Dear Friends,

I continue to be both encouraged and humbled by the number of people who have partnered with us to bring biblical education to church leaders around the world. Third Millennium Ministries has gone from a few seminary students and an Old Testament professor to a ministry involving people from all over the world. Third Millennium is no longer simply an organization in Orlando; we are an international partnership of Christians who have committed themselves to raising up well-equipped Christian leaders. For this reason, I would like to use this letter to express my sincere gratitude to everyone working with us to get seminary education into the hands of church leaders everywhere in the world.

First, I want to thank all those who have contributed financially to the production and distribution of our seminary curriculum. Your sacrificial giving has been an example of biblical stewardship and a testament of God’s faithfulness to this ministry. In fact, due to the overwhelming generosity of our partners, we will be able to finish our two-year English curriculum by July 2017. The completion of this major milestone will allow us to develop our curriculum in additional languages and enhance our resources for all of our languages.

Second, I want to thank each of Third Mill’s dedicated employees and Board of Directors for their role in creating an exceptional seminary curriculum. From our talented designers and expert translators to those who raise support and keep the ministry running smoothly, everyone on our team has played a crucial role in making this our most successful year to date. At the end of 2014, a foundation challenged our team to double our rate of production and to increase the amount of money we raise. It was an ambitious challenge, but our team exceeded expectations and surpassed every goal set before them.

Finally, I want to thank the innumerable schools, churches, and individuals who have partnered with us to distribute our curriculum around the world. God has continued to extend our reach to literally millions of church leaders through every means available. In the coming year, we will be working to secure more partnerships to make our curriculum available in even more places.

I thank God for all of the people who dedicate their time and finances to bring biblical and theological education to leaders of the church worldwide. Because of your prayers and support, God is building up Christ’s church in ways I only dreamed were possible. As you read this report, I ask that you please continue to pray for us as we strive to distribute a free, seminary curriculum to every land and in every language in the world.

In Christ,

Dr. Richard L. Pratt, Jr., President
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Third Millennium Ministries’ primary objective is to provide Biblical Education. For the World. For Free. By designing, creating, and globally distributing a free, multimedia, seminary curriculum in multiple languages, Third Millennium is equipping church leaders in their own lands and at no cost to them. Our purpose is to provide Christian leaders with the biblical and theological resources they require to lead their congregations effectively and in accordance with the Word of God.

Our curriculum is produced in five core languages: English, Russian, Spanish, Mandarin, and Arabic. These languages cover 42% of the world’s population and represent areas where the church is growing rapidly.

Third Millennium is not only dedicated to creating a sound, biblical curriculum, but we are also equally committed to distributing it globally. Third Mill designs and delivers curriculum to users at every level of technology including print, DVD, audio, web, mobile apps, and online course management programs powered by MOODLE. With users in all 193 of the countries recognized by the United Nations, Third Millennium Ministries is saturating the globe with multimedia, masters-level education for Christian leaders.
Curriculum

In many areas around the globe, theological materials are scarce or not easily accessible to pastors who desire a seminary education. Without sound biblical education, pastors and churches are easily influenced by deceptive philosophies or other predominant religions in the country, and their idea of Christianity becomes corrupted. In order to ensure that pastors around the globe receive sound, theological education, Third Millennium Ministries creates, publishes, and distributes a free multilingual, multimedia, digital seminary curriculum in five core languages: English, Spanish, Arabic, Mandarin, and Russian.

In addition to our core languages, individuals and organizations around the world are actively translating our curriculum into the following 13 languages: Hindi, Portuguese, Bengali, Kiswahili, Telugu, French, Farsi, Romanian, Indonesian, Amharic, Greek, Kinyarwanda, and Mongolian.

Our curriculum is currently used by a wide variety of seminaries, Bible colleges, churches, mission organizations, and other institutions around the world.

STRUCTURE


Our multimedia lessons are the cornerstone product of our curriculum and provide an unparalleled learning experience made up of charts, maps, 3-D motion graphics, and interviews from trusted experts in theology and biblical studies.

Our discussion forums clarify and contextualize the concepts taught in the lessons and include additional answers from theological experts, historians, and pastors. For Christians studying our lessons to better lead their congregations in accordance to the Word of God, the discussion forums are essential to a deep and comprehensive understanding of the topic.

