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President's Greeting

September 2026

Dear Fellow Pilgrims,

Greetings in the name of the Lord.

The beginning of September brings several important pieces of news to communicate with you. First, Courtney Dolezal reports that her husband is doing well. He was discharged from the rehabilitation hospital on August 11, and since being home has continued to make progress in his recovery. She writes: "James has been home for a couple of weeks now and is recovering more each day. He is still receiving outpatient therapy (PT, OT, and Speech) at the rehab hospital twice a week. Therapy, combined with regular visitors at our home, has stretched his body and mind in very positive ways. James can walk indoors independently. He can walk outside and up the stairs with someone to assist. He is reading a little and able to follow a train of thought in print and in conversation. He has been to church the past two Sundays. We are glad to have him home and very thankful for the continued support as we step into this next phase of recovery." Please give thanks for the Lord's mercies to the Dolezal family and continue to pray for further recovery.

Secondly, the renovations at our new campus in Arlington, Texas are moving along nicely. Recently, the building passed an important inspection for which we are thankful. We are hoping to occupy 2015 East Lamar Blvd. by mid-October. Would you pray that we can meet this deadline and not have any delays?

Thirdly, Dr. Daniel Scheiderer and his family have arrived in Texas to begin his service as a resident professor at IRBS. Would you pray for him as he transitions into this role and for the family as they enter into a new life in Texas?

And of course there is the beginning of our Fall semester and the nine classes being offered. Please pray for our faculty and students, asking the Lord to deepen their piety and preparation for ministry.

Our **IRBS on the Road** seminars continue to keep me very busy. In 2027, we hope to offer a fourth seminar with the title **IRBS on the Road: The Christian's Day of Rest**. Like our other seminars on Believer's Baptism, *Sola Scriptura* and the Glorious Trinity (led by Dr. Scheiderer), it will consist of three sessions: 1. Does the New Testament command us to keep holy a Sabbath Day? Part 1; 2. Does the New Testament command us to keep holy a Sabbath Day? Part 2; and 3. "But what about....?" which will consider texts such as Colossians 2:16-17. If your church would be interested in hosting any of these seminars, please contact us.

As you can see, we have a busy semester ahead of us. Thank you for your prayers and support.

In Christ,
James M. Renihan
President, IRBS



Dr. Renihan's Speaking Schedule:

Sept. 5, **Baptism**, Westminster Baptist Chapel, London
Sept. 12, **Sola Scriptura**, Grace Baptist Ch, Port Erin, UK
Sept. 19, **Baptism**, Christ Church Loughborough, UK
Sept. 26, **Sola Scriptura**, Faith Baptist Ch, Kirksville, MO
Oct. 3, **Sola Scriptura**, Mt. Vernon BC., Mt. Vernon, IN
Oct. 10, **Sola Scriptura**, Risen Church, Concord, NC
Oct. 17, TBA, Unity Baptist Church, Millington, TN
Oct. 24, **Sabbath**, Heritage Baptist Church, Mansfield, TX
Oct. 31, **Sola Scriptura**, Disciple Church, Whittier, CA

IRBS On the Road Upcoming Dates



This one day event is perfect for any Christian interested in deepening their understanding of these important topics.

Event Highlights:

- Topics:

Sola Scriptura, God's Precious Gift to Us

Dr. James Renihan, President and Professor of Historical Theology

- September 12, Grace Baptist Church, Port Erin, UK
- September 19, Christ Church, Loughborough, UK
- September 26, Faith Baptist Church, Kirksville, MO

A Deep Dive into Baptism

**** Now available at Founders Study Center!**

Dr. James Renihan, President and Professor of Historical Theology

- September 5, Westminster Baptist Chapel, London

Gazing at the Glorious Trinity

Dr. Daniel Scheiderer, Assistant Professor of Christian Theology

- October 10, Covenant Grace Church, Columbia, TN

- *New Topic Available for Limited Engagements:*

The Christian's Day of Rest

Dr. James Renihan, President and Professor of Historical Theology

- October 24, Heritage Baptist Church, Mansfield, TX

- Admission is free, but please reserve your spot.

- Duration: 3-4 hours

- Check out **Theology in Particular** episode #221 (10/27/25) for more details.

For more information or to schedule an IRBS on the Road Day for your congregation, please contact Brent Ward at giving@irbsseminary.org.

