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 E-NOTES

DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the September 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 Scott Smith at ssmith2@gcts.edu.

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1. THE DEAN'S DESK

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Dear brothers and sisters,

We are off to a great start this year with about one hundred new students joining our community. The spiritual tenor of New Student Orientation and the Integrative Seminar was tangible. We pray that this year will be one of deep transformation for all of you. In the coming days you'll be hearing about some new initiatives designed to make your seminary journey richer. Our Student Council is in able hands with Dustin Schlabach's team. A new Hospitality Council, chaired by Maureen Laniak and Chris Caleffie, wants to reach out to student spouses. (If you didn't fill out a form yet, please send your spouse's contact information to agruntz@gordonconwell.edu so they can be invited.) Our Spiritual Life Council, headed this year by Reid Satterfield and Shari Adams, will be coordinating opportunities for individual and small group soul care. Many of our alumni want to serve as "spiritual sherpas" for you. A newly donated "Sabbath House" will be occupied soon by trustee Dick Camp and his wife Virjean. They will join Percy and Sarah Jo Burns as seasoned spiritual advisors who want to share their wisdom and pray with you.

So, keep your eyes open for announcements regarding these kinds of opportunities. This is a journey we want to make together.

Yours,

Dr. Tim Laniak, Dean

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2. FALL INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR MAKE-UP PROCEDURE [back to top](#)

This fall's Integrative Seminar has passed but for students wishing to make up the event or interested in hearing some of the sessions again, recordings of the main sessions will be available soon as streaming/downloadable podcasts on the GCTS iTunes U account. We anticipate the recordings being available by 9/15/10.

To make up the seminar:

1. Listen to the seminar recording
2. Write a four page reflection/interaction paper (if pre-seminar work was done, it could be substituted for this paper).
3. Send the paper and a make-up fee check of \$25 to Dr. Klipowicz. (Checks should be made out to GCTS and include your student ID)

To access the recordings:

1. Go to www.gcts.edu
2. On the home page on the left you'll see a list of icons beneath the "lifelong learners" heading. Click the "iTunes" logo (disc and music notes) and it will launch iTunes on your computer after you follow the instructions it gives. (If you do not have iTunes on your computer, it should allow you to install it for free or you can find it at apple.com).
3. After iTunes launches it will go to our iTunes U page. Then look under the "From the Pulpit" section for Charlotte Integrative Seminars.
4. You will then see each lecture available to listen or download.

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

Library Hours:

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

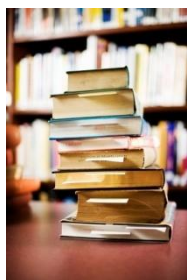
Proctoring Policy: Please note the new library policy for proctoring exams and quizzes. Students are expected to make every effort to have their exams proctored outside of the seminary before scheduling a proctoring appointment with the registrar's office. Students having exams proctored in the library 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.

- [Databases](#) are accessible to hunt down articles and books, perform Greek word studies, view primary sources for church history, and much more!
- [Journals](#) are available online in subjects ranging from theology and biblical studies to psychology and pastoral ministry.
- [Netlibrary](#) offers eBooks in theology and biblical studies.
- [Tutorials](#) are also available to help with using library databases and researching specific subjects.

New 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. Appointments should be made by contacting the library director, Dr. Robert Mayer (bmayer@gcts.edu), and 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.



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 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.

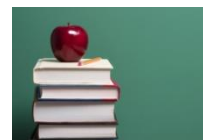
Can I check out books from other seminaries in the area?

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.

4. JOHN AND SUE NEUHS BOOKSTORE

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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.

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 earnestly for Dr. Gary Parrett and his family. Dr. Parrett, who teaches at our Hamilton campus, was seriously injured in a bus accident in Korea. He is back in Boston, and undergoing intense physical therapy.

6. REGISTRAR'S REMARKS

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Fall 2010 Registration PAST DUE: The registration form and the schedule are available online for your convenience. Only use the add/drop form (available online) to make changes to your schedule after you've submitted the registration form. The deadline for submitting your fall registration form was **Wednesday, August 2**. [Contact registration ASAP if you still need to register.](#) Given the current financial circumstances, the seminary can no longer offer under-enrolled classes. If a course does not meet the minimum enrollment requirement, the course will be cancelled. Therefore, it is imperative that you submit you contact the registration office ASAP if you hope to register for classes in the fall so that we have ample time to make a decision and notify professors/students. We would hate to cancel a course only to learn later that enough students had planned to enroll but just failed to act in a timely manner.

Payment: You must pay off any balance before you start your classes or you will be **de-registered**.

Semlink: Remember that registration for Semlink courses is now online. **Note:** all students that have ever taken a course on campus are considered a campus student. For this to be a Fall course, it must be registered by **Oct.1**.

