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 E-NOTES

DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the April 2011 edition of E-Notes. E-Notes is the electronic newsletter for the Gordon-Conwell Seminary community in Charlotte. Monthly up-to-date and relevant information regarding the seminary will be sent to student GCTS mailboxes. If you want to have your E-Notes discontinued, please e-mail Scott Smith at ssmith2@gcts.edu.

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1. THE DEAN'S DESK [back to top](#)

Dear brothers and sisters in the Charlotte community,

After several days of solitude at the beach reading Jeremiah and Ezekiel, I have had my sense of God' sovereignty profoundly reinforced. The stormy winds and waves echoed the messages of these prophets: God is in control. We have a lot of responsibility in terms of how we respond to him. But God is the God of *all* creation and *all* history. He wants us to *know* that.

I trust we'll find it easier to trust him with those areas of our lives where we try to exercise control.

God bless you,

Dr. Timothy S. Laniak, Dean

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Charlotte Campus 2011 Graduation Weekend

Please join us as we celebrate the achievement of this year's graduates from Gordon-Conwell's Charlotte campus.

Baccalaureate

When: Friday, May 20, 2011 at 7:00PM
 Where: The Park Church (Beatties Ford Road)
 Speaker: Dr. Garth M. Rosell

Commencement

When: Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 10:00AM
Where: The Park Church (Beatties Ford Road)
Speaker: Dr. Ramez Atallah

Location Information:

The Park Church (Beatties Ford Road)
6029 Beatties Ford Road Charlotte, NC 28216

3. THE LIBRARY NOOK

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The Library and Bookstore will be closed for Easter Weekend, Friday April 22 through Sunday, April 24. The library will close on Thursday evening, April 21 at 10:00 p.m. and reopen on Monday, April 25 at 8:30 a.m.

Library Hours:

- Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Proctoring Policy: Students are expected to make every effort to have their exams proctored outside of the seminary before scheduling a proctoring appointment with the registrar's office. Students having exams proctored in the library must read and sign a one-page statement of library proctoring policies before beginning their proctored exams.

Library Resources: The libraries of Gordon-Conwell are pleased to make available new resources on campus and online. These resources include:



BibleWorks 8 is the premier original languages Bible software program for Biblical exegesis and research. It comes with Greek, Hebrew, and Septuagint Bibles for your computer, as well as translations in English, German, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, and more! BibleWorks is available on library computers.



JSTOR collections III, IV, and V provide full-text access to 538 journals in a wide variety of fields, including education, history, religion, sociology and psychology. JSTOR access is available on the library [database](#) and [journal title](#) sites.



PsycINFO provides systematic coverage of the psychological literature from the 1800s to the present including records from the 1600s and 1700s. PsycINFO contains bibliographic citations, abstracts, cited references, and descriptive information to help users find what they need across a wide variety of scholarly publications in the behavioral and social sciences. PsychINFO is accessible through EBSCOhost on the [database](#) site.

For more information on library online resources contact the Library technologist, Matt Wasielewski, at matwaz@gcts.edu.



Robert C. Cooley Collection Usage Policy for Researchers: In addition to the print resources, the Center contains a research computer with the latest software and technological resources designed to enhance research in biblical studies and early Christianity. Students and researchers interested in the specific resources available can find them listed at: <http://www.accordancebible.com/store/details/?pid=UASc8.4>.

Researchers and students wishing to use the collection for specific research projects must make an appointment by contacting the library director, Dr. Robert Mayer (bmayer@gcts.edu), or the Cooley Center fellow, Mark Poe (mpoe@gcts.edu) by email. More information on this policy can be requested by email or found in the library.

What is the fee for overdue books?

Overdue fines for upstairs books are **25 cents** per book per day. Overdue fines for reserve books are **\$1.00** per book per day. If you accumulate \$10.00 in fines you will not be permitted to check out books unless you receive permission from the library.

Can I check out reserve books?