We have already completed the curriculum necessary for a one-year biblical studies certificate program. We expect to complete the courses suitable for a two-year M.A. curriculum by July 2017.

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English Curriculum

Before our multimedia lessons are translated into other languages and distributed worldwide, they must first be produced in English. Each lesson goes through three stages: Pre-Production, Production, and Post-Production.

Pre-Production
Pre-production is the initial creation of the intellectual content of the series. Theologically-trained writers, editors, and professors collaborate to create a script for a lesson in a particular series. The completed script is submitted to the production team for script review and storyboarding. Revisions are made based on feedback from the production team and the script is finalized. The last step in pre-production is the creation of an audio recording of the script.

Production
The production phase begins with the delivery of the recorded audio file to the production team. The production team divides the audio lesson into many smaller parts and distributes these parts to our various designers, illustrators, animators, and videographers. Each member of the production team creates or contributes to video elements that accompany each part of the audio narration.

Post-Production
In post-production, the video editor assembles the video and audio elements into a complete lesson and adds the musical score, sound effects, video footage of the lesson’s host, and video interviews of professors and experts who have contributed to the lesson. The completed project goes through a final quality control process before being distributed through USB drives, television satellite broadcasts, radio, the internet, DVDs, and an online learning classroom (elearning.thirdmill.org).
This fiscal year has been our English production team’s most productive year to date. From July 2014 to June 2015, our English production team produced the following series:

1. **The Book of Hebrews** (Two lessons & two discussion forums)
2. **The Pentateuch** (Four lessons & four discussion forums)
3. **The Epistle of James** (Two lessons)
4. **We Believe in God** (Four lessons & four discussion forums)
In recent years, we have seen a dramatic increase in the number of individuals studying our Spanish curriculum. This is largely because we have formed multiple partnerships with seminaries in Spanish-speaking countries. For example, Los Pinos Nuevos in Cuba, Seminario Reformado Latinoamericano in Colombia, and Seminario Teológico Presbiteriano San Pablo in México now all actively use our materials in their distance education programs. Because of this, our Spanish team has been working diligently to complete the translation of several much-needed series this year.

The following series have been produced in Spanish this fiscal year:

- **The Gospels**
  - (Five lessons)

- **We Believe in Jesus**
  - (Five lessons)

- **The Book of Revelation**
  - (Three lessons)
Russian Curriculum

Many Russian-speaking church leaders do not have the time or money to attend a traditional seminary. In addition, with the current state of unrest in this region, it is critical that pastors remain in their home countries to serve and lead their congregations during this difficult time. Third Mill’s Russian curriculum has made it possible for these church leaders to remain in their countries and bring the Word of God to the people who need it most, in their own language.

The following series have been produced in Russian this fiscal year:

- **He Gave Us Scripture** (Eleven lessons)
- **Kingdom & Covenant in the New Testament** (Three lessons)
The underground church in China is growing at a tremendous rate. With substantial church growth comes the urgent need for church leaders who understand their faith and can present it intelligently to both new and current believers. This year, with our Chinese eLearning website developed, our Chinese mobile app at almost 10,000 downloads, and our website fully upgraded, our Chinese team has been able to distribute more materials than ever before to Chinese Christians all over the world, while still producing new lessons.

The following series have been produced in Mandarin Chinese this fiscal year:

- **The Apostles’ Creed** (Six discussion forums)
- **Kingdom & Covenant in the New Testament** (Three lessons)
- **The Book of Hebrews** (Two lessons)
With governments hostile to the spread of Christianity, political instability, and constant warfare, providing seminary curriculum to Christians in Northern Africa and the Middle East has been a challenge. Our ability to distribute our curriculum in so many different ways, however, has made it possible for us to reach church leaders even in this part of the world. We are thankful that the Lord has continued to protect our Arabic translators and allowed us to complete three courses in Arabic this year.

The following series have been produced in Arabic this fiscal year:

**The Gospels**
(Five lessons)

**We Believe in Jesus**
(Five lessons)

**The Book of Revelation**
(Three lessons)
Since 1990, the number of evangelical churches in Cuba has grown exponentially. As a result, it has been difficult for the church of Cuba to train the increasing number of Christian leaders and pastors - especially those who are located in the most remote parts of the country and cannot attend a traditional seminary. However, through our partnership with the Cuban seminary and church Los Pinos Nuevos, we have been able to make a transformative change in the lives of thousands of Christians throughout Cuba.