Bible comp exams: For first year students you are required to take the New and Old Testament competency exams or the survey courses. These are required to graduate. The exams will be held the following Fridays Sept.10, Sept.17, Sept.24, and Oct. 1 from 4 p.m.-6 p.m. **Contact** Joni Horne to schedule jhorne@gcts.edu.

CAMS portal: If you are trying to see your class schedule, make sure you choose the correct term(**FA-10**) on the upper right hand side to see your courses for a given semester. If you have trouble, contact helpme@gcts.edu.

7. SEMINARY BULLETIN BOARD

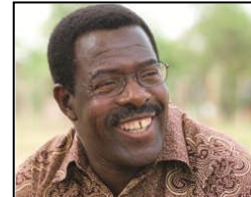
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Byington (student assistant) Wanted: Dr. Laniak is looking for a Byington who has video editing skills. Any interested students can contact Patricia Nielsen at pnielsen@gcts.edu

“Little Town of Bethlehem” Film Screening: This fall GCTS-Charlotte will be hosting a screening of the EGM Films Production “Little Town of Bethlehem.” The event will be on Thursday, October 14 at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. No events/activities will be presented before or after the event. The film is PG-13 and runs about 80 minutes. More information can be found at www.littletownofbethlehem.org.

Dr. Celestin Musekura, Founder, President & CEO of ALARM:

Please join Maureen Laniak *on Monday, September 13 from 9-11 a.m.* at GCTS-Charlotte. The vision of ALARM, (African Leadership and Reconciliation Ministries, <http://alarm-inc.org>), is to be a transformative agent in the building of African nations – empowering leadership and reconciling communities; and that in the western church ALARM be a champion of the gospel expression: peace building, forgiveness and reconciliation in our own relationships – our marriages, families, friendships, politics and nation. Please RSVP to Maureen Laniak at mlaniak@gordonconwell.edu. For more information visit:



<http://www.crossroadscharlotte.org/event/700/Meet-African-Leader-Reconciliation-Partner-Celestin-Musekura>.

Jonathan Edwards for the 21st Century: GCTS students are invited to join Reformed Theological Seminary- Charlotte (RTS) for their 2010 Fall Lectures. RTS is hosting Dr. George M. Marsden on September 28, 2010 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in the RTS-Charlotte chapel. To reserve a spot, email Tari Williamson at twilliamson@rts.edu. RTS – Charlotte is located at 2101 Carmel Rd.; Charlotte, NC 28226.

Annual Meeting - Evangelical Theological Society: A group of GCTS-Charlotte students is planning to attend the ETS Annual 2010 meeting on November 17-19. For more information visit: http://www.etsjets.org/annual_meeting_overview. To become a student member of ETS and begin receiving the quarterly Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society, visit www.etsjets.org. If you are interested in attending and would like to find students to travel/room with, contact Carrie Myatt at carrie.myatt@gmail.com. If you have questions about ETS or the meeting, contact Dr. Myatt at amyatt@gordonconwell.edu.

National Conference on Christian Apologetics 2010: Alex McFarland, President of Southern Evangelical Seminary presents *Defending the Faith & Family* on October 15-16 in Charlotte, NC. For ticket information, visit www.NationalApologeticsConference.com or call 800-77-TRUTH.

Debate after the 2010 National Apologetics Conference: Rabbi Shmuley and Dr. Brown debate at Upcoming National Apologetics Conference. Rabbi Shmuley Boteach is considered “the most famous rabbi in America” by Newsweek magazine and is the international best-selling author of 23 books. As a Jewish believer in Jesus, Dr. Michael Brown is active in Jewish evangelism, debating rabbis on radio, TV, and college campuses. He is a radio show host, author, seminary professor, and ministry leader. This event is sponsored by Southern Evangelical Seminary. For ticket information, visit www.NationalApologeticsConference.com or call 800-77-TRUTH.

The Fund for Theological Education: The Fund for Theological Education offers fellowships to entering and second-year seminary students with gifts for leadership and a call to pastoral ministry. Visit www.thefund.org/programs for details on eligibility and nomination/application forms

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING SEMINARY

- Congregations nominate candidates, commit funds
- Candidates: entering M.Div. students age 35 and under with 3.0 GPA
- \$1,000 to \$5,000 matching fellowships and leadership conference

VOLUNTEERS EXPLORING VOCATION

- Fellowships for recent participants in faith-based volunteer service organizations
- Entering M.Div. students age 35 and under with 3.0 GPA
- \$2,500 fellowship and leadership conference

MINISTRY FELLOWSHIPS FOR SECOND-YEAR SEMINARY STUDENTS

- Deans/presidents of ATS-accredited institutions nominate candidates
- For full-time M.Div. students age 35 and under with 3.3 GPA or higher
- \$10,000 fellowship and leadership conference

Logos Bible Software: 50% off discount on Logos Bible Software valid with minimum of 50 units per program during 8/25/2010-9/15/2010. Discount valid on: Original Languages Library, Scholar's Library, Silver, Gold, or Platinum. Open to all faculty and students. Orders will be charged when enrollment period ends. Order now at www.logos.com/Academic/gcts/50Students or call (800) 878-4191.