Yes. Professors place specific titles on reserve for use by students in the library. Normally, reserve books are to remain in the library, but may be checked out for up to one week with consent of the instructor and the library. No more than one reserve book may be checked out at a time, and the fine for late reserve books is **\$1.00 per book per day**.

How do I request a book from the South Hamilton campus?

Please consult the Charlotte library homepage at www.gordonconwell.edu/charlotte/library for specific information on requesting books from Goddard library. No more than six books may be requested.

Can I check out books from other seminaries in the area?

Yes, you can check out books from other theological libraries in the **Charlotte Theological Library Consortium**. The Harold Lindsell Library at Gordon-Conwell-Charlotte is a member of the Charlotte Theological Library Consortium (CTLC), a group of seven theological libraries in the greater Charlotte and piedmont region of North Carolina. Gordon-Conwell students enjoy library privileges at each CTLC member institution subject to the rules of the consortium and each member institution. For more information, visit www.atla.com/ctlc/ctlc.html.

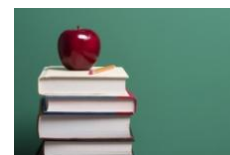
Spring 2011 graduates: Please return all borrowed library books to the library and pay any overdue fines no later than Friday, May 13. Failure to do so may result in you not being able to graduate as the library director must certify to the registrar that all books have been returned. If you have a question about books or fines, please stop by the circulation desk to check your record.

3. JOHN AND SUE NEUHS BOOKSTORE [back to top](#)

Mentored Ministry manuals available for digital download! Charlotte and Jacksonville students now have the option to purchase the manual from Christian Book Distributors or the Charlotte campus bookstore. **Note:** The manual has two editions.

- The [2010 edition](#) is for students who enrolled in Spring 2010 and after.
- The [2008 edition](#) is for students who enrolled before Spring 2010.

Gordon-Conwell Partnership with Christian Book Distributors: Now you can order textbooks online through a unique partnership with Christian Book Distributors. Our prices are competitive and you can go to www.gordonconwell.edu and click "Visit the GCTS Bookstore." Once there, click "textbook finder" in the upper left of the screen and it will allow you to search for textbooks.



Regular bookstore hours:

- **Monday – Friday** 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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- **Saturday** 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- We are happy to help you outside of regular bookstore hours provided that you call or email ahead.

4. PRAYER REQUESTS [back to top](#)

Gordon-Conwell faculty, staff and students meet on **Wednesday mornings in the chapel at 9:15 a.m.** to pray for students, the seminary, and special needs that arise. Please join us! Students can place prayer requests in the Prayer Box located in the Seminary break room. Know that we will keep your concerns and requests confidential.

- Pray for Neely Gaston, Chief Advancement Officer, and his family, as they care for Neely's ailing father.

5. REGISTRAR'S REMARKS [back to top](#)

Email: Please check your Gordon Conwell email. You are responsible for ALL information sent there. It is VERY important.

Summer Registration: is open. You have until April 18th to register. After April 18, there is a late fee of 25.00. Also, please look at the new summer schedule as many changes have been made.

Graduation: applications for May and October are past due. If you have not filled this out to graduate, you must contact the Registration office ASAP. Information about Graduation is on the website.

Requirement Changes:

Several courses will now have co requisites of both OT500 Old Testament Survey and/or NT501 New Testament Survey, or demonstration of having passed the Bible Competency exams.

These courses are:

- TH502, Theology Survey II
- NT502, Interpreting the New Testament
- OT 600-Level Exegesis Courses

A co requisite is a course which must be completed before or concurrently with another course. For example, this change will mean that, in order to take TH502 Theology Survey II, a student must have completed TH501 and done one (or some combination) of the following:

1. Passed the OT and/or NT Competency Exams
2. Passed the OT and/or NT Survey courses prior to taking TH501
3. Be enrolled in the OT and/or NT Survey courses while taking TH501

Webpage: The Registration webpage has been updated. Please look over this for important information.

