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Scenes from the 2020 Eduworship Service

New HTS Apparel Now Available!

Click on the button below to view new HTS apparel.

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Upcoming HTS Virtual Visits

Hood has two upcoming Virtual Visits on **November 13 and November 16** for those interested in becoming a student. Click on the button below for more information.

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Hood Theological Seminary 1885 HTS National Alumni Association

1885 Society Scholarship Event

Virtual Celebration

Friday, November 13, 2020
7:00 – 8:30 pm

Theme: Uncharted Waters: Where do we go from here?

Matthew 14:30

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Dwight "Dyke" Messinger
Hood Theological Seminary Board of Trustee

Event Sponsorship

____ $1885.00 (1885 Society Founding Member)
__ $500.00 (8 Tickets) __ $250.00 (4 Tickets) __ $30.00 (1 Ticket)

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Dr. Lamont Foster (919) 349-0184 or Mrs. Carmen Harper (704) 314-4970.

Thank you! 1885 Society Founding Members

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Save the Dates!

The Center For Chaplaincy presents via online gatherings: **"Keeping It Real: Mental Health In the Church and Community During the Season of Pandemic and Beyond."**

For more information on the other sessions, go **HERE**. Information about each session will be sent out a couple of weeks prior to the meeting.

Register for the next session on November 17th: "Complicated Grief in the Aftermath of Suicide." Please note, the deadline to register is November 16th, 2020. For more information and to register for this session, Click Here

For more information, please contact:

Rev. Dr. Karen L. Owens, Director,
Center For Chaplaincy, Hood Theological Seminary
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Scenes from the ICFSH Fall Conference

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 of 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:
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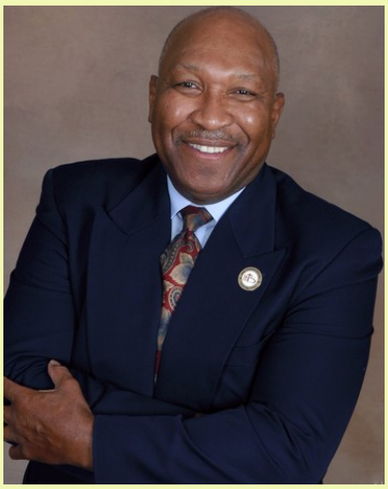


Faculty and Staff News

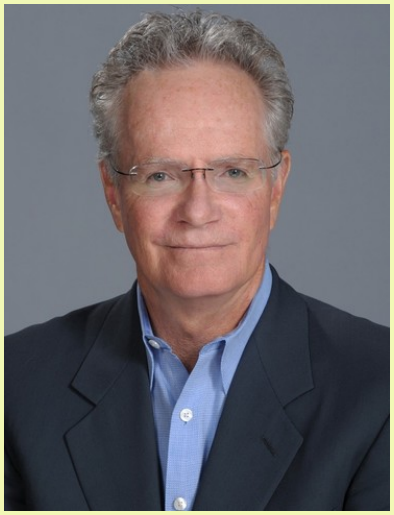
Dr. Vergel Lattimore, President and Professor at Hood, attended the "We are 7: Kannapolis African American Museum and Cultural Center's Virtual Anniversary Celebration, on October 29th, 2020.

He will Co-Chair the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of the Salisbury Rotary Club, on November 13, 2020.

Dr. Lattimore will participate in the HBTI Black Theological Collaborative meeting, coordinated by InTrust for Theological Education and supported by the Lilly Endowment, on November 9th.

He will participate in the Salisbury Community Foundation Board meeting, on November 19th, 2020.

Dr. Lattimore will be the Thanksgiving Week Rotary speaker. His program topic will be Gratitude, Giving and Growth, on November 24th, 2020.



Dr. André Resner Research Professor at Hood led a workshop on Reading Mark for Preaching for ministers in the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

On October 21, 2020, **Dr. Karen L. Owens** facilitated a didactic for the faculty and staff at Salisbury High School, titled Social Location and Implicit Bias. Salisbury High is implementing a school-wide problem-based learning (PBL) initiative to address mental health. An integral part of the PBL is to ensure faculty and staff have the proper foundational skills to support their students' needs while learning about mental health. The initiative will also involve a multi-tiered system of support (MTSS), a data-driven, problem-solving framework to improve outcomes for all students. The MTSS relies on a continuum of evidence-based practices matched to student needs. Dr. Owens will facilitate ongoing monthly trainings regarding various topics associated with mental health during the initiative's implementation while working alongside the MTSS, faculty and staff.

