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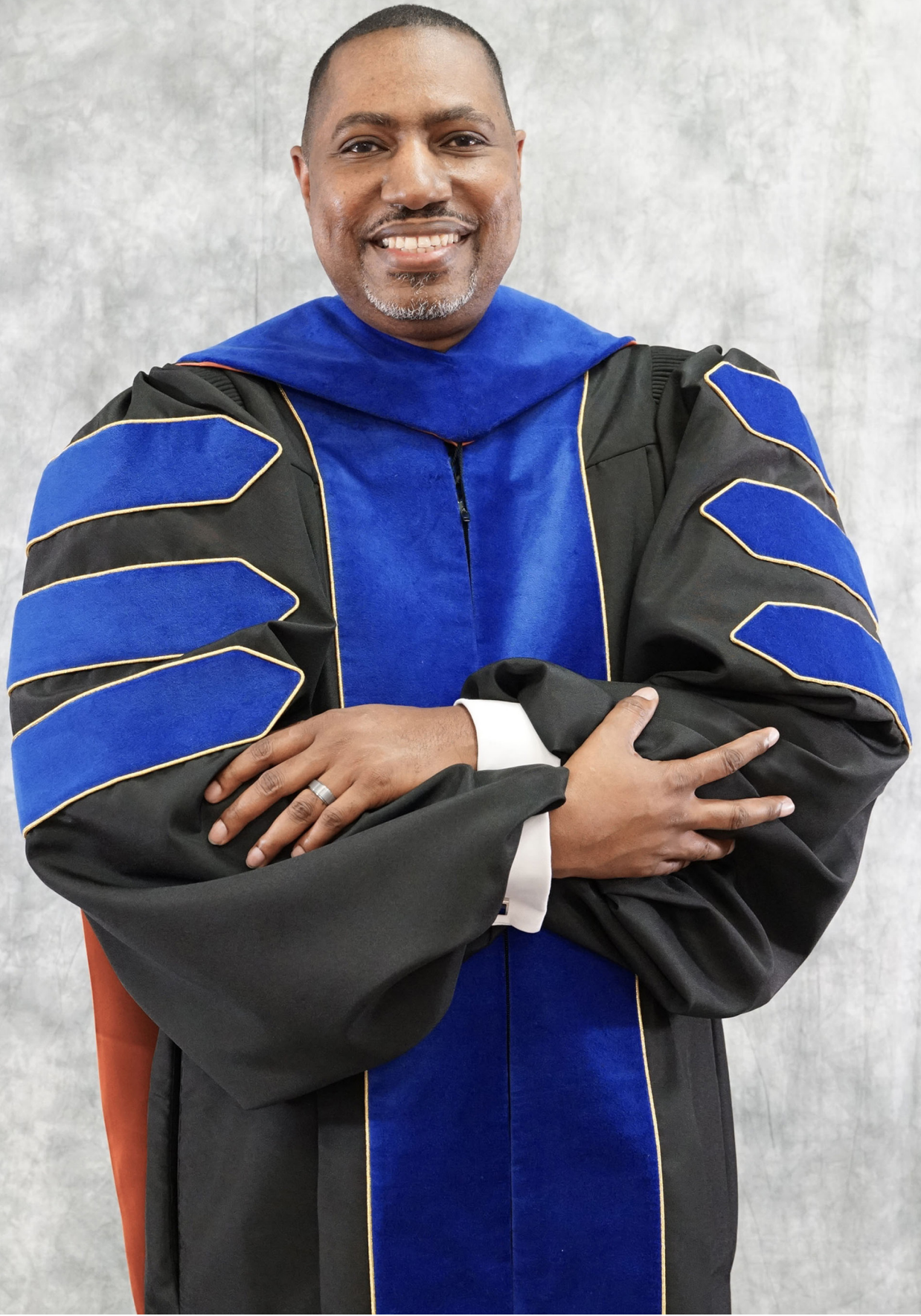
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Dr. Terrance A. Ford took the leadership reins of Southern Bible Institute & College on July 1, 2021. Prior to becoming President, he served in several positions at SBIC including Vice President of Student Services, Chief Academic Officer, and Executive Vice President. Additionally, Dr. Ford served 27 years as a senior pastor in both Florida and Texas. In addition to the responsibility of the presidency, he continues to teach courses in Digital Ministry, Bible Exposition, and African-American Literature. President Ford holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Florida A&M University—a Masters of Theology degree from Dallas Theological Seminary—and a Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Arlington. Dr. Ford is considered to be a thought-leader and authoritative voice amongst leaders in the church and academia—known for delivering both biblical and scholarly content in a way that is relevant and accessible to all. President Ford is married to Sarai Madison Ford, and together they have six adult children and five grandchildren.



