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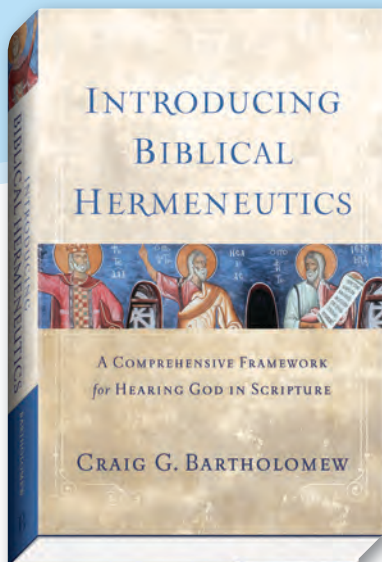
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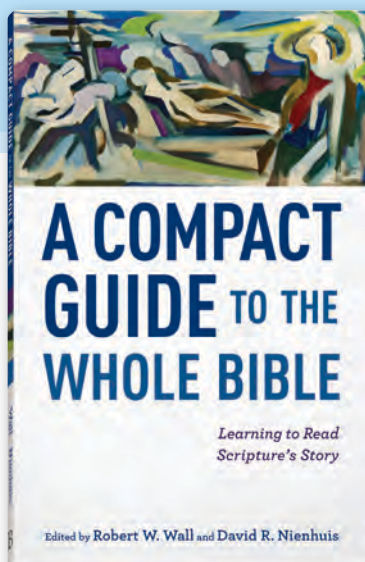
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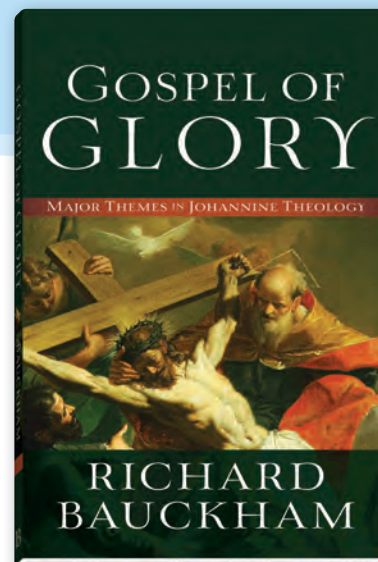
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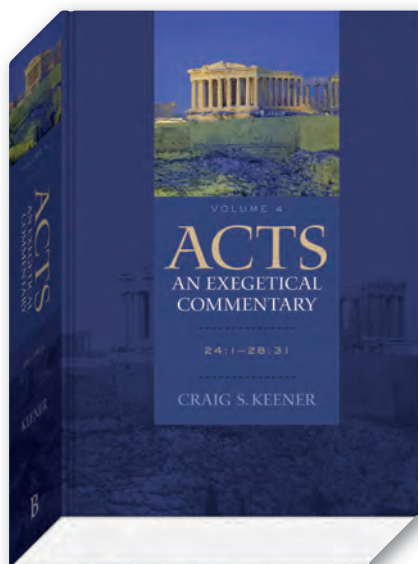
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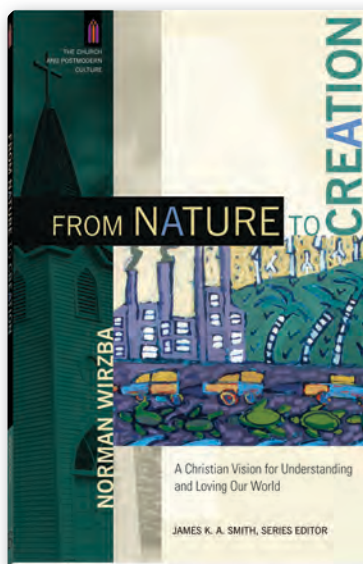
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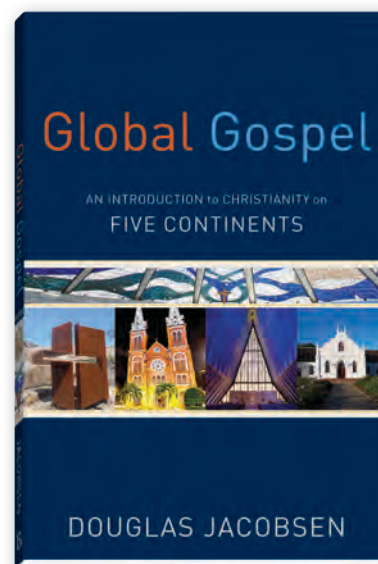
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November 18–21

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November 17–20

2019  
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# GETTING TO THE MEETING...

