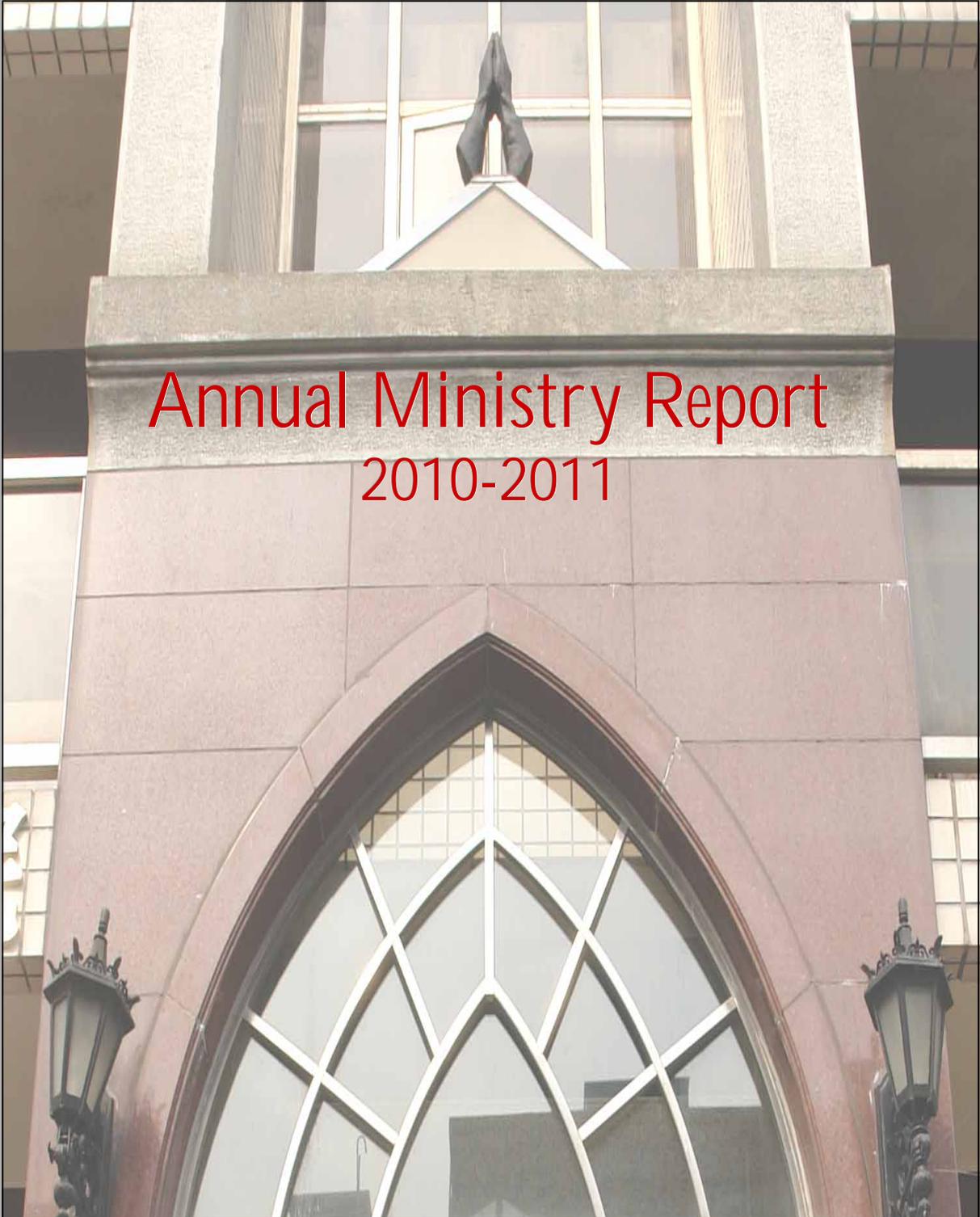




改革宗神學院

China Reformed Theological Seminary



Annual Ministry Report 2010-2011

Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

ESTABLISHING CRTS IN TAIWAN



We praise because God for the evidences seen this past year in multiplying our ministry efforts. Special honor is due to Dr. Andrew McCafferty for his faithfulness in laying the 12 year (1996-2008) administrative and relational groundwork for the wonderful seminary we see today! Since I have taken over as Academic Dean in the fall of 2008, my role has been one of moving a well-established work forward a few more steps.

New Students

Our overall Taipei full-time student enrollment has remained the same this school year. Average class size is about 12 students/class. We had 37 full-time students in the following majors last school year: 1 ThM candidate, 10 exploratory ThM (*not yet passed entrance exams or prerequisites*), 2 M.Div, 7 M.A. New Testament/ Old Testament, 12 M.A. Biblical Counseling, 7 M.A. Christian Studies, 9 Bachelor's of Theology B.Th. plus 5 Distance Learning M.A. Christian Studies. We also had about 50 part-time students and two extension learning sites in Taipei County. Five promising students were just admitted for fall 2011 last May.

New Faculty

One year away in the fall of 2012, Lord willing, Moses Wong, Hermeneutics Ph.D. candidate at Westminster, Philadelphia, will join our faculty to teach New Testament and History. Pastor Wong is also a Malaysian-born Chinese and taught a well-received mini-course on Joshua in September 2008.



Moses Wong teaching Joshua mini-class in fall 2008

Since CRTS added a **Distance Learning M.A. in Christian Studies** in the fall of 2008, we have met our goal to date to convert each M.A. level class into a portable computer video (windows media video) & document format, and offer three regular simultaneous online classes each semester using a new integrated classroom system called X-Learn. I am currently the Dean of this program and we are seeing more and more people from all over East Asia buying these DVDs for personal enrichment as well as enrolling for credit. We now have a full three year cycle of courses recorded and available.



The CRTS faculty after the 2011 graduation ceremony

The faculty and the board decided to offer only partial credits towards a degree at overseas extension sites. An enrolled degree student may take up to 2/3 of the degree credits at an overseas extension site, but to get the regular degree (not distance learning), must complete at least 1/3 of the credits on the Taipei campus. Hopefully students from East Asia will soon have more options for studying here in Taiwan as the tourist and student visa laws are relaxing more recently.

We continue to get requests from numerous places to start extension learning sites, both in places south of Taipei and in other parts of Asia. Our teaching faculty is limited and we are committed to developing our quality base here first, yet we want to keep a robust vision for expansion as we are able. We currently have two extension sites on the south-west side of Taipei, two sites in East Asia and one site in Washington DC.

