

Pledge for Visiting Faculty
Africa Reformation Theological Seminary

Each Visiting Faculty lecturer will affirm, in writing, at appointment, or renewal of appointment, for each semester or academic year he or she is appointed to teach, the following **Pledge**:

“I do solemnly, *of my own accord, from my heart and without mental reservation*, declare in writing, in the presence of God and of these members of the Faculty and Governing Council of Africa Reformation Theological Seminary:

- a) I believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inspired, inerrant Word of God, the only infallible, sufficient and final rule of faith and practice to which nothing is to be added at any time, whether by supposed new revelations of the Spirit or traditions of men.
- b) I adopt, receive, and subscribe to the confessional standards of the Seminary or I respect and honor the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, the Belgic Confession, the Heidelberg Catechism, and the Canons of Dort, the confessional standards of the Seminary, as a summary and just exhibition and explanation of that system of doctrine and religious belief, which is contained in Holy Scriptures, and therein revealed by God to man for his salvation; I also acknowledge that the presbyterian form of church government and discipline, is in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity and I declare my willingness to respect and honor this form of church government. In case I may not be personally persuaded of all the distinct doctrines, confessional standards and commitments of the Seminary, I do solemnly promise and engage that I will honor and not teach or advocate against these standards and commitments, nor inculcate or insinuate anything which shall contradict either directly or by implication, any of this system of doctrine nor to oppose any of the fundamental principles of the presbyterian form of church government, while I continue as a Visiting Faculty member of this Seminary;
- c) I embrace and pledge to support the mission and vision of the Seminary and its mission and vision statements as I carry out the duties of a Visiting Faculty or-Lecturer;
- d) I pledge that I will honor the By-Laws of Africa Reformation Theological Seminary, and will faithfully endeavor to fulfill these articles and to promote the great design of the Seminary.

If at any time I should change my views and find myself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of the system of doctrine contained in the confessional standards of the Seminary, or out of accord with the fundamental principles of the presbyterian form of church government as being agreeable to and taught by Scripture, I will, on my own initiative, make known to the Faculty and Governing Council the change that has taken place in my views.

