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*The Candler community wishes you a blessed Advent and Christmas season.*

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## **Add the Latest Books by Candler Faculty to Your Shelf**

At the close of another calendar year, the tallies are in: Candler professors and emeriti faculty published 10 new books in 2025, sharing their experience and expertise on a variety of relevant topics in the academy, the church, and the world. [See the full list of 2025 new faculty books.](#)

## **Two Candler Alumni Among Emory's "40 Under Forty"**

Congratulations to [Gina A. S. Robinson 070x 09C 16T](#) and [Julian Davis Reid 19T](#) for their inclusion in the Emory Alumni Association's 2025 list of "40 Under Forty," which shines a light on a select group of remarkable Emory alumni who are leading change in innovative ways. Read more about [Robinson](#), an adjunct seminary professor and grants consultant, and [Reid](#), a musician and theologian. [Check out the full list of Emory's 2025 40 Under Forty honorees.](#)

## **Honoring Justo González's 'Mañana' at 35 Years**

Candler School of Theology and the Association for Hispanic Theological Education (AETH) will co-sponsor a two-day gathering this February to mark the 35th anniversary of **Justo L. González's** groundbreaking work, *Mañana: Christian Theology from a Hispanic Perspective*. "Mañana from a New Today" will take place in Atlanta February 4–5, 2026, and will convene scholars, pastors, students, and community leaders to reflect on the enduring influence of González's theology and its continued relevance for the church. [\\_Read more and register to attend "Mañana from a New Today."](#)

## **Dube Co-Edits Two Volumes on Innovative African Theology**

Two new scholarly volumes co-edited by William Ragsdale Cannon Distinguished Professor of New Testament **Musa W. Dube** were published in 2025, highlighting her continued influence as a leading voice in postcolonial feminist theology. [\\_Read more about Dube's latest books.](#)

## **Candler Shines at AAR/SBL Annual Meeting**

Candler was well-represented at this year's American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature annual meeting, held Nov. 22-25 in Boston. All told, 25 Candler faculty and staff served as presenters, panelists, respondents, or presiders at the largest global gathering of theologians and religious scholars. Their participation included six original presentations and three panels dedicated to new books by Candler professors.

In addition, Charles Howard Candler Professor of Pastoral Theology and Spiritual Care **Emmanuel Y. Lartey** was recognized for his decades of groundbreaking contributions with the panel "Postcolonializing Scholarship, Teaching, and Mentoring for All People: Honoring and Celebrating the Contributions of Emmanuel Y. Lartey."

A hearty congratulations to all who took part, and we'll see you next year in Denver!

## **Celebrate with Us: YTI Steps Into A New Season!**

Candler's Youth Theological Initiative is launching its inaugural [Youth Ministry Training Program](#) to equip youth ministers with its signature pedagogy. At the same time, we're preparing for the **2026 YTI Summer**

**Academy** and recruiting current 9th–11th graders to join our next season of theological exploration. Do you know someone who belongs at YTI? Nominate a [high school student](#) or a [youth minister](#) for YTI today. For more information, email **Jill Weaver** at [jweaver@emory.edu](mailto:jweaver@emory.edu).

## **Recommend an Alum for the Candler Alumni Board**

As part of an ongoing effort to strengthen our alumni engagement, we are looking to expand the Candler Alumni Board. Our alums are a vibrant part of the Candler community, and we are seeking your valuable input to identify alumni who would be excellent candidates for the board. If you know anyone who will bring dedication, energy, and wisdom to this volunteer leadership position, [complete the recommendation form at your earliest convenience](#).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

*Please note that events are subject to change. Click on the event title to see more details and registration information. [See a full listing of upcoming Candler events here](#).*

**Dec. 18, 8:00 p.m.:** [Digital Info Session: Doctor of Ministry](#). Online.

**Dec. 22, 6:00 p.m.:** [Webinar: "Seasons of Support: LGBTQ+ Allyship that Matters."](#) Online.

**Jan. 12, 7:00 p.m.:** [Info Session: The Sacred Arts Collective](#). Online.

**Jan. 13, 11:05 a.m.:** [Spring Convocation: The Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Lartey, preacher](#). In person and online.

**Jan. 13-April 21, Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m.:** [Candler Foundry Course: "A Theological Introduction to the Old Testament,"](#) with Associate Professor in the Practice of Old Testament **Ryan Bonfiglio**. Online.

**Jan. 15:** [Priority Application Deadline \(MDiv, MTS, MARL\)](#)

**Jan. 15-April 23, Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.:** [Candler Foundry Course: "The Gospel of John,"](#) with Candler Foundry Scholar-in-Residence **Elizabeth Arnold**. Online.

**Jan. 29, 12:00 p.m.:** [Aquinas Day Lecture: "Bad Catholics, Good Trouble:](#)

[Reimagining Catholic History as a Call to Action.](#)” In person and online.

**Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24, 6:30 p.m.:** [Candler Foundry Course: “Black Theology and Faith,”](#) with Professor Emeritus of Theology and Ethics **Noel L. Erskine.** Online.

**Feb. 4-5:** [“Mañana from a New Today.”](#) In person.

**Feb. 27, 7:00 p.m.:** [The 16th Annual Heritage Ball.](#) In person.

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