Association for Hispanic Theological Education receives grant to create Network of Bible Institutes

Lilly Endowment Inc. has awarded a three-year $750,000 grant to the Association for Hispanic Theological Education (AETH for its name in Spanish) to create the Network of Bible Institutes. This project will help AETH work on one of its most important strategic priorities for the next five years—Bible institutes and the role they play in the service of the Hispanic church.

In addition, this three-year project will significantly help AETH build and consolidate its organizational capacity in the long run to better serve and mobilize not only Bible Institutes but all its membership (e.g., pastors and lay leaders in local Hispanic congregations, Hispanic professors and students in seminaries, leaders in denominations and other para-ecclesial organizations).

Founded in 1991 by Hispanic theologians interested in empowering and improving ministerial formation within and for the Hispanic community, AETH exists to stimulate dialogue and collaboration among theological educators, administrators of institutions for ministerial formation, and Christian ministerial students in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, and Spanish-speaking countries.

AETH provides pastoral and community leadership development and training to a diverse constituency through national and regional conferences, seminars, retreats, targeted pastoral and lay programs, and through the publication and distribution of resources covering a range of biblical, theological, programmatic, liturgical, cultural, and issue-oriented topics. AETH’s membership is geographically, politically, socio-culturally, and educationally diverse. It represents a broad spectrum of churches, denominations, and theological education institutions.

AETH is a private nonprofit organization whose members are people committed to and engaged in the development and improvement of theological education for the Hispanic Christian community with the vision of having capable leaders in all congregations and ministries of the Hispanic church for the service of the whole church and society for the glory of God. Now, 25 years after its creation, AETH’s mission of promoting excellent and pertinent theological formation of Hispanic leaders in their services to the church and the world could not be more relevant.

Visit [www.aeth.org](http://www.aeth.org) for more information about AETH.