DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the February/March 2012 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@gordonconwell.edu.

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1. THE DEAN’S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters,

As February has come to a close, I hope that everyone has a chance to find a way to celebrate Black History Month. Rent a movie, read a book, visit a museum, or spend some time on the web. This is a time when our nation recognizes African-American contributions to our common heritage. The story of America contains the highly disturbing subplot of slavery and racism. However, we are all indebted to a community that has responded constructively and contributed to every aspect of our society – education, politics, science, the arts, and religion. We at the seminary are especially aware of our indebtedness to the heritage of black preaching and worship. If you're looking for ideas to celebrate these contributions, you might start with http://www.history.com/topics/black-history-month. Suggested books from your student council include:

1. Dr. Carter G. Woodson, The Mis-Education of the Negro
2. Pero Gaglo Dagbovie, The Early Black History Movement, Carter G. Woodson and Lorenzo Johnston Greene
3. Howard Thurman, With Head and Heart: The Autobiography of Howard Thurman
4. Samuel DeWitt Proctor and Gardner C. Taylor, We Have This Ministry: The Heart of the Pastor's Vocation

May God continue to bless our diverse community of believers from every background!

Dr. Tim Laniak
Dean and Professor of Old Testament
2. Spring 2012 INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR (IS503) Make-Up

Students desiring to make up the recent spring 2012 Integrative Seminar, IS502, *Greening Up or Browning Out* should follow these steps:

1. Listen to the audio recording of the seminar that is posted on the Charlotte campus website at [www.gordonconwell.edu/mentored-ministry/Integrative-Seminars.cfm](http://www.gordonconwell.edu/mentored-ministry/Integrative-Seminars.cfm).
2. Complete a 3-4 page interaction-reflection paper on the theme (double spaced).
3. Send paper and $25 make up fee check made out to GCTS to Dr. Klipowicz.

No registration is required. If you did register for this event, completed the pre-seminar case study assignment and did not attend, you can simply listen to the seminar (see above) and submit to Dr. Klipowicz your pre-seminar assignment with the make up fee. No 3-4 page paper will be required.

3. THE LIBRARY NOOK

**Library Hours:**
- Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
- Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- The library will be closed on April 6 – 8 in observance of Easter weekend.

**Library Lost & Found:**
The library now has a lost and found box for items that are forgotten or abandoned in the library. If a student suspects that something has gone missing, please speak to someone at the circulation desk or contact the library by phone at (704) 940-5821 or email hlibrary@gordonconwell.edu. Proof of ownership is required for claiming.

**Borrowing from Other Campuses:**
Charlotte students have the privilege of borrowing books from Goddard Library at the South Hamilton Campus. Up to 6 books can be mailed at a time. There is no charge for delivery, but students are responsible for return shipping. *Please use media or library rates. For more information please follow the instructions listed [here](http://www.gordonconwell.edu/mentored-ministry/Integrative-Seminars.cfm). Students can also borrow from the Charlotte campus library for up to 6 books. Please email hlibrary@gordonconwell.edu or use the contact form to request books. Books must be postmarked before or on their due date to avoid late fees.

**Scanning Available:**
The library is pleased to offer free scanning as an alternative to paper copying, which continues to cost ten cents per page. The library's two copy machines both have this scanning capability, as well as scanning instructions posted nearby. For questions and help with scanning, please see one of our librarians.

**Library Website:** The libraries of Gordon-Conwell are pleased to offer a new design to the website. Now it's easier than ever before to find print and electronic resources, contact library staff, and utilize helpful tutorials. New website orientation videos are available, that will answer all of your library questions, along with a new section to keep up on the latest library news. For information about the new functionality please 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 here. 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.

USED BOOK SALE: Come visit the Library’s Used Book table – all hard-cover books are $0.25, and all paperbacks are $0.15! You never know what you might find. Buy books for yourself or let us know if you are aware of a ministry that needs book donations.

Reminder: When you use a reference book or other text in the library, please do not re-shelve the book. We have had a number of books mis-shelved, which makes it difficult for other students to find and use those resources. When you’re finished, please place them in the wire bins on the desks, on the reshelving cart, or return them to the circulation desk. The staff will re-shelve them. Thank you for your help.

4. JOHN AND SUE NEUHS BOOKSTORE

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.

Gordon-Conwell Partnership with Christian Book Distributors: Textbooks can be ordered online by visiting the online GCTS Bookstore. Prices are competitive and free shipping is available to campus zip codes beginning with 019, 021, and 282 – Minimum order of $25. Once there, click “textbook finder” in the upper left of the screen to search for required and recommended textbooks.

