# FALL 2023 REPORT TO OUR PARTNERS

The Foundation for American Christian Education



oday, our nation faces challenges on all fronts, reflecting how we have educated our children. We are at a crossroads to redirect our nation's path and alter the outcome. A new outcome will require Christian education.

This report documents how FACE is stepping up to support parents and school leaders to equip them for this battle. We are working with forty-seven new schools in different states, plus every week, more are contacting us. Many Christians see the enormous need to restore biblical values, and Christian character, conscience, and self-government in our nation, the hallmarks of a Principle Approach® education. We want to ensure that Principle Approach® education is available to support parents in instructing their children in biblical principles in every state.

FACE continues to publish new curricula. Most recently, the Language Mastery: Literature and Classic Grammar Level Four, one of a series to instruct middle school reading, speaking, and writing skills. We plan to complete Verna Hall's last volume in the Biblical Foundations of the Constitution series this year, drawing attention to the theology in early America that shaped our Constitution.

Visionary leaders across the U.S. and internationally come to FACE for training and support to begin Principle Approach® schools. Current school sites include Atlanta, Georgia, Coffeyville, Kansas, Gloucester, Virginia, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Chula Vista, California, Livermore, California, Houston, Texas, Shelton, Connecticut, and Tidewater, Virginia. Plus, other sites are in process.

Your partnership and support of FACE and these Christian education leaders in 2024 will help redirect our path and make possible a new outcome for America and our world. Having the vision and the courage to step up and provide more opportunities to educate our nation for tomorrow is a worthy investment.

Thank you!

Carey Woodruff, Executive Vice President

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# Over 100 Participants Took Part in the Principle Approach Master Teacher Certification Program in 2023

# FOUNDATIONS COURSE: THE ART AND PRACTICE OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

FACE welcomed 39 participants and 15 faculty/staff to the Foundations Course at Crossroads Church in Portsmouth, Virginia, from June 26th to July 1st. Another 26 participants joined us live online from home and at several Principle Approach® schools, where teachers benefitted from the interaction and comradery of learning with colleagues.

The Foundations Course is the first step in becoming a certified Principle Approach Master Teacher and instructs in authentic American Christian education's philosophy, methods, and curriculum. The course builds on the wisdom and knowledge of Christian character and conscience in concert with the home and the church. Christian parents, teachers, and pastors are instructed to reclaim authentic Biblical philosophy and methods that belong to children by their birthright. The successful completion of Foundations Practicum I and assigned independent study is the prerequisite to attending the Applications Course.

Attendees represented teachers and administrators from 26 schools, including 10 planning to open in 2023 or 2024. Onsite participants enjoyed tours of the Hall-Slater Library, StoneBridge School, Historic Jamestown, and Williamsburg. It was a tremendous week of teaching and learning authentic Christian Education!

# TAKING THE FOUNDATIONS COURSE ON THE ROAD

FACE welcomed 35 participants to the Foundations Course in Tyler, Texas, July 31th-August 4th. The course was hosted by Christian Heritage School (CHS), a Principle Approach School headed by Jeff Schapansky. The CHS faculty, administration, and several staff were in attendance, along with Barbara Kilkenny, who co-founded the school with her husband Jim in 1980.

It's finally here! Language Mastery: Level Four is the newest addition to The Noah Plan® Curriculum. This volume seamlessly joins classic grammar and classic literature to equip students with speaking and writing skills and the joy of literature and learning. Christian parents and educators are mandated to carry the American spirit to the next generation, and The Noah Plan is designed with that idea in mind. Biblical, principled education will enable our children to maintain and carry liberty, self-government, and Christian character into a future America. The Teacher Guide and Student Handbook are now available!

# APPLICATIONS COURSE: APPLICATIONS FOR AUTHENTIC CHRISTIAN TEACHING AND LEARNING

FACE received 14 participants July 10th-14th to the Applications Course at the Teaching Center and Hall-Slater Library. The Applications Course is the second level of Teacher Certification and is open to participants who have successfully completed Foundations. The course solidifies the practical application of the Principle Approach philosophy, methods, and curriculum in the classroom. It is designed to equip teachers with instructional, planning, and curriculum development skills based on a Biblical philosophy of education.

The attendees represented Lamb's Academy, Liberty Hill Christian School, True Foundation, Christian Heritage School, Dayspring Christian Academy, and several individuals not connected to a school. International attendees included those from Brazil (AECEP) and Uganda (Reformations). Inspired teachers are now ready to complete the Practicum II and prepare to come to the Exhibition Course in 2024.



# NEW PRINCIPLE APPROACH SCHOOLS OPENING!

Three brand new Principle Approach® schools opened this school year. Celebration Life Academy in Livermore California, Oaks Christian Academy in Atlanta, Georgia, and Sequoia Christian School in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania are all part of FACE's Leading Schools program.

