Ministerial Training Institute

**of the**

**Orthodox Presbyterian Church (MTIOPC)**

**Disability and the Church Seminar**

**January 24-25, 2025**

**Registration Form**

**All Registrants (open to all), please complete the following:**

Last Name First

Address City State Zip Code

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Presbytery: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If your **spouse** is attending, please provide their name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
*(only one registration form is necessary)*

Will you be attending dinner at the church on Friday evening? Yes / No\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Registration deadline is Friday, January 10, 2025**. Please submit your Registration Form via email to Judy Alexander, MTIOPC Coordinator, at [alexander.1@opc.org](mailto:alexander.1@opc.org). For questions, please contact her via email or phone at 407-761-8783.

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**All non-Officers please read and take action, if needed**:

If you need overnight lodging, a block of rooms has been reserved for Friday evening, January 24 at **Best Western Gateway Grand in Gainesville** at a rate of **$139 + tax**. **Reservations must be made by Friday, January 3, 2025.**

You will be responsible for payment for your hotel stay. Please use the following link to reserve your room: [Orthodox Presbyterian Church](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.10281.html?groupId=3F5AY3I9)

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**If you are flying and require ground transportation, please provide a copy of your travel itinerary to Judy.** Ground transportation will be provided for airport pick up/drop off, to/from the church and to/from the hotel.

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**All Officers please complete the following section:**

Status: ( ) OPC Pastor

( ) OPC Licentiate ( ) OPC Man Under Care

( ) OPC Ruling Elder ( ) OPC Deacon

OPC pastors, licentiates, men under care of a presbytery, ruling elders and deacons qualify for a travel scholarship of up to $400 to help defray the cost of travel to Intensive Training. An additional $100 for travel expenses also is available if matched by your local session or presbytery. Please contact Judy Alexander at [alexander.1@opc.org](mailto:alexander.1@opc.org) to request a Travel Reimbursement Form.

All officers will be housed in double-occupancy hotel rooms. Officers who prefer single-occupancy hotel rooms must pay $100 to offset the additional costs.

**Please select one:**

( ) I request free housing and will be sharing a room with my spouse.

( ) I request free housing by sharing a hotel room with a fellow student.

( ) I request a single hotel room and will pay an additional $100.

*To pay online*: Use this link: [Christian Education Summary - Default](https://give.opc.org/christian-education-summary). Scroll to MTIOPC Fees Winter 2025 and pay $100.

**Upon submission of your form, a hotel reservation will be made for you.**

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**Please see the following page for the Seminar Schedule**

**MTIOPC Seminar: Disability and the Church**

***January 24 – 25, 2025***

*Redemption Orthodox Presbyterian Church*

*4820 NW 34th Street, Gainesville, FL 32605*

**Friday, January 24**

Fliers will be picked up and taken to the church. Those who drive are welcome to join attendees for dinner. **Dinner will be served at the church from 5- 6:30 p.m.**

**Class Schedule**

**Friday, January 24**

7:00 – 9:00 PM **Disability and God**

*Disability raises theological questions that must be asked and answered with careful Biblical thought. One popular modern trend is to see God himself as disabled.*

**Saturday, January 25**

9:00 – 11:30 AM **Disabling People**

*Often churches do not enable people to be reached and discipled with the gospel due to unspoken attitudes or limited accessibility.*

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM **Lunch**

12:30 – 2:00 PM **Cognitive Challenges and the Church**

*Social and Sensory issues often associated with Autism raise challenges for families and churches.*