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## FORMER BTS ASSISTANT DEAN TO SPEAK AT GRADUATION



*Dr. John M. Patrick is married to Etoile Frazier Patrick. They have four children: Rafus, the late John Michael, Jr., Prisca and Nicholas.*

BTS is looking forward to having Dr. John M. Patrick, Sr. deliver the graduation address this May. Dr. Patrick is the former Assistant Dean of BTS, serving from 1991 to 2003. His efforts helped make BTS the ministry-minded seminary it is today. In addition, he is credited with helping BTS develop relationships cross-culturally, specifically among the African-American community. Under his leadership, the African-American enrollment at BTS went from one percent to 45 percent of the total student population. Dr. Patrick led the efforts to establish extension campuses in Tuscaloosa and Demopolis and recruit a qualified team of instructors for those extensions. He especially focused on recruiting pastors to attend BTS, and many

left BTS with Master's degrees, better equipped to serve the church in a variety of ministries. Several of his recruits also joined the faculty of BTS after receiving theological training. While serving as BTS' Assistant Dean, Dr. Patrick also was the Associate Minister at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Fairfield, AL.

Dr. Patrick keeps a similarly busy lifestyle in Jackson, MS, where he presently serves as the senior pastor of Greater Northside M.B. Church, Jackson, Mississippi, and also serves as the Academic Dean of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary and Bible College and is the Senior Vice President of the Jackson District Congress of Christian Education. He is a lecturer for the local and general Missionary Baptist State Convention. Dr. Patrick also trains pastors and lay leaders as a certified Teacher/Trainer for Evangelism Explosion International in the USA, The Bahamas, Uganda and Zimbabwe. Dr. Patrick is a sought out conference speaker and preacher for several churches throughout the state of Mississippi.

Dr. Patrick received his theological training at Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, Mississippi, receiving a Master of Divinity Degree. He earned a Doctorate of Ministry degree from Covenant Theological Seminary. Please be sure to greet Dr. Patrick at the Graduation Ceremony on May 14th.

# WELCOME TO NEW BIRMINGHAM FACULTY MEMBERS

## *Kyle Edwards*



Kyle Edwards holds two Master's degrees from Wheaton College. He also has degrees in Biblical languages, Biblical exegesis, and Historical Systematic Theology. He is currently under the care of Evangel Presbytery in Birmingham and serves in several areas at Briarwood Church. Look for Mr. Edward's theology courses at the Birmingham Campus.

## *John Evans*



Rev. Evans was born in Rome, Georgia and graduated from New Geneva Seminary. Following his ordination, he served with Campus Outreach for ten years. He has served in Children's ministry and young families ministry for more than 10 years. Rev. Evans is currently the Children's pastor at Briarwood Presbyterian Church. He has been married for nearly 20 years and has three children.

## *Ike Reeder*



Ike Reeder has worked for several years as an educator in Christian schools. He attended Covenant College and then completed his graduate work at the University of Alaska, where he also served on the faculty. He seeks to aid students to advance their communication skills, especially in the area of the written word. Don't miss out on Mr. Reeder's Communications class.

## *Brandon Robbins*



Brandon Robbins is a staff apologist and Associate Director of Christian Studies for the Apologetics Resource Center. Mr. Robbins focuses on how philosophical and theological ideas are applied in contemporary culture and in the church. Mr. Robbins has a Master of Arts in Apologetics from Birmingham Theological Seminary.

## *George Shamblin*



Pastor George B. Shamblin lives in Birmingham with his wife, Jill, and their 4 children. Pastor Shamblin received his MDiv from Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS. He has served as an Interim Pastor, Assistant Pastor, and Church Planter. Currently, he teaches Sunday School at Briarwood Church, and Church History and New Testament at BTS. In addition, he is a Territory Manager for TaxBreak.

## *Announcements*

### GRADUATION 2010

Graduation ceremony is on May 14 at 7:00 at Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Birmingham. Congratulations to our 2010 Graduates!

### BOOK STORE

The Briarwood Bookstore will have a book table Monday through Thursday evenings during registration week (Birmingham location only). Books that have been listed on class syllabi will be available for purchase. The bookstore will match Amazon.com prices. If you are unable to get to the bookstore during their business hours, you may order and pay for books by contacting the bookstore at 776-5210 and making arrangements to pick them up.

### BTS PROFESSOR TRAVELLING TO UGANDA

For the past 3 years, a BTS professor has travelled to Uganda to teach at Westminster Theological College and Seminary, our sister institution. This summer, **Dr. Luis Orteza** will be teaching Adv. Biblical Counseling in Uganda from May 18-30. At BTS, the course is designed to address abnormal diagnosis, however, Dr. Orteza will tailor the course to the needs of the church in Uganda. Please pray for Dr. Orteza as he travels and serves the Lord in Uganda.