Alumni News

Rev. Angel Christ '13 has been elected to serve an interim term on The Board of Directors of the General Commission on Race and Religion (GCORR) for the Southeast Jurisdiction of The United Methodist Church. The work of GCORR can be found **HERE**

Distinguished Educator Joins the Hood Theological Seminary Board of Trustees

Dr. Vergel L. Lattimore, President of Hood Theological Seminary (HTS) is pleased to announce that a new board member was elected at the October 2, 2020 meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT). **Dr. Caroline L. Lattimore** (no relation to President Vergel L. Lattimore) has served for 40 years in a variety of leadership roles in higher education. Dr. Lattimore is a graduate of Hampton University (B.S. and M.A.) She earned the Ph.D. from Duke University (Educational Psychology). At Duke University, she served as Assistant Provost (1978 – 1983) and Dean of Minority Affairs (1978 – 1991). She was appointed Adjunct Assistant Professor in 1991 and Associate in 2005. She became Assistant Academic Dean, Trinity College of Arts and Sciences in 1989 and Associate in 2008. In 2010, she retired from Duke University as Associate Academic Dean and served part-time as Dean 2010 -2014.

Before her extensive service at Duke, she was the D.C. Coordinator for NTS Research Corporation, Washington, DC.

At Duke University, she served on the Board of Directors at the Federal Credit Union, the Benefits and Retirement Commission for Employees, the Medical Center Community Diabetes Advisory Board, and as an Affiliate of Duke University Chapel.

As an active civic and community leader, Dr. Lattimore serves on the Minority Advisory Committee for WTVD Television, ABC Affiliate, Durham, NC and the Triangle Park (NC) Chapter of THE LINKS, Inc. With Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., She has served on the Board of Directors as Mid-Atlantic Regional Director, National Political

Chairman, and National Membership Chairman.

Finally, from 1999 – 2001, Dr. Lattimore was selected to serve on the U.S. Pentagon Committee, DACOWITS, functioning as National Chairman of the Quality of Life Committee for the Pentagon's Advisory Committee on Women.

Pastor and Engineer Leads Seminary's New Congregational Faith & Learning Center

Dr. Vincent W. Howell has been appointed Director of **The Congregational Faith & Learning Center (TCFLC)** at Hood Theological Seminary. The goal of TCFLC is to provide training and faith engagement directly to congregations in the community by being a place to "educate, empower, and equip" congregations. Using a strategic planning learning model, TCFLC will develop congregational coaches, offer hands-on training to various congregational members and leaders, gather congregational research information and identify congregational best practices to put into action.

Dr. Howell was ordained as an Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Zion (A.M.E. Zion) Church nearly 25 years ago. Moreover, he has served as a pastor in the United Methodist Church (UMC) for the last 10 years. Educationally, he has a B.S. in Industrial Technology (Manufacturing) from North Carolina A & T State University (1975). He has an M.A. in Organizational Management (Human Development), Salve Regina University (1981). He completed a Diploma in Biblical, Theological, and Ministerial Studies from Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (1986). Dr. Howell completed the Executive Program, Rochester Institute of Technology, College of Business (1990). He also possesses a Master's Certificate from George Washington University in Project Management (2005). His Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) is from Ecumenical Theological Seminary, Detroit, MI (2013). His dissertation topic was "Applying Project Management in the Church."

Dr. Howell is the author of four books. His most recent book is *MBA QuickBooks for Ministers* (Judson Press, 2019). He has taught as an Adjunct Professor of Management at Elmira College, Elmira, NY, and as an Adjunct Instructor for the School of Christian Leadership, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity, Rochester, NY. He was also a Workshop Instructor for the Center for Congregations, Indianapolis, IN.

As a 30-year member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and a 25-year member of the Institute of Industrial Engineers, he has worked nationally and internationally on technology, engineering, computer systems and electronics with companies including Corning, Inc., Northern Telecom, Inc., Hughes Aircraft Company, and Ford Aerospace & Communications Corporation.

He holds two patents, has published numerous professional and technical papers, and has a number of special awards.

Finally, he is married to his college sweetheart and they have two adult children.

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

Anthony Foster, brother of Dr. Lamont Foster, passed away on October 22, 2020.

Marcus Melton, brother of LaTanya Pender and family on October 26, 2020.

Mr. Clarence Logan, father-in-law of Joseph Williams and his wife, Cherie', passed away on October 4, 2020, after a two-week battle with the coronavirus.

Theodore "Ted" Taylor, uncle of Thomas Grinter and family, who passed away on October 22, 2020, and pray especially for his mother, Lillie Grinter.

Mr. Quentin D. Crenshaw, son of Bishop and Mrs. George D. Crenshaw.

Paul Fisher, husband of Sue Palmer Fisher, passed away on October 30, 2020.

Have Any Alumni News?

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Helpful COVID-19 and Church Resources

Here are some COVID-19 and Church Resources:

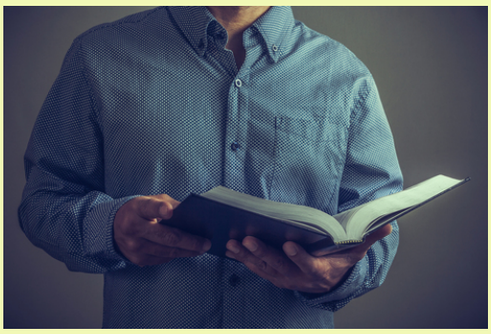
CDC and COVID-19

Understanding the CARES Act

How to Help Children Understand COVID-19

Video on Church Protection

CDC: Public Health Guidance for Community-Related Exposure



Antiracist Evangelism through New Faith Communities with Elaine Heath

Today many Christians struggle to know how to share their faith in loving, healing, and transformative ways in their own neighborhoods. No one wants to be a nuisance, be judgmental, or try to scare people into a relationship with God. All these negative images and more have made the word "evangelism" offensive to most people. The truth is, evangelism is a byproduct of living a life that is a blessing to others, in presence, actions, and words. The focus in this program is being a community that loves well, for the sake of our neighbors.

