Mission

Under the lordship of Jesus Christ,
the mission of
The Southern Baptist
Theological Seminary
is to be totally committed
to the Bible as the Word of God,
to the Great Commission as our mandate,
and to be a servant of the churches of
the Southern Baptist Convention
by training, educating, and preparing
ministers of the gospel
for more faithful service.
Theological education is serious business. The task of training, preparing, and educating ministers of the gospel is an incredible stewardship invested in Southern Seminary by the churches. Without apology, we serve the church of the Lord Jesus Christ and aim to fulfill this purpose so that generations to come will have an even more faithful and effective ministry.

Only God can make a minister. That fundamental fact frames our responsibility; for humility necessitates our understanding that Southern Seminary does not make ministers. Nevertheless, God makes ministers through the crucible of learning, study, prayer and experience — and Southern Seminary combines all these in a comprehensive program of theological education that combines unquestioned academic excellence with practical application.

You should know that Southern Seminary is deadly serious about theological education that is genuinely theological. We are a confessional institution that stands without compromise upon the faith once for all delivered to the saints. The absolute truthfulness and authority of the Word of God are foundational to our programs of study, and you can be certain that theological faithfulness and doctrinal integrity are hallmarks of a Southern Seminary education.

This institution is more than 150 years old. Over the past 15 decades, many fads and movements have come and gone—but the steady determination to educate ministers of the gospel remains our central focus. Southern Seminary stands as a servant institution to the church of the Lord Jesus Christ, and our eyes are on the mission fields of the world and the frontlines of ministry all around the globe.

Southern Seminary’s faculty is unparalleled in the evangelical world. Here you will find consecrated Christian scholars whose commitment to the gospel, to the church, and to the Lord Jesus Christ is translated into their love for students and the task of teaching.

Our ambition is to shape the minister in every dimension—including heart, soul, mind, and the application of all ministry in the spirit of Christ. To that end, we offer comprehensive academic degrees ranging from baccalaureate to doctoral programs. Standing at the center of every aspect of the curriculum is a steadfast commitment to biblical truth, to excellence in ministry, and to the honorable service to the church of our Lord Jesus Christ. The schools of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary share this common vision, this glorious task, and this priceless stewardship.

Our institutional motto says it all—“For the truth, for the church, for the world, for the glory of God.” The glory of God is the beginning and end of all things, and ultimately, our prayer is that God is glorified in all we do, in all we teach, and in all those who graduate from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.
Office of the President

R. Albert Mohler, Jr.
President of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Joseph Emerson Brown Professor of Christian Theology (1993)
B.A., Samford University; M.Div., Ph.D., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dr. R. Albert Mohler, Jr., serves as the ninth president of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary-the flagship school of the Southern Baptist Convention and one of the largest seminaries in the world.

Dr. Mohler has been recognized by such influential publications as Time and Christianity Today as a leader among American evangelicals. In fact, Time.com called him the “reigning intellectual of the evangelical movement in the U.S.”

In addition to his presidential duties, Dr. Mohler hosts The Albert Mohler Program, a daily live nationwide radio program on the Salem Radio Network. He also writes a popular blog and a regular commentary on moral, cultural and theological issues. Both can be accessed through Dr. Mohler’s website, www.AlbertMohler.com. Called “an articulate voice for conservative Christianity at large” by The Chicago Tribune, Dr. Mohler’s mission is to address contemporary issues from a consistent and explicit Christian worldview.

Widely sought as a columnist and commentator, Dr. Mohler has been quoted in the nation’s leading newspapers, including The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, The Washington Post, The Atlanta Journal/Constitution and The Dallas Morning News. He has also appeared on such national news programs as CNN’s “Larry King Live,” NBC’s “Today Show” and “Dateline NBC,” ABC’s “Good Morning America,” “The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer” on PBS, MSNBC’s “Scarborough Country” and Fox’s “The O’Reilly Factor.”

Dr. Mohler is a theologian and an ordained minister, having served as pastor and staff minister of several Southern Baptist churches. He came to the presidency of Southern Seminary from service as editor of The Christian Index, the oldest of the state papers serving the Southern Baptist Convention.

