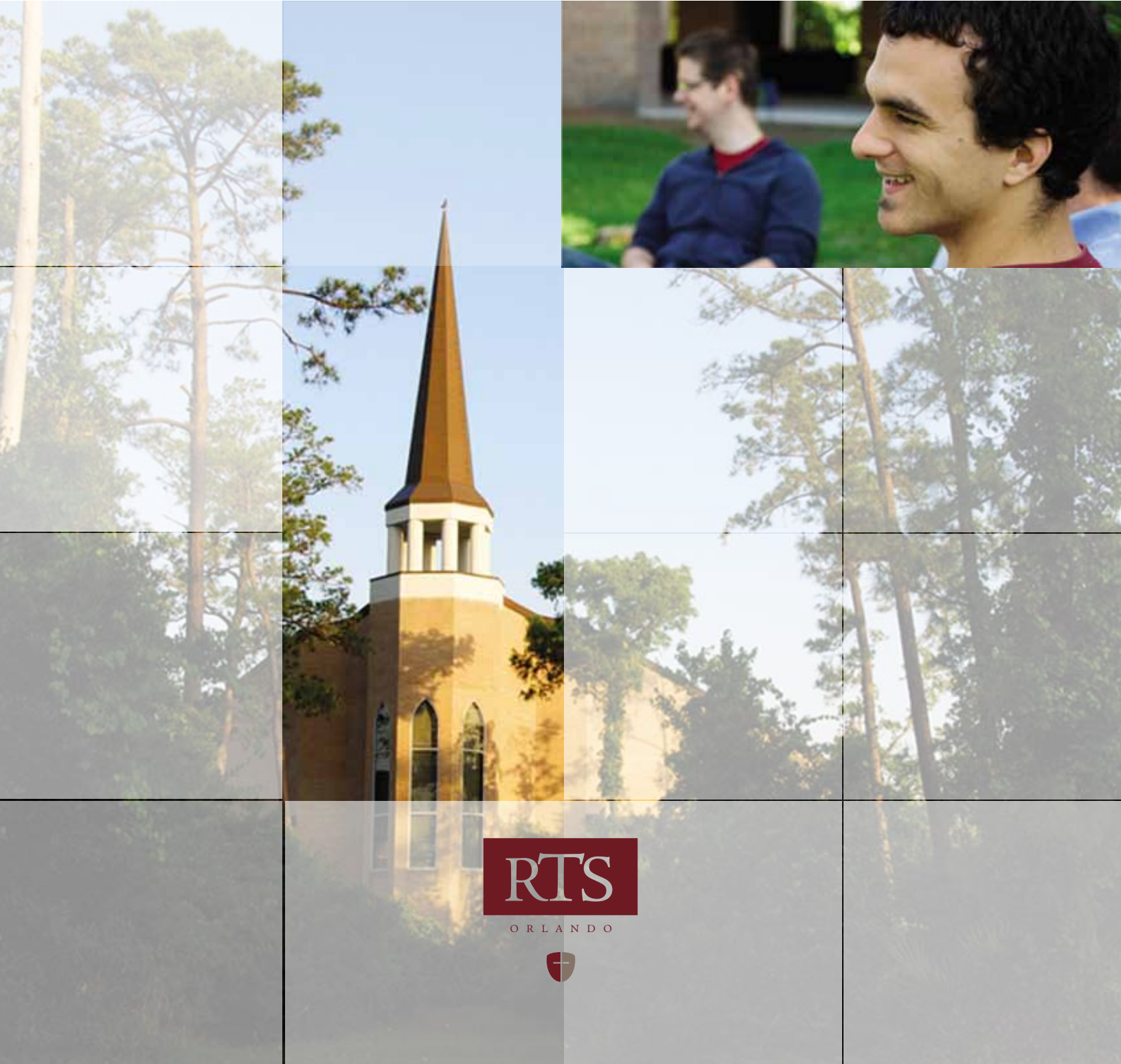


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Welcome to RTS Orlando,

God is at work in your life, otherwise you would not be reading this. He may be calling you to lead a ministry, counsel hurting people, serve as a missionary, plant a church, revitalize a church, or take some leadership role in his growing global church. Or perhaps he is just moving you to add knowledge and depth to your faith so that you can serve him more effectively in the marketplace. However he is leading, you need to take the next step.

