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 E-NOTES

DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the December 2008 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 send an e-mail to Dr. Steve Klipowicz at sklipowi@gcts.edu.

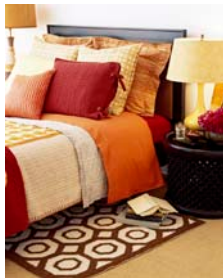
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1. SPRING 2009 INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR [back to top](#)

The Spring 2009 Integrative Seminar, *How High the Fences?: Examining Relationship Boundaries in Ministry*, will be held on **Saturday, January 31** from 9:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. Integrative seminars are **required** for all degree students. Students must **register by January 24, 2009** by submitting a Drop-Add form with the following registration information, Spring Integrative Seminar IS503. Students should complete the required pre-seminar assignments and bring them in writing to the event. An e-mail was recently sent to students providing details for this event and a hard copy will be sent in the mail next week. If you have not received the e-mail, contact Dr. Klipowicz immediately at sklipowi@gcts.edu.

2. GCTS STUDENT LODGING NETWORK [back to top](#)



GCTS - Charlotte has several families willing to provide free or inexpensive lodging for out-of-town students. **If you are seeking to save lodging costs by staying with a local family during weekend or week-long module classes**, please email [Denise Flanders](mailto:Denise.Flanders@gcts.edu). Additionally, **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 know someone who does, please email [Denise Flanders](mailto:Denise.Flanders@gcts.edu).

Find a Ride

If you know the names of the students in your class and want to locate potential car-mates, you can access the Student Directory on the CAMS student portal to find possible classmates in your area and contact them.

3. COOLEY LECTURES: JAN. 15-16, 2009

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Students and guests are welcome to attend the 3rd Annual Robert C. Cooley lectures delivered by Dr. Jim Hoffmeier, a noted archaeologist on Israel and Egypt, of Trinity Evangelical Theological Seminary. For any questions concerning the lecture events, please contact Mark Poe at mpoe@gcts.edu or (704) 435-6408.

Schedule:

Thursday, January 15, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
Recent Excavations in Sinai and the Exodus from Egypt

Friday, January 16, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
Where Is Mt. Sinai and Why It Doesn't Matter?

4. THE LIBRARY NOOK

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Library Holiday Hours:

- Tuesday, December 23 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- December 24 – January 4 CLOSED
- January 5 and following 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Our staff has appreciated the opportunity to serve you throughout 2008 and we trust that you will have a blessed Christmas season.



Outstanding library fines for 2008 will be posted to student accounts during the first week of 2009. To avoid having a fine posted to your account, please check with the circulation desk no later than Tuesday, December 16 to make arrangements for payment.

New on the Reference shelf: Several new volumes have been added to our commentary sets over the past several weeks including new volumes on Acts (Hermenia), Psalms 90-150 (Baker Exegetical OT), and Mark (Baker Exegetical, NT). In addition, we are adding a unique reference set to the collection, the second edition of the *New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture* (UNC Press, REF. F209.N476). Twelve volumes of a projected 24-volume set have appeared and we have recently added volumes 10-12. This is an especially helpful reference for those of you engaged in cultural studies and in the intersection of biblical faith and culture in the American South.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the standard borrowing period for library books?

Four weeks

Can I renew books online?

Yes, you can renew books online, by phone or in person provided that someone else has not placed a "hold" on the item you wish to renew.

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 two reserve books may be checked out at one 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.

Fall 2008 Library hours:

- Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
- Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

JOHN AND SUE NEUHS BOOKSTORE

January and Spring textbooks are being ordered and will be available for purchase in early December. Textbooks are priced competitively and often match the price of other retailers. Please compare our prices with those of other sources. Plus, with us you do not have to worry about shipping or a book being backordered. We encourage you to purchase your books early while we have them in stock.



Semlink textbooks: The bookstore stocks textbooks for Semlink courses that can be taken as part of a Charlotte degree program. Please contact [Alvis Yates](mailto:Alvis.Yates) to inquire about the availability of Semlink texts.

Regular bookstore hours:

- **Monday – Friday** 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- **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.

5. PRAYER REQUESTS

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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 Dr. Sid Bradley and his family because of the recent loss of his sister.

Pray for Heather Deifell who is undergoing testing for pain and health issues with the left side of her body.

Pray for Professor Edward Keazirian and his family as they mourn the loss of his father.

Pray for Dr. Robert E. Cooley as he has been diagnosed with myelodysplasia.

6. MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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Are you interested in more ministry opportunities? Check out www.ministrylist.com.



