

2012

FTE MINISTRY FELLOWS



JENNIFER BAILEY

African Methodist Episcopal Church
Vanderbilt Divinity School

ANNANDA BARCLAY

Presbyterian Church (USA)
*Austin Presbyterian
Theological Seminary*

JORGE BAUTISTA

United Church of Christ
Pacific School of Religion

MATTHEW BUCHER

Church of the Brethren
Eastern Mennonite Seminary

KAMILAH BYWATERS

American Baptist Church
*Howard University
School of Divinity*

NICOLAS CABLE

Unitarian Universalist Association
Chicago Theological Seminary

MAGGIE CHANDLER

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Columbia Theological Seminary

ANNE CLARKE

Episcopal Church
Church Divinity School of the Pacific

KENNETH CLEWETT

Non-denominational
Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

WALTER DE GUNYA

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Princeton Theological Seminary

SIERRA-MARIE GERFAO

Unitarian Universalist Association
Yale Divinity School

RICHARD HAVARD

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
*McAfee School of Theology
at Mercer University*

NICHOLAS HAYES

Episcopal Church
Harvard Divinity School

LUCIA HULSEHER

United Church of Christ
Harvard Divinity School

ROBERT KING

United Methodist Church
Wesley Theological Seminary

LACIE LINCOLN

Non-denominational
Southern Methodist University

TYLER SIT

United Methodist
Candler School of Theology

NATALIE TERRY

Roman Catholic Church
*Jesuit School of Theology
of Santa Clara University
at Berkeley*

GRACE VARGAS

Southern Baptist Church
Princeton Theological Seminary

JESSICA WILLIAMS

Church of Christ
*Perkins School of
Theology at Southern
Methodist University*

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JENNIFER
BAILEY

"I believe I am being called to work in a ministry of reconciliation. By reconciliation, I am referring not only to the reconciliation of God to his people, but also of people to one another."



JORGE
BAUTISTA

"My faith as a Christian is based on the transformative power of God's love. My belief is that Jesus Christ can and does transform lives and communities who experience injustice in the world."



KENNETH
CLEWETT

"I think God is calling the Church to come together in order to serve a world that needs his love, his compassion and his saving power. It is my honor and my responsibility to serve him in this task, however he chooses to use me."

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FTE UNDERGRADUATE FELLOWS



CATHERINE ANTHONY

Episcopal Church
McGill University

SOPHIE BEAL

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Mount Holyoke College

MATTHEW BELL

United Methodist
McMurry University

JOHN BERGER

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Vanderbilt University

ALEXANDRA BOLLES

Episcopal Church
Connecticut College

JESSICA CHURCH

Roman Catholic Church
University of Virginia

ABIGAIL CLAUHS

Unitarian Universalist Association
Boston University

KEVIN DANIELS

Missionary Baptist
Morehouse College

BROOKE DE JONG

Evangelical Lutheran
Church of Am (ELCA)
Augustana College

HANNAH EBLING

United Methodist
William Jewell College

ALYXANDRA GIDEON

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
Chapman University

TYLER GREEN

Non-denominational
Clark Atlanta University

BRANDON HARRIS

Church of God in Christ
*Lincoln University
of Pennsylvania*

EMILY HEDRICK

Mennonite Church
Goshen College

JEFFREY HUBER

Roman Catholic Church
Our Lady of the Lake University

HOLLY JOHNSTON

United Methodist
Mary Baldwin College

EDLYN JONES

American Baptist Church
Saint Peter's College

HANNAH JONES

Non-denominational
Regis University

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**JOHN
BERGER**

“Focusing on a transformational relationship with Jesus instead of deifying Christ allows us to throw aside what we believe and live more fulfilled, fruitful lives. It enables us to spend less time debating dogma and more time following Jesus’ lead of lovingly serving others.”



**ABIGAIL
CLAUHS**

“My faith informs my passion for service. I believe in a God who created every being with inherent dignity and worth. To me, respecting and upholding this worth means working to guarantee that the needs of all people — both spiritual and physical — are met.”



**EVA
SUAREZ**

“For me, the ‘trick’ to living faithfully is to always remind myself that I am not the only person God invites in, and the barriers don’t end with the walls of my church.”