A native of Lakeland, Florida, Dr. Mohler was a Faculty Scholar at Florida Atlantic University before receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. He holds a Master of Divinity degree and the Doctor of Philosophy (in systematic and historical theology) from Southern Seminary. He has pursued additional study at the St. Meinrad School of Theology and has done research at Oxford University (England).

Dr. Mohler also serves as the Joseph Emerson Brown Professor of Christian Theology at Southern Seminary. His writings have been published throughout the United States and Europe. In addition to contributing to a number of collected volumes, he is the author of several books, including Culture Shift: Engaging Current Issues with Timeless Truth (Multnomah), Desire & Deciet: The Real Cost of the New Sexual Tolerance (Multnomah), Atheism Remix: A Christian Confronts the New Atheists (Crossway), He is Not Silent: Preaching in a Postmodern World (Moody), and, most recently, The Disappearance of God: Dangerous Beliefs in the New Spiritual Openness (Multnomah). From 1985 to 1993, he served as Associate Editor of Preaching, a journal for evangelical preachers, and is currently Editor-in-Chief of The Southern Baptist Journal of Theology.

A leader within the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Mohler has served in several offices including a term as Chairman of the SBC Committee on Resolutions, which is responsible for the denomination’s official statements on moral and doctrinal issues. He also served on the seven-person Program and Structure Study Committee, which recommended the 1995 restructuring of the nation’s largest Protestant denomination. In 2000, Dr. Mohler served on a blue-ribbon panel that made recommendations to the Southern Baptist Convention for revisions to the Baptist Faith and Message, the statement of faith most widely held among Southern Baptists. Since 1995, he has served as president of the Southern Baptist Convention’s Council of Seminary Presidents.

Dr. Mohler has presented lectures or addresses at institutions including Columbia University, the University of Virginia, Wheaton College, Samford University, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, the University of Richmond, Mercer University, Cedarville University, Beeson Divinity School, Reformed Theological Seminary, The Master’s Seminary, Geneva College, Biola University, Covenant Theological Seminary, The Cumberland School of Law, The Regent University School of Law, Vanderbilt University and the historic Chautauqua Institution, among many others.

Dr. Mohler is listed in Who’s Who in America and other biographical reference works and serves on the boards of several organizations including Focus on the Family. He is a member of the Council for Biblical Manhood and Womanhood and serves on the Theological Advisory Committee for Capitol Ministries.

He is married to Mary, and they have two children, Katie and Christopher.
Academic Administration

Senior Vice President

Russell D. Moore
Senior Vice President for Academic Administration; Dean of the School of Theology; Professor of Christian Theology and Ethics (2001)
B.S., University of Southern Mississippi; M.Div., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph.D., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dr. Russell D. Moore has served as the Senior Vice President for Academic Administration and Dean of the School of Theology at Southern Seminary since January of 2004. Dr. Moore is also a preaching pastor at Highview Baptist Church in Louisville, where he ministers weekly. Dr. Moore writes frequently on topics such as theology, ethics, and the Christian life for various publications, including Touchstone: A Journal of Mere Christianity, for which he is a senior editor. He has written books such as The Kingdom of Christ: The New Evangelical Perspective and Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families and Churches. Prior to entering the ministry, he was an aide to U.S. Congressman Gene Taylor.

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Dean of the Billy Graham School of Missions and Evangelism; Vice President for Academic Programming; Director of Professional Doctoral Studies; Professor of Evangelism and Church Growth (1997)
B.S., Cumberland College; M.Div., Ph.D., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dr. Lawless brings to Southern Seminary wide experience in church work, having served as pastor of two different congregations in Ohio. He also has served as a Lecturer in English at the University of Cincinnati. He has contributed articles to denominational periodicals and written Sunday School curriculum for LifeWay Christian Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Lawless is the author of six works, including Membership Matters, Spiritual Warfare, Discipled Warriors, and Making Disciples through Mentoring. He is a member of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education, the Great Commission Research Network, and the Evangelical Missiological Society.

