challenging financial result was achieved. In the fiscal year, 5 students were received and trained. However, only 1 graduated with a diploma. The fiscal year result is adversely impacted by books bought for students and also because there were no students for the 4th module. The cost of Bibles and study materials increased significantly following inflation and higher cost to get books from the USA to the Netherlands.

Compared to prior year, tuition received decreased by 36.4% from €1100.00 to €700.00. This is because there was no student for the 4th module. Income from sponsors decreased by 49.8% from €3266.00 prior year to €1640.00 partly because the Principal received limited financial support for missionary journey to Africa and because no trip was made to Africa no extra funds were sourced and received from sponsors. The total expenses for the book year 2023-2024 decreased by 33.1% when compared to the total cost for prior fiscal year. The expenses decreased from €4484.45 to

€2996.38. The decrease in expenses is mainly due to lower cost for missions. Comparing the financial result to the budget of 2023-2024, an income realization of 33% was actualized (See figure 1: Gifts + Tuition fee). The budgeted income was €6650.00, and the actualized income was €2340.00. In terms of expenses, the budgeted expenses for the book year 2023-2024 was €6650.00 and the actualized expenses amounted to €2996.38 which is approximately 45% of the budget. The actual vs. budget gap, is mainly due to absence of building cost in 2023-2024. Furthermore, it is paramount to note that in the book year 2023-2024, 70% of BEE’s income came from sponsors which is 5% lower than prior year. Besides, this reiterates the importance of support from sponsors whom without BEE will be unable to meet her financial obligations. Besides, for sustainability of BEE, it is paramount to maintain and enlarge the present sponsor’s relationships and support.

Figure 1: Budget vs. Actual 2023-2024



Profit and loss Account 2019 - 2024

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
Income						
Gifts	1640.00	3266.10	1740.00	1797.60	4100.00	6305.98
Student fees	700.00	1100.00	150.00	600.00	805.00	950.00
Interest					-	-
2014 Equity adjustment					-	-
Total income	2340.00	4366.10	1890.00	2397.60	4905.00	7255.98
Expenses						
Student books	686.44	216.27			110.90	566.68
Administration	588.33	498.35	921.57	1086.66	3501.55	4658.07
Coordinator declarations			-	-	-	-
Principal declarations	406.25	317.21	177.06	196.60	377.15	740.89
Other expenses	22.03	72.82	257.29	81.18	-	-
Teachers' declarations	433.33	394.80	417.81	321.05	559.33	759.70
Scholarship			-	-	-	-
Mission	860.00	2985.00	490.00	360.00	360.00	360.00
BEE Library						
Total Expenses	2996.38	4484.45	2263.73	2045.49	4908.33	7085.34
Net Income	(656.38)	(118.35)	(373.73)	352.11	(3.93)	170.64

Notes on profit and loss account 2023-2024

Income

Gifts denote the financial gifts received from sponsors of BEE which amounts to €1640.00. The total tuition fees from students for the book year 2023-2024 amounts to €700.00. The tuition fee per module for each student is €50.00.

Expenses

For all the cost made, there is a receipt / bank statement with the Treasurer to validate the cost. Administration cost amounts to €588.33. Administration costs include expenses such as: website cost, bank account cost. Principal declarations consist of envelopes, telephone cost, brochure cost, etc. Total teachers' declarations amount to €433.33. The teacher's declarations consist primarily of travel expenses and other expenses such as photocopying/printing costs for study materials used in their classes. Scholarship consists of students that are unable to pay the tuition fee of BEE in full but can participate in the BEE program. Not all teachers ask for reimbursement of their expenses thus the actual teachers' expenses are higher than the reported €433.33.

