

Certificate of Bible and Ministry – Wives Programme

Married women who meet the criteria for diploma or degree studies are encouraged to apply for those programmes. For those who are not eligible for diploma or other studies, CLTC has established a wives' programme. For local churches to have an effective ministry, they need strong leadership not only from trained men but also from trained women as well. It is often said that behind every successful man is a supportive and understanding wife. Thus, the aim in the Wives' Programme is to develop their knowledge and abilities so that they will be confident and equipped to work alongside their husbands in their future ministries.

The programme is offered over a period of two years of residential studies for wives of Diploma of Ministry students, and an additional two years for wives of Bachelor of Theology students. The Wives' Programme is conducted in *Tok Pisin*.

The programme delivers the following:

1. The role of women in the life of the church and the community.
2. A spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ to become mature in Christ.
3. A balanced understanding of the Word of God and how to share it with others.
4. Practical skills to enhance family life and assist in practical ministry activities.
5. A strong family relationship so that the home becomes an example of Christian care and love to the church and the community.
6. Peaceful living, promoting harmony within their own families and their neighbours.
7. Unity and oneness within the family and community.
8. A concern for the task of world missions and the place of prayer in reaching unreached people groups.
9. Good teaching skills appropriate for children's, youth and women's ministries in Melanesia.
10. Both biblical and practical courses.

Literacy training (*Kisim Save*) and *Tok Pisin* are available to all those who need it.

Below is the curriculum for the Wive's Programme. Year three and four are offered each consecutive year.

Year	Formation	Bible	Theology	Ministry	Practical
1	Discipleship Christian marriage Prepare for Battle	OT Survey NT Survey		Child nurture Sunday School/RI	Home manage Nutrition/Cooking Gardening
2	Worship Leading like Christ	Life of Christ Genesis 1 Corinth.	Interpret the Bible Christology	Preaching Women's ministry Pastor's wife Bible study methods	Sewing Health and hygiene
3 2017	Women in the Bible	Exodus Acts	God, Sin & Salvation Holy Spirit Missions	TEE tutor Counselling	Typing & Secretarial Handcraft
4 2018	Prayer	Ephesians John	Church False religions	Evangelism Youth ministry	Computer Bookkeeping

Table 1: This table shows all the units that will be studied and undertaken