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# NEWSLETTER

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## ARTIOS STATS

I love stats! Here's some of ours.

**SINCE LAST CONVENTION,** over 150 students have registered for close to 600 classes and earned more than 2000 credits! 25 have completed an academic program and will be recognized at graduation commencement this Saturday. Nearly 300 have participated in an Artios Center for Vibrant Leadership webinar, and dozens have audited a satellite campus course.

**IN TOTAL** (since 2009), 660 students have registered for over 4700 classes, earning a whopping 15,888 credits! 220 have completed their program. Of these 220 graduates, 10 are from outside of US/Canada, 46 are current active licensed ministers (comprising 65% of the active licensed ministers), 42 are women, and 112 have taken their classes in Spanish.

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## MEET YOUR CO-DIRECTORS

**B**rian Franks and Makayla Ross are the co-directors of Artios Christian College. As co-directors, they provide vision-casting, administration and oversight, and are members of a Leadership team, where decisions are made collaboratively with Artios department heads.

As part of the Artios collaborative model, our co-directors also serve in other roles within Artios. Brian serves as the Dean of Academic Affairs where he oversees academic programming, provides faculty oversight, and teaches classes, as needed. Makayla serves as the Registrar, where she assists students from their first interest through graduation

and beyond through admissions and registration, policies, records, and oversight of student services.

Brian is husband to Jessica and a father of Jackson, Eli, Allison and Emma. They reside in Colorado Springs, CO where Brian is involved in his local church. In his free time, Brian enjoys hiking and biking in beautiful Colorado, and reading.

Makayla is mom to 3 daughters, Neva, Selah, and Eden, and the widow of David Ross. They make their home in Owosso, MI. Makayla enjoys family outings (preferably outdoors, when Michigan weather allows), organizing, and crime shows.

## INVITATION TO JOIN THE ARTIOS COMMUNITY

Artios Christian College invites you to join the Artios community in one or more of the following ways:

### 1. AS A STUDENT



[CHECK OUR FAQ'S](#)

### 2. AS A PRAYER PARTNER

Pray for our ministry. Artios Christian College needs your prayers! You can pray for our students, our instructors, and/or our staff. Your prayers are greatly appreciated!

### 3. AS A FINANCIAL SUPPORTER

Artios Christian College equips men and women, pastors and non-pastors, in English and Spanish. Artios is the only college that teaches and supports COG7 doctrine.

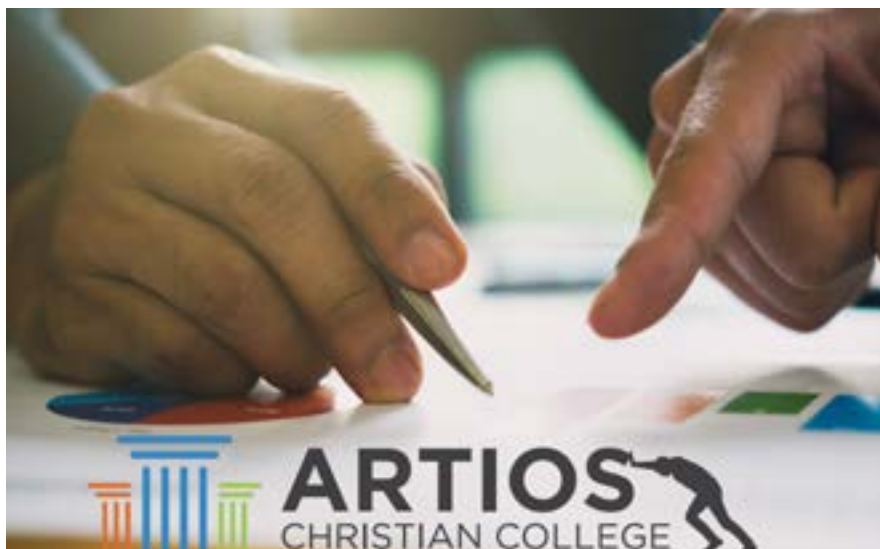
Did you know? Tuition only covers 25% of our budget. 75% comes from offerings and tithe allocation. Your donation helps keep us running and keeps tuition low for students.

GIVE HERE:



### 4. AS AN AMBASSADOR

An Artios Ambassador is a volunteer who will be attending CoG7 events and will promote Artios with a table and/or slideshow or video. Please contact Lisa Harp Hinds at [lisa.harp@artioscollege.org](mailto:lisa.harp@artioscollege.org) for more information.



