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 E-NOTES

DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the January 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

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Dear brothers and sisters,
 The yearend provides all of us an instinctive opportunity to reassess relationships, goals, and the quantity of our activities. It's a good time to realign ourselves with what we know God's will to be in any of these areas. At this season I have felt a strong invitation to seek God's favor on so many wonderful things happening – or just beginning to happen – at our campus. On Monday, Martin Luther King Day, a few of us gathered for an "I have a dream" day of prayer. Some of you were in church services, others in class, and some at home taking another vacation day. Please join us in spirit praying that God would show us *his* dreams for our future.

Thank you!

Dr. Tim Laniak, Dean

2. SPRING INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR, January 29, 2011

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The spring 2011 Integrative Seminar, ***Conversing with Lausanne: Reflections on the Christian Movement from a Global Perspective***, will be held on Saturday, January 29, 2011 at the seminary from 9:00 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. All master degree students are required to attend six seminars as a graduation requirement. Final registration date is January 24. For additional information consult previous special emails and postal mailing for registration information or else contact Dr. Steve Klipowicz.

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3. THE LIBRARY NOOK [back to top](#)

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.

New Library Resources: Starting in January 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 mattwaz@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.

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Spring textbooks available beginning Tuesday, December 14: For those of you shopping for the best price, please compare our prices to other sources. We do try to competitively price our books and often times we can match the price of other retailers. Plus 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.

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.
- **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.

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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 Arsanios Ragheb, one of our students and a priest in the Coptic Orthodox Church. In the aftermath of an attack on the Coptic Orthodox Church in Alexandria a few weeks ago, persecution of believers is growing more intense. Please pray for Fr. Ragheb and our fellow believers in Egypt.
- Please pray for two of our Charlotte campus alumni, Jerel law and Dmitri Baryshnikov. Tragically both recently lost their wives to cancer.

4. REGISTRAR'S REMARKS

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Spring Registration is open. Even though the deadline was December 1, you may still register with a late registration fee of \$25. Add/Drops do not incur fees at this time. We have added PC511 Pastoral Counseling to Module 4, and PR602 CB Preaching on Tuesday nights.

Bible Competency Exam: Students that matriculated in Fall 2010 have one final opportunity to take the bible competency test. The test will be offered on Fridays in February from 4:00- 6:00 p.m. This is only for students who started on campus Fall 2010. Please email Joni Horne at jhorne@gordonconwell.edu to sign up.

May 2011 Graduation: Applications must be received by the Registration Office no later than **January 21, 2011**.

Semlink: Remember to register online. The Deadline is February 25, 2011.

5. 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 Anna Gruntz at agruntz@gordonconwell.edu.

2011 ETS Southeast Region Meeting: Luther Rice Seminary in Lithonia, GA is sponsoring the 2011 Southeastern Regional meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society on March 25-26, 2011 at First Baptist Church (2100 Hwy 138 NE, Conyers, GA, 30013). The theme for the meeting is: **"Theological Dialog within the Evangelical Community"**. Dr. Millard Erickson, professor of theology at the Kairos Institute in Trinidad, is the guest speaker. Student can submit papers on the conference theme "Theological Dialog" or topics other than the conference theme will be accepted. For more information visit the ETS website at: http://www.etsjets.org/region/Southeast_overview.

Home for Rent: A 2 bedroom/1 bath home on Yorkmont Rd (parallel to Billy Graham) is available for \$550/month with a \$550 deposit. Home includes large kitchen & dining area, washer/dryer, central heat and air, large screened in porch and a wooded lot. Convenient to I-77 & I-85. For more information, call Scotty at (704) 523-8938.

6. MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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Filming/Production Assistant(s) still needed: BibleJourney Lay Education courses will be on Monday nights from January 24 to March 28, from 6:45 p.m.- 8:45 p.m. each evening. We are recording the sessions for further teaching, promotional, and training uses and are looking for person/persons who would be willing to film the sessions and provide technical support. A few other hours may be available for post-production/distribution work with the material. An understanding of and proficiency with camera equipment and audio/video production is strongly preferred. Equipment and training will be provided by the seminary but industry/area experience is highly recommended for this position. If interested, contact Drew Edwards at (704) 527-9909 or dedwards@gcts.edu.

Media Services Specialist Student Worker: GCTS-Charlotte is seeking Media Services Specialist (MSS) Student Workers from the Charlotte campus to facilitate the understanding, use, and growth of media practices and technologies to further the mission of this campus and the entire institution. This position will report to the Media Services Manager on campus and work with the rest of the Media Specialist team. Collaboration will also take place with IT and Media Services personnel throughout the institution. Tasks often associated with this job include but are not limited to: video production (shooting, editing, authoring, etc.), live audio production, classroom multimedia equipment operation and troubleshooting, basic computer support, student technology assistance, and many other functions. Previous experience and competency in such areas are preferred but not required. MSS Student Workers are put on a weekend rotation to share coverage of Friday night chapel and Saturday morning class support shifts through each semester. The position requires 10 hours of work per week and weekend rotation availability. If interested, please provide a resume and explanation or example of work by contacting Drew Edwards at (704) 527-9909 or dedwards@gcts.edu. We are seeking to fill two positions to begin as soon as possible.

Part-Time Children's Ministry Director: Providence Presbyterian Church (www.ppcnet.net) in Concord, NC is in need of a part-time children's ministry director to begin March 1, 2011. If interested, contact Mark Weathers at mark@ppcnet.net for a job description and application.

Chaplain Position: A temporary entry-level chaplain position is available and located at Pasquotank Correctional Institution, Elizabeth, NC. Graduate from an ATS accredited School of Theology with a M.Div. degree is required. If interested, please submit at PD107 application by January 29. Application can be found at www.osp.state.nc.us<<http://www.osp.state.nc.us>>. Direct applications to Chaplain Betty Brown; 840 West Morgan Street, 4263 MSC; Raleigh, NC 27699-4263. For more information, please contact Nancy Nelson at (919) 838-3625.

Associate Pastor: Shiloh Reformed Church in Faith, NC (outside Salisbury) is seeking a full time Associate Pastor. Shiloh is a very active church with lots of boys and girls, and a growing church with 550 members, about 300 in Morning Worship and 175 in Sunday School. Shiloh currently has no denominational tie, having pulled out of the United Church of Christ in 2005. If interested please email pastor@shilohreformedchurch.com.

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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.