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Bible college offered

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Because of its size and location, Twin Lakes Baptist Church may be harboring one of the city's best-kept secrets — a Fort Lauderdale branch of the National Bible College.

Twin Lakes, at 4701 NW 11th Ave., is tucked away from main roads and currently has about 16 people who attend the 40-year-old church on Sunday mornings.

However, those curious enough to stop by Twin Lakes Baptist will discover a lot of information about the church and its ties to the NBC.

The **Rev. C. Norman Sellers**, pastor of Twin Lakes, founded the NBC in Fort Lauderdale on Sept. 17, 1993.

Twin Lakes at present conducts one NBC class, a course in Beginning Greek. But **Sellers** says three courses will be added in February: Beginning New Testament Greek, New Testament Survey and Theology III.

The **Rev. Paul Frick**, pastor of Southwest Community Church in Miami, has taught NBC courses since 1996.

"A person who attends [NBC] will take with him a fuller understanding of the scriptures and a greater competency to teach in a church setting," Frick said. "If he earns a degree, he would be equipped to handle a position on a church staff. If nothing else, the personal enrichment of a regimented study of God's word enhances an individual's spiritual life."

Sellers said the NBC is taking steps to launch new branches in local churches.

"An expanded and more versatile Web site is the first step," he said. "It is also our plan to develop our Web site so that students may take courses online," he said.