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ABOUT THIRD MILL

Founded in 1997, Thirdmill is a non-profit Evangelical Christian ministry dedicated to providing:

**Biblical Education. For the World. For Free.**

Our goal is to offer free Christian education to hundreds of thousands of pastors and Christian leaders around the world who lack sufficient training for ministry. We are meeting this goal by producing and globally distributing an unparalleled multimedia seminary curriculum in English, Arabic, Mandarin, Russian, and Spanish. Our curriculum is also being translated into more than a dozen other languages through our partner ministries. The curriculum consists of graphic-driven videos, printed instruction, and internet resources. It is designed to be used by schools, groups, and individuals, both online and in learning communities.

Over the years, we have developed a highly cost-effective method of producing award-winning multimedia lessons of the finest content and quality. Our writers and editors are theologically-trained educators, our translators are theologically-astute native speakers of their target languages, and our lessons contain the insights of hundreds of respected seminary professors and pastors from around the world. In addition, our graphic designers, illustrators, and producers adhere to the highest production standards using state-of-the-art equipment and techniques.

In order to accomplish our distribution goals, Thirdmill has forged strategic partnerships with churches, seminaries, Bible schools, missionaries, Christian broadcasters and satellite television providers, and other organizations. These relationships have already resulted in the distribution of countless video lessons to indigenous leaders, pastors, and seminary students. Our websites also serve as avenues of distribution and provide additional materials to supplement our lessons, including materials on how to start your own learning community.

Thirdmill is recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) corporation. We depend on the generous, tax-deductible contributions of churches, foundations, businesses, and individuals. For more information about our ministry, and to learn how you can get involved, please visit [www.thirdmill.org](http://www.thirdmill.org).
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Many Thirdmill teachers live where it’s difficult to access the internet. So, they often wonder how they can get our resources without going online.

Dr. Jeff Lowman, Birmingham Theological Seminary
Particularly in the rural areas of Belize, the internet is not readily available, so they do have access, but they would have to go into one of the cities, possibly into a restaurant or café and get on the internet that way.

Many Christian leaders around the world have little or no access to the internet. This is why we’ve always delivered our resources in as many ways as possible. You and your students can receive Thirdmill materials in three main ways without the internet: through television and radio, through secure hand-delivery, and through the mail. Let’s take a moment to describe each of these avenues.

In many parts of the world, Thirdmill lessons are broadcast on Christian television and radio, reaching millions of people.

Rev. Dr. Sasan Tavassoli, PARS Theological Centre
One of my Iranian friends and ministry partners has accepted to dub and translate Thirdmill materials in Farsi, and they will be providing them, free of charge, for Iranians through website, DVD distribution, or even satellite TV broadcast to Iran.

Rev. Pete Anderson, Trinity Center for World Mission
We own a radio station in East Africa, and we’ve just increased the power so it reaches over to Kenya. Our goal is to duplicate that and actually put the Thirdmill material on the radio, so hundreds of thousands of people could typically be able to tune in.

We’ve even heard of Thirdmill learning communities that watch us on television or listen by radio together. If you have Christian television and radio in your region, be sure to look for Thirdmill. You can even promote Thirdmill to your local Christian television and radio networks.

As grateful as we are for television and radio, it’s much better when teachers and students can use our resources on their own schedules. So, a second way you can get Thirdmill materials is through secure hand-delivery. Many Christians live in places where it’s dangerous to use our resources. But if you live in a closed region of the world, it’s possible that some brothers and sisters nearby already have Thirdmill materials that they
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can safely share with you. For years, Christians who have our materials have reproduced them and shared them with others.

Dr. Jeff Lowman, Birmingham Theological Seminary
It’s been the privilege of our church over the last three years to be involved with Third Millennium, in the distribution of thumb drives that contain the Third Millennium curriculum. Our congregation raised resources for two hundred of the 32-gig thumb drives. Four of us went in, and we were a team, and we went basically into the villages, small towns, and would knock on the door, ask where the pastor lived, be directed to where the pastor lived and then explain to him, often through an interpreter, how Thirdmill operated, the benefits of this seminary education, how it was absolutely free, how he could copy it as many times as he wanted to, give it to as many people as he wanted to. Some of the pastors received these with tears. There was a great deal of appreciation for providing seminary education.

We encourage everyone to make as many copies of our materials as possible and to share them with as many people as they can. Of course, if you live in a closed country, there are other creative ways you can get our materials without the internet.

You may have family members or friends who live where security is not a problem. Ask them to contact us on your behalf. We’ll get resources to them, and they can bring them to you. Also, Christians from open regions of the world often visit closed countries. If you know some of them, they may be able to bring our resources to you. Christians face different sorts of security issues in various parts of the world. So, please let us know your specific challenges. We’ll be very careful to follow your instructions.

Now, if security isn’t a problem, but you have limited access to the internet, we can ship Thirdmill resources to you by mail. Don’t forget that there may be Christians in your region who already have our materials. In fact, if you contact us we may be able to connect you with brothers and sisters in your area who will share Thirdmill materials with you. But when this isn’t possible, Thirdmill sends resources through the mail to thousands of Christian leaders all over the world every year. We mail items that you can use on your computer or on mobile devices like audio players, tablets and phones. We also send printable resources.

Dr. Gideon Umukoro, Servant Leadership Institute, Nigeria
I got the first set without any struggle, without any large protocol... It was easy. They were really happy to assist me. And actually, at the initial stage, I didn’t know what I was expecting, but when the videos arrived after about a week or so to the city of Akure, Nigeria, I opened them. We were all excited. We slotted them in, and it was exactly what we had been praying for.
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You can ask us to ship resources to you by mail by filling out a request form on our website, thirdmill.org. Just be sure to tell us the best way to contact you so that we can make arrangements for safe shipping.

Even if you have little or no access to the internet, you can still use Thirdmill’s materials. Our resources come in many formats, so don’t let a poor internet connection stop you from leading a Thirdmill class.