

FACULTY FORUM

WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 19, 2025



GROWING FACULTY FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

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FACILITATOR: BLANTON FEASTER, ASSOC. PROVOST FOR ADMIN. & GRAD. EDUCATION | DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY (TX)

OVERVIEW: The heart of every institution is the corps of distinguished servants of Christ who serve as the faculty. They comprise the essential experience the institution offers to her students. This high calling invites a life time of learning and growing . . . even as they lead students in their own journey of learning and growing. Sharpen your teaching skills and enhance your service with these colleagues who share.

7:00 – 8:00
8:00 – 8:15

Forum Breakfast — Regency Foyer
Welcome & Introductions

8:15 – 9:30

SESSION 1 — BUILDING SYNERGY BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE FACULTY

PRESENTER: Carlo Serrano, President | Manna University (NC)

OVERVIEW: The president and the faculty often play divergent roles in colleges and universities. This divergence can lead to an environment of separation and if left unchecked, distrust between the president and the faculty.

- ▶ Gain insight into how faculty can best demonstrate support for the president
- ▶ Learn what you can do as a faculty member to compliment the president's vision
- ▶ Identify how to respectfully and appropriately "lead up" to the president

9:30 – 10:15

Refreshment Break — Regency Foyer

10:15 – 11:45

SESSION 2 — MAXIMIZING FACULTY/STUDENT INTERACTIONS

PRESENTER: Jeff Sherrod, Academic Dean | The Institute for G.O.D. (TN)

OVERVIEW: Faculty often carry administrative responsibilities in addition to their teaching loads. As those administrative responsibilities grow faculty can begin to disengage from building authentic relationships with students.

- ▶ Understand how well-intentioned effort can take away from your primary responsibility as a faculty member
- ▶ Learn strategies that protect your time with students while also fulfilling your administrative duties
- ▶ Identify how administrators can support the efforts of faculty to connect with students

11:45 – 12:00
12:00 – 1:00

A word from our Sponsor — Sheri Popp Education Consulting
Buffet Lunch — Regency Foyer

1:00 – 2:15

SESSION 3 — FACULTY TOOL KIT FOR LEARNER ENGAGEMENT

PRESENTER: Sheri Popp, Founder | Sheri Popp Education Consulting (MO)

OVERVIEW: Research on the value of active learning makes a clear case for broadening teaching repertoire beyond that of lecture. Hands-on practice with alternative classroom strategies is a fun and effective way to produce active learning contexts.

- ▶ Review the research that demonstrates the value of active learning techniques
- ▶ Learn specific strategies that engage the learner and contribute to an active learning context
- ▶ Discover resources to continue to grow your repertoire of active learning techniques

2:15 – 3:00

Refreshment Break — Regency Foyer

3:00 – 4:15

SESSION 4 — THE ASSESSMENT OF EXEGESIS SKILLS

PRESENTER: Bennie Wolvaardt, President | Veritas College International (TX)

OVERVIEW: The practice of proper biblical exegesis is a critical skill for students particularly in a world that challenges the authority of the Word of God.

- ▶ Understand the importance of establishing a proper exegetical foundation for serious study of the Bible
- ▶ Learn how students can be equipped to do exegesis themselves through the assessment process
- ▶ Discover strategies to engage faculty in working together to reinforce proper biblical exegesis

4:15 – 4:30
6:00 – 8:30

Wrap Up
CONNECTIONS DINNER — Ballroom B/C/D

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