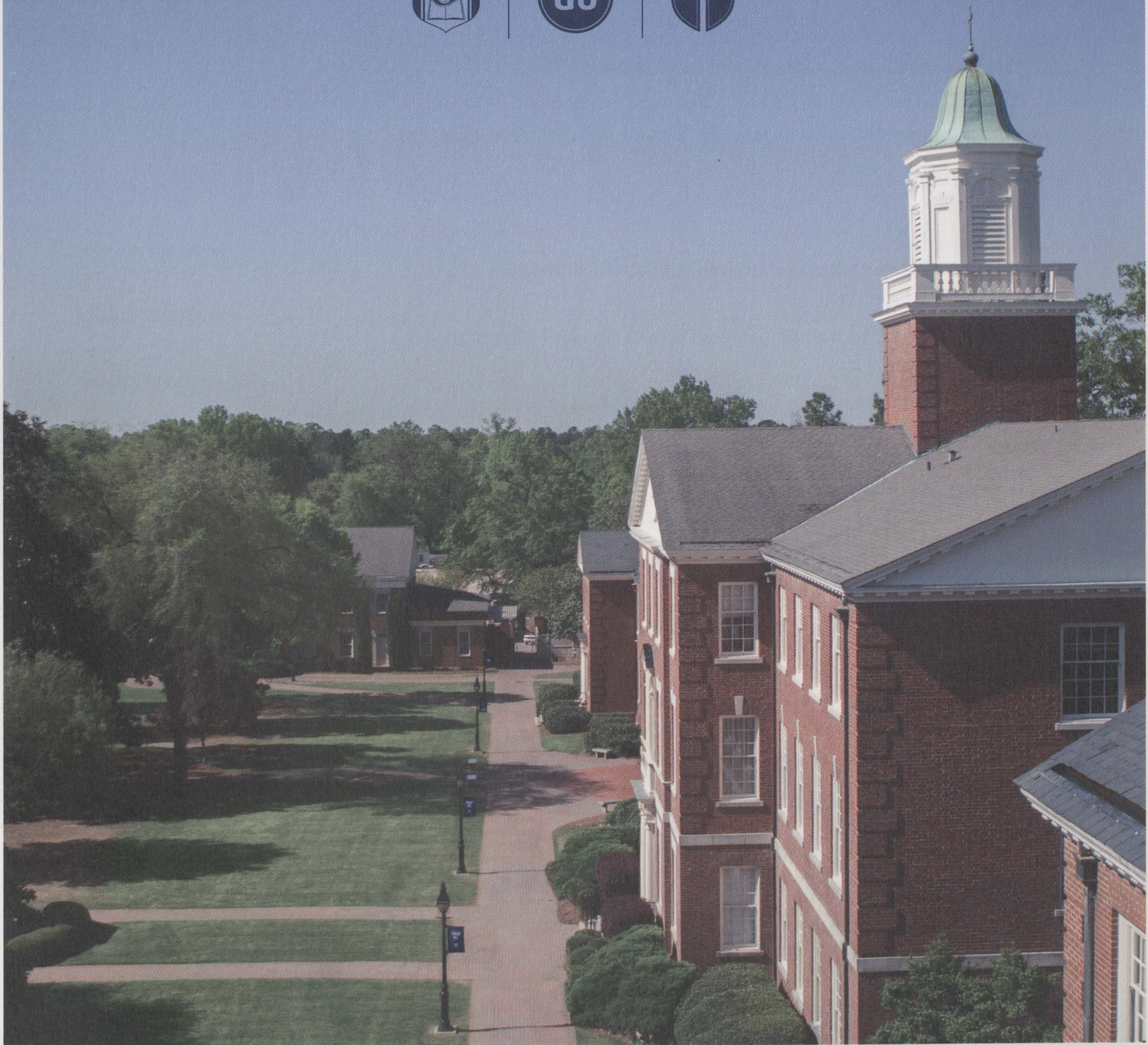


COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Eleventh of December, Two Thousand Fifteen



COMMENCEMENT

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Friday, December 11, 10 a.m., Binkley Chapel

