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"TO ALL THE WORLD FOR JESUS' SAKE."

—From the Mid-America Alma Mater
Welcome to the Mid-America family! As you browse these pages, we hope you see Mid-America’s vision to impact the world for God’s glory by training men and women to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Our ministry is multiplying your ministry.

Founded in 1972 to provide a conservative alternative for seminary training, Mid-America has developed into a premier institution for theological education with campuses near Memphis, Tennessee, and Albany, New York, and multiple extensions throughout the country. More than 90% of our alumni are involved in vocational ministry, with others teaching at seminaries and colleges throughout the world. More than 90% of our alumni are involved in vocational ministry, with others teaching at seminaries and colleges throughout the world.

So, what do you need to know about Mid-America? First, we take a unique approach to training by coupling academic excellence with an expectation for our students to be actively involved in the practical missions program. Second, we provide financial freedom to our students through a wide base of donor support, offsetting a large portion of tuition cost. Third, we encourage the MABTS faculty to share in the lives of our students both on and off campus. Finally, we seek to connect alumni with our current students so they can see the fruits of the Mid-America experience.

Though we pride ourselves in the academic excellence of a Mid-America education, we ultimately think of our impact in terms of changed lives. Mid-America instills a passion for missions and equips students to effectively evangelize. Since 1972, thousands of individuals have heard the Gospel from students at MABTS, and more than 160,000 souls have professed Christ as Savior and Lord through these interactions. Students participate in over 10,000 hours of practical missions each year, influencing countless lives for the Kingdom. The Mid-America family invests in our students, and our students invest in the lives around them.

Why Mid-America? Because we are training men and woman to make a difference, teaching them to exalt Christ while they serve their community and church. Come join the Mid-America family and discover how God will use your time at MABTS to equip you for a lifetime of ministry.
At Mid-America, we believe the best way for students to learn how to effectively witness and minister to their communities is not just to learn about it, but to do it. Practice it. Experience it. Live it. So in addition to the academic requirements, all students participate in practical missions and ministry.

The MABTS Practical Missions program challenges students to share their faith on a regular basis and serve with Gospel-centered ministries. Students dedicate at least two hours a week to their chosen ministries. Practical Missions opportunities range from feeding the homeless to teaching English as a second language to serving regularly in local churches. MABTS faculty and advisors can help students find practical missions opportunities that fit their unique talents, passions, and callings.

Twice a week during Chapel, students share testimonies from their practical missions and personal evangelism experiences, providing moving accounts of how they have seen God at work. Since 1972, over 160,000 people have made a profession of faith as a result of a Gospel witness from MABTS students.

**MONDONICO WILLIAMS**

**MASTER OF DIVINITY**  
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE  

**HOW DID PRACTICAL MISSIONS PREPARE YOU FOR MINISTRY?**

When I first came to the Seminary, we would go door to door and basically what we were doing was helping a church get started. I had no idea at the time that the Lord was training me to plant a church.

So now, as a church planter, the practical experience I got, the hostilities I experienced, and the warmth and welcome that I experienced on the streets of south Memphis really prepared me to plant a church. Practical Missions at Mid-America helped me to be not only a church planter but a better witness for God.
We believe that in order to train students, professors must have excelled as students themselves. Each of our faculty has an earned PHD from an accredited academic institution, lending specific, pertinent expertise to classroom instruction. But scholarship does not stop in the classroom. MABTS faculty are relevant voices in Christian studies discourse, through publication, scholarly research, and participation in various conferences.

Mid-America is home to the *Journal of Evangelism and Missions*, and the MABTS library offers access to 171,000 volumes, a resource to the entire Mid-South. In addition to excellent scholarship, all Mid-America faculty have experience working in the local church or on the mission field. Faculty at Mid-America are passionate about sharing the Gospel, not just in the classroom, but in their communities as well, and their ministerial experience provides a rich perspective for students entering the field.
Dr. Gray Allison, our founding president, wanted to make seminary education as affordable as possible so graduates would not be weighed down with excessive debt from student loans. From the beginning, Dr. Allison asked friends and churches to consider investing in men of God who were studying to lead churches and training to take the Gospel to all the world. That message resonated among our friends, alumni, and churches, and they began to give. Since 1972, our friends and supporters have provided up to 60% of our annual operating needs through their gifts.

