

"The work of preaching is the highest and greatest and most glorious calling to which anyone can ever be called"

Martyn Lloyd-Jones



Greetings

It is June already and three months since the last update. In this SRS newsletter, there are reports of the recent Open Study Day and Ladies Meeting. Also, there are details of a Greek course which is being run by Mr Paul Karageorgi. The course is designed for people who have some or no prior knowledge of the Greek language. Booking is essential: the course can only run if there is sufficient interest.

Prayer Points

- Please pray for men to apply for next year's intake.
- Pray for the current students as they continue with their studies.
- Pray for the teaching faculty as they prepare lecture materials.
- Pray for the Registrar and Administrator as they prepare the timetable.
- Pray for God's blessing, that all will be done for His Glory.

Ladies' Meeting

This year, while the students were having their first two lectures, there was a Ladies' Meeting. It was led by Ruth Kay and Mairi Higham and other Trustees' wives; it was attended by Pastors' wives and students' wives. It was geared to helping the students' wives to prepare for their role in the ministry. It was a good time of fellowship and of looking at issues which were of relevant to Pastors' wives.

Open Study Day

On Saturday May 4th, at the Seminary Study Weekend, over 50 friends gathered in Grove House for the two Open Meetings. Pastor Jonathan Northern of Baldock Baptist Church gave two helpful messages at the Open Meetings. The first was on **'Feeding the Flock'**, using the passage in Acts 20: 17-28. Those attending were reminded of the vital need for preaching to be God-centred and God-honouring. First, he provided an overview of the preacher himself and his position. He then looked at the preacher's aim, which should be to 'feed the flock' with the Word of God, and his manner or style of preaching, which should address the mind and the heart, remembering that the people of God had been purchased with the precious blood of Christ.

Using Acts 20:29-31 in his second message, Jonathan Northern then looked at the need for **'Guarding the Flock'**. Those present were alerted to trends and events that, like wolves, had destroyed the sheep and the church of God. He focused on three areas in particular – honouring the Lord's day, being reverent in worship and the need to separate from worldly practices, and from those who would lead the sheep along the wrong paths. We should honour God in all things and in all our ways.



Kevin Armstrong (2nd Year) writes:

"We trust the Seminary will continue to be of much blessing to us in our preparation for the work of the ministry and are grateful for your prayers and support. The last week of lectures have been highly profitable and we cannot speak highly enough of the godly care and commitment shown by the lecturers as well as the quality of the lectures, which testifies to the true concern for the honour and glory of God that runs through all the Seminary is seeking to do.

May the Lord be pleased to bless the work richly in the years ahead to the benefit of many churches and the training of many men in the service of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Salisbury Reformed Seminary FAQ's:

Q What qualifications do you need to attend the Seminary?

A The main requirements are that a man needs to be saved by the grace of God and that he is called into the ministry. The call needs to be supported by the local church.

Q Does the course lead to a degree eg. BA or MA, BTh or MTh?

A The course is specifically designed to prepare men for the ministry. It does not lead to a degree.

Q Can I study at Salisbury Reformed Seminary if I do not live in the UK?

A The Seminary cannot arrange for visas or provide support for men from overseas.

Q Are students required to live in Salisbury during the course?

A No, you do not need to live in Salisbury. However, there are two full weeks of study in a year and ten weekends (Friday and Saturday) when students need to be in Salisbury to attend lectures.

Q Can I continue working in my job during my time in the Seminary?

A Yes, it is possible to maintain employment but also to follow the course. You will need to book annual leave in order to attend the study sessions in Salisbury. However, the course is also suitable for those who are able to commit to it full-time.

Q Is there a way of obtaining financial assistance?

A Yes, students can apply for a bursary that would cover the annual fees and provide some help towards expenses.



NT Greek in a Week by a Greek

Learn New Testament Greek in the way you acquired your own mother tongue. This course teaches NT Greek as a living language. Acquire the skills of:

Conversation and comprehension – listening, speaking, reading, writing.

The objectives are to: cultivate a love for God's word in the original Greek; learn its importance; study certain texts in the original including your favourite verses; and discover what is often lost in translation.

This course is suitable for anyone with little or no knowledge of Greek. All that is required is an interest in the language and an eagerness to learn.

Where:

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Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP2 7EE

When:

26th – 30th August 2019
10:30 – 16:00

More Info:

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Applications close:

Monday, 12 August 2019

Fee:

£50 (includes cost of materials and tea / coffee)

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