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President's Greeting



September 2024

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Many times when I have visited churches I have asked the question 'who will be the pastor for your grandchildren?' That inquiry is regularly on my mind. September has come, marking the beginning of a new semester for our faculty and students. This is a good time to remember our task--to bring the 'pattern of sound words' we have received and pass it on to faithful men who will be able to teach it to others (2 Timothy 1:13-2:2). We desire to be faithful to this task so that there will be a continual supply of well-trained men to serve the next generation. But how is this labor proceeding? The Lord has abundantly blessed our work. We have seen a continual increase in our student body, so that we now have the largest enrollment ever; our international presence is growing, for we now have students from five continents, and opportunities to develop new relationships seem to be arriving every week.

But the task is great, and can only proceed with the Lord's blessing. Thank you for your prayers and support. Please continue to pray. I deeply appreciate your faithful and loving assistance. Pray that Christ will be honored, souls will be brought to faith and saints will be built up in our most holy faith.

In Christ's Service,
James M. Renihan
President, IRBS

Dr. Renihan will be teaching Symbolics this fall on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. This class may be attended virtually.

His speaking schedule:

Sept 1 Heritage Baptist Church, Mansfield, TX Sunday School

Sept 10 IRBS Convocation, Heritage Baptist, Mansfield (see below)

Sept 14: Zoom session on Baptist History with Venezuelan students

Sept 21-22 Theology Conference, Unity Baptist Church, Millington TN (see below)

Sept 29 West Suffolk Baptist Church, West Suffolk VA



You're invited, Tuesday & Wednesday, September 10 & 11, to attend the Convocation of our new academic year, again in conjunction with this year's TAARBC Pastors' Conference

Dr. James Dolezal & Pastor Jason Walter will be speaking at the conference on Chapter 5 of the 2LCF, the Doctrine of Divine Providence. Meals provided.

Dr. James Renihan will be speaking at the convocation Tuesday evening.

Admission to the convocation is free.

Registration is now open.

Apply today

for the 2024/2025 Academic Year.

Accepting Applications for Self-paced enrollment and the Spring term.

Fall Course Schedule

Registration now open

Symbolics - J. Renihan

Hebrew II - J. Wilson

Ancient Church/Patristics - J. Montgomery

Introduction to Research Writing - M. Grinder

Acts & Pauline Epistles (UK) - T. Decker

Foundations of Philosophical Theology - J. Dolezal

Homiletics I - R. Davidson

Preaching Practicum I - R. Davidson

Hermeneutics - R. Barcellos

ET 501
HERMENEUTICS



with
Dr. Richard Barcellos

MONDAY-FRIDAY
September 16-20
9AM-4:30PM CST
On Campus & Livestreamed

CH601



**ANCIENT CHURCH
(PATRISTICS)**

with
Dr. Jason Montgomery

THURSDAYS 9AM-1PM CST
September 5, 12, 26; October 3, 10,
31; November 14, 21; December 12
Livestream

Winter (January) Course List

Registration opens October 1

Charles Spurgeon: The Sabbatarian Evangelist - B. Rhea & E. Romine
Missions & Evangelism - C. Vegas

January 27-31, 2025

Live in
Tijuana, Mexico



In cooperation with



Missions & Evangelism

with Chad Vegas

MDiv student, Jeremy Ashe, has this to say of his experiences in this class:
This course is a must take! IRBS and Radius International do not disappoint when it comes to bringing you reformed theological training in missions and an on the ground experience in a safe and quality environment in Tijuana. Students will not only learn but will develop bonds with their fellow co-laborers in Christ. One of my favorite parts about this course is our ability to interact with Radius students who are prospective missionaries. Being able to hear their stories and interact with them is a once in a lifetime experience. Additionally, meeting fellow IRBS students in person is always a pleasure. Lastly, the accommodations of Radius in terms of staff, housing, and other accommodations (tacos!) are superb. If you are not available, clear your schedule and get out there. You won't be disappointed.

Legacy (self-paced) Course List

Registration is always open.

Introducing the IRBS BDiv

With the new academic year, our diploma program is transitioning into a BDiv (Baccalaureate in Divinity) program!