Overseas Missions Practicum (OMP): Would you be interested in spending six weeks this summer doing ministry in a cross-cultural situation and getting up to six seminary credits for it? Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary—Charlotte students can now participate in the Overseas Missions Practicum program offered by the Hamilton campus. If you are interested in serving in India, Eastern Europe, Mexico, and other exciting contexts this summer, immediately contact

Dr. Steve Klipowicz to find out how.

Children's Pastor: [Stonehill Community Church](#), an 8-year old church plant in Huntersville, is seeking an energetic children's pastor for their youth, ranging from 6 – 10 years old. If interested, contact [Pastor Randall Hickman](#) at (704) 807-4304.

Musicians and Vocalist: Renew Church Community, a church plant in the Steele Creek area, is seeking musicians and a vocalist for its worship team. Contact Mike Paolicelli at mike@godfactor.com.

Director of Youth Ministry: Huntersville United Methodist is seeking a part-time (20 hrs/week) director of youth ministry to begin in January 2009. Resumes should be sent to join_us@huntersvilleumc.org.

Graphic Designer: Forest Hill Church in Charlotte is seeking a full-time graphic designer. Resumes should be sent to tanya.kobylarz@foresthill.org.

Associate Pastor for Administration & Community Ministries: First Baptist Church of Winston-Salem, NC is seeking a senior-level pastor who will be responsible for all administrative operations. More information is available at www.fbcw-s.org.

Music and Technology Intern: [Davidson United Methodist Church](#) in Davidson, NC is seeking an intern to coordinate rehearsals for our talented youth worship band and assist with worship technology and multi-media elements during Sunday evening youth group. This internship is 5-7 hours per week, \$60/week. For more information or to submit a resume, contact [Kristen Twitchell](#), Director of Youth Ministries, (704) 987-9949.

Female Program and Ministry Leadership Internship: Davidson United Methodist Church in Davidson, NC is seeking an intern who is comfortable with United Methodist/Wesleyan theology, energetic and willing to help youth engage in their spiritual journey. This internship is 10-12 hours a week, \$100/week, generally on Sunday evenings and Wednesday nights. For more information or to submit a resume, contact [Kristen Twitchell](#), Director of Youth Ministries, (704) 987-9949.

Navy Opportunities: The Navy is seeking Chaplains to be spiritual and emotional guides for a large and diverse group of Sailors, Marines, Coastguardsmen, and their families. For more information, see <http://www.navy.com/careers/officer/clergy/>.

Children's Ministry Coordinator: [Ebenezer Presbyterian Church](#) (ARP) in Rock Hill, SC is seeking a full-time children's ministry coordinator. For more information, contact emailus@ebenezerarp.org or (803) 366-5119.

Pastor: First Presbyterian in Dalhart, TX is seeking a preaching and teaching elder. For more information, contact Al Abdullah at dral@xit.net or (806) 676-7894.

Summer Internship: [North Shore Baptist Church](#) in the Queens area in New York is seeking 2009 summer interns for ministry opportunities. For more information, please contact Pastor Ed Moore at northshorebaptist@verizon.net or (718) 229-7223.

Youth Minister: [Light of Christ United Methodist Church](#) in the Ballantyne area is seeking a part-time (20 hrs/week) youth minister. If interested, send a resume to youthminister@locumc.org.

IT Specialist: Christ Covenant Church (PCA) in Matthews, NC is seeking someone to provide on-site technology assistance to the Christ Covenant staff and CDS teachers in a Help Desk approach. The successful applicant will have excellent people skills, a willingness to learn, and a passion for technology as well as technical knowledge. Should have 1-2 years experience in a technical trouble-shooting role. Contact Margie Johnston at (704) 814-1007 or mjohnston@christcovenant.org for more information.

Small Group Intern: Are you interested in being a paid intern in a vital small group ministry in a Charlotte church? If so, contact Dr. Klipowicz to learn more about this promising opportunity.

Chaplain Candidate Scholarship Partnership: The US Army Chaplaincy Corps is charged with the responsibility of insuring that our Army's Soldiers and families are cared for spiritually. Scholarship opportunities are available to interested students that may provide financial aid and potential tuition credit. For more information visit the website at www.goarmy.com/chaplain/.