God is also at work at RTS Orlando. He has brought together an extraordinary community of students, professors and church practitioners to help train pastors and leaders for the global church of the twenty first century. Perhaps he is calling you here. Listen to his call.

There are many reasons why you should consider coming to RTS Orlando:

- Our resident faculty—they are gifted and experienced servants of God
- Gospel centered
- Caring community
- Flexible and convenient schedules
- John Frame (see adjacent photo)—one of the most prolific and highly regarded theologians of our time
- Our beautiful campus—located on 60 acres in central Florida
- Orlando—global city that people flock to from around the world—where thousands live and millions wish they could
- The ethos of RTS—our desire to be characterized by Christ’s grace and truth, to be both Missional and reformed
- “Missions Central”—that’s what they call us because so many of the great missionary headquarters are located here
- Conference capitol—there are more ministry-related conferences in Orlando than any other city in the US
- Theme parks galore!—hey, this is not just about you, there has got to be some perks for the kids
- Close to the Atlantic beaches—which you will appreciate on those cold winter days up north
- Just ten minutes from the second largest university in the United States (UCF)
- Solidly reformed and committed to the truthfulness of the Bible
- Multi-denominational
- One of the largest seminaries in the US
- One of the most thorough M Div programs anywhere

Need I say more? Called to preach, lead, counsel, serve the global church or just think Christianly? Talk to us.

Don Sweeting
Dr. Don Sweeting



Dr. Don Sweeting
President, RTS Orlando
Professor of Church History

Kingdom Vision

The people of Reformed Theological Seminary are animated by the saving plan of God. It unifies and organizes our teaching and formation of Christian leaders. It motivates our passion for revitalizing and planting churches all over the world. It opens up the Old and New Testaments, and it applies Christ's grace and truth to all areas of life and creation.

The supremacy of Christ and the authority of Scripture — The Incarnate Word and the written Word are our authoritative and fixed points of reference, anchoring and inspiring our movement to transform hearts and minds.

Transformation — Reformation leaders desired transformation in the church and culture but sought it reverently in their own hearts first. We want to follow in their footsteps.

ABOUT RTS

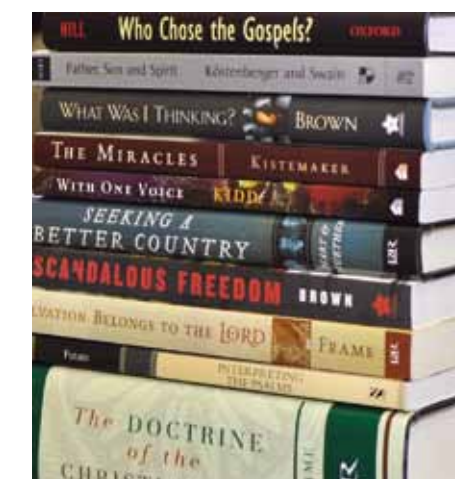
- RTS was formed nearly 50 years ago by Christian laymen who were called to establish a seminary based on the inerrancy of the Bible and the great reformed confessions.
- RTS is a multi-campus institution with campuses in Jackson, MS, Orlando, FL, Charlotte, NC, Atlanta, GA, Washington, DC, Houston, TX and a Virtual campus.
- The Library at RTS Orlando has over 75,000 titles and is the largest theological library in Florida. Included in the library is the Roger Nicole Rare Book Room which houses hundreds of rare books and manuscripts.
- Flexible and innovative methodologies: block scheduling, intensives in Summer/Winter, distance learning and evening classes.
- Anchored in the Reformed tradition, we also eagerly affirm the community of all believers, listening to the best that other traditions have to offer. Any member of Christ's body seeking development, training and education can find it here.
- RTS is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) in the United States and Canada and by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

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At RTS I learned how to read the Bible. It was incredibly beneficial for my walk with the Lord to study under godly men who valued the Scriptures as the very word of God and who taught with integrity and authority.

