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The C.S. Lewis Institute offers life-changing discipleship for those who are ready to be intentional about spiritual growth in Christ, and who desire for God to use them in powerful ways for His Kingdom. The Institute was founded in 1976 in the legacy of author and Christian apologist C.S. Lewis with the inspiration to develop thousands more like him who would articulate, defend, share and live their faith in Jesus Christ in their personal and public lives.

The Institute is interdenominational, works closely with a variety of churches and is a servant ministry, assisting churches and pastors in training disciples of Jesus Christ. This takes the form of discipleship programs, conferences and seminars, pastor fellowships as well as print and online resources.

The Institute has 17 locations throughout the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom and is seeking to plant additional city locations in the years ahead as the Lord leads.

The Institute also has an international reach as people from over 200 countries visited the website last year to access and use the discipleship resources. Pilot discipleship programs are also being developed in South Asia, Africa and Europe.

Fellows Program

The Fellows Program is the Institute's flagship, tuition-free, year-long discipleship program designed for those who are ready to be intentional about spiritual growth in Christ, and who desire for God to use them in powerful ways for His Kingdom. This high challenge, high yield program is designed so that working adults can do the program while continuing their work and family life. The Institute charges no tuition for the program which is funded through the financial gifts of many individual donors. By the end of the program, each Fellow has prayerfully designed an intentional disciple-making plan that focuses on their work, church and home.

The Fellows Program's unique approach focuses on the integration of the heart and mind in an interdenominational setting, and is intentionally designed to dramatically alter the trajectory of spiritual growth to help Fellows become more and more like Jesus. A combination of dynamic teachers and writers, experienced mentors, effective small groups and active engagement in the Word aims to produce faithful disciples of Jesus Christ who will actively make disciples as empowered by the Holy Spirit.

The program is 12 months in length beginning with a June kickoff, summer readings and study, a fall retreat and monthly meetings September through June.



Each month a different biblical theme is explored including elements on spiritual formation, conversational apologetics, evangelism, calling, and discipleship.

A survey of our Fellows found that after completing the program, 100% experienced an increase in their involvement in ministry to their family and neighborhood; 88% increased in their involvement in workplace ministry; 76% would be willing to lead a discipleship group in their home and 84% said the program has “transformed or significantly impacted their life.”

To date over 5,500 people worldwide have participated in this program and an estimated 500 additional people will take part this coming year in 17 different cities around the globe.

The Keeping the Faith Program

The C.S. Lewis Institute’s goal is to provide effective discipleship resources for people at every stage of life. The Keeping the Faith program has been developed to equip parents, grandparents and other caring adults for intentional discipleship of their children and teens. We have videos, podcasts, articles, a blog and we regularly post on Facebook and Instagram.

In addition we have developed Aslan Academy groups. Aslan Academy Small Groups are centered around the *Keeping the Faith* guidebook. The *Keeping the Faith* guidebook leads participants through an eight- or nine-month series of high-quality books, group discussions and family activities, with an emphasis on a vibrant relationship with Jesus, fellowship with other believing families, prayer, Bible study and practical application.

The Keeping the Faith Program is for you IF

You are an adult who cares deeply about the young people in your life.

You are a follower of Jesus looking for wisdom and help.

You are increasingly aware of the growing chasm between our culture and God’s biblical design for humanity, and you think that the future of people of faith is uncertain.

You want to take action on your family’s behalf, but you are not sure where to start.

Discipleship Resources

In addition to the Fellows Program and the Keeping the Faith Program, the Institute offers numerous resources that cultivate spiritual growth and inspire men and women to be used powerfully by Christ in their churches, workplaces and



homes. To see our full list, please go to: cslewisinstitute.org/resource_center. Some of the resources we offer include:

Discipleship with C.S. Lewis: A Guide to Mere Christianity

Dr. Joel Woodruff's book, *Discipleship with C.S. Lewis: A Guide to Mere Christianity* has cracked the code on *Mere Christianity*. This user-friendly book will enable both believers and seekers alike to explore the core teachings and practices of the Christian faith through short readings from the Bible and *Mere Christianity*. It is designed for use in one-on-one mentoring relationships and small groups, and includes a facilitator's guide.

The Adventure of Joining God in His Work

God is always at work (John 5:17). He is redeeming lost people and restoring his fallen creation, and he invites us in Christ to join him in his work. As a follower of Jesus, you are on God's redemption and restoration team. In order to respond to this call, you must step out of your ordinary world, over the threshold of your comfort zone, and enter his life-changing adventure. Nine topics are covered in this interactive resource so that participants walk away equipped with a mindset for mission and useful tools to help fulfill God's calling on us as disciples who make disciples.