Prelude.....	<i>Echo Noel</i> Louis Claude D'Aquin, Edited by Diane Bish
	<i>Go Tell It On the Mountain</i> Setting by Paul Manz
*Processional.....	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i> John Francis Wade, arr. Marilyn Arison
*Hymn.....	<i>Joy to the World</i> arr. Benjamin Harlan
*Invocation.....	R. Alton James Associate Dean of Proclamation Studies/Professor of Missions
Greeting.....	Daniel L. Akin President/Ed Young, Sr. Chair of Preaching/Professor of Preaching and Theology
*Hymn.....	<i>O Come All Ye Faithful</i> arr. Paul Baloché
Scripture Reading.....	David R. Beck Associate Dean of Biblical Studies/Professor of New Testament and Greek
Charge to Graduates.....	Daniel L. Akin President/Ed Young, Sr. Chair of Preaching/Professor of Preaching and Theology
Prayer of Dedication.....	Tony Merida Johnny Hunt Chair of Biblical Preaching/Associate Professor of Preaching
Conferring of Degrees.....	James K. Dew, Jr. Vice President for Undergraduate Studies and Academic Support/Dean of the College/ Associate Professor of History of Ideas and Philosophy
	Charles E. Lawless, Jr. Dean of Graduate Studies/Professor of Evangelism and Missions
	Bruce R. Ashford Provost/Dean of Faculty/Professor of Theology and Culture
*Closing Hymn.....	<i>In Christ Alone</i> arr. David Cleveland
*Benediction.....	David Alan Black M.O. Owens, Jr. Chair of New Testament Studies/Professor of New Testament and Greek
*Postlude.....	<i>Come, Let Us Adore Him</i> arr. Carolyn Hamlin

* Please stand	
Music Leader.....	Joshua A. Waggener Assistant Professor of Music and Christian Worship
	Organist..... Nannette M. Godwin Professor of Church Music and Keyboard (Retired)
	Pianist.....Sophia Son Staff Accompanist

As a courtesy, please silence cell phones and other personal electronic devices for the duration of the service.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

The College at Southeastern

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN STUDIES

The Bachelor of Arts degree is built around a core curriculum of biblical, theological and liberal arts studies, including courses in the History of Ideas, resulting in a major in Christian Studies. Students may also choose either a second major from Biblical Studies, English, History, History (Pre-Law), Humanities, Missions and Music, or one of two minors in Apologetics, Biblical Studies, English, ESL, History, Humanities, Missions, Music, Organizational Leadership, Pastoral Ministry, Preaching, Student Ministry and Theology. The degree provides students with foundational knowledge in theology, philosophy, literature and history and with essential skills to think and communicate well in their future vocations. The Bachelor of Arts degree requires a minimum of 126 hours.

Brooke Anne DavidsonGuntersville, AL
Michael Landon Gibbons..... Rocky Mount, NC
Joshua MacDonald..... Winston-Salem, NC
Landon Matthew MettsRoanoke, VA
Sarah Ann Moody..... Fuquay Varina, NC
Dax Palmer.....Wake Forest, NC

Alexander Malloy Oakley *ia* Plumtree, NC

WITH A MINOR IN MISSIONS

Erica Alexandra Vidal Monroe, NY

WITH A MINOR IN ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Kayla Leigh Watts Gastonia, NC

Preston Spencer Davis *ia* Gastonia, NC

WITH A MINOR IN PASTORAL MINISTRY

Clifton F. Lawrence.....Morehead City, NC

WITH A MINOR IN STUDENT MINISTRY

Sarah Elizabeth FaucetteRaleigh, NC

AND HISTORY

Emily Bibb..... Winston-Salem, NC
Dakota Skye Monday..... Lexington, NC

AND MISSIONS

Meredith Byrd..... Spring Hope, NC

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

The major in English promotes an understanding of literature, trains students to think critically and write effectively, and encourages them to reflect on the central issues of the human condition-all from a Christian perspective. Core curriculum classes in composition emphasize the skills of effective research and writing. English major classes present literature from within a Christian worldview. Students who major in English will be equipped to understand culture and to communicate the gospel to others clearly and effectively.

