DEAR GORDON-CONWELL - CHARLOTTE STUDENT:

Here is the July 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. FALL INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR  

Save the Date: August 27, 2011
The Transforming Word: How Does Reading the Bible Change Our Lives?  
How Do Our Lives Change How We Read the Bible?

Those attending are invited to join us for lunch at our Annual Pig Roast!

Students check your GCTS email for more details regarding the event.

2. THE LIBRARY NOOK  

Library Hours:
• Monday - Friday  8:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
• Saturday  9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Library fines accrued from 2010 through May 1, 2011 have been placed on student accounts. Those with fines will see them on their next GCTS bill summary. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Dr. Robert Mayer, the Senior Librarian, at (704) 940-5821 or bmayer@gcts.edu
Library Online Resources: The libraries of Gordon-Conwell are pleased to offer online resources to the Gordon-Conwell community. Please click here for the resource page. For information or assistance 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.

Courtesy of the Robert C. Cooley Collection in Biblical Archaeology and Early Christianity, two valuable new collections are now located on the reference shelf. The first is the Brill Encyclopedia of the Ancient World. This revision is the standard reference for subjects relating to ancient and classical history and is an excellent source for research into biblical backgrounds. For those of you engaged in biblical studies, you will find the Encyclopedia of the Ancient World (Cooley DE5.N4813) a valuable reference tool for research. In addition, we are beginning to collect a standard for English translations of early Christian writings, the Fathers of the Church series published by the Catholic University of America Press. For those in CH501 or exploring early Christian backgrounds, these texts will prove helpful to your research. Currently, we have about 25 of the over 100 volumes and will be adding more as time goes on. You can find this at Cooley BR60.F3. Both of these new sets are located with the sets on the reference shelf.

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 means that other students cannot find them. When you’re finished, you can place them in the wire bins on the desks or return them to the circulation desk and the staff will re-shelve them. Thank you for your help.

New Harold-Lindsell Library FAQ: Curious about how many books to check out or where the reserve shelf is? Perhaps you need a book from our main campus library or from a seminary in our regional consortium. Visit the new Library FAQ website for answers to top questions.

New Library Tutorial Website: The Library staff is continually making improvements to the Library Tutorial website. Step by step instructions including videos are available to learn how to search the online catalog, access online resources, and see who to contact when help is needed.

3. JOHN AND SUE NEUHS BOOKSTORE back to top

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.

Bookstore Renovations: The bookstore renovations are now complete and it is now open for business.

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.

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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.

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**Fall Registration:** Fall registration is open and the deadline is July 25. Registration received after July 25 will receive a late of $25. Please make sure you check your GCTS email for the correct Fall registration form and information.

**CAMS portal:** Please check your CAMS portal to verify you are registered. If you have a balance outstanding, you will not be able to be registered until you pay off your account.

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

**Requirement Changes:**
Several courses will now have **co requisites of both OT500 Old Testament Survey and/or 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 must be completed before or 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

**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:** Please make sure when you pay on CAMS to choose the campus Charlotte, if not there will be a hold on your account.

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6. 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 Scott Roberts at groberts@gordonconwell.edu.

**Media Student Worker**: Don't have time for steady work? Want to earn a few bucks? GCTS-Charlotte Media Services is looking for people willing to work special events. No prior experience is required, desire to learn and emphasis on quality is desired. Training is provided. Contact mwinson@gordonconwell.edu

**Roommates Wanted**: Two roommates needed beginning mid/end of September for 3 bedroom/2 bathroom house with swimming pool. Location in southeast Charlotte, 10-15 minutes from Uptown, South Park Mall, YMCA & minutes from McAlpine Park (6+ miles of trails & soccer fields). Easy access to I-485/77/85 & roughly 20-30 minutes from GCTS. Rent is $400/month plus utilities (totaling close to $500-$525/month). Contact Maria Popa at rpopa@gordonconwell.edu or ralucampopa@gmail.com for more info or to schedule a visit.

**Article Published by GCTS student**: Natasha Robinson, a Gordon-Conwell student, had an article published in Christianity Today Hermeneutics blog. Check it out, comment and share: [http://blog.christianitytoday.com/women/2011/06/youre_wrong_beyonce_girls_dont.html#more](http://blog.christianitytoday.com/women/2011/06/youre_wrong_beyonce_girls_dont.html#more)

**Online MAR Degree Program**: Gordon-Conwell is now accepting applications for its [online Master of Arts in Religion](http://www.gordonconwell.edu/prospective_students/online_master_arts_religion_degree) 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: [http://www.gordonconwell.edu/prospective_students/online_master_arts_religion_degree](http://www.gordonconwell.edu/prospective_students/online_master_arts_religion_degree) or contact De'Leathia Hightower at onlineprograms@gordonconwell.edu or (855) 211-2474.

**Basement Apartment**: 5012 The Plaza, Charlotte 28215. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, living room, dining room, kitchen. Possible shared kids/bonus room. $400/month inclusive. Hoping to rent to a married couple or female students. Children welcome! There is a large shared yard and ample parking. Close to bus lines and uptown. Approx. 25 min from Gordon-Conwell. No lease, month to month rental. Please call Mya @ 704-258-8439

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7. MINISTRY/JOB OPPORTUNITIES

**High School Youth & Young Adult Intern**: Graham Presbyterian Church, a growing church in Graham, NC, is seeking a high school youth and young adult ministry intern. Candidates must be detail-oriented, able to communicate with young adults ages 14-35 and work 10 hours per week (mostly on Sundays). Responsibilities include coordinating Bible studies and special events for high school youth and young adults (20’s & 30’s), as well as opportunities for preaching and worship leadership. If interested, email Kelly Webb, chair of search committee, at Kwebb@meredithwebb.com or call at (336) 263-4939.
**Student Ministry Intern Wanted:** Eternal Church in Fort Mill, SC is seeking a Student Ministry Intern. This is a paid part-time position for 15 hours a week and is responsible for planning and organizing the weekly student ministries of the church. A bachelor’s degree is highly desired. A seminary student seeking practical ministry experience while pursuing a theological education would make an ideal candidate. Full job description located in the student lounge. Please send resumes and inquiries to Andy Crissinger, Discipleship Minister, at andy@eternalchurch.net

**International Child Safety Coordinator:** Assist SIM(Serving in Mission) offices and SIM-related schools in developing policies and procedures for follow up of child safety reports. Develop child safety training materials for use by SIM Offices around the world. The person holding this position could be located anywhere in the world. Full job description located in the student lounge. Contact SIM at 704-588-4300.

**International Email Administrator:** SIM(Serving in Mission) is seeking an IT professional with advance skills in email administration. In this role, the candidate will be supporting SIM’s three main email systems. The person holding this position will be based at the SIM International Office in Fort Mill, SC. Full job description located in the student lounge. Contact SIM at 704-588-4300.

9. **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](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.