## ONLINE PROGRAM BOOK

A complete listing of all AAR, SBL, and Additional Meetings session information, including participant names, paper titles, and abstracts are available in the Online *Program Book* on the AAR website at [http://papers.aarweb.org/program\\_book](http://papers.aarweb.org/program_book) and on the SBL website at [http://sbl-site.org/meetings/congresses\\_ProgramBook.aspx?MeetingID=27](http://sbl-site.org/meetings/congresses_ProgramBook.aspx?MeetingID=27). The keyword search feature will allow you to find the sessions you're most interested in attending!

## ANNUAL MEETING ONSITE AT-A-GLANCE

The printed onsite *At-a-Glance* will be distributed to all attendees onsite in Atlanta. This will include complete session listings for the AAR, SBL, and Additional Meetings with **updated room locations**, an exhibitor index, and hotel maps.

## INTERNATIONAL ATTENDEES

It is necessary for those entering the United States to clear customs and immigration. Visitors from Canada and Mexico must present a passport in order to enter the United States. Please be prepared. Non-U.S. citizens should inquire about possible visa requirements from their own country. Official letters of invitation to the Annual Meeting to support visa applications are available. E-mail [reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org) or [annualmeeting@sbl-site.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sbl-site.org) with your name, address, and the full contact information of the consulate of your country.

## TRAVEL DISCOUNTS

Delta and United Airlines are the official carriers of the AAR and SBL Annual Meeting and Avis is the preferred rental car supplier. For the benefit of our conference attendees, a discount is available and is valid a few days before and after the Annual Meeting ends, depending on carrier. To take advantage of these special discounted fares, you can call or make reservations directly through their respective websites listed below. Discounts do not apply to certain restricted fares and exclude sale fare inventories.

### CALL TOLL-FREE...

| Carrier         | Phone Number   | Website  | File Number |
|-----------------|----------------|--|-------------|
| Delta           | 1-800-328-1111 | <a href="http://www.delta.com">www.delta.com</a> | NML6C       |
| United Airlines | 1-800-521-4041 | <a href="http://www.ual.com">www.ual.com</a>     | ZUME390393  |
| Avis Car Rental | 1-800-331-1551 | <a href="http://www.avis.com">www.avis.com</a>   | Z245795     |

*If you book through your own travel agency, be sure to give them the appropriate discount code above.*

## IMPORTANT DATES

**2015 Annual Meetings Employment Center** registration is open! Within the online registration process, you will find the link to register for the Employment Center. You must be registered as an Annual Meetings attendee to sign up for the Employment Center option.

**October 19** Special Housing Rates End

**Late October** Mobile App of AAR & SBL Available

**November 1** Registration Refund Request Deadline

**November 19** Regular Registration Rate Ends

**November 21–24** Annual Meetings in Atlanta, GA

**Remember:** *You must be registered to secure housing!*

## ANNUAL MEETING SOAP DRIVE

Please bring your unused hotel soaps, shampoos, conditioners, lotions, and other personal hygiene products that families and homeless in need might find useful. There will be a container located in the registration area in the Hyatt Regency where you may drop off your new items for donation.

The AAR and SBL have selected Our House (<http://www.ourhousega.org/index.php/history-and-our-mission>) to receive your donated items. The mission of Our House is to break the chains of homelessness by providing quality early childhood education and comprehensive support services for families who are experiencing homelessness. Our House is a full-day, year-round, nationally-accredited early childhood education center, serving up to 81 children daily and offering services to parents that help them to improve their situations and attain greater self-sufficiency. Our House's vision is "a self-sufficient family for every child." Our House's holistic approach to assisting homeless families empowers them to achieve long-term stability and independence. Help us make our third annual soap drive an even bigger success!

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## AIRPORT TRANSFERS

### ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ATL)

#### Rapid Transit Train—MARTA



Arriving air travelers should follow the Ground Transportation signs to MARTA (Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority). The fare gates are just a few feet from the baggage claim areas. Take the MARTA train to the Peachtree Center Station. You may either take the Doraville Gold Line or the North Springs Red Line. At Peachtree Center, exit to the Food Court and follow signs to the Hyatt Regency or Marriot Marquis Hotel. People who are staying in other properties may get more specific directions from their hotels. For more information, visit [itsmarta.com/rail-schedules-or-route.aspx](http://itsmarta.com/rail-schedules-or-route.aspx). MARTA fare is \$5 for a round trip ticket, and \$1 more if you don't already have a Breeze Card.

#### Taxis

A set fee prevails between the airport and downtown of \$30. There is a \$2 charge for each additional person and a \$1.50 flag drop fee. Taxis can be found in the Yellow Bus aisle.

