



Research & reflections on the CSC movement

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September 2026 Newsletter

Dear Karlee,

As Christian Study Centers continue rolling out a warm welcome to thousands of new and returning students alike at college and university campuses across the country, we continue to reflect on the recent Annual Meeting as well as the state of the movement. The Annual Meeting has been referenced in a number of newsletters and blog posts including those from [The Augustine Center](#), one of the Consortium's newest Prospective Member Centers, and the [Center for Christianity & Public Life](#), one of our partner organizations.

Regarding the movement more generally, we are also following the publications coming out of Baylor University's research project that interviewed students involved with Christian Study Centers (among others) in recent years. Perry Glanzer has a post at the [Christian Scholar's Review](#) summarizing some of the findings and reflecting on the dynamics that explain why "Christians involved in Christian groups on secular campuses [go] on to be some of the most influential leaders in the broader Christian and secular world."

We invite you to click through to read these reflections, as well as to peruse the many other events and resources offered by our member centers and partner organizations listed below.

In Christ,

Karl E. Johnson
Drew & Marie Trotter Executive Director

This Month's Highlights

- Check out our newest member study center!
- Browse the center events taking place across the country this month
- Read, watch, or listen to one of the recommendations on our curated list of content related to the SC movement
- Take a look at the list of jobs available at several of our study centers and partners

CCSC News & Events



CENTER FOR CHRISTIAN STUDY
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Welcome to our Newest Member Study Center!

The Consortium is pleased to welcome our newest member, The Center for Christian Study at the University of South Florida led by Director **Brian Sanders**. Click below to learn more about the center!

[Learn more](#)

Study Center Events



The Logic of Emotional Formation
Matthew LaPine
September 1 at 7pm
Chapel Hill, NC

[Learn more](#)



Intercession for World Events
David Smith
September 4 at 4pm
Williamsburg, VA

[Learn more](#)



Book of Jonah Performance
Jacob Daniel Groth
September 11 at 7pm
Muncie, IN

[Learn more](#)

Chris Renzema Concert Tour



September 4 at 7pm
Minneapolis, MN

[Learn more](#)



September 5 at 7pm
Madison, WI

[Learn more](#)



September 6 at 6:30pm
Iowa City, IA

[Learn more](#)



The Bible's Relevance in Society & the University

Jason Riley

September 11 at 6:30pm
Columbus, OH

[Learn more](#)



Science Literacy & Denialism in a Fractured World

Rick Lindroth

September 11 at 6:30pm
Madison, WI

[Learn more](#)

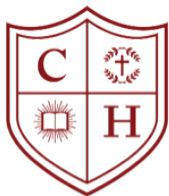


Mental Health as a Christian Vocation

Ernesto Escoto & Deborah Smith

September 14 at 6pm
Gainesville, FL

[Learn more](#)



America's Founding Documents & Early Black Writers

Angel Adams Parham

September 17 at 5:30pm
Ithaca, NY

[Learn more](#)



Faithful Witness in a Polarized Age

Marvin Olasky

September 18 at 5:30pm
Ann Arbor, MI

[Learn more](#)



Bipolarity & the Romantic Imagination

Mia Chung-Yee

September 19 at 5:30pm
Muncie, IN

[Learn more](#)



The Addiction of Sports Betting

Jared Pincin

September 23 at 7pm
Lexington, KY

[Learn more](#)



Food & Faith

Karyn Tomlinson

September 24 at 4:30pm
Minneapolis, MN

[Learn more](#)



Seeing the Wonder of Creation

Brian Brock

September 14 at 12:30pm
Minneapolis, MN

[Learn more](#)



Augustine & Suffering

Grant Holbrook

September 29 at 7pm

Richmond, VA

[Learn more](#)



Discovering Spiritual Practices

Tish Harrison Warren

September 29 at 12:30pm CT

*Online

[Tune in](#)



