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The school season has begun . . . the good majority of students from kindergarten to the doctoral level have headed back to the classroom. The smell of glue sticks and new books is in the air.

My office is on the McAfee School of Theology campus so this week I have been caught up in the excitement of a new semester--with new students on campus, a Founders Day service, multiple "extra" lunches and dinners, and jammed parking lots.

I am not teaching a class this semester and have had a chance to sit back and observe, and I have discovered that there seem to be some universal experiences on college and seminary campuses. Just a few examples:

All campus cafeterias seem to serve mystery meat--and pass it off as taco meat or spaghetti sauce.

Parking on the grassy area will always result in a ticket.

Students who buy their books in the campus bookstore are a rarity these days.

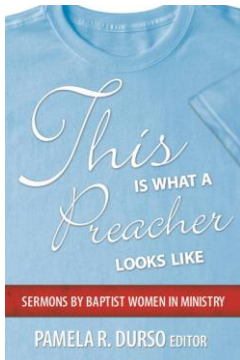
Students who take notes on paper with an ink pen are even more rare.

Syllabus shock for first-year students is pretty rough. But it happens for even third-year students.

Kindness and grace and patience during the first week of school are greatly needed and given freely.

I have also seen first-hand this week acts of generosity, words of encouragement, a true sense of hospitality, and lots of hugs.

My experiences these past few days have reminded me to pray--pray for students who are just starting school, pray for students who are easing toward the finish line, pray for students who make financial and family sacrifices in order to be in school, and pray for students as they learn new life lessons.



My pray this semester for Baptist Women in Ministry is that as an organization and as individuals we will reach out to students--from kindergarten to grad school--and will pray for them and encourage them. Be watching our website, blog, and facebook for more information about our plans about connecting with students. And if you have ideas, send them our way: pamdurso@bwim.info.

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THIS IS WHAT A PREACHER LOOKS LIKE: T-Shirt



"This Is What a Preacher T-Shirts" are available in sizes Youth Large; Small; Medium; Large; X-Large; XX-Large.

The cost is \$10 plus shipping. To order T-Shirts, visit the [BWIM website](#).

The T-Shirts make great graduation and ordination gifts for the women preachers in your life.

THIS IS WHAT A PREACHER LOOKS LIKE - Book

Smyth & Helwys released *This Is What a Preacher Looks Like: Sermons by Baptist Women in Ministry*, a collection of thirty-eight sermons by thirty-six Baptist women.

To see the list of contributors and read endorsements, visit the BWIM website. Or join the [Facebook Fan Page](#) for *This Is What a Preacher Looks Like* to read quotes from the sermons and see photos of the women whose sermons are included.

To order the book, visit [Smyth and Helwys](#).

Ordinations

Kimberly Crowley will be ordained September 5, 2010, at Grace Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia.

Ruth Graham was ordained August 1, 2010, at University Baptist Church, Charlottesville, Virginia.

On the Move

Karla Anderson-Sarmiento is minister of children at Trace Ridge Baptist Church,

Ridgeland, Mississippi.

Jessica Asbell is associate pastor for children and families at Winter Park Baptist Church, Wilmington, North Carolina.

Kara Blankenship is minister to families with children and youth at Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

Sarah Holik is coordinator of children's ministries and preschool director at First Baptist Church, Fitzgerald, Georgia.

Susan Rogers is a church planter with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Florida, Jacksonville, Florida.

Laura Wheeler is associate coordinator with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Georgia, Macon, Georgia.

Missionaries Commissioned in June 2010 by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship

Anna Anderson, community development ministry coordinator, Eastern North Carolina

Rachel Brunelikova, liaison between Roma ministries and partnering churches, Czech Republic

Cindy Clark, faculty at Philippines Baptist Theological Seminary, Baguio City, Philippines

Anjani Cole, evangelism and house church ministry facilitator, Northern Spain

Lindsay, advocate for women and children, Southeast Asia

Rebekah Hart, field personnel, Chile

Jennifer Jenkins, medical missions, Haiti

Kamille Krahwinkel, University English teacher, China

Carole Jean Wehmiller, advocate for the invisible poor in the Americas, Haiti and Dominican Republic

Sara Williams, church planter/social worker, Johannesburg, South Africa

Baptist Women in Ministry of Georgia

The annual fall retreat will be held **October 9, 2010** (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) at Park Avenue Baptist Church in Grant Park, Georgia. The retreat will feature Allison Gilmore of DuMore Improv Group. Come stretch your ministerial imagination with an improvization session. To register, visit BWIM of Georgia's [website](#).

Women in Ministry Conference

Make plans to attend the 2010 Women In Ministry (WIM) Conference being held **September 20-23, 2010**, in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel Atlanta Airport.