These gifts enable us to keep tuition low—one of the lowest among Southern Baptist seminaries. People often ask, “How can you operate that way? Don’t you need a more guaranteed source of income?” There is no greater guarantee than the sufficiency and faithfulness of God! By trusting God for so much of our budget needs every day, Mid-America is a living testimony to God’s faithfulness and to the blessings available to those who will simply trust His provision. We believe that there is no greater investment than a gift given to expand the kingdom of God.

**WHAT ARE THE FINANCIAL BENEFITS OF ATTENDING MABTS?**

I love how affordable Mid-America is to attend thanks to the many supporters of seminary. Money is always an issue for people when choosing a school, and MABTS, in my opinion, has made it a non-issue. It is a blessing that I do not have to take out any loans to get my Master’s degree, especially since I am trying to go overseas without debt.
The burden of student debt can quickly squelch the fire in a minister’s heart. Therefore, Mid-America seeks to minimize the cost to students. At MABTS, nearly 70% of student tuition is paid by financial supporters and friends of the seminary. What does this mean? More than $10,000 stays in the pocket of each student per year, allowing students to have more financial freedom during their years at Mid-America and during a lifetime of service to the church.

Because of this bold, faith-based model, we rely heavily on the prayers and financial support of individuals and churches who believe in Mid-America’s mission. These generous servants see themselves as partners with us in equipping church leaders with a Biblically based, theologically sound education. Donors’ investments in Mid-America shape the futures of students and make an eternal impact in the lives of people who need to hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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MELISSA CANERDY
MASTER OF MISSIOLOGY AND INTERCULTURAL STUDIES
PAPUA NEW GUINEA

HOW HAS GOD WORKED THROUGH YOUR JOURNEY TO MID-AMERICA?
I had a very good friend who went there, and I came to visit and really loved the school and God just worked out everything for me to go there. He worked out finances and a great roommate. I lived at Seminary housing which was incredible. It’s right across the street from the school. When I got there, I discovered they have an international student club, and although I’m not an official international, I did grow up overseas, so I was able to get involved in that. It really was fun seeing the diversity of the school and getting to know people from all kinds of different countries.
MABTS faculty have a great tradition of upholding an open-door policy. What does that mean? Simple: if our faculty are in their offices, they are available for students to come in and talk. Faculty don’t just talk with students about classes and papers, they provide counsel on ministry and life. No problem or situation is too weighty or too trivial for our professors to offer an ear, and they don’t stop with giving advice. They take the concerns of their students to the Lord. The halls of Mid-America become prayer rooms where faculty and students petition God.

Our involvement with students does not stop when they graduate and move to a new step in their journey of ministry. Instead, we often receive phone calls and e-mails asking for direction and prayer or simply someone to listen. Our professors are not just teachers. They are mentors and co-laborers. Around Memphis and the Mid-South, and in the Northeast, it is common to find professors and students serving together at the same church.

FACULTY EARN AN ‘A’ FOR ACCESS.
Hang around Mid-America long enough, and you’ll see a scene that’s fairly common here. As students and faculty stream toward chapel, a pastor or missionary will walk in and be instantly greeted by a professor or student who stops to shake his hand and say, “Welcome home.” Why “Welcome home”? Because at MABTS, our alumni are family.

We’ve spent years with these men and women, training them not just in the classroom, but also in the hallways and over lunch. We’ve worked to equip them for the future God has called them to by providing a solid education and hands-on experience, but we’ve also built personal relationships with them. We consider the time a student spends here just the beginning of our relationship. Through our alumni banquet, online resume service, and genuine, life-long friendships, we stay connected to our former students and help them stay connected to each other. Ministry can be tough; having the encouragement of “family” makes a difference.

God gripped my heart, clarified my thinking, and purified my life at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary as at no other time in my life. In those hallowed halls and in those classrooms saturated with the fragrance of Jesus, I caught an evangelistic fervor and a love for God’s Word that still sets the course of my ministry and life today. While I received an excellent academic training that has served me well, more than that I learned the practical truths that have propelled me into ministry, missions, denominational impact, and church leadership. I remain a grateful and proud alumna of Mid-America as evidenced by my constant singing of the Seminary’s great theme song, “To All the World for Jesus’ Sake.”

Growing up in the Northeast and being called to the ministry, it was amazing to me that there was a seminary where I could be equipped in the Word of God. As I began my journey I learned Mid-America was a great place to be equipped in the Word of God, Systematic and Practical Theology. To have fellowship with the wonderful MABTS professors and students was so meaningful to me that as our church grows we continue to add Mid-America men to the staff at Open Arms Church.

