#### This is BIG!

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# We are preparing for graduation!

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for your interest in our work as the **Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry.** Our work is **different from any other prison ministry** you know.

Thanks to you, we have nearly 200 men and women Texas inmates in our **academic care**. They are prisoners on full scholarship for 4 years in our College of Ministry. They study the life, work, and words of Jesus Christ.

Thanks to you, we have two dedicated Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry "campuses," where we educate men and women who are prisoners with extremely long prison sentences to become Field Ministers for the Texas prison system.

Thanks to you, we have been able to provide sound theological training to hundreds of our graduates for over 12 years.

Thanks to you, we have incredible academic and applied ministry resources at the Hobby Unit for women.

Thanks to you, we have we have incredible academic and applied ministry resources at the Memorial Unit for men.

Thanks to you, our students are taught by **Ph.D. and Master of Divinity professors** from Texas as well as from states such as Tennessee, Kentucky, and Louisiana.

Thanks to you, within our faculty are renowned authors, theologians, seminary professors, former missionaries, and Senior Pastors. They come to teach in the Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry because they believe in our **Mission**.

Thanks to you, we can once again remain at work this year. It is costly to operate the Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry inside the country's largest prison system. You and friends like you have helped pay for these full scholarships for the past 12 years.

Thanks to you, over 200 graduates are now serving out their long sentences as "Texas Field Ministers," and doing so in teams, in 42 Texas prisons.

Thanks to you, our graduates have permission to minister freely all over those 42 prisons: they tell the hopeless that there is hope in Jesus Christ.

Thanks to you, every day we learn of men and women prisoners who have professed Christ as Lord. And they do this through peer influence through our teams of Field Ministers or through our students who are still in college.

Will you keep us in the business of training godly men and women to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ where you and I, as people in the free world, can never take it?

Please consider giving to our work not only today, but monthly, regularly. We need your help now, more than we ever have.

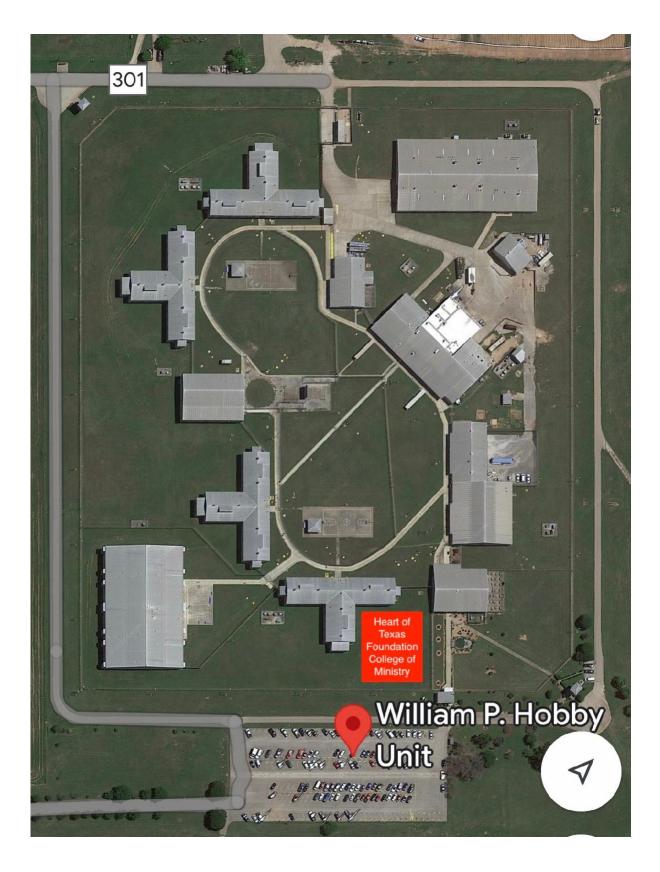
With kindest regards and thanks from all of us,

In Christ whom we serve,

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## Big News! The women's college building project has begun!

All of the necessary funding for the women's college building at the Hobby Unit is secured. We are working on the floor plan now in partnership with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The orders have been placed for pivotal components like the necessary transformer and HVAC equipment. We anticipate ground breaking in late 2023. Only the Lord can accomplish this. It is a dream come true for everyone.



# Upcoming in Term 3:

Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry

### Term 3: May 1 – June 30, 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Memorial</b> : New Testament	<b>Memorial</b> : Natural Science	<b>Memorial</b> : Study day	<b>Memorial</b> : Systematic Theology 3	<b>Memorial</b> : Ephesians
Biblical Redemption and Christian Hope	Great Books		Logic	Systematic Theology 1
<b>Hobby</b> : Study day	<b>Hobby</b> : Study day	<b>Hobby</b> : New Testament	<b>Hobby:</b> Logic	<b>Hobby</b> : Study day

## **Visiting Professors in Term 3**



**Dr. Stephen Presley,** Senior Fellow for Religion and Public Life at the Center for Religion, Culture, and Democracy; Associate Professor of Church History at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Course: Biblical Redemption and Christian Hope

Location: Memorial Unit

Date: May 8-12



**Dr. Gregg Allison,** Professor of Christian Theology at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Course: Systematic Theology 3

Location: Memorial Unit

Date: May 15-19



**Dr. Timothy Jones,** Vice President for Doctoral Studies; Chair of the Department of Apologetics, Ethics and Philosophy; Professor of Christian Ministry at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Course: Logic: Exegetical Fallacies

Location: Hobby Unit

Date: May 23-25



**Dr. Randy Hatchett**, Program Coordinator for Theological Studies and Christian Ministry, Professor of Theology at Houston Christian University

Course: Ephesians

Location: Memorial Unit

Date: May 22-24, June 12-14

# Save the Date! Annual Fundraising Banquet, October 20, 6 p.m.

Would you consider continuing to support the work of the Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry? Our budget is roughly \$130,000 per class of students each year. We have six classes of men and one class of women bringing our total annual budget to: \$910,000. Your financial giving supplies class textbooks, all instruction, and instructional support. Through quality inperson discipleship built into the Bachelor of Arts in Applied Ministry, we are teaching more than 225 men and women with extremely long prison sentences to read, think, act, and speak thoughtfully and biblically as well as how to serve others with the heart of Christ. Each student knows how, and at the same time is always learning, to live and share the gospel as part of his or her daily life. Our graduates will be Field Ministers, men and women of integrity, perseverance, faith, and heart. Help us send them! Every donation is important and appreciated. Everyone has something to give and can be part of the work! Join us at this year's banquet by emailing events@heartoftexasfoundation.org. Seats are limited!

Event: Annual Fundraising Banquet Date: Friday, October 20th, 2023 Time: 6-9 p.m. Location: Traditions Club, 3131 Club Drive, Bryan, Texas Cost: \$200 per seat or \$2,000 for a table of ten people

## Save the Date! Graduation, December 6

### **December 6, 2023**

Graduation, Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry at the Memorial Unit!

Graduation is one of the most joyous events of the year. If you would like to attend graduation, please email us at **events@heartoftexasfoundation.org**. We will do all we can to accommodate your request. We will be directly inviting those who attend the banquet and those who have given of their time, talents, and finances to prepare these men to become Field Ministers. Thank you for being part of the Heart of Texas Foundation College of Ministry.



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