



DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the June 2010 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 Dr. Steve Klipowicz at sklipowicz@gordonconwell.edu.

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1. DEAN'S DESK

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Dear brothers and sisters,

Greetings at the beginning of what is likely the typical summer mix of intensive activity and that much sought after "down time." You are often in our prayers, especially as we hear of the many commitments you juggle and the unexpected crises that complicate your lives.

I'd like to share some encouraging thoughts about the purpose of God's calling that may help you see the value in these crises. You'll find a message from Jonah I gave during my snowy installation in February at www.gordonconwell.edu/charlotte_campus.

May you experience God's peace and appreciate his sovereignty.

Tim Laniak, Dean

2. FALL INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR

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The Fall Integrative Seminar is scheduled for August 28, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. The theme is "Maintenance or Mission? Posturing the Church for Ministry in the Post-Christian Culture." This will also be the day of the Charlotte campus' annual Pig Picking!

Students intending to participate must register for it as they would any other course. To register, include "Fall Integrative Seminar IS505" on your fall registration form. If you have already registered for fall classes, simply complete an Add-Drop form and submit it to the Registrar's.

There is a pre-assignment which includes reading the excellent, short book, *The Celtic Way of Evangelism* by George Hunter (Abingdon, 2000) and answering several reflection questions. Additional information regarding this event will be sent shortly by e-mail.

3. SIMON CHAN LECTURES

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Simon Chan, Earnest Lau Professor of Systematic Theology at Trinity Theological College in Singapore, will speak at GCTS-Charlotte, doing a four lecture series in *Global Christianity: Conversations on the Church, Spirituality and Liturgy* on Thursday, June 10 and Friday, June 11.

Thursday, June 10, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Morning lectures are *Evangelical Spirituality in Transition* and *Global South Christianity: Prospects for Theological Development*. The afternoon lecture is *Liturgical Formation: Ancient Practice for the Evangelical Church*. Cost is \$10 for students, faculty and spouses; lunch is included.

Friday, June 11, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. with dinner following. Lecture topic is *Ecclesiology and Charismata: The Meeting of Orthodoxy and Pentecostalism*. This lecture is free for GCTS students and faculty; the cost of the dinner following the lecture is \$7.

Students, faculty and spouses please register at the GCTS front desk, (704) 527-9909. Other guests, please register online at store.gordonconwell.edu/chan. The cost for guests is \$15. For more information, contact Reid Satterfield, (704) 527-9909 or rsatterfield@gordonconwell.edu.

4. THE LIBRARY NOOK

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Library Hours:

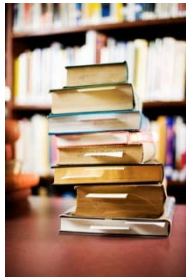
- Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
- Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The library and bookstore will be closed Friday, July 2 – Monday, July 5, 2010 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Proctoring Policy: Please note the new library policy for proctoring exams and quizzes. 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.

Online Library Resources: The libraries at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary offer a host of online research resources to students, staff and faculty. 28 [databases](#) are accessible to hunt down articles and books, perform Greek word studies, view primary sources for church history, and much more! Over 2,000 [journals](#) are available online in subjects ranging from theology and biblical studies to psychology and pastoral ministry. Well over 1,000 eBooks in theology and biblical studies are available via [Netlibrary](#). A compiled list of free online resources useful to the Gordon-Conwell community is available [here](#). [Tutorials](#) are also available to help with using library databases and researching specific subjects.



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.

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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.

6. 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.

- Keep in prayer various students who will be traveling internationally on mission trips this summer. Pray for Caleb Klipowicz, Dr. Klipowicz's son, who will be in Bolivia for six months on a short-term trip with South American Mission (SAM).

7. REGISTRAR'S REMARKS

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Summer Registration: If you have not registered for summer, please send in your registration ASAP! All Semlink and non-scheduled courses are to be registered with a date by **June 11** to be included in the summer term.

When registering for Semlink course online REMEMBER if you have taken 1 course or attended an Integrative Seminar, you are considered an on-campus student.

IS502: If you are planning to attend the Research and Writing Seminar with Dr. Mayer this summer, on July 10 from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, please put this on your registration form.

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Discount on Microsoft Office: Microsoft is currently offering Microsoft Office 2007/2010 for \$59.95 for all students. To purchase for this extremely discounted price, students must use their gordonconwell.edu e-mail address to register at www.ultimatesteal.com. Once registered each student will get an individual e-mail explaining how to purchase their copy of Office 2007/2010.

Roommate Wanted: A Christian female is seeking a roommate. The house is located off of Commonwealth Avenue, within walking distance to shops and restaurants in the historic Plaza-Midwood neighborhood. Built in the 1940s, the house has hardwood floors, a front porch and loads of charm. Rent is between \$250 and \$400 per month. If interested, call Kristen at (704) 458-3742.

Student Council: The GCTS-Charlotte Student Council is seeking new members. The Student Council is an advisory team of current students with the following responsibilities:

- Be the students' voice - representatives of and advocates for student needs, questions and concerns regarding opportunities to better fulfill GCTS's mission
- Through gathering student feedback, proactively help identify and prioritize "mission gaps" and surface and share potential solution ideas with appropriate decision makers
- Be representatives of and are advocates for faculty and staff needs and initiatives that require student input and/or leadership
- As invited, engage in helping identify and prioritize "mission gaps" from a faculty/staff perspective and sharing potential solution ideas

The Student Council is seeking a diverse representation of the student body with regard to degree program, gender, ethnicity, age, etc. If you know of a student(s), or if you yourself are interested, please email your nominations to dschlabach@gcts.edu. Nominations should include: the student's name, 2-4 sentences about why they are being nominated, and how you know them. Please put "Student Council Nomination" as the subject of the email.