Like the Diploma Program, the BDiv will be designed to give mature students (30 and above) an opportunity to study at IRBS who have not yet earned a bachelor's degree. It is an exact reflection of our MDiv program, 110 credits that may be completed in a minimum of 3 years of full-time enrollment. It will also require completion of 600 hours of ministry internship work. The courses can be completed residually, online, or a hybrid of the two. Students who are accepted into this program will be on temporary academic probation, which will be lifted after 15 credits are completed with a GPA of 2.0 or higher. BDiv students will participate in class as any other student would, regarding assignments, examinations and class participation.

The BDiv will be a degree granting program. Upon completion of the program, a bachelor's degree will be conferred to graduates.

Opportunities to Connect

Women's Fellowship

Attention Ladies of the IRBS Family!

(Men of the IRBS family, please spread the word to the women in your lives.)

All wives, fiancées, female students, and other interested ladies are invited! Our monthly Women's Fellowship will resume on **Tuesday, September 10**, at 7:30pm CST.

We meet via Zoom on the second Tuesday of each month of the academic year. These meetings remind us of the Lord's far-reaching work into the depth of the hearts of IRBS women stretching all across the country and the world!

Our first meeting, on September 10, will focus on fellowship and praying for one another.

Joy Pugh (wife of Chairman of the Board, Fred Pugh) will be leading. Please RSVP to admissions@irbsseminary.org. A Zoom link will be sent to everyone who responds.

Student-led Missions Prayer Meeting

All students are very welcome to a monthly missions prayer meeting via **Zoom**. Our particular focus will be on persecuted brethren, unreached people groups, and confessional Baptist missionary endeavors. Watch for the Zoom link, posted monthly to the Populi dashboard.

Please join us as we bring these vital matters in prayer to our God.

Email bnasmith1@gmail.com with questions.

Upcoming Events



Theology Conference

Three sessions of lecture about the 2nd London Baptist Confession of Faith delivered by Dr. James Renihan

21 September 2024

Unity Baptist Church, **Millington, TN**

Registration is open now.

The Missionary Conference

October 16-18 in Jacksonville, FL, commemorating the 500th anniversary of William Tyndale's English Bible translation. The conference aims to promote a biblical understanding of and involvement in world missions, exploring key questions and challenging the pragmatic mindset that has infiltrated evangelicalism.

High school, college, and seminary student tickets \$89 (no code needed).

Purchase tickets



Semper Reformanda,

Houston 10/18 & 10/19

Who is Jesus? What is the Covenant of Redemption and what does it teach us about the nature and work of Jesus? What are the human and divine attributes of Jesus? What is the significance of his life of obedience? Was his work really complete?

Dr. James Dolezal & Dr. Tom Hicks will be speaking. IRBS students can receive a 40% discount on tickets. Email Kristen, admissions@irbsseminary.org, for the promo code.

Registration is now open.

Partner with us

Our Church Partnership program offers tuition-free, credit-earning courses to members of supporting churches, along with many other benefits.

Check them out at [**Church Partnership Program.**](#)

Things to read



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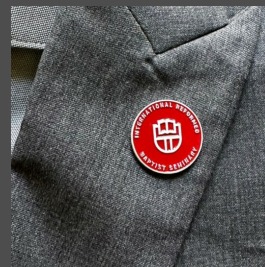
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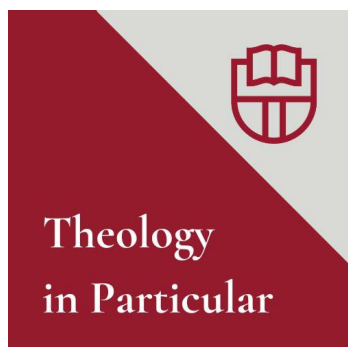
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Just a few minutes to listen? Check out our microcast, featuring brief discussions between Dr. Renihan & Pastor Fred Pugh, Chairman of the Board of IRBS, on matters about, and within, the Second London Baptist Confession of Faith. Episodes air every Thursday. Listen on your favorite podcast app or find all episodes on our [website](#).

Prayer Requests

Praise God for continuing to grow IRBS!
Please pray for our students and faculty as they commence the demands of the new academic year.

Join us in covering the 2024/2025 Convocation in prayer.
Also pray for safety for those traveling to upcoming intensive classes.

As always, pray that the Lord's will be done in all that we do, and that His glory remains the ultimate aim of all.

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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