

# *COMMENCEMENT*



December Thirteenth  
Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Six

  
**SOUTHEASTERN**  
BAPTIST • THEOLOGICAL • SEMINARY

# GRADUATION PROGRAM

Saturday, December 13, 10:30 A.M.

Binkley Chapel

W. Randall Lolley

*President*

Presiding

Prelude—Recital

ALL' OFFERTORIO ..... *Domenico Zipoli*

SYMPHONIE VI, Opus 42 ..... *Charles Marie Widor*

V FINALE

THREE SETTINGS OF THE ADVENT CHORAL . . . . *Johann Sebastian Bach*

“Come Now, Saviour of the Heathen” (S. 659-661)

PRELUDE ON “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” . . . *T. Frederick H. Candlyn*

CHORALE IMPROVISATIONS ..... *Paul Manz*

“Still, Still, Still”

“Come Now, Savior of the Heathen”

James W. Good, *Organist*

*Professor of Church Music*

\*Processional - “Solemn Procession” ..... *Lloyd Webber*

\*Invocation ..... *Robert E. Poerschke*

*Professor of Christian Education*

\*The Doxology (Hymn 6) ..... OLD 100

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Deuteronomy 6:1-9 ..... *G. Thomas Halbrooks*

*Professor of Church History*

New Testament - Colossians 2:20-3:4 ..... *Richard A. Spencer*

*Professor of New Testament*

Presentation of Gift to Seminary by

Graduating Class: ..... *George Johnson*

*Senior Class Representative*

~~Solo~~ - “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee” ..... *David N. Williams*

*Anita Robertson, Soprano*

*Senior M. Div.*

*Cynthia Miller, Pianist*

*Middler M. Div.*

Address - “Love God and Live Like It” ..... *Samuel E. Balentine*

*Associate Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament*

\*Hymn 79 - “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” ..... HYFRYDOL

Conferring of Degrees ..... *President Lolley*

Litany of Mission (See back of Program)

\*The Seminary Hymn ..... GERMANY

Ordained of God, His Prophets rise,  
They seek not gain nor earthly prize,  
They heed the challenge of Christ’s call,  
They ask to give and spend their all.

Anointed heralds bold to speak,  
But in our ways like Jesus meek,  
In lowly place or distant land,  
We go forth now to take our stand.

Our message be the gospel plain,  
Our joy its power o’er sin’s dark stain;  
Born from above the sinner lives,  
New life in Christ the Spirit gives!

The rights of all we shall defend  
Our strength to justice ever lend,  
The sins of greed of caste and war,  
Bring every nation to abhor.

We thank our God for kindly years,  
For fellowship through joy and tears,  
For learning and for friendly toil,  
For faith to sow in every soil.

Bind us together now, we pray,  
As from this place we go today,  
And keep our feet in paths made light,  
By Jesus’ truth and glory bright! Amen.

—*E.A. McDowell, Jr., 1898-1975*

*Professor of New Testament, Emeritus*

\*Benediction ..... *Larry Hovis*

*President, Student Council*

\*Recessional - Symphonie V, Opus 42 ..... *C. M. Widor*

V Toccata

\*Congregation please stand



# CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

## ASSOCIATE OF DIVINITY

Linda E. Bell	High Point, North Carolina
Joan Marie Towner	Coral Springs, Florida

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James B. Denton	Hampton, Virginia
Michael Howard Ennis	Forest City, North Carolina
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Kevin Arol Chaney	Carlsbad, California
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Stephen Paul Rowles	Halifax, Virginia
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Chris Marlowe Spurlock	Huntsville, Alabama
Kenneth Philip Stealing	Fayetteville, North Carolina
Charles Michael Stevens	Star, North Carolina
James Augustus Thomas	Patterson, Georgia
Kathy Jo Tomlinson	Cary, North Carolina
Norris N. Trice	Durham, North Carolina
Jim Randall Wadford	Charlotte, North Carolina
Barry Keith Weber	Norfolk, Virginia
Albert Randolph Wellman	West Palm Beach, Florida
Rudolph Lee West	Amherst, Virginia
William L. West	Charleston, West Virginia
Raymond Frank White*	Charlotte, North Carolina
David Harold Wyatt	Kannapolis, North Carolina
Douglas Merritt York, Jr.	Charlotte, North Carolina

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Rebecca Lynn Holcomb	Yadkinville, North Carolina
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Dena Cassidy Lucy	Hartsville, South Carolina
Ronnie Liles McCarson	Durham, North Carolina
Bruce Edward Minett	Ladson, South Carolina
Dasie Joan Newton	Rougemont, North Carolina
Sylvia Ann Newton	Peachland, North Carolina
Christopher William Phelps	Durham, North Carolina
James Edward Rivers	Roanoke, Virginia
Sandra Kay Self	Inman, South Carolina
Donna René Yost	Oak Ridge, North Carolina