Mid-America has made a variety of contributions to my life and work on the field as an IMB missionary to East Asia. First, Mid-America exposed me to the great missionary need of the world. Second, Mid-America instilled within me a commitment to the veracity of Scripture. Third, Mid-America encouraged me to be a soul winner. Lastly, Mid-America blessed me with a low-cost, quality education that has helped me be a better minister of the Gospel.

WHAT ALUMNI ARE SAYING ABOUT MABTS...
ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS
Mid-America offers three associate’s degrees designed to provide quality ministry training within two years for students who have not completed a baccalaureate degree. The Associate of Divinity and Associate of Church Ministries degrees are offered at the Cordova campus and are designed to equip students for pastoral and educational ministry. The Associate of Applied Science in Pastoral Ministries is offered at the Schenectady campus and is designed to equip students for ministry as teachers, pastors, church staff members, and ministerial workers.

BACS
A professional degree designed to equip students for effective Christian ministry and leadership, the Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies program will develop lifelong patterns of personal growth and professional development. The program is designed to help students understand and interpret the Christian faith in light of its biblical, theological, and historical dimensions, and to practice this knowledge through the Practical Missions program, chapel services, and student organizations.

MDIV
More than just gaining head knowledge, training for the ministry is also growing in personal maturity and ministry experience. The Master of Divinity program is a professional graduate degree beyond the Bachelor of Arts or equivalent that combines a rigorous academic program with practical ministry experience. It is designed to equip a student for effective ministry as a pastor, associate pastor, church planter, evangelist, or missionary. The Master of Divinity degree is offered at both the Tennessee and New York campuses.

MMICS
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MCM AND MACM
The Master of Church Ministries (MCM) and Master of Arts in Church Ministries (MACM) are professional graduate degrees beyond the Bachelor of Arts or equivalent designed to equip students for service in the area of education, youth ministry, or children’s ministry, whether in the local church, a church-related school, or the mission field. Requiring 90 semester hours, the MCM is academically equivalent to the MDIV program. The MACM requires only 60 semester hours. A Women’s Studies Emphasis is offered in both programs for those women preparing to lead other women in the local church.

DMIN PROGRAM
Growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ is the best way to sharpen one’s impact on the world. The Doctor of Ministry program at MABTS is designed to help servants of God increase the effectiveness of their ministry. The program offers three tracks of study: Pastoral Ministries, Missions, and Christian Education. Each of the tracks operates under a modified cohort system that encourages fellowship and allows the student to finish the degree in as little as three years.

PHD PROGRAM
The Doctor of Philosophy is the highest degree offered by the Seminary. This program is reserved for students of exceptional academic ability and promise. The PHD program is designed to equip students for creative scholarship, independent research, and effective teaching and preaching. The PHD program will prepare students for the assumption of specialized pastoral leadership in the church, missions, and/or administrative leadership in denominational positions.

At the Northeast Campus, AAS and MDIV degrees only are available.
Situated just outside of Memphis, our Cordova campus is home to most of our students. Built in 2006, it offers both educational and recreational space for our students. Our classrooms and lecture halls are equipped with the latest in educational technology and are designed to offer the optimum classroom size. The Ora Byram Allison library carries over 136,000 volumes with an additional 35,000 volumes online. We offer a full-size gym with a walking track and workout rooms, a student lounge equipped with game tables, and a bookstore with a coffee bar. The campus also features newly constructed, family-friendly student housing (see upper left corner of above photo) within easy walking distance of campus.

Our campus in the Northeast is in the middle of the Capital district of New York. Built in 1988, the 15,400-foot building is only three miles from the Northeast student housing. The campus is located on 10 acres and features a chapel and multiple classrooms in an intimate setting.
LIFE IN MEMPHIS HAS FLAVOR.

Life in Memphis has a special flavor. Memphis is recognized worldwide for Graceland, the blues, the Civil Rights movement, and, of course, Memphis-style ribs. There is no shortage of entertainment in the city, which is home to professional basketball and baseball teams and the University of Memphis Tigers, not to mention an active, world-famous music scene. With an extensive park system, including Shelby Farms, the second largest urban county park in the United States, an award-winning zoo, and numerous museums, Memphis boasts plenty of family-friendly activities.

