



## Dr. McKinion: Shepherds Theological Seminary—2011 the Year in Review

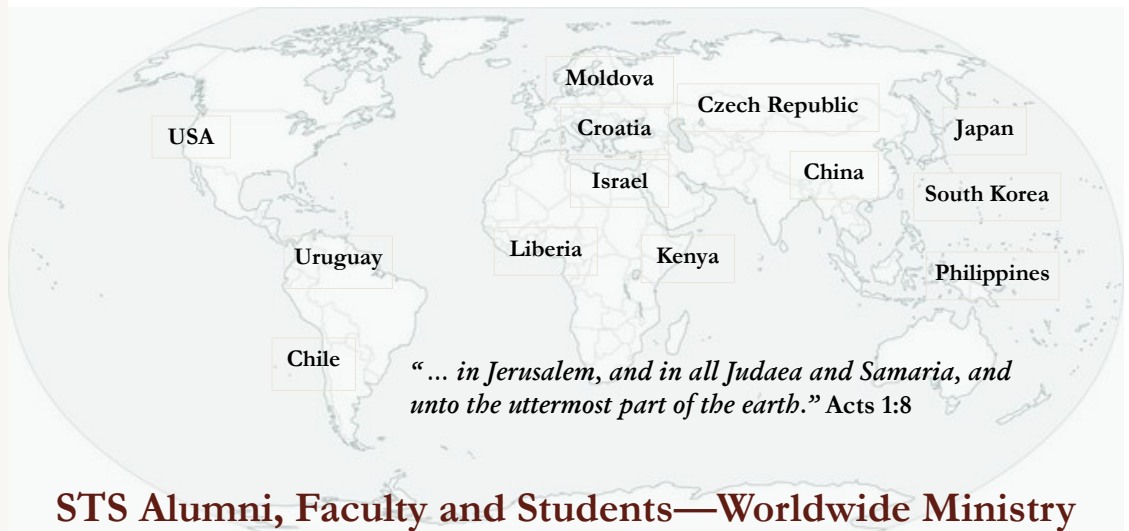
In 2011, the ministry of Shepherds Theological Seminary continued to grow numerically and extend geographically. STS had the privilege of ministering to approximately **100 men and women** throughout the year, preparing them to become servant-leaders for the sake of the Gospel.

Shepherds' consistent growth over the past five years climaxed in Spring 2011, when the seminary experienced its largest semester in both credit students and hours taken. The 2010–2011 academic year culminated when **18 men and women received their degree**, the biggest graduating class in the history of the school. Four of those upon whom Dr. Davey conferred degrees took classes primarily at our Laramie Valley Chapel teaching site, where students are able to attend Shepherds while also participating in **The WEST Institute**. These four alumni, along with the other 14 graduates, branched out into diverse ministries throughout the United States. They joined Shepherds' alumni who are currently proclaiming the Gospel as senior and associate pastors, national and international church planters, staff and lay counselors, missionaries, and lay leaders. Their preparation came through Shepherds' continued academic excellence and the STS mentorship program, wherein students were involved in local church ministry under the mentorship of experienced shepherds.

We had a busy Summer where students, alumni and faculty were involved in ministry and teaching throughout **North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Israel and Asia...**

### Points of Interest:

- **President, Stephen Davey and Marsha celebrate 25 years of vibrant ministry!**
- **Class of 2011—largest graduating class in our history... 18 men and women receive degrees!**
- **Shepherds Partners monthly donation program began in April 2011... 140 faithful partners signed up!**



## STS Alumni, Faculty and Students—Worldwide Ministry

Our best Fall semester ever began with a host of new students, including our first international student, Elijah, who came to Shepherds from a brand new country—**South Sudan**—to receive training for ministry. Students continued to arrive at our doors from all over America as well. All of this testifies to the growth that the Lord provided in 2011 in both the reputation and the influence of STS. Continued blessings in this ministry evoke **praise for the God who continues to do “more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think.”** - Soli Deo Gloria.



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