



The Western Wave



November marks Western Seminary's second year at the Santa Clara site. What a journey!

Reflecting: 2 Year Anniversary

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Lately, I have been doing a lot of reflecting, both personal and professional in nature. I think about my youngest son and his upcoming college graduation. He is twenty-one years old now and finishing up his last year of undergraduate schooling. Where did the time go? And what about those San Francisco Giants?! Since our relocation to Santa Clara in 2010, this team has won two World Series. Not bad for a team that never won a World Series title since moving out west from New York in 1958! I also have been in a reflective mood as I think about our second anniversary at this location on El Camino Real. In some respects, it does seem like yesterday when this space was only an empty shell in

need of a vision as to how it would look when the doors opened on Monday, November 1, 2010.

It would be satisfying and somewhat self-congratulatory if I could say that on the first day our doors opened in Santa Clara everything was in place. The truth is, even on that day, the seminary's interior layout was still a work in progress. What was in place, though, was a building ready to welcome men and women with a drive for learning and a passion for Jesus Christ. With those two attributes in place, I knew this campus would be a great place to fulfill His will for Western Seminary, San Jose.

As part of my reflection on the last two years in Santa Clara, a number of things come to mind, but foremost is the community of

Important Dates

- Nov. 1-30 Spring 2013 open registration
- Nov. 5 Western Meals (lunch & dinner)
- Nov. 6 Election Day (remember to vote!)
- Nov. 7 Free Discover Coaching webinar, 11am, Sign up [here](#).
- Nov. 10 Student Appreciation Lunch, 12:00pm-1:15pm
- Nov. 12 Spring 2013 application deadline
- Nov. 22-25 Thanksgiving recess, campus closed
- Dec. 1 Western Meals (breakfast & lunch)
- Dec. 11 New Student Orientation, 6:30pm-9:30pm
- Dec. 15 Fall 2012 Semester ends
- Dec. 24-25 Campus closed for Christmas
- Dec. 29 Last day to add a spring 2013 course through S.I.S.
- Jan. 1 New Year's Day - campus closed
- Jan. 5 Spring 2013 Semester begins

Other [Community Calendar](#) dates

current students, alumni, friends of the seminary, and faculty and staff. Through prayer, time, and gifting, the Western community has made much of the physical maturation of this campus over the last two years possible. Allow me to give you a partial list of items that represent their investment in the seminary:

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Campus News

SPRING 2013 OPEN REGISTRATION - NOV. 1-30

Open Registration (the period of time when you can add and drop classes without any fees) for the Spring 2013 semester takes place during the month of November. It is highly recommended that you check in with your advisor about course selection to make sure you're on track with your degree requirements and are aware of any prerequisites/course sequencing. Late fees begin December 1, but you may add classes via SIS through December 29th. The [Spring 2013 course syllabi](#) will also be posted on the website soon. The [Spring 2013 Course Schedule](#) is posted online.

INTERESTED IN CNS 512S GROUP COUNSELING?

If you plan to take the Group Counseling CNS 512S class this spring 2013 semester, please know that it will be first come first serve. Unfortunately, we have to cap the class at 24 students.



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DISCOVER COACHING
FREE WEBINAR - NOV. 7 AT 11AM
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DR. NEEDHAM-PENROSE'S PUBLISHED ARTICLE

Dr. Judith Needham-Penrose and her co-author, Harris L. Friedman, will have an article published in the Humanistic Psychology publication on November 27, 2012. The title of the article is Moral Identity Versus Moral Reasoning in Religious Conservatives: Do Christian Evangelical Leaders Really Lack Moral Maturity? Copyright © 2012 Routledge.

GIVING TO WESTERN AT NO COST TO YOU!

When you order your books for the spring semester, your Christmas gifts, electronic devices and other products through Amazon, be sure to use the Amazon search engine/widget beneath the Western Wave icon on the [Current Students page](#). As an Amazon Associate, the Western Seminary system in Oregon and California benefits from each qualifying Amazon purchase - and all at no cost to you!

LAST CALL FOR Application to Graduate

for Fall 2012, Spring and Summer 2013. You'll need to submit an [Application to Graduate](#) ASAP!

If you have any questions, please contact [Carrie Priest](#).



LOST AND FOUND

For any lost and found items, please see [Jenna Ross](#) or [Tony Cruz](#) in the Enrollment/Recruitment Department.

STUDENT DISCOUNTS THROUGH AMAZON

Are you interested in a student discount through Amazon? See [October 2012's edition of the Western Wave](#) for instructions on how to enroll.

PERSPECTIVES CLASSES THIS SPRING 2013

The Perspectives courses will be held this spring from January through May 2013 in three Bay Area locations:

- Community Christian in Morgan Hill
- Maranatha Christian Center in San Jose
- San Lorenzo Japanese Christian Church in San Lorenzo

Visit www.perspectives.org for more information about "Perspectives on the World Christian Movement" and to register online or pick up a "Get Threaded" postcard in the lobby on campus. Perspectives can count for graduate credit. For questions about registering for Western credit, contact [Carrie Priest](#).

A FEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Please take advantage of the job and ministry opportunities available. We receive regular contact from churches and para-church organizations. We have posted several ministry opportunities in October (below). If you are interested in any of these positions, please see the Ministry and Employment Opportunities binder in the front lobby for more information. For previous listings, see [October 2012's edition of the Western Wave](#).

- **Worship Leader**
[Cornerstone Fellowship](#) in Brentwood (East Bay) - 30 hours/wk.
- **Worship Arts Director**
[Recreate Church](#) in San Jose - 10 hours/wk.
- **Contract Minister**
[Community Reformed Church](#) in Oakland. *Application deadline - Nov. 10!*
- **MFT Interns** (paid positions)
[Foothill Community Health Center](#) at local schools in East San Jose
- **Various part-time and full-time positions**
[Momentum for Mental Health](#) (under "About us" and "careers" page) in San Jose



WESTERN SEMINARY Marketplace

Check out Western Seminary's new marketplace!

Purchase Western Seminary clothes and accessories and Western will receive 15% of the proceeds!

[Click here](#) for more details!



Student Appreciation Lunch Saturday, November 10th!

Are you a current student?

If so, you are invited to lunch (on us!) on Saturday, November 10th from 12 - 1:15 pm.

All faculty and staff are invited, too!

We love that you are a part of this seminary community, and we hope you'll come enjoy [free food](#) and [great fellowship!](#)



Above: the library under construction in 2010.
Below: the library today.



Above: the “blue tape” before the walls were built for classrooms 203-205.
Below from top to bottom: classrooms 203, 204 and 205 today.



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- Painting of the classrooms
- Audio visual enhancements in the classrooms
- Additional library bookshelves
- Extra table in the lounge
- Server room upgrades in the IT area
- Steam cleaning of classroom chairs
- Additional classroom tables and chairs
- Additional art pieces
- Financial aid resources for students in need
- Electrical upgrades
- Carpet shampooing of classrooms and student lounge area
- Additional computer in the library

This list is not exhaustive, but it does represent a snapshot of personal investment in Western Seminary San Jose. The continued giving of time, talent, and resources play a major role in our efforts to meet the needs of current and future students. In just our first two years here in Santa Clara, over fifty students have graduated from this campus, with each person representing a story of God’s vision for this school and our continued presence in the Bay Area. As we enter our twenty-eighth year, each of you can play a part in helping this site achieve the Lord’s intended purpose as a place of trustworthy and accessible training for gospel-centered transformation.