

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE

For many decades, congregations and individuals in the Church of the Brethren have been a foundation of support for Bethany. As the Seminary envisions its mission for the future, you can partner in the education we provide:



Give to Bethany's mission by check, online, or with gifts of property



Pray for our students, faculty, and staff



Nurture persons who show interest in ministry and encourage them to consider a Bethany education



Read *Wonder & Word* magazine and visit our website for news, information, and event recordings

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR 2018-19

October 2018 – Leaders and students in the SeBAH program for Spanish-language ministry and the work of our international scholar in residence, Samuel Dali, and his wife, Rebecca

November 2018 – Faculty and staff, who daily share skills and knowledge to support Bethany's mission, as renovations to their working and teaching spaces are completed

December 2018 – Bethany's contribution to the Church of the Brethren peace witness through courses, seminars, and the Peace Essay Contest

January 2019 – Students traveling with Professor Dan Ulrich to Puerto Rico for an intercultural intensive course

February 2019 – The more than 2,500 Bethany alumni and their contributions to the church over the past century

March 2019 – Bethany's board of trustees, who give their time, talents, and resources as advocates for the Seminary and who hold their semiannual meeting this month

April 2019 – *Brethren Life & Thought*, a Bethany partner and academic journal committed to nourishing the life and mind within the Church of the Brethren, and the writers of the BLT blog

May 2019 – Our new graduating class as they complete their seminary education and follow their vocational calls

June 2019 – Students in summer Ministry Formation experiences and those who are considering enrolling at Bethany in the 2019-20 academic year

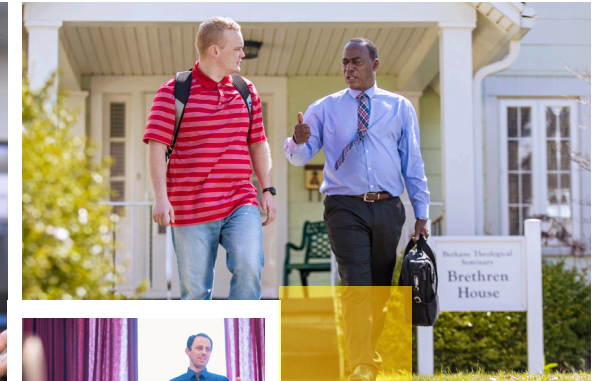
July 2019 – A new group of high school students participating in EYC on the Bethany campus

August 2019 – Those involved with the Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership as orientation is held for incoming Academy students

September 2019 – New and returning students as we begin our 115th academic year

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So that the world flourishes

As God is making all things new, we have divine opportunities to be part of the transforming work around us. Engaging minds and hearts, Bethany Theological Seminary shapes students for a lifetime of service in our ever-changing culture. Biblical shalom infuses churches, communities, and marketplaces as graduates go into the world through diverse professions and calls to ministry.

A NEW LOOK FOR A NEW DAY

As part of our new strategic plan, we are in the process of several branding initiatives. Our primary goals are to (1) increase external awareness, (2) strengthen internal communications, and (3) tell the Bethany story through these identified distinctives:

- a forward-thinking vision with distinct theological commitments
- a values-driven community that promotes inclusivity
- the integration of faith and practice in preparation for a life of service

OUR VISION

- Anchored in its commitment to academic freedom, Bethany Theological Seminary expresses a prophetic witness rooted in a deep theological understanding of scripture and the Anabaptist-Pietist traditions of disciple making, peace building, and advocacy for justice.
- Bethany claims a position as a center for the study and practice of emerging areas of religious interest across faith traditions.
- Blending academics with application and spiritual formation, Bethany exemplifies impactful learning, developing servant leaders with theological understanding, sensitivity, and skill to forge genuine change in church and community.
- Engaging people of diverse religious, geographic, and social backgrounds, the Bethany community nurtures respect for differences and sustains spiritual empowerment for students and alumni.

2017-18 AT BETHANY

STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN / Building on Bethany's new strategic vision, this plan was developed by faculty and staff and approved by the board of trustees. Objectives and goals were named in the areas of marketing Bethany's heritage and mission, innovative curricula, enrollment, financial sustainability, and new global connections.



▼ **PARTNERSHIP WITH EYN** / With the completion of a technology center in Jos, the first joint course for EYN and North American students was offered in January. Through synchronous video, students and faculty in classrooms an ocean apart participated together in the course Global Perspectives on Scripture: 1 Corinthians.

▲ **PILLARS AND PATHWAYS RESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP** / Initiated in fall 2017, this program enables recipients to study at Bethany without incurring additional debt if they (1) live in the Bethany Neighborhood and participate in community living, (2) volunteer eight hours per month at a nonprofit in Richmond (3) cover tuition costs through scholarships and aid, and (4) earn \$7500 per year. The scholarship covers the remainder to equal one year's expected cost of attendance for residential students.



▲ **SEMINARIES THAT CHANGE THE WORLD** / Bethany was named to this group of schools for the third consecutive year by the Center for Faith and Service at McCormick Theological Seminary.

▼ **URBAN MINISTRY EXPERIENCE** / Through a new partnership with the nonprofit City of Refuge in Atlanta, the immersion travel course *A Place of Refuge: Ministry in an Urban Context* was offered in January.



▲ **2018 GRADUATES** / The graduating class earned eight MDivs, five MAs, one Certificate of Achievement in Theological Studies, three Certificates in Theopoetics and Theological Imagination, and one Certificate in Intercultural Biblical Interpretation.

▶ **A TWENTY-YEAR LEGACY** / Tara Hornbacker, professor of ministry formation, missional leadership, and evangelism, retired and was named emerita faculty by the board of trustees.