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.

5. PRAYER REQUESTS

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 Student Lounge. Know that we will keep your concerns and requests confidential.
6. REGISTRAR'S REMARKS

Summer Registration: You will receive an email soon from the Registrar announcing summer 2012 registration. When this occurs, you will also see a summer registration form on the Charlotte Registration page. The summer schedule is already on line.

Scheduling an Exam: Contact Trish King at tking@gordonconwell.edu at least 48 hours in advance. Name Trish as your proctor for all Semlink exams taken on campus.

CAMS Portal: Please check your CAMS portal to verify that you are registered. If you have an outstanding balance, you will not be able to be registered until you pay off your account. To verify your registration, check your CAMS portal and be sure to choose the correct semester (SP-12).

Graduation Applications: The Registrar has reviewed all forms that have been received. If you have not yet been notified regarding where you stand on requirements, please email Trish King.

GCTS Email: All important messages go to your GCTS email. Please check these weekly. You are responsible for what is sent to this email.

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

Payment: When you pay on CAMS, please make sure to choose the Charlotte campus; if you fail to choose the correct campus, there will be a hold on your account.

Requirement Changes: Several courses now have pre- or co-requisites of both OT500: Old Testament Survey and 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 may be completed 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 TH502
3. Be enrolled in the OT and/or NT Survey courses while taking TH502

REMINDER: Most of your questions can be answered by looking at the Academic Calendar and the Student Handbook online. All students are responsible for knowing this material.

7. THE PIERCE CENTER

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. To find out more about 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.

8. STUDENT COUNCIL CORNER

Student Council is here to serve as your voice. If you have suggestions, concerns, questions about what we’re doing, or if you would like to attend a meeting, please feel free to speak with us directly, or email us at studentcouncil@gordonconwell.edu.

At 6:15 pm prior to Friday Chapel services, there will be someone available to pray with you from the Student Council or Spiritual Life Council. They will be located in the front left hand corner of the Chapel. Seminary can be challenging - let us help.

We are currently looking for nominations for new members. If you would like an active role in improving student life, or know someone else who would, please email us with that nomination at our student council email address.

-GCTS Charlotte Student Council

9. SEMINARY BULLETIN BOARD

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 Gregory Roberts at groberts@gordonconwell.edu.

Townhome for Rent: 2 bed 2.5 bathrooms, 2-story townhome in South Park area of Charlotte with updated kitchen, laminate wood flooring downstairs/carpet upstairs. Outdoor private patio, gas log fireplace, in/outdoor storage space. Washer/Dryer included. Great neighborhood and location, on Park Road, minutes from I-485, and Light Rail station. Available May 2012; 1+ year lease requested. Rent $1050/month + utilities. Rent includes water, outdoor maintenance, access to facilities (pool, tennis courts, fitness center). 7232 Meeting Street, Charlotte, NC 28210 Contact Megan Kane, meganekane@gmail.com or 980-297-8011

Female Roommate Wanted: A 31 year old graduate student looking for someone to move into a house in Matthews to share a home around December or January. The house is furnished, has a washer/dryer and dishwasher. You will have your own bedroom and bathroom. Rent will be $400 a month plus half utilities which will be approximately $130. If interested please call 919-522-9380.

Male Roommate Wanted: Gordon-Conwell student seeking a roommate beginning in July. York Ridge Apartments, located at Moss and S. Tryon, about 4 minutes from GCTS, two bedroom two bathrooms, rent is $393 per month, plus utilities that run from $65 to $80 per month per person. If interested email Gregory Roberts at groberts@gordonconwell.edu.

Female Roommate Wanted: Looking for a roommate to occupy vacant room. 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bathrooms, partially furnished townhome 5 minutes from Northlake Mall, close access to I-77 & 485. Washer/dryer, dishwasher and other appliances included. You will have your own bedroom and bathroom and designated parking spot. Rent is
$415/month, plus utilities, which usually round out to about $50 per person. Move in as early as March 31, 2012. Please contact Brittany Gardner at bgardner927@gmail.com if interested!

**Introduction to Aramaic Directed Study:** Dr. Harlow will offer a 3 credit hour introduction to Biblical Aramaic this summer, as a directed study. Exact dates are to be determined but it will roughly run from May 15 to Aug 15. Location and frequency of meeting times is TBD. **Prerequisite is Hebrew 1 and 2.** Students interested in pursuing further graduate work in OT should consider this course. Any others with interest are welcomed, of course. If you have any questions contact Dr. Harlow at jharlow@gordonconwell.edu.