Dr. Jeff David of The Caribbean Initiative and United World Mission first introduced the leadership of Los Pinos Nuevos to Third Mill. They started by giving a handful of students a tablet device loaded with our Spanish curriculum. Upon satisfactory completion of the coursework, those students were challenged to lead a small cohort of new students through the curriculum. Once these “second generation” students completed the Spanish lessons, they too were challenged to start their own cohorts, and so on. This method has proven to be very effective.

What started as just a few pastors studying Third Mill’s Spanish curriculum on tablet devices, quickly grew to thousands of students studying the curriculum in classrooms and home groups throughout Cuba.

“It has been amazing to see the impact on God’s people,” one of the leaders of Los Pinos Nuevos, Pastor Ornán Cruz, said. “Regardless of denominational differences, many are applying to this study, thirsty for the Word and motivated by the clarity and depth of the studies of Third Millennium, which are so faithfully and fully attached to the Scriptures.”

To watch our entire interview with Ornán and hear how God is working in Cuba, please visit thirdmill.org/ornan.
The Rt. Rev. Dr. Laurent Mbanda is currently serving as Bishop of the Shyira Diocese in the Anglican Church of Rwanda. Residing in the mountainous district of Musanze with his wife Chantal, Bishop Mbanda is involved with several international organizations, including Third Millennium Ministries. He is not only overseeing the translation of our curriculum into Kinyarwanda, the native language of Rwanda, but he is also using the materials to educate groups of pastors from all over Africa at the Muhabura Study Centre. It is his ambition to have the Muhabura Study Centre be the catalyst for Third Millennium’s curriculum in East Africa and beyond, and with his passion and motivation, we are confident that he will accomplish his vision.

Being able to educate pastors without sending them to the United States has truly been a blessing for Bishop Mbanda and the pastors of Rwanda. For the cost of sending one Rwandan or African pastor to the United States for seminary, he estimates that he can educate 100 pastors in Rwanda. However, the benefits are more than financial. According to Bishop Mbanda, the biggest benefit to training pastors in their own countries and villages is that their local churches can benefit from their pastor’s training immediately. For example, if a pastor studies the Apostles’ Creed Monday through Friday at a study center, he can turn around and teach the Apostles’ Creed to his congregation that Sunday. This way a pastor does not outgrow his local church and village, but rather matures with them and walks alongside them as they study the Word of God together.

To watch the entire interview with Bishop Mbanda and learn more about his vision for Rwanda, please visit thirdmill.org/mbanda. If you would like to see the lessons already translated into Kinyarwanda, you can visit kinyarwanda.thirdmill.org.
In 2002, the Eritrean government announced that it would only recognize four religious institutions: Islam, the Eritrean Orthodox Tewahedo Church, the Catholic Church, and the Lutheran church. Eritreans who chose to practice other religions, including any other form of Christianity, were at risk of being imprisoned and even tortured. At the urging of his concerned Orthodox parents, Aman decided to leave his home country to seek refuge and religious freedom in Germany. He traveled, often illegally and in terrible conditions, from Ethiopia, to Sudan, to Libya, to Tripoli, to Italy, and finally to Germany.

Upon arriving in Germany, Aman was enrolled in the German welfare system and placed in a refugee home in Neuenburg. After meeting at a church barbeque, Stephen began spending time with Aman weekly to study the Scriptures and discuss theology. “It became clear pretty quickly that Aman had a real and living faith in Jesus Christ and a passion for being His disciple,” Stephen told us. “However, it was also clear that he had very little depth of theological knowledge, and so he was excited to meet with me weekly in order to study the Scriptures.” Unfortunately, it was difficult for Stephen to explain some of the more complex theological ideas due to the language barrier.

One day, Stephen was browsing the Third Mill website when he noticed that we recently uploaded materials in Amharic. Although the native language of Eritrea is Tigrinya, Amharic is very similar to Tigrinya because they both originated from the same root language. When Stephen showed Aman the Third Mill courses, Aman was thrilled and immediately began using them for his personal study. “I found Aman an iPod and downloaded hours of theological education in Amharic provided by Third Mill,” Stephen told us. “I was so excited and thankful for Third Mill’s efforts which have made this providential relationship with Aman productive for his growth in Christ.”

