

An e-newsletter

November 2019



Hood Theological Seminary Offices will close at 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 26 for Thanksgiving Break on Wednesday, November 27th-Saturday, November 30th.

Register for Chaplain Education Day

The Center for Chaplaincy at Hood will host its "Chaplain Education Day." This event will take place on Wednesday, November 13, 2019, from 11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. on the Hood Theological Seminary Salisbury, N.C. campus located at 1810 Lutheran Synod Dr., 28144. The event will be held in the Aymer Center. Various chaplain disciplines will be represented and will provide brief presentations regarding the uniqueness of their programs from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please feel free to join us for lunch during the presentations. Additionally, Certified Educators will be available to share information regarding Clinical Pastoral Education. Register [Here](#) by November 11 at 5:00 P.M.



Current Students and Alumni, Join Us for an Immersion Course in Ghana!

The HTS Immersion Course abroad will take place in June 2020, on June 17-June 25, 2020. The seminary course will be held on the campus of Trinity Theological Seminary in Accra, Ghana.



GHANA 2020

JOIN US for an Immersion Course!!!



HTS Immersion Course abroad in June 2020, June 17-June 25, 2020. The seminary course to be held on campus of *Trinity Theological Seminary* in Accra, Ghana. Convened by Dr. Sharon Grant, HTS faculty with the host, Rev. Prof. J. Kwabena Asamoah-Gyadu, President, *Trinity Theological Seminary*.

WHEN: June 17-25, 2020

WHERE: Accra, Ghana

CREDITS: Science, Faith and Healing in the Christian Tradition

3 credits – CHT 306

COST: \$2000.00 (all-inclusive except excursions/meals off campus)

ELIGIBILITY:

HTS students, alumni, and spouses

CONTACT: Dr. Sharon Grant

sgrant@hoodseminary.edu

This opportunity is presented with funding from the ATS-AAAS *Science for Seminaries* grant.



\$300 non-refundable deposit due by January 30, 2020

Current Students, Register for this Unique January Intensive Course!

Hood is offering a January intensive with the course number: CHT 306 - African Americans and Religious Freedom. This course will take place Jan. 6-10, 2020 in Washington, D.C. Students

will have to register twice - for Hood and for the Center for Religious Freedom. For more information [click here](#) , or see the information about the course below.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM: AFRICAN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES



REL 700: AFRICAN AMERICANS AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Jan. 6 - 10, 2020

Washington, D.C.

Course registration:

Register through **Dec. 1, 2019** for the Jan. 2020 session.

Registration cost for the on-site intensive is covered by a grant from the Henry Luce Foundation. Students are responsible for paying the tuition cost determined by their academic institution. Travel and lodging expenses are covered by the student.

For more information visit: religiousfreedomcenter.org/perspectives

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM CENTER
FREEDOM FORUM INSTITUTE

COURSE OFFERINGS

REL 700: AFRICAN AMERICANS AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Course Instructors: Corey D. B. Walker, Ph.D. and Sabrina E. Dent, D.Min.

This blended learning course designed for graduate seminary students will critically address the contentious politics of race and religious freedom in American public life. Particular attention will be given to how and in what ways power, violence, identity and pluralism form and frame the discourse of religious freedom across time and space. The course will feature a team of scholars and professional experts actively engaged in addressing these issues in multiple contexts.

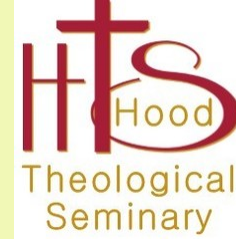
The week-long intensive will give religious and civic leaders the opportunity to learn about the role of religion in public life while exploring three areas of competency: religious liberty, religious literacy and civil dialogue. Participants will be introduced to experts actively engaged in addressing these issues in their local and national contexts. This on-site experience will take place Jan. 2020 in Washington, D.C.

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology of Virginia Union University and the Religious Freedom Center of the Freedom Forum Institute have partnered with the five other Historically Black Theological Institutions (HBTIs) for a three-year project examining African Americans and religious freedom. The African American struggle for freedom and justice cannot be fully understood without acknowledging the First Amendment freedoms at the heart of these struggles. This collaborative project will result in week-long intensive courses, seminars, symposia and other public programs.



Hood Theological Seminary will have an Open House on November 13, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. on the Salisbury, N.C. campus at 1810 Lutheran Synod Drive, 28144. The Open House will start in our Aymer Center at 9:00 am with a continental breakfast. This is a one day experience of Hood Theological Seminary in which you will hear from our Seminary President, Dr. Vergel Lattimore. We will also have faculty and staff along with other key departments greeting and presenting valuable information.



Please RSVP by emailing Rev. Dr. Reginald Boyd, Jr. at rboyd@hoodseminary.edu or by clicking the RSVP link. Click [here](#) to register.