Faith in the Academy Faculty Q&A

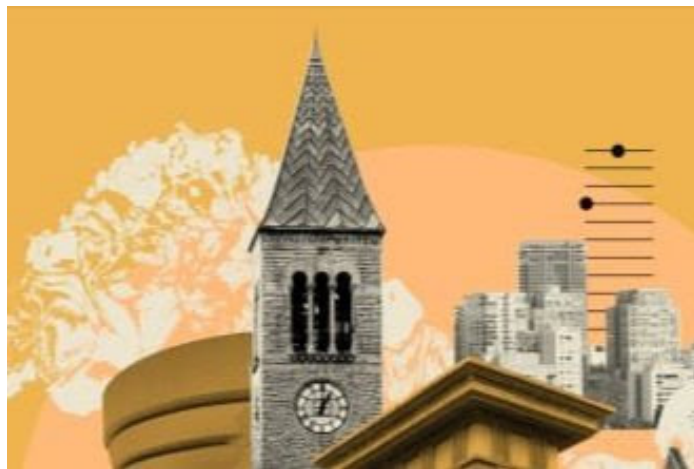
Ana Siljak

September 30 at 11:30am

Gainesville, FL

[Learn more](#)

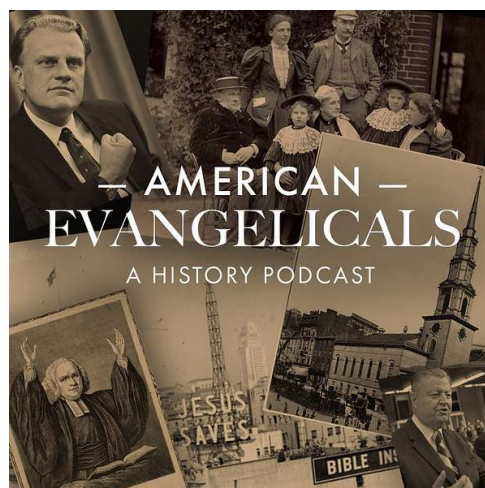
Recommendations



CCPL Reflection on the CCSC Annual Meeting

The Heart of the Public – a publication of the Center for Christianity & Public Life (CCPL) – has recently published an article in response to the Consortium's 16th Annual Meeting. In it, authors **Alex Arnold**, **Chris Gow**, **Ruth Lee**, and **Tyler Denison** reflect on the value of Christian Study Centers and the ways in which they "have gifts to offer a higher education sector that needs them."

[Read now](#)



Podcast Episode on Evangelicals & Science

The podcast *American Evangelicals* blends storytelling and free-flowing conversation to explore the varieties, similarities, and significance of evangelical Christians in American history. For an interesting discussion on the relationship between Evangelicalism and science, listen to episode 8 with hosts **John Fea**, **Dan Hummel**, and **Maggie Capra**, as well as the full, unedited **Ted Davis** interview in bonus episode 13.

Episode 8

Episode 13



Article on Students' Beliefs About "The Good Life"

Christians Scholar's Review recently published an article by **Perry L. Glanzer** investigating how students at elite secular and Christian universities understand the good life, purpose, and self-worth. Their interesting findings indicate that Centers for Christian Thought like the Consortium's study centers are "doing something better than Christian universities."

Read now



Podcast Episode on "The Baptized Imagination"

The Trinity Forum's recent podcast episode on what a baptized imagination looks like features Executive Director of the Octet Collaborative and concert pianist **Mia Chung** as well as acclaimed poet and Anglican priest **Malcolm Guite**.

Listen now



Short Film about Grief

Windrider Studios engages culture thoughtfully through the power of story. Their most recent monthly short film *Morning* by **Olivia J. Middleton** explores themes of tragedy, grief, and witness in under 6 minutes.

[Watch now](#)

CCPL Article on Assisted Suicide

In this article published by The Center for Christianity & Public Life, **Justin R. Hawkins** (Consortium Intern Program Mentor and postdoctoral researcher in bioethics at Columbia University Irving Medical Center) discusses why the safeguards on New York's MAID law won't last, and better ways to serve those who are dying in pain.

[Read now](#)

Job Openings



**ANSELM
HOUSE**

Food Service Manager

Campaign Manager / Executive Assistant

[Apply here](#)



Facilities Assistant

Technology Manager

Finance, Payroll & Benefits Administrator

[Apply here](#)

the Center
for Christianity
& Public Life



Director of Operations and Finance

[Apply here](#)



CENTER FOR
PUBLIC JUSTICE

Civitas Fellowship Manager

[Apply here](#)



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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