## Ministerial Training Institute of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church

November 19, 2025

Dear Fathers and Brothers,

The Ministerial Training Institute of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (MTIOPC) is offering the following courses during the Spring 2026 term, which will begin with online reading and writing assignments on **February 9, 2026**.

- The Form of Government, taught by Rev. Dr. Alan D. Strange (two credits)
- **OPC History**, taught by Rev. Dr. Camden M. Bucey (OPC Historian) (one credit)
- **Pastoral Theology,** taught by Rev. Dr. A. Craig Troxel (two credits)

The demands of MTIOPC courses are the equivalent of the demands of seminary classes. Students will receive pass/fail grades at the completion of their coursework. Since the class times overlap during Intensive Training, students may only take one course.

The courses include **mandatory Intensive Training**, which will be held on **May 19-21** at First OPC in **South Holland**, **Illinois**. Non-commuting students will arrive on Monday, May 18 and leave at 12 p.m. on Thursday, May 21. (Book return flights for after 2:00 p.m.)

The cost to you, besides commitment of your time and energies, will be the cost of books and materials, plus travel expenses in excess of the MTIOPC travel scholarships for qualified students. **All students pay a \$50 registration fee** that is fully refundable upon successful completion of the course. While tuition is free for OPC ministers, licentiates, and men under care, **tuition** is charged to OPC elders (\$50 per course) and to men from other ecclesiological denominations (\$100 per course).

The MTIOPC offers a travel scholarship to help OPC men under care, licentiates, and pastors defray the cost of travel to Intensive Training. Those men are eligible for a travel scholarship grant of up to \$450. An additional \$100 for travel expenses also is available if needed if that amount is matched by your local session or presbytery.

MTIOPC will provide free housing in double rooms in hotels. Students who request a single hotel room must pay an additional \$200 to offset the cost.

## Registration deadline is February 6, 2026.

To pay your registration fee, use the link <a href="https://give.opc.org">https://give.opc.org</a>. Scroll down to Committee on Christian Education. Hit "Donate now." At MTIOPC Fees, total your amount and hit "Give." Applications and course descriptions are available on the Ministerial Training Institute of the OPC site on: <a href="https://www.opc.org/cce/MTI.html">https://www.opc.org/cce/MTI.html</a>

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In Christ,

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