Scenes from the Ruben L. Speaks Lecture Series

Hood Theological Seminary held its annual Ruben L. Speaks Endowed Memorial Lecture Series on Friday and Saturday, October 4 and 5, 2019. This year's featured presenter was the distinguished scholar-activist **Dr. Miguel De La Torre**, the Professor of Social Ethics and Latinx Studies at the Iliff School of Theology.



Podcast from ICFSH Now Live

The podcast from the International Center of Faith, Science, and History (ICFSH) at Hood Theological Seminary has gone live on both Spotify and Anchor.

Check them out [here](#) on Anchor and [here](#) on Spotify.



Remember GivingTuesday!

This year Giving Tuesday is December 3, 2019. GivingTuesday is a global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration.

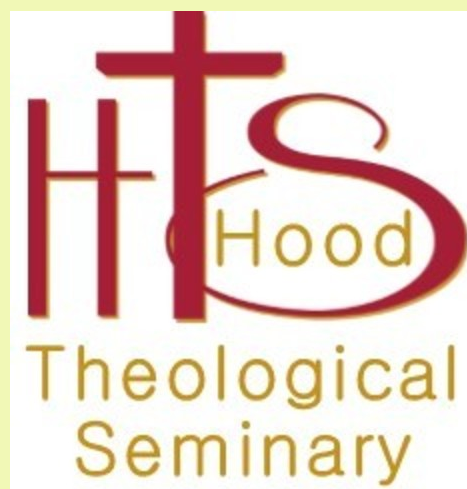


Celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving (in the U.S.) and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season, when many focus on their holiday and end-of-year giving. For more information, go to the GivingTuesday website [here](#).

[Donate Now to HTS!](#)

End of Year Annual Giving

The end of year Annual Giving is coming up! Remember to give to HTS! [Donate Now!](#)



Join Our Online Community!

We are excited to announce that Hood Theological Seminary now has its own online community as part of the 360Alumni platform. We decided to launch the online platform to enhance engagement across the Hood community. This resource will provide our alumni and supporters a place to network with one another and with the Hood

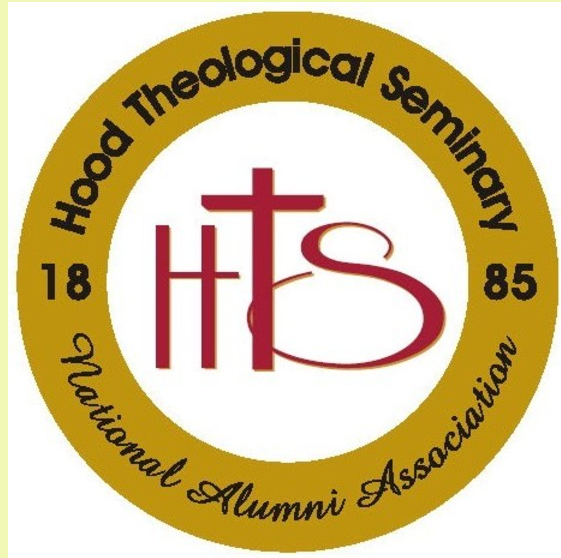
community, to share resources, and to generate community conversations on topics relevant to particular areas of work.

This platform will allow those involved to create a dialogue with colleagues on a range of topics in

theological education through an open forum—all within a live online environment. You will be able to join a group and get connected to events on and off campus, see available jobs posted by various members, and join in great discussions. Members will also have the availability to great resources and will have the opportunity to join groups such as early clergy, chaplaincy, and alumni, just to name a few.

Here is the link to join and create a login:

[Click Here](#)



Register for the 1885 Society Dinner

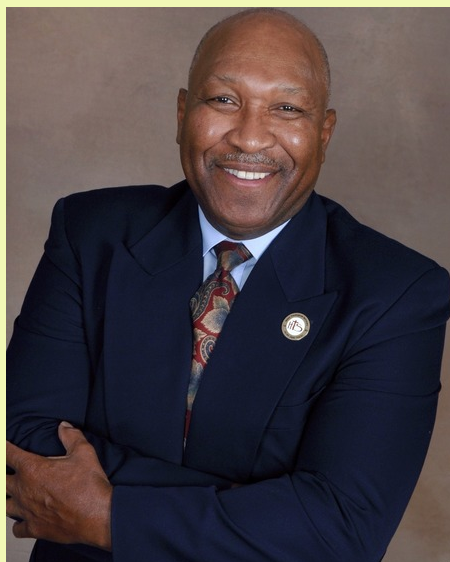
The 1885 Society Dinner will be Friday, November 15, 2019, at 7 pm in the Aymer Center. The theme will be: "Stay the Course" with guest speaker: Rev. Dr. T. Anthony Spearman, '98.

Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased from HTSNA Executive Board Officers and from the Office of Alumni Engagement at the Seminary, 1810 Lutheran Synod Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144. For additional information, please contact Rev. Dr. Lamont Foster,

President of HTSNA at foster.lamont@gmail.com

If you plan to attend the 1885 Society Dinner, please contact a member of the Executive Board no later than Friday, November 8th to RESERVE your ticket(s). The 1885 Society Dinner is the "Signature Fundraiser", for the Hood Theological Seminary National Alumni Association and all proceeds benefit the HTSNA Endowed Student Scholarship.

For more upcoming dates and important HTSNA information, please visit the Hood Seminary Alumni Association website [here](#).



Faculty and Staff News

Dr. Vergel Lattimore, President and Professor, will participate in the Economic Concerns Facing Future Ministers (ECFFM) Consultation sponsored by ATS, in Pittsburgh, PA on November 5-7.

Dr. Lattimore will attend the workshop - "Becoming the Beloved Community", St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Salisbury, NC on November 8-9.

He will be the speaker for the Veteran's Day Celebration Sunday, at Torrence Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, Cornelius, NC on November 10.

Dr. Lattimore will attend the Salisbury-Rowan Community

Foundation 75th Anniversary Celebration, Salisbury, NC on November 19.

He will participate in the Racial Equity Institute (REI) Workshop being held at Hood Theological Seminary on November 21-22.



Dr. Sharon Grant, Assistant Professor of the History of Christianity, AAAS Project Leader and Founding Director of the ICFSH, presented at the 2019 Association for the Society of African American Life and History (ASALH) Conference in N.Charleston, SC titled, "Black Migrations". The conference was in session Thursday, October 2 through Sunday, October 6.

Dr. Grant also presented SESSION: 4 The Expansion and Transformation of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Jamaica, on Friday, October 3, 2019 - 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Professor Grant preached the Reformation Sunday sermon during the Reformation Day Services held at Main Street United Methodist Church, Reidsville NC on October 27, 2019, at 4 pm. Rev. Joe Tarpley is the pastor.

Alumni News

Hood Alum Selected as Next President of Tidewater Community College

Congratulations to Dr. Marcia Conston, M.Div'11, who will become the next president of Tidewater Community College at the beginning of 2020. See the entire article [here](#).



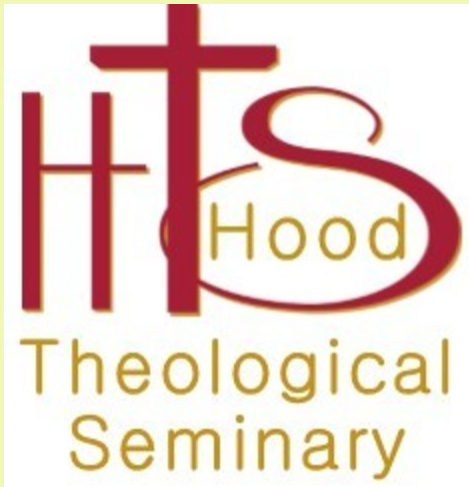
Dr. Marcia Conston



The entire Hood community joins together in prayer for and offers sincere condolences to the family and friends of:

Erica Minor and family whose uncle passed away in October. His funeral was October 19 in Tampa FL.

Hood Theological Seminary's oldest alum **Rev. Dr. Dora Atlas** passed away on Monday, October 14, 2019.



Hood Items for Sale

The SGA has HTS scarves, ties, cuff links, patches, and special James Walker Hood coins/paperweight. Contact Angellica Sweat, SGA president (Angellicasweat@gmail.com) for information on how to acquire them. You can also purchase items online [here](#).

Did you Know?

You can audit a class at HTS!

Learning is a lifelong process; continue the journey with us. For clergy, church professionals and laypersons. All denominations welcome! Read more [here](#).



Livingstone Homecoming 'Sunday Brunch' Featured Beach Band, The Tams

Livingstone College's Sunday Brunch on Nov. 3 featured beach music's classic band, The Tams. The event, which was Livingstone's

homecoming finale, was from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Livingstone College School of Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts, located at 530 Jake Alexander Blvd. South, Salisbury.

Sponsored by the President's Office, the Sunday Brunch featured music by The Tams, food prepared by culinary arts students and remarks were by Livingstone College President Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins, Sr.

The Tams is one of America's all-time favorite recording acts, world-renown for their special blend of music that makes up the beach music sound. The Tams entertain crowds around the globe nearly 300 days a year and are best known for their 1968 gold hit, "Be Young, Be Foolish, Be Happy."

Beloved Community Events

Beloved Community Events at St Luke's Episcopal Church November 8-10: Events with Catherine Meeks and Will Willimon. For more information click [here](#), please share widely. [RSVP here](#).