#### Shared-Ride Vans



The AAR and SBL are partnering with Super Shuttle this year for dates between November 18 and 28. Shared shuttle service is available 24 hours a day with a reservation. They are offering a discount of \$1 off one-way trips (\$15.50), or \$4 per roundtrip (\$29). There are two ways to book Super Shuttle:

- ☞ Call 1-800-258-3826, and give the discount code VSBT4. Attendees will be charged \$2 each way if you choose to call in your reservation. Please have the address of your hotel ready.
- ☞ Go to [groups.supershuttle.com/americanacademyofreligionsocietyofbiblicalliterature.html](http://groups.supershuttle.com/americanacademyofreligionsocietyofbiblicalliterature.html) to book your shuttle. Note that only AAR & SBL hotels are listed on this link.

Upon arrival, follow signs to the baggage claim area and collect your luggage. Proceed to the Super Shuttle ticket counter to speak with a uniformed Customer Service Representative. The counter is located in the Domestic Terminal's south-side baggage claim area, in the corridor immediately to the left of the escalator from the inter-terminal train. The ticket counter is staffed from 6:00 AM to 2:00 AM daily. Most shared-ride shuttles pick up on the Green Bus Aisle, which is located outside in the Ground Transportation Center between the Domestic North and South Terminals.

## Arriving International Passengers

The Atlanta airport has a relatively new (2012) International Terminal. If you are arriving directly from an international flight, you cannot access secured areas of the Airport after you pick up your luggage at the international terminal baggage claim. The airport has a complimentary 24-hour shuttle service that goes from the international terminal to the main terminal (15 minute ride). From the main terminal, you have access to the domestic terminal's ground transportation center at the west of the building, which includes MARTA. If you are flying back directly to an international location, you must go to this terminal to check in as well.

Hanging signs will assist you with identify loading and unloading zones for each ground transportation service:

- ☞ **Taxis:** Yellow/Zone 1
- ☞ **Local Shuttles:** Green/Zone 4
- ☞ **International Shuttle Connector (to main airport terminal):** Red/Zone 3

## PARKING AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

Since we will have multiple locations for the AAR and SBL sessions, each hotel has different parking rules and rates. Please check at the property that is most convenient for you for accurate information. If you are planning on driving in, and would like a more economical choice, you might want to park at an outlying MARTA station and take the rail in. From [itsmarta.com/rail-schedules-or-route.aspx](http://itsmarta.com/rail-schedules-or-route.aspx), you can click on individual train stations to view their parking information. See above for more MARTA information.



# DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In case of an emergency during the meeting, please do not call 911. Instead, please call the numbers listed below, which will connect you with hotel security. They will be able to dispatch emergency responders with the most speed and accuracy.

| Facility               | From a House Phone | From a Cell Phone  |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Hyatt Regency          | 55                 | 404-460-6325       |
| Marriott Marquis       | 6680               | 404-521-0000       |
| Hilton Downtown        | 61                 | 404-659-2000 x2    |
| Sheraton Downtown      | 6197               | 404-659-6500 x6197 |
| Westin Peachtree Plaza | 6                  | 404-659-1400 x6    |



## CHILDCARE

Child care will be offered for an hourly fee during this year's Annual Meeting. Please visit [www.kiddiecorp.com/aarsblkids.htm](http://www.kiddiecorp.com/aarsblkids.htm) for information and pricing details.

## COMPUTER AND INTERNET ACCESS

Free wifi will be available in meeting rooms and public areas of the Hyatt Regency, Marriott Marquis, Hilton Downtown, and Sheraton Downtown. Wifi will not be available at the Westin Peachtree Plaza.

A free Cyber Café will be available in the Hyatt Regency. Access to computers, the Internet, and e-mail is available (possibly for a fee) at the business centers of each Annual Meeting hotel. In-room Internet connections are also available in each hotel (see in-room literature for more details and pricing).

## FIND A FRIEND

Please note the box on the registration form that gives permission for your name, institution, and hotel (if any), which will be available on our mobile app. If you do not check the box, your information will not be listed.

## EXHIBIT HALL

Visit over 150 publishers in the AAR & SBL Exhibit Hall located in the Hyatt Regency's Centennial Ballroom and Grand Hall. AAR & SBL's Exhibit Hall features books on a wide spectrum of subjects from religious studies to hermeneutics to philosophy, often at deep discounts on cover price. Don't miss out!

## MOBILE APP

We will again provide a Mobile Meeting Guide. The mobile app will provide members with a technically-reliable, intuitive, and functional solution. At no cost, this mobile app provides attendees with all of the data an attendee could ever need.

## KOSHER ARRANGEMENTS

For information regarding Kosher arrangements, please contact Joseph Weinstein at [shabbat@sbl-site.org](mailto:shabbat@sbl-site.org).