Joanna Claren CreechWendell, NC

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PASTORAL MINISTRY

The major in Pastoral Ministry introduces students to the knowledge and skills central to the work of pastors through classes in pastoral ministry, discipleship, counseling, and Bible exposition. The major also provides students opportunity for additional classes in biblical and theological studies beyond those of the Core Curriculum. The program is designed to begin the formation of the student's life for pastoral ministry, and prepares students for continuing studies in the Master of Divinity, the standard degree for the equipping of pastors.

Jeffrey Luke PetersonFleetwood, NC

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY

The major in Philosophy introduces students to the major issues and problems in philosophy. It fosters the intellect so that students are better equipped to critique, analyze, and argue various perspectives. Students will learn the basic skills of logic and rhetoric, will be introduced to various fields of philosophical debate, and learn how to engage these matters from a Christian perspective. This degree program is perfectly suited for students who wish to continue on to graduate school or pursue a career in philosophy, theology, ministry, classical studies, or law.

Jonathan Welch Marietta, GA

MASTER OF ARTS IN INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

The College at Southeastern offers the Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies, a fully online degree program designed to prepare students for effective service in a cross-cultural setting. The curriculum can be completed in two years of full-time study.

Sarah Beth Blake* Norman, OK
Toby Lance FlemingHendersonville, TN
Sean E. HeathStatesville, NC
Gavin LeBel Pelham, NH
Michael Warner Moore..... Whittier, NC
Aimee Stormer..... Tuscaloosa, AL
David Scott Townsend, Jr. Timberlake, NC
Vickie Ward Thomasville, NC

Clinton S. Barefoot *ia* Raleigh, NC
Jonathan Andrew Cardona *ia* Olympia, WA
Richard Fisher *ia* Brandon, FL
Eric Gunselman* *ia*..... Barling, AR
Tiffany Ramos *ia* Walton, KY
Seth Andrew Stark *ia* Heber Springs, AR

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CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

MASTER OF ARTS

The Master of Arts degree has two forms. First there are M.A. degrees that provide a basic understanding of theological disciplines for further graduate study or for general educational purposes. These programs adopt a nomenclature reflecting the goal of the degree, which is to provide survey knowledge of various theological disciplines or focused knowledge of a specific discipline. The second type of M.A. degree will include the nomenclature "in (area of specialized ministry)." The purpose of these M.A. degrees is to equip persons for competent leadership in some form of specialized ministry in the local church or other settings. All Master of Arts degrees require a previous baccalaureate degree and are designed to be completed over two years of full-time study. The Seminary offers five degrees of the first kind: Biblical Languages, Christian Studies, Ethics, Theology, and Culture, Old Testament and Philosophy of Religion; and seven degrees of the second kind: Biblical Counseling, Christian School Administration, Christian Education, Christian Education and Biblical Counseling, Church Planting, Ministry Leadership and Women's Studies.

BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

Joseph Ryan Davis Moultrie, GA
Major Professor: David R. Beck, Associate Dean of Biblical Studies, Professor of New Testament and Greek
Project Title: *Transliteration or Translation: A Study of Commonly Transliterated Greek and Hebrew Words Across 31 Different Languages*

CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Tony Dwayne BowmanCharleston, SC
Lyle Ray BrackinIron City, GA
Wesley Alan Gay..... Snellville, GA
Jonathan Dunham Holste Richmond, VA
Jessica Plana James Denham Springs, LA
Rocky MayoBirmingham, AL
Kristle Harris OsteenWake Forest, NC
Jamie Kristin Strickland Hanahan, SC
Paige Westberg..... Phoenix, AZ

Bowe Clark Butler *ia*Raleigh, NC
William Graham Gardner *ia* Camden, SC
Joseph Curtis Hall *ia*Augusta, GA
Jason Derek Harter *ia*Georgetown, SC
Joshua William Krause *ia* Sedalia, MO
Evan Wayne Moon *ia* Lilburn, GA
Chad N. Pritchard *ia*Atlanta, GA