Randy L. Stinson
Dean of the School of Church Ministries; Vice President for Institutional Research and Improvement; Associate Professor of Leadership (2006)
B.A., University of South Florida; M.Div., Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; Th.M., Ph.D., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dr. Stinson became Dean of the School of Church Ministries in August 2006. Dr. Stinson also serves as the President for The Council on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood. Dr. Stinson is a renowned authority on the subject of biblical manhood and womanhood. He has served as a senior pastor as well as other church staff positions.

Lawrence A. Smith
Dean of Students; Vice President for Community Relations
B.A., Eastern Kentucky University

Before coming to Southern, Mr. Smith spent 25 years in television news, most recently at WHAS-TV in Louisville. He has served as a reporter, anchor, producer and news executive at television stations in Lexington, Kentucky; Knoxville, Tennessee; Houston, Texas; and Louisville. Mr. Smith has won numerous awards, including a Metro Louisville Journalism award from the Society of Professional Journalists. He also spent two years on staff at First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas producing the church’s television programming.

Vice Presidents

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Prior to coming to SBTS, Mr. Van Loo served as the Director of Admissions at Cedarville University in Cedarville, Ohio. During his 10 years at Cedarville, Mr. Van Loo held several positions in both the Student Life and Enrollment Management divisions. Mr. Van Loo has academic interests in organizational leadership and has taught several undergraduate courses on the topic at Wright State University in Ohio.

Scott Van Loo
Vice President for Enrollment Management (2010)
B.A., Cedarville University; M.A., Wright State University; Ph.D. (in progress), University of Dayton
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Academic Resources
Bruce L. Keisling
Associate Vice President for Academic Resources; Librarian (2002)
B.A., Cedarville University; M.S.L.S., The Catholic University of America
Mr. Keisling came to Southern Seminary in 1998 as Associate Librarian. Prior to coming to Southern, Mr. Keisling served as a librarian at a theological seminary in the Washington, D.C. area. While a resident of Washington, D.C., he was a member of and held leadership positions at Capitol Hill Baptist Church. In 2002, Mr. Keisling assumed his present role as Seminary Librarian. He is an active member of the Southern Baptist Library Association and the American Theological Library Association.

Online Learning and Intercultural Programs
W. Hayward Armstrong
Associate Vice President for Online Learning and Intercultural Programs; Associate Professor of Christian Missions (2005)
B.A., Samford University; M.Div., Ph.D., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, M.D.E., University of Maryland University College
Before coming to Southern Seminary, Dr. Armstrong served as Associate Director for Curriculum and then as Director of the International Centre for Excellence in Leadership at the Southern Baptist International Mission Board. Dr. Armstrong also served more than twenty years in South America, as church planter, theological educator, and missions administrator. He is the author of Bases para la Educacion Cristiana y Ayudas Practicas - I Reyes, Comentario Biblico Mundo Hispano, Tomo 6, Mas Cerca de Dios and writer/compiler of missionary leadership development materials.

Extension Education and Applied Ministries
Adam W. Greenway
Associate Vice President for Extension Education; Senior Associate Dean, Billy Graham School of Missions and Evangelism; Assistant Professor of Evangelism and Applied Apologetics (2007)
B.A., Samford University; M.Div., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ph.D., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dr. Greenway has served as pastor and/or interim pastor of churches in Kentucky, Ohio, Texas, and Florida. Active in denominational life, he currently serves as a trustee of LifeWay Christian Resources of the Southern Baptist Convention, is First Vice President of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, and has chaired both the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws and the Committee on Nominations of the KBC. Dr. Greenway is a member of the Evangelical Theological Society, the Evangelical Philosophical Society, the International Society of Christian Apologetics, and is president-elect of the Southern Baptist Professors of Evangelism Fellowship. He is co-editor of Evangelicals Engaging Emergent and The Great Commission Resurgence (Both B&H Academic).