The Spiritual Pilgrimage of C.S. Lewis

Adapted from CSLI's 2016 Summer Conference on the topic of the spiritual formation of C.S. Lewis. This six-part video based program titled Learning from the Spiritual Pilgrimage of C.S. Lewis is ideal for small group and individual study!

Heart & Mind Discipleship: A ten-week small group discipleship program that is designed for new believers or anyone who wants to deepen their understanding of faith in Christ. *Heart & Mind* is being used all over the world in churches, home group gatherings, and military installations.

Small Group Resource for Women, *Conversations That Count:*

An Introduction to Christian Apologetics. This introduction to Christian Apologetics will be of help to Christian women. Christian apologetics can be an encouragement to our own faith as well as a means for pointing others to the reasonableness of our faith in Jesus Christ. Featuring Dr. Amy Orr-Ewing and Jana Harmon, this small group apologetics resource is prepared for women, adapted from CSLI's Women's Apologetics Conference held on October 20-21, 2017.

Conversational Apologetics Course is a ten-week "hands on" program to help participants actively engage with difficult issues and be prepared to effectively discuss their faith with their neighbors, co-workers, family and friends. It is being



used on military bases, in churches, in college and high school ministries to help people become confident in sharing the Gospel with their friends and colleagues.

Our Basic Apologetics Course is a twenty-part series by author and scholar, Art Lindsley, and helps equip disciples to effectively reach non-believers in a confident and winsome way, and addresses many of the attacks against the faith today.

Pastors Network

A pastor's work is challenging, rewarding, and often lonely and under-appreciated. From its inception, the Institute has sought to work closely with pastors from a variety of churches and provide them with resources that would encourage them as leaders of the church and assist them in making disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Institute hosts pastor-only events to provide safe, thoughtful opportunities for pastors to gather for fellowship, prayer and mutual encouragement. This can take the form of luncheons, prayer meetings, and special events in which a topic of interest to pastors is presented. The Institute has no specific agenda of its own at these gatherings. Rather, our desire is simply to serve pastors and their churches in whatever way we can.

As the Institute has expanded in recent years, we have been able to offer ministries of encouragement to pastors more personally and directly through our local branches. For a list of events and opportunities for pastors in cities in which the Institute has a physical presence, please go to www.cslewisinstitute.org/Pastors_Network

Publications

For more information and subscriptions: www.cslewisinstitute.org/Publications and www.cslewisinstitute.org/JoinUs

- **Broadcast Talks** – published quarterly, each issue features a transcription of a talk presented at an event of the C.S. Lewis Institute with ideas to cultivate Christ-like thinking and living.
- **Reflections** – Published monthly, Reflections presents an important message for daily living from the thoughts of C.S. Lewis in a one-page format.
- **The Dawn Treader** – monthly newsletter provides tools to help disciple the young people in your life, preschoolers to teens. Each issue focuses on a different topic, such as the Ten Commandments or Preparing the Heart. It offers opportunities to engage kids on important topics, week-by-week, thorough answers to challenging questions, related prayers and activities and other resources.



Podcasts

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- ***Knowing & Doing*** podcast. Taken from articles for our quarterly magazine, these narrated podcasts cover a wide variety of subjects from nationally recognized leaders in discipleship, spirituality, theology, apologetics, and cultural analysis.
- ***Questions That Matter*** – A podcast hosted by Dr. Randy Newman which addresses important issues in the church and culture through interviews with thoughtful leaders in today’s world.
- ***Side B Apologetics*** – A podcast hosted by Dr. Jana Harmon in which she explores how skeptics and others have come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Prayer Team

Will you join us this year as we renew our commitment to prayer?

Prayer has been a vital part of the DNA of the C.S. Lewis Institute ministry since its inception in 1976. Time and time again as we’ve faced various challenges, God has led the men and women of the Institute to fall on our knees in prayer and seek His path and power. We have seen Him graciously respond many times.

Our hope is that you will be encouraged throughout this year as we consider ways to incorporate prayer into both our personal and our public lives. We believe that our effectiveness in fulfilling the Great Commission and making disciples in Jesus’ name will grow exponentially as we incorporate prayer into all aspects of our lives in new and creative ways. Won’t you join us?

To join the prayer team, please visit: <https://bit.ly/CSLIprayer>

Discipleship Conferences

Open to the public, our discipleship conferences and livestream events engage contemporary topics believers face, including prayer, spiritual discernment, apologetics, sin, Biblical authority, mentoring and discipleship. Speakers have included John Lennox, Peter Williams, Rebecca DeYoung, Alistair Begg, Nancy Pearcey, Alister McGrath, Philip Ryken, Gerald McDermott, Robert Coleman, Paul Miller and others. For a full list of current events see www.cslewisinstitute.org/events_page

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