OLD TESTAMENT

Daniel de Cysne Messina Florianópolis, Brazil
Major Professor: Tracy J. McKenzie, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies
Second Reader: J. Todd Borger, Associate Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew
Thesis Title: *The Song of the Sea and the Asaphite Psalms: Intertextuality and Significance*

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PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Randal EveristPortland, OR
Major Professor: Greg Welty, Associate Professor of Philosophy
Second Reader: Bruce A. Little, Director of the Francis A. Schaeffer Collection, Senior Professor of Philosophy
Third Reader: Jeremy A. Evans, Associate Professor of Philosophy
Thesis Title: *Molinism and "Divine Voodoo Worlds": A Critique of Dean Zimmerman's Anti-Molinist Argument*

IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Emily Maureen Blake Norman, OK
Lauren ChandlerFranklinton, NC
Allison Bentley CreaghRaleigh, NC
Evelyn Rachel LaneJacksonville, FL
Quinn Tesh Little Mocksville, NC
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Virginia Nicole Stone Durham, NC
Lauren Sandifer WeirGreenville, MS
Jessica Lisle WilliamsWake Forest, NC

IN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Cody O'Hara Tuttle, OK

IN CHURCH PLANTING

Felix E. Cabrera Edmond, OK
Paul Justin Dillard..... Suffolk, VA

Matthew Kountz *ia* Belleville, IL

IN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

Ali DixonRaleigh, NC
James D. DotsonRaleigh, NC
Annie Deborah Sam Tamil Nadu, India

IN MINISTRY TO WOMEN

Mary Beth Martin..... Monett, MO
Anna Elizabeth Slay Hoover, AL

MASTER OF CHURCH MUSIC

The Master of Church Music degree equips men and women for the ministry of music, usually in the local church. Church Music students must have a baccalaureate degree in music or its equivalent as prescribed by the National Association of Schools of Music. The program requires 64 semester hours and is designed to be completed with a minimum of two years of full-time study. Graduates are required to demonstrate musical competence and skill by performing a final performance project.

Fred Richard Smith, IIIYoungsville, NC

MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

The Master of Theological Studies is a basic Seminary program of study and research for international students in a cross-cultural setting who are participating in an approved Global Theological Initiative cohort and have already completed an initial undergraduate degree in theological studies or another approved field as determined by the Program Coordinator and the Registrar. The purpose of the program is to train God-called men and women to be leaders within various international Christian ministries.

Alyson Rachelle Watkins *ia* Benton, AR
Antonio de Araújo Targino *ia* Natal, RN, Brazil
Argemiro Edson Ribeiro *ia*Belo Horizonte, MG, Brazil
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Cleber Sebastião Farias de Souza *ia* Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
Daniel Rocha Torres *ia* Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
Eliézer dos Santos Magalhães *ia* Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
Fernando Macedo Brandão *ia* Mundo Novo, BA, Brazil
Francisco Washington de Oliveira *ia* Natal, RN, Brazil
Haniele Alves Laurindo *ia* Cuiabá, MT, Brazil
João Emílio Cutis Pereira *ia* Manhumirim, MG, Brazil
João Marcos Mury Aquino *ia* São Fidélis, RJ, Brazil
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Márcio Pureza de Lima *ia* São Paulo, SP, Brazil
Marília Moraes Manhães *ia* Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil
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Paulo Cesar Pagaciov *ia* Sorocaba, SP, Brazil
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Samuel Meira Moutta *ia* São Fidélis, RJ, Brazil

MASTER OF DIVINITY

The Master of Divinity degree prepares men for the pastorate and men and women for other significant leadership roles in Christian ministries both at home and around the world. The M.Div. requires 90 semester hours and builds upon a prior baccalaureate degree. It is designed to be completed within three years of full-time study. Southeastern Seminary offers several specializations within the Master of Divinity degree. It also serves as a suitable basis for further graduate theological studies. The degree program consists of 60 hours of foundational core courses in Theology, Church History, Christian Philosophy, Ethics, Evangelism, Christian Missions, Biblical Studies and Biblical Languages. Other specialized requirements fill out the various tracks or concentrations. Most students attending the Seminary enroll in the Master of Divinity program as their first professional degree.