Upcoming Courses

Legacy (self-paced) Course List

Legacy courses are pre-recorded and self-paced.

They are available each semester and follow the semester registration schedules.

Fall 2026 Course Schedule

Registration open now.

Intro to Research Writing - M. Grinder

Hebrew II - J. Wilson

Foundations of Theology - C. Rennie

Prophets - D. Grumbles

Gospels - J. Riddle

Homiletics I - J.R. Davidson

Preaching Practicum I - J. R. Davidson

Doctrine of the Church - D. Scheiderer

Christology - D. Scheiderer

Winter 2027 Courses

Pastoral Counseling - J.R. Davidson

Schedule TBA. Registration opens 10/31.

Missions & Evangelism - C. Vegas

Class to be held in Tijuana, Mexico. Live attendance required. Spots are limited.

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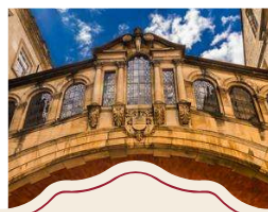


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Baptist History Bus Tour



Join us the week before the conference, **August 19-25**, as **Dr. Renihan** hosts a **Baptist History Bus Tour of England**, where we'll visit many sites directly related to the lives of the men who wrote our confession.

[More Info](#)
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More Upcoming Conferences



Texas Area Association of Reformed Baptist Churches' Annual Pastors' Conference

Speakers include: Daniel Scheiderer, J. Ryan Davidson, Jason Montgomery

This year's conference will again be held in conjunction with the IRBS 2026/2027 Academic Year Convocation:

- Tuesday, September 15, 7-8PM
- The convocation is free. No need to register.

Register for conference



Of Adoption & Sanctification

November 2 & 3

La Mirada, CA

Speakers include: James Renihan,
Daniel Scheiderer, Drew Sparks

Register

Particular Baptist Theological Society 2027



We are now accepting proposals for the second meeting of the PBTS. This endeavor is a means to **encourage scholarship** related to historic and current **Particular Baptist doctrine and practice**.

- This year's theme is *Sanctification*. Priority will be given to proposals thus related, especially those associated with the great Baptist Confessions.
- One-day meeting to include a plenary session alongside concurrent side sessions that consist of papers presented by scholars, students and ministers interested in the goals of the Society.
- Friday, May 14, 2027
- Submissions may be in the areas of exegetical theology, systematic theology, historical theology or pastoral theology.
- The doctrinal standard for the society will be the New Hampshire Confession of Faith.
- Proposals or questions may be sent to pbts@irbs.org.

Student-led Missions Prayer Meeting

All are welcome to join us **Saturday, September 26**, at 10am CT for the **Haystack Prayer Meeting**. We will be joining together to pray for the work of missions throughout the world. The New Creation Mandate given by the Lord Jesus Christ to his disciples to "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations," stands now and even to the end of the age. Therefore, let us join ourselves in prayer, beseeching our God for the building of his everlasting kingdom.

Click here to join that morning. Link is also posted in the Populi dashboard and calendar.

Questions may be emailed to bnasmith1@gmail.com.

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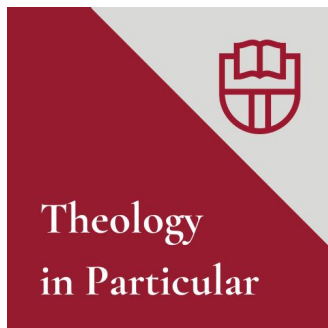


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Podcasts

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Just a few minutes to listen? Check out our microcast, featuring brief discussions between Dr. Renihan & Pastor Fred Pugh, IRBS Chairman of the Board, on matters about and within the 2nd London Confession of Faith. Listen on your favorite

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Prayer Requests

Praise God for His many blessings, including:

- Dr. Dolezal's continued recovery
- The progress of building renovations
- The Perlego digital library subscription, making reading materials more available to students around the world
- A new IRBS On-the-Road seminar

Please pray for:

- The building to be ready to host classes in mid-October
- Dr. Dolezal's continued recovery
- Preparations for the 2027 England Bus Tour & Conference
- Faculty and students as they begin fall classes

Thank you for your faithful prayer support.

May IRBS continue to be an effective tool in His hand.

Soli Deo Gloria!



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