

TRANSNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS (TRACS)

ACCREDITATION COMMISSION ACTION

Public Disclosure Statement Regarding the Change of Status for MAPLE SPRINGS BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE AND SEMINARY

Capital Heights, Maryland

From ACCREDITED to ACCREDITED – ON PROBATION

Issued by the Accreditation Commission on April 25, 2017

Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary: The following information is provided by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) regarding the current status of Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary (MSBBCS). Information presented is made available in accordance with TRACS policy. Neither the Commission nor the staff of TRACS will make further comment regarding this institution.

What action has the Accreditation Commission taken with regard to Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary? On April 25, 2017, the Accreditation Commission voted to place MSBBCS on *Probation*. MSBBCS will have one year to come into compliance with the Standards noted below with a first *Progress Report* due August 15, 2017. A second *Progress Report* will be due February 15, 2018. The Commission action became final upon the expiration of the Appeal period, on June 5, 2017.

What is the accreditation status of Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary?

The institution will maintain the current *Accredited – On Probation* Status until the April 2018 meeting of the Accreditation Commission.

What will happen at the next meeting? At the next meeting, the Accreditation Commission has the following options:

If the institution corrects its deficiencies and demonstrates compliance with the Accreditation Standards noted below, the Accreditation Commission shall remove all adverse action against the institution.

If the institution has not corrected its deficiencies and demonstrated compliance with the Accreditation Standards noted below within the period allowed, the Accreditation Commission can:

- i. Grant an extension of *Probation* for no more than six months (This can only be granted one time and is not granted as a matter of right.); or
- ii. Require the institution to Show Cause why its accreditation should not be terminated.

Why was the accreditation of Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary changed to Accredited - on Probation? This action of the Accreditation Commission was based on the determination that the institution's non-compliance with the Accreditation Standards is

substantively significant and rises to the level where the institution's ability to fulfill its mission or to provide a quality educational experience consistent with that associated with an accredited post-secondary institution is in question. In summary, the Commission found that BBC was not in compliance with Standards 17.1, and 17.5. (Financial Stability).