## NEW DEVELOPMENTS

### HOUSTON SATELLITE CAMPUS

Artios is excited to be piloting an in-person hybrid classroom in Houston, TX. This program is planned to run eight courses over two-year cycles in English and Spanish. Students who successfully complete this sequence will earn the requirements for a Certificate of Leadership Studies from Artios. This program expands our instructional methodology with a focus on in-person interactions, but otherwise uses the same course outline and syllabus for each course as the standard online versions of each class.

### RE-RECORDING LECTURES

We are in the middle of recording new lectures for all our classes. Many of these lectures were recorded a while ago and the recording quality is sometimes not very good. We have developed a production process for these lectures, and we are pleased with the resulting quality. We have also incorporated visuals and teaching aids into the videos in editing.

This process will take about two years but should improve our courses as the video lectures provide an important audio and visual element to each class.

### INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Artios has received interest from international students since the beginning. Some of our graduates hail from overseas. However, the cost of school for international students, even online, is particularly high. With this in mind, we have set a path for a COG7 International Scholarship to help with the cost. To qualify, students must have a proven track record of taking classes with Artios, among other things, and then must apply to receive it. Consider donating to the Artios "Scholarship Fund", as this may be the only way for some students in our sister conferences to get this kind of training.



### STAY UPDATED ON WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO!

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## SPOTLIGHT ON INSTRUCTOR: GUSTAVO GUERRERO

**V**ersatile and dependable are among the characteristics that come to mind when we think of our Brother, Elder Gustavo Guerrero.

Gustavo has humbly contributed to ministerial training in our General Conference for several decades, teaching classes from MTS, through LifeSpring, to Artios Christian College.

Gustavo has taught courses in all departments and levels of the Artios curriculum. He has instructed the following courses:

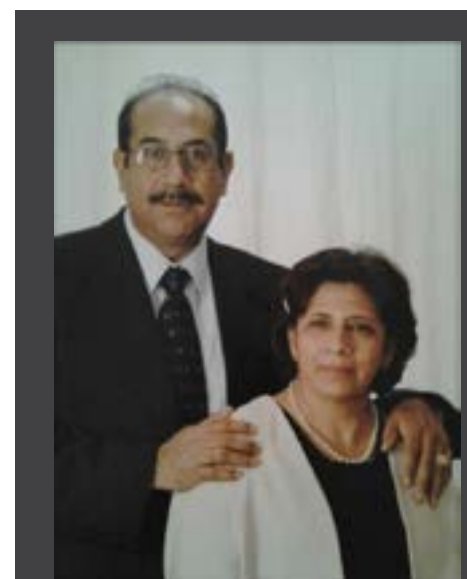
- BIS 101 History and Literature of the Old Testament
- BIS 104 History and Literature of the New Testament
- BIS 201 Biblical Interpretation
- CHE 301 Christian Education
- COM 341 Expository Preaching
- HIS 321 History of Western Christianity
- LEA 301 Spiritual Formation and Leadership

- LEA 321 Ministry in the Church of God (Seventh Day)
- LEA 331 Church Administration
- PHI 311 Worldviews
- THE 201 Christian Theology
- WOA 311 Prayer Ministry

Although he has expressed difficulty in choosing a favorite course, he is particularly noted for his theological and pedagogical merits in the following areas: Biblical Interpretation, Expository Preaching, Christian Theology, Worldviews, Christian Education, and the Old and New Testaments.

In addition to serving in pastoral ministry and teaching Christian education classes at his local church, Gustavo has participated in several trips with the SHINE missionary team. He has also taught courses in the Southwest District (SWD) and currently continues to serve as an instructor Conference-wide on other virtual platforms. He also mentors other pastors and aspiring ministers. Gustavo lives in the Dallas, Texas

area. Following the passing of his wife, he has had the comfort of living with his children, who have been a great support and companion during this time. Additionally, he can claim the joy of having ten grandchildren.



Elder Gustavo Guerrero and his late wife.



# THANK YOU AMBASSADORS!



Two ambassadors who represented Artios Christian College in varios events. Left: Josue Zelaya with Santiago Chavez at NAMC Dallas 2024. Right: Benoni Alba at the NED Leadership Retreat 2025.

## LET'S GET SOCIAL

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