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As I understand it, when one of my sister’s friends temporarily moved to one of the desert states – we’ll say Arizona – she resolved to embrace her new surroundings, no matter the duration of her stay. She embraced the desert. Encouraging me to learn about and invest in the city of Louisville, my sister often reminds me about her friend’s local-living strategy. “Embrace the desert,” she says. That’s what this “Towers” issue is all about. Inside, multiple SBTS personalities talk about their favorite spots around town and Candice Watters offers new-to-town couples and parents advice about navigating their new city. So whether you’re a brand new or veteran student, make an effort to embrace living in Louisville.

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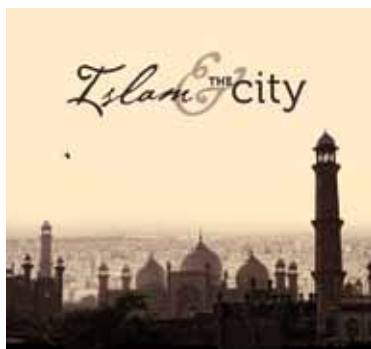
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# Newslog

“ It would be difficult to overstate the influence that John Stott has had on generations of evangelicals. He combined a pastor’s heart with an academic mind and was prolific in both his preaching and his books. In the coming days you will hear testimonials from evangelicals worldwide who have been shaped by his ministry.”

- Boyce professor Denny Burk about the recent death of English writer and theologian John Stott.



## Journal of Urban Ministry

| BY JOSH HAYES |

Anyone who paid attention to Southern Seminary recently has likely heard the institution’s moniker, “We are serious about the Gospel.” In accord with this mindset is the *Journal of Urban Ministry*. The journal exemplifies the seminary’s commitment to scholarship and evangelism by giving readers a combination of perspectives about current issues with articles from both academic scholars and experienced practitioners.

“Our goal with the journal was to create an online, accessible resource that is both academically credible and practically relevant for urban practitioners,” said Chuck Lawless, vice

president for global theological advance at the Southern Baptist Convention’s International Mission Board. Lawless served as the original editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Urban Ministry*.

A publication of the Dehoney Center for Urban Ministry Training, the *Journal of Urban Ministry* offers two issues each year, available both in print and online. The Dehoney Center is the newest entity of the Billy Graham School of Missions and Evangelism at Southern.

The Summer 2011 issue, “Islam and the City” features articles from J.D. Greear, George H. Martin and a host of missionary practitioners on the field in Muslim cities.

“The global migration of Muslim people groups to cities and the growth of cities in Muslim majority countries heighten our missional engagement of urban Islam,” Troy Bush, editor of the *Journal of Urban Ministry* and director of the Dehoney Center, said. “We must move beyond the false ideas that all Muslims are terrorists and all Muslim women feel oppressed. Neither is true. While fear often results in a missional paralysis, so also does a pervasive apathy about sharing the gospel with Muslims.”

Those interested in learning more about the *Journal of Urban Ministry* and the Dehoney Center can visit [www.urbanministrytraining.org](http://www.urbanministrytraining.org), where they can also find subscription information for the journal. SBTS students can pick up a copy of the current issue in the Billy Graham School office.

## WSJ editorial by Mohler addresses homosexuality

| By Josh Hayes |

In the July 1 edition of *The Wall Street Journal*, R. Albert Mohler Jr., president of Southern Seminary, offers commentary related to the moral revolution of homosexuality.

Because of biblical authority, Mohler contends that the church cannot compromise concerning this issue despite the cultural pressure. Further, in upholding an understanding of and vision for marriage faithful to the Scriptures, evangelical Christians must not defend the sanctity of marriage as if they are free from sin. Mohler writes:

“In this most awkward cultural predicament, evangelicals must be excruciatingly clear that we do not speak about the sinfulness of homosexuality as if we have no sin. As a matter of fact, it is precisely because we have come to know ourselves as sinners and of our need for a savior that we have come to faith in Jesus Christ. Our greatest fear is not that homosexuality will be normalized and accepted, but that homosexuals will not come to know of their own need for Christ and the forgiveness of their sins.”

*The Wall Street Journal* Web site carries Mohler’s article, “Evangelicals and the Gay Moral Revolution,” in its entirety.



## Louisville: a top city for raising children

| By Aaron Cline Hanbury |

Every year, *Parenting Magazine* ranks the United States’ “best cities for families” and publishes the list to help parents choose the right location for raising their children.

“You want the best for your family, and that includes great schools, affordable homes, low crime rates, plenty of jobs, and lots of parkland,” writes *Parenting*’s Sara Vigneri. “So we crunched more than 8,000 bits of data in 84 categories to determine this year’s top places to raise kids.”

Louisville, Ky. lands at number 10 on the list, thanks in large part to its “City of Parks” reputation.

“Louisville offers both pasture-rich grasslands and Midwestern city culture,” Vigneri writes. “The affordable housing means you can live comfortably amid lots of parkland and top-notch schools.”

## Mohler suggests 11 for '11

| By Aaron Cline Hanbury |

Southern Seminary President R. Albert Mohler Jr. offered 11 books he thinks every pastor should read in 2011. Mohler's suggestions include collected essays, books about biblical studies and theology, biographies and more. Mohler published his list in *Preaching Magazine* and then on SermonCentral.com, June 27.

- *Almost Christian: What the Faith of Our Teenagers Is Telling the American Church*, Kenda Creasy Dean
- *American Grace: How Religion Divides and Unites Us*, Robert Putnam
- *Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy*, Eric Metaxas
- *Collected Writings on Scripture*, D.A. Carson
- *God's Glory in Salvation Through Judgment: A Biblical Theology*, James M. Hamilton
- *Heresy: A History of Defening the Truth*, Alister McGrath
- *Is God a Moral Monster? Making Sense of the Old Testament God*, Paul Copan
- *Souls in Transition: The Religious and Spiritual Lives of Emerging Adults*, Christian Smith with Patricia Snell
- *The Doctrine of the Word of God*, John Frame
- *To Change the World: The Irony, Tragedy and Possibility of Christianity in the Late Modern World*, James Davison Hunter
- *The Letter to the Hebrews* (Pillar New Testament Commentary), Peter T. O'Brien



## Annual job and bank fair, Aug. 18

| By Emily Griffin |

**The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will host their annual job and bank fair from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Heritage Hall, Thursday, Aug. 18. The entire seminary community is welcome to attend. This is an opportunity for students and their spouses to find full-time and part-time employment with a wide variety of businesses in the Louisville community.**

**Also, several local banks will be on-campus presenting their products and services to fair attendees. Banks will also offer incentives for opening a local account and learning about other services.**

**Participating businesses include: Verizon Wireless, Summit Energy, Louisville Metro Police, FedEx, UPS, Home Instead Senior Care, Chick-fil-A, Valvoline, Charter Communications, Stock Yards Bank and Walgreens.**

**More than 25 door prizes will be awarded including a \$50 savings bond, gift cards to Lifeway, Carmichael's and Walgreens.**



## Southern Seminary welcomes D3 conference

| By Andrew Walker |

Things got a bit louder than normal at Southern Seminary, from June 27 to 30. It was the second annual D3 Youth Conference. Converging upon the campus were 250 students from such states as Illinois, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, South Carolina and Wisconsin.