Associate Vice Presidents

Doctoral Studies
David L. Puckett
Associate Vice President for Doctoral Studies; Professor of Church History (2002)
B.A., Mississippi College; Th.M., Dallas Theological Seminary; Ph.D., University of Chicago
Prior to coming to Southern Seminary, Dr. Puckett served as Professor of Church History and Director of Th.M. and Ph.D. Studies at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and as founding headmaster of Trinity Academy of Raleigh, North Carolina. He previously taught historical theology at Dallas Theological Seminary and church history and theology at Criswell College. He has academic interests in the areas of the history of biblical interpretation, the Protestant Reformation, and Christianity and social reform in England in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Dr. Puckett is the author of John Calvin’s Exegesis of the Old Testament.
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ern Seminary as Executive Assistant to the President in 2006. Previously, Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church in Louisville. He began his duties at South-
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Mr. Allen became Vice President of Institutional Administration at Southern Seminary in October of 2007. At Grace Community
Church in California he was an Executive Pastor for four years and pastor of the Cornerstone Fellowship Group for five years. Also, Mr. Dumas has
served as college and singles pastor at the Westside Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Florida, at Cottage Hill Baptist Church in Mobile, Alabama,
and at Victory Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas. Previously, he served on staff at the historic First Baptist Church of Dallas. Dan is a veteran of the
United States Navy.

Vice Presidents

Jason K. Allen
Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Executive Director of the Southern Seminary Foundation

B.S., Spring Hill College; M.Div., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph.D., (in progress) The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Mr. Allen became Vice President for Institutional Advancement in 2009. In addition to his duties at Southern Seminary, Mr. Allen currently serves as Senior Pastor at Carlisle Avenue Baptist Church in Louisville. He began his duties at Southern Seminary as Executive Assistant to the President in 2006. Previously, Mr. Allen served from 2002 - 2005 as Senior Pastor of Muldraugh Baptist Church in Muldraugh, Ky., and as assistant to the pastor of the Dauphin Way Baptist Church from 1998 – 2001.

Daniel A. DeWitt
Vice President of Communications; Assistant Professor of College Ministry

B.A., Lexington Baptist College; M.Div., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Ed.D., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Dr. DeWitt became Vice President of Communications in 2009. His prior position was Associate Dean of Boyce College from 2007-2008. Dr. DeWitt served dually as Recruitment Supervisor for Boyce College and Associate Director for Boyce College Student Life from 2005-2007. Dr. DeWitt is currently the lead pastor of the Highview Baptist Church’s University of Louisville Campus Church. His previous pastoral experience includes serving as the Minister to Students at Judson Baptist Church in Nashville and Associate Minister to students at Highview Baptist Church in Louisville.

Wayne Milligan
Vice President of Finance

B.S., Southern Illinois University
Certified Public Accountant, Commonwealth of Kentucky

Before coming to Southern, Mr. Milligan was Vice President of Finance and Administration at Spalding University, Louisville, Senior Vice President and Director of Finance at Great Financial Bank, Louisville, and Business Manager and Treasurer at Kentucky Wesleyan College, Owensboro.

D. Andrew Vincent
Vice President of Operations

B.A., Samford University; MBA, University of Louisville

Mr. Vincent began his tenure with The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1991. He became Vice President of Operations in 2009, a position making him responsible for the strategic oversight of auxiliary business units and facilities management. His prior positions with Southern Seminary have included Associate Vice President for Auxiliary Enterprises, Director of Auxiliary Enterprises, Director/Manager of Administrative Support Services, and Duplicating Machine Operator. Prior to serving at Southern Seminary, Mr. Vincent served as Assistant Warehouse Manager at EVCO, Inc., in Birmingham, Ala.

Trevor Wallis
Vice President of Campus Technology

B.A., M.S., University of Oregon; M.Div., The Master’s Seminary; Ph.D. (in progress), University of Idaho

Prior to coming to SBTS, Mr. Wallis served as Vice President for Information Services at The Master’s College in Santa Clarita, California. Mr. Wallis has worked with computer systems in the newspaper publishing industry in Oregon and California, and in many other aspects of computer science. A graduate of The Master’s Seminary, he also served as a senior pastor for churches in Washington and Montana.
Office of the President

Matthew J. Hall  
Chief of Staff, Office of the President

B.A., Grove City College; M.Div., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Th.M., The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Ph.D. (in progress), University of Kentucky.

Mr. Hall began his duties as executive assistant to the president in 2009. Previously, Mr. Hall served from 2006 to 2009 as Executive Producer of The Albert Mohler Program, produced by Salem Communications. He serves as a deacon at Clifton Baptist Church in Louisville, and is an active member of the American Society of Church History and the Conference on Faith and History.