—Jonathan Iverson, M.Div. 2009



Just a few of the books written by our faculty



The degree programs at RTS Orlando serve the interests and needs of all kinds of students, from those looking for professional training to those looking for personal enrichment. Whether you are looking for training to be a pastor or a counselor or you wish to deepen your knowledge of God, his word and his world for any vocation, RTS Orlando has something to offer.

— Mark Futato, Academic Dean



DEGREE PROGRAMS

Master of Divinity: The Master of Divinity is a 106 semester-hour degree typically done in 3 years to prepare for ministry, especially pastoral ministry. Students are intentionally trained to pursue the Kingdom of God with sharpened minds and caring hearts.

Master of Arts in Theological Studies: The MATS is a 66 semester-hour degree typically done in 2 years to equip students to think Christianly about history and truth.

Master of Arts in Biblical Studies: The MABS is a 66 semester-hour degree typically done in 2 years. From the generative resources of Christian tradition students are equipped to exegete, interpret and engage God's Word.

Master of Arts in Counseling: The MAC is a 76 semester-hour degree done in 22 months to prepare for counseling ministry and soul care. Following a relational model of counseling, we integrate scripture and theology with counseling theory and methodologies.

Doctor of Ministry: The Doctor of Ministry is a 30 semester-hour post Master of Divinity degree that can be done while remaining in full time ministry. World class instructors offer training in spiritual formation, leadership development, and church planting, growth and renewal.

Certificate: An extremely flexible 32 semester-hour program typically done in 1 year for those interested in building a solid biblical foundation for the Christian life.

Dual Degree Options: The M.A. Counseling degree can be combined with the M.Div. or M.A.B.S degree to provide training for professional practice in counseling and professional training for ministerial ordination.



Community Life

Who you learn with affects how you learn, from faculty to fellow students to the people next door.

Life on Campus – Both faculty and student relationships form the core of our campus environment. In addition to classes, we offer weekly worship and fellowship via chapel, community lunches and forums. Our Spiritual Life and Missions Retreats refresh and expand our hearts. Community service binds us to each other and to those God loves. Our student life calendar is accented by casual events: seasonal cookouts, Christmas parties, coffee houses and campus groups like Women in Ministry and the RTS Arts Community.

Life in Community - Live and study next to your peers and their families in the RTS condos near campus.

Life in Orlando – Our kingdom vision finds local expression in the greater Orlando community.



- Vibrant local churches. Students serve in and are nurtured by an exceptional variety of healthy, growing evangelical churches in the Orlando area.
- Global Missions. Orlando is the missions capital of North America with the international headquarters of groups such as Campus Crusade, Wycliffe, Pioneers, New Tribes Mission and YWAM. This provides unique opportunities to interact with seasoned missionary leaders.
- Conference Capital of the USA. Because of its tourist appeal, Orlando is a center for Christian conferences allowing for opportunities to hear many of the most noted Christian teachers.
- RTS graduates are part of a network of 11,000 RTS alumni that spans the world.

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Olivia Litwiller, Rachael Butler and Olivia Allmand in Rwanda, Africa, MA Counseling 2010

The best part of seminary has been living and learning in a community of people who know you, love you and are for you.

— Olivia Litwiller, MAC student





What prepared me most for the Army Chaplaincy was the example set by my professors in living out ministry to their students while educating them. The faculty of RTS modeled Jesus' incarnation model of ministry in such a way that made me want to copy that in dealing with my soldiers.

— CH (CPT) Timothy Fary, MDiv 2000 (middle) with CH (CPT) Jason Nobles, MDiv 2005 (left) and LT Robert Burns, CHC USN, MDiv 2001 (right); Ramadi, Iraq



RTS ORLANDO FACULTY

At RTS Orlando, our faculty lead the way in discerning and following God's voice. They utilize their gifts to help you find yours.

Missional: Faculty set the example for our community by engaging the kingdom mission whether it is training church planters across multiple cultures or binding up the broken-hearted, shepherding the flock in local congregations, or preaching the gospel around the globe.

