Suggested Reading List for Seminary Wives

The books on this list are a selection of works from different centuries and countries. We have chosen them to help you, in your personal study, to develop as a helpmeet suitable to your ministry husband, and to be a counselor to women in your congregation. Many of these books, especially the biographies, are not meant to be read as systematic theologies, creeds, or Reformed confessions. They contain godly examples and much practical, biblical wisdom that will, by grace, prepare and equip you in your particular calling as a pastor’s wife. If reading is not naturally appealing to you, try to work through a couple of books each year, perhaps reading along with another student wife to give you a discussion and accountability partner. All of these books are available at the PRTS library.

Pastors wives' and missionaries' biographies:

- Christie, Vance. *John and Betty Stam: Missionary Martyrs*
- Dodds, Elizabeth. *Marriage to a Difficult Man*
- Elliot, Elizabeth. *A Chance to Die: the Life and Legacy of Amy Carmichael*
- Gerstner, Edna. *Idelette*
- Good, James I. *Famous Women of the Reformed Church*
- Haykin, Michael. *The Christian Lover*
- James, Sharon. *Elizabeth Prentiss*
- James, Sharon. *In Trial and in Joy*
- James, Sharon. *My Heart in His Hands: Ann Judson of Burma*
- MacCuish, Dolina. *Luther and His Katie*
- Paton, Maggie. *Letters and Sketches from the New Hebrides*
- Pollock, John. *Hudson and Maria*
- Prentiss, G. L. *Life and Letters of Elizabeth Prentiss*
- Ray, Charles. *Mrs. C. H. Spurgeon*

Personal Growth:

- Beeke, James and Beeke, Joel. *Developing a Healthy Prayer Life.*
- Beeke, Joel. *Living by God’s Promises*
- Bennett, Arthur. *The Valley of Vision*
- Bonar, Horatius. *God’s Way of Holiness*
- Burroughs, Jeremiah. *The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment*
- Henry, Matthew. *A Method for Prayer*
- Owen, John. *Communion with God*
- Owen, John. *The Mortification of Sin*
- Winslow, Mary. *Heaven Opened*
- Winslow, Octavius. *Help Heavenward*
Practical Issues:

- Alexander, James W. *Thoughts on Family Worship*
- Beeke, Joel. *Bringing the Gospel to Covenant Children*
- Beeke, Joel. *The Family at Church*
- Beeke, Joel. *Family Worship*
- Benton, Ann. *If It's Not Too Much Trouble: the Challenge of the Aged Parent*
- Booth, Randy. *Children of the Promise*
- Boston, Thomas. *The Crook in the Lot*
- Burns, Jabez. *Mothers of the Wise and Good*
- Calvin, John. *Sermons on the Ten Commandments*
- Campbell, Iain. *On the First Day of the Week*
- Challies, Tim. *The Discipline of Spiritual Discernment*
- Challies, Tim. *The Next Story*
- Chanski, Mark. *Womanly Dominion*
- Cornish, Carol. *The Undistracted Widow*
- Durham, James. *The Ten Commandments*
- Eastin, Staci. *The Organized Heart*
- Guthrie, Nancy. *Holding onto Hope*
- Hammond, George M. *The Case for Family Worship*
- Hartman, Edward. *Homeward Bound*
- Henry, Matthew. *Family Religion*
- James, John Angell. *A Help to Domestic Happiness*
- Lloyd-Jones, Martyn. *Spiritual Depression: its Causes and Cure*
- Mahaney, Carolyn. *Shopping for Time: how to get it all done and not be overwhelmed*
- Packer, J. I. *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God*
- Palmer, B. M. *Death in the Home*
- Proceee, Gerald. *Holy Baptism*
- Ray, Bruce. *Celebrating the Sabbath*
- Robertson, O. Palmer. *The Genesis of Sex*
- Ryle, J. C. *The Duties of Parents*
- Ryle, J. C. *Practical Religion*
- Sommerville, Mary. *One With a Shepherd*
- Spurgeon, Charles. *Only a Prayer Meeting*
- Still, William. *Towards Spiritual Maturity*
- Strauch, Alexander. *The Hospitality Commands*
- Tripp, Paul David. *Age of Opportunity*
- Tripp, Paul David. *Instruments in the Redeemer's Hands*
- Tripp, Ted. *Shepherding a Child's Heart*
- Kassian, Mary. *Girls Gone Wise in a World Gone Wild*
- Murray, David. *Christians get Depressed, too*
- Welch, Edward T. *Blame it on the Brain*
• Welch, Edward T. *A Stubborn Darkness*
• Welch, Edward T. *Running Scared*
• Welch, Edward T. *When People are Big and God is Small*
• Wolfe, Paul. *My God is True: Lessons Learned on Cancer’s Dark Road*