Beyond Memphis’s icons and attractions, the city is soaked in a rich history of growth, struggle, and rebuilding. Memphis is one of the nation’s leading cities that house sites on the National Register of Historic Places. The museums, tours, and landmarks throughout the city offer insights into a past as diverse and colorful as the people who live here. Memphis’s diversity gives the city great character and ensures fascinating entertainment. From festivals to music to restaurants, Memphians celebrate the world beyond the city year-round.

LIFE IN THE NORTHEAST.

Located in the Capital district of New York state, the Schenectady campus is close to many of New York state’s best attractions. It is within 30 minutes of the beautiful, historic Hudson River Valley area, home to many historic sites and perfect for weekend day trips. The campus also boasts easy access to both the Catskill and the Adirondack mountains, allowing for some great leaf-peeping when autumn arrives. And for those who thrive in a metropolis, the campus is only two hours from New York City, home to over eight million people speaking 170 languages.

Our Northeast campus offers a unique opportunity to spread the Gospel in one of the most spiritually dark areas of the country. Despite the area’s history of revival during the Great Awakening, many people there have no knowledge of who Jesus really is. Those with a heart for planting churches will find this a challenge worthy of their call, and our Northeast Campus a great place to get started.
With MABTS housing only a short walk from the Cordova campus, student life at Mid-America spills from the classroom to the dinner table, as students gather to fire up a grill in the evening, enjoy a game night, or watch their children play on the MABTS playground. Students share the joys and challenges of ministry with classmates and MABTS faculty, making the entire Mid-America campus feel like home. In between classes, students visit over a few games of ping-pong or a cup of coffee, and many finish the day with a game of pick-up basketball in the gym. Every fall, MABTS-fest is a favorite opportunity for fellowship, with plenty of hot chocolate and family entertainment, and in the spring, the MABTS picnic offers hot dogs and volleyball. A relatively new tradition for the Mid-America family is the student vs. faculty basketball game offering stress relief for both parties.

LAUREN SANDS
MMICS
HOOVER, ALABAMA

The student housing at Mid-America is excellent! I was surprised by how close to the school it is. The apartments are so nice and in great shape for such an affordable price! I love the location: right next to the interstate, so you can get to different places quickly. It’s such a blessing to be living in and surrounded by such a great community of fellow believers seeking to go into the ministry as well.
We believe Mid-America Baptist Seminary offers you the best education value you will find at any seminary in the United States. Compare our tuition cost to the average cost of other institutions, and you will see that our annual cost for a full schedule of classes at MABTS is roughly 35% of what you would pay at most institutions. You may wonder how we are able to keep our tuition so low. The answer, quite simply, is God’s provision through faithful donors.

Mid-America is blessed to have donors who desire to honor the Lord by helping students prepare for ministry. They do this through generous financial giving to MABTS. Since Mid-America does not accept outside assistance from other entities, including grants, loans, or other governmental support, nearly 70% of the cost of a student’s tuition is covered by gifts from others. Our pledge is to be good stewards of what the Lord has provided so that those blessings will continue and more students can train for ministry fields, and not accumulate debt while doing so.

EVERY STUDENT IS ON 70% SCHOLARSHIP.

Costs are “per year” based on 2012-2013 tuition and fees (DMIN costs are “per program”); “Degree Average” based on Association of Theological Schools 2012-2013 Annual Data Tables.
Every year at Founders’ Days, Dr. Gray Allison, the first president of MBTS, tells the story of Mid-America’s beginnings. It’s entitled “Miracle of Mid-America,” and if you’ve ever listened to the story, you know Mid-America is, indeed, a miracle.

After nine years of praying for a Bible teaching, conservative Southern Baptist seminary, Dr. Allison and some other men finally decided to start one themselves. In 1972, he and three other professors started Mid-America in Mt. Olivet Baptist Church in Little Rock, Arkansas. They began with only 28 students, no rent, and no money. Despite having no funds and no endowment, the school operated without any debt and with an increased enrollment year after year. Within three years, the school had outgrown the facilities at Mt. Olivet, and they began a search for their own building. God again miraculously provided for Mid-America. In just five days, God brought $265,000 for a down payment on the Reformed Jewish Temple and Hebrew School in Mid-Town Memphis, Tennessee. Payment for the school was finalized in 1976, and Mid-America officially resided in Memphis.

From the beginning, Mid-America faculty and administration desired to establish a Bible-believing, Bible-teaching branch campus in the northeastern United States. The hope was that a campus in the Northeast would train pastors for evangelism and church planting in that heavily populated and strategic area of the United States. After six years of striving to make this dream a reality, classes started for the Northeast Campus in fall 1989.