Net Income

In 2023-2024 the net income amount to (€656.38)

Detail description of profit and loss account

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Income	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)	(€)
Gift from former students	-	-	-	-	-	-
BEE graduation offering	-	51.10	-	87.60	-	115.05
Gift from sponsors	1640.00	3215.00	1740.00	1710.00	4100.00	6190.93
Student fees	700.00	1100.00	150.00	600.00	805.00	950.00
Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014 Equity adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2340.00	4366.10	1890.00	2397.60	4905.00	7255.98
Expenses						
Student books	686.44	216.27	-	-	110.90	566.68
Administration						
Website	364.36	334.77	318.02	164.58	201.97	45.96
Bank account	223.97	163.58	163.40	158.38	174.58	176.18
Kamer van Koophandel annual fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
BEE brochure/others	-	-	-	-	-	-
Photo copies/Envelopes/Stamps/Others	129.4	317.21	115.20	644.88	105.00	559.50
Advertisement						-
BEE Sierra Leone	-	-	400.00	200.00	3020.00	4435.93
Mission cost fiscal year	860.00	2985.00	490.00	360.00	360.00	360.00
Graduation celebration cost	-	72.82	103.78	-	-	-
Books BEE library	-	-	40.15	-	-	-
Coordinator declarations					-	-
Principal Declarations	406.25	317.21	177.06	196.60	377.15	181.39
Teachers declarations module 1	165.22	114.00	230.56	114.00	174.05	254.55
Teachers declarations module 2	90.66	114.00	136.80	37.75	204.50	162.45
Teachers declarations module 3	48.05	-	-	48.35	180.78	170.40
Teachers declarations module 4		166.8	50.45	120.95	-	172.30
Mission cost next year		2985.00	-	-	-	-
Scholarships	-	-	-	-	-	-
Teachers conference cost	22.03	-	38.31	-	-	-
Others						
Total	2996.38	4485.45	2263.73	2045.49	4908.93	7085.34
Net Income	(656.38)	(118.35)	(373.73)	352.11	(3.93)	170.64

Figure 2: Net income 2019 – 2024 (€)

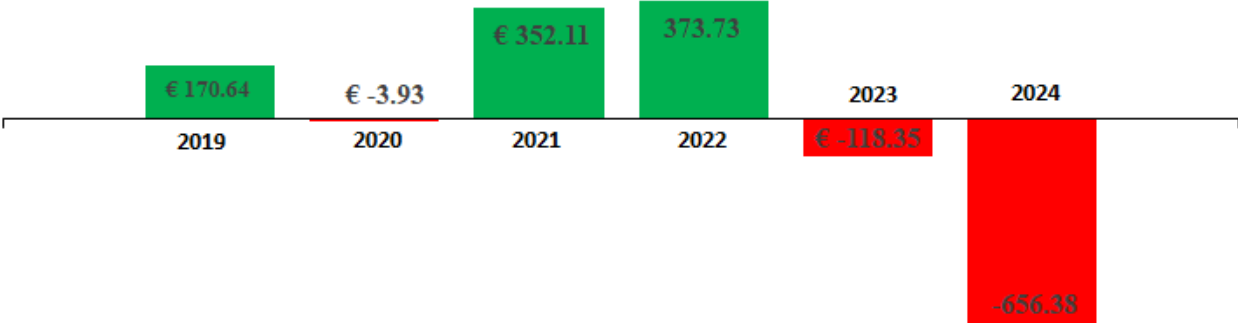


Figure 3: Total Assets and Liabilities 2023 – 2024



Budget 2024 – 2025

Income description	Amount per module (€)	Number of modules	Number of students	Amount (€)	Expenses description	Amount (€)
Tuition	75	4	10	3000	Books for students	700
Gifts				3650	Declarations Coordinator	120
					Declarations teachers	1130
					Books for teachers	100
					Building	2000
					Administration costs	1200
					Declarations Principal	900
					Other expenses	500
Total				6650		6650

The budget for “Books for Students” is €700.00 because BEE expects to build-up its stock of books for students. The declarations for the Coordinator are €120.00, even though the Coordinator does not declare her cost, a budget is made for her should the need arises. “Teachers declarations” is kept at same amount as last year because this is not expected to be higher in the fiscal year 2024-2025. Administration costs include expenses such as: website cost, bank account cost, envelopes, advertisement, telephone cost, transportation cost, photo copies, gifts etc. The budget for the “Declarations of the Principal” is kept at €900.00. Buffer/other expenses e.g. support for missionaries is €500.00.

Note: Budget is based on 10 students however BEE has the facility / capacity to accommodate and train 20 students per annum.