## HOURS OF OPERATION

### AAR AND SBL PROGRAM SCHEDULE

AAR, SBL, and Additional Meeting Sessions will be held in the Hyatt Regency, Marriott Marquis, Hilton Downtown, Westin Peachtree Plaza, and Sheraton Downtown Hotels.

### AAR & SBL Member Reception

Friday, November 20..... 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

### Program Unit Sessions

Saturday, November 21..... 9:00 AM–6:30 PM

Sunday, November 22..... 9:00 AM–6:30 PM

Monday, November 23 ..... 9:00 AM–6:30 PM

Tuesday, November 24..... 8:30 AM–12:00 PM

### ONSITE REGISTRATION AND TOTE BAG PICK-UP

#### Hyatt Regency—Lobby outside of the Grand Hall

Friday, November 20..... 11:00 AM–6:00 PM

Saturday, November 21..... 8:00 AM–5:30 PM

Sunday, November 22..... 8:00 AM–5:30 PM

Monday, November 23 ..... 8:00 AM–5:30 PM

Tuesday, November 24..... 8:00 AM–10:00 AM

### EXHIBIT HALL

#### Hyatt Regency—Centennial Ballroom & Grand Hall

Saturday, November 21..... 8:30 AM–5:30 PM

Sunday, November 22..... 8:30 AM–5:30 PM

Monday, November 23 ..... 8:30 AM–5:30 PM

Tuesday, November 24..... 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

### EMPLOYMENT CENTER

#### Sheraton Downtown—Grand Ballroom (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

Saturday, November 21..... 8:00 AM–7:00 PM

Sunday, November 22..... 8:00 AM–7:00 PM

Monday, November 23 ..... 8:00 AM–7:00 PM

# HOTEL INFORMATION AND CITY MAP

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

To receive the specially negotiated room rates, you must make your reservation with the AAR or SBL Housing Department. You may obtain housing when completing your Annual Meeting registration, or by using the link in your registration confirmation email. Be sure to follow the instructions carefully and provide all requested information. Special rates may not be available after October 29, 2015. DO NOT contact the hotels prior to November 13, 2015.

## HOTEL RATES

**Note:** All rates are subject to local taxes, which currently have an average of 16% tax per room per night plus a \$5.00 surcharge. For example, a \$139 rate is \$166.24 with tax included.

| HOTEL                             | SINGLE | DOUBLE | TRIPLE | QUAD  |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1. Aloft Downtown                 | \$129  | \$129  | \$139  | \$149 |
| 2. Doubletree Downtown            | \$129  | \$129  | \$149  | \$149 |
| 3. Embassy Suites Centennial Park | \$129  | \$129  | \$149  | \$149 |
| 4. Hilton Downtown                | \$129  | \$129  | \$154  | \$154 |
| 5. Holiday Inn Downtown           | \$139  | \$144  | \$154  | \$154 |
| 6. Hyatt Regency                  | \$155  | \$155  | \$165  | \$175 |
| 7. Marriott Marquis               | \$150  | \$150  | \$160  | \$160 |
| 8. Sheraton Downtown              | \$145  | \$145  | \$155  | \$155 |
| 9. Westin Peachtree Plaza         | \$149  | \$149  | \$159  | \$159 |

## HOUSING CONFIRMATION

You will receive an email confirmation (same as your registration confirmation) when you make your hotel reservation with the AAR or SBL Housing Department. If you do not complete registration with payment and receive a confirmation email, your housing reservation is not complete.

If you receive an email confirmation that is incorrect, you may use the link on your confirmation email to go back into the system and correct it.

## HOUSING CANCELLATIONS OR CHANGES

All hotel accommodation questions, changes, and cancellations should be directed to the AAR or SBL Housing Department throughout the meeting year. Note that cancellations must be received in writing (email) at least 72 hours prior to arrival date to ensure you are not charged your first night's stay.

## SUITE REQUESTS

Some hotels have suites available at a discounted rate. Contact the AAR or SBL Housing Department for more information: 1-855-836-0001 (U.S. & Canada); +1-404-727-7972 (outside U.S. & Canada); [housing@aarweb.org](mailto:housing@aarweb.org) or [annualmeeting@sbl-site.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sbl-site.org). Suites are not to be used for interviewing purposes. Employers who plan to use the Annual Meeting Employment Center may request a Private Interview Room when they register for the Employment Center. For additional information about the Employment Center, please see [www.aarsbl.org](http://www.aarsbl.org).

## ATTENDEES WITH ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS

All meeting rooms are accessible by elevator (doors are wide enough to accommodate wheelchairs) or wheelchair lift. A limited number of guest rooms are set aside for the physically challenged. If you need special accommodations, please indicate your specific needs in the special requests field on the online housing form page.

