



Two reminders

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Consortium of Christian Study Centers

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July 2026 Newsletter

Dear Karlee,

If you are reading this today—June 30th—I would like to call your attention to two opportunities. First, please join us online this evening for a “Big Announcement.” I will report on progress with the Consortium’s strategic plan and capital campaign. The announcement also pertains to honoring Drew and Marie Trotter for their many years of faithful service to the Consortium and to the study center movement. Some of you were present when we previewed this news last summer in Charlottesville. Tonight is the public announcement of this wonderful milestone—for a sneak preview, see my new job title below!

Second, today is the last day of the fiscal year for the Consortium and also for many of our three dozen member centers. Our sincerest thanks to all of you who give generously to help bring thoughtful Christian presence to our nation’s secular universities. If you have not yet given, this is a great day to do so!

Study centers are now in summer mode—not working less but working differently and with fewer events. This month we feature events from our partner organizations and also a number of resources that are well worth clicking through and listening to. Finally, don’t miss the announcement of the latest addition to the Consortium staff team—welcome Jeff!

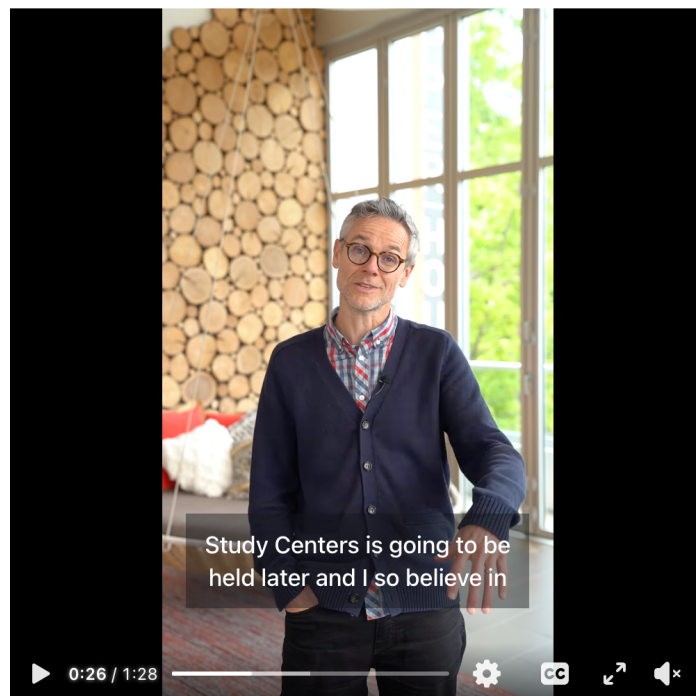
In the coming weeks, we welcome your prayers as we make the final preparations for the 16th Annual Meeting at Upper House in Madison, WI, hosted by the SL Brown Foundation. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

Soli Deo Gloria,

This Month's Highlights

- Hear Tim Mackie's endorsement of study centers and the CCSC Annual Meeting
 - See details of the Consortium's online event [tonight](#) and meet our newest team member!
 - Learn about partner organization programs and conferences you or someone you know may be interested in
 - See our curated list of articles, video interviews, and podcasts related to the study center movement
 - Peruse the list of jobs available at several of our study centers and partners
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CCSC News & Events



2026 CCSC Annual Meeting

Monday, July 27 - Wednesday, July 29
Madison, WI

Click the image above to hear what **Tim Mackie** (co-founder of the BibleProject) has to say about the CCSC Annual Meeting at Upper House next month! The 16th Annual Meeting will be hosted by the SL Brown Foundation and our keynote speakers will be **Meghan Sullivan** (giving a talk entitled "Ethical Formation in the Era of Powerful AI") and **Brad East** (giving a talk entitled "The Happiest Places on Earth: Translation, Vocation, and Integration at Christian Study Centers"). Click below to learn more about this year's annual meeting and to register.

[Learn more and register](#)



Welcome to Jeff Haanen

We are pleased to announce the newest member of the Consortium team – our Director of Advancement, **Jeff Haanen**!

[Learn more about Jeff](#)



Big News, Gratitude & Looking Forward

Online: Today, June 30 at 7:30pm ET

Please join us **tonight** for an important and very encouraging update from the Consortium. At this event, we will make an important public announcement about how donor support is advancing the Consortium's mission and also honoring those who have brought us this far. Please click below to register for the event and receive the Zoom link. We hope to see you there!