Graduation

This year we had the privilege of hosting Dr. Andrew Silman as our graduation speaker. He is the chairman of the Friends of CRTS Board and serves on the CRTS Board as well. He comes to Taipei annually for the Board meeting and bi-annually to teach a mini-class.

ESTABLISHING CRTS IN TAIWAN

Four students graduated this year: one promising man with the M.Div., one M.A. Christian Studies student, one M.A. in Biblical Counseling (her dissertation focused on *Counseling Cancer Patients Dealing with Depression*) and one BTh student in Counseling (her dissertation was on anger).

We plan to apply for *Asian Theological Association* accreditation in 2011-12 to increase our recognition. The Board just approved the procedure for writing the reports required by ATA, so this should move forward in the fall. I completed the ATA initial application of about 10 pages last October 2010 but lack of clarity on who is finally responsible for the content, along with confusion about how to answer some questions has delayed sending.

The School Development Committee was established last year to work on a new core values statement and approved a the fund raising decision regarding a second floor remodeling project. This year the Board passed an amended version of that core values statement and a new mission statement, along with approving a project for the second floor to be remodeled into a student center and library. Praise God we have raised about \$42,000 to do the work this summer!

Mini-class teacher from May 16-27, Rev. Nathan Brummel (ordained in the URC, finishing his PhD now on Herman Bavinck) is interested in exploring whether CRTS is willing to invite him to come to teach as a supported missionary under the United Reformed Church. The students enjoyed his class on Reformed Missiology and he has demonstrated himself to be a scholarly and friendly teacher with more of a Netherlands Reformed Dutch background who is willing to adapt to cross-cultural situations. We look forward to seeing how God will lead Rev. Brummel and the CRTS Faculty & Board.



Dr. Yates enjoys some fun with students at the Taipei Flora Expo on a holiday



Dean Yates gives a brief exhortation to the students before announcing the names & degrees of each graduate

On a personal note, let me add that I have been re-appointed as the Academic Dean for three more years. I thank the Lord for the privilege to serve him in this academic administrative role, one which I believe He has been preparing me for over the past 18 years in Taiwan, 12 of those as a regular faculty member at CRTS.

Tim Yates
Dean of CRTS

From the Dean: ^)



CRTS FACULTY PERSPECTIVES

May Lectures on Reformed Missiology

By visiting mini-class teacher Rev. Nathan Brummel

I had the privilege of spending the last two weeks of May lecturing on the topic of Reformed Missiology at China Reformed Theological Seminary. I found students who were eager to hear the careful development of Reformed theology in the service of the mission of the church. Given the importance of spreading the gospel within Chinese contexts where more than 90% of the population are practicing Buddhists, it is no wonder that this class touched a chord in the student's hearts. I wanted to excite the students about the rich resources we find for a confessionally Reformed missionary theology in (1) Reformed systematic theology, (2) the Reformed confessions, and (3) the rich exegetical tradition within the Reformed churches, and (4) the writings of Reformed missiologists. I also wanted them see the big picture of how the mission of the church fits into our understanding of all of God's revelation in Christ.

The students showered me with hospitality. They took me to a wide variety of restaurants in Taipei. I enjoyed the Chinese pottery (taken from the Forbidden City) at the National Palace Museum. The train system in Taipei makes travel around the city and into the suburbs a delight. I was even invited to the wedding of one of the students—where I enjoyed a wedding banquet Chinese style!

My burden was to bring the insights of Dutch Reformed theology and missiology to bear on the mission of the church within the Chinese context. The students are mainly from Taiwan and Malaysia. It was a privilege to introduce some of the ground-breaking insights of J.H. Bavinck to the students. J.H. Bavinck was the nephew of the famous dogmatician Herman Bavinck. J.H. Bavinck was a Dutch Reformed missionary of the GKN to Indonesia in the early part of the twentieth century. Students had access to the translation of his book *Introduction to the Science of Missions* and *The Church between the Temple and Mosque*. I taught the students about Bavinck's fresh and revolutionary view of the dynamic and personal nature of general revelation. They learned about Bavinck's antithetical approach to contextualization that he called "taking possession." Bavinck also had much to say about the "point of contact" that he termed "the point of attack." I drew on the theology of Herman Bavinck, Herman Hoeksema, Herman Ridderbos, Pieter Tuit, and Roger S. Greenway. I argued that it was important to distinguish between the mission of God (His uniquely divine work of redemption) and the mission of the church. I explored the importance of the doctrine of the covenant for the mission of the church, arguing that the covenant is a missionary covenant. I developed kingdom theology in relation to the mission of the church drawing on Ridderbos and Geerhardus Vos. The students learned the important distinction between the church as institute and organism. We looked at the vital relationship between the Great Commission and kingdom theology. The class read a Chinese translation of Greenway's book *Go and make disciples!* which is a clear introduction to some of the issues in the mission of the church. We explored the insights of Bavinck and Greenway on the kinship between word and deed in the mission of the church.

I discovered that the students needed encouragement in the mission of the church. There was a fair bit of pessimism about the possibly of planting confessional Reformed (or Presbyterian) urban churches within Taipei. The students did need to be encouraged to engage in the mission of the church confident of the supremacy and presence of Jesus Christ. The students expressed appreciation for the fact that I providing a theology of missions. They realized how important it was to understand the supremacy of God for the mission of the church. Some of the students attend churches that do not lay down theological foundations for the mission of the church. The students learned that a theology of missions is not a distraction from or in competition with actually carrying out the mission of the church. Instead a confessionally Reformed missionary theology provides a mighty impulse for missions. ●



Rev. Brummel teaching with translator, Mrs. Pam Yeo, wife of CRTS faculty member Dr. Toon Yeo

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CRTS HISTORY



history : ^)

1957-1990 From 1957, with the arrival of the first CRC and Korean missionaries, until 1990, several attempts were made to start Reformed Theological Seminaries in Taiwan. The most successful was *Calvin Theological Seminary* in 1963, and was run primarily by the CRC. Two of their graduates were later on our CRTS board -- Pastor N.Z. Zhang, who served as the pastor of the Great Grace Reformed Presbyterian Church for 35 years, and Rev F.Z. Guo who continues to serve as the pastor of our San Chong Church. But by the early seventies Calvin Seminary closed its doors primarily due to a lack of students.