WITH ADVANCED STANDING

J. Logan Lambert..... Talala, OK
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WITH BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Carolyn Louise Golightly Valley Mills, TX
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WITH CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Adam Scott Bennett Gulfport, MS
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Jared CornuttRainbow City, AL
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John David Crosland Auburn, AL
Alexander James DiPrimaMebane, NC
David Richard Edwards Greenville, SC
William Hatcher Fason Dublin, GA
David W. GatlinOldsmar, FL
Micah Derek Gentle Tallassee, AL
Jonathan David Gentry..... Perry, GA
Jeffrey H. GordonElizabeth City, NC
Matthew T. Gowin..... Ruckersville, VA
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Bradley Thomas Hughes Mobile, AL
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John Mark LindsayKannapolis, NC
Jonathan Lindstrom Chesapeake, VA
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Craig Stevens Morrisette Wendell, NC
Robert Carlisle Olmstead..... Lynn Haven, FL
Clyde Walter Overman III Kill Devil Hills, NC
Jonathan Sylvester Howard Peters Hollywood, FL
Joel Benjamin Polk Murfreesboro, TN
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Geoffrey Brett Sanders Toccoa, GA
Scott Lee SmithDouglas, GA
Michael L. Stubbs Maryville, TN
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Jonathan Daniel Turner Colonial Heights, VA
Diane Austin Tyndall Chapel Hill, NC
Michael Aaron Watford.....Birmingham, AL
William Allen WestClement, NC

Stephen Beck *ia*Jacksonville, FL
J. Wesley Carpenter *ia*Yorktown, VA
Justin W. Garver *ia* Land O Lakes, FL
Tucker R. Platt *ia* Greenville, SC
Nicholas A. Rich *ia* Fayetteville, NC
Mark Nicholas Smith *ia*High Point, NC

WITH EXPOSITORY PREACHING

Clay PhillipsYoungsville, NC

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Michael James McVey *ia* Beech Island, SC

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Robert Lewis Spivey.....Yanceyville, NC

WITH MISSIOLOGY

Aaron Davenport..... Wake Forest, NC

Logan Chase Catoe *ia*..... Clemson, SC

WITH PASTORAL MINISTRY

Baxter McGuirtWinston-Salem, NC

Emmanuel Ehimen Ehizuelen *ia* Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria

WITH WOMEN’S STUDIES

Emily Britte AnthonyKings Mountain, NC

MASTER OF THEOLOGY

The Master of Theology degree is an advanced theological research degree open to those who have completed the Master of Divinity or its equivalent with high grades and who show an outstanding potential for ministry. Master of Theology students major in Biblical or Theological Studies with a concentration in one of the academic disciplines of the M.Div. curriculum. The degree requirements include intensive bibliographical research, some doctoral-level seminar work, some upper level M.Div. specialty work and the production of an acceptable thesis or research project. The thesis is bound and placed in the Seminary library.

Timothy Cross Americus, GA
Major Professor: Daniel R. Heimbach, Senior Professor of Christian Ethics
Second Reader: David W. Jones, Associate Dean for Graduate Program Administration, Director of the Th.M. Program, Professor of Christian Ethics
Guided Research Project: *Reassessing the Noncombatant Status of Clergy in Combat*

Jonathan D. DavisGoose Creek, SC
Major Professor: Steven A. McKinion, Associate Professor of Theology and Patristic Studies
Second Reader: David W. Jones, Associate Dean for Graduate Program Administration, Director of the Th.M. Program, Professor of Christian Ethics
Guided Research Project: *Cyprian of Carthage’s Reinstatement of the Lapsed Based on the Authority of the Episcopate*

Yong Cheol Jung Raleigh, NC
Major Professor: Sam R. Williams, Professor of Counseling
Second Reader: Chuck E. Lawless, Vice President for Graduate Studies and Ministry Centers/Dean of Graduate Studies, Professor of Evangelism and Missions
Guided Research Project: *What Can Biblical Counselors Learn from the “Spiritual Warfare” Perspective? A Biblical Rationale for a Relationship between Mental Illness and Demons*