Attendees with disabilities who need information regarding special assistance during the meeting should contact the AAR or SBL Housing Department by phone at 1-404-727-7972 or via e-mail at [housing@aarweb.org](mailto:housing@aarweb.org) or [annualmeeting@sbl-site.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sbl-site.org). Please also visit our Accessibility Information page here: [www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/accessibility-information-for-annual-meetings](http://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/accessibility-information-for-annual-meetings).



# TOUR INFORMATION

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## ATLANTA CITY TOUR

**Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM**

This bus tour begins on Atlanta's longest and most famous street—Peachtree Street. Guests will see downtown's soaring skyscrapers, midtown's "Fabulous" Fox Theatre, the High Museum of Art, and "The Dump", where Margaret Mitchell wrote *Gone With the Wind*. Next stop: Buckhead—an area of exquisite homes, often called the Beverly Hills of the South. Nestled in this exclusive area are the Governor's Mansion, the Atlanta History Center, and the Swan House.

On the way back to town, guests will see the shopping and entertainment district—Atlantic Station, the Georgia Tech campus, and many Olympic venues. Guests will also see the Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola, Centennial Olympic Park, and the CNN Center. Guests will then enjoy a driving tour of Sweet Auburn Avenue—the first, and for a long time the most thriving black business district in the south and an important landmark of the Civil Rights movement. Guests will visit Martin Luther King's Center and Ebenezer Baptist Church where Dr. King and his father were pastors.

No tour in Atlanta would be complete without a look at Turner Field, the home of the Braves, and the golden-domed State Capitol building. Guests will be both entertained and enlightened on this panoramic tour of Atlanta.

## KING CENTER TOUR

**Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM**

This walking tour will start with a ride on Atlanta's new streetcar to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, which was envisioned by Coretta Scott King to be, "no dead monument, but a living memorial filled with all the vitality that was his, a center of human endeavor, committed to the causes for which he lived and died." The King Center uses diverse communications media to educate people all over the world about Dr. King's life, work, and his philosophy and methods of nonviolent conflict-reconciliation and social change.

Participants will see the International World Peace Rose Garden, Dr. and Mrs. King's Crypt, the Eternal Flame, the Freedom Walkway, and the Reflecting Pool. Guests will then have the opportunity to visit Dr. King's birth home and the Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church. Ebenezer Baptist Church has been a spiritual home to many citizens of the "Sweet Auburn" community.

After giving a trial sermon to the congregation at the age of 19, Martin Luther King Jr. was ordained a minister, a position he maintained until his death.

## YOGA CLASS

**Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:00 AM**

Join us for a 50-minute yoga class, appropriate to all levels of practitioners. Fun flow will incorporate the whole body—stretching into the legs, releasing tension in the shoulders, and opening up the heart with some gentle back bending. And, of course, a great playlist to get you ready for the day. Towels will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing.

## HIGH MUSEUM OF ART

**Saturday, 9:30 AM–11:30 AM**

The High Museum of Art's collections consist of more than 11,000 pieces and include nineteenth- and twentieth-century American and decorative art, significant European pieces, modern and contemporary art, photography, African art, and folk art. Participants will take the MARTA train and then walk 0.3 miles to the museum. We are offering five different docent-led tours for 45 minutes, and then you'll have the opportunity to explore the museum on your own and come back to the Meeting at your leisure. Select one of the options below.

- ✎ Habsburg Splendor Special Exhibition: [www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/Habsburg-Splendor.aspx](http://www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/Habsburg-Splendor.aspx)
- ✎ Discover African Art: Explore Kongo, Akan, Bwa, Yoruba and other African art traditions in the permanent collection [www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/African-Art-Building-the-Collection.aspx](http://www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/African-Art-Building-the-Collection.aspx)
- ✎ Women in Art: Learn about the female artists in the permanent collection
- ✎ Celebrate Black History: Discover permanent collection works created by artists of African descent
- ✎ Howard Finster and "Outsider Art": [www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/Howard-Finster.aspx](http://www.high.org/Art/Exhibitions/Howard-Finster.aspx)

Those interested in the Finster exhibition will also have the opportunity to visit a special collection in a little-known warehouse. The Arnett warehouse of outsider art is perhaps the largest and most important collection of southern self-taught/outsider African American art in the United States and represents the work of Bill Arnett, his sons, and the Souls Grown Deep Foundation. A nominal fee for group transportation will apply to all participants.

## CENTER FOR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS

**Saturday, 1:45 PM–4:00 PM**

Opened in 2014, the Center for Civil and Human Rights has proven to be a cultural attraction that connects the achievements of the civil rights movement in the United States and today's global human rights movement. The purpose of the museum is to create a safe space for visitors to explore the fundamental rights of all human beings so that they leave inspired and empowered to join the ongoing dialogue about human rights in their communities. Participants will walk 0.4 miles to the museum and participate in a self-guided tour, returning at their leisure.