1990-1996 In September of 1990 Rev. Whanjoon Liu, Rev. David Lee, Rev. X.G. Feng, Rev. John Chen, and Rev. Peter Tang established the China Theological Seminary. In March of 1991 the name was changed to China Reformed Theological Seminary, and the Board of Directors elected Rev. Liu as the first President of the school. In 1993 the Board of Directors elected Rev. Peter Tang as the second President of the school. The school moved to its present location in 1996. The school began as an undergraduate night school, with classes three nights a week. There were seven students in the first class. By September 1996 four of these students had graduated: Rev Z.Z. Cheng who is now the pastor of the Nan Gang Church, Mr. C.L. Qiu, Mr. J.Z. Shen, and a Korean student who has returned to Korea. Over the course of these five years, the number of degree students remained about the same (seven or so). In 1994, Pastor Tang also helped the school grow by opening the school to non-degree students. In the same year Rev. Joseph Chien joined the teaching staff and became a popular teacher, which also helped to attract students. In 1995 Rev. Z.J. Peng, one of the students, was hired to be the chief administrator; his skills in organization and promotion helped establish the school.

1996-97 The 1996-97 school year was a turning point. With Peter Tang retiring at the end of the year, there were some unfortunate disputes as to the future direction of the school -- the most difficult questions being the location of the school and who would be the president. After much discussion, a new approach was adopted. The board was expanded to include virtually all of the pastors of the Reformed Churches. The president's position was left open. Five younger members of the board were elected as an executive committee and charged with overseeing the long term direction of the school. The faculty was charged with overseeing academic decisions. Dr. Andrew McCafferty was elected to be the Dean and first full time teacher. At the recommendation of Dr. McCafferty, the school was completely reorganized. We started a graduate program, with graduate courses meeting four mornings a week, and one afternoon. We wrote and adopted a student handbook and curricula for both the graduate and undergraduate programs. We recruited more teachers; including Dr. Tim Yates, Rev. M.Z. Guo, Rev. Gary Roest, and Rev. Amos Wang. By means of a generous gift from the Liberated Reformed Churches in Holland, we bought reference books worth about \$9,000 US.

1997-2001 The most important challenge for a young school is to attract students. The first incoming class in '97 had seven students, growing our graduate program to thirteen full-time students. Our undergraduate program remained small with four degree students. Our theological education for lay people steadily increased, with about 15 non-degree students taking classes regularly and a total of 95 different people taking at least one class during the 2000 school year. To supplement our faculty, we invited overseas professors and experienced pastors to lecture. In 1999, the CRC added new bathrooms and a kitchen area to the 2000 square foot room where the seminary meets. That year Tim Yates joined us as the second full time teacher. He took on the role of the Dean of our New M.A. in Biblical Counseling in 2001. Five students have graduated from this program with seven students now in this program. In 2001 *Friends of CRTS* was established as a US non-profit to assist missionary teachers with fund-raising and raising funds for special start-up projects for CRTS.

2002-2005 A Taiwan society-based non-profit called the *Reformed Theological Association* was formed to help support the seminary with member-based fees. The Board of Directors was re-organized to make a composite board with representatives of the RTA (3), the Taiwan Reformed Presbyterian Churches (2), overseas Chinese (2), Friends of CRTS (2) and the Presbyterian Church in America/MTW (2). The by-laws were improved and guidelines were added clarifying lines of authority and job descriptions. Enrollment holds steady. Stephen Tong continued to influence students to apply for our school.

In 2006-09 We took over an Asian training site and hired one of our graduates as Dean to oversee a new Bachelors of Theology program there. We completely cataloged & computerized our library system (about 10,000 volumes), added more computers & study spaces for student use, and started a ThM in Reformation Studies with five new students. Our new Distance Learning M.A. Christian studies degree uses our www.crtslive.net DVD's of classes and live online courses through X-Learn. The Reformed Press moved to CRTS under Dr. McCafferty's oversight and continues to expand with translation & publication of books, as well as a new website for book sales www.crtsbooks.net We average 12 students in each class, have 42 full time students and teach classes serving an additional 50-80 part time students/yr.

Since 1996 56 students have graduated. Six are now ordained pastors in our Reformed Churches, two of whom are church planting. Twenty-four are serving as full time church co-workers, mostly in our Reformed Churches. One B.Th. graduate started a drug rehabilitation center. Another M.Div. graduate is focusing on China ministry. Pray for God to lead our four 2011 graduates. CRTS attracted nine Malaysian Chinese students since 2008 and we are seeing a new opening there.



STUDENT PERSPECTIVES

“Why Did I Choose Chinese Reformed Theological Seminary (CRTS)?”

By M.A. Biblical Counseling student Wang FuJuan, Translated by Brian Hu

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At Devon Camp, Uncle John challenged me with a question, asking me to explain, “What does it mean to believe in Jesus?” His question forced me to face problems that I had often avoided in the past that were related to my own mistakes, failures, and sins. God sent him to guide me, to help me not avoid this question any longer, and to lead me to repentance. I used to reject God but now I want to know how I can know Him even more. Once I became a believer and returned to my home country, the first thing I thought of was, “I need to learn how to serve,” because this was how I could better know God. So I attended Young Adult Classes at church, and at the same time, helped out at a Christian organization. I believe that a holistic theological education must include the following three points:



FuJuan introducing herself as a new student at the CRTS fall retreat 2010

1. *Apologetics: Be an outlet for the truth of the Lord Jesus Christ.* When I first became a believer, I was worried about how to share the gospel. I thought if we simply shared our testimony, and because each person’s testimony is unique, our “witness” would only earn the sympathy of our listeners. Non-Christians might become intrigued by our stories, but not be moved by the saving power of Jesus Christ. Apologetics allows us to see the presuppositions they have in their minds which help us to delve into their real questions and use biblical truth to respond. Under the guidance of the



FuJuan (front right) following the lecture notes in May 2011 Reformed Missiology mini-class

Spirit, we could lead people to Christ either by studying a Bible passage that addresses their particular problem or sharing our testimonies with them. However, apologetics forces a person to look at his own problems squarely. This process will never become outdated and it allows a born again Christian to completely submit to the sovereignty of the Bible when sharing the gospel. To challenge Christians to think about the stance of their own faith (this is a channel to know God more), to prepare themselves, and to challenge non-Christians, will ultimately bring about the message that the gospel is the only hope for mankind.

STUDENT PERSPECTIVES

2. *Doctrine: Every Believer Needs a Correct Foundation.* Shortly after I accepted Christ, I was troubled by the many different denominations, not fully understanding their historical backgrounds. I often thought everyone had their own reason for believing in a certain denomination. In the end, which denomination was the clearest and most correct? Only when I read *The Westminster Shorter Catechism* did my thinking change. This catechism uses questions and answers to explain the basic tenets of the Christian faith. The first question is, “What is the chief end of man?” The Shorter Catechism uses Bible verses to answer this question, which is, “Man’s chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.” This type of teaching helped me to know the unity of the Bible, and all churches that follow Christ must surrender to the authority of the Bible. Apologetics must be built on something—it must have substance—and the whole Bible makes up the content of apologetics. Therefore, each book of the Bible does not exist in isolation, but instead, every book is connected to tell us the whole story of salvation. Although I’m still in an early exploratory phase, I am certain that from this viewpoint I can establish a correct theological stance.