In this program, participants learn how to develop new, small spiritual communities in their own neighborhoods by helping their neighborhoods flourish. Participants learn how to recognize God already at work in local neighborhoods, and how to see, honor, and partner with the strengths in any neighborhood. This course also integrates wisdom and best practices in healing the wounds of racism, because in our world we cannot think about neighborhood flourishing without thinking about healing (and preventing) the wounds of racism.

Theologian and Practitioner in Residence for this program is Rev. Dr. Elaine A. Heath

Director of Spiritual Formation is Rev. Dr. Lynne B. Caldwell

All gatherings will be held virtually so anyone from anywhere can join! However, space is limited to 25 so ....

REGISTER NOW

Additional Information

Small groups will gather for orientation in December 2020. Monthly classes will begin on Saturday, January 9, 2021. See additional class dates for the year below.

The class includes ten monthly virtual meetings, held one Saturday per month (9-4:30). In addition, students meet in assigned small groups (5 members each) for up to 90 minutes total time between class days with a professional Spiritual Formation leader.

For the optimum educational and growth experience, we recommend 5-7 hours/week, during the active months of the course, for out-of-class time which includes reading, viewing videos, and spiritual and missional practices.

Total cost is $1100 and can be paid in quarterly payments of $275 throughout 2021. The cost of books and other materials for the year is approximately $67. Those participants who require financial assistance are encouraged to contact their district office, local pastor, or other appropriate funding sources.

REGISTER NOW as registration will close on November 20, 2020.

2021 Antiracist Evangelism Class Dates

January 9

February 13

March 13

April 10

May 8

Summer break with no classes in June or July

August 14

September 11

October 9

November 13

December 11

Have questions? Send us an email at

office.manager@neighborhoodseminary.org.

Job Opportunities

Pastoral Search - Bazzel Creek Missionary Baptist Church: Historic Missionary Baptist Church—located in Southwestern Wake County, in Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina— seeks a Pastor to lead a small, growing congregation through preaching, teaching and ministering to the Body of Christ, as well as administrative oversight. **Due to COVID-19 concerns, the Pastoral Search Committee requests all interested individuals to submit the application packets electronically to: bcmbpastoralsearch@gmail.com**

Director of Youth Ministries, United Methodist Western North Carolina Conference (Charlotte, NC). For the full job description and information on how to apply, please

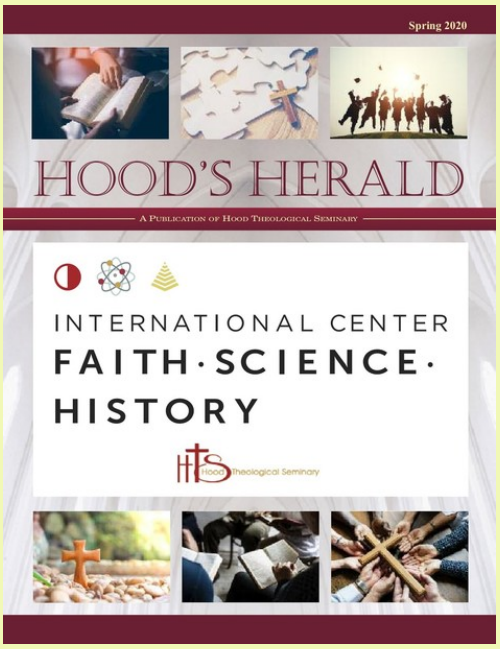
go **HERE**

Community Protectors Project Positions: Two positions--Program Facilitator and Social Media Fellow.

PROJECT OVERVIEW - The Community Protectors Project is a faith-based community organizing program based in Gadsden, Alabama. Community Protectors is looking beyond charity to create a grassroots Christian coalition that centers anti-racist and mutual aid work in our local community. Through bible studies based in liberation theology, local Christians will join with members of their own congregation to learn about Christ's calls to action around white supremacy and economic exploitation as well as work together to address these issues internally. Next, via leadership trainings and community organizing classes, willing participants will come together to develop the tangible skills and trusting relationships to respond collectively to Christ's anti-racist and anti-poverty mandates. Finally, these leaders will convene in a local council that uses anti-racist action and mutual aid to build the beloved community here at home. Supported by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's Voices for Economic Opportunity Grand Challenge, funding will be used to compensate all project participants for their time as well as support three part-time positions--two of which are currently looking to be filled! To apply, email Grant Coordinator Sav Miles with a resume and letter of interest at communityprotectorsproject@gmail.com.

Hood's Herald - Spring 2020 Edition Now Available Online!

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 2019. Click the button below to view online.



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