What is “Grounding?” Grounding is to place the new saints deep into the truths and fundamentals of the Word. Like fresh plants into the ground, for giving a solid foundation and sharing nourishment, in the soil of the earth. Grounding helps new Christians grow and blossom.

Grounding and other means of support: This is a critical stage, where new converts need to be included, loved (hospitality) AND grounded in the Word, ignorance, neglect, not being utilized in the church and by its members in service roles, will affect the growth and long term stability of the new convert.

This material will not focus on a church class or of a group training class. This material will be a “How to manual” on individuals learning this content. If you have a group or church doing this, I’d encourage you to do rotate those who know the curriculum, with a sign-up sheet. This can be done by having a church or group of Christian members learn the content, and teach it, with each person in a single lesson study rotation with each new convert. If a member is sick for a scheduled meeting with a new convert, then have the next member step up, take that persons place on the sign-up sheet. The following material has only 4 lessons, so a ton of folks are not needed. Best to study with one new convert at a time, (unless with family members), most new Christians will be receptive to God’s truths, but not all. Go over the orange lesson book by Johnie Edwards below. AND after finishing the first book, “Home Bible Study”, which has only 4 very short lessons, yet all the essential fundamentals they need to know to remain faithful. Once you go over this content, you will be prepared to know how to teach. The second (blue book) lesson “Growing in Grace and Knowledge of the Lord,” is optional, not necessary, beyond the first book, (which has Bible authority, salvation, what the church is and worship in the church, including the need for attendance, and the One church. Fundamentals to help them remain faithful at the beginning.) But you can choose to share this other book with new converts, it will reinforce your teaching method, get you more comfortable with teaching, and will share more helpful curriculum for grounding new converts further in the Word. The more Bible study and truths they hear the better. Same method of teaching goes for both books.
How to Prepare: For orange book do all four lessons, fill in blanks. This will make you ready. You will already have the answers and be familiar with the lesson content. Your finished Book is your master copy. To readily teach the new converts. THIS CAN also be used to teach the lost.

HOW TO TEACH:

Once you learn how to teach this to others, you will also know how to teach people how to teach this as well, through reading and following this manual.

Open class with prayer

Have the new convert read a marked section of your choosing, the booklet is marked out in numbers and numerals, and alphabetical notations. Simply ask someone to read one or more of the marked out sections, then if there is scripture to look up, you both turn, they write /fill in the blanks. Then you read the marked notations of the next section of your choosing. Rotate doing this back and forth.

Each reading have that person discuss what they read, or ask them about what was read.

At the end of the class, after the new convert is finished with all the lessons, that person will be asked if they’d like to help share this material with others.

Emphasis in the new convert class, that evangelism is part of the Christian life. And is a must. They need to do this to be pleasing to God. The church climate must change in its attitude. New converts, who are well grounded can help to change this. This material “Home Bible Study” (orange book) by Johnie Edwards, again can also be used to save souls as well as ground.
Important Notes: Always bring new lessons for new converts, for first time studies. Also bring some pens and a bible.

If don’t know an answer to a question, say that’s a good question, I don’t know, I’ll check and get back with you. If you check and study and still need help, contact members in your class, a church friend, preacher, elder, etc.

It’s always good to have someone with you, when you study with someone alone.

This is great material for churches to teach Christians for prep to ground others, Bible group studies to teach, or for people to head up and teach others how to ground and save the lost. Simply by going over the book and giving instructions in this manual and by making a master copy.

Extra books can be ordered from FC Bookstore or at CEI Books.

You can prepare to do this, by going over the content at home, fill in the blanks, with answers, for your personal, “Master Copy” teaching book. Pray about this. Then get church support, or individual member support to teach the new converts, or just ask them yourself, if they’d like to get more familiar with the key principles to help them grow as Christians.

If you need moral support, have a Christian friend, or someone who is also doing this, or a preacher there, with you.

ANOTHER SPECIAL NOTE: Can use this to save and ground all at once; As another method of evangelism. Simply ask friends, family, coworkers, people you interact with, etc, “if they’d like to hear deep truths from God’s Word?”, or “would they like to hear life changing Bible teachings?” Or something similar. It’s always good to give a reason, why they should study with you. Site at a table with someone who is interested, study, let God do the work.