

PRISON SEMINARY FOUNDATION
TENTH ANNUAL CELEBRATION & GALA
“A Decade of Performance and the Future of Reform”

October 1–3, 2026
Bayfront Hilton • St. Petersburg, Florida
Conference Agenda

Thursday, October 1
Arrival & Fellowship

Registration, Worship & Welcome Dinner

4:00 – 6:00 PM Registration & Check-In

6:00 PM Worship

6:30 PM **Welcome — Tim Whipple**
Opening Remarks, Florida Senator Jeff Brandes
Location: Hotel

Evening **Fellowship Dinner**
Introductions of Departments of Corrections, academic institutions, and honored guests
Exhibitors introduce themselves
Video highlights from PSF programs
Overview of the conference schedule

Post-Dinner Reception & Tour, The Dali Museum

Friday, October 2

7:30 – 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:00 AM	Worship
8:30 AM	Welcome, Program Update & Agenda Review — Denny Autrey, Director Operations, Prison Seminaries Foundation
8:45 AM	The Why: Fireside Chat: Burl Cain, Founder Prison Seminaries Foundation Introductions and keynote introduction
9:00 AM	Research update with Dr. Byron Johnson, Distinguished Professor, Baylor University
9:30 AM	A Study of Parchman Prison, new video presentation
9:45 AM	Morning Keynote — Joshua Smith, Founder & CEO of the Fourth Purpose Foundation, Former Deputy Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons
10:20 – 10:40 AM	Q & A
10:40 AM	Break

Building From the Ground Up

Panel Discussion, introduced by Denny Autrey	
Facilitators:	
Jon Ozmint, PSF Board Member	
Burl Cain, Commissioner, Mississippi DOC	
Panelists:	
Bobby Lumpkin, Executive Director, Texas Department of Criminal Justice	
Bryan Collier, Former Executive Director, TDCJ	
Leslie Dismukes, Commissioner, North Carolina DOC	
Joel Anderson, Executive Director, South Carolina DOC	
Lindsey Wallace, Commissioner, Arkansas DO	
11:00 AM – Noon	
Noon – 1:00 PM	Lunch & Networking (Box lunch)

**1:15 – 1:45
PM**

**Afternoon Keynote — Major General Mark Inch (U.S. Army Ret.),
Former: Provost Marshal, Director of the Federal Bureau of
Prisons, and Florida Secretary of Corrections**

Introduced by Former Florida Senator Jeff Brandes

**2:00 – 4:00
PM**

Breakout Sessions (two rotations per track)

- Andy Tallent; Second Verses Ministry – “Sing, The Power of Music in Prison:
- Paul Will, PSF – “National Field Minister Assessment & Development Plan
- Johnny Frambo – “The Impact of Chaplain Support of Field Ministers”
- Seth Bible/Todd Marshall, PSF – “PEP Funding and how to secure it”
- Tim Whipple, PSF – “Foundation Grant Writing”
- Todd Marshall, PSF – “Information Technology and Library Resources”
- Tom Kohl, PSF – “Steps to Establishing a Non-profit 501c3”
- Denny Autrey, PSF – “How Can I help as a Pastor?”

Gala

Documentary Review

Ten-Year Anniversary Gala Celebration — An Evening of Inspiration & Impact

6 PM – 10 PM

**Friday
Evening**

Ten-Year Gala Celebration

The James Museum (Dress is Cocktail Attire)

Saturday, October 3

Closing Plenary & Awards

Sealing the Legacy

8 AM Continental Breakfast

Morning

Welcome, Worship & Praise Julie Simpson

8:30 AM

Keynote Speaker

Nick Colton, Director, Lowell CI, Florida Success

Celebrating & Call To Action

Ruth Graham to introduce Burl

Graduation Videos & Testimonies

Featuring former students and program graduates

9:30 AM Celebrating Excellence

PSF Annual Awards — presented by Burl Cain

Warden of the Year

Chaplain of the Year

Academic Institution of the Year

Sustainability Team of the Year

A Final Word

Closing Remarks & Dismissal

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Conference Dismissal

Schedule is tentative and subject to change. Prison Seminary Foundation — Making Moral Rehabilitation Real