Sakai: If you have problems with Sakai, please contact the help desk at helpdesk@gcts.edu. You must still check your CAMS portal for verification of registration.

6. SEMINARY BULLETIN BOARD

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- ✚ **Student Lodging Network:** GCTS - Charlotte has several families willing to provide free or inexpensive lodging for out-of-town students. **If you have a guest room** that you would like to make available to students on Friday nights during the school year or **if you are seeking to save lodging costs** by staying with a local family during weekend or week-long module classes, email Scott Roberts at groberts@gordonconwell.edu.

- ✚ **Home for Sale By Owner:** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1660 Sq.Ft. home for sale less than one mile from Gordon-Conwell. Well-maintained and includes a new kitchen floor, kitchen ceiling fans, kitchen ceiling speakers, fresh paint through most of the house, new deck, new vapor barrier in crawl space, new roof, living room, master bedroom features a large walk-in closet and master bath has 2 sinks and garden tub. New Price - **\$159,900**. Call Danny Imes at (704) 999-3784 for more information or to arrange a showing. Also view the listing on MLS.
<http://tempo.carolinamls.com/Pub/EmailView.asp?r=287676659&s=CML&t=CML>

- ✚ **National Conference on Preaching:** May 9-11, 2011 Spartanburg, SC. Student registration is \$75 (regular \$250) and a spouse accompanying a faculty or student registrant is \$75. You can register by phone: **(864) 328-1809** or online at www.ncp2011.com

- ✚ **"Reflective Pedagogy and Christian Practices" Seminar:** June 20 - July 1, 2011 at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Director is Dr. David I. Smith (Calvin College). This seminar will explore how recent work in various disciplines illuminates the nature of teaching as a practice, and in particular what it might mean to approach teaching in an educational setting as a Christian practice. Participants will study and discuss recent writing in philosophy, sociology, education theory, and theology dealing with the nature of social practices and of Christian practices. We will be seeking to understand how this work can inform the design of teaching and learning in such a way that connections between classroom teaching and Christian formation are clarified.

7. MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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Summer Intern/Youth Minister: HollyHunter Baptist Church in North West Charlotte is seeking a summer intern to lead youth and young adults, as well as piano, guitar, vocal and able to lead with a Spirit of Worshipping God. This part-time position (5-10 hours per week) includes ministry outreach, local summer mission selection, Wednesday night program and the Sunday morning Sunday school. Compensation: \$350.00 to \$800.00 per month depending on experience. If interested please call office at (704) 399-3316 and forward your resume and a letter of interest for our review to: Laura Griggs, Director of Operations, HollyHunter Baptist Church, 4316 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road, Charlotte, NC 28216 or fax to (704) 399-8252.

Rural Church Pastor: Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, a small, rural church in Shelby, is soliciting resumes from prospective pastors. If interested, submit a resume by email to Kay Grigg at krenee54@hotmail.com or mail to Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Pastor Search Committee, 2338 Pleasant Hill Church Rd, Grover, NC 28073.

Worship Leader: Good Samaritan UMC (www.goodsamumc.org) is seeking a worship leader who is a committed disciple of Jesus Christ, passionate about worship and possesses the ability to lead a congregation into worship. This individual should be a proficient musician with a strong vocal capability, the ability to lead a full band including vocalist, and provide necessary oversight for the audio visual team. Expected to participate within the life of the worshipping community,

work directly with the pastor in preparing Sunday morning worship services and other special services that occur throughout the year. The position is part-time with the expectation of one practice a week and currently one service on Sunday mornings. For more information concerning this position please contact the church at (803) 831-0304 or email at goodsam@goodsamumc.org.