In 1996, the seminary’s main campus again moved, this time to an eight-acre campus in Germantown, Tennessee. The move allowed them to begin offering evening courses and provide more opportunities for students’ wives to be involved in seminary life and classes.

The year after the Germantown move, Dr. Michael Spradlin, at that time serving as the Director of the Northeast Campus, was appointed President. Dr. Spradlin has earned a B.A. from Ouachita Baptist University and holds both an MDIV and a PHD from Mid-America. He also started the Live by the Word radio program, a verse-by-verse study of the books of the Bible aired weekly.

In 2004, Bellevue Baptist Church voted to give Mid-America 35 acres of land in Cordova, Tennessee, right next to I-40. With the purchase of an additional 16 acres, Mid-America was finally able to build a campus and student housing complex suited to their needs. Construction was completed in 2006, and classes began that fall.

Mid-America was originally started with a focus on post-graduate education; however, in recent years, the seminary has noticed a need for clear Bible training and practical ministry experience for undergraduate students as well. To meet that need, the Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies program was started in fall 2011.

Mid-America was originally founded on three principles: Bible preaching, missions, and evangelism. Through the years, those tenets have remained core to everything the Seminary does. Despite moves and changes, Mid-America has continued to uphold the desire expressed in the school verse, Colossians 1:18 “That in everything He might have the preeminence...”
We are delighted by your interest in Mid-America and are excited to share with you the great things God is doing here. We invite you to take your time as you get to know Mid-America through the pages of this brochure and get a feel for who we are. We hope that you’ll clearly see our heartbeat for community, discipleship, and the practical application of the Gospel.

Become part of MABTS, and you’ll soon see that while we pursue academic excellence, we pursue the Great Commission even more. Our Practical Missions expectation for students prepares them for the ministry God has called them to in a realistic, useful way. Our students don’t just learn the Great Commission; they do it!

And they don’t do it alone. Our donors, faculty and staff, students, and alumni all contribute to making the family of Mid-America what it is. Whether it’s helping a student navigate a difficult Bible passage, supporting them financially, or just praying with them, each member of our family does their part to help them follow God’s calling.

Whether you’re a prospective student, donor, or prayer supporter, we invite you to come experience the distinctive spirit of Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary. Come visit us. Look around and see if you can see yourself as part of our family. We’d love to have you.
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A SOLID FOUNDATION.

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That’s why we offer a selection of Master-level programs designed to pave the way for your ministry, whatever direction God takes you. Pastor. Church planter. Missionary. Educator. Student or children’s minister. Counselor. And much more.

You want to follow The Master’s Plan. Start here.

Let us help you build a solid foundation of outstanding biblical training that will support your ministry for life—and impact eternity. Let’s get started!

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COURSES SPECIFIC TO MDIV PROGRAM
- Greek 1 & 2
- Systematic Theology 1 & 2
- Traditional Religions, World Religions, and Cults
- Pastoral Ministries

STEVE COBLE
MASTER OF DIVINITY
“YOU CAN’T COME THROUGH MABTS AND NOT HAVE A HEART TO REACH PEOPLE FOR JESUS.”

“A GREAT TRAINING GROUND”
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COURSES SPECIFIC TO MMICS PROGRAM
- Principles of Southern Baptist Missions
- Evangelism
- Church Planting
- Spiritual Formation
- Anthropology and Worldview
- Strategies of Missions and Leadership Development
- Traditional Religions, World Religions, and Cults

MASTER OF ARTS IN CHURCH MINISTRIES
The Master of Arts in Church Ministries (MACM) program is designed to equip students for service in the area of education, youth ministry, or children’s ministry, whether in the local church, a church-related school, or the mission field. The MACM program requires 60 semester hours.

COURSES SPECIFIC TO MACM PROGRAM
- Principles of Teaching 1 & 2
- Christian Ministries Elective
- Introduction to Church Ministries
- Childhood/Youth Education in the Church
- Adult Education in the Church
- Ministerial Counseling

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COURSES SPECIFIC TO MCM PROGRAM
- Principles of Teaching 1 & 2
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PREVIEW DAY, MARCH 31, 2015
picture yourself at home with our family.