FuJuan singing in the CRTS student choir during the 2011 graduation ceremony

3. *Evangelism: Learning apologetics and doctrine is mainly for the purpose of evangelism.* Apologetics provides an approach, Christian doctrine provides the content, and evangelism can lead



FuJuan celebrates with the 2011 graduates and CRTS family (3rd row, 4th from left)

non-Christians to Christ. Effective evangelism is ultimately the result of equipping with proper apologetics and doctrine. I personally believe biblical counseling is also for the purpose of evangelism, to captivate non-believers’ straying thoughts and to bring them back to the Bible.

CRTS, with the above purposes, can properly equip me using **Evangelism Apologetics Teaching (EAT)** through the 3 M’s (Ministry of Teaching, Ministry of Order, and Ministry of Mercy) to become a vigilant watchman of my faith, listening to others attentively, sharing with them the worldview of the Bible, and bringing them back to God.

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FRIENDS OF CRTS: NETWORKING INTERNATIONAL SUPPORTERS WITH CHINESE REFORMED THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION



A Vision for 21st Century Impact

There are over 1.3 billion Chinese and by God's grace the church is making progress among them. *Friends of CRTS* is committed to meeting the need of the Chinese churches for Reformed theological education. We praise God for the establishment and growth of CRTS in Taiwan, and believe the Lord will also prosper our work there and in other parts of East Asia.

We support Reformed Theological education among the Chinese in four specific ways:

- ***Supporting Facility Development***

We provide financial support for qualified Reformed seminaries to obtain their own property.

- ***Supporting Reformed Education***

We provide financial support for specific educational needs of qualified seminaries, including the purchase of library books, translation and publishing of Reformed books and education by extension programs.

- ***Support for Missionary Teachers***

We provide financial support for qualified ministers of the Presbyterian Church in America or of a Reformed Church which is in good standing with the Presbyterian Church in America, who have a call to teach on the faculty of a Chinese Reformed Theological Seminary.

- ***Scholarships for Missionary Children (K-12)***

We provide scholarship support to children of missionary teachers with a financial need whose children do not have public education in the child's native language.

Pennsylvania non-profit 501c3 since 2002

Under *Friends of CRTS* you will be pleased to know that 100% of your gifts go to the designated fund without organization administrative fees deducted. Our administrative fees are raised by the board itself. While *Friends of CRTS* retains full control of all gifts given (according to federal laws for non-profits limiting donor directed giving), donors may contribute to one of our designated funds through check or electronic deposit.

Current Board Members



Chairman Dr. Andrew Silman, **Treasurer** Mrs. Glenn (Julie) McDougall, **Secretary** Mrs. Robert (Linda) Wohleber, Dr. Robert Simonelli, Rev. Scott Lindsay, Dr. Paul Taylor, Mr. Mark Thompson, Rev. Kenneth Woo

Friends of CRTS 2005 board meeting at PCA General Assembly exhibitors hall: (L to R); Dr. McCafferty, Dr. Andrew Silman, Mrs. Linda Wohleber, Mrs. Julie McDougall, Rev. Toon Yeo

FRIENDS OF CRTS: *PARTNERSHIP ENABLING MISSIONARY AND MINISTRY CONNECTIVITY*

Our Administrative Structure

Friends of CRTS is governed by a Board of Directors which is fully committed to the Reformed faith as expressed by the *Westminster Confession of Faith*. As required by our bylaws, a majority of Board members are Pastors and Elders in the *Presbyterian Church in America* (PCA). The Board of Directors decides which missionary teachers and special projects to support, and sets financial policies. They appoint US and Asia Directors who cooperate to oversee the administrative affairs of *Friends of CRTS*.

Our Missionary Teachers at CRTS in Taiwan

Dr. Andrew McCafferty, since 2002, former dean, church ministry development, Friends of CRTS founder

Dr. Tim Yates, since 2002, Academic Dean, Deans of Biblical Counseling & Distance Learning

Dr. Dean Ulrich, since fall 2008, full-time teacher in Old Testament

Dr. Toon Yeo, since fall 2009, Dean of Interns, Alumni & Church Relations, Dean of Overseas Education

Moses Wong, PhD candidate, Westminster Theological Seminary, preparing to come in 2012



Friends of CRTS Missionary meeting @ CRTS Taipei

Yes, I want to support Friends of CRTS.

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CRTS FINANCES & FUTURE COSTS

2012 BUDGET

We run our entire ministry on about \$225,000 US a year (excluding 4 missionary teachers supported through Friends of CRTS). Here is how . . .



Category	Subtotal	Total
Income - Total		US \$ 225,000
Taiwan Contributions (from RTA & CRTS)		108,500
Designated Contributions, Friends of CRTS		34,000
For Christ's College	3,000	
Full-time dean & teachers salaries help	12,000	
For the Reformed Press	6,000	
For Asia Missions	13,000	
Tuition (2,333 credits at \$30 per credit)		70,000
Rent		12,500
Expenditure - Total		US \$ 225,000
Salary and benefits		149,000
Full time teacher salaries	42,000	
Student work-study	2,000	
Three full time positions & benefits	62,000	
CRTS mini-course honorariums	40,000	
Asia mini-course honorariums & travel	3,000	
Administration		38,000
Printing, supplies, mailing, phone, misc	11,000	
Utilities	6,000	
Building costs: insurance, depreciation, repair	16,000	
Office equipment	5,000	
Library		3,000
Activities & student scholarships		4,000
Promotion		3,500
Donations to related organizations		27,500
To CRTS Family Counseling Center	4,000	
To Asia Missions	10,000	
To Chinese Reformed Press	6,000	
Other	7,500	

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE



Our full time graduate faculty is growing with Tim Yates, Dean Ulrich and Toon Yeo since September 2009. Moses Wong (PhD candidate at Westminster Theological Seminary, Phila) will joining the faculty in the fall 2012. Rev. Nathan Brummel (PhD candidate at the Theological University of the Reformed Churches, Netherlands) is in the application process now for possibly joining the faculty as a theology teacher in the fall 2012.

