



E-Newsletter: December 2023

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Events



Faithful Planning: 5 Tips to Kickstart 365 Days of Purposeful Ministry

□ FaithLearnThrive Presents: Faithful Planning Webinar □

Are you a church leader seeking divine guidance to craft an impactful and purposeful annual calendar for your congregation? Look no further! Join FaithLearnThrive for an inspiring webinar that will revolutionize your approach to planning ministry activities.

□ **Date & Time:** January 4, 2024 at 7pm

□ Unlock the Power of Purposeful Ministry: 5 Tips to Kickstart 365 Days of Impact

In this exclusive online event, we'll delve into the art of Faithful Planning, equipping you with the tools and insights to create a calendar that resonates with your community and fulfills your spiritual vision.

MEET THE FACILITATOR: Nicole Johnson, Church Growth Strategist

With over two decades of leadership and training experience, I founded The 100-Fold Blueprint, LLC, dedicated to assisting churches in reaching their full potential. My mission is to empower church leaders with the Blueprint Strategy Growth Plan through workshops, training, and coaching. the100foldblueprint.com

Upcoming Events in 2024

Look for more information about these and other events in 2024!

Firm Foundation Covenant Service February 7

Heritage Lecture Series February 9-10

DMin Service of Candidacy March 16

Commencement May 18



We will be closed for the Christmas Holiday beginning Wednesday, December 20, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.



New at Hood

Hood's Newest Academic programs:

Hood Theological Seminary now offers a **Master's in Christian Education (MACE)** and a **Certificate in Christian Education (CCE) Program**.

[More Info](#)



EduWorship October 24, 2023, 12pm Recording





Angela Davis-Baxter

EduWorship October 24, 2023, 6pm Recording

Recording of the ICFSH Fall 2023 Conference: [CLICK HERE](#)

" A CONVERSATION BETWEEN A THEOLOGIAN AND AN ENGINEER"

Guest Speakers: Dr. Theodore Walker, Jr. Associate Professor, Ethics and Society at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas

Dr. Matthew McCullough, Assistant Dean, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, North Carolina



Hood Travels

Hood will attend the **AME Zion Christian Education Convention** at the Raleigh NC Convention Center December 27 - 30, 2023.

Faculty/Staff News



Dr. Vergel Lattimore, President and Professor, will convene the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee of the Salisbury Rotary on December 5, 2023.

He will participate in the Board of Directors Meeting of the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) in the U.S. and Canada, Pittsburgh, PA, December 7 - December 8, 2023.

Dr. Lattimore will attend the Drum Majors Luncheon at the Christian Education Department Winter Meeting, Raleigh, NC on December 29, 2023.

Dr. Mary Love, Adjunct Professor of Christian Education, was the recipient of a *"You Make a Difference Award"* by the Ebony Society of Philatelic Events and Reflections (ESPER) at its recent 35th Anniversary celebration in St. Louis in October.

Dr. Jennifer L. Aycock, Assistant Visiting Professor of History of Christianity (pictured below), has been chosen for the 2024 Hybrid Teaching and Learning Workshop for Early Career Theological School Faculty that will run from February to October 2024. This workshop will explore various dimensions of teaching and the teaching life, inviting participants to explore the craft in teaching. Through conversations, artistic experimentation, and creative expression, we seek to discern how to sustain pleasure in a teaching life. The co-leaders for this 2024 hybrid workshop are Katherine Turpin and Willie Jennings. Gina Robinson, Associate Director, will be the Wabash Center staff person facilitating the workshop.

For more information on this workshop, go [Here](#)



Job Opportunities

[Project Destined Paid Virtual Commercial Real Estate Internship](#)

[Project Destined Commercial Real Estate Internship Timeline](#)

[Bethany Church of Lexington Pastoral Vacancy](#)



Alumni News



Pictures from the 1885 Society Annual Dinner





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Monthly Giving

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Wishing You a Season of Joy and Connection!

As the holiday season wraps us in its warm embrace, we want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for being a part of our incredible community. Your support, enthusiasm, and engagement have made this year truly special. Wishing you and your family a festive holiday season and a bright and joyous New Year! ☐



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