



## ST ANDREW'S THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE (SATC)

**COURSE NAME:** ENGLISH BIBLE II- THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

**COURSE CODE:** BS202

**COURSE CREDIT:** 1

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

The Ministry of the apostles is highlighted following the Ascension of Jesus. In the face of opposition, persecution and serious challenges including imprisonment, incarceration and death, Christianity finds a beginning and spreads throughout Asia and reaches Rome. The course highlights the significance of the ascension, Pentecost, the conversion of Saul to Paul. It focuses on the miracles of the apostles and traces the spread of Christianity through missionary journeys.

### **AIM:**

- To show how the apostles and other leaders attempted to fulfill the Great Commission in taking the gospel to “Jerusalem, Judaea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth”.
- To create an understanding of the sequence of events from the ascension of Jesus to the missionary journeys of the apostles in spreading the Word

### **LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Students will be able to:

- Appreciate how the early Church is a continuation of the ministry of Jesus.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the ministry of the apostles in the spread of Christianity.

### **COURSE CONTENT:**

- Connecting the ministry of Jesus and the ministry of the apostles.
- Significance of the Ascension and the Great Commission.
- Significance of the coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost.
- Significance of the conversion of Saul the persecutor of the church to Christianity - Saul takes the name Paul.
- Miracles by the Apostles.
- First Missionary journey. The spread of Christianity.
- Conflict in the church. How the apostle approached the conflict. Significance of the Jerusalem Council in the handling of conflict in the Church.
- Christianity continues to spread. More missionary journeys are undertaken.
- Christianity reaches Rome.

### **COURSE TEXTS:**

Barclay, W. (1976). *The Acts of the Apostles*. Westminster: John Knox Press  
Martin, R. P. I. (1994). *New Testament foundations: A guide for Christian students*. (Vol.2). Grand Rapids: Eerdmans Publishing Co.  
*The Acts of the Apostles*.



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### TEACHING AND LEARNING STRATEGIES:

Individual and Group presentations

Discussion

Role-Play

### COURSE ASSESSMENT:

Class Attendance 5%

Mid Term 30%

Class Presentation 15% (Individual Student Presentation - Written and/or Oral)

Final Exam 50% (Essay; Group Project)

TOTAL 100%