We continue to need **qualified mini-class teachers for our ThM classes in Historic Reformed Theology.**

Our next pressing need is for **a full-time resident president.** Until now we have been a faculty run school, with Dr. Luke Lu, our acting president, living in the US. The work of promotion and organizing has been done by Dr. Yates, serving as Academic Dean. But the need for promotion is now acute, and this would best be done by a full time president. Our ideal candidate would have a humble Christian spirit, be sound in theology and in faith, be a good teacher and mentor, have pastoral experience, be willing to sacrifice for the good of the school, be fluent in Chinese, and have his Ph.D. in a related field. If you are called to Chinese theological education, are completely committed to inerrancy and to the Westminster Confession, and have a heart for the Chinese church, maybe you should consider joining us! Unfortunately we don't have the finances to fill this position, but we will help any qualified candidate raise mission funds and do what we can. Hudson Taylor often said, "The Lord's work done in the Lord's way will not lack the Lord's provision."

We also need teachers for **short term intensive courses.** We look either for Reformed seminary teachers or experienced pastors with a gift for teaching courses in Bible, theology, practical theology or biblical counseling. (MDiv or above and experience preferred)

If you would like to assist in church planting work among the Chinese, we want to talk to you.

Currently the Reformed Press needs additional translation help, final proofing editors, and partnership commitments to help finance these valuable book translation & publishing projects, since they usually are not financially profitable projects.

This summer we have a major remodeling project on our second floor to create a new library and student center area. However, we will need additional funds to repair the third floor and purchase the furniture for the second floor library. Interested donors can give through Friends of CRTS.

For more information on the seminary contact the CRTS Dean, Dr. Tim Yates

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CRTS classes meet in the basement of this building. Three units on the left side (1st-3rd floors) are part of the facility being used for office space (1F, 3F) and student center-library (2F)



CRTS CURRICULUM

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to establish a quality Reformed seminary, lay down a solid biblical and theological foundation in the Chinese Church, and train the next generation of Chinese reformed pastors, church workers, and church leaders.

Our Special Marks

1. **A Bible based curriculum:** Every semester we offer a variety of biblical courses, especially individual book studies.
2. **Reformed** in theology, stressing God's holiness and infinite glory, and his free mercy and grace. Our goal is a deep knowledge of God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Core courses have been added to the 2008-2112 Student Handbook.
3. **Small classes** with lots of student-teacher interaction. Students also get to know each other and fellowship together. The average class has 10-15 students.
4. **Open education:** In order to allow for other responsibilities, we give students a lot of freedom. We only require attendance at the annual fall retreat, opening semester worship, weekly prayer meeting and graduation.
5. **Overseas seminary professors** are invited to teach mini-courses three times a year to supplement our faculty in September, January & June.
6. **Flexible:** Students may study part-time or full-time, with classes offered in one three hour segment each week. Graduates from two or three year technical schools are welcome to apply, with the first year or two of study counting as college make-up courses. Any mature Christian with an appropriate degree may take one course a term. Our DVD & on-line course offerings are growing.
7. **Growing:** We continue to revised the student handbook and improve the curriculum for the next 4 years. We have developed an overseas degree option that allows our teachers to teach courses at overseas extension sites and students to gain up to 2/3 of their degree credits, followed by 1/3 of the degree completed on our Taipei campus.

Our Degrees

- I. Master of Theology, Historical Reformed Theology (Th.M)
- II. Master of Divinity
 - Master of Arts, Old Testament
 - Master of Arts, New Testament
 - Master of Arts, Biblical Counseling
 - Master of Arts, Christian Studies
 - Master of Arts, Christian Studies by Distance Learning
- III. Bachelor of Theology
- IV. Two year diploma, Christian Studies
- V. Distance Learning Diploma

MASTER'S LEVEL MORNING COURSES

	New Testament	Old Testament	Systematic Theology	Church History	Practical Theology
Fall 2007	Greek I John's Gospel	Isaiah Ezra & Nehemiah	Biblical Inerrancy J. Edwards Rel.Affect	Reformation History	Counseling Theology Ministry in the City
Spring 2008	Greek II 1 & 2 Timothy	Ecclesiastes Pentateuch	 WCF I chaps. 1-5	Evangelism & local religions Leadership training	Parenting Preaching Methods Managing Conflict
Fall 2008	Mark Revelation	Hebrew Hos, Amos, Jonah		Chrnty in Chin Cultr	Critique Psychology & Integration
Spring 2009	Greek I & II Hebrews Greek II & IV Hermeneutics	OT Intro Deuteronomy Christ in the Old Testament	Christian life & Ethics WCF II ch. 6-18	Early Ch. History Philosophy of Culture	Pastoral Theology I Preaching Practicum Marriage counseling
Fall 2009	Philippians, Thess Greek I & III, Matt	Isaiah; Hebrew 1 Pentateuch	WCF III ch. 19-33 Edwards Rel. Affect	Calvin Chrnty & Chin. Cult.	Pastoral Counseling Ref. Apologetics
Spring 2010	1 John Romans	Psalms Daniel	God & Revelation NT Theology	Reformation History Hebrew 2	Youth Counseling Premarital Counsel
Fall 2010	Galatians; Greek 1, 3 1 Corinthians	OT Theol, Ethics Genesis	WCF I ch. 1-6 Hebrew 1	Chinese Ch History 1 Timothy	Pastoral Theology Counseling Theo
Spring 2011	John's Gospel Romans; Greek 2, 4	Minor Prophets Josh, Judges, Ruth	Critique of NT Wright Hebrew 2	Modern Ch History Reform Missiology NT Biblical Theo	Parenting Preaching

BACHELOR'S LEVEL EVENING COURSES

	New Testament	Old Testament	Theology	Practical Theology
Fall 2007	Acts	Leviticus, Numbers	Apologetics	<i>see MA PT courses</i>
Spring 2008	1 Corinthians	Pentateuch	Doctrine of Christ	<i>see MA PT courses</i>
Fall 2008	Four Gospels, Acts	Proverbs	Doctr. God, Revelation	<i>see MA PT courses</i>
Spring 2009	Ephesians, Col, Philem	Minor Prophets	Creeds	<i>see MA PT courses</i>
Fall 2009	Paul's Epistles	Ezekiel	Doctr Man, Salvation	
Spring 2010	NT background	Major Prophets	Doctr Christian Life	
Fall 2010	Hebrews-Revelation	Minor Prophets	Doctrine of Church	
Spring 2011	Hermeneutics	Wisdom Books	Calvinism	



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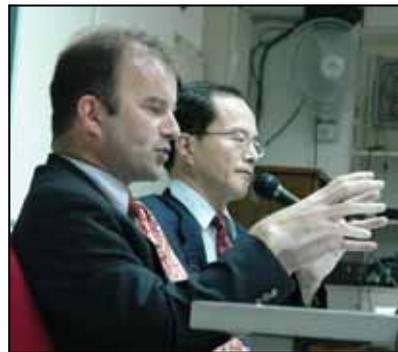
TH.M. IN REFORMED THEOLOGY

In the fall 2008 we started a **Master's of Theology** (Th.M.) in Historical Reformation Studies. Currently we have about 10 enrolled pre-candidates who have not passed all their entrance exams and pre-qualifications, and one full candidate.