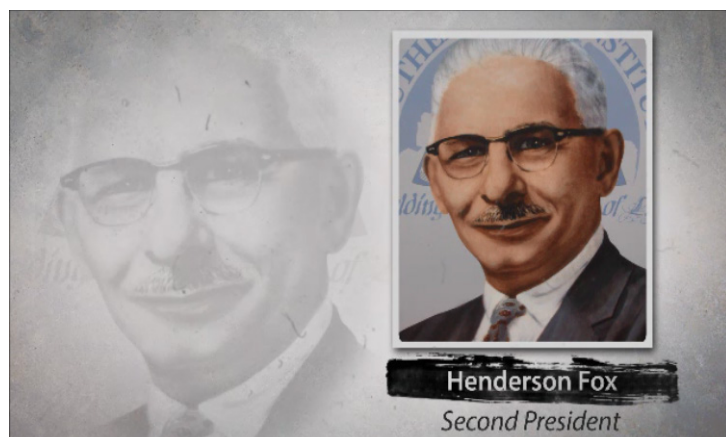
LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

SOUTHERN BIBLE INSTITUTE & COLLEGE

THE ORGANIZER

The Southern Bible Institute & College had its beginning in 1927. Rev. L. G. Foster, Sr.—an African American elevator operator at the Magnolia building in downtown Dallas explained, “I was walking down Elm Street and I saw some white men who were there at Stone Place. They were preaching and I had never heard the Bible preached so profoundly. I listened as I waited

because I wanted to know where they had gotten so much knowledge about the Bible from.” Rev. Foster then recalled, “They told me that they were from Evangelical Theological College (what is now Dallas Theological Seminary). I knew that I couldn’t attend the school because I was colored, but I asked them if they would teach me.” Rev. Foster met Rev. Edmund Ironside (son of famed theologian Harry Ironside) and they not only developed a teacher/student relationship, they also became friends. As a result of this friendship—and in spite of the deep racial divide that existed at that time—Dallas Colored Bible School was born. During the many years of Dr. Ironside’s sacrificial service, the school’s name was changed from “Dallas Colored Bible School” to “Southern Bible Training School”, and in 1940 was renamed again to “Southern Bible Institute”.



THE STABILIZER

In 1945, Dr. Henderson S. Fox was called to serve as the school’s next president. In the summer of 1948 under the leadership of Dr. Fox, land was purchased and a building was erected at 1415 Fleetwood Street. As the school grew, two additional lots were purchased. Night classes met on this campus only three times a week since most of the ministers worked full-time jobs and/or

pastored during the day. Although the majority of students were men, Fox helped open the door for women to not only benefit but also contribute to the first decades of Southern Bible’s history.



THE MOBILIZER

In June of 1971, Dr. Henderson S. Fox retired and Dr. Gordon R. Mumford was appointed President. Some of those who taught under Dr. Fox and Dr. Mumford while at the Fleetwood location included, Dr. Martin Massinger, Dr. Aldon Gannett, Dr. Harold Hoener, Dr. Erwin Lutzer, Dr. Stan Orth, Dr.

Paul Fink, Dr. Kenneth F. McKinley, Dr. Alfred Martin, Dr. Ron Anderson, and Dr. Anthony (Tony) Evans. In May of 1976, Southern Bible moved its location to 830 south Buckner, which tripled its size and building space. It was at this location that the school began both day and evening classes and substantially grew its student population. This location served the school well until such time that the growth of the school precipitated a need to relocate. In August of 1993, Southern Bible moved to its current campus which consist of 12 acres of land and a 27,000 square foot building facility.

THE EQUALIZER

A major highlight of this era is the hiring of the school's first African-American president, Dr. Martin E. Hawkins in September of 2005. Early in his presidency, Dr. Hawkins began making defining statements of leadership. Among them was affirming Southern Bible's commitment to the authority of God and His Word as



the central focus of its educational philosophy and strategic initiatives. Perhaps one of the most significant milestones of the Hawkins' presidency is Southern Bible's determinative pursuit of accreditation through the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) where in 2019 reached 'Candidacy' (pre-accreditation) status. Also under Dr. Hawkins' leadership, the school entered into several distinguished academic partnerships and articulation agreements with the Evangelical Training Association, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, and Dallas Theological Seminary. In 2016, Southern Bible purchased a 9,000 volume library collection and in 2017 was bequeathed the personal library of Dr. Charles Ryrie at the time of his death. Dr. Hawkins' legacy can also attest that in 2017 the name was once again changed from "Southern Bible Institute (SBI)" to "Southern Bible Institute & College (SBIC)".

ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

SOUTHERN BIBLE INSTITUTE & COLLEGE



THE INVESTITURE CEREMONY

An investiture is a “formal ceremony of conferring the authority and symbols of high office.” It is usually held during a new president’s first year in office. This academic ceremony has symbolized the pursuit of knowledge since the Middle Ages. Today, colleges and universities view investitures as opportunities to welcome a new era and celebrate as a community.