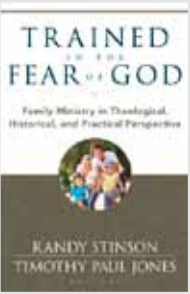
"D3" stands for three important aspects of discipleship: worldview, leadership and missions. Dan Dumas, senior vice president for institutional administration, taught the track about leadership while Boyce College Dean Dan DeWitt instructed students about how to develop a Christian worldview. Shannon Hurley, a missionary with Sufficiency of Scripture Ministries, focused his talks on bringing the gospel to the nations.

Nightly speakers included seminary President R. Albert Mohler Jr., Castlevue Baptist Church Pastor Eric Bancroft, and Southern Alum and Black Hawk Down veteran Jeff Struecker. Nashville, Tenn. music group The Hoffmans led worship along with a special concert given by hip-hop artist FLAME.

A group participating in the missions track traveled to Uganda with Sufficiency of Scripture ministries immediately following the conference, from June 30 to July 18. There, they helped take the gospel into schools, hospitals and orphanages. By the end of the trip, they shared the gospel with more than 6,000 people.

D3 2012 is scheduled for June 25-28, 2012. Look to sbts.edu/events for more information this fall.

# Literature



*Trained in the Fear of God* (Kregal 2011, \$26.99), Randy Stinson and Timothy Paul Jones, eds.

REVIEW BY  
AARON CLINE HANBURY

Hopefully, no church leader claims a ministry philosophy of, “Yeah, well, we just hop on the bandwagon and hope it works out.” But it seems like that’s essentially what often happens. So when a movement starts talking about reaching specific groups in the church with specific methods, there is a tendency to think that it’s no more than a passing fad. But occasionally, important emphases, for one reason or another, fade to the background in the life of the church. The new book *Trained in the Fear of God*, edited by Randy Stinson and Timothy Paul Jones, seeks to demonstrate that, though it faded during the past 40-50 years, family discipleship in the life of a local congregation is a theologically significant and historically important

component that the church needs to regain. Stinson is the dean of the School of Church Ministries at Southern Seminary, and Jones is associate professor of leadership and church ministry at SBTS and editor of *The Journal of Family Ministry*. That a focus on family discipleship is not new is significant, as the church can look back to a heritage of men and women trying to faithfully practice Scriptural teachings in their churches and homes. “To be trained in the fear of God was, at least in part, to be disciplined to live with reverence for an order that transcends immediate experience or comprehension,” writes Bryan Nelson and Jones in their introduction to *Trained in the Fear of God*, about how the earliest Christians perceived home-

based discipleship. *Trained in the Fear of God* offers essays written by established scholars about the biblical-theological, historical and practical foundations of local church family ministry and discipleship. The book argues that family ministry in a local church is important because the Bible establishes the family as the primary unit of discipleship; church history provides a rich story of people who sought to implement the Bible’s teachings about the family in a local church context; and the church today should seek to follow the Bible’s teaching, learning from the history of Christianity. Stinson and Jones structure the book in three sections, biblical-theological, historical and practical perspective, in order to show

how the importance of family ministry organically arises in Christian thought. Throughout *Trained in the Fear of God*, Stinson and Jones maintain that, while family ministry is important for a faithful church, no ministry type is the foundation of the church. “The gospel is what changes people — not programs or practices; not models or methods; but solely and only the gospel of Jesus Christ,” writes Nelson and Jones. “Every local church should be concerned first about how the gospel is portrayed, presented, and practiced in the congregation. This includes considering how local congregations teach on the subjects of marriage and parenting and how they encourage and minister to families” (emphasis original).



*Family Ministry Field Guide: How the Church Can Equip Parents to Make Disciples* (Wesleyan Publishing House 2011, \$17.99), Timothy Paul Jones

REVIEW BY  
AARON CLINE HANBURY

Dinner at the Parr household has deteriorated into sheer pandemonium. The infant squeals in delight at the chaos as his two siblings engage in super-powered combat with each other. A frazzled mom stretches and strains unsuccessfully to restore order. What about Bob Parr, father and former ‘Mr. Incredible’? He stands to the side, physically present, relationally absent, and utterly uncertain as to what to do. ... Finally, his wife flings a frantic plea in his direction: ‘Bob! It’s time to engage!’” Timothy Paul Jones, associate professor of leadership and church ministry at Southern Seminary and editor of the *Journal of Family Ministry*, points to this example from the 2004 movie *The Incredibles* as an eerily accurate illustration of parents sitting in the pews of local

churches around the world. It seems that far too many parents watch youth ministers and children’s directors “stretch and strain” to promote growth in youth and children in the church. But now pastors and churches around the world, like the thinly stretched Mrs. Parr, are calling parents to engage. But, like Bob Parr, these parents aren’t quite sure what to do. In an effort to explain and then bridge this ominous gap, Jones, offers church leaders and parents a *Family Ministry Field Guide*. Jones’ newest book flows from the premise that God designed the family to be the primary unit of discipleship. A nuts-and-bolts manual, Jones’ *Family Ministry Field Guide* shows pastors and church lay-workers what a theologically robust and historically grounded

family ministry looks like in a local congregation. “God’s creation and humanity’s fall have positioned parents as providers and disciplinarians,” he writes. “Through redemption and consummation, parents are called to become disciple makers as well. Because God has chosen to place particular children in close proximity to us, these disciple-making processes should begin with our own children. “The proclamation of the gospel that begins in our households should spill out beyond the confines of our homes, into our communities, and then to the uttermost parts of the earth,” Jones writes. The church finds its place, then, as it equips parents to function as biblical disciplers of their children. So Jones sets himself to explaining

why churches need to equip families for discipleship and what that might look like in practice. Complete with “sketch the situation” boxes to help readers think through current, potential and ideal characteristics of local church family ministry, Jones organizes *Family Ministry Field Guide* book into three major sections: the nature of the gap, the motivations for moving toward a “family equipping” ministry and the how-to for getting there. Jones’ fast-paced, pithy writing presents the theologically significant issue of educating and nurturing children in the gospel in a highly practical, down-to-earth fashion. Readers will find *Family Ministry Field Guide* a helpful tract for developing a faithful, family-focused local church ethos.



*Is Hell for Real or Does Everyone Go to Heaven?* (Zondervan 2011, \$9.99), Christopher W. Morgan and Robert A. Peterson, eds.

**REVIEW BY  
JOSH HAYES**

In the 1990s, rapper Tupac Shakur gifted adolescents with the grabbing pronouncement, “Only God can judge me.” Seen then as a way to shun and evade any kind of moral judgment from others directed toward one’s self, nowadays one can no longer assume that the majority of people even think God has the right to judge.

Nothing illustrates this reality more than the recent discussion concerning the doctrine of hell, to which the post-Christian West has developed something of an allergy. To contemporary culture, the idea of human beings suffering eternal torment is not only met with intellectual skepticism, but moral revulsion.

For this reason, Christopher W. Morgan and Robert A. Peterson put together the book, *Is Hell for Real*

*or Does Everyone Go to Heaven?*. Contributors consider the church’s historic stance about the nature of God’s eternal justice, the biblical teaching about it and the implications of discarding the doctrine.