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# BIRMINGHAM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

**SUMMER SEMESTER: June 7 – September 3, 2010**

**Registrations/Tuition due by June 11 to avoid late fees • Drop/Add period ends June 18**

## **BIRMINGHAM CAMPUS**

**Briarwood Presbyterian Church**

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<b>COURSE</b>	<b>PROFESSOR</b>	<b>DAY/TIME</b>	<b>ROOM</b>
PT5531 Christian Worker's Personal Life & Spiritual Formation	Dr. Richard Trucks	MON 6:AM-8:00AM	W203
NT2023 New Testament II (Romans- Revelation)*	Dr. Richard Trucks	MON 4:00-6:00PM	W204
OT1623 Advanced Hebrew	Mr. Bruce Horsley	MON 5:30-7:30PM	W202
ST3655 Ethics	Dr. Vic Minish	MON 5:30-7:30PM	W203
BC7668 Crisis Counseling <sup>(1)</sup>	Dr. Luis Orteza	MON 7:30-9:30PM	W202
ST3744 Contemporary Theology	Dr. Vic Minish	MON 7:30-9:30PM	W203
NT2525 New Testament Theology	Rev. George Shamblin	TUE 6:AM-8:00AM	W203
ST3511 Survey of Systematic Theology	Dr. Jeff Lowman	TUE 5:30-7:30PM	W203
ST3528 Systematic Theology III (Christology)*	Dr. Jeff Lowman	TUE 7:30-9:30PM	W203
BC7509 Counseling Theory <sup>(1)</sup>	Dr. Howard Eyrich	WED 5:30-7:30PM	W202
OT1023 Old Testament III*	Dr. Frank Barker	WED 5:30-7:30PM	W203
AP8532 Contemporary Cults	Rev. Clete Hux	THU 5:30-7:30PM	W202
NT2525 New Testament Theology	Rev. Jim Maples	THU 5:30-7:30PM	W203
AP8725 Apologetic Methodology <sup>(2)</sup>	Mr. Brandon Robbins	THU 7:30-9:30PM	W202
DM1112 Biblical Counseling and Human Physiology <sup>(3)</sup>	Dr. Eyrich & Dr. Chastain	FRI 9AM -4:30PM	W202
DM9105 Personal Leadership Development <sup>(4)</sup>	Rev. T. James & Rev. J. Maples	FRI 9AM-4:30PM	W203

(1) BC7501 Introduction to Biblical Counseling is a prerequisite for BC7509 and BC7668

(2) AP8725 students must take AP8521 Introduction to Apologetics as a prerequisite.

(3) DM1112 will meet June 18, July 30, and August 20

(4) DM9105 will meet June 11, July 09, and August 20

\* Old Testament I-III, New Testament I-II, and Systematic Theology I-VI do not need to be taken in any particular order

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## **TUSCALOOSA**

**First African Baptist Church**

**2621 Stillman Blvd. 35401**

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PT5637 Personal Evangelism	Rev. Charles Williams	MON 5:30-7:30PM
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## **MONTGOMERY**

**Young Meadows Presbyterian Church**

**5780 Vaughn Rd. 36116**

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ST3655 Ethics	Mr. David Illman	MON 5:30-7:30PM
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## **HUNTSVILLE**

**Westminster Presbyterian Church**

**237 Johns Rd Huntsville 35806**

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PT5531 Christian Worker's Personal Life & Spiritual Formations	Mr. Jeff Townsley	MON 5:30-7:30PM
BC7505 Advanced Biblical Counseling	Mr. Jeff Townsley	THU 5:30-7:30PM

**Courses will not be offered this summer in Demopolis or Dothan**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  Check if contact info has changed

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

DEGREE PROGRAM: \_\_\_\_\_ New Student?  Yes  No When did you last take classes at BTS? \_\_\_\_\_

Course # \_\_\_\_\_ Instructor \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_  Credit  Audit

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**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_

Mat. Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

App. Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

ID Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

CC Fee (4%): \_\_\_\_\_

Late Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Amt. Past Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

ck# \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Balance Due: \_\_\_\_\_

**Fees: M.A. Application Fee \$30 (one time) • Tuition \$100 per M.A./Cert. credit hr.; \$150 per DMIN credit hr. \$40 per audit hr. • Late Fee: \$25 per course after Jun. 11 • Annual Student ID: \$15**  
By completing and signing this form, I am registering for the above courses and agree to pay all tuition and fees.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MC  VISA  DISCOVER Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Use of Credit card incurs a 4% service charge*

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*Please Welcome....*



*Kendra Knowles*

Please join us in welcoming Kendra Knowles. Since February, Kendra has been working afternoons in the BTS office as an administrative assistant. She graduated from Wheaton College and holds a Master's degree from Gordon-Conwell Seminary.

Kendra will be happy to assist you with any seminary questions in the BTS office. Her hours are Monday through Thursday from 12:00-4:00.

*A Fond Farewell to...*

*Irma-Maria Stevens*

After serving as the extension coordinator in Dothan for two semesters, Irma-Maria and her husband, BTS Dothan professor, Dr. Carl Stevens, will be moving to her native Switzerland this year. Irma-Maria's enthusiasm and efficiency will be missed. We wish her and Dr. Stevens all the best as they prepare to move overseas. While courses will not be offered in Dothan this Summer, they will resume in the Fall. Catesha Nelson is Dothan's new extension coordinator. Catesha looks forward to working with students in the Dothan community.

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