**Looking for counseling and/or personal growth?** The Counseling Department is offering **4 free, confidential counseling sessions** this spring for GCTS students and their friends or family. If interested, please contact the GCTS Counseling Department at maccinfo@gordonconwell.edu and someone will be in touch with you. Feel free to forward this on to anyone you know!

**Available Scholarships for GCTS Students:**

- **The American Baptist Church (ABC) Denominational Fund** – American Baptist students attending a seminary not related to American Baptist Churches USA are eligible for grants in the amounts of $750.00. Application deadline is May 31. Ph: 800-ABC-3USA. Website: www.abc-em.org.

- **The Todd E. Carrouth Scholarship (TEC)** – $1000 Scholarships are offered to degree seeking full or part time seminary students of all denominations attending GCTS. Application can be obtained from the website and the deadline is March 15. Awards announced by April 15. Website: www.harrisonumc.org/tecfoundation. E-mail: TECFoundation@harrisonumc.org.

- **The Fund for Theological Education, Inc. (FTE)** – The fellowship program provides theological, academic, and financial support to promising first-year seminary students. Applicants must be entering their first year of a Master of Divinity program in the fall. (Currently enrolled students are not eligible for this program.) Application deadline is April 1. Ph: 404-727-1450. Website: www.thefund.org. E-mail: fte@thefund.org.

- **Daniel R. Hoover Trust Fund** – Applicants must demonstrate an ability to provide some of their own financial support. Applicant deadlines are three times per year: May 15, September 15, and January 15. Ph: 888-237-5517.

- **Craig Holbrook Parham Scholarship Fund** – Recipients are chosen on the basis of need, those of Baptist faith, and those with promising academic achievement. Grants range from $250 to $1000 per recipient and paid on a per semester basis. Application deadline is April 30. Ph: 864-229-5557. E-mail: fbcgwd@greenwood.net.

**Prepare/Enrich Training on April 6, 2012:** GCTS student and President of 2 Becoming 1 Global, Charles Wimmer, will be doing a certification class for Prepare/Enrich on Friday, the 6th of April at Forest Hill Church. Folks can register online at www.prepare-enrich.com under the workshops link.

**Uganda Mission Trip Opportunity:** A mission trip to Uganda with the organization Visiting Orphans is from March 9 - 18, 2012. The estimated cost is $3000 - $3400 (depending on departure airport and flight costs). If interested contact Jordan Reich at 704-458-9379 or jordangaitherreich@gmail.com. For more details about the sending agency and to fill out an application online go to www.visitingorphans.org.

**Online MAR Degree Program:** Gordon-Conwell is now accepting applications for its **online Master of Arts in Religion** degree program. Beginning in January 2012 students...
will take two 8-week courses per semester with a one-week campus residency mid-term. Students must come to Charlotte five times in three years to satisfy the 50% residency requirement for the degree. Current students may take up to six online courses. For more information check out the degree program on our website: www.gordonconwell.edu/prospective_students/online_master_arts_religion_degree or contact De'Leathia Hightower at onlineprograms@gordonconwell.edu or (855) 211-2474.

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10. MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Full-Time Senior Pastor Wanted: Evangelical Methodist Church in Elizabeth City, NC is searching for a Senior Pastor. This role will be directing all leadership, staffing, training, preaching, counseling, and administrative duties for the church and remaining staff. Reports to and works with the Board of Stewards of the church on all policy and governance items. This pastor will also work under and in accordance with the Discipline of the Evangelical Methodist Church Denomination. For more information please contact Dick Coston, chairman of the Pastoral Search Committee at coston4848@roadrunner.com.

Babysitter Needed: 11 month old child, 2-3 times a week during the day, 1-2 times a week at night. If interested please send resume to Dowd at dowdkeith@gmail.com.

