

THE BROADCAST

TVSEMINARY UPDATE

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Greetings Marshall EFC, It's an honor to collaborate with you in reaching diverse global areas with the Biblical knowledge that provides permanent change for thousands! We hope you're inspired by the insights shared by a recent TVSEMINARY graduate.



In July 2016, Vitaly Popov sat alone in Bautino, Kazakhstan facing primitive conditions in an old house with no indoor restroom or drinking water. The dream was to plant a church in this remote settlement, but the knowledge to do it remained out of reach.

“I dreamed of going to a theological seminary in Moscow. But I realized it was never going to happen.”

In his solitude, Vitaly prayed and found TVSEMINARY online.

His initial course, "Bibliology," invigorated his theologically naive soul, inspiring him to advance. Unencumbered and focused, he immersed himself in learning through video lectures, books, tests, and essays. The Seminary's Student Forum, a reliable ally, facilitated insight-sharing that cemented his new found wisdom. Bibliology revealed the secrets of Scripture's essence and authority to him.

In 2018, after his marriage, Vitaly faced challenges in continuing his studies for 18 months. With persistent encouragement from TVSEMINARY facilitators, he found the motivation to persevere. Grateful for their unwavering support, he renewed his determination and tackled assignments with inspired dedication.



Between 2020 and 2023, Vitaly juggled the challenges of a newborn son and a pandemic quarantine. Despite limited study hours, he completed the ministry commission in Bautino in 2023, applying his TVS education while overcoming these obstacles.

Hermeneutics helped him decode Biblical texts, uncovering historical and cultural insights. Homiletics trained him to create sermons that were both inspiring and persuasive. Under TVS professor Dr. John Feinberg, he delved into Theology, Christology, Bibliology, and Soteriology, deepening his grasp of Christian beliefs.

Counseling courses provided essential tools for offering spiritual support, teaching active listening, empathy, and counseling techniques crucial for pastoral care. Emphasizing conflict resolution, these courses enhanced his ability to guide individuals through life's challenges, improving his engagement with the community and providing comfort and direction.

In 2024, Vitaly joyfully graduated from the seminary.

“The courses I completed significantly enriched my knowledge and skills, which I now apply in both my practice and ministry. This education was pivotal in my spiritual and professional growth, equipping me to become a competent and inspired minister. Using what I’ve learned, I will further develop my skills and knowledge to enhance my ministry and create educational programs that promote faith and spiritual growth in others. I also aspire to pursue further studies through the TVS Master's program. I am grateful to the Seminary for this transformative experience and wish them continued success in their mission. Thank you!”

An Opportunity

With just six weeks left in 2024, there's still a chance to support our goals for thousands of students worldwide. Our formal enrollment has reached over 8,000 with those who like Vitaly, are pursuing education through TVSEMINARY. We've also expanded our reach to tens of thousands more people via various online social media platforms, the "new" educational avenues.

With your help, we aim to be a top choice not only for formal education but also for those seeking spiritual answers and self-study opportunities without the need for tests and essays, helping them achieve their ministry goals. An overwhelming 1,500,000+ clicks on our lectures on multiple platforms in multiple languages in 2023 is proof that many are searching and finding the information they need through our courses.

Would you please consider joining us with a financial gift this season! Thank you!!

2024 BUDGET.	\$ 1,125,000
GIFTS TO DATE	\$ 844,000
REMAINING NEED.	\$ 281,000

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