

Alumni Spotlight: Shay Gregorie (MDiv '17)



Current Title: Co-founder of Wolfbane Books

Family: Wife: Catherine, Children: Miriam, Esther, Shay, Silas, Lucy, Gabriel, Marigold, Gideon, and Catherine.

Favorite professor: Dr. David Palmer

Favorite class: Lewis and Tolkien with Dr. Ryan Reeves **Favorite memory**: A classmate named John blowing a

shofar to call us back to class from a break.

What have you been doing since you left Gordon-Conwell and what are you doing now?

I have remained multi-vocational, running some family businesses including a carwash and a campground. I was ordained in the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA) and serve as a volunteer at our church by preaching a few times a year and helping disciple young families.

More recently, about two years ago, I started a publishing company called Wolfbane Books with fellow alumnus Kenneth Padgett.

What do you love about your work with Wolfbane Books?

It's particularly satisfying after Kenneth and I have given all our best efforts and energies toward a project over a period of months or years, to see how the final product helps a kid (or parent) get lost in their imagination in the world of the Bible with connections being made and light bulbs turning on.

What are the particular challenges of the work you are doing now?

The biggest challenge is always trying to grow awareness of our projects. We're grateful for how much God has blessed our projects so far, but we're going to continue to make every effort to reach as many people as we can.

How has God woven together your Gordon-Conwell education with other life events to bring you to where you are now?

Kenneth and I met at Gordon-Conwell, so in many ways Wolfbane Books was birthed out of our education. Actually, we based our first book off of a biblical theology project Kenneth did for Dr. Christine Palmer.

How has your Gordon-Conwell education served you in your past and current work?

The one major work in my life that Gordon-Conwell influenced the most is discipling my nine children. We homeschool, so teachable moments are ubiquitous. I entered



Gordon-Conwell with a deep curiosity and desire to grow in understanding Scripture. I certainly gained some understanding, but, more importantly, I walked away with a tool box I could use to continue working through all my curiosities. My excitement for God's Word never died, and I think that has served my family well as they are growing in the same ways.

What piece of advice would you like to give to young alumni?

I've never had an old man tell me that he wished he hadn't spent so much time with his kids (or that he hadn't put so much energy toward loving his wife).

Do you have any publications or links to share?

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