Featured in the book are chapters from Southern Seminary President R. Albert Mohler Jr. and editors Morgan and Peterson as well as emeritus theologian J.I. Packer and New Testament professor Robert W. Yarbrough. Furthermore, Manhattan pastor Tim Keller offers an appendix discussing how Christians should talk about hell.

Mohler’s chapter provides an overview of hell’s place in Western culture and the reasons for its denial by the modern world. He contends that hell is more than some isolated doctrine.

“For as the church has often

been reminded, no doctrine stands alone. Take away hell, and the entire shape of Christian theology may be altered,” he writes.

Following Mohler’s historical survey and diagnosis of related cultural trends is Yarbrough’s chapter discussing Jesus’ teaching about hell. Yarbrough argues that Jesus’ statements not only appear more often than some would like to admit but are quite straightforward and seemingly harsh at times.

From the Old Testament to the Gospels’ accounts of Jesus and into the entire New Testament, the reality of hell pervades the testimony of Scripture. Morgan demonstrates this is the case in his chapter examining the biblical data pertinent to the doctrine of future eternal judgement, looking at Paul’s letters, Hebrews, James, Peter, Jude

and Revelation.

Packer answers the second question of the book’s title, “Does Everyone Go to Heaven?” by describing, assessing and critiquing the concept of universalism.

*Is Hell for Real or Does Everyone Go to Heaven?* offers a robust, accessible perspective about a discussion that will likely not dissolve anytime soon. Holding in mind that this debate will continue, perhaps believers would do well to consider Keller’s words:

“In the end, the loss of the doctrines of hell, judgment and the holiness of God does, irreparable damage to our deepest comforts – particularly our understanding of God’s grace and love, and of human dignity and our value to him. To preach the good news, we must also preach the bad.”



*Don't Waste Your Sports* (Crossway 2011, \$4.99), C.J. Mahaney

**REVIEW BY  
JOSH HAYES**

Sports fans witness it on a regular basis. A top-notch quarterback throws the winning touchdown pass in a championship game, the all-star NBA player knocks down the buzzer-beating three-point shot, or the Olympic cyclist takes home the gold medal and then during a post-competition interview praises or acknowledges God in some fashion for his or her success. Many spectators likely walk away from the experience wondering, “Does God really care about sports?”

More than any scoreboard or statistics sheet, God is concerned with primarily one thing: His glory – and so should everyone else be. In his book, *Don't Waste Your Sports*, C.J. Mahaney makes the case that sports, like every experience, is an opportunity for human beings to glorify God. Sports are a gift from

God and should be used as a reason to return thanksgiving and praise to God.

According to Mahaney, this involves more than “kneeling in the end zone or pointing to the sky.” This means letting Scripture rather than culture set one’s priorities for sports.

“Playing sports to the glory of God must be primary; athletic ability and achievements must be secondary. And that means every time we step onto the field, our priority will be to worship God, apply the gospel to our hearts, and become more like Christ,” Mahaney surmises.

Nevertheless, like all experiences involving great opportunity, great tragedy is also possible.

“Sports are a gift from God,” Mahaney writes. “But as soon as you introduce the human heart,

things get complicated.”

The reason things become complicated, he argues, is because human beings always live in a state of worship. The issue then is what or whom they worship in a given situation.

In order to avoid idolatry, however, people must first know the true and living God of Scripture; they must “meet God before the opening tip” to paraphrase one of Mahaney’s chapter heads.

“You’ve got to know how to run the plays before you go out and run the plays. You’ve got to understand the West Coast offense before you can run it. You’ve got to understand the full-court press before you can execute it. In the same way, we’ve got to study God’s character before we move on to the practical stuff. This isn’t just for scholars (who nor-

mally don’t have game). If you’re a Christian athlete, you must study theology and not just the playbook,” he writes.

By coming to know the gracious, kind, eternal, infinite and almighty triune God who gave them sports, Christian athletes should see how God’s attributes and the Gospel itself come to bear upon the enterprise. Mahaney illustrates this by discussing the benefits of sports, the marks of a humble athlete and how the Gospel is there to offer forgiveness with God when someone does in fact waste their sports – which everyone does on some level.

With its accessible, pastoral tone and inviting brevity (56 pages in length), sports-savvy and athletic readers will not waste their time taking a look at *Don't Waste Your Sports*.

# Nothing new

STINSON AND JONES TALK ABOUT NEW BOOK

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Below, Randy Stinson, dean of the School of Church Ministries at Southern Seminary, and Timothy Paul Jones, associate professor of leadership and church ministry at SBTS and editor of The Journal of Family Ministry, discuss their new book Trained in the Fear of God with "Towers" managing editor Aaron Cline Hanbury. A brief review of Trained in the Fear of God appears on page 6.*

**ACH:** With the books already in print, and now the *The Journal of Family Ministry*, why write *Trained in the Fear of God*?

**RS:** We want to demonstrate that the family-equipping model of family ministry is not based on sheer pragmatism – it's not just another thing we think works. What we're doing has clear theological grounding. And just as important, we want to show that what we're dealing with isn't new. We own a long, historical stream of family equipping discipleship. Only in the last 40-50 years the church has lost this emphasis.

**ACH:** Why is it important that we've done something historically?

**TPJ:** This demonstrates that our emphasis on family ministry is not some trend, we are not jumping on the latest bandwagon, and that it's something Christians have valued for

centuries and there are sources that show us how Christians in the past, though they might have accomplished it differently, had similar goals to what we're talking about. There is an idea that this is something new that's come along recently, and one of the things I want to accomplish with this book is to reveal the components of what we're talking about right now that can be traced back throughout church history. I think that's one of the primary contributions of this book; no other book has really taken a look at family discipleship all the way through church history.

**ACH:** Who is going to read this?

**TPJ:** My vision for this book is that it will be read by pastors, professors and seminary students primarily. It's to demonstrate to those groups that there is a theologically robust and historically grounded vision for family ministry that they can build on in their local churches.

**ACH:** The book's organization moves from the OT through to NT, theological treatment, church history and then to contemporary practice. Is that the approach a new pastor or newly convinced pastor should take in teaching these things to a congregation?

**TPJ:** Hopefully what we've done in *Trained in the Fear of God* is model a theological method. And that is to say, you start biblically, move to theology, look at the historical context and then do what needs to be done. It's intentionally set up that way. And I think that's how we should approach each thing we do in a congregation: look at the biblical basis, consider it theologically, then look at the history – even the history of that particular congregation – and then move to what we do in practice.

**ACH:** In terms of seminary students, what would you say the use of this book is for single seminary students, other than, "One day this will be nice"?

**TPJ:** Those who are single should recognize, first off, that they will be discipling and working with people who are married

and have families. At a greater level, family ministry isn't just about a nuclear family; family ministry is about developing an ethos, a culture of family-like relationships in the church. And that is going to include singles, people of all ages, people with children and people without children. And that's applicable no matter what your status is.

**ACH:** Why does family ministry matter anyway – aren't we just talking about the best way to babysit while parents are in church services?

**RS:** If you perceive family ministry to be your standard, programmatic, hot-shot youth pastor babysitting a bunch of teenagers, and he's the pied piper and they're going bowling and paintballing and that kind of a thing, then that's definitely not what we're talking about. Dr. Jones and I, early on in our ministry here, set out a course to say that that's not what we ought to be doing in the church. And we focus on family ministry predominantly because of Deut. 6 and Psalm 78, where it's clear that the home is the primary place where the faith is handed off generationally – fathers to sons, fathers to sons. We're saying that we need to regain a commitment to that kind of discipleship. And it's important because I think the generations are a stake and I don't think we've done a good job and the reason is the model you've just suggested: the babysitting and the drop-off culture.

