In times of tremendous Change, God brings unprecedented Opportunity.
On every continent, around every corner, change is in the air. The Middle East is burning. The Far East is rising. In the West, the moral bedrock of society is crumbling.

We live in a nation where everyone has GPS in their phones, but no moral compass in their hearts. A culture drowning in information, but desperately thirsty for truth.

Yet it was precisely in such a time of great upheaval that the early church was born. And just as He did then, God is using this change to open new doors and reach new hearts.

Stand with RTS.
AND DELIVER
CHANGELESS Truths
TO CHANGING TIMES.

Today, churches are hungering more than ever for biblically grounded pastoral leadership. Seminarians are searching for the soundness and solidity provided by Reformed theology. And the very technologies that are fueling global change are being used to take biblical education to levels and places it has never reached before.

Never in our 50 year history has Reformed Theological Seminary experienced such growth or been faced with such opportunity. We invite you to stand with us today, and deliver changeless truths in changing times.
FROM THE CHANCELLOR

We are now at the peak and on the downside of a worldview megashift like nothing that has ever occurred in Western culture. We are entering a period in which Bible-believing evangelical Christians will be culturally marginalized, cut off from successive layers of cultural influence precisely because of what we believe.

But here’s the good news: Today, in the wake of the evangelical and Reformed church’s own cultural marginalization, RTS is positioned to be at the center of the network and fabric of the evangelicalism that will be created out of that marginalization. Young people know that when they walk into an evangelical church, they’re making a choice in a way that you and I did not have to make 40 years ago. They know that if they choose to be part of evangelical Christianity, then they go against their culture.

The next generation of the church is encountering the love and grace of God, with a high view of God, of grace and of sovereignty in the Reformed tradition. It is the combination of grace and truth that is serving as a magnet to these young folks, many of whom are coming from non-Reformed traditions. RTS is providing the theological ballast for this movement because we remain committed to what this institution has always been committed to. We have been absolutely certain of who we are theologically. We’re Reformed, evangelical and confessional, and we’re not apologetic about that. At the same time, though, we’re happy—we’re not mad at anybody. We have taken an attitude of appreciative but critical engagement with other evangelical traditions and with Christians from all walks. We genuinely want to serve the whole Christian community.

I’m excited to be on this journey with you, and eager to see what the Holy Spirit will do in the days to come.

Ligon Duncan
Chancellor and CEO

VISION STATEMENT

Reformed Theological Seminary exists to glorify the Triune God and to serve His Church in all branches of evangelical Christianity, especially Presbyterian and Reformed churches, by providing Reformed graduate theological education that is globally accessible. RTS equips its students for ministry, primarily through pastoral preparation, to be servant leaders marked by “A mind for truth, a heart for God.”
STATEMENT OF FAITH

All RTS staff and faculty members are required to sign and annually reaffirm their commitment to this statement, codified in the seminary’s bylaws:

Believing that there is but one only, the living and true God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost; and that these three are one and the same in substance, equal in power and glory, and with solemn awareness of accountability to Him in all that we feel, think, say and do, the undersigned engages in and subscribes to this declaration:

1. All Scripture is self-attesting and, being truth, requires the human mind wholeheartedly to subject itself in all its activities to the authority of Scripture complete as the Word of God, standing written in the sixty-six books of the Holy Bible, all therein being verbally inspired by Almighty God and therefore without error.

2. Reformed theology as set forth in the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechisms as originally adopted by the Presbyterian Church in the United States is the system of doctrine taught in Scripture; and, therefore, it is to be learned, taught and proclaimed for the edification and government of Christian people, for the propagation of the faith and for the evangelization of the world by the power of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

3. And I do solemnly promise and engage not to inculcate, sanction, teach or insinuate anything that appears to me to contradict or contravene, either directly or implicitly, any element of that system of doctrine.

4. NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned in the presence of God, states and signifies that he consents, agrees, and binds himself to all of the foregoing without any reservation whatsoever, and that he further obligates himself immediately to notify in writing the trustees should a change of any kind take place in his belief and feeling not in accord with this statement. Amen.”

Sixty denominations.
One profession of Faith.

The inerrant Word of God, the doctrines of the Reformation, and the Great Commission—RTS has been faithful to these mandates for 50 years. In fact, it was founded in a time when leading seminaries across the nation were abandoning their commitment to the supremacy of Scripture. So from the very beginning, RTS has been a critical bulwark against the erosion of theology and the dismantling of truth.

God has blessed that commitment. And today RTS is a multi-campus, Christ-centered institution with ministers in training from more than 60 denominations.

We do not belong to any one denomination. But we are bound heart and soul to one God, one Scripture and one truth.
MULTI-CAMPUS, MULTIPLE Impact.

RTS was founded in Jackson, Mississippi—a city that is still home to the original campus and steeped in history. But the Church is too hungry—and the crisis in values and theology too urgent—to wait for the world to come to Jackson. Instead, we are bringing Reformed theological education to the world, with campuses now in several metropolitan areas and major regions of the United States; along with a Global program that makes biblical education instantly available to students and pastors in their own homes, on their own terms, around the world.

**Jackson**
Home of the original RTS campus, Jackson offers the kind of opportunities for economical family housing that only a small southern city can offer, along with a variety of churches where pastoral students can exercise their gifts, and the Belcher Library—with over 200,000 titles and the Rare Book Collection.

**Orlando**
Not only is the Orlando campus state of the art, it is cradled in an ethnically and culturally diverse metropolitan area offering rich ministry opportunities. Orlando is also the worldwide headquarters of many parachurch organizations like CRU and Wycliffe.

**Charlotte**
With 3,000 churches within an hour’s drive of campus, Charlotte has a rich religious heritage. It is considered the historic seat of Southern Presbyterianism, and is home to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, Wycliffe’s JAARS Center, and SIM.