7. REGISTRAR'S REMARKS

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Spring Registration: Registration is in progress. Please refer to the November 11 e-mail from Registrar Tim Myrick for instructions and a copy of the registration form along with updated schedules. Forms for special courses such as Semlink, mentored ministry, directed studies, etc. can still be downloaded from the Charlotte page of www.gcts.edu under Campus Info, Charlotte Academic Forms. Please note that both sides of the basic registration form are required. We need to know your payment intentions and whether or not your address or phone number has changed. Feel free to add IS503 to the regular registration form. However, the Counseling Retreat requires a special form found on the Counseling website. Forms may be faxed to (704) 940-5858, mailed or turned in at the seminary to the registration office or left in the library.



IS502 Research/Writing Seminars:

Open to students who began in Fall 2008:

IS502 CA: January 10, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (registration deadline: Dec. 15)

Open to all students:

IS502 CC: February 4, 11, 18, 6:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. (registration deadline: Jan. 31)

IS502 CD: March 4, 11, 18, 6:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. (registration deadline: Jan. 31)

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Friday Registration Office Hours: The office will be open until 6:25 p.m. on Friday evenings whenever classes are meeting.

Bible Competency Make-Up Exams: The make-up exams for those who matriculated in FA08 are Friday, January 30, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Please send an email to Joni Horne at jhorne@gcts.edu to sign up.

Graduation Deadlines:

January 23, 2009 is the deadline for applying for May 2009 graduation. Students must file a Graduation Form with the Registration Office by this date. This form is located on the Charlotte homepage of www.gcts.edu under Charlotte Academic Forms. The student will then be notified of degree requirements that have not been met.

February 6, 2009 is the last day to revoke May 2009 graduation application and avoid the \$110 graduation fee.

Exegesis Registration: All students who intend to take a Greek exegesis course in SP09, but who did not have a Greek exegesis course in FA08 are required by the Bible Division to take a Greek competency quiz. This should be completed by the time of or at the January Integrative Seminar. To set this up, contact RGrams@gcts.edu.

Scheduling a Library Proctor: Please notify [Joni Horne](#) or [Trish King](#) at least twenty-four hours in advance of the time you wish to schedule a proctoring appointment. Proctoring may begin at 9:00 a.m., but must be finished thirty minutes before the library is scheduled to close.

8. SEMINARY BULLETIN BOARD

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Free Counseling Opportunity: Free, brief, confidential counseling or personality assessment from a counseling student is available occasionally during the year. *Volunteering allows both the opportunity of pursuing greater self-awareness and spiritual/personal growth while also contributing to the professional development of fellow GCTS students.* If interested, please send an e-mail to Dr. Kelly Breen Boyce at kboyce@gcts.edu with your name, contact information and whether you are interested in volunteering for counseling, personality assessment or both.

Babysitter Available: First-year divinity student with 9 years of child-care experience is seeking babysitting opportunities. Please contact Carrie Myatt at cmyatt@gcts.edu or (980) 939-1176.

Home for Rent: 2,500 sq. ft., 3 br/2 ba, convenient to I-77 and 85, \$1,100/month. Contact (704) 523-8938 for more information.

Rooms for Rent: Several rooms are available in a home in the Heritage community for \$550 - \$600/month. Internet and utilities included. Contact Dr. Emmett Cooper at honeyword@aol.com or (352) 457-4444 for more information.

Room for Rent: A furnished room less than 1 mile from Gordon-Conwell is available for \$400/month, including utilities. For more information, contact deborahware@yahoo.com.

Condo for Rent: A two story, three-bedroom condo is available in Charlotte for seminary students for only \$660 per month. If you are interested, e-mail Julie at wakebasketball06@yahoo.com.

Student ID Card: Please have your student ID card with you at all times while on campus. Your ID card serves several purposes. It allows access into the building when class is in session and it

is your Harold Lindsell Library card used to check out books. If a replacement card is needed, contact Scott Smith, Office Coordinator.

Lost and Found: If you believe a personal belonging has been left on campus or misplaced, contact Estella John at the receptionist desk, (704) 527-9909 or ejohn@gcts.edu. Items are held behind the front desk until someone comes to claim them.

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Soul Care Groups: Soul care groups are life-giving groups to help you grow in your experiential knowledge of God. Recognizing that all seminarians are having their minds well fed, soul care groups facilitate what their name implies—care for the soul. Want to be a part of one? Contact Reid Satterfield at rsatterfield@gcts.edu or (800) 600-1212.

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/piercecenter/>. The application deadline is June 27.

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.

10. MACC STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Counseling Central website: macc.gordonconwell.edu. The site is still being developed, but announcements are being posting regularly.

Students in Dr. Breen Boyce's classes: please remember to submit a postage-paid, flat rate, self-addressed envelope for returned coursework.