We continue to be amazed by how God delivers our materials to the individuals who need and want them the most. We cannot thank Stephen enough for sharing this encouraging story with us and introducing Aman to Third Millennium Ministries so that he can get the education he desires and can minister to other displaced Eritreans.

**Rev. Stephen Spanjer is an ordained minister and the founder of the church planting ministry, Won by One International. He is currently the pastor of Neuenburg International Church in Neuenburg, Germany. Although his primary focus has been on ministering to individuals in Post-Christian Germany, Stephen recently had the opportunity to use Third Millennium Ministries’ Amharic curriculum to disciple a young man, whom Stephen refers to as Aman, who had fled his home country of Eritrea.**

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In Uzbekistan

Located between Afghanistan and Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan is a dry and landlocked country in Central Asia. Islam is by far the dominant religion among Uzbeks, as Muslims constitute over 95% of the country’s population of 31 million. While the Constitution of Uzbekistan provides for freedom of religion, the small number of Christians in the region are heavily persecuted. Christians are strictly forbidden from proselytizing, printing and distributing religious materials, and offering private religion instruction.

Mr B., whose real name must be withheld for security reasons, oversees an underground seminary to provide his fellow Uzbeks with a better understanding of the Bible, despite the threat of imprisonment. “I think that the need for theological education is great not only in our country, but in the whole world,” he explains. “Theological education helps people to better understand the principles by which God builds His Kingdom on Earth. Our mission is not just to give people an education, but to help them understand why they need it.”

Since it is against the law to print or import Christian materials, Mr. B. provides his students with password-protected tablets containing Third Mill’s curriculum. Before meeting in a classroom setting, the students watch the video lectures on their own and meet with other students to discuss the material. By the time they meet in the classroom, the students already have a strong understanding of the concepts presented in the lessons. Time in the classroom is then spent discussing topics that are more complicated and contextualizing the lessons.

The Third Mill curriculum has also been a great source of encouragement for Mr B.’s students. “These [materials] helped me to make the students realize, that their life on earth is not over yet, that we have to do a lot of work together.” From the teachers and students using Third Mill’s curriculum, to the designers and donors who make it possible, we certainly have a lot more work to do together to saturate the world with theological education. We are thankful for Mr. B. and for the sacrifices he has made to extend God’s kingdom here on earth.

If you are interested in learning more about Mr. B. and his work in Uzbekistan, visit thirdmill.org/MrB to watch a video interview recorded and edited by our Russian team.
A Focus on Africa

While the growth of Christianity around the world is encouraging, we need to be proactive in preparing countries – including our own – for this influx of new believers. This is especially critical in Africa.

Of the 3.4 billion Christians projected by 2050, over a third will live in Africa, but the church’s infrastructure in Africa cannot support the rapid growth. Missionaries and mission organizations have been effective in planting churches, but they simply cannot keep up with the increasing number of new believers. The Atlas of Global Christianity estimates there will be 500 million new Christians in Africa by 2050, bringing the total to one billion. If you estimate the average congregation is comprised of 100 people, by 2050 we will need five million new pastors in Africa alone to keep up with the growing church.

Traditional strategies have been beneficial in training church leaders, but they are expensive, unsustainable, time-consuming, and will not produce enough pastors to meet both the current and future needs. Because of how quickly Christianity is growing in Africa – specifically West Africa – our primary focus for distribution is on that region. Currently, our materials are available in several languages spoken throughout Africa, and efforts are being made to translate our curriculum into even more African languages.

If you estimate that the average congregation is comprised of 100 people, by 2050 we will need five million new pastors in Africa alone to keep up with the growing church.
As stated, we expect to complete our two-year M.A. curriculum by July 2017. While we will continue to produce new curriculum and will work to update our older lessons, the majority of our focus will shift toward distribution of our materials. We are already making great strides toward reaching every Christian leader who wants a biblical education — regardless of their circumstances — and this aspect of our ministry continues to grow. The following are just a few of the avenues we currently use to distribute our curriculum all over the world.

**Distribution**

**SATELLITE BROADCAST**

**ONLINE STREAMING**

**RADIO BROADCAST**

**MANUSCRIPTS**

**FLASH DRIVES**

**MOBILE APPS**

**MOODLE**

**AUDIO**

**VHS**

**DVD**

*Students Studying Third Mill in China*
Partnerships

When we look at the number of Christians who need well-trained leaders and the number of Christian leaders who still need free and easily-accessible biblical education, the demand is overwhelming. In order to make our materials globally available, we have formed numerous formal and informal partnerships with like-minded individuals, churches, and missionary organizations, and we continually seek out new partnerships to expand our reach. We firmly believe that saturating the globe with biblical education and raising up well-equipped pastors takes the cooperation of Christians everywhere.