[Register now](#)



The Faculty Theological Collaborative

*Monday, August 3 – Wednesday, August 5
Durham, NC*

The Faculty Theological Collaborative, hosted by the Center for Christianity & Scholarship, supports Christian professors at secular universities through advanced theological training, living examples of the unity of faith and scholarship, and rich fellowship with faculty across institutions and disciplines. This three-day workshop is built around a series of dialogues between academic theologians and scholars in the natural sciences, social sciences, and arts and humanities. This year's topic is "What It Means to Be Human" and the keynotes are **Santa Ono** and **Warren Smith**. In addition to the Consortium of Christian Study Centers, the event is co-sponsored by Anselm House, Octet Collaborative, and Regent College. Click below to learn about the other speakers and to register.

[Learn more and register](#)

Partner Organization Events



Davenant Convivium

*Friday, September 11 – Saturday, September 12
Hillsdale, MI*

The Davenant Convivium is two days of fellowship, lectures, and Reformed scholarship. The theme of the Fall 2026 Convivium is "Male and Female He Created Them: Christian Anthropology in an Age of Confusion" with featured speaker **Joshua Herring**. Tickets are free!

[Learn more and register](#)



WYCLIFFE HALL

University of Oxford

Theomousikos Programme

*October 2026
Oxford, UK*

Wycliffe Hall's new Theomousikos programme is a unique one-year formation experience for Christian musicians. The programme is now open to applications from external students and is recruiting its next cohort to start this October. The part-time course is open to anybody who is seeking to serve the church through music. Contact time is an average of three hours per week, including study groups, seminars, songwriting and recording opportunities, 1-to-1 mentoring, and access to specialist guest lectures, performances, and themed conferences.

[Learn more and apply](#)



THE CICERONIAN SOCIETY

Fall Symposium

*Thursday, October 22 – Saturday, October 24
Holland, MI*

The topic of the Ciceronian Society's 2026 Fall Symposium is "Scholars and Educators in a Brave New World." Sponsorship opportunities are available. Click below to learn more and to register. Also, save the date for their 2027 Spring Conference (March 11-13, 2027 in Virginia Beach, VA) and consider submitting a proposal to present a paper.

[Learn more](#)



Windrider Summit

*Sunday, January 24 – Friday, January 29, 2027
Louisville, CO*

The Windrider Summit is a one-of-a-kind cultural experience. It is an opportunity to attend The Sundance Film Festival and interact with a community who shares a belief in the transformative power of story. It is also a chance to bring a distinctively spiritual and theological lens to film and explore some of the most important topics in our culture. Windrider provides a customized experience, curating the best of Sundance's offerings along with exclusive benefits available only to Windrider Summit participants. Click below to learn more and to submit your accommodation interest form by July 20th.

[Learn more and register](#)

Recommendations



Podcast Episode with Molly Worthen

Historian, professor, and North Carolina Study Center board member **Molly Worthen** was interviewed on the Good Faith Podcast by **Curtis Chang** in a conversation titled "Is College Killing Christian Faith or Awakening it?" This discussion explores the complex realities that students are facing today and the vital role that study centers play in university life.

[Listen now](#)



Interview with N.T. Wright & Francis Collins

In this five-minute interview, **N.T. Wright** and **Francis Collins** join **Jonathan Brant** (director of the New Renaissance Project at Wycliffe Hall) for a short conversation about the need for a new renaissance.

[Watch now](#)



Interview with Jennifer Frey

In this conversation recently published by the New York Times, keynote speaker at last year's Annual Meeting **Jennifer Frey** is interviewed by **Ross Douthat** on the topic of the higher education humanities crisis. As enrollment and reading decline, could the age of A.I. bring back the kind of education fundamental to human formation? Could the best defense against A.I. be reading Plato?

Watch now



CENTER FOR
PUBLIC JUSTICE

Article on the Purpose of Higher Education

The Center for Public Justice has recently published an article by **Girien Salazar** (Director of Faith-Based Policy and Research at CPJ) that explores the questions raised by The U.S. Department of Education's proposed higher education accountability rule. Salazar reevaluates the ultimate purpose of higher education and argues for the importance of recovering a broader vision of education.

Read now



CHRISTIAN
STUDY CENTER

Conversation about Faith & AI

Executive Director of the Christian Study Center of Gainesville **Mike Sacasas** recently moderated a panel discussion inspired by the latest encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence*. The ecumenical panel included **Ana Siljak**, **Lily Abadal**, and **Christopher Hampson**. Click below to hear their conversation as well as the Q&A that followed.

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Job Openings



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Managing Editor

Engagement & Events Manager

Civitas Fellowship Manager

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Hospitality Manager

Development Coordinator

Undergrad Program Coordinator

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Director of Finance

Technology Manager

Facilities Assistant

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RIVENDELL
INSTITUTE

Part-Time Administrative Assistant

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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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