## JIMMY CARTER PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

**Sunday, 2:45 PM–5:00 PM**

The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is home to the Presidential papers of the Carter administration. An exhibit of significant events occurring during Carter's life and political career includes photographs with interpretative text. Several exhibitions focus on important twentieth-century issues such as war and peace, disarmament, and the economy. Participants will take a bus to the museum and participate in a self-guided tour.

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## MICHAEL C. CARLOS MUSEUM

**Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM**

The Michael C. Carlos Museum of Emory University boasts the largest ancient art collection in the Southeast. Its priceless treasures span a variety of ancient cultures, customs, and legacies. Some 17,000 artifacts from ancient Egypt, the Near East, Greece, Rome, the Americas, Asia, and Africa, as well as works on paper from the Renaissance to the present day provide visitors with a glimpse into the art and history of world cultures.

Two special exhibitions on display are *Spider Woman to Horned Serpent: Creation and Creativity in Native North American Art* and *Indigenous Beauty: Masterworks of American Indian Art from the Diker Collection*. Participants will take a bus to the museum and have a one hour docent-led tour with an additional 30 minutes to explore the museum on your own.

## PITTS THEOLOGY LIBRARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM**

The Pitts Theology Library is among America's largest and most distinguished theological libraries and offers unusually rich resources for Candler School of Theology, Emory University, and the larger world of scholarship. Its collections include more than 610,000 volumes, 135,000 of which are in its special collections. In August of 2014, the library moved into a new facility, which includes an exhibit gallery with 22 custom cases.

Participants will tour the library and the fall exhibit on the "Ten Commandments." The exhibit will include texts and images from materials in the Richard C. Kessler Reformation Collection relating to the Ten Commandments, including early printed Bibles, catechisms, hymnals, sixteenth-century sermons, and commentaries. Guests will take a bus to the library and have a one hour docent-led tour with an additional 30 minutes to explore the library on your own.

## WILLIAM BREMAN JEWISH HERITAGE MUSEUM

**Monday, 12:30 PM–4:00 PM**

The Breman Museum's vivid exhibits use the personal remembrances of Atlantans to explain seminal moments in the Jewish experience. Participants will have a 90 minute docent led tour and a 90 minute Holocaust survivor talk. The two exhibitions below will be on display. Participants will take the MARTA train and then walk 0.5 miles to the museum, returning at your leisure.

### *Absence of Humanity: The Holocaust Years, 1933–1945*

This permanent exhibition presents a detailed history of the events which led up to the Holocaust, the atrocities perpetrated by the Nazis during World War II, and the events that took place in its wake. The narrative of this dark time in human history is put forth in the voices of those who survived and made new lives in Atlanta.

*Absence of Humanity: The Holocaust Years, 1933–1945* was designed by local architect and Holocaust survivor Ben Hirsch, and features historic photographs, personal memorabilia, family documents, and videotaped interviews with Atlanta area survivors.

### *Eighteen Artifacts: A Story of Jewish Atlanta*

This exhibition explores the history of Jews in Atlanta through artifacts, images, and oral histories. The story of Jewish Atlanta began as it did in many other Southern towns, but its narrative would take dramatic turns as Atlanta became a stage for regional, national, and international events over the next 170 years. Jews played a role in every significant event in Atlanta's history, and in many cases Jewish men and women were instrumental in creating essential social, business and educational organizations. By showcasing important artifacts representing major turning points in this story, we hope all who visit will leave with a sense of the significant ways the Jewish community has shaped the city of Atlanta. As visitors encounter these eighteen artifacts they are encouraged to consider and share their own connections to the selected people, places or events.

## PONCE DE LEON AVENUE HOUSES OF WORSHIP TOUR

**Monday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM**

This bus tour will explore landmark houses of worship amid the changing religious ecology of Atlanta's Ponce de Leon Avenue. Many of these buildings have served multiple purposes as Atlanta's population has changed and moved. A major east-west avenue, "Ponce" passes through several distinct neighborhoods. The street begins in Midtown, travels through Virginia-Highlands and Poncey-Highland, and into Druid Hills, where it is lined with parks first planned by landscape architect Frederick Law Olmstead. Stops may include St. Paul Presbyterian Church, a 100-year-old Gothic revival building that has served three congregations and a restaurant; Druid Hills Baptist Church, a neoclassical church in a rapidly redeveloping neighborhood; St. John's Lutheran Church, an octagonal Gothic church whose parish house was originally the Stonehenge Mansion; St. John Chrysostom Melkite Catholic Church, which occupies the neo-classical mansion built by Coca-Cola owner Asa Candler; and the Atlanta ISKCON Temple. We will also visit the neighboring campus of Emory University to see its Canon Chapel designed by modernist architect Paul Rudolph, and the Glenn Memorial Church, a colonial revival building. Other architectural treats along the route include the Moorish Revival Fox Theatre and modernist Moorish Ya'arab Shrine.