Westminster Theological Seminary (Phila) President Dr. Peter Lillback came teach a course on *Covenant Theology* in September 2009, followed by Dr. Carl Trueman, another Westminster theology professor, teaching a class on *Puritan Theology* in June 2010, and also served as our graduation speaker. With all these excellent and well-respected ThM faculty coming, several 2009 graduates and 3rd year M.Div. students are eager to take these courses too.



Dr. Lillback speaking at the ThM seminar on Covenant Theology, CRTS president Dr. Luke Lu translating



Dr. Trueman speaking at the ThM seminar on Puritan Theology, CRTS president Dr. Luke Lu translating

Our last course in January 2011 was on the *Three Forms of Unity*, the *Belgic Confession*, the *Canons of Dordt* and the *Heidelberg Catechism*, taught by Th.M. Dean Dr. Luke Lu, Ph.D. (also acting CRTS President). About 7 students attended the course.

For the fall 2011, we may offer a course on Dutch Reformed Theology, focusing especially on Herman Bavinck, taught by PhD candidate Nathan Brummel, an ordained pastor in the United Reformed Church, who is also in the application process to move to Taiwan and teach full time at CRTS.

Each ThM class hosts two public seminars on related topics taught by the main teacher that have been attended by overflow crowds of about 130 people each night, maxing-out our seminary classroom to capacity and shifting people to two video feeds in other rooms! We are excited about the publicity the new program is generating for CRTS, and appreciate Dr. Stephen Tong's willingness to announce these

events at his well attended (600+ people), weekly Wednesday night lecture series in Taipei!



Dr. Trueman speaking at CRTS 2010 graduation, Dr. Luke Lu translating

REFORMED PRESS REPORT

RTF Publishing Company (the *Chinese Reformed Press*) by Dr. Andrew McCafferty

Charles Chao and Sam Boyle started The *Reformation Translation Fellowship* (RTF) in 1948 in Mainland China. Since 1948, RTF has translated and published over sixty Reformed books. You can see the list of books currently in print by visiting our bi-lingual ecommerce website, www.crtsbooks.net. These books have been a blessing to the Chinese Church. Through them, many Chinese Christians have reached a God-centered, sovereign-grace-based understanding of the gospel. In fact, these books have been used of God to lay a foundation for a Reformed Chinese Church. The RTF has branches in many countries. The founding branch is in the US. It consists mainly of pastors from the RPCNA (the “Covenanters”), but also have OPC and PCA members. For the most part, the Taiwan branch does the actual work of translating and publishing the books. The Taiwan branch owns and operates the “RTF Publishing Company” (known informally as “the Chinese Reformed Press”).

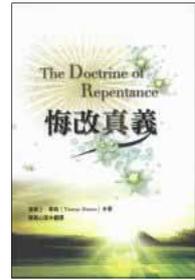
After Charles Chao retired in the late 90’s, his son Jonathan carried on the work. Due to Jonathan’s untimely death in 2004, the work of the press stalled. But in the spring of 2008, CRTS agreed to rekindle the fire. At the 2008 RTF Publishing Company Board meeting, the Board appointed Dr. McCafferty to be the executive director, gave the seminary a seat on the Board, and moved the Press to the Seminary. Since then we have hired four full time staff members and two part time staff members. We have also organized a team of volunteers to help with editing and translating. The yearly budget has doubled, and so has the number of books sold! This is the oldest and most important Chinese Reformed Press, and we are happy to report that it is alive and well. We believe that, by the grace of God, the Chinese Reformed Press will continue to thrive and to make a long-term contribution to the Chinese Church all over the world.

In 2009-10 we published *Finally Alive* by John Piper, *Speaking Truth in Love* by David Powlison, *The Courage to be Protestant* by David Wells, *Designed for Dignity* by Richard Pratt, Ed Clowney’s *The Unfolding Mystery: Discovering Christ in the Old Testament*, *The Doctrines of Grace in the Gospel of John* by R. Bruce Steward, *Let’s Study Galatians* by Derek Thomas, *The Doctrine of Repentance* by Thomas Watson. Later this year we will publish *The Mystery of the Holy Spirit* by R.C. Sproul. We have also begun a longer term project of translating the unabridged version of Jonathan Edwards’ *Religious Affections*. We already have one of the abridged versions translated, but we want the Chinese Church to have the full version in their own language.

We have a vision of translating a wide range of Reformed authors from Calvin to Warfield (including Calvin, Knox, Turretin, Perkins, Watson, Bunyan, Burroughs, Boston, Edwards, Brainard, Hodge, Ryle, Spurgeon, M’Cheyne, Cunningham, Dabney, Warfield, Bavink, Kuyper, George Mackay of Taiwan, Robert Morrison of China, and others.) We would also hope to do more 20th century Reformed authors (Van Til, Gerstner, Packer, Piper, MacArthur, Sproul, Boettner, Vos, Murray, Machen, Ian Murray, Steven Tong, Schaeffer, Nicole, Berkoff, Gaffin, Hendrickson, Boice, and others). Of course, this will require financial support. We have one full time chief editor. *If we could hire a second highly qualified editor, we could double the number of books we do.*

As of now, Friends of CRTS contributes US \$6,000 a year to the Reformed Press. Since a full time Christian worker in Taiwan makes about US \$12,000 a year, this pays half the salary of one worker. In late 2006, we began a small interest group called the *Taiwan Reformed Translation Fellowship*. Our prayer is that one of these (or another who is yet to join us) will dedicate his life to carrying on the work begun by Samuel Boyle and Charles Chao sixty years ago. We are now preparing the way for such a man. May God use the Chinese Reformed Press as He sees fit.