Our major ministry partners include the following:

Birmingham Theological Seminary

Birmingham Theological Seminary (BTS) offers a free one-year seminary certificate based entirely on the Third Millennium video curriculum and supplementary readings. The certificate is accredited for non-U.S. residents and is available in both English and Spanish.

Mission to the World

Mission to the World is a division of the Presbyterian Church in America. MTW has partnered with Third Millennium in countless ways, and many MTW missionaries use our materials in their ministries abroad.
China Partnership

The China Partnership coordinates many efforts in China, especially leadership training. This partnership has led to increased distribution of our materials to thousands of church leaders.

The Grace Institute

The Grace Institute works with seminaries and Bible institutes throughout the world to help them reach their many networks of pastors who normally could never attend a traditional seminary. Using Third Millennium’s materials and their own creative distribution methods, they take seminary education to pastors and leaders in a deep and profound way.

Sat-7

SAT-7 is a Christian satellite television system that broadcasts Third Millennium’s Arabic curriculum throughout the Middle East and North Africa.

Huguenot Heritage

Huguenot Heritage works with Third Millennium Ministries to bring biblical education to the French-speaking world. Huguenot Heritage is the ministry of Third Millennium’s French Language Coordinator, Rev. Francis Foucachon, who is translating our materials into French.

Guatemala
Testimonials

“These teachings have changed my mind, have changed my sermons, have opened my understanding of the Bible... I want to give thanks to Third Millennium and to all the people who are engaged in helping us and bringing this knowledge to our hands and to our homes.”

Pastor Mauricio Barrientos,
Pastor of Oasis de Gracia, El Salvador

“We are deeply grateful for your new video series on Hermeneutics! This is an answer to our prayers. We have been looking for a video course on Hermeneutics for our ministers for several weeks now - and here comes your letter, announcing this new release from Third Mill! It is overwhelming! This is exactly what we need! Thank you! You are doing a very important and noble thing! May God bless you and grant you success!”

Sergei Sudakov,
Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Kharkov, Ukraine
“I am a student of Hydraulic Engineering in one of the universities in my country. Through the providence of God, [Third Mill’s curriculum] has come to our hands and has been an invaluable tool for our common faith. Our perspectives have been renovated, polished and developed through the application of this excellent project in our churches. I am now studying a series called *The Primeval History*, and I am one of those at the front of the implementation of the seminary in the local church where we are about to finish *Kingdom, Covenants & Canon of the Old Testament*. We have some difficulties studying because of our profound economic needs and availability of resources, but we have much progress in all areas... God has been pulling us forward, and one method that He has used is Third Millennium. Know that we pray for your ministry. We thank you wholeheartedly.”

**Name withheld for security reasons, Latin America**

“I like the material of these lessons very much and deeply appreciate that Third Mill would teach such solid and important truth. I feel that nowadays some churches or believers are weak because their focus is not on God’s Kingdom. [The] Gospel without the essential element of God’s Kingdom becomes some loosely self-benefited, vain promises – People attending some so-called prophetic meetings to pursue personal prophecy instead of the guidance regarding God’s will for His people in the Kingdom. I am glad these materials will be used to equip the church workers in China and other areas so they can lead the believers on the right path to build up and expand the Kingdom of God. For that reason, we are called by Jesus Christ to be out of the worldly tangles and into His holy covenant. One day we will be ruling with Him by His promise. Thank you very much for letting me be a part in this course. I learn a lot personally by reading the text.”

**Jane Chen, China**

“Thank you for sending the flash drive! I received it today with so much joy. As I write now, I am watching lesson one in *The Apostles’ Creed* and it’s quite awesome!”

**Rev. Emeka Ogbuju, Nigeria**
Financials

Third Millennium is a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA) and meets their standard for best practices. Adhering to these standards, 78% of our budget is dedicated to the advancement of our curriculum and 22% is dedicated to operations.

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Donations by Category

- Church: 20%
- Company/School: 12%
- Foundation: 64%
- Individual: 4%
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