## 2015 TOUR FORM



| No.   | Tour  | Day               | Time             | Cost |
|-------|---|-------------------|------------------|------|
| _____ | Atlanta City Tour                                 | Friday, Nov. 20   | 1:00 PM–5:00 PM  | \$35 |
| _____ | King Center Tour                                  | Friday, Nov. 20   | 2:00 PM–5:00 PM  | \$15 |
| _____ | Yoga Class  | Saturday, Nov. 21 | 7:00 AM–8:00 AM  | \$15 |
| _____ | High Museum of Art                                | Saturday, Nov. 21 | 9:30 AM–11:30 AM | \$20 |
| _____ | Center for Civil and Human Rights                 | Saturday, Nov. 21 | 1:45 PM–4:00 PM  | \$15 |
| _____ | Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum      | Sunday, Nov. 22   | 2:45 PM–5:00 PM  | \$30 |
| _____ | Michael C. Carlos Museum                          | Monday, Nov. 23   | 9:00 AM–11:30 AM | \$30 |
| _____ | Pitts Theological Library and Special Collections | Monday, Nov. 23   | 9:00 AM–11:30 AM | \$25 |
| _____ | William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum             | Monday, Nov. 23   | 12:30 PM–4:00 PM | \$20 |
| _____ | Ponce de Leon Avenue Houses of Worship Tour       | Monday, Nov. 23   | 1:00 PM–5:00 PM  | \$30 |

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Tours fill up quickly and are first-come, first served!**

Return the form with payment by November 1, 2015 to AAR and SBL Registration and Housing, 825 Houston Mill Rd. NE, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30329, fax to +1-404-935-5321, email [reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org) or [annualmeeting@sbl-site.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sbl-site.org), or register online while completing the registration process at <http://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/registration-housing> or <http://sbl-site.org>. No refunds will be given on tours.

# GREEN INITIATIVES

The AAR and SBL foster not only excellence in the study of religion and biblical scholarship, but also environmental stewardship.

## CARBON OFFSET PROGRAM



As part of its efforts to produce a “greener meeting,” the AAR and SBL are offering the option to offset the carbon emissions from your travel to the Annual Meetings. By checking the

box on the registration form, \$15 will be collected from your registration to purchase carbon offsets from *NativeEnergy*. The AAR’s Sustainability Task Force selected *NativeEnergy* because of its commitment to reducing greenhouse gases while supporting its sustainability projects. *NativeEnergy* is one of the top carbon offset companies in the United States and the world. We encourage you to make this inexpensive commitment to helping make our meetings more environmentally friendly. To learn more about *NativeEnergy*, visit [www.nativeenergy.com](http://www.nativeenergy.com).

## ANNUAL MEETING HOTEL VENUES

The Hyatt Regency Atlanta is the winner of the City of Atlanta Better Buildings Challenge, and recognized by U.S. Dept. of Energy for water savings and energy reduction. The Hyatt has reduced energy consumption by 36%, saving 57.4 billion BTUs and reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 8,267 metric tons. The hotel has reduced water use by 35%, and saves 8 million gallons of water each year. And its recycling and composting program recycles some 2 million lbs. of paper and other materials each year. Hyatt Regency Atlanta is proud to be a Platinum level TripAdvisor Green Leader.

The Marriott Marquis Atlanta was awarded the Marriott Environmentally Conscious Hospitality Operations (ECHO) Award for its improvements since 2005. This commendation recognized environmental advances that included recycling five million gallons of water annually from laundry usage, reducing energy consumption 28%, a 30% improvement in Energy Star® rating, and a 34% reduction in natural gas usage.

Hilton Atlanta has made significant improvements to its sustainability while delivering positive guest experiences. Energy usage has decreased by 18% since 2011 due to the usage of energy efficient lightbulbs throughout the hotel to provide bright, warm light using 75% less energy than standard lighting. Through LightStay, Hilton’s sustainability measurement platform, Hilton Atlanta is able to record a 28% decrease in CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions since 2009. Waste output has decreased by 64% due to the usage of recycled paper products and bulk dispensers and reusable containers since 2009.

