

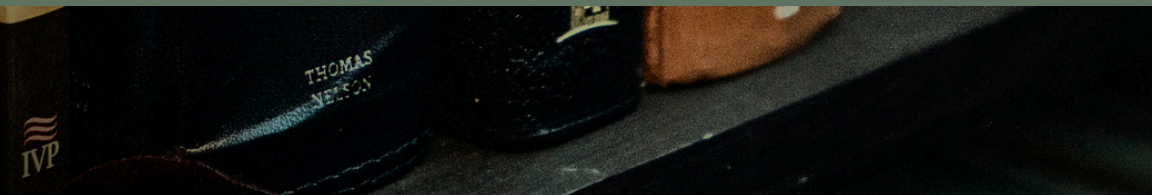
# REACH

TRAINING INSTITUTE



Debt Free  
Field Ready

FALL 2023 - SPRING 2024





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## **From the Director**

We are so grateful you are interested in Reach Training Institute. RTI remains committed to its original vision to see students follow a call to ministry, graduating debt-free and field-ready. In four years, students graduate with an accredited bachelor's degree at a total cost less than one year's tuition at a traditional university. Our unique program focuses on classes taught by local pastors and hands-on practicum opportunities in a local church or other faith-based ministries. We prepare students to serve in the local neighborhoods or in the nations. We have graduates working in churches across the country and in four countries around the world.

At Reach Training Institute, classes are scheduled only two afternoons per week. Students have plenty of time to hold down a job, study & socialize, and participate in ministry practicums. Our courses include Interpreting the Bible, Holy Spirit Empowered Ministry, Old Testament Survey, Evangelism, Life & Ministry of Jesus, Theology, and more. Students explore deep scriptural and theological truths as well as practical ministry topics like pastoral care and healing prayer.

We would love to talk to you more about Reach Training Institute! Whether you are a prospective student, proud alum, financial donor, parent or friend, we appreciate your support. RTI exists because of the prayers and generosity of God's people.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Myers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda Myers  
Executive Director, Reach Training Institute



# Students of RTI

## The RTI Student Experience

- ◆ CLASSES 2 DAYS A WEEK
- ◆ CLASS SIZE OF 10-15 STUDENTS
- ◆ 6 DIFFERENT MINISTRY PRACTICUMS
- ◆ 624 HOURS OF MINISTRY EXPERIENCE
- ◆ 80 CREDITS OF RTI CLASSES
- ◆ 30 CREDITS OF CROWN COLLEGE CLASSES
- ◆ 15 CREDITS OF GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSES
- ◆ LICENSING WITH C&MA AT END OF SOPHOMORE YEAR
- ◆ ORDINATION WITH C&MA AT END OF SENIOR YEAR





# Class of 2024

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

My calling to RTI was not without leaps of faith. I consistently pushed away the thought of joining RTI because I didn't think I was cut out for it. But in 2020, I sensed God leading me to apply. I can now confidently say God equips the called, and my experience at RTI has been full of equipping moments.

Through the classes I have taken and from my experiences at multiple practicum sites, I have gained wisdom and understanding that I can apply to my future in ministry. I will be able to apply what I'm learning not only in the future but also in my current Senior Pastoral Residency in the greater Washington, D.C. area.

Overall, my experience at RTI has surpassed any expectations I have ever held.



**KAITLYN DONALDSON**  
CLASS OF 2024



# Kosovo Trip

FALL 2023



In the fall of 2023, students had the opportunity to travel to Kosovo to engage in an international experience embedded in the curriculum of one of their classes. Students and faculty members visited two alumni, Grant and Dakota Shaw, in addition to studying the people and cultures of Kosovo. Their studies focused on understanding the movement and effects of displaced people and learning the response of the Christian Church. This was a shaping experience for many students, allowing them to envision life as an international worker.

