

E-Newsletter October 2024

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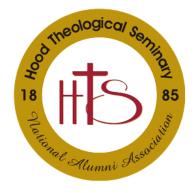


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Upcoming Events

1885 Society Dinner



November 21, 2024

6:00pm ET

Location: Hood Theological Seminary, Aymer Center, 1810 Lutheran Synod Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144

This is a ticketed event, which will be an additional way to raise funds to support Student Scholarships. The 1885 Society Dinner is the signature fundraiser for the Hood Theological Seminary National Alumni Association (HTSNAA). All the funds raised from this annual event support the HTSNAA Student Scholarship Fund.

Keynote Speaker: Bishop Teresa E. Snorton

For more information and to RSVP, Click Here

If you have questions please contact Rev. Dr. Reginald Boyd, Jr. at rboyd@hoodseminary.edu or 704-636-6455.

Register Now

"Stride for Scholars" 2K Walk-A-Thon



Friday November 22, 2024

9:00am - 1:00pm

HTS Campus: 1810 Lutheran Synod Dr. Salisbury, NC 28144

This special event invites participants from all walks of life—both in person and virtually—to come together to support Hood Theological Seminary's mission of preparing bold and creative leaders for the Christian church in a diverse world.

Registration for the event is \$35.00, and all participants, whether in person or virtual, will receive an official event t-shirt (registration must be completed by November 15, 2024, to guarantee a t-shirt). In-person participants will also receive swag bags and enjoy refreshments.

Participants will walk 8 laps around the scenic Hood Theological Seminary campus to complete the 2K distance. Virtual participants are encouraged to walk in their own local areas and submit a photo of their completed walk to Ty Walker at twalker@hoodseminary.edu.

The proceeds from the "Stride for Scholars" 2K Walk-A-Thon will go directly to supporting student scholarships at Hood Theological Seminary. This initiative is essential for providing financial assistance to current and future students, helping them pursue their theological education without financial barriers. By participating in this event, you will be helping to equip the next generation of church leaders, empowering them to serve communities worldwide with bold and inclusive leadership.

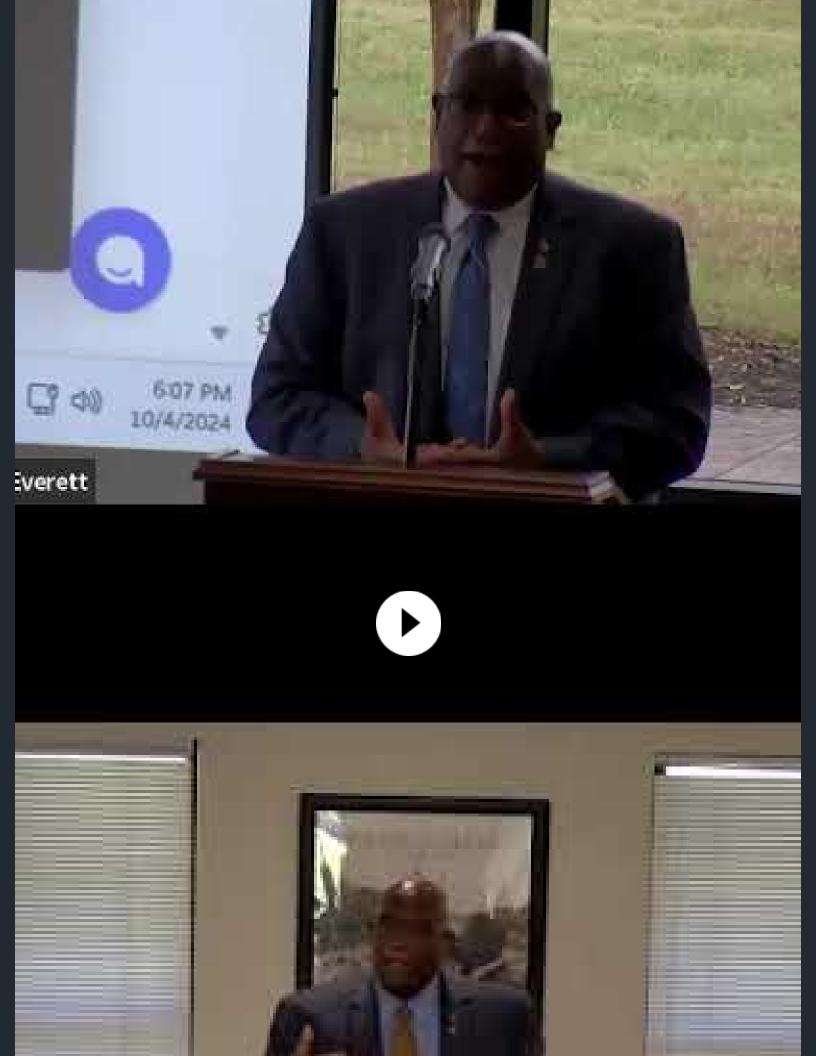
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Recording of the Fall 2024 Opening Convocation