**ACH:** Can you place family ministry in terms of priority in a local church?

**TPJ:** My hope is that family ministry flows from our commitment to the gospel. Family ministry should happen not because it's going to retain more youth, not because it's the latest fad. Family ministry should happen because the gospel is central to everything we do: we rehearse the gospel at home and reinforce the gospel at church so that it can be revealed with integrity to the world.

**ACH:** In your chapter about gender roles you write, "The reason for this book is that God has ordained a specific means to pass the gospel down from generation to genera-

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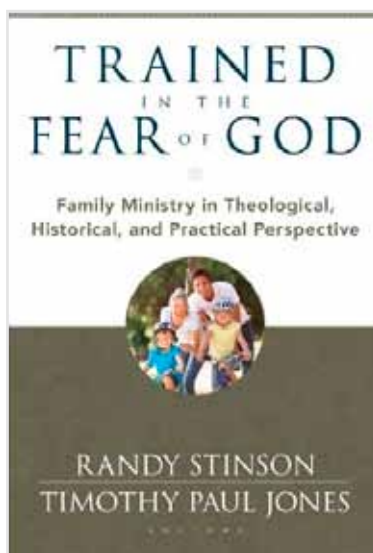
*"Hopefully what we've done in Trained in the Fear of God is model a theological method. And that is to say, you start biblically, move to theology, look at the historical context and then do what needs to be done."* - T.P. Jones

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tion." How does the fundamental equality yet unique roles of men and women help that?

**RS:** God did not make generic people, he made male and female. When a person becomes a Christian, they don't become generic Christians, they're either a male Christian or a female Christian. And with regard to the home, husbands and fathers have a particular role to play: leader, provider, protector, predominantly responsible for the moral-spiritual health of the home. And wives and mothers are responsible to be helpmeets as in Gen 2, nurturers and homemakers in terms of child-bearing and child-rearing. As you see those things take place, then, the order and structure of the home has an enormous amount to do with the direction of the home and not only in terms of the Christ-church picture from Ephesians 2, which I think is extremely important, but also in terms of who is supposed to lead in this, who is supposed to help in this. So in this sense, the structure and order of the home have to be in-line with the Bible because when children are reared in a home that is out of order in terms of structure, then the way they understand their role and their future discipleship is at stake. I've heard several people say, and I agree with this, that if you get the gender role wrong then you hinder discipleship in the church, and I would argue that you also hinder it in the home, if you get gender roles wrong.

**ACH:** How does a home structure not



based on the Bible less adequately pass down the gospel from generation to generation?

**RS:** I think that a home that isn't structured properly implicitly undermines the authority of the Word of God in that home, which ultimately – I'm just confident – will impact the way they approach other theological, biblical challenges. I would say for a church that does not respect the gender roles presented in the Bible, they are more likely to cave on other theological challenges that others or culture might put on them later down the road; it softens the underbelly of the church. And I would argue that the same thing is true of the home: it softens the theological underbelly of the home so that they're more likely to cave, bend and compromise on other issues that come along in their home. And I think what a lot of it is implicit or caught. A family can be out of order in structure and still say that Jesus Christ is the only way to heaven, this is the Word of God, etc. But I've been in churches where there were all kinds of hypocrisy and it affected my spiritual growth in that local church, and I think the same would be true in the home.

**ACH:** If a student could only read one chapter or section, which one should he or she read?

**TPJ:** I would say, as much as I enjoy all the chapters, the first section that has to do with biblical and theological foundations. If a student had to choose to read and digest just one section it would be the biblical and theological one, because if they get that right, the rest will flow. But if they don't get that right, they're going to be stuck in pragmatism in how they approach in family ministry.

**ACH:** You don't address the family-equipping ministry model until the last chapter, does the theological and historical background particularly set-off the family equipping method, or could other models also claim this as their history?

**TPJ:** Though we are focused and passionate about family-equipping ministry, other family ministry models could profitably use

this. This isn't exclusive to family-equipping ministry. That last chapter talks about implementation, but it's not exclusive to churches doing family-equipping ministry. It should be helpful for them to frame what they do theologically and historically and biblically, regardless of what family ministry model they pursue.

**ACH:** How does *Trained in the Fear of God* dovetail with your newly published *Family Ministry Field Guide*?

**TPJ:** Originally I envisioned *Family Ministry Field Guide* as a section or long chapter in *Trained in the Fear of God* about how all of this practically works at the nuts and bolts level. But I quickly realized, when I reached about page 80, that this chapter was getting out of hand. So I ended up re-envisioning it and *Family Ministry Field Guide* became its own book. And the book represents the practical application of *Trained in the Fear of God*.

My hope would be that the pastor and the staff read *Trained in the Fear of God* and then *Family Ministry Field Guide* would be among the volunteers and the lay people so that they can be congruent in their ministry practices.

**ACH:** We've talked about the pastor, professor and seminarian, what about the parent?

**TPJ:** The take-home for the parent is two-fold. One of them is David Prince's chapter about the pastor's home. And my hope is that church member parents will see that as a call to recognize and to value their pastor's home life, that they don't desire the pastor to work in such a way as to distract from his home and family. I would say secondly, for parents, the chapters about mile-stone ministry, singles ministry and mission that talk about how you relate to one another will be helpful. I hope that helps them relate to one another better and be on mission together.

**ACH:** What does it say about the importance of family ministry that you were able to assemble several renowned scholars?

**RS:** All of the contributors to this book care deeply about the family and they care



deeply about the gospel. Now those of us who care deeply about the family and deeply about the gospel know that there is a systemic problem in the church with regard to the health of the home, the health of the church and the passing along of the gospel. And we also would affirm that the lack of health in those three areas in the church is directly connected to our theological understanding of the

relationship between church and home, a lack of historical understanding and third a sense of "What does it look like?" And this book hits all three of those areas. The contributors recognized that the full thrust of a conglomeration of authors saying the same thing from a different perspective, theologically, historically and practically, will be a value to seminarians, pastors and parents.