Executive Director for Christian Counseling Ministry Wanted: The Executive Director of Higher Ground Christian Counseling Ministries in Kittery, Maine is searching for his replacement. Higher Ground’s primary focus is on providing counseling and support for Christians and churches and not evangelism. They are a small ministry seeking to grow and expand. Any interested parties in either this role or for a counseling position should contact Seth L. Scott, Executive Director, Higher Ground CCM at (207) 351-6450 / www.highergroundccm.com

Director of Children's & Family Ministries Wanted: Browncroft Community Church in Rochester, NY has an opening for the Director of Children's & Family Ministries. Contact Gini Darden, Office Manager/Pastors' Assistant, at gini@browncroft.org or (585) 586-0930 ext. 156

Part-time High School Science Teacher Wanted: Grace Academy, a private Christian School in Matthews, NC, is looking for a Part-Time High School Science Teacher. All classes are taught from a Christian Worldview. A 4-year degree is required. 2 years teaching experience in a teaching environment is recommended. For more information visit www.graceacademync.com or http://www.graceacademync.com/Forms/2011-12/Current%20Grace%20Job%20Opportunities.pdf

Associate University Chaplain at Yale Wanted: Yale University is beginning a search for the next Associate Chaplain. To apply, please go to: http://www.yale.edu/hronline/careers/application/external/index.html. Once on that site, you can search for the position using the following STARS requisition number: 15633BR. Once you have found the position, follow the instructions for applying online. A copy of the job description is in the Student Lounge here at GCTS-Charlotte.

Internship Opportunity: Oakhurst Baptist Church in Charlotte is seeking an intern(s) to help with the running of the sound system for all events on Sundays and occasionally during the week. Also to help upgrade sound and lighting systems, and help update recording system so programs and sermons could be available through the web site. A great opportunity to learn the delicacies of a sound board in a public setting, and the opportunity to learn to be creative when sound and lighting are necessary for outdoor
events. Intern(s) would work under direct supervision of Minister of Music. Contact Rev. Elizabeth Kirk, Minister of Music, Oakhurst Baptist Church, 5037 Monroe Road, Charlotte, NC 28205; phone: 704 537-0604.

Two Musical Internships Available: Covenant Presbyterian Church at 1000 E. Morehead St. in Charlotte has two available musical internships, one oriented toward traditional church music and one oriented toward contemporary musical expression. They are looking for students with a great attitude and good work ethic. Send submissions to jobs@covenantpresby.org. If you have questions about the positions contact: Stephen Talley for Traditional at 704-804-7581 or stephen.talley@covenantpresby.org; Daniel Heath for Contemporary at 704-804-7584 or daniel.heath@covenantpresby.org. A copy of both internship descriptions is in the Student Lounge here at GCTS-Charlotte.

Director of Worship and Music Wanted: Elfinwild Presbyterian Church in Glenshaw, PA is seeking a Director of Worship and Music. A Bachelor’s Degree in Music required, and a Master’s Degree in Music preferred. A copy of the job description is in the Student Lounge here at GCTS-Charlotte. Visit the church website at www.elfinwildchurch.org. Send resume by March 30 to mariebowen@verizon.net.

Church Youth Leader Wanted: Park Baptist Church (SBC) in Rock Hill, SC is presently seeking a youth leader for their Sunday evening program. High School to early college is the age range and 4 to 6 people attend weekly. For more info call Bill Ragan, Interim Pastor, at 803-579-1511.

Clinician for Counseling Services Wanted: Agape Counseling Services in Wilmington, NC is seeking a qualified candidate for the role of Clinician. The candidate should be fully licensed in the state of North Carolina (with 2-3 years of post-licensure experience preferred). He/She is energetic and mission-minded in their approach to counseling. Visit their web site at www.agape-counseling.org. The mission of Agape Counseling Services, PLLC is to “restore Souls to Health and Peace” through counseling, teaching and life/ministry coaching. A copy of the job description is in the Student Lounge here at GCTS-Charlotte. To apply, please send resume and cover letter to Mauri Moser at maurimoser@gmail.com.

Director or Minister of Youth & College-Aged Ministries Wanted: Shandon UMC in Columbia, SC is searching for full-time youth minister or director. The position includes benefits and a Bachelor’s degree is required. Youth certification/Christian Education is preferred. Relevant experience. Shandon UMC is a large urban church with an established multidimensional youth ministry. Salary commensurate with experience. E-mail resume to resumes@shandon-umc.org or mail to Shandon U. Methodist Church SPRC, 3407 Devine St., Columbia, SC 29205.

Children and Youth Ministry Director Wanted: Chappell Memorial Baptist Church in Charlotte has an opening for a Children and Youth Ministry Director. This position is responsible for helping the youth and children of the congregation and the larger community grow in their commitment to Jesus Christ. A copy of the job description is in the Student Lounge here at GCTS-Charlotte. Send your resume to Chappell Memorial Baptist Church, c/o Rev. A. R. Muwwakkil, 110 Bradford Drive, Charlotte, NC 28208. Visit their website at www.chappellmemorialbc.org.