Recordings of Fall 2024 Bishop Ruben L. Speaks Lecture Series







Recording of ICFSH Fall Conference







In Memoriam



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

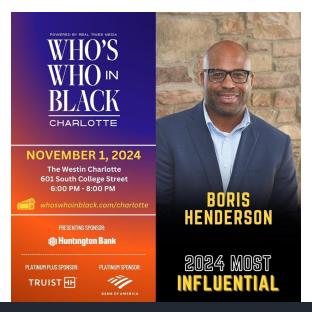
Mr. William Grant, M.Div student on the passing of his father (October 12th) and mother (October 20th).



Alumni News

Who's Who In Black celebrates local African American achievement in various industries. The Who's Who In Black Charlotte event will take place November 1, 6pm, The Westin Charlotte, 601 South College Street, Charlotte, NC 28202.

For more information and tickets, <u>Click Here</u>. Hood Alum Boris Henderson, DMin'24 will be celebrated during this program.





Faculty/Staff News

Dr. Vergel L. Lattimore President and Professor



Dr. Lattimore presented the virtual webinar - "After the Storm: Navigating Mental Health After Disaster" to the N.C. Council of Churches and Partners in Health and Wholeness Initiative in Celebration for Word Mental Health Day, October 10, 2024.

He met virtually with the A.M.E. Zion Commission on Chaplaincy, October 17, 2024.

Dr. Lattimore will attend the Justice Initiative of the Gift Collaborative for Black Theological Education & black Faith Traditions, St, Paul Baptist Church, Jacksonville, FL, October 24-25, 2024.

Faith Learn Thrive News



Dr. Rona Williams & Myra Davis-Bellinger were facilitators during the 2024 Fishing Differently Conference in Dallas, TX hosted by The Oikos Institute.

FLT launched its 2024 Learning Community on Oct. 11th-12th with five churches: Biblical House of God- Cayce, SC; City of God Ministries- Concord, NC & Charleston, SC; Community Prayer Life Center - Eutawville, SC; East Stonewall AME Zion Church - Charlotte, NC; & St. Luke CME Church - Tryon, NC. We are looking forward to an amazing journey!

Dr. Rona Williams served as a small group facilitator during the Lilly Thriving Congregations Cohort 2 Gathering following participation during the Cohort 1 Gathering, both in Indianapolis, IN.

We also met Bishop WC Martin, whose work and story became memorialized in the movie Sound of Hope: The Story of Possum Trot. Bishop, his wife, and the East Texas congregation ignited a movement resulting in 22 families adopting 77 children from foster care.



Pictured Above: Dr. Rona Williams presents at the Lilly Conference.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

To all our October Faculty, Staff, Alumni & Donors - A Blessed Birthday with Many More to Come!



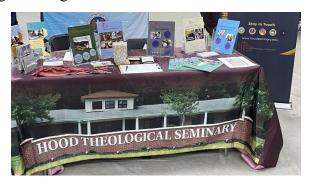
Hood Travels

September & October 2024 Hood Travels

Hood recruited at High Point University's Theological Education Fair on October 23, 2024.



Hood attended at Livingstone College's College and Career Fair.



Hood recruited at Claflin University in Orangeburg, South Carolina.



Hood attended the Johnson C. Smith University Fall 2024 Annual Career & Hiring Fair on September 19, 2024.







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- ~ 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?

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