



CandlerNEWS



MAY 2025

Congratulations, Class of 2025!

On April 22, the 2025 Senior Class Gift Committee presented Dean **Jonathan Strom** with a check for \$3,945 to support the Candler Student Emergency Fund, which provides immediate assistance to Candler students experiencing temporary financial hardship. This well surpassed the committee's initial goal of \$2,025, and when the campaign closed on April 27, the grand total raised came to \$4,000. Bravo to our committee, and thanks to all who contributed to the senior class gift this year! We look forward to celebrating with our graduates on May 10.

Robert Franklin Named to American Academy of Arts and Sciences

James T. and Berta R. Laney Professor in Moral Leadership **Robert M. Franklin, Jr.** has been elected to The American Academy of Arts & Sciences, one of nearly 250 individuals—and the sole scholar from Emory—elected to the Academy's class of 2025. Founded in 1780, the Academy is one of the

nation's oldest and most prestigious honorary societies and a leading center for independent policy research. [Read more about Franklin's latest honor.](#)

Honors Day Celebrates Candler's Finest

One of the most treasured traditions at Candler is our annual Honors Day Convocation, where we celebrate students who excel in vocational and academic pursuits. [Read more about 2025 Honors Day recipients and how Candler has shaped their callings.](#)

Candler Alumni Named 2025 FTE Doctoral Fellows

Four Candler alumni have been awarded 2025 Doctoral Fellowships from the Forum for Theological Exploration (FTE), recognized for their work in advancing research and leadership in theology, religion, and biblical studies. Congratulations to **Jazzy Johnson 22T 28G**, **Stephanie Milton 17T**, **Ebo Quainoo 17T 18T**, and **Kyle Stevenson 18T**! [Learn more about the new FTE Doctoral Fellows here.](#)

There's Still Time to Register for the Festival of Homiletics

Candler is excited to be a sponsor of the 2025 Festival of Homiletics, happening May 12-15 at Atlanta's Peachtree Road United Methodist Church. Hear from a wide range of renowned preachers and scholars, including Candler's own **Teresa Fry Brown**, **Ted Smith**, and **Khalia Williams**. Festival attendees are also invited to take part in a [Candler-sponsored mixer on Wednesday, May 14](#). [Learn more and register to attend FOH in person or online.](#)

Summer Institute Happening at Candler May 22-23

This year's Summer Institute for Global Charismatic-Pentecostal Studies invites participants to critically engage with the past, present, and future of Pentecostal and charismatic musical communities. One highlight: A concert featuring indie singer-songwriter **David Bazan** and hip hop artist and spoken word poet **Propaganda**. Another highlight: The Revs. **Gabriel and Jeanette Salguero** of The Gathering Place, a multi-ethnic congregation in Orlando, will lead worship and a workshop. [Get more details and register for the Summer Institute.](#)

"Sabbath as Rest and Resistance": A Candler Foundry Master Course

Join The Candler Foundry and Associate Professor in the Practice of Old Testament **Ryan Bonfiglio** May 27-30 and June 2-5 for an eight-session online Foundry Master course exploring the biblical theology of Sabbath as well as the purpose, place, and practice of sabbath in Christian spirituality and pastoral leadership. [Learn more and register for "Sabbath as Rest and Resistance."](#)

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.](#)

Ongoing: [Courses in the Community](#)

May 10: [Candler Graduate Recognition Ceremony](#). In person and online.

May 14: [Festival of Homiletics Mixer](#). In person.

May 22-23: [The 2025 Summer Institute for Global Charismatic-Pentecostal Studies](#). In person.

May 27-30, June 2-5: [Course in the Community: "Sabbath as Rest and Resistance."](#) Online.

Ongoing: Candler Clubs

Candler Clubs provide an opportunity for alumni to gather during summer denominational conferences. Enjoy a meal together, connect with Candler faculty or staff members, and hear the latest news about the school. All Candler alumni and students are welcome at any event regardless of denominational affiliation. [Learn more and register for your Candler Club here](#).

May 29: North Alabama Conference, UMC

June 3: South Georgia Conference, UMC

June 3: Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference, UMC

June 5: Florida Conference, UMC

June 5: Mississippi Conference, UMC

June 9: Alabama-West Florida Conference, UMC

June 9: South Carolina Conference, UMC

June 10: Kentucky Conference, UMC

June 13: North Georgia Conference, UMC

June 13: Virginia Conference, UMC

June 19: Western North Carolina Conference, UMC

June 24: AME North Georgia Conference

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