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## MASTER OF THEOLOGY

- Jimmy Preston Greene . . . . . Greer, South Carolina  
THESIS: YOUNGER CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN SINGLES AND A  
CHRISTIAN VIEW OF SEXUAL ETHICS
- William Marshall Hoyle . . . . . Maiden, North Carolina  
THESIS: POVERTY HOUSING AND THE HISTORY OF FEDERAL RESPON-  
SIBILITY: A CHRISTIAN ETHICAL REFLECTION
- Samuel Olurunmola Ihimodu . . . . . Ayetoro-Gbede, Nigeria  
THESIS: A THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATION FOR VOCATION AND ITS IM-  
PLICATION FOR CHRISTIAN PARENTS.

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## DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

- Clifton Joe Barrow . . . . . Kinston, North Carolina  
PROJECT: THE PRODUCTION OF A PROGRAMMED LEARNING TEXT-  
BOOK ON ROMANS FOR AFRICA
- Steve N. Brown . . . . . Gainesville, Georgia  
PROJECT: THE LORD'S SUPPER: A FOCUS FOR UNITY IN THE FIRST  
BAPTST CHURCH, GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA
- Samuel George Catoe . . . . . Kershaw, South Carolina  
PROJECT: WORSHIP: THE CRUCIBLE OF UNITY
- Randy Cecil Gardner . . . . . Gaffney, South Carolina  
PROJECT: PREACHING IN CONTEXT: AN EXERCISE IN BIBLICAL  
PREACHING
- John S. Hammett . . . . . Durham, North Carolina  
PROJECT: COLLEGE STUDENTS IN CHURCHES AND CAMPUS FELLOW-  
SHIP GROUPS: A THEOLOGICAL, EMPIRICAL, AND PRACTICAL  
ANALYSIS
- Martha L. Henderson . . . . . Chapel Hill, North Carolina  
PROJECT: PREPARING FOR A GOOD DEATH
- Robert Mark Jordon . . . . . Madison, Virginia  
PROJECT: THE FORMATION OF THE SELF-IDENTITY OF THE LAITY AS  
MINISTERS
- Gary Stephen Kaufman . . . . . Mount Gilead, North Carolina  
PROJECT: SPIRITUAL GROWTH IN A PRAYER BASED GROUP AT FIRST  
BAPTIST CHURCH, MOUNT GILEAD
- Paul S. Kennedy . . . . . Swansboro, North Carolina  
PROJECT: EQUIPPING HOME BIBLE STUDY LEADERS
- Clyde Pickney Thomas . . . . . Gaffney, South Carolina  
PROJECT: LEADING CHEROKEE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH TO MEET  
THE NEEDS OF OUR CHANGING COMMUNITY
- Hubert Hoyt Welch, Jr. . . . . Hartsville, South Carolina  
PROJECT: AN EVALUATION OF METHODS USED TO EDUCATE AND IN-  
VOLVE THE YOUTH OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH WINSTON-  
SALEM IN MINISTRY WITH THE HOMELESS

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### Marshals

H. Eugene McLeod, *Chief Marshal*  
Ben F. Philbeck, *Faculty Marshal*

### Student Marshals

Larry Hovis, *Chief Student Marshal*  
Caleb Oladipo  
Paige Reece McCormick  
Sandra Dylene Leightner  
Joel H. Wetherington

## Litany of Mission

- President: You who are gathered here today as graduates are not here by a simple accident of circumstance.
- Graduates: Whether by sudden insight or gradual understanding, we have heard the same word that came to Isaiah, saying "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" (Isaiah 6:8). And we each have answered, "Here am I, send me."
- Congregation: You have come to this place in order that you might "be equipped for every good work" (II Timothy 3:16).
- President: But it is not enough simply to become equipped, for the work lies before you. This, too, is the word of the Lord: "In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their sins against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation."
- Faculty: ". . . So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" (II Corinthians 5:19-20)
- Graduates: But we go forth to a world skilled at building walls. In such a world, how do we declare this message of reconciliation?
- Faculty: "Have this mind among yourselves which was yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant. . ." (Philippians 2:5-7).
- Graduates: As ministers of the gospel of Jesus Christ, we are called to serve in his name and by his example.
- President: The same journey of faith that led you here now leads you to other places around the world. You go to exercise the gifts that God has given to you and to employ the knowledge gained through study. But even this will not be enough.
- Congregation: Jesus said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12).
- Graduates: "Let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth." (I John 3:18).
- Faculty: "Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things" (I Corinthians 13:7).
- All: "Faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love" (I Corinthians 13:13).

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