

FAQ

QUESTIONS

Who should attend MSOP?

One wanting, more than anything, to preach the Gospel (2 Tim. 4:2).

How long does it take to graduate?

Two years.

What are the age limits?

There are none--students range from straight out of high school to retirees.

• What will I study?

The entire Bible and courses which prepare the preacher for his work.

• Will my studies earn me a degree?

Graduates possess a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree [but solely focused on subjects directly applying to the work of a preacher--there are no filler/elective courses]. Numerous institutions recognize the degree and accept at least some MSOP hours toward their own programs.

Will I have an opportunity to preach?

As a student, if you want to preach, there will be ample opportunities.

• Will I be able to find a place to preach when I graduate?

MSOP is not a placement service, and cannot guarantee a place to preach, but our graduates nearly always find congregations with which to work.

• Where will I live?

On campus. MSOP has four residence halls [of eight, three-bedroom and two full bathroom units]. Students only pay for utilities and maintenance.

Are there classes for wives?

Yes! Wives' classes meet on Monday nights and include classes on the practical aspects of teaching, on being a preacher's wife, and on general biblical instruction [wives receive diplomas also].

• How is MSOP Supported?

MSOP is a work of the Forest Hill church of Christ, under her eldership. Forest Hill contributes more than \$500,000 per year. Other churches and brethren also contribute. MSOP neither receives government financing nor charges tuition and fees.

• Is financial help available?

Yes! Congregations and individuals generally provide living expenses for faithful men who desire to train to preach.

How much support do I need?

Needs vary depending on marital status, family size, etc. Memphis has a moderate cost of living.

How do I become a student at MSOP?

Read carefully the information in this brochure and at msop.org, then complete an application, providing all requested information. After your application and references are reviewed, we will contact you to let you know your status.

How much are tuition and fees?

Zero--the education is free. Your only financial concern will be for your physical needs (food, vehicle, insurance, etc.) and housing utilities and maintenance.

• How do I raise support?

1. Make a budget and share it with potential supporters. 2. Make a list of potential supporters and be persistent in following up with them. 3. Sit down face to face with elderships and congregations; do not approach them *only* through mail, and do not be afraid, or ashamed, to ask for what you need. 4. Make a promise to yourself and to God to fulfil your desire to preach. God will be with you; pray for His help, and He will provide. 5. Keep us informed and involved—we may be able to supply you with contacts, to direct support your way (if it is available), to write or call on your behalf, and to encourage you. 6. Remember that with God's help you can be a student at MSOP and become a preacher of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

• Is MSOP approved for Veteran's assistance?

MSOP has been approved for benefits for veterans, war orphans, and other eligible persons. Apply directly to the Veterans Administration in your home state and send the certificate of Eligibility to the school or present it upon registration.

The question is, "Can you afford not to attend MSOP?"

We stand ready to assist you--please feel free to call upon us; better, plan to visit the school. There is a lost and dying world in need of the soul-saving Gospel. A brotherhood is ready to help you to prepare to go forth with the Truth. Submit your application, or call for more information, today.



