

## Counseling Services - FAQs



### **How much does it cost?**

*The cost for counseling at OBBC is \$50 per counseling session. If you are a member at OBBC the fee will be waived.*

### **How do I make an appointment?**

*Please contact the church office to schedule an appointment.*

### **How long will the counseling session(s) last?**

*The initial session typically lasts 60-90 minutes. Any subsequent sessions would be approximately 45-60 minutes. Childcare is available during business hours upon request.*

### **Do you offer appointments in the evenings or weekends?**

*Most appointments are scheduled during regular business hours during the daytime. Late afternoon and weekend appointments may be available on a very limited basis. Therefore, it may be necessary to handle it as one would a traditional doctor appointment and schedule time away from work.*

### **Do you provide counseling for kids under the age of 18?**

*Yes, however, parents have the best opportunity to influence their children. Because parents are committed to their children and emotionally connected to the pain the child is facing, it can be helpful for the parents to talk with a counselor to gain additional insight and perspective. A meeting with only the parents to offer counseling service will help them understand how they can best help their child and the family system.*

### **Is attendance at Open Bible a requirement of using the counseling services?**

*Attendance is not required; however, financial assistance is only available for Members of OBBC.*

### **Are there other pastors available to provide pastoral counseling services?**

*At Open Bible we believe in ministry through team. Every member of the team plays their part doing what they do best. Those on the team are trusted to provide services in a manner that is consistent with our mission, vision, and values. While Simon is the pastor of counseling he may not be the counselor for everyone, the other pastors and lay counselors are available on a limited basis.*