See www.crtsbooks.net (also site has bilingual Chinese or English interface)



New opportunities :>)

CRTS FACULTY



Luke Lu

Acting president of CRTS, Dean of ThM program 2 courses/year
Rev. Lu has his M.A (1986), Th.M (1987), and Ph.D (1992) from *Westminster Theological Seminary*. He taught at *Logos Seminary* (1992-97), and also served as a part time pastor in the Los Angeles area. He taught at *Harvest Seminary* (1997-2000). He is currently the teaching pastor at a Chinese Church in California. Rev. Lu is a gifted teacher and author, and comes regularly to Taiwan to teach & oversee the ThM courses, as well as teach our MA level theology course online.



Tim Yates

Full time, Academic Dean, Deans Biblical Counseling & Distance Learning
Dr. Yates has his M.Div (1989) and D.Min (1997) from Westminster & ordained in the PCA. Dr. Yates served for 11 years in youth ministry and Christian ed. in the US (1980-91). From 1991-94 he taught at Christ College in Taipei. He began teaching at CRTS in 1998, and also supervises the *Family Counseling Center* work led by Ms. Lily Zheng.



Dean Ulrich

Full time, Old Testament
Dr. Ulrich has his M.Div. From Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Pittsburgh PA, and his PhD from Westminster Theological Seminary, Phila in Hermeneutics/OT. He served for 5 years as pastor in a PCA church, and 6 years as OT professor at Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry in Ambridge PA. Dr. Ulrich teaches the core OT and Hebrew courses.



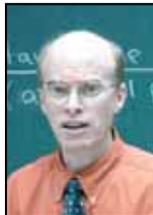
Toon Yeo

Full-time, Dean of Interns, Dean of Overseas Learning, 1 course/term
Dr. Yeo has his M.Div 1992 and D.Min. 2006 from Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson MI, with PhD studies in Apologetics at Trinity College & Seminary, IN. He has been a successful church planting pastor of a Chinese PCA church since 1999 in the northern VA area.



Moses Wong

Full time, expected fall 2012
Moses Wong has his M.Div from Singapore Bible College (2000) and is currently finishing his PhD studies in Hermeneutics at Westminster Theological Seminary, Phila. Dr Jeffrey Jue is his advisor for his dissertation topic on the Reformers views of the book of Jude. He serves as Director of International Student ministries and as a deacon at Tenth Pres, Phila, and is being examined for ordination in the PCA. Moses will teach history and NT courses.



Andrew McCafferty

1 course/term
Rev. Dr. McCafferty has an M.Div. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (1980) and a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh (1987). He taught philosophy at LSU for five years (1987-1992), taught at TaoSheng Seminary in Taipei for four years (1992-95), and has taught full-time at CRTS and served as the Dean from 1996-2008. He currently pastors the Great Grace Reformed Pres. Church next to the seminary. He is ordained in the PCA.



James Huang

1 course/term
Rev Huang has his M.Div (1990) and Missionary training degree (1993) from the *Kosin Seminary* in Korea, and his Th.M from *China Evangelical Seminary* (2000). After serving as a pastor in Korea he came to Taiwan (1994-96) first serving as the pastor of our *Zhong Xiao Church*, and now as the pastor of the *Yong Xin Reformed Presbyterian Church*. Rev. Huang's Th.M thesis is on the song of Moses (Deut 32). He teaches Old Testament.

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David Lee

1 course/term

Rev. Lee has his M.Div (1982) and a missionary training degree (1985) from the United He Tong Seminary in Korea. Since 1987 he has served as a missionary to Taiwan, and the founding pastor of the *Yong Men Church*. Rev. Lee is one of the founders of CRTS, and has taught theology courses in our undergraduate program since 1991.



Ambrose Guo

1 course/term

Rev Guo has his M.Div from *China Graduate School of Theology*, Hong Kong (1990). From 1990-92 he taught at Christ College. From 1992-98 he served as the full time pastor of a Cantonese speaking church in Taipei. Since 1998 he has been serving part time in the church, and teaching our Church history and Chinese culture courses.



Peter Yao

2 courses/year

Rev. Yao has his M.Div from Taiwan Theological Seminary in 1977 and his D.Min from Knox Theological Seminary in Fort Lauderdale FL in . He has successfully planted two churches. He teaches Bible & theology courses at our extension learning sites and does church planting in a city south of Taipei.



Amos Wang

occasional

Rev. Wang has his M.Div from *China Evangelical Seminary* (1986) and his Th.M from *Reformed Theological Seminary* in Jackson (1996). He was one of the main co-workers at *China Ministries International* from 1989-2000. He is now the head of *China Evangelical Seminary's* Mission Research Center and has written quite a number of books. He teaches our course on Taiwan Evangelism.



Daniel Tsai

1 course/year

Rev. Tsai has his M.Div from *China Evangelical Seminary* (1991). He first served as pastor of the *Dong Guang Church*, and since 1994 has been the pastor of one of a larger church, the *Song Shan Church*. He has served as the head of presbytery was formerly the head of the CRTS board. Rev. Tsai teaches pastoral theology and preaching courses at CRTS.



David White

(honorably retired after 6 years teaching at CRTS)

Rev. Dr. David White graduated from Columbia Theological Seminary with his M. Div. & Th.M. in 1961 and Westminster Theological Seminary with his D. Min. Pastoral Studies in 1988. He has served faithfully through MTW for over 20 years on the campus at Christ's College in Tanshui Taiwan in pastoral ministry in the USA. He taught our NT & theology courses (2005-11).



Nathan Brummel ???

In the application process now . . . Pray for wisdom for faculty and board to evaluate Rev. Brummel, and if approved, that his church will send and support him to come in the fall 2012 to study language and eventually teach systematic theology full time. Rev. Brummel is ordained in the United Reformed Church and served as senior pastor in Dyer IN at Cornerstone Protestant Reformed Church (1999-2009). He has his MDiv from Theological School of the Protestant Reformed Churches, ThM Calvin Seminary and is working on his PhD at Theological University Netherlands.



Faculty



FAMILY COUNSELING CENTER

counseling

By FCC Supervisor Dr. Tim Yates

The FCC has had another year of growth in developing a larger network of contacts and people interested in our individual & family counseling, seminars and our *Journal of Biblical Counseling*. For the summer 2009 issue I wrote an article for that issue on a Biblical Perspective on Other's Expectations.



