40 Years at BTS
Where are they now?

BTS Graduates through the Decades

Ishmael Dozier
M.A. in Ministry 1989

I graduated in 1989 with an M.A. in Ministry. At that time, I had already been serving as a pastor at New Hope Baptist Church in Bessemer for a number of years and used my theological training at BTS to serve my church, community, and to train the next generation of pastors. Following graduation, I started a child development center at the Church, which was a need in the community. I also developed and taught classes on youth ministry and developing youth leaders at BTS. I have been pastoring at New Hope Baptist Church for 28 years and it has been a privilege to see the church members growing spiritually through Bible teaching.

Brett Vebber
M. Div., 2006

As a chaplain at Children’s Hospital of Alabama, I minister to sick children and their families while they deal with all types of life and death situations. While volunteering for five years at Children’s Hospital, I obtained my M.Div. from BTS, was ordained by the PCA, completed a residency in hospital ministry, and completed the certification process for the national chaplaincy board. I am grateful to BTS for my Reformed theological training to minister grace to children and families at Children’s Hospital. Many are called, few are equipped. I am thankful to be equipped for ministry through BTS.

Scott Shoop
M.A. Apologetics, 2011

After graduating in May 2011, I moved to Granbury, Texas to work as a resident parent at North Central Texas Academy, a Christian college preparatory academy and boarding school. I live and work with high school guys, supervising them and making sure they are keeping up with their schoolwork and busy schedules, as well as being a Christian mentor and role model for them. I lead devotions in the home as well as teach and lead small groups at the school youth group. It is challenging but rewarding work and I greatly appreciate the theological and apologetics training that I received at BTS.
Announcements

EMBERS TO A FLAME CONFERENCE

Briarwood Presbyterian Church will host From Embers to a Flame, a conference on Church Revitalization, on January 24-27.

BTS students taking this class for seminary credit will receive a 50% discount of the conference cost. Seminary tuition also applies. In order to receive M.A. or DMin. credit, students must register with the office of Church Revitalization and with the seminary prior to the conference. The deadline to register for the conference is January 14th. Please contact the BTS office at 776-5356 and Meg Hawley in the Church Revitalization office at 776-5399.

LOGOS TRAINING

Saturday, February 9
8:30-12:30
$100
Snacks Provided
No academic credit for this seminar

Registrations due January 28.

The LOGOS software is required for all degree-seeking students. BTS is one of the few schools to enjoy a 50% discount on Logos. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn how to use this valuable ministry and study tool. To register, contact the BTS office.

NEW COURSE IN APOLOGETICS:
MORMONISM AND THE WORD-FAITH MOVEMENT
Clete Hux

AP8791 Mormonism and the Word-Faith Movement is being offered Monday nights from 5:30-7:30. You don’t need to be in the Apologetics program to take this course.

Jesus said, “You shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.” (John 8:32) In an age of religious pluralism all religious groups, except historical biblical Christianity, fail to teach the truth that Jesus proclaimed. Many claim to be orthodox and biblical, but depart from essentials of biblical truth. This certainly is true of both Mormonism and the Word-Faith Movement, and their popularity is without question!

In the case of Mormonism, everyone who has a TV has seen commercials promoting “The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints” (LDS). The image given is so positive that many people, including Christians, assume they are Christian. However, Mormonism’s teachings have always been outside orthodoxy. Not one essential truth of Christianity is compatible with Mormonism. Yet, Mormonism continues to grow. The LDS church has now overtaken the Southern Baptists in numbers with over 14 million members and is expected to reach 20 million in the next decade. Their missionary task force, over 60,000, is almost as large as the entire protestant church missionary task force.

Unlike Mormonism, which is clearly unorthodox in its teaching outside the church, the health and wealth gospel of the Word-Faith Movement is unorthodox in its teachings inside the church. That is, this movement came into being via Pentecostalism and charismatic renewals. As to popularity, try to tune in to Christian media without finding Word-Faith ministries, which are some of the largest churches and ministries in the world.