# Living in Louisville

FAVORITE PLACES OF A FEW OF SOUTHERN'S PERSONALITIES



## Mary Mohler

*Mary Mohler, Southern Seminary's first lady and director of the Seminary Wives Institute:*

### What's your favorite place in Louisville to ...

- Grab lunch with friends?** Butterfly Garden
- Have an affordable date?** North End Cafe
- Enjoy great Asian food?** August Moon
- Celebrate a special occasion?** J Alexanders
- Take out-of-town guests?** Claudia Sanders Dinner House, for a taste of Kentucky cuisine and a nice drive
- Walk or run?** Seneca Park
- Enjoy an autumn day?** Pack a picnic, or get Chick-fil-A to go and head for one of our beautiful parks
- Browse for books?** My husband is the expert here
- Get coffee?** Heine Bros, although I just watch my husband enjoy it
- Take kids?** The Louisville Zoo
- Be entertained?** on campus, by the adorable babies and toddlers of our students
- Feel like a local?** Serve Hot Browns and chocolate nut pie, especially in May

## Ed Stucky

*Ed Stucky, senior pastor New Salem Baptist Church and lead counselor in the Office of Admissions:*

### What's your favorite place in Louisville to ...

- Grab lunch with friends?** Simply Thai or Joe's Crab Shack (Dinner can be a little on the wild side)
- Have an affordable date?** Pack a picnic from Blue Dog Bakery and go to Cherokee Park (best in the fall)
- Celebrate a special occasion?** Stoney River or the Depot, Glendale, Ky.
- Take out-of-town guests?** Lynn's Paradise Café; Louisville Slugger Museum; Buckhead's Grill (across the river with a view of the cityscape!)
- Walk or run?** Waterfront Park

- Enjoy an autumn day?** Huber's Farm in Starlight, Ind. [www.joehubers.com](http://www.joehubers.com); walk around Cherokee Park
- Browse for books?** Carmichael's on Frankfurt Ave.
- Get coffee?** Quill's Coffee on Bardstown Rd.; Sunergos Coffee after getting a donut/pastry at Nord's Bakery next door.
- Take kids?** Louisville Zoo; Chick-fil-A; Pirates Cove in Brooks, Ky. (20 minutes); Louisville Science Center; Creation Museum (Cincinnati)
- Be entertained?** Louisville Bats baseball games; Bardstown Rd. during the summer (live bands, great walking, etc)
- Feel like a local?** Various farmer's markets – i.e. Shelbyville Rd. at Beargrass Christian Church; New Albany, Ind.; Also Phat Friday on Frankfurt Ave. (you can grab a trolley ride on the last Friday of every month and they'll drop you off at various restaurants!)





## Greg Wills

*Greg Wills, professor of church history and director of the Center for the Study of the Southern Baptist Convention:*

**What's your favorite place in Louisville to ...**

- Grab lunch with friends?** Chuy's
- Have an affordable date?** Chuy's
- Celebrate a special occasion?** Mitchell's Fish Market
- Take out-of-town guests?** Louisville Slugger Museum
- Walk or run?** My LaGrange neighborhood and Cherokee Park
- Enjoy an autumn day?** Any nearby lake
- Browse for books?** Barnes & Noble at the Summit
- Get coffee?** Quill's
- Take kids?** Louisville Zoo
- Be entertained?** Kentucky Center for the Arts (and Tinseltown Cinema)
- Feel like a local?** Lynn's Paradise Cafe and Bass Pro Shop

## Dan Dumas

*Dan Dumas, senior vice president for institutional administration:*

**What's your favorite place in Louisville to ...**

- Grab lunch with friends?** El Mundo for mexican; Bluedog Bakery for a sandwich; Bluegrass Burger for a burger; Zatan's for a gyro; Cafe Classico for french fries; Toast on Market for breakfast
- Have an affordable date?** A walk and picnic in the Cherokee Park or along the Ohio (sitting on the benches under the I-65 Bridge at sunset is cool.) Tuesday night is 1/2 price movies for us cheap people, chips and ranch at Chilies
- Celebrate a special occasion?** Proof on Main
- Take out-of-town guests?** Porcini's
- Walk or run?** First go to VO2 Multi-sport and get a new pair of fitted shoes then off to Cherokee Park
- Enjoy an autumn day?** College football at U of L, a fine piece of fiction and wings
- Browse for books?** Lifeway and Barnes and Noble
- Get coffee?** Java for studying, Starbucks (the third place) for communication, Founders because I'm loyal and Quill's if I'm feeling creative and need a Veloce
- Take kids?** Huber Farm, Hiking in Madison, Ind., Otter Creek, Bass Pro sharp shooting gallery
- Be entertained?** Baseball, the pool in the summer, Cincinnati -- Newport on the Levy, Costco — watching the hoarders; go to the lake!
- Feel like a local?** Sit outside of Bluedog Bakery reading the paper during breakfast

## Owen Strachan

*Owen Strachan, instructor of Christian theology and church history:*

**What's your favorite place in Louisville to ...**

- Grab lunch with friends?** Cafe Classico; Anchorage Cafe
- Have an affordable date?** NuLu (stretching "affordable")
- Celebrate a special occasion?** Jack Fry's
- Take out-of-town guests?** LaGrange, Ky.
- Walk or run?** Various and sundry parks in Jeffersontown
- Enjoy an autumn day?** Bernheim Forest
- Browse for books?** Barnes & Noble Hurstbourne; Carmichael's
- Get coffee?** Quill's (sensational mochas)
- Take kids?** Various and sundry parks in Jeffersontown
- Be entertained?** Either Tinseltown or Stonybrook movie theater
- Feel like a local?** Bardstown farmers market



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# Joe Crider

## NEW SCM PROFESSOR DRAWS ON RICH BACKGROUND OF WORSHIP LEADING

| By Aaron Cline Hanbury |

"I really began missing my passion, which is worship leadership," said Joe Crider.

Liberty University brought Crider in as assistant director of the Center for Worship in order to establish a solid and prominent music program at its seminary. But he didn't stay there long. Soon, Crider moved out of the seminary and became the associate dean for the entire college of arts and sciences for the university. This move to a more academic administrative position served him well. But, according to Crider, something was missing.

"I guess the connection for me was being a musician," he said about the link between his being a highly trained musician and teaching and leading worship. "But at the

heart of who I am, I'm a pastor. Training up the next generation of worship leaders has become my passion."

Four years into Crider's time at the Lynchburg, Va., university, Southern Seminary's School of Church Ministries Dean Randy Stinson called him. Stinson articulated a vision for training church leaders for holistic ministry that immediately resonated with Crider.

"When I heard the School of Church Ministries' three-fold vision of biblical worship, family discipleship and pastoral ministry, that was it," Crider said. "I guess if I had to express three passions in my life, those would be it."

As a life-long musician and career pastor, teaching worship leadership fits his skill set. But the School of Church Ministries' vision for worship leadership that integrates

excellent musicianship, pastoral ministry and a holistic approach to family ministry attracted him to Southern. Family discipleship had always been an important aspect of Crider's life, and the School of Church Ministries' ministry philosophy offered him the chance to make family discipleship part of his professional life too. Crider and his wife, Amy, have four children: Julianna, Katrina, Cole and Amelia. One of Crider's favorite pastimes is watching 17-year-old, six-foot-tall Cole play basketball.

So during the summer of 2011, he came to Southern Seminary as the new senior associate dean and professor of music and worship leadership in the School of Church Ministries. In this role, Crider will be able to practice his natural gift of teaching while exercising his pastorally focused passion for training worship leaders.

An Ada, Ohio, native, Crider grew up with higher education in his blood. His father taught education curriculum at Northern Ohio University, where his mother taught as well.

After high school, Crider moved an hour north of Ada to attend Bowling Green State University, where he earned his bachelor's degree. During college, he heard and responded to the gospel by the influence of the Navigators, an international Christian ministry.

A short time after college, in 1985, Crider married Amy, who he met five years earlier while the two toured Europe with a high school and college band. And then following a brief time of teaching and leading a high school band himself, Crider returned to BGSU to pursue a master of arts in trombone performance. It was then that he began to have the desire to teach at the collegiate level. So, seeking the proper credentialing, Crider moved to Greeley, Colo. and earned a doctor of arts in trombone performance from the University of Northern Colorado.

