

Probationers' Exegesis 2026

Required reading Tim Attwell & Dion Forster, Exegesis for Preachers and Scholars, (Four-page pamphlet available from your SSS, EMMU or download from www.methodisttraining.co.za. Preparation for the Examination Read the 4-page pamphlet Exegesis for Preachers and Scholars/Teachers of the Bible. Following carefully the exegetical method detailed in the pamphlet, prepare a 1000 word exegesis on the following passages.

ii Kings 2:19-25

Acts 3: 1-16

In the exegesis, you must use each one of the three “points of focus” in the pamphlet, and show how these three points work together. Most especially, you must show how the “living word” in the reading relates to your own context and to the broader context in Southern Africa.

The exegesis must be sent to the District Supervisor of Studies at least 4 weeks before the examination. The examiner will distribute copies to the members of the examining committee. Failure to meet this deadline will be recorded as a failure in the Synod Oral Examination.

The Examination: This will be in the form of a discussion among a group of Student Ministers and the committee. Student Ministers will be asked to explain how they did their exegesis, and then respond to the positions of others in the group. Marks will be awarded based on: (i) Preparation for the examination, as evidenced by the exegesis and the oral response. (ii) The Student Ministers' understanding of their own position, understanding and flexibility of response to the positions of others.