

TRANSNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
CHRISTIAN COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS
Meeting a Higher Standard

June 3, 2020

Dr. Marcia Wilbur, President
Athens College of Ministry
1331 New High Shoals Rd
Watkinsville, GA 30677

RE: Accreditation, Category III for Athens College of Ministry

Dear Dr. Wilbur:

At its meeting on May 21, 2020, the TRACS Accreditation Commission voted to grant Athens College of Ministry (ACM) Accredited status as a Category III institution approved to offer the following degree programs:

- Certificate in Christian Ministry
- Associate of Arts (A.A) in Christian Ministry
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Christian Ministry
- Master of Arts (M.A.) in Christian Ministry
- Master of Arts (M.A.) in Christian Leadership – (currently in abeyance)

After the staff review of your Spring 2020 Institutional Response Matrix, it was determined that ACM has satisfied 2 of the 4 Recommendations and all of the Suggestions given by the Evaluation Team. ACM is required to submit a Progress Report addressing the 2 remaining Recommendations by August 15, 2020. This Commission action also requires that ACM demonstrate compliance with the remaining "In Process" Recommendations by February 15, 2021.

When submitting your Progress Report matrix and supporting documentation, please send one printed copy and one electronic copy (on a CD or flash drive) of all materials. Be sure the electronic copy of the matrix is submitted in MS Word format. Progress Reports must be submitted in the requested format as TRACS will no longer accept Progress Reports by e-mail. The matrix will be provided to you in MS Word format as an e-mail attachment within the next few weeks.

Initial Accreditation is for a period of five years (2020-2025). For Reaffirmation I, ACM must complete a successful Self-Study, host an Evaluation Team, respond to the team's determinations, and appear before the Accreditation Commission by the Spring of 2025.

When your status is printed in institutional publications, or posted on your website, it must be stated accurately and fully in the following manner:



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Athens College of Ministry is a member of the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) [15935 Forest Road, Forest, VA 24551; Telephone: (434) 525-9539; e-mail: info@tracs.org], having been awarded Accredited status as a Category III institution by the TRACS Accreditation Commission on May 21, 2020. This status is effective for a period of five years. TRACS is recognized by the United States Department of Education (ED), the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), and the International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE).

This status is retroactive to the first day of the 2020 spring term or semester for ACM This is in accordance with TRACS Board Policy BP305.

I congratulate ACM, its administration, faculty, and staff on its efforts and for its dedication and commitment to quality Christian higher education. Dr. Tanmay Pramanik, your staff representative, will be honored to continue to work with your institution as you move forward.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call the TRACS office.

Sincerely,



Timothy W. Eaton, Ph.D.
President

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Enc: Progress Report Matrix
Certificate of Approval for Accreditation

cc: Dr. Tanmay Pramanik, Vice President of Institutional Compliance (TRACS)
Meryl Lee Sawyer, Vice President of Administrative Services (TRACS)
Katie Hunter, Accounting Associate (TRACS)