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ENOCH KUO

Non-denominational
Princeton University

McKENNA LEWELLEN

United Methodist
Rhodes College

MICHAELENE MILLER

Episcopal Church
Hendrix College

WILLIAM MILLER

Roman Catholic Church
Saint Joseph's University

WILLIAM MOORE

Brethern in Christ
Goshen College

CHIUBA OBELE

Non-denominational
Hamilton College

JOHN OLSON

Evangelical Lutheran
Church of Am (ELCA)
University of Nebraska-Lincoln

MICHAEL PRATE

Roman Catholic Church
Fordham University

AUSTIN RINEHART

United Methodist
Centenary College of Louisiana

RAVEN ROWE

United Church of Christ
*Mount Mercy University
in Cedar Rapids*

MICHAEL SCHULTE

Lutheran Church
(Missouri Synod)
Westminster College

TAYLOR SMITH

United Methodist
McMurry University

KYLE SORKNESS

Lutheran Church
(Missouri Synod)
Concordia University-St. Paul

WESLEY SPEARS

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
Samford University

EVA SUAREZ

Episcopal Church
Columbia University

JORDAN TARWATER

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Maryville College

MYRIELL TYLER

Non-denominational
Mary Baldwin College

IAN URRIOLA

United Methodist
American University

SETH WARNER

United Church of Christ
Vassar College

SEAN WESTON

United Church of Christ
University of Kansas

KATHRYN WINELAND

United Methodist
Bluffton University

RACHEL WITT

United Methodist
Emory & Henry College

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FTE VOLUNTEERS EXPLORING VOCATION FELLOWS



KENDALL BATTEN

Episcopal Church
Candler School of Theology
L'Arche USA

EMILY BREWER

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Union Theological Seminary
(New York)
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Young Adult Volunteers

TIM HAAS

Baptist
Bethel Seminary
Christian Appalachian Project

KATELEIGH HEWINS

Roman Catholic Church
Harvard Divinity School
Jesuit Volunteer Corps

REED LOY

Episcopal Church
Yale Divinity School

SARAH MARTINDELL

United Methodist
Duke Divinity School
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Young Adult Volunteers

PEDRO REIS

Non-denominational
Alliance Theological Seminary
Mission Year

ASHLEY ROSSER

United Methodist
Candler School of Theology
Presbyterian Church (USA)
Young Adult Volunteers

CARTER SAPP

Southern Baptist Church
George W. Truett
Theological Seminary
Mission Year

LAURA TRUMAN

Non-denominational
Candler School of Theology
Christian Appalachian Project

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EMILY
BREWER

"I am passionate about having conversations with people about how we might *do* faith differently — how the Church can be a model not just of charity, but of true justice."



KATELEIGH
HEWINS

"Wherever I feel called, it will be with the conviction that I will move forward leveraging my experiences to actively and passionately live a faith that does justice. It is my sincere hope that wherever the currents of life carry me I will continue to use my talents and intellect to serve others and work for the greater glory of God."



PEDRO
REIS

"I believe that I have been called to ministry because living in what I call the struggle between God and people is the only thing that truly fills my heart."

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FTE DOCTORAL FELLOWS



JOSEPH BARTLETT

Evangelical Lutheran
Church of Am (ELCA)
Indiana University
Religious Studies

LESLIE BOWLING-DYER

American Baptist Church
Graduate Theological Union
Ethics & Social Theory

KYLE BROOKS

Church of God in Christ
Vanderbilt University
Practical Theology/Homiletics

COURTNEY BRYANT

National Baptist Church
Vanderbilt University
Ethics & Society

DIANDRA CHRETAI

Pentecostal
Graduate Theological Union
Hebrew Bible

CHRISTOPHER HUNT

Non-denominational
Garrett-Evangelical
Theological Seminary
Theology

MELANIE JONES

Baptist
Chicago Theological Seminary
Religious History

TIMOTHY JONES

National Baptist Church
Boston University
Practical Theology/Homiletics

CORI TUCKER

Non-denominational
Harvard University
Religious History

NATHAN WALTON

Baptist
University of Virginia
Theology

MARVIN WICKWARE

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Duke University
Theology

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**MARVIN
WICKWARE, JR.**

"I am committed to helping my future students, whether they are future professors or pastors, find and develop their voices."



**LESLIE
BOWLING-
DYER**

"I am committed to the creation of educational spaces where people are empowered to critically consider issues of culture, morality and meaning and to the development of strategies that bring about liberation for those living under the weight of oppression."



**CORI
TUCKER**

"Once I obtain the doctorate degree, I am committed to publishing work that will include the narratives and experiences of a people who have much to say about religious life and political activism in the Pacific Rim."