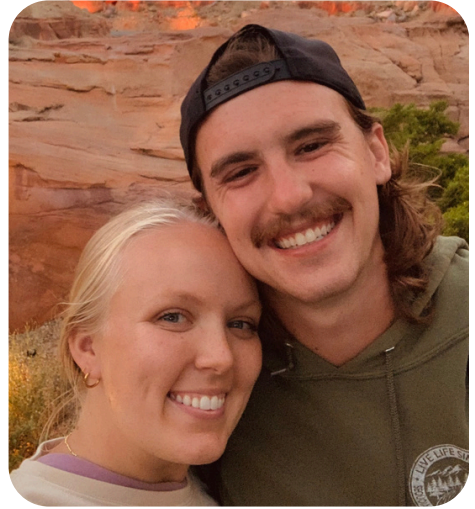
# LAUNCH



**CARLY HARTENSTEIN**  
CLASS OF 2022

## Middle East

Carly has been Ordained and Appointed for International work in the Middle East amongst an unreached people group historically known for being oppressed through war. She is joining a team to pioneer a church planting movement and to advance the Kingdom of God in the region. Her heart is to raise up young leaders through English teaching programs at the Life Center and to help people be liberated from oppression and find healing in Jesus.



**JULIAN WHITE**  
CLASS OF 2023

## Kosovo

Julian and his wife Ashli are in process of being appointed for international work in Kosovo. Upon Julian's Ordination, they will start by diving into 2 years of language study. Julian and Ashli will immerse themselves into ongoing ministries as well as help current international workers and RTI Alumni, Grant and Dakota Shaw. Together, they plan to pioneer a new CrossFit gym ministry. The Kosovo team desires to build bridges of hope in their city for all people.



# RTI Stats

44

RTI STUDENTS HAVE BEEN LICENSED

13

RTI STUDENTS HAVE BEEN  
ORDAINED

188

HOURS STUDENTS SERVE EACH WEEK IN  
CHURCHES OR THE COMMUNITY

14

STUDENTS HAVE COMPLETED A SENIOR  
RESIDENCY ABROAD

\$5,460

AVERAGE ANNUAL COLLEGE TUITION AT RTI\*

*\*National Average Annual College Tuition \$30,000*



# Alumni Spotlight



## DEVON ALLEN

WORSHIP ARTS PASTOR  
NEW HOPE FOURSQUARE

CLASS OF 2022

I felt the call of ministry on my life right after high school while interning at my home church. When I came to this realization, RTI seemed the best choice for me! RTI provided the classes needed to make me feel confident and equipped with knowledge of both scripture and pastoral ministry. Their dedication to students who graduate debt-free has given me the freedom to pursue my calling immediately after graduation, unhindered by the looming threat of debt. RTI strives for excellence and provides students with the means to obtain it. Its classes were foundational to who I am as a Pastor and is why I remain to this day: debt-free and field-ready.



# WHERE ARE OUR ALUMNI?

- 📍 North America
- 📍 Kosovo
- 📍 Africa
- 📍 Middle East
- 📍 Cambodia



# RTI Faculty and Staff

Thank you to our faculty and staff for their countless hours spent preparing materials, teaching our students, and discipling them along the way. We are blessed to have faculty from various churches and parachurch ministries in Salem. Thank you to each one of them who has committed to being a part of raising the next generation of ministry leaders.

**“I thank the Lord for the privilege of teaching the men and women of RTI. Their hearts are warm and humble, their minds are active and eager, and their potential for Kingdom work is immense.”**



**CHRISTOPHER BECHTEL**  
EVERGREEN CHURCH PASTOR & RTI FACULTY MEMBER

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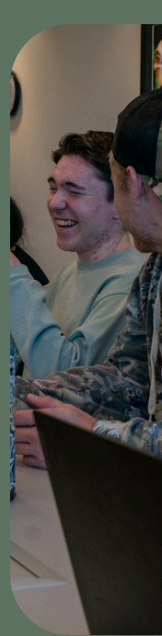
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