



METHODIST THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL
IN OHIO

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Dear New Students,

Welcome to the community of the Methodist Theological School in Ohio! We are excited about your arrival. Your presence will be a welcome addition to this body of committed persons who have chosen to equip themselves to lead both church and world in a process of transformation.

MTSO strives to provide a place where you can grow in all aspects of your being— vocationally, spiritually, emotionally, as well as intellectually. You can anticipate spending your time with a Faculty and Staff committed to your intellectual and spiritual growth. The classroom environment is rich, engaging and challenging. The library, the available technology both in and out of the classroom and the intellectual environment have been developed to support and enhance your learning experience. You can expect to be challenged, and you can also be nurtured through regular worship and Eucharistic services, a walking trail right here on campus, a prayer and meditation room, an outdoor chapel, a gazebo by the pond, and spiritual mentors available to work with students. Come, prepare to be transformed for another chapter of life in the realm of God!

To begin your journey at MTSO, it is important that you attend orientation activities on Monday, August 30, 2010. This is more than just an opportunity to learn facts about MTSO or to tour the campus. You will meet students, faculty members, spend time in small groups and develop relationships with one another and returning members of the community. It is our expectation that you will attend orientation. However, if that is not possible, you must request an excused absence from me. You will soon receive more detailed information about Orientation.

Seminary education changes people who are open to the working of the spirit. I am glad that you have chosen MTSO to be your partner in this transformational process. Together we will continue to build a community of people called forth to serve God's creation!

Peace,

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