Register for "Church Dynamics" Workshop

Truth Teaching Ministries presents "Church Dynamics" workshop. Their activities focus on the challenges that adversely impact the pastor's effectiveness. They believe effective pastors have the potential to make our communities stronger. Currently, there is a dismantling of both church and community. We are at a critical juncture in a time where change must transpire. Their goal is to realign our communities and churches in a positive way for lasting impact. This workshop is free to participants. Please register online [here](#). See the flyer below for details.

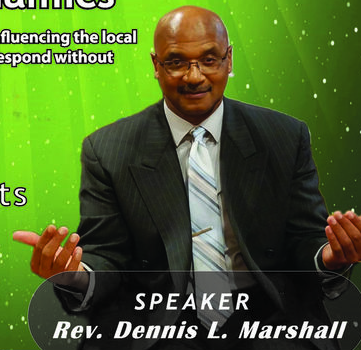
**SATURDAY
11|16|19**

THE PASTORS CHALLENGE

"Church Dynamics"

Major shifts in culture and attitudes are impacting and influencing the local church and the communities it serves. Discover ways to respond without sacrificing the Gospel.

International Civil Rights
Center & Museum
134 South Elm Street
Greensboro, NC 27401



SPEAKER
Rev. Dennis L. Marshall

MUST REGISTER ONLINE AT:
WWW.TruthTeaching.Org/events

ONE SESSION (FREE)

Truth Teaching Ministries
109 N. Graham Street, Suite 104
Chapel Hill, NC 27516
919-813-9370

SESSION:
10AM to 12 noon
"Church Dynamics"



Queens University Event

"A Conversation with Michelle Alexander, author of The New Jim Crow". Presented by Queens University, Charlotte, November 19, 7:00 PM at the Belk Theatre. Click [here](#) to RSVP.



The 6th Annual Healthy Churches 2020 National Conference



Where Faith and Public health "Connect" The 6th Annual Healthy Churches 2020 National Conference: November 19-22, 2019 at the Sheraton/Le Meridian Hotels. For more details click [here](#).

Job Opportunities

Interim Director of Youth Ministry: First Presbyterian Church Statesville, Submit an application to office@fpcstatesville.org , see the job description [here](#).



Youth Ministry Director (Part-Time), Adams Farm Community Church (Associate Reformed Presbyterian) - Greensboro, NC. Please see the job description [here](#).

Pastoral Care Department at Vidant Medical Center has an opening for a **CPE Manager/Educator**. Please see the job description [here](#).

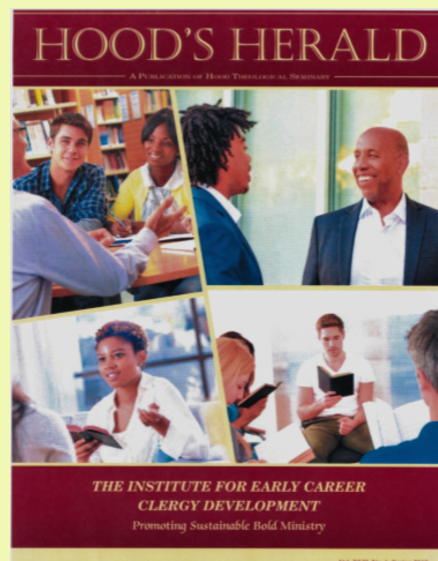
Submit News/Events

Do you have any news or events to share? Please submit them to marketing@hoodseminary.edu to share with the monthly Hoodlines newsletter.



Hood's Herald - Spring 2019

Read the latest edition now available [online](#)! This annual publication includes highlights of the past year, articles of interest, and the Honor Roll of Donors for 2018.



It's so easy to **donate securely online!** Or mail your check to the Seminary at 1810 Lutheran Synod Dr., Salisbury, NC 28144.

Your gift to the Annual Fund is essential in promoting the mission of the Seminary and in helping keep tuition as low as possible for our students. Every gift, small and large, is greatly appreciated and stewarded responsibly.



Create Your Legacy with a Planned Gift

- ~ Do you have an IRA?
- ~ Are you at least 70 1/2 years of age?
- ~ Would you like to help HTS in its mission to prepare women and men for bold and creative leadership for the Christian church for a diverse world?

If you answered "Yes" to all three questions, please consider an IRA Charitable Rollover.

In an IRA Charitable Rollover, the distribution of up to \$100,000 annually made directly from the IRA custodian to a qualifying public charity, such as HTS, is excluded from gross income and counts toward the required minimum distribution.

For more information, contact John Everett at jeverett@hoodseminary.edu or (704) 636-6545, or visit our [Planned Giving](#) website for lots of helpful information.

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