Aime Kidimbu Raleigh, NC
Major Professor: Daniel R. Heimbach, Senior Professor of Christian Ethics
Second Reader: David W. Jones, Associate Dean for Graduate Program Administration, Director of the Th.M. Program, Professor of Christian Ethics
Guided Research Project: *The Ethics of War and Prospects for Economic Prosperity*

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Jonathan Keith Baines *ia* Colonial Heights, VA
Major Professor: L. Scott Kellum, Professor of New Testament and Greek
Second Reader: David E. Lanier, Professor of New Testament
Guided Research Project: *The Relationship between Baptism and Salvation: A Conversation with Selected Views within the Church of Christ*

Nathan A. Brown *ia* Jonesboro, AR
Major Professor: Chip L. McDaniel, Professor of Old Testament and Hebrew
Second Reader: Chip H. Hardy, Assistant Professor of Old Testament and Semitic Languages
Guided Research Project: *Interpretive Considerations for Joshua in Light of Deuteronomy 20*

Brett Ryan Champion *ia* Quinton, AL
Ph.D. to Th.M.

David Ryan Miller *ia*Bryan, OH
Major Professor: Benjamin L. Merkle, Professor of New Testament and Greek
Second Reader: Charles L. Quarles, Professor of New Testament and Biblical Theology
Guided Research Project: *An Invitation to a Wedding: A Study of Jesus’ Use of First-century Jewish Wedding Imagery*

Kyle L. Smith *ia*Winchester, VA
Major Professor: Mark D. Liederbach, Vice President for Student Services/ Dean of Students, Associate Professor of Christian Ethics
Second Reader: Daniel R. Heimbach, Senior Professor of Christian Ethics
Guided Research Project: *Virtue and Law: A Comparison of Kongzi, Thomas Aquinas, and Jonathan Edwards*

Anthony Dean Walker *ia*Elizabethhton, TN
Ph.D. to Th.M.

DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

The Doctor of Ministry degree equips students for the practice of ministry at the highest level of professional competency. Candidates for this degree have previously completed the Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent with high academic achievement and have demonstrated competence and potential for ministry. Candidates are expected to have had at least three years of professional experience prior to beginning the Doctor of Ministry program and must be continually engaged in ministry throughout their enrollment for the degree. The program currently consists of four on-campus seminars, four courses completed from the ministry field, one year of supervised field experience in preparation for the final project and a project report, which is evaluated by the faculty committee for approval. The Ministry Project Report is bound and kept in the Seminary library. The program requires a minimum of three academic years to complete.

James Stanley Baggett, Jr.....Durham, NC
Major Professor: Ned L. Mathews, Emeritus Professor of Pastoral Ministries
Faculty Reader: J. Gregory Lawson, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Stephen B. Eccher, Assistant Professor of Church History and Reformation Studies
Project Title: *Developing a Model for Leading an Elderly Congregation to Obey The Great Commission in an Inner-City Context*

Thomas L. “Tiger” Brooks, Jr. Kingsport, TN
Major Professor: J. Gregory Lawson, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Faculty Reader: Benjamin Quinn, Associate Dean of Institutional Effectiveness for the College at Southeastern, Assistant Professor of Theology and History of Ideas
Project Title: *Designing a Strategy to Help Members of Indian Springs Baptist Church Make Disciples Utilizing a Small Group Model*

Ray Augustus CarrKingstown, St. Vincent
Major Professor: Steven P. Wade, Director of the Great Commission Equipping Network and Student Field Ministry, Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of D.Min. Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Faculty Reader: Dwayne Milioni, Assistant Professor of Preaching
Project Title: *A Basic Model for Developing a Biblical Perspective on Trials for Believers at Baptist Center Church*

Philip Neale Davis, III Cary, NC
Major Professor: Sam R. Williams, Professor of Counseling
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Faculty Reader: Robert D. Jones, Assistant Professor of Biblical Counseling
Project Title: *Equipping Church Planters in the Summit Church with Skills to Develop a Mindset for Ministerial Longevity*