While studying at Northern Colorado, and later during his first college teaching job in California, Crider began to sense a desire for local church ministry. He took opportunities to lead worship at his church in Colorado. Those opportunities served to affirm this desire for ministry.

After teaching for three years at West-

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mont College in Santa Barbara, Calif., Crider took a professorship at Southwestern Baptist University in Bolivar, Mo. There, he began to lead worship for Second Baptist Church in Springfield, Mo. Roughly 18 months into their ministry at Second, Crider and his wife sensed a strong desire to pursue local church ministry full-time. So after teaching for three years at Southwestern, Crider transitioned into fulltime service as Second's worship pastor, a post he held for 14 years.

It was then that Crider made the move to Lynchburg to help Liberty University's seminary establish a strong music and worship presence. While at Liberty, Crider served as minister of worship and music at First Baptist Church Roanoke, Va., a position he still holds while the church looks for his replacement.

"Without a doubt, Joe Crider will make a significant contribution in leading SBTS to become one of the premier centers for training the next generation of worship leaders for the SBC," Bryan Smith, senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Roanoke said of Crider. "He has developed a greater understanding and commitment to authentic biblical worship among our people in the context of genuine Christian unity and love. With Joe Crider, people aren't merely commodities for ministry but people are ministry. I believe his move to SBTS will have a wonderful impact on the worship ministries for future generations."

Now at Southern, Crider looks forward to serving in a seminary shaping the discussion about how to promote theologically robust churches, from preaching to worship to training youth.



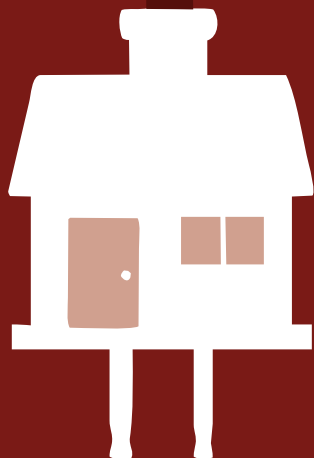


## Seen at Southern

Here are some of the things you've seen around Southern during the past month or two: Top, Boyce College student Nick Dixon at the July D3 youth conference; left, Katy and Aaron Murphy's wedding, the first wedding at the seminary's new Towery Plaza; and, right, Ali, Amelia and Sadie, wife and daughters of recent seminary graduate Jeff Pennington.

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# Body and Mind:

## ACADEMIC PRIORITIES AND PHYSICAL HEALTH

| By Richard McRae |

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Richard McRae is the new director of the Health and Recreation Center at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He comes to the SBTS community after several years of pastoral ministry in Orange Park, Fla.

Is Southern Seminary's Health and Recreation Center a priority? Yes, but a lesser one. What the apostle writes in 1 Timothy

about "training for godliness" is of supreme importance not just for pastors, but for every believer. The specific verse in reference says, "For while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come" (1 Tim 4:8).

In a literary sense, the first part of verse eight, "Bodily training is of some value," serves as a kind of foil statement used to contrast and emphasize the second part

of the verse which is of supreme importance, "Godliness is of value in every way." While we would all agree that training for godliness is the urgency and priority for the Christian, we at the same time should not ignore "bodily training. As the apostle states it, "Bodily training is of some value."

Back when the apostle wrote this letter, physical training, sports and the cult of the body thrived. The same holds true in our day. People go over the top regarding bodily exercise. The belly can never be flat or ripped enough, the biceps always have to get a little bit bigger and so forth.

In order to avoid getting out of kilter, we must pay attention to the inspired Word of God. Why does the Health and Recreation Center exist? I suggest it exists for the

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very truth expressed here by the apostle. There is some advantage to exercise and recreation. In short, bodily training is not useless. It has a proper place in the Christian life.

First, it can preserve the quality of your life; it can increase your strength. It can be a great help for those in pastoral ministry who sit all day at a desk; it can benefit people on the mission field, which in many cases presents physical challenges. Second, if done moderately it is mentally refreshing. If you have been entrenched in study for hours upon hours; it would be helpful to step away for a half-hour or an hour and physically exert yourself. You will return to your place of study invigorated and more capable to focus on your priorities.

When I was in seminary my Hebrew

professor gave us a stirring speech during our first day of class. "Do not worry about Hebrew – I'll do the worrying," he exhorted us first. He also strongly suggested we make use of the gym. "Get your heart rate up for about 20 minutes, which is all you need, then get back to your study," he said. Here at Southern Seminary and Boyce College we have a state-of-the-art facility, with two gymnasiums. "Get that heart rate up for 20 minutes," still echoes in my ears. It resonates with me because it is true and helpful.

My Hebrew professor was right about the benefit of exercise, but as it turned out, I did have to concern myself with Hebrew. It was a lot of hard work. I suspect that will be the case with most students. So when you are in a Hebrew fog – or any other study fog – step away for a few minutes and refresh yourself at the Health and Recreation Center.

*John Broadus, founder and professor at Southern Seminary, thought physical exercise of high importance. Because of this conviction, Broadus saw to it that the seminary provided students and faculty with the ability to match sound minds with sound bodies. In carrying on his vision, SBTS continues to care for both the mind and body of those in the SBTS community. The Health and Recreation Center (HRC), located in the Honeycutt Campus Center, offers students faculty and friends of Southern Seminary a top-notch health and wellness facility, complete with an indoor swimming pool, two basketball courts, racquetball courts, weightlifting and cardio equipment and more. The HRC is open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The swimming pool closes 30 minutes before the rest of the HRC, and at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. Visit the weekly calendar on the Health and Recreation Center page of the SBTS Web site to see what's happening at the HRC. Call the HRC at (502) 897-4720 with questions about scheduling and events. Become a fan of the HRC on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @SBTSHealth\_Rec.*

# Marriage, FAMILY AND SEMINARY: NEW-TO-TOWN ESSENTIALS

| By CANDICE WATTERS |

*EDITOR'S NOTE: Candice Watters, home-schooling mom of four, is a 10-month resident of Louisville.*

**Q: My husband is a new student at the seminary and though we've found the on-campus bookstore and post office in 5th and Broadway, I'm still not sure where to find the basics. Can you help?**

**A:** Last November, I had the same question. We'd driven 1,094 miles to get to SBTS – spurred on by a sense of calling – and all I could think was, “Where’s the grocery store?” As newbies, everything was strange, nothing felt familiar and the kids were hungry. It took two tries to find a good grocery store, and later, countless calls to locate a family doctor. I went rounds of trial and error to build my list of essentials.