We live in a time of pragmatism and narcissism in which the individual has become the point of reference for interpreting life and reality. For example, both of these groups teach the divinity of man. Mormonism teaches that humans can become gods and Word-Faith teaches that Christians are little gods. Clearly both teachings are unbiblical and are merely the “tip of the iceberg”!

This course will compare Mormonism and Word-Faith to orthodox biblical Christianity so that we might be equipped for the challenges that continue in the 21st century.

40th Anniversary Banquet

held on October 19

Current Vice President, Thad James, Jr. and former BTS Dean Tommy Saunders.

Keynote Speaker Jake McCall and BTS cofounder and board member, Bill Hay.

Keynote speaker, BTS board member, and professor Michael Reese and BTS cofounder, professor and board chairman, Frank Barker.
NEW ADDITIONS TO THE DISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

We have been updating several of the Distance Education (DE) courses over the last several months. Brandon Robbins, the Director of Distance Education, has been hard at work updating syllabi and making improvements to the DE courses. The updated courses, with new professors are:

- **HT4641 Church History in America**    Jim Maples
- **HT4721 Reformation and Modern Church History**    Jim Maples
- **PT5527 Communications I**    Jim Maples

The M.A. or Certificate in Biblical Studies and the M.A. or Certificate in Biblical Conflict Resolution degree programs are completely available via DE, but you don’t need to live out of town to take advantage of the convenience of DE courses.

- Take a course between semesters to finish your degree program more quickly.
- Don’t see a course you need on the live schedule? It may be available via DE. Take DE courses with your live classes during the semester.
- Do you have an unpredictable work schedule or travel often? Take a DE course on your own time or on the road.
- Is 13 weeks (the amount of time in a live semester) too long to complete a course. Do you think you can move at a faster pace? You can listen to lectures and do assignments at your own pace with DE.
- If studying alone is not for you, get some friends together and study in cohort.

You can register anytime for a DE course and have up to four months to complete it. For more information about DE, visit our website or contact our office.

CERTIFICATE IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Last Spring, we announced the launch of the free Certificate in Ministry program in conjunction with Third Millennium Ministries. This online program is available to anyone for free, but only students living outside of the U.S. are able to earn this Certificate.

We presently have 117 International students in 38 different countries enrolled in this program: Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Colombia, Cyprus, Ecuador, Egypt, England, Finland, Ghana, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Peru, Romania, Saint Lucia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, Suriname, Sweden, Thailand, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.
The Board, Faculty and Graduates of the 2013 Graduating Class of

Birmingham Theological Seminary

invite you to attend

Commencement Exercises

on Friday Evening, May 17, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
in the Worship Center, Briarwood Presbyterian Church

Dr. Frank M. Barker, Jr.
Commencement Speaker
Reception Following in the Fellowship Hall