Ryan Stephen Goodroe Seneca, SC
Major Professor: Daniel L. Akin, President, Ed Young Sr. Chair of Expository Preaching, Professor of Preaching and Theology
Faculty Reader: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Field Mentor: Joseph B. Willard, Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Darlington, SC
Project Title: *Developing the Listening Habits of a Select Group of Members of Utica Baptist Church (Seneca, South Carolina) to Increase the Benefits of Hearing Expository Preaching*

Brian Kelly Henderson Hendersonville, NC
Major Professor: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Benjamin Quinn, Associate Dean of Institutional Effectiveness for the College at Southeastern, Assistant Professor of Theology and History of Ideas
Faculty Reader: Chip H. Hardy, Assistant Professor of Old Testament and Semitic Languages
Project Title: *Developing a Strategy to Lead Etowah Baptist Church toward Adoption of a Mission Statement*

Kelton F. Hinton Princeton, NC
Major Professor: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Larry J. Purcell, Associate Dean of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Leadership and Discipleship
Faculty Reader: Al James, Associate Dean of Proclamation Studies, Professor of Missions
Project Title: *Developing a Pastor’s Resource for Church Growth in the Johnston Baptist Association*

Kenneth Matthew Jenkins Hope Mills, NC
Major Professor: Larry J. Purcell, Associate Dean of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Leadership and Discipleship
Faculty Reader: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Project Title: *Equipping the Associate Ministers of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Fayetteville, North Carolina, to Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by Expository Preaching*

Sang Hyun Joo..... Seoul, South Korea
Major Professor: Brian Upshaw, Adjunct Professor of Christian Education and Leadership
Faculty Reader: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Project Title: *Developing Christ-Centered Storytelling Skills in the Context of International Student Ministry at the Net Church*

Victor L. Ketchens.....Oviedo, FL
Major Professor: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Faculty Reader: Larry J. Purcell, Associate Dean of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Leadership and Discipleship
Project Title: *The Equipping of a Select Group of Men at First Baptist Church of Sanlando Springs, Florida to Lead Disciple-Making Groups*

Michael Roland McCormick Lexington, SC
Major Professor: Alvin L. Reid, Bailey Smith Chair of Evangelism, Professor of Evangelism and Student Ministry
Faculty Reader: George G. Robinson, IV, Richard and Gina Headrick Chair of World Missions, Professor of Missions and Evangelism
Field Mentor: Thomas G. Spotts, Lead Pastor, Crossroads Church, Florence, SC
Project Title: *Equipping Selected Believers of Green Hill Baptist Church for Gospel-Centered Conversations by Applying the Grand Narrative of Scripture*

Brandon Douglas Powell Asheboro, NC
Major Professor: Kenneth S. Coley, Director of Ed.D. Studies, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Larry J. Purcell, Associate Dean of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Leadership and Discipleship
Field Reader: Dan H. Wishnietsky, Professor Emeritus, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, NC
Project Title: *Empowering Selected Members of Cross Road Baptist Church for Christian Service Through Identification and Evaluation of Spiritual Giftedness*

Scott S. Talley Durham, NC
Major Professor: Alvin L. Reid, Bailey Smith Chair of Evangelism, Professor of Evangelism and Student Ministry
Faculty Reader: Greg Mathias, Associate Director of Lewis A. Drummond Center for Great Commission Studies, Assistant Professor of Global Studies
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Project Title: *Developing a Model for Reproducing Disciples in the Student Ministry of Ebenezer Baptist Church*

Mark Steven VasconcellosGeorgetown, Guyana
Major Professor: Charles E. Harvey, Director of D.Min. Program, Professor of Christian Education
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Faculty Reader: David R. Beck, Associate Dean of Biblical Studies, Professor of New Testament and Greek
Project Title: *The Determination of the Status of Biblical Koinonia at All Nations Church*

