Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth. - 2 Timothy 2:15
Welcome to the Lanier Theological Library Partnership!

What started with Becky and Mark Lanier’s love for the Bible, and Mark’s personal library, The Lanier Theological Library has become a world-class collection of books and resources for biblical research and serious theological study. The library is a valuable resource, not only for Mark’s own Bible study, teaching and writing ministry, but also for thousands of friends of the library, the academic community and ultimately, the Church.

The Lanier Theological Library opened in the Fall of 2010, along with an old-English style dining hall, a scholars’ cottage and The Stone Chapel. One year later, the Lanier family established the Lanier Theological Library Foundation, positioning the Library for its greatest kingdom impact well into the future. And yes, for ten years, it has been a rich resource available, open to the public and totally free for all to use and enjoy.

On behalf of so many who benefit, thank you Mark and Becky, for your generosity to include us these past ten years, and now for inviting us to join you for the exciting future God has for us as we partner together!

David Fleming, Executive Director
Lanier Theological Library Foundation
The Lanier Theological Library now has over 18,000 square feet of space and more than 100,000 volumes on its shelves. With research quality materials in biblical studies, theology, church history, ancient languages and apologetics, just to name a few, students and scholars alike have made the Library a priority destination.

In its first 10 years, more than 5,000 people have registered as patrons. They come from across Houston and around the world, from many different colleges and seminaries and from a variety of churches and denominations. They are drawn by a common interest in, and a shared love for, God’s Word. As a result, many sermons, journal articles, doctoral dissertations and Christian books have been written and shared with the world from the Lanier Theological Library in Northwest Houston.

“The Lanier Theological Library is a beautiful repository of biblical riches. For research and reflection the splendid library and sponsored lectures offer golden opportunities to serious Christians. My experience at the library has been delightful not only because of the rigorous theological interaction, but also because of the generous hospitality. The open-handed kindness toward us and our students at Bethlehem College & Seminary is remarkable.”

John Piper, Chancellor, Bethlehem College & Seminary

“My [Honors Apologetics] classmates and I have regularly used your library to research and write as we continue to work on our theses...we all strongly respect and love Lanier Theological Library, and we are thankful for the opportunity it has given us...”

Faith Avila, High School Senior, Fort Bend Christian Academy
In its first 10 years, the Library hosted 60 lectures from internationally known Bible scholars, pastors and theologians in The Stone Chapel. These events were free, open to the public and available online. They served to advance the academic conversation on some of the most important biblical and social topics of our day. They served also to disciple the minds and encourage the hearts of thousands who attended one of these very special events.

“The Lanier Theological Library is an invaluable gift to scholarship. Its collection of books and resources is amazing and of great help to scholars, clergy, and others. The Lanier Lectures are outstanding. I encourage everyone to take advantage of this precious gift to biblical research.”

Tremper Longman III, PhD
Distinguished Scholar, Professor Emeritus of Biblical Studies
Westmont College

What do visiting scholars think of the Lanier Theological Library?

“I have studied in some of the world’s great theological libraries – in Oxford and Cambridge, in Harvard and Princeton, and elsewhere. The Lanier Library is now becoming a serious competitor, and any scholar or pastor, young or old, who gets to study there is blessed indeed.”

N. T. Wright, DD FRSE, Research Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity, University of St. Andrews; Senior Research Fellow, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford

One of the world’s leading Bible scholars and professors, N.T. Wright, a friend of the Library, talking with Mark Lanier during the question and answer portion of one of his lectures in The Stone Chapel.
The Lanier Theological Library is growing and expanding in 2020 with the addition of a 29,000 square foot Learning Center. The Center will complement the Library’s emphasis on biblical research and theological education for the academic world, with a focus on discipleship training and ministry equipping for the local Church. The Learning Center also will provide practical ministry training and leadership development for those who serve and lead the Body of Christ.

With a grand banquet hall for special events, conference space and classrooms for large and small groups, and additional housing for visiting ministers and scholars, the Lanier Learning Center will bless and serve the Church and our community in new and exciting ways. The good news is, funding for the entire project is fully in place and construction is underway, thanks to God’s provision through the commitment and generosity of the Lanier family and the Lanier Theological Library Foundation.
The Lanier Theological Library Partnership

In celebration of the Library’s 10th anniversary, Becky and Mark Lanier are excited to introduce the Lanier Theological Library Partnership. It has been their vision from the beginning that the Library remain open to the public, with the best possible resources and programs, and available to its patrons free of charge. It is also critical to ensure the Library and Learning Center is positioned for maximum Kingdom impact until Jesus returns. The Lanier Foundation Partnership is a unique fellowship of those who share that vision. Partners not only appreciate all that has been invested to make the Library and Learning Center the treasure it is, but also want to work together to see the Library and Learning Center reach its fullest potential both today and for future generations.