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**ALUMNI TESTIMONIAL**
“As both a pastor and a preacher I look back at my time at RTS and thank God for the skills that I learned; not just skills theologically and intellectually, but skills practically—how to read the Bible, but also how to preach the Bible—how to not only understand what it says, but also how to preach it in a way that the people I’m preaching to understand it.”

—**Tullian Tchividjian**
Senior Pastor
Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church
Founder of Liberate
ALUMNI TESTIMONIAL

*Reformed Theological Seminary helped to instill within me what it means to be a shepherd and a churchman. Through its high academic standards and its steadfast commitment to the authority of the Word of God, RTS not only helped to disciple me in the Christian faith, but also taught me to love it, preach it, and contend earnestly for it.*

— Burk Parsons

Co-Pastor St. Andrews Chapel
Editor Table Talk Magazine

Atlanta

Home to America’s “most diverse square mile”—with 145 countries and 761 people groups represented in just one small corridor of the city—Atlanta offers RTS students incredible opportunities for multi-cultural ministry right in their own back yard.

Washington, D.C.

It’s hard to imagine a more strategic location for theological education than our nation’s capital. Here, RTS is raising up leaders in an arena just as important as any governing body. It is training leaders for the body of Christ.

Extension Sites

Through our new extensions in Memphis (the gateway to the south) and Houston (America’s second largest metropolitan area), RTS provides Master of Arts degree programs on the campuses of host churches. With adequate support, there are multiple opportunities for campus expansion.

Global Program

RTS is one of the few seminaries where students can earn their degree while doing 100 percent of the required coursework through online classes—from anywhere in the world.
On the one hand, RTS faculty have a mind for truth. They are brilliant and accomplished scholars who rigorously hold to the Reformed tradition as summarized by the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Larger and Shorter Catechism. All classes are taught from a Reformed perspective, ensuring that everything fits together in a coherent way.

On the other hand, these distinguished professors also have a heart for God—and one of their top priorities is to model that for their students. Through weekly prayer groups, lunches with students, worship services and one-on-one mentoring, RTS faculty invest personally in the lives of aspiring ministers.

The result is students who graduate with practical experience as well as professional training, who are compassionate as well as competent, and who are uniquely equipped to bring changeless truths in changing times.

**Faculty who develop**

**A mind for Truth and a heart for God.**
There are those who look at the way the world is headed, and despair. But we serve a sovereign God. And these turbulent times, this day, this very moment, are part of His plan.

For 50 years, the Lord has been laying the groundwork for the opportunities that stand before us now. He has graced Reformed Theological Seminary with an impeccable reputation, an expanding network of campuses and a Global program that is second to no seminary, anywhere.

He has honored RTS’ unwavering commitment to biblical orthodoxy with unprecedented opportunity.

A historic moment for RTS. A life-changing Opportunity for You.

Today RTS stands at a critical tipping point. Strategic plans have been developed to improve its campuses, expand to new cities, grow its scholarships and develop its online capabilities so that everyone, everywhere, who is being called to ministry has the opportunity to develop their skills in a way that is biblically sound, academically rigorous and reflects a Reformed perspective.

By standing with us now, you can capitalize on the firm foundation that has been laid, and leverage your gift at the precise time in history when it will have the most impact.

You can be a part of the RTS family, helping this institution to forge ahead in its mission to develop ministers, defend the inerrancy of Scripture, teach the doctrines of the Reformation and fulfill the Great Commission.

You can bring changeless truths in changing times.

ALUMNI TESTIMONIAL

“The biblical and theological instruction I received at Reformed Theological Seminary provided a foundation for my lifetime of ministry. Perimeter Church appreciates the preparation RTS has given ministerial candidates from our ministry, as well as the well-equipped graduates who have served on our staff and as church planters.”

— Randy Pope
Lead Teacher
Perimeter Church
Annual Fund
Your annual giving empowers RTS to prepare new leaders—especially within churches embracing the Reformed faith. It costs $25,000 a year to prepare a future pastor, but with scholarships the average full-time student pays about $8,000. Your generous gifts are crucial to closing that gap.

Scholarships
Not only do scholarship funds help students with financial need, they ensure that RTS can attract the best and brightest. Opportunities include general, restricted and endowed scholarships—along with the Church Partnership Program which allows churches to become personally involved in their students’ education.

Memorial and Honor Gifts
What better way to remember the life of a loved one or cherished friend than to make a gift in his or her memory or honor? RTS acknowledges your gift to you and to the honored one or family members of the one remembered, although the amount of the gift is not revealed.

Endowment-Type Funds
Endowment funds increase RTS’ stability by providing a stream of dependable income. The principal of these funds normally remains intact. Only the income is used to meet ongoing needs like faculty support, student scholarships or even general operating costs and building maintenance.

Ways to Stand with RTS.

RTS Foundation
The RTS Foundation offers donors a “Giving Fund” or “Donor Advised Fund.” You can make a contribution at any time, receiving the tax benefits of that donation to your giving fund at the time of your gift, and at a later date, advise the RTS Foundation where you would like a gift to be made from your giving fund. Ask for information on the “Mind and Heart Fund,” the RTS Foundation Donor Advised Fund.

Planned Giving
Many friends of RTS have planned their giving through a legacy gift or “bequest.” The most popular form of planned giving involves making a provision in one’s will to support RTS. You can also give now in a way that benefits you and your family during your lifetime, providing you with additional income, a hedge against inflation, or even tax savings.

Contact the RTS Foundation toll-free at 866-926-4RTS (787).
“The gospel is not a doctrine of the tongue, but of life. It cannot be grasped by reason and memory only, but it is fully understood when it possesses the whole soul and penetrates to the inner recesses of the heart.”

—John Calvin