

# **Impact of the College of Theology Bible Teachings to the Graduates of the Adventist University of the Philippines**

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## **Abstract**

Bible teaching is indispensable to Adventist education; however, there is dearth of literature to measure its impact to students. This study examined the impact of the College of Theology Bible teachings among the students of the Adventist University of the Philippines who graduated in 2016-2017. Descriptive design was used to measure the impact of COT Bible teaching has had on the students. Data were gathered from 123 senior students using the convenience sampling strategy. The existing Desired Spiritual Outcomes questionnaire was used to determine its impact. Mean was used to determine the level of impact and Standard Deviation to determine whether the impact was homogenous or not. Findings revealed that the graduates' relationship to Jesus, commitment to Seventh-day Adventist perspective and lifestyle, commitment to SDA Church, understanding of the teachings of the Bible has been highly impacted except making a difference and commitment to service. Adventist students are highly impacted than non-Adventist. Gender was not significant, except on commitment to SDA church where female students showed more commitment than male students. In terms of their relationship with Jesus, commitment to SDA church, and commitment to service, the college of Education was highly impacted compared to other colleges. No significant difference was found in terms of length of stay to AUP. COT Bible teachings have very high impact on students' understanding of Bible teachings, commitment to SDA church, and Commitment to service. Although Relationship with Jesus was still on the high level but some aspects must be strengthened. Making a difference and Commitment to service was on the average level which means that Bible teachings has to be focused more on the outcomes. Adventist students were highly impacted compared to the non-Adventist while among the different college, the COE were greatly impacted compared to others. Future research can be focused on the non-Adventist only to see the real impact of Bible teachings on their lives. Also, bigger number of samples should be considered to have a better picture of the results.

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