Darrell OBrian Morgan *ia* Parker, CO
Major Professor: Al James, Associate Dean of Proclamation Studies, Professor of Missions
Faculty Reader: Tony Merida, Johnny Hunt Chair of Biblical Preaching, Associate Professor of Preaching
Faculty Reader: Tate Cockrell, Assistant Director of Doctor of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Counseling
Project Title: *Equipping a Select Group of Leaders of Cornerstone Church to Use an Expository Method of Teaching and Preaching*

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION

The Doctor of Education is an advanced research degree for those pursuing a career in education. Candidates for this degree have previously completed the Master of Divinity or a master’s degree with a concentration in the field of education. Students accepted into the program have demonstrated strong academic performance, the ability to teach and lead in an educational ministry, and the potential to conduct original research and produce scholarly writing. The program consists of a two-year modified residency including instruction in advanced statistics, quantitative and qualitative research, pedagogy, leadership, and theology. Students select an area of concentration and work with a major advisor during their mentorship. Following the completion of the core and elective coursework, students must successfully pass a written comprehensive exam and submit a research prospectus to their dissertation committee. This work includes original data collection that will make a significant and unique contribution in the field of education. When this research is complete, their candidates make an oral defense of their research and findings to their dissertation committee. Following a successful defense, graduates have their dissertations bound and placed in the Seminary library.

Richard W. Booker Jr.Memphis, TN
Major Professor: Kenneth S. Coley, Director of Ed.D. Studies, Professor of Christian Education
Second Reader: Gary J. Bredfeldt, Professor of Leadership, Education, and Discipleship
Dissertation Title: *Organizational Learning: Perspectives Regarding Knowledge Management and the Transfer of Tacit Knowledge from One Generation to Another*

Ileane Norat McCoyFairfax Station, VA
Major Professor: Larry J. Purcell, Associate Dean of Ministry Studies, Associate Professor of Leadership and Discipleship
Second Reader: Kenneth S. Coley, Director of Ed.D. Studies, Professor of Christian Education
Dissertation Title: *Parent as Role Model: A Study of Parent Education and Prosocial Communication Skills of Children in Northern Virginia*

Amaury Antonio Santos Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Major Professor: J. Gregory Lawson, Professor of Christian Education
Second Reader: Travis H. Bradshaw, Adjunct Professor of Education
Dissertation Title: *A Study of the Disciple-Making Practices of Hispanic Southern Baptist Pastors in North Carolina*

Alicia Corinne Wong El Centro, CA
Major Professor: Edward A. Buchanan, Emeritus Professor of Christian Education
Second Reader: J. Michael Dodson, Associate Director for North American Church Planting for the Center for Great Commission Studies, Assistant Professor of Church Planting and Evangelism, North American Mission Board Mobilization Ministry
Third Reader: Denise H. O'Donoghue, Director of Women's Life, Assistant Professor of Ministry to Women
Dissertation Title: *A Qualitative Phenomenological Study of Women Serving in Southern Baptist Church Plants in North America*

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

The Doctor of Philosophy is the most advanced theological research degree available at Southeastern, equipping students for conducting serious academic research and for teaching at the highest level of academic competency. Candidates for this degree have previously completed the Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent with high academic achievement. Students must have excellent writing skills and an aptitude for teaching and academic research. The program consists of a two-year residency including instruction in research and teaching, involvement in an integrative seminar and other graduate seminars, proficiency in two research languages other than English and in addition to Greek and Hebrew, and a mentorship in the student's concentration conducted by the student's major professor. Subsequent to successful completion of the residency requirements, including passing a written and oral comprehensive examination, a dissertation prospectus outlining and justifying the relevance and originality of the student's proposed topic for research is approved by the dissertation committee. This is followed by the writing of a research-based dissertation that makes a significant contribution to the student's major field of study. This dissertation is submitted to a faculty committee for review and evaluation, including an external reader with special expertise on the topic of the dissertation. The student must then sit for an oral defense of the dissertation and make any changes required for final approval. Once accepted, the student is cleared for graduation and the dissertation is bound and kept in the Seminary library.

Justin Keith Buchanan Bristol, TN
Major Professor: Alvin L. Reid, Bailey Smith Chair of Evangelism, Professor of Evangelism and Student Ministry
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