The conference is led by Cynthia L. Hale, convener, and Jo Ann Browning, Claudette A. Copeland, Elaine M. Flake, Jessica K. Ingram, Carolyn A. Knight, Carolyn D. Showell, and Gina M. Stewart, co-conveners.

The conference is a national premiere gathering exclusively dedicated to the advancement of professional women serving in ministry. The conference fosters dialogue and provides an opportunity for attendees to have access to current and relevant information in the field of ministry. The conference also offers plenary and breakout sessions facilitated by the Conveners, a diverse range of nationally known ministers, denominational leaders, and leading scholars.

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We Who Believe

"We Who Believe: African American Lectionary Forum on Culture, Worship and Preaching," sponsored by the *African American Pulpit Journal* and Vanderbilt's Kelly Miller Smith Institute on the Black Church, will be held **September 30-October 2, 2010**, in Nashville. For more information, [click here](#).

Festival of Young Preachers

The second national Festival of Young Preachers will be held **January 6-8, 2010**, in Louisville, Kentucky. For more information, [click here](#)

Open Church Positions

Baptist Temple, Houston, Texas, is searching for an associate pastor.

Calvary Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, is searching for a youth minister.

Center Baptist Church, Wade, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

Chancellor Baptist Church, Fredericksburg, Virginia, is searching for an associate pastor of education and youth.

Chestnut Grove Baptist Church, Earlysville, Virginia, is searching for an associate pastor for children and families.

College Parkway Baptist Church, Arnold, Maryland, is searching for an associate pastor of music and faith development.

Concord Baptist Church, Granite Falls, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of youth and children.

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina is searching for a leadership development coordinator.

Covenant Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas, is searching for a pastor.

Cub Creek Baptist Church, Wilkesboro, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

Emorywood Baptist Church, High Point, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of music/worship and fine arts.

First Baptist Church, Boone, North Carolina, is searching for an associate pastor for children, youth, and families.

First Baptist Church, Bryson City, North Carolina, is searching for an associate pastor.

First Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia, is searching for a minister of music.

First Baptist Church, Carolina Beach, North Carolina, is searching for a minister to students.

First Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Creedmore, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Fairmont, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of youth/children.

First Baptist Church, Frankfurt, Kentucky, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Hickory, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Iowa City, Iowa, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, King, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Midway, Kentucky, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Mt. Airy, North Carolina, is searching for an associate minister.

First Baptist Church, Mt. Gilead, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Morganton, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of youth and family life.

First Baptist Church, Robersonville, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Seattle, Washington, is searching for a pastor for children, youth, young adults, and families.

First Baptist Church, Smithville, Missouri, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

First Baptist Church, Stephenville, Texas, is searching for a youth minister.

First Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Kentucky, is searching for a pastor.

Freemason Baptist Church, Norfolk, Virginia, is searching for a minister of spiritual formation.

Garden Lakes Baptist Church, Rome, Georgia, is searching for an associate minister for education, pastoral care, and youth.

Heritage Baptist Church, Cartersville, Georgia, is searching for a pastor.

Lea Bethel Baptist Church, Prospect Hill, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

Lyndon Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky, is searching for an associate pastor for family ministry.

Masonboro Baptist Church, Wilmington, North Carolina, is searching for a director of youth ministries.

McLean Baptist Church, McLean, Virginia, is searching for an associate pastor.

Memorial Baptist Church, Kannapolis, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of music and worship.

Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, is searching for a minister

of faith formation.

Monticello Baptist Church, Monticello, Georgia, is searching for an associate pastor/minister to youth.

Mt. Level Missionary Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina, is searching for a youth minister.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Springfield, Massachusetts, is searching for a pastor.

National Heights Baptist Church, Fayetteville, Georgia, is searching for a pastor.

Northside Baptist Church, Mechanicsville, Virginia, is searching for a pastor.

Olivet Institutional Baptist Church, Cleveland, Ohio, is searching for a minister for children and youth ministries.

Ridgeland Baptist Church, Six Mile, South Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

Samaria Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

Second Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, is searching for a pastor.

Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, Fayetteville, North Carolina, is searching for a children's minister.

Southwest Baptist Church, St. Louis, Missouri, is searching for a pastor.

St. Andrews Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina, is searching for a minister to students.

Starling Avenue Baptist Church, Martinsville, Virginia, is searching for a minister of music.

Temple Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of music.

Temple Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

University Baptist Church, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of music.

Virginia Highland Church, Atlanta, Georgia, is searching for a pastor.

Wake Forest Baptist Church, Wake Forest, North Carolina, is searching for a minister of youth and missions.

Woodhaven Baptist Church, Apex, North Carolina, is searching for a pastor.

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