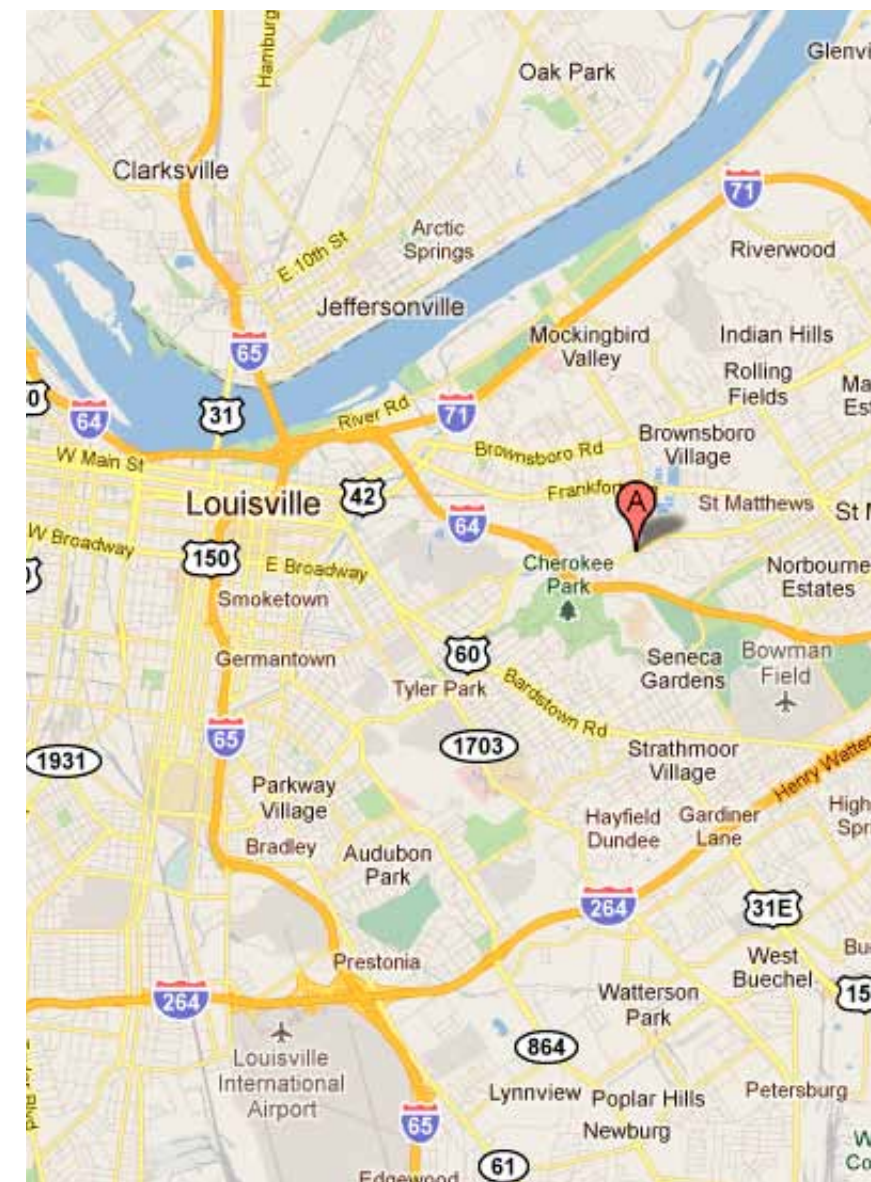
After nearly a year of settling in, and with the help of new friends and long-time residents, here's what I've found and now recommend to people who are just arriving at Southern:

## Shopping

Three miles from campus you'll find Target, Kroger and Wal-mart Neighborhood Market (head east on Frankfort or Lexington to Shelbyville, then turn left onto Hubbards Lane). Along the way, you'll pass Walgreens, CVS, Starbucks, several bank chains, a Heine Brothers' coffee, several pizza joints and locally owned Paul's Fruit Market (off Chenoweth).

Note that Frankfort and Lexington merge to become Shelbyville (this caused some angst our first few outings). If you turn right on Breckenridge from Shelbyville, you'll drive past a MacAuthority computer repair shop, bike repair shop, and Graeter's Ice Cream. A little further down Breckenridge, you'll find a hospital and medical center, a Home Depot, Hobby Lobby and many restaurants.

If you're looking for malls, there are two further down Shelbyville, only a few blocks apart (separated by the Interstate 264 overpass). Though they're neighbors, they're not



within walking distance of each other and don't have a lot of duplicate stores. It's best to check online directories before heading out or you may end up at the wrong mall.

## Medical Care

It's been harder to find doctors. Seems they want you to come in for a visit before you get sick. Best to start looking early, while everyone's healthy, if possible. I made the mistake of waiting till flu season was in full swing. Thankfully the on-campus health

clinic is open Monday-Friday and charges only \$5 for a visit. They're just down the hall from the Office of Admissions and the staff is friendly, helpful and well aware of the allergies that kick in for many transplants to this Ohio River Valley town.

In a pinch, local Kroger grocery stores have Little Clinics that function like urgent care centers (handy, given their proximity to the Kroger pharmacies!). Our co-pay there was higher than typical though, so check your insurance before going.

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## For the kids

Cherokee and Seneca Parks, a mile to the west of the seminary, are ideal for walking, skipping rocks, biking and swinging. The Louisville Zoo, including a new polar bear exhibit and a splash park, is a special day-long outing. Once you have a piece of mail with your new address, you can get a library card and start checking out books from the historic 1908 Crescent Hill Branch. It's within walking distance: just 8/10 of a mile from campus. Pre-order books online at [lfpl.org](http://lfpl.org) if you want them to be ready for pickup when you arrive, or browse the sizeable children's collection and whimsical castle room with buckets of board books, toys and carpeted seating for reading.

The Rec Center is one of our favorite things about campus. The giant pool has long hours, a lifeguard on duty and even seasonal swimming lessons. The Health and Recreation Center is free for students and their families. Between the gym, game rooms, racquetball courts, track and workout equipment room, there's something for everyone.

## Eating

Given its Bon Appétit “foodie town” reputation, Louisville's countless local eateries may tempt you to eat out. A lot. It's understandable, but not so doable on a student budget. Thankfully there are places where kids eat free. Find out where, and when, at [kidseatfor.com](http://kidseatfor.com). And save the better spots for date nights and special occasions.

Whether you've moved here from 5,000 miles away or just 50, I hope this list will help ease the anxiety of your transition so you can get back to getting settled and making Louisville home.

# August 2011

From the first-year Boyce College student just learning the here-and-there around campus to the third-year M.Div. student who knows the SBTS scene backward and forward, August offers every student at Southern Seminary an array of both academic and recreational opportunities. Right off, intramural basketball and football signups begin, Aug. 8. Later in the month, the Connecting Church and Home conference will help current and future church leaders “connect” the rich, faithful Bible teaching to the every-day lives of their congregations. Several regular events also start up again for the new academic year.

## Announcements

### Seminary Wives Institutes

Registration is open for the fall semester of Seminary Wives Institute. Course descriptions and a child care request form are posted here: <http://www.sbts.edu/women/seminary-wives-institute>. New students also register at that site while returning ones do so on eCampus.

### The Attic

Saturday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. All students and their families are welcome to make free selections from this collection of clothing, home goods and furniture located in Fuller Hall, rooms 10-11.

Details are posted here: <http://www.sbts.edu/current-students/amenities/the-attic/>

### Free sewing class

The free sewing class led by Mrs. Barbara Gentry meets from 6-7:30 p.m. on Mondays in Fuller Room 16. Sewing machines are provided at no

cost. No experience is required, but women with experience may also participate. Knitting and crocheting lessons will also be offered. Mrs. Gentry leads the class assisted by Mrs. Kathy Vogel. For questions, you can call Mrs. Gentry locally at 423-8255 or Mrs. Vogel at 742-1497.