Cover of JBC "Christian View of Marriage" July 2009 issue. Main article written by Lily Zheng on the Westminster Confession of Faith chap. 24 on Marriage



Tim Yates speaking at the "Caring for the Elderly" Seminar April 9, 2011

For the January 2010 issue, I wrote an article on "Ten Signs of Health and Sickness in Dating Relationships." Our seminar on December 4, 2010 focused on "Surviving an Affair" keying off the M.A. Biblical Counseling graduate Ivy Chen's dissertation topic. I spoke on "God's Goal in Marriage: Strengthening Your Faith through Trials" based on 1 Peter 3:1-6 and 5:6-10. On April 9, 2011 FCC hosted a seminar on "Caring for the Elderly" keying off the M.A. Biblical Counseling graduate Eleanor Ruan's dissertation topic. I spoke on "Prepared for Trials,

Helping others in Trials" sketching some basic themes woven through the book of James (see Friends website under my counseling articles for a copies of most of these outlines in English). I also discovered that *When God Weeps* by Joni Eareckson Tada and Steve Estes had been translated so I heartily recommended that book to the seminar participants as a more thorough preparation on the theology of suffering, filled with examples and stories of those who have suffered in faith. We also hosted a "My Father's Teaching, My Testimony" seminar by Dr. Sam Ling on May 30, 2011. Each seminar has been well attended (40-60 people).



Lily Zheng speaking at the "Caring for the Elderly" Seminar April 9, 2011



Cover of JBC "Has God Prepared You for Marriage" January 2010 issue

FCC continues to be invited to teach a counseling class each semester at the Christian Drug Rehab. Center for the counseling co-workers. Last semester 2010 we taught Counseling Theology and used *God is the Gospel* by John Piper as our text, and this spring semester 2011 we taught Pastoral Counseling, using *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands* by Paul Tripp for our text. For the fall 2011 they have asked us to teach Youth Counseling.

FCC continues to host Friday afternoon book reading groups (using books like *The Doctrine of the Christian Life* by Sinclair Ferguson, *The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment* by Jeremiah Burroughs, *Designed for Dignity* by Richard Pratt) single parenting & basic biblical counseling seminars and Sunday School classes. FCC will host another retreat this summer for women.



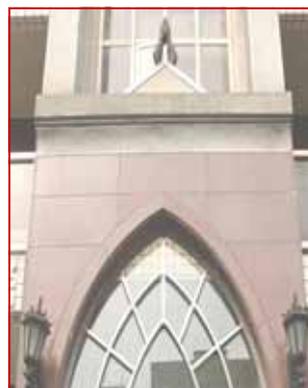
Dr. Sam Ling speaking at the FCC seminar on May 30, 2011

Donations to the FCC are holding steady enough that Lily Zheng would like to hire an administrative assistant as well as another biblical counseling staff. Please pray that God will continue to give strength to Lily Zheng, the FCC Director, and continue to provide the financial and personnel resources to keep this ministry growing.

Dear Friends,

Thank you all for your partnership with us in bringing the gospel to the Chinese people, both in your faithful prayers and your financial support. However, the work is not finished and your help is needed!

We are ready to begin a remodeling plan for the 2nd floor for a Student Center and Library, expected to cost about \$45,000, with work to be done during the summer of 2011. Funds have been raised for this project (90% in Taiwan), thanks be to God!



We also need to make some basic improvements to our 3rd floor office space being rented by the Reformed Press Co. and the Family Counseling Center, and funds are needed for that work up to about \$15,000. If you can make a special gift through Friends of CRTS, please consider doing so.

Please consider giving a special one-time gift or becoming a monthly supporter of Friends of CRTS for its other special project funds or its missionaries. Other special projects include

- ◆ The Building acquisition fund (\$20,000/yr for 5 more years),
- ◆ Asia ministry work: (student scholarships, travel costs for teachers, teacher honorariums, personal support for the China Deans),
- ◆ Reformed books translation and publishing,
- ◆ Missionary Children's K-12 scholarship fund, and
- ◆ Friends of CRTS Missionaries in need of additional support (Yeo, Ulrich, Wong & Yates).

We will be content, whether in plenty or in want through Christ who gives us strength. We seek not your gifts, but the credit of our ministry to your account (Phil 4:10-19).

Tim Yates

Dean of CRTS

In Taiwan you may donate through the post-office. Others can donate to our US non-profit, Friends of CRTS (see back cover for details). All contributions are tax deductible, whether in the US or in Taiwan.



CRTS first floor entrance (left side) and main building entrance (center)

From the Dean

PLEASE PRAY FOR CRTS 2011-2012



*CRTS Chief Administrator
Lu JianLi*



*CRTS computer systems
manager, Distance Learning
Assistant, Ren Juin*



*CRTS publications editor, translation, library
services & ThM administrative assistant
Missy Yeh (right) will be leaving CRTS,
replaced by Amber Lin (left)*

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1. Pray for the promotion of the CRTS vision among overseas church leaders to recruit new faculty and a resident president and to develop prayer and financial support for CRTS.
2. Pray that God will give wisdom to Academic Dean Dr. Tim Yates as he continues in his fourth year administrating CRTS.
3. Pray that all the CRTS faculty to walk in the Spirit, enjoying God & his gifts.
4. Pray for God to send a good new incoming class of students to CRTS.
5. Pray that CRTS may establish a good working class relationship with the Hung-En Reformed Presbyterian Church adjoining the seminary, and prosper the fourth year of pastoral ministry for Dr. Andrew McCafferty there.
6. Faculty: Pray for God to supply the financial support for missionary teachers Dr. Dean Ulrich, Ph.D. (OT faculty), Dr. Toon Yeo, D.Min. (PT faculty) and for PhD candidate Moses Wong (finishing his studies at Westminster, Phila.) to be able to raise his support and join our faculty in 2012.
7. Pray for God to enable our three administrative assistants for CRTS: Lu JianLi, Ren Juin, and for the transition of Missy Yeh leaving CRTS work at the end of August and Amber Lin joining us part time.
8. Pray for the expansion of the ministry of CRTS through our online bookstore www.CRTSBooks.net
9. Pray for fourth year expansion of our M.A by Distance Learning in Christian Studies by DVD and by live online courses.
10. Pray for God to prosper the development of the Reformed Press and provide able translators and editors to reach our goal of publishing one new book each month.
11. Pray for Lily Zheng as she develops a vision for biblical counseling ministry through the *Family Counseling Center* in cooperation with local churches. Pray for sustained financial support from churches and individuals.

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OUR MISSION SINCE 2002

Friends of Chinese Reformed Theological Seminaries was incorporated as a non-profit organization in 2001 to give US friends an opportunity to support the missionary teachers, K-12 education for their children and facility development for the work of Reformed Theological Seminaries training Chinese leaders. All your gifts are 100% tax-deductible, with no administrative fees taken out of your support! Our vision is to establish healthy seminaries staffed with qualified, theologically Reformed teachers who can reproduce Reformed pastors and biblical counselors. Our doctrinal standards are the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, and Heidelberg Catechism.