E-books Available at CBD: Beginning September 1, CBD has made e-books available alongside the corresponding physical books at <http://gcts.christianbook.com/>. CBD's e-book product does not require users to purchase a reader device. CBD has designed a solution that will work on any device that supports an internet browser. This includes desktop devices – both Windows and Mac platforms – as well as mobile devices such as the iPad, iPhone, Android, and the SONY and NOOK readers. CBD servers will hold the customer's e-book library. As a result, there will be no lost files, and customers will be able to read their e-books at any time.

Clinical Pastoral Education: CMC-Randolph will offer Clinical Pastoral Education this fall, from October 11, 2010 - March 25, 2011. It is an extended unit of CPE because the 400 hours required for this course are "extended" over a number of weeks to require less time on campus per week for the students. Each year CMC-Randolph has a Summer Intensive course from June to mid-August. This is a 10- or 11-week program designed for seminarians or other full-time students who can spend 40 hours+ per week in the program. For more information, contact Terri Bolotin, terri.bolotin@carolinashealthcare.org.

Female Roommate Wanted: A 3 bedroom/2 bath ranch style house in Charlotte (Steele Creek area); four miles from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. The neighborhood has a Jr. Olympic sized swimming pool & a sand volleyball court. Located one mile from the Rivergate Shopping Center (Harris Teeter, Super Target, Bi-Lo, Marshalls, Home Depot, restaurants, etc). Nearby walking trails; non-smoking house; no pets. \$400/month, plus utilities. Contact Amanda Stone if interested; email at mandaiwu@hotmail.com or by phone at (704) 295-4801 (work); (704) 236-7975 (cell).

Female Roommate Wanted: A GCTS student is seeking a Christian female roommate for a townhouse located at 15340 Coventry Court Lane, Charlotte, NC 28277 (in the Ballantyne - S.Charlotte area - close to I-485 and GCTS campus). Roommate will have private bedroom, closet and bath. Downstairs area and kitchen is fully furnished. Bedroom is open immediately; rent is \$550 including all utilities. Does not require a lease agreement, prefer a one year commitment and a 3-month move-out notice. Will pro-rate the month's rent based on time of move in. For more information, call Emily at (704) 576.0832.

Female Roommate Wanted: A 2 bedrooms & 2 ½ bath; beautiful townhouse located in Raintree neighborhood in south Charlotte; located on I-485 between Rea Road and Providence Road;

great location close to Stonecrest and Arboretum shopping center; homeowner is GCTS-Charlotte Alumni; call Carissa Kuhn at (704) 651-3432 for more details.

Townhome for Sale or Rent: A 3 Bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome, ten minutes from campus for sale or for rent. It is located in Fort Mill, SC, only minutes from I-77, 20 min. from uptown Charlotte and close to Ballantyne as well. Call Casey Eich at (704) 968-6650. We are asking \$129,000 or \$925/mo to rent.

Free Television: 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. Contact Drew Edwards at dedwards@gcts.edu or (704) 527-9909.

Cocker Spaniel Needs Home: Ollie, an 11 year old Cocker Spaniel, has an eager and sweet personality and would be a PERFECT companion for a loving adult, couple, or even family with older children. He is a purebred cocker and is in great health. Anyone interested can reach Kathi Bradley at (704) 544-7874 (home) or (704) 236.4041 (cell).

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.

8. MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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Youth Director: All Saints Anglican Church in Charlotte, NC is seeking a full-time Director of Youth and Family Ministries. This person will, under the Rector's leadership, have oversight of the youth ministry (including Sunday school) and ministry to strengthen families. Email your resume to allsaintsanglicanchurch@gmail.com.

Middle/High School Director: First Presbyterian Church in North Palm Beach Florida is looking to fill our middle school/high school director position. Responsibilities include typical youth director responsibilities and being a member and part of our church structure and vision as a whole. If interested, email resumes and questions to Eddie Nabhan at enabhan@gmail.com. A full job description is available upon request. More information about First Presbyterian Church can be found at <http://www.firstpresnpb.org>.

Student Ministry Internship: LifePointe Christian Church, a church plant is seeking student ministry interns for the 2010-2011 school year. Internships are part-time commitments and are compensated through support-raising; assistance with fundraising and housing is possible if needed. For more information, contact Kevin Layne at kevin@lifepointecc.com or (803) 802-1534.

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 at office@nhopc.org or (920) 468-8565.

Filming/Production Assistant(s) needed: BibleJourney Lay Education courses will be on Monday nights from October 18 to December 13, 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. A few other hours may be available for post-production/distribution work with the material. An understanding of and proficiency with camera equipment and video production is strongly preferred. Equipment and training will be provided by the seminary but industry/area experience is highly recommended for this position.

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.

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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.