- if you have personally benefited from the Lanier Theological Library;
- if you believe in the vision and mission of the Lanier Library Foundation;
- if you want to help deepen the Library and Learning Center’s impact today;
- if you want to see the Library and Learning Center shape future generations;

You’re Invited!

The Lanier Theological Library Partnership is for you!

How does a Partnership Benefit the Library and Learning Center?

- Simply put, we are better together! Mark and Becky welcome the opportunity to link arms and hearts with partners who share their vision and hope that the Library and Learning Center will impact our world for Christ in even greater ways.

- Together, we can help to increase the operating resources so that the Lanier Theological Library and Learning Center’s programs and resources can benefit and bless more patrons, churches and kingdom ministries than ever before.

- Together, we can help build a long-term capital endowment for the Lanier Theological Library and Learning Center, providing a resource for future ministry operations, and ensuring the Library and Learning Center continue to make an eternal impact for Christ for many generations to come.
How does a Partnership Bless its Partners?

- First, Lanier Foundation Partners will have the joy and blessing of partnering together with other like-minded believers, including Becky and Mark Lanier, all who share a love for the Bible and a passion for the deeper things of God.

- Next, our partners will receive their own Lanier Partnership newsletter, with behind-the-scenes news and information about the Library, Learning Center and Mark’s ministry beyond the Library.

- Partners will enjoy advance notification of public events in The Stone Chapel with additional gatherings and events for our partners throughout the year.

- Partners will receive a fun welcome kit full of Lanier Theological Library and Learning Center accessories, just perfect for a day of study at the Library.

- Partners can walk where Jesus walked with Mark and Becky! Join other Foundation partners for this Holy Land trip of a lifetime, March 5-14, 2021.

- Of course, we will want to celebrate our partnership and say thanks with a special recognition on the new Lanier Foundation Partnership wall.

- Finally, and most importantly, Lanier Partners will have the benefit and blessing of knowing they are making a difference in our world today and sowing into God’s Kingdom for generations to come!
How do I Become a Partner?

1. Visit us at laniertheologicallibrary.org/partnership for details and to learn more about the LTL Partnership. If you have additional questions or need assistance, feel free to call or email Pastor David Fleming, Executive Director of the Lanier Theological Library Foundation.

   (281) 477-8400
   info@lanierfoundation.org

2. Prayerfully consider the vision and values of the Lanier Theological Library and Learning Center. While the Library welcomes all as patrons and is committed to the open exchange of ideas and to honest discussion, it is important that our Partners know and stand with us when it comes to who we are and what we believe on matters of faith. If you share and are willing to affirm our God-given vision, as well as our core spiritual beliefs and convictions...

3. Finally, make a generous financial investment, or a commitment to invest, in the mission and ministry of the Lanier Theological Library and Learning Center. While any financial gift of any size is always welcomed and appreciated, the minimum annual investment required to take advantage of these Partnership benefits in this first and inaugural year is $2,800.

Remember, as a Lanier Theological Library and Learning Center Partner, you will be joining with Mark, Becky and the Lanier family to increase the ministry resources of the Library and Learning Center today, as well as build an endowment for its strategic impact on future generations.

Thank you for considering The Lanier Theological Library Partnership! Mark and Becky have led the way in both commitment and generosity, and now there is a strategic role for us all to play. Join us, as we partner together!

*Your contribution is tax-deductible, minus the value of tangible benefits you receive as a result of the partnership. Additional opportunities to partner are available, see our website for details.
An Invitation for you, from Becky and Mark Lanier...

Becky and I have so enjoyed the journey these past ten years, working and watching the Library grow to become what it is today. God is good! But as much as we love the Library, we love those we have had the privilege to share it with even more. We love working together with other like-minded believers to edify and to inspire the saints and to equip the Church for the sake of his Kingdom. The challenges we face in this world are truly unprecedented, but so are the opportunities. Please, allow us to make this opportunity official, by inviting you to join us in this unique fellowship, and in this strategic partnership, to make a difference in our world for Jesus. There is so much more we can do...together!

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