Youth Leader and Children's Ministry Coordinator: First Presbyterian Church of York, SC (www.fpcyorksc.org) is seeking to fill two positions; Youth Leadership and Children's Ministries Coordinator. We are open to combining the two positions if the appropriate person can be found. We are a loving community of faith, glorifying God by being disciples of Jesus Christ. The Youth Leader's purpose is to minister to the needs of the youth (grades 7-12) as well as coordinate the ministry by working with a team of youth and adults to maintain a strong program of nurture for both those in the church and community. The Children's Ministries Coordinator will serve as the administrative coordinator and hands-on leader of the Children's Ministries of First Presbyterian Church in coordination with the Family Life Programs Committee. Please send resume with references to: Jane Guerry; Coordinating and Personnel Committee; First Presbyterian Church; 10 West Liberty Street; York, South Carolina 29745 or email at jguerry@york.k12.sc.us Web site:

Director of Worship: Lake Norman Fellowship, a Christ-centered Presbyterian church, is seeking a half-time Director of Worship. A proven track record of healthy worship ministry development is a must. Mature Christian character, a deep commitment to Jesus, and the vision of Lake Norman Fellowship, as well as the competence to teach the Praise Team new music and parts, and to prepare the Praise Band as its leader and/or participating member are all essential. **Both a resume and application are required.** A full job description and the application form may be found at www.LakeNormanFellowship.com. Resumes and applications will be accepted through Saturday, March 12th and may be sent to: Lake Norman Fellowship, P. O. Box 3023, Mooresville, NC 28117, Attention: Doug Vinez.

Intern Opportunities at Miami Baptist Church in Concord, NC: If interested in the opportunities listed below, contact Linda Biggers Miami Baptist Church 6301 Miami Church Rd. Concord, NC 28025 or email your resume to Linbiggers@gmail.com.

- Youth Minister: the position involves about 15 hours per week; Sunday morning and evening services, as well as Wednesday evening services; plant and participate in youth events.
- Music minister: needed for all 3 services; lead choir practice on some Sunday afternoons and participate with Special music at Easter and Christmas

Intern Opportunities at Shiloh Institutional Baptist Church: A twelve to twenty-four month commitment will be required from all ministry interns. Anyone interested in the internship opportunities should email a resume to sibcpastor@aol.com.

- *The Minister of Youth Intern:* Primarily responsible for leading worship, preaching and teaching during Youth Church on every 2nd and 4th Sunday and perhaps more frequently in the future. **Youth Church will begin later in the year.** Utilize scholarly work and innovation to make sermons to youth relevant and engaging. Works alongside the Director of Youth Ministry and a Youth Advisory Council and directly under the supervision of the Senior Pastor.
- *The Minister of Local Missions Intern:* Primarily responsible for assisting the Missionary Circle of the Shiloh Institutional Baptist Church with establishing a comprehensive program of missions to include a future Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, Summer Lunch Program, and a Transitional Shelter. Attends Foreign Missionary Training at the Mt. Peace Missionary Baptist Association and works directly under the supervision of the Senior Pastor.
- *The Minister of Counseling and Care Intern:* Primarily responsible for establishing a comprehensive curriculum for group counseling sessions. Scholarly research and prepare for scheduled group counseling sessions. Will conduct group sessions with

congregants and attendees and maintain journals and attendance sheets. Works in collaboration with the Media Ministry to promote sessions among the congregation and community. Works directly under the supervision of the Senior Pastor.

Assistant to the President: impactapologetics.com and crossexamined.org are looking for a part-time Assistant to the President, starting at 25 hours per month with the potential to grow. If interested, email Stephanie Turek at stephanie@crossexamined.org for more information.

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Fellowship: Each year Pierce Fellowships are awarded to returning students who have exhibited a commitment to walking in intimacy with Christ and helping others on their journey with Christ. This is the essence of discipleship. If you are interested in applying for the Pierce Fellowship visit our website at http://www.gcts.edu/current_students/pierce_center_disciple_building.

Mission: The mission of the Pierce Center for Disciple-Building is to prepare ministry leaders who prioritize intimacy with Jesus Christ and the development of effective disciple-building skills within the context of a healthy Christian community.