Todd Carrouth Scholarship Winner: Congratulations to Melody Reid, GCTS-Charlotte student, who was awarded the Todd Carrouth Foundation Scholarship this spring. Melody was selected along with two other Duke University students to receive this grant.

Free Television: After replacing some equipment, GCTS- Charlotte has a 32" TV available for free donation to a local church or ministry. The TV set is quite large and bulky and is missing the buttons on the front, but is in working order and comes with a remote. We cannot guarantee its condition and cannot transport it from the campus but will offer it for free to the first offer available for pickup. Please contact Drew Edwards at dedwards@gcts.edu or (704) 527-9909.

Answering the Call Conference: Ed Stetzer, John Hull, Jim Tomberlin and John Armstrong will speak at the "Answering the Call" conference on August 6 – 8 in Chicago, IL. The intention of the conference is to offer vision and strategies for renewal in the historic, mainline denominations. For more information, visit www.mainlinecall.org.

Evangelical Theological Society Annual meeting: The ETS Annual 2010 meeting will be held Wednesday – Friday, November 17-19, 2010. The meeting will be held in Atlanta, Georgia on the theme "Justification by Faith." The three plenary speakers are Pastor John Piper (Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis), the Rt. Revd. N. T. Wright (Bishop of Durham) and Dr. Frank Thielman (Presbyterian Professor of Divinity, Beeson Divinity School). To become a student member of ETS and begin receiving the quarterly Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society, visit www.etsjets.org.

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, please email Denise Flanders, deniseflanders@gmail.com.

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Student Workers: are needed to help in doing research for the seminary's Biblical Literacy Project. This work will focus on gathering data from area churches regarding their adult bible programs. If interested, contact Dr. Steve Klipowicz, sklipowicz@gordonconwell.edu. These are paid, part-time positions.

Part-time Youth Minister: Uptown Church is seeking a part-time director of youth ministry. This will be a 20 hour/week position, which will work to implement the philosophy of youth ministry for our growing number of students in the 6-12th grades. Interviews for this position will take place in early June. If interested, contact Assistant Pastor Dave Kulp at davekulp@uptownchurch.org.

Associate Pastor: [New Hope Presbyterian Church](#) in Green Bay, Wisconsin is seeking a full-time associate pastor. Responsibilities include shepherding the congregation, preaching, evangelism, mission trip planning, visiting homes, evangelism, etc. If interested, contact Dave Keller, office@nhopc.org or (920) 468-8565.

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 no later than September 1, 2010.

Company Chaplain: Pharr Yarns, LLS, a manufacturing company in McAdenville, NC is seeking a company chaplain. This position has traditionally been full-time, but could be part-time as well. The chaplain provides spiritual care and counseling to a diverse company population. Applicant must be able to speak Spanish. If interested, contact Mel Collins, VP of Human Resources, at (704) 823-2330.

Youth Pastor: The Ridge Church in northwest Greensboro, NC is seeking a part-time youth pastor. Please send resume to The Ridge, 7101 Pleasant Oaks Rd., Greensboro, NC 27410.

Children's Ministry Coordinator: The Ridge Church in northwest Greensboro, NC is seeking a part-time children's ministry coordinator. Please send resume to The Ridge, 7101 Pleasant Oaks Rd., Greensboro, NC 27410.

Middle and High School Ministry Director: First Presbyterian North Palm Beach, in Palm Beach, FL, is seeking a full-time middle and high school ministry director. For more information, visit the website at firstpresnpb.org or contact Eddie Nabhan at (561) 282-8038. If interested, send resume to fnpbbyouth@gmail.com.

Executive Pastor: River Oaks Community Church, EPC, in Clemmons, NC, is seeking an Executive Pastor. River Oaks is an outreach-focused church with approximately 1,500 attending each week. For a complete job description, please email Frank Carter, Executive Pastor Search Team Chairman, at frank@riveroakschurch.org.

Assistant Pastor – Worship and Families with Children: [Christ Our Hope Church](#), PCA, in Wake Forest, NC, is seeking a full-time assistant pastor to lead the congregation's worship music. The position is 45-50 hrs/week and the man hired will be responsible for leading the worship team and supervising the children's and youth families ministries. If interested, contact Rebecca Cooper, Search Team Chairperson at (919) 570-9717 or christourhopemusic@gmail.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.

12. MEDIA HELP FILE

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The Media Help File is a new segment in E-Notes and a new program at GCTS-Charlotte. The Media Helps Program is an initiative to provide resources to our communities, both to the students on campus and to the city of Charlotte as a whole. Our mission statement is:

"The MHP is committed to enabling churches and other non-profits to pursue excellence in media by providing and encouraging planning, learning, refining and collaboration of media skills, strategy and personnel to help our world in positive ways."

Our goal will be to understand and assist these groups with the unique challenges they face, the significant messages they portray and the audiences/constituents they wish to serve.

This "column" in E-notes will serve as a sharing space for ideas about issues the MHP will target and provide announcements as to the events the program sponsors, encourages, and groups it participates with.

We are very interested in learning of areas where the program can help your church or ministry in many areas of media from planning and creation, to production and distribution. We will be sending out a short survey in the coming weeks to gauge interest on various topics you find most important. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey when the link is sent. You may also contact Drew Edwards, dedwards@gordonconwell.edu, if you have suggestions or general comments or questions regarding the program.