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FTE DISSERTATION FELLOWS



TRINA ARMSTRONG

African Methodist Episcopal Church
Claremont School of Theology
Practical Theology

LISA BOWENS

Pentecostal
Princeton Theological Seminary
New Testament

ARTHUR CARTER

National Baptist Church
Vanderbilt University
New Testament

JENNIFER KAALUND

United Church of Christ
Drew University
New Testament
& Early Christianity

ERICA KIERULF

United Church of Christ
Union Presbyterian
Seminary in Richmond, VA
Theology & Cultural Ethics

MICHAEL McCORMACK

Baptist
Vanderbilt University
Homiletics & Liturgics/
Black Religion & Cultural Studies

JERMAINE McDONALD

Baptist
Emory University
Ethics & Society

SHIVELY SMITH

African Methodist
Episcopal Church
Emory University
New Testament

RIMA VESELY-FLAD

Episcopal Church
Union Theological Seminary
Social Ethics

ONAJE OFFLEY WOODBINE

Non-denominational
Boston University
Psychology of Religion

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**ERICA
KIERULF**

"It is my hope that those who engage with my work through publications, presentations or courses that I teach are empowered for social change and are able to channel normal and healthy discontent through creative outlets of coordinated nonviolent direct action in classroom and community."



**ONAJE
OFFLEY
WOODBINE**

"My scholarship implies public leadership related to intergenerational chasms between Black youth affiliated with gangs, sports clubs, and music groups, and older Black Church communities. Bridging the theological symbols, values and practices of these generations is one of the guiding concerns of my scholarship."



**SHIVELY
SMITH**

"My research challenges theological educators and the church-at-large to name and embrace diversity as an essential component of our Christian heritage and vision."

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FTE NORTH AMERICAN DOCTORAL FELLOWS



CHRISTOPHER CARTER

United Methodist Church
Garrett-Evangelical
Theological Seminary
Ethics & Christian Spirituality

NATALIE CISNEROS

Santa Barbara
Religious Studies
University of California

NIXON CLEOPHAT

Pentecostal
Union Theological Seminary
Systematic Theology & Social Ethics

NICHOLE M. FLORES

Roman Catholic Church
Boston College
Theological Ethics

GERALD LIU

United Methodist
Vanderbilt University
Homiletics

DUANE LOYNES

Church of God in Christ,
Assemblies of God
Marquette University
Theology

DONYELLE McCRAY

African Methodist Episcopal Church
Duke Divinity School
Preaching & Christian Spirituality

ROBERT RIVERA

Presbyterian Church (USA)
Boston College
Systematic Theology

BARBARA (YUKI) SCHWARTZ

United Church of Christ
Garrett-Evangelical
Theological Seminary
Theology

ROBERT WAFULA

Christian Reformed
Church of North America
Drew University
Biblical Studies

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**ROBERT
RIVERA**

“My commitment to theological education is based on the conviction that fundamental theological questions matter, and that students and potential religious-theological practitioners should be introduced to the tools that will allow them to think critically about such questions and their relevance in society.”



**DONYELLE
CHARLOTTE
McCRAY**

“Teaching is both a prophetic commitment and a call for me. And unlike most other disciplines, teaching preaching carries the added thrill of helping others tap into their own prophetic voices.”



**BARBARA YUKI
SCHWARTZ**

“My experience as a mentor to young adults of color discerning a call to ministry has helped me to refine my call to both ministry and theological education by reaffirming my passion to help educate young ministers on issues of racism in theological and political contexts.”



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TEJAI BEULAH

Vineyard USA
Drew University
Historical Studies

LINWOOD BLIZZARD

National Baptist Church
Boston University School of Theology
Practical Theology

JULIUS CRUMP

Baptist
University of Chicago Divinity School
Theology

DANYEL CURRIE

Progressive National Baptist Church
Emory University
Theology

JESSICA DAVENPORT

American Baptist Church
Rice University
African American Religion

**NEICHELE
GUIDRY JONES**

Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Garrett-Evangelical
Theological Seminary
Liturgical Studies

YOLANDA NORTON

National Baptist Church
Vanderbilt University Divinity School
Hebrew Bible

ANDREA PIPPINS

American Baptist Church
Princeton Theological Seminary
Biblical Studies: New Testament

CLEVE TINSLEY

National Baptist Church
Rice University
Religious Studies

AARON WALTON

Baptist
University of Virginia
Theology, Ethics and Culture