# EXHIBITION COURSE: DEMONSTRATION OF A BIBLICAL PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

This program is based on reasoning from the Bible. The Exhibition Course for Authentic Teaching and Learning was held at the Teaching Center and Hall-Slater Library from July 24th to July 25th. This is the final course towards becoming a certified Principle Approach® Master Teacher. In 2023, FACE graduated the third class of fully certified Principle Approach teachers. Four participants were awarded diplomas in the Hall-Slater Library on July 25, 2023. Each person successfully completed the program that culminated in teaching a model Principle Approach lesson. The model lessons included 5th-grade level mathematics, patriotic music, providential history, and The Mayflower Compact.

This class included Texas, Florida, California, and Oklahoma graduates, and two who plan to start a Principle Approach School. It is so exciting to see God's providential work throughout our nation and world, and we look forward to serving the growing numbers in our Principle Approach Master Teacher Certification Program.



## **LEADING SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

Two groups visited the FACE Teaching Center in May and September to attend the Leading Schools Orientation. Participants from Florida, Texas, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Georgia, and South Carolina came with a desire to start or support a Principle Approach® school in their area. Our nation is waking up to the state of education in our government and even some Christian schools. More patriots are "stepping up" to establish principled schools that will help return America to our Biblical governmental roots.

The FACE Leading Schools program provides a two-year program of mentoring and training individualized to the needs and goals of the school leaders. The introductory steps include an on-site visit by a FACE representative. The applicants are then invited to visit a Principle Approach demonstration school as preparatory to discerning the potential success of working with FACE.

Testimony from one Leading Schools Orientation participant: "I thoroughly enjoyed the StoneBridge School classroom observations, particularly seeing how the principles were taught, and to see and understand the use of the timeline for each subject."



# **VERNA MARIE HALL RESEARCH AWARD**



The 2023 Verna Marie Hall Research Award was presented to Ana Rinaldi, Educational Consultant for the Associação de Escolas Cristãs de Educação por Princípios (AECEP). Ana was honored as a scholar whose heart was awakened to Principle Approach education and pursued its full mastery. She has practiced and shared it liberally and produced curriculum materials to supply its growth in Brazil and internationally. The award was presented at the annual AECEP conference in San Paulo, Brazil.



## **Setting Priorities.** Our long-term goals remain steadfast and focused on:

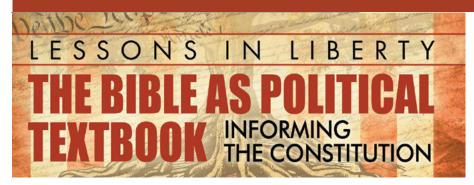
- Strengthening the impact of the 47 schools we work with.
- Strengthening the Principle Approach Teacher Certification Program to offer more options to prepare teachers to enter the classroom equipped and ready to teach.
- Growing the Principle Approach curriculum by adding Language Mastery to form excellent reasoning, speaking, and writing skills.
- Supporting parents and schools with Biblical Christian Education, assisting them in stepping up their duty to their children's character, spiritual growth, and education to preserve and protect American liberty.

## Prayer is the first and most important mobilization of strength.

We are grateful for: our awakening to the new move of God in education

### Please Pray for:

- New schools that have opened this year and those that are preparing to open.
- For FACE to meet the growing needs in Christian Education in America and internationally.
- Funding of the FACE strategic plan to reseed communities with the principles of liberty and biblical education.
- Staffing needs of FACE as we continue to expand for the work ahead..



Lessons in Liberty is a series of 9 lectures and courses sponsored by The Foundation for American Christian Education (FACE) to help citizens better understand the source of liberty in our American Christian Constitutional Republic. A new topic begins in September of every year. Join like-minded patriots who love God's Word, and together, master the "lessons of liberty" so you can be used of God to help bring every aspect of culture "captive to the obedience of Christ."

Register now for lifetime access to all 9 lectures in the 2023-24 The Bible as Political Textbook: Informing the Constitution series. Join us live in-person and online, or watch recorded lectures at your convenience.

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"What I found most inspiring and encouraging was that every subject can be taught with Biblical principles, the importance of liberty, and seeing God's providence in all of history."

Foundations Course Texas Participant

"Excellent. So glad I attended. Great balance of philosophical (foundation/ framework of Principle Approach) and practical (model lessons, hand-outs, etc.). Qualified, prepared, and gifted presenters. Well worth my time."

Principle Approach® School Leader

# God moves His people to get involved, for such a time as this.

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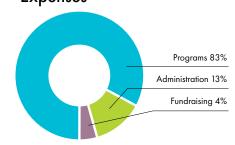
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