

Giving thanks for our 16th Annual Meeting

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August 2026 Newsletter



Giving thanks for the 2026 Annual Meeting

We are brimming with gratitude for a wonderful time gathered together last week for the Consortium's 16th Annual Meeting. A huge thank you to our lovely hosts, the SL Brown Foundation at Upper House and to everyone who contributed and attended!

This Month's Highlights

- See what study centers are up to in August

- Check out a special opportunity from one of our partner organizations
- See our list of recommended articles, lectures, and podcasts related to the study center movement
- Peruse the list of jobs available at several of our study centers and partners

Study Center Events



Beatrice Institute

Online Reading Group

Online: Fridays in August at 2pm EDT

In collaboration with Beatrice Institute, [The Genealogies of Modernity Project](#) is hosting an online reading group during the month of August discussing *The Genealogy of Genealogy* by [Jason Ananda Josephson Storm](#). To register, [email Susan Meland](#).



Upper House

Summer Concert

Friday, August 7 at 5pm

Madison, WI

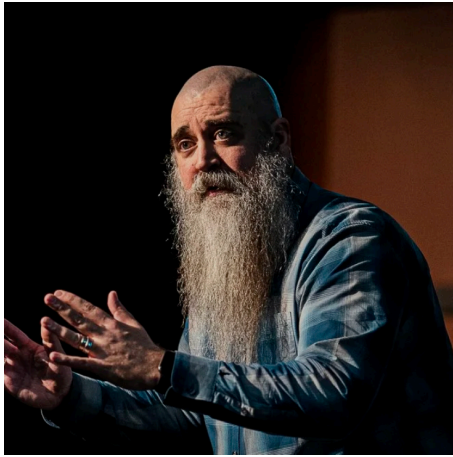
The annual summer concert at Upper House will feature [The Cajun Strangers](#), an award-winning Madison-based band that has been playing traditional Cajun and Zydeco dance music for over twenty years.

Forest Farm Visit

Thursday, August 13 at 9am

Madison, WI

"The Art and Work of Wonder" is a day-long visit to Root and Sky Farm that includes a shared farm-to-table meal. Farmer and English professor [Tiffany Eberle Kriner](#) will lead an immersive experience that integrates ecological approaches to small-scale farming with a hands-on forestry and communal art project, followed by Christian contemplation and reflection. Click the image above to learn more.



Hill House

Discussion with Marty Solomon

*Thursday, August 20
Austin, TX*

[Marty Solomon](#) is an author and resource creator on a mission to offer readings of the Bible better informed by its historical and Jewish context. He will be joining Hill House for a dinner and discussion.

Lecture with Carl Trueman

*Monday, August 31 at 7pm
Austin, TX*

The Annual Center for Christian Studies "First Things Lecture" will feature [Carl Trueman](#) discussing the effects of technology on humanity.

Partner Organization Opportunities



InterVarsity's MBA Ministry

Are you or someone you know interested in developing the next generation of faith-driven business leaders? InterVarsity's MBA Ministry is looking for full-time staff, part-time staff, and volunteers to join them in raising up students and faculty at top-ranked business programs to surrender to the lordship of Christ not just on Sundays but every day, not just in private but also in the workplace.

[Learn more](#)

Recommendations



TRH Book Review by Bill Walker

The Raised Hand has recently published their first book review! From time to time, *TRH* plans to publish reviews on books and articles that have had an enduring influence on the Christian Study Center movement. The first of these (by Executive Director of Hill House Christian Study Center at UT-Austin, **Bill Walker**) is a reflection on the arguments and contributions of **James Davison Hunter's** *To Change the World* (2010).

[Read now](#)



Christianity Today Article by Daniel Hummel

In his article "What Tucker Carlson's Show Got Wrong About Christian Zionism," **Daniel Hummel** (Director of the SL Brown Foundation's Lumen Center) analyzes the arguments made in the most recent episode of *The Tucker Carlson Show* with guest J.D. Hall.

[Read now](#)



Podcast Interview with Rick Ostrander

As the Michigan Christian Study Center celebrates its fourth year of ministry, executive director **Rick Ostrander** joined colleague **Julie Magro** in a podcast conversation about the origins of the MCSC, the nature of their ministry at the U of M, and the Christian Study Center movement in general.

[Listen now](#)



Wycliffe Lecture with Mark Lanier

In a thought-provoking address at Wycliffe Hall, renowned trial lawyer **Mark Lanier** discusses the challenges and opportunities of social media from a Christian perspective. Drawing from his role as lead attorney in a landmark social media addiction case involving Meta and YouTube, he explores how Christians can navigate the digital age.

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Technology Manager

Finance, Payroll & Benefits Administrator

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The Christian Study Center Movement

Have you seen the Consortium's video about the study center movement yet?
View and share the video [here](#).

As always, keep sending your events our way so that we may distribute them to all who have expressed interest in the good work of the Consortium's members and partners.

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