Birmingham Theological Seminary
2200 Briarwood Way
Birmingham, AL 35243
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### COURSE | PROFESSOR | DAY/TIME | ROOM
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PT5673 Ministry of Teaching | Dr. Richard Trucks | MON 6:00-8:00AM | W203
NT2012 Beginning Greek II | Mr. Bruce Horsley | MON 5:30-7:30PM | W202
AP8791 Mormonism/Word-Faith Movement (Special Topic) (1) | Rev. Clete Hux | MON 5:30-7:30PM | W203
BC7616 Biblical Counseling & the Law (2) | Mr. Glenn Waddell | MON 5:30-7:30PM | A209
PT5602 Biblical Principles of Christian Education | Dr. Dave Matthews | MON 7:30-9:30PM | W202
BC7505 Advanced Biblical Counseling (2) | Rev. Alonza Jones | MON 7:30-9:30PM | W203
HT4743 Presbyterian Church History | Rev. George Shamblin | TUE 6:00-8:00 AM | W203
OT1023 Old Testament III | Dr. Frank Barker | TUE 4:00-6:00PM | W204
PT5713 Biblical Origins of Church Government & Discipline | Dr. Tom Cheely | TUE 5:30-7:30PM | W202
AP8661 Christianity and Contemporary Culture (3) | Mr. Brandon Robbins | TUE 5:30-7:30PM | W203
ST3527 Systematic Theology II (Anthropology) * | Dr. Jeff Lowman | TUE 5:30-7:30PM | A209
BC7624 Readings in Biblical Counseling (2) | Dr. Luis Orteza | TUE 7:30-9:30PM | W202
AP8612 Advanced Apologetics II (3) | Mr. Brandon Robbins | TUE 7:30-9:30PM | W203
ST3530 Systematic Theology V (Ecclesiology) * | Dr. Jeff Lowman | TUE 7:30-9:30PM | A209
NT2012 Beginning Greek II | Mr. Bill Stroup | WED 6:00-8:00AM | W202
OT1022 Old Testament II * | Dr. Frank Barker | WED 5:30-7:30PM | W203
PT5637 Personal Evangelism (4) | Dr. Frank Barker/Mr. D. Allison | WED 6:30-9:30PM | S109
BC7755 Counseling in the Local Church II (2, 5) | Dr. Howard Eyrich | WED 6:30-8:30PM | A209
ST3526 Systematic Theology I * | Rev. Robert Alexander | THU 9:00-11:00AM | W203
PT5723 Expository Preaching II (6) | Rev. Michael Reese | THU 9:00-11:00AM | W204
MS6652 Techniques of Church Planting | Rev. Larry Cockrell | THU 5:30-7:30PM | W202
NT2023 New Testament II * | Rev. Morris Johnson | THU 5:30-7:30PM | W203
PT5527 Communications I | Rev. Jim Maples | THU 5:30-7:30PM | A209
BC7502 Counseling in the Local Church I (2, 7) | Dr. Larry Dozier | THU 6:00-8:00PM | MCFGC
PT5531 Christian Worker’s Personal Life | Mr. Jay Haley | THU 7:30-9:30PM | W202
HT4743 Presbyterian Church History | Rev. Jim Maples | THU 7:30-9:30PM | W203
ST3550 Bible Interpretation | Rev. Thad James, Jr. | THU 7:30-9:30PM | A209
NT2023 New Testament II * | Rev. Mike Jones | FRI 6:00-8:00AM | W203
PT7803/7804 Clinical Writing/Final Project (8) | Rev. Cockrell/James | | |
DM9101/PT5800 Church Revitalization (9) | Dr. Harry Reeder | JAN. 24-27 | F Hall
LG1000 Logos Bible Software Training Seminar (10) | Rev. Thad James, Jr. | SAT Feb. 9 8:30-12:30PM | A209

1. Special Topic in Apologetics – this course will compare Mormonism and Word-Faith to orthodox Biblical Christianity. There are no prerequisites for this class.
2. BC7501 Introduction to Biblical Counseling is a prerequisite for all counseling classes except BC7630 Marriage & Family Counseling and BC7502/7755 Counseling in the Local Church I & II.
3. AP8521 Introduction to Apologetics is a prerequisite for AP8612 Advanced Apologetics II and AP8661 Christianity & Contemporary Culture.
4. PT5637 Personal Evangelism will begin with a one day Share Your Faith Workshop on Saturday, January 19th from 8:30AM-2:30PM in room A209.
5. BC7755 Counseling in the Local Church II will begin 2 weeks early on January 9th.
6. PT5722 Expository Preaching I is a prerequisite for this course.
7. MCFGC- Mount Cاناan Full Gospel Church - 2725 25th St. SW Birmingham, AL 35211 (205-925-4279)
8. All Master of Ministry students who have completed PT7802 must register for PT7803 and PT7804.
9. DM9101/PT5800 Church Revitalization students must register with the Seminary office and pre-register by January 14th with Embers to a Flame. Contact Meg Hawley (Embers) at 205-776-5399 for registration and conference information. This course will substitute for PT5739 Biblical Principles of Church Growth.
10. Logos Bible Software Training Seminar - students must register with the Seminary office by January 28th. The cost of the Seminar is $100. This course is a not for credit course. The BTS Newsletter has more information. Bring your laptop for hands-on training.

