Celebrating the History of the Word

New Bible Exhibit Open in Lynn H. Wood Archaeological Museum

The Bible is easily accessible today, yet just a few hundred years ago, only Catholic priests could read the printed Word of God, and millions of individuals sacrificed their lives to make the Bible available to the common people. Inspired by this sacrifice, Southern Adventist University opened a new temporary exhibit titled “From Script to Scripture,” bringing this history to life through original rare Bibles, manuscripts, art, and more. The exhibit opened on January 15 in the Lynn H. Wood Archaeological Museum and will remain on display until April 2021.

“I’m very excited about this exhibit because to me it highlights the reason why we are here as an institution, as a
shares the legacy of the millions of people who gave up so much of their freedom, and even their lives, to preserve the Bible so that we could have it today.”

With approximately 80 items on display, visitors take a journey through the history of printing the Bible and explore the innovations of the alphabet, the printing press, and modern technology that have made the Bible the best-selling book of all time. They can view a 1535 pre-reformation French Bible called the Olivitán, a complete 1611 King James Version Bible, and leaves from a Guttenberg Bible and from the first Bible ever printed in North America. Also featured are many works significant to the Protestant Reformation, including an original printing of Martin Luther’s 95 Theses on a replica of the Wittenberg doors.

For Hasel, the exhibit directly aligns with the mission of Southern as it highlights the lives of reformers and agents of change, such as John Calvin and Martin Luther, who were not much older than the average Southern student when they impacted the course of history.

“I hope the exhibit will inspire young people,” Hasel said. “Sometimes we think that in order to do something great for God we have to be older or more experienced, but it’s very exciting to see that many of these thinkers, many of these revolutionaries or reformers, were young people who were very convicted by the Word of God to create change.”

Individuals and school groups alike are welcome to visit for free; more information, including museum hours, is available at southern.edu/archaeology.

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MLK Day 2020

This Martin Luther King Jr Day, Southern students, employees, and alumni spent the day as they have for the last 27 years—serving others. More than 1,000 volunteers

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Check out the MLK Day 2020 album on Flickr, here!

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**Academic Summer Camps**

Do you know a high school student who would benefit from exploring a potential career field this summer? Southern offers 13 three-day Academic Summer Camps, giving high school students an opportunity to spend time on campus exploring and strengthening their interests and gifts.

“I enjoyed meeting lots of different people, talking to them about their specialties, and learning new things for myself,” said Isaiah, a 2019 Academic Summer Camp attendee. “I recommend summer camps for anyone, whether you’re going for the first time or you want to go again and strengthen your future career.”

For more information and to register, visit southern.edu/camps.

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**Building Community**

Southern Student Plants Chinese Church on Campus
In 2016, Dennis Li uprooted his family from China and moved to the United States so that he could pursue a degree in theology at Southern. He quickly realized that “God sent us to this country to do more than complete a degree.” He felt called to start a Chinese church on campus, and in September 2017, a group of two or three families began meeting in a classroom in Brock Hall for Sabbath morning church services.

Despite small beginnings, the High Point Seventh-day Adventist Fellowship quickly developed into an international community, outgrowing its space. Recently, working through the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, the congregation was able to move into their own church building not far from Southern.

Li, who graduated from Southern in December 2019, plans to continue leading the group of nearly 130. As they grow, Li emphasizes the importance of inviting young people to participate, and enthusiastically says, “Our goal is to open our arms wide and welcome anyone to worship with us.”

Services are held in English every Sabbath at 10:15 a.m. at 3450 Camp Road, Apison, Tennessee.
Thank you!

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