

plexity and glory of God's creation. The Center seeks to accomplish this by the encouragement of excellence in research and publication by our faculty and by sponsorship of conferences, lectures by outstanding scholars, and community outreach programs.

R. G. Lee Center for Christian Ministry

Director: Charles A. Fowler

The purpose of the R. G. Lee Center for Christian Ministry is to equip bi-vocational pastors, staff, and laity for Christian service by offering the Diploma in Christian Ministry and the Associate of Divinity. Details of these programs can be found under Special Programs, Adult and Evening Studies.

An integral part of the Center is the R. G. Lee Society of Fellows Program whose purpose is to enhance and encourage the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Upon invitation, a pastor builds a sermon from the resources of the R. G. Lee Library. The sermon is published in an anthology by the Center and distributed to Southern Baptist pastors.

Center for Faculty Development

Director: Kina S. Mallard

Associate Director: Nan Thomas

The mission of the Center for Faculty Development is to encourage faculty in:

- (a) Effective and innovative teaching;
- (b) Pursuit of scholarship and professional growth;
- (c) Integration of faith in casual and classroom interactions;
- (d) Involvement in university and community service.

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The Center conducts the new faculty orientation program (Fresh Start), the new faculty mentoring program (Mentor Network) and continual training for all faculty (In the Academy). The Center also sponsors the Newell Innovative Teaching Awards and the Teagle Grant Awards for innovative teaching and scholarship. Twice a year the Center hosts an integration of faith and learning collegium for faculty to learn how to think Christianly about their disciplines and hosts two integration of faith chapel speakers each year.