* Old Testament I-III, New Testament I-II, and Systematic Theology I-VI do not have to be taken in any particular order.
DEMOPOLIS
Extension Coordinator: Albert Jackson • 205-344-1196 • demopolis@birminghamseminary.org
Christian Chapel Baptist Church • 500 West Decatur Street

OT1023 Old Testament III *  Rev. Fred Moore  THU 5:30-7:30PM

DOTHAN
Extension Coordinator: Catesha Nelson • 334-202-3920 • btsdothan@gmail.com
Dothan Community Church • 4390 Westgate Parkway

OT1021 Old Testament I *  Dr. Charles Lewis  THU 5:30-7:30PM
PT5527 Communications I  Dr. Charles Lewis  THU 7:30-9:30PM
ST3527 Systematic Theology II (Doctrine of Man)*  Dr. Todd Baucum  THU 5:30-7:30PM
MS6631 Biblical Theology of Missions  Dr. Todd Baucum  THU 7:30-9:30PM

HUNTSVILLE
Contact BTS office for more info: 205-776-5650 • BTSAdmin@briarwood.org
Westminster Presbyterian Church • 237 Johns Rd Huntsville 35806

ST3526 Systematic Theology I (Study of God)*  Dr. Jody Anderson  MON 5:30-7:30PM
HT4641 Church History in America  Rev. Charles Rodgers  TUE 5:30-7:30PM
BC7630 Marriage & Family Counseling (1)  Mr. Jeff Townsley  TUE 7:30-9:30PM

MONTGOMERY
Extension Coordinator: Lydia Pickett • 334-284-5056 • lydia59@charter.net
Various Locations

OT1023 Old Testament III*  Rev. Kirby Smith  MON 5:30-7:30PM  YMPC
OT1511 Beginning Hebrew I  Rev. Kirby Smith  MON 7:30-9:30PM  YMPC
PT5637 Personal Evangelism  Dr. Jiles Williams  MON 5:30-7:30PM  YMPC
ST3529 Systematic Theology IV (Soteriology) *  Rev. Lee Bloodworth  TUE 5:30-7:30PM  YMPC
BC7501 Introduction to Biblical Counseling (1, 2)  Mr. Lou Priolo  TUE 6:30-9:30PM  EPC
BC7606 Using the Bible in Counseling (1, 3)  Mr. Lou Priolo  TUE 6:30-9:30PM  EPC
NT2022 New Testament I (Gospels-Acts) *  Dr. Jim Simoneau  THU 5:30-7:30PM  YMPC
PT5527 Communications I  Dr. Bruce Moulton  THU 5:30-7:30PM  YMPC
PT5523 Ministry of the Word I (4)  Dr.’s Simoneau/ Moulton  THU 7:30-9:30PM  YMPC

TUSCALOOSA
Extension Coordinator: Charles Williams • 205-292-4620
First African Baptist Church • 2621 Stillman Blvd. 35401

BC7631 Pre-Marriage Counseling (1)  Dr. William Scroggins  MON 5:30-7:30PM
PT5602 Biblical Principles of Christian Education  Rev. Charles Williams  MON 5:30-7:30PM
ST3511 Survey of Systematic Theology  Rev. Leander Jones  TUE 5:30-7:30PM
OT1022 Old Testament II *  Dr. William Thetford  TUE 5:30-7:30PM
AP8611 Advanced Apologetics I (5)  Dan Arsenault  THU 5:30-7:30PM
ST3526 Systematic Theology I (Doctrine of God)*  Rev. Jim Richwine  THU 7:30-9:30PM

1. BC7501 Introduction to Biblical Counseling is a prerequisite for all counseling classes except BC7630 Marriage & Family Counseling, BC7631 Pre-Marriage Counseling and BC7502/7755 Counseling in the Local Church I & II.
2. BC7755 students must register with and pay tuition to Eastwood Presbyterian Church (334-386-2384). Students seeking Seminary credit must also register with the Seminary office and pay a $30 per hour posting fee. Class will begin on January 8th registration deadline is January 4th.
3. BC7606 Using the Bible in Counseling will begin on April 9th.
4. PT5523 Ministry of the Word and PT5722 Expository Preaching are interchangeable.
5. AP8521 Introduction to Apologetics is a prerequisite for AP8611 Advanced Apologetics I.

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