Scholarly: With first-rate academic pedigrees and publications, our professors move at the forefront of thoughtful Christianity. Alumni of Oxford, Cambridge, Princeton, Harvard and Yale instruct students and produce top-shelf commentaries, theological and historical treatments, cultural analyses and serious works for the Church.

Wise: Steeped in Scripture and empowered by God's Spirit, faculty transmit a wealth of experience, knowledge and love-in-action by offering seasoned pastoral know-how, biblical wisdom meditations, first-hand experiences of the global church and the scars that all tested leaders bear.

Compelling: Faculty members make it their goal to capture students' hearts and lead them into kingdom action. They make judicious use of art and technology, constantly revise courses and thoughtfully integrate personal experience and student feedback into improved pedagogy.

Reformed: Our faculty are committed to the doctrines of grace. They teach from a Biblical and Reformed worldview.



Steve Brown
(*Emeritus*)
Steve Childers
Jim Coffield
Scott Coupland

John Frame
Mark Futato
Mike Glodo
Charles Hill
Reggie Kidd

Simon Kistemaker
(*Emeritus*)
Charles Mackenzie
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John Muether

Bob Orner
Scott Redd
Scott Swain
Don Sweeting

ORLANDO *Living*



Orlando, Florida, known as the “City Beautiful”

provides a vibrant setting in which to live. Take a break from studying to visit one of the nearly 100 attractions in the area. You can also take advantage of central Florida’s incredible year-round recreational offerings. Whatever you choose to enjoy in Florida, you can do so in year-round sunshine.

- Central Florida is home to professional basketball, college sports teams, spring training for professional baseball teams and 2 PGA tournaments.
- More than 2,000 lakes, springs and rivers offer numerous outdoor fun opportunities.
- Orlando is one of the country’s top destinations for meetings and conventions.
- Several year-round farmer’s markets nearby as well as many farms that offer fresh produce.
- World Class amusement and theme parks are close by, such as:
 - Disney’s Magic Kingdom, Epcot, and Animal Kingdom
 - Universal Studios
 - Sea World
 - Gatorland
 - Discovery Cove
 - Typhoon Lagoon
- Other family destinations such as:
 - JFK Space Center
 - The Atlantic Beaches (only a short drive away)



The area is one of the world’s leading vacation destinations as well as the perfect starting point for a host of easy day trips. From sun-drenched beaches with refreshing water and scenic nature preserves filled with rare wildlife to high-energy spectator sports and unique cultural, educational and historic attractions, you will find them all within an hour’s drive.

(For more on the Orlando area: www.visitorlando.com)

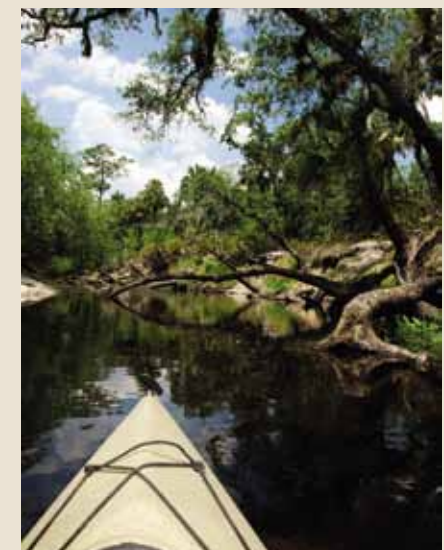


“We couldn’t live in a more exciting place to bring up our kids. There are beautiful beaches, warm seas, exotic wildlife and even rockets taking off! And of course, Mickey Mouse is just down the road.”

— Ele Hawkins, MDiv wife



RTS condos are within 10 minutes of the seminary and available for students to rent at below market prices.



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We are enamored with Jesus Christ. His Great Commission inspires us to spread his gospel and his influence everywhere. Do you hear his call?

If so, check us out online, or better yet, visit us! Let us show you how the Lord is using RTS Orlando for His Kingdom. Contact us to arrange a visit.

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