Come spend the day with us at the MABTS Spring Preview Day, March 31, 2015. Whether you’re interested in the **Associate**, **Bachelor**, **Master**, or **Doctoral level program**, we have a special day planned just for you. You’ll join in on a class, tour our campus and student housing, and attend chapel to hear Dr. Michael Spradlin, President of Mid-America. While enjoying lunch, you will hear from students, faculty, and staff, all describing seminary life and our connection between learning and community. We’ll finish out the day at a dessert reception with Dr. Spradlin and other esteemed faculty members. We look forward to getting to know you!

**To register, visit mabts.edu, e-mail dsneed@mabts.edu, or call the admissions office at 901.751.3060. Deadline to register is March 24, 2015.** Come preview your future!
FAST FORWARD YOUR MINISTRY.

Fulfilling your call to ministry doesn’t have to wait until after seminary. At Mid-America, you can begin getting seminary-quality training—and actually do ministry—here and now.

For starters, we offer bridge programs that give you a head start on a Bachelor or Master degree, plus we offer three different Associate degrees. You can also earn a Bachelor degree at Mid-America, equipping you for ministry or further graduate work. You’ll be trained by the same world-class faculty that teaches in our Seminary.

What’s more, you’ll be doing hands-on ministry through our Practical Missions program, advancing the Kingdom here and now. Let’s get started!

WHY MID-AMERICA?

Founded in 1972 to provide a conservative alternative for seminary training, Mid-America has developed into a premiere institution for theological education. More than 90% of our alumni are involved in vocational ministry, with others teaching at seminaries and colleges throughout the world.

Though known for academic excellence, we ultimately think of our impact in terms of changed lives. Mid-America instills a passion for missions and equips students to evangelize effectively. Since 1972 thousands have heard the Gospel from our students, and 160,000 souls have professed Christ as Savior and Lord through these interactions. Students participated in 10,679 hours of practical missions this past year, representing countless lives influenced for the Kingdom. The Mid-America family invests in our students, and our students invest in the lives around them.

Why Mid-America? Because we are training men and women to make a difference, teaching them to exalt Christ while they serve their community and church. Come join the Mid-America family and discover how God will use your time at MABTS to equip you for a lifetime of ministry.

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BRIDGE PROGRAMS

Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary offers two bridge programs: the Bachelor’s Bridge Program (BBP) and the Master’s Bridge Program (MBP). Through these programs, a student can earn up to 24 hours of credit toward a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies degree or 30 hours of credit toward a Master degree.

COURSES SPECIFIC TO BBP
- Introduction to Computing
- English Grammar 1 & 2
- World History 1 & 2
- Applied Mathematics
- Music Appreciation
- Religion in the Public Square

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

There are three Associate degrees designed to provide quality ministry training, within two years, for students who have not completed a baccalaureate degree. The Associate of Divinity (ADIV) and Associate of Church Ministries (ACM) are offered at the Cordova campus and are designed to equip students for pastoral and educational ministry. The Associate of Applied Science in Pastoral Ministries (AAS) is offered at the Northeast Campus (Schenectady, New York) and is designed to equip students for ministry as teachers, pastors, church staff members, and ministerial workers.

COURSES SPECIFIC TO ASSOCIATE PROGRAMS
- Old Testament Survey 1 & 2
- English Grammar 1 & 2
- Introduction to Christian Education
- Personal Evangelism
- Basic Biblical Doctrines

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN STUDIES

A professional degree designed to equip students for effective Christian ministry and leadership, the Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies program will develop lifelong patterns of personal growth and professional development. The program is designed to help students understand and interpret the Christian faith in light of its biblical, theological, and historical dimensions, and to practice this knowledge through the Practical Missions program, chapel services, and student organizations.

COURSES SPECIFIC TO BACS
- World History 1 & 2
- English Grammar 1 & 2
- Personal Evangelism
- Basic Biblical Doctrines
- Old Testament Survey 1 & 2
- Ministerial Counseling

"A CONTAGIOUS PASSION"

"Mid-America is playing a major role in my preparation for ministry. The professors challenge me to grow in my faith and walk with the Lord while passing on a wealth of wisdom and knowledge from their own experiences in ministry. The students possess an intense focus on growing in obedience to their ministry call, so there is an encouraging desire to be around the faculty and to be taught and equipped by such godly men. The atmosphere of Mid-America breeds a contagious passion for reaching the lost with the Good News of Christ. Through practical missions and open mic chapel testimonies, God fans the flame of evangelism in my heart as I continue to experience the joy of seeing others come to saving faith in Jesus Christ.”