### Training Leaders International

Training Leaders International, a missions organization started by Bethlehem Baptist Church in Minneapolis, Minn., aims to mentor and send M.Div., Th.M. and Ph.D. students to teach cross culturally in locations where theological education is lacking or not available. Teachers must hold to The Gospel Coalition statement of faith and be willing to be mentored. For more information, visit [www.trainingleadersinternational.org](http://www.trainingleadersinternational.org) or contact [info@trainingleadersinternational.org](mailto:info@trainingleadersinternational.org)

### Health and Rec

The Health and Recreation Cen-

ter (HRC) will be open: M-F – 6 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sat. – 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. The swimming pool always closes 30 minutes before the rest of the HRC. The swimming pool closes at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays.

### Aerobics schedule

The Gauntlet T & F 7 - 7:50 a.m. Men ONLY.  
Fitness Boot Camp M, W, F 8 - 9 a.m. (Will begin August 22)  
Basic Training, Saturday 10 – 1 a.m. Co-Ed.  
Mommy and Me Power Walking M, W & F 10 - 11 a.m.  
Practical Pilates M, T, & R 4:45 - 5:45 p.m.  
Aqua Alive T & R 5 - 5:45 p.m.  
Body Sculpt T & R 8 - 8:45 p.m.

### Basketball Camp

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Aug. 1-2  
The Highlands Latin School will be hosting a basketball camp for 5-7th graders. Post Camps are focused towards the forward/center position and is designed to give campers drills to improve their post play both offensively and defensively

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14	15 Seminary classes begin	16
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10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m., Aug. 3-4

The Highlands Latin School will be hosting a basketball camp for 7-9th graders. Post Camps are focused towards the forward/center position and is designed to give campers drills to improve their post play both offensively and defensively.

The camps will cost \$20 per child. Register at the HRC front desk.

### Kids Fit

4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays, Aug. 22-Nov. 10  
A program designed to improve children’s fitness by playing games, swimming and

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	3	4	5 ■ Boyce College orientation	6 →
	10	11	12 Seminary orientation	13 HRC Closed The HRC will be closed for HRC staff CPR training
	17	18 Annual Job and Bank Fair in Heritage Hall AUGUST 18	19	20
Convocation M., ALUMNI CHAPEL Albert Mohler Jr. ggest Loser ational Meeting 6 P.M.	24	25 Chapel 10 A.M., ALUMNI CHAPEL Russell D. Moore	26 ■ Connecting Church and Home conference AUGUST 26-27	27 →
Chapel , ALUMNI CHAPEL Alistair Begg	31			

exercising. Cost is \$20 for one child and \$10 for each additional child. Registration will run from Aug. 8-22. Must register and pay (with cash or check) in person at the HRC front desk. For more information, contact Anna Owens at aowens@sbts.edu

The Health and Recreation Center (HRC) will be open: M - F

– 6:00 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
Sat. – 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. The swim-  
ming pool always closes 30  
minutes before the rest  
of the HRC. The swimming pool  
closes at  
6 p.m., Wednesdays.

**Motor Skills**  
4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Tues-

days, Aug. 23 – Nov. 8

A program designed to  
enhance coordination, balance  
and motor skills. Cost is \$20  
for one child and \$10 for each  
additional child. Registration  
will run from Aug. 8 - Aug 23.  
Must register and pay (with  
cash or check) in person at  
the HRC front desk. For more

information, contact Anna  
Owens at aowens@sbts.edu

**Fitness Childcare**  
4 - 6 p.m., Tuesdays and  
Thursdays, Aug. 23 – Nov. 17

The HRC will be offering child-  
care for \$3 per child. Children  
ages 6 weeks to 12 years old are  
welcome. Parents must remain

in the HRC and be working out  
or attending an aerobics class.

**Swim Lessons**  
3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m., Wednesdays  
and Fridays, Aug. 24 – Sept. 9

The cost is \$20 per child.  
Registration will begin at 9 a.m.,  
Monday, Aug 8. Must register  
and pay (with cash or check)  
in person at the Health and  
Recreation Center front desk. For  
more information, contact Andy  
Huber at ahhuber@sbts.edu

**Intramural Basketball**  
Registration: Aug. 8 - 24  
Season: Aug. 30 – Nov. 10

Games begin at 5:45 p.m. and  
will be played on Tuesdays and  
Thursdays. Register at the HRC  
front desk. Patrons may register  
as a team or as individuals.  
For more information, contact  
Dan Alvers at hrc@sbts.edu

**Swim Team Practice**  
9 - 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 3

The Health and Recreation  
Center will put together a chil-  
dren’s swim team this semester.  
Children grades 1 - 8 and who  
can swim 25 yards unassisted  
may join the team. The team will  
practice every Saturday morning  
from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. The season  
will end with a swim meet,  
Saturday Nov. 19 at 9 a.m. For  
more information, contact Andy  
Huber at ahhuber@sbts.edu

\* Call the HRC at 897-  
4720 with questions about  
scheduling and events.

\*Visit the Weekly Calendar on  
the Health and Recreation Center  
page of the SBTS Web site to see  
what is happening at the HRC.

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## Questions

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**Nº 1** HOW WOULD YOU ENCOURAGE PASTORS TO LEARN HOW TO PREACH CHRIST FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT?

One of the first tools is a concordance. To a young preacher, I say you can connect the text you’re working on with other themes and other texts simply by looking at a concordance. If you think about how words are used across the breadth of the canon, it will begin to help you make important connections of meaning across the Bible. Learn how to use a concordance in preaching, so before you go to commentaries, before you go to your research on historical backgrounds, read the text, read it again, and then look at a concordance – try to see for yourself how the dots connect across the Bible. Most good study Bibles have cross references. Pay attention to these. Read cross references as you think about the text. As a teacher learns far more than a student by teaching, so a preacher learns far more about the whole canon by preaching it.

**Nº 2** IN A NUTSHELL, WHAT IS THE PROPER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DISCIPLINES, BIBLICAL THEOLOGY AND SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY?

Biblical theology tries to understand the themes across the whole breadth of the Bible as they are unfolded. Systematic theology tries to understand the themes across the Bible, however, as a whole. In systematic theology, there is some logical order, some sense of the internal coherence of the themes themselves, whereas biblical theology understands them as they are unveiled chronologically across the Bible. Now, most good preachers have to do both – that is, they have to understand or should work to understand how these themes unfold historically across the Bible. But then they have to understand the concepts themselves, the inner coherence, and so that’s what systematic theology tries to do. When done well, systematic theology is married to biblical theology. But biblical theology is always a story with a plot that should be married to systematic theology too.

**Nº 3** HOW DID YOU BECOME A SEMINARY PROFESSOR?

I did it all the wrong way. In my senior year in college, I thought I was going to go to seminary, but R.C. Sproul pulled me aside and said, “No, I think you ought to go into apologetics and do philosophy.” So I headed off to do Ph.D. work in philosophy. Toward the end of which, I knew I didn’t want to teach philosophy. I really wanted to teach theology. So I did post-doctoral work at the University of Chicago in theology. My first teaching post was actually in England, at Trinity College in Bristol, teaching philosophy in a seminary, which is kind of unusual. I then slowly migrated across the disciplines to teach theology. When we came back to the States and to Gordon-Conwell, it was a regular appointment in theology. It was really the experience of pastoring as well as teaching that I understood my vocation as a teacher. That’s where my heart beats.