PRESIDENTIAL REGALIA

The President often wears a distinctive gown representative to the institution over which they preside. The tam (cap) and hood worn by the institutional leader reflect their academic credentials. The colors of the hood are associated with their field of study. A distinctive feature reserved solely for Presidential regalia is the addition of the fourth chevron (bar) to each sleeve.

PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The Presidential Medallion (also known as the Chain of Office) is bestowed upon the institution’s leader at the inauguration to be worn at official ceremonies such as commencement. Southern Bible Institute & College’s medallion is engraved with the official seal of the College. The ornamental chain is comprised of imprinted names of the four previous Presidents and the years of their administrations along with minted coin-size links of SBIC’s current logo. This particular medallion was first worn by the fourth president, Dr. Martin E. Hawkins.



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PRELUDE MUSIC

DIRECTED BY DR. PATRICK BRADLEY
Westside Baptist Church - Lewisville, Texas

PROCESSIONAL

ACADEMIC DELEGATES, FACULTY & SENIOR STAFF,
PRESIDENT'S COUCL & CIRCLE. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PLATFORM PARTY,
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WELCOME

DR. DAVID L. ALLEN
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary - Fort Worth, Texas
Master of Ceremony

SCRIPTURE & INVOCATION

PASTOR RODNEY HOBBS
Lead Pastor, Stonegate Church - Midlothian, Texas

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Westside Baptist Church Ensemble
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GREETINGS

On Behalf of Board of Directors

MR. AL ANGELL
Vice Chairman - Board of Directors

On Behalf of Fellow Academic Institutions

DR. BARRY CREAMER
President, Criswell College - Dallas, Texas

On Behalf of Student Body

REV. JOSHUA PRYOR

On Behalf of Faculty & Staff

DR. JUSTIN JACKSON
Vice President of Academic Affairs

GREETINGS *(continued)*

On Behalf of Alumni

DR. BARBARA BOOKMAN, ('96)
Alumni Coordinator

On Behalf of Local Churches

DR. MAURICE PUGH
Pastor, New Life Fellowship Church - Arlington, Texas

Video Greeting

DR. PHILIP DEARBORN
President, Association for Biblical Higher Education - Orlando, Florida

INVESTITURE OF PRESIDENT

TERRANCE A. FORD, PhD

Declaration of Presidency

PASTOR JAMES THOMPSON
Chairman, Board of Directors

Presentation of Presidential Medallion and Bible
& Investiture Prayer

DR. MARTIN E. HAWKINS
Immediate Past President

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

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INAUGURAL ADDRESS

DR. TERRANCE A. FORD
President, Southern Bible Institute & College

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Lyrics by Thomas O. Chisholm

AUDREY DUBOIS HARRIS
Classical Vocalist

BENEDICTION

PASTOR EARL MADISON
Pastor, Agape Temple of Faith Church - Orlando, Florida

RECESSIONAL

(Congregation Remain Seated)

ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED

(Confirmed at Publication)

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD	<i>Oxford, England</i>	c.1096
DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY	<i>Dallas, Texas</i>	1898
SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY	<i>Fort Worth, Texas</i>	1908
DALLAS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY	<i>Dallas, Texas</i>	1924
CRISWELL COLLEGE	<i>Dallas, Texas</i>	1970

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Immediate Past President, SBIC - Dallas, Texas

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Distinguished Professor, SWTS - Ft. Worth, Texas

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INAUGURAL LUNCHEON

SOUTHERN BIBLE INSTITUTE & COLLEGE CAMPUS

7200 South Hampton Rd, Dallas, TX 75232

12:30 PM

(Pre-Purchased Ticket Required)

Sponsor Tables Early Entry | 12:00 PM

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Many have asked how they may bless Dr. Ford during this monumental milestone. It is his request that monetary gifts be given to the **“Strong Start” Fund**. Your gift will support his visionary efforts and priority projects. A portion of these funds will be gifted directly to him.

There are several ways to make your donation:

1. Use the QR code on the right to access the online giving portal.
2. Go to the web address: southernbible.org/inauguration2021.
3. Text the word “PresidentFord” to 41444.
4. Place gift in an available SBIC donation envelope and return it **ONLY** to the designated table/persons located in the foyer or mail it to: **P.O. Box 763609 Dallas, TX 75376**



Join us in helping our new president get off to a strong start!

DR. TERRANCE A. FORD’S PRESIDENTIAL CHURCH TOUR



Dr. Ford would love to continue to share his forward vision and the exciting learning opportunities available through SBIC. Although President Ford is certainly willing to preach/teach if asked, an offer to do so is not required to request a visit on this tour.

If you’re interested in President Ford visiting your church service, simply fill out the invitation request at:

southernbible.org/presidential-tour-2021.

You can also use the QR code to the left to reach the website.





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