

DOCTRINAL STANDARD AND BASIS

The Seminary's primary standard and ultimate authority is the Bible, God's inspired Word. The Version used is the Authorised Version (1611).

As its subordinate standard, the Seminary recognises The Baptist Confession of Faith (1689), while respecting the inherent worth and value of other Confessions in the same theological tradition.



"Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 24:8)



THE SEMINARY



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Preparing for Christian **Ministry**

A Seminary for **UK Churches**

(Founded in 2018)

EVANGELICAL REFORMED EXPERIENTIAL CALVINISM

Providing comprehensive, Biblical, theological and pastoral training for those called to the Christian Ministry

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

Martyn Lloyd-Jones

THE COURSE

Salisbury Reformed Seminary offers a course for those who are called by God to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Preparing for the ministry is the principle focus of the studies.

The Seminary has the distinctives of being evangelical and reformed, with a particular emphasis on experiential Calvinism. Its teaching is rooted in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, being committed to Biblical inspiration, authority, sufficiency and inerrancy. There is a need today for men to be able to preach "the whole counsel of God" as revealed in the Lord Jesus Christ and in His Word, the Bible.

In the Seminary, the vital necessity of the Holy Spirit's influence in every area of our lives will be stressed. There will also an emphasis on the need for Holy Spirit revival – a divine visitation of God granting His people an overwhelming sense of His presence, power and favour. It is our strong belief that only revival will arrest the present, spiritual decline and restore to God's church the inestimable blessing of vital, living Christianity.

The course is intended to be much more than academic as it is designed to provide serious study of Biblical doctrine, with an emphasis preaching, pastoral practice and heart religion.

Whilst following their studies, students will be expected to continue to serve the Lord in their home churches. They will be encouraged to gain experience by preaching in other churches too.

LECTURERS

The course will be taught by men who are or were themselves active in pastoral ministry. Students therefore benefit from their years of experience in the ministry.



LECTURES

The course will last for three years, starting in January each year. Lectures will take place at Grove House, 18 Wilton Road, Salisbury SP2 7EE (by arrangement with Emmanuel Church, Salisbury). Study times will take the form of two full weeks of lectures, in January and September, and ten weekends (Friday and Saturday) in the intervening months. There will be directed reading and assignments to complete.

The course is therefore suitable for those who can study full time, and also for those who need to continue with their secular employment.

Videos of lectures will be placed in the Seminary's online Office for student use. Zoom may be used for further interaction.

STUDENTS

We pray that the Lord will guide men called to the ministry to apply for the course so there will be a new generation of ministers who preach the Gospel in the power of the Spirit with a love of the Lord. We desire to help them to be men of God, not only with doctrinal knowledge in their minds but also with experimental knowledge in their hearts.

ADMISSION

Students must profess and evidence a Biblical experience of conversion. They should have a desire to grow in the knowledge of God and His Word and have a zeal for holy living. They need a conviction of being called to the ministry, which is recognised by their Pastor, and by their church.

Students need to complete an application form. They will be interviewed before being approved by the board of Trustees.

ACCOMMODATION

Suitably priced accommodation in Salisbury will be recommended.

COURSE COST

Annual fee: this is currently £750.

Students need to provide their own living expenses and course materials. For those in need, bursaries are available.