In 2012, the Westin Peachtree Plaza was recognized as a Green Seal Certified-Silver Level Hotel. The largest convention hotel in the Southeast to be Green Seal™ certified, the Westin Peachtree Plaza earned this recognition for waste minimization, water and energy efficiency, hazardous substance handling, and embraces environmentally conscience hotel initiatives, including the \$13 million environmental upgrade to the hotel’s central plant heating and cooling system in 2011. The Westin Peachtree Plaza is committed to providing a clean environment for its guests and associates, protecting the environment, and promoting sustainability.

The Sheraton Atlanta has improved its sustainability in numerous ways including engineering a laundry water recycling system that reduces 127 cubic tons of carbon emissions and saves 4.5 million gallons of water each year; a new water heating system that increases efficiency by more than 50%; low-energy lighting in all permanent light fixtures that require 75% less energy and last about 10 times longer than incandescent bulbs; and double-paned, high-efficient SolarBan window system in the rooms surrounding the Garden Courtyard, reducing energy cost by 40% in the guest rooms.

## PROGRAM BOOK AND AT-A-GLANCE



Paper used in the *Program Book* and *At-A-Glance* is certified by the globally-recognized Sustainable Forest Initiative, which ensures that wood and paper products are from well-managed forests and is backed by a rigorous third-party certification audit. Use of recycled paper equates to a 40 percent reduction in energy versus paper made with unrecycled pulp. Recycling all *Program Books* would prevent over 15.8 cubic meters of landfill space; it would also

save over 80 mature trees, nearly 36,667 gallons of water, 10.38 barrels of oil, and 21,297 kilowatt-hours of electricity — enough energy to power the average American home for almost two years. Also, abstracts are available online. Printing the abstracts would have used 3.3 million sheets of paper (equal to 198 trees) and added 2,970 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere — all at an additional cost (estimated conservatively) to AAR and SBL of \$30,000.

## OPT-OUT OPTION

The AAR and SBL offered registrants the choice to opt out of receiving a *Program Book* in the mail or of having a *Program Book* printed for them. As of the time of this printing, 1769 registrants (21.4% of the total) opted out of receiving a *Program Book* in the mail and 1214 registrants (14.7% of the total) opted out of having one printed altogether. This will save more than a ton of paper, and almost 500 tons of CO<sub>2</sub>.

## T3 EXPO



Save money. Grow your event.

The SBL and AAR’s event services contactor, T3 Expo, pursues environmental responsibility in everything they do. From their open supply chain and local sourcing model, to carpeting, graphics, freight and exhibit construction, T3 works with partners and customers to raise environmental awareness, develop innovative solutions and establish best practices in the events industry in an effort to:

- ✎ Reduce energy consumption and waste
- ✎ Reuse inventory and graphics
- ✎ Use recyclable products/recycle
- ✎ Use products that contain post-consumer content



# TECHNOLOGICAL INITIATIVES

AAR and SBL are committed to being on the cutting edge with innovative new event technology and to offering attendees an exceptional program experience.

We will again provide a Mobile Meeting Guide powered by Event Pilot. This mobile app provides members with a technically-reliable, intuitive, and functional solution. At no cost, this mobile app provides attendees with:

- ✧ The entire event program, including SBL, AAR, and Additional Meetings sessions
- ✧ Exhibitor information, including an interactive Exhibit Hall map
- ✧ Maps of the Annual Meetings hotels
- ✧ Find-a-Friend functionality to allow you to locate your colleagues
- ✧ Ability to add sessions and personal events to your Annual Meetings calendar



Attendees will be able to create and customize their own schedule, make notes about sessions, and share information and their schedule with colleagues and friends via built-in social networking. Because Event Pilot features an intuitive offline program that is native to Android, iPhone, iPad, and iPod Touch devices, there is no waiting for schedule downloads or web pages to load and no dealing with slow or nonexistent Wi-Fi connections. Schedule changes are downloaded in the background, allowing attendees immediate access to event information. A similar web-based app will be accessible via Blackberry and personal computers.

You can search for the app in the App Store for iOS or the Google Play store for Android using the keyword AARSBLAM15.

## BEST PRACTICES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA USE AT THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING

AAR and SBL promote the academic study of religion and sacred texts across many channels: print, online, and the Annual Meeting. Social media outlets, especially “live-tweeting,” can be an important means for continuing the conversation beyond the audience of an Annual Meeting session. These guidelines are intended to craft a forum that encourages an open discussion while maintaining the integrity of the scholar’s work.

1. Attendees are encouraged to live-tweet at the Annual Meeting using the official 2015 Annual Meeting hashtag (#aarsbl15).
2. Program unit chairs are invited to create hash tags for their units.
3. Presenters may request that the presentation not be broadcast across social media. Similar to a presenter’s requests not to be filmed or recorded, attendees are asked to respect the presenters’ wishes.
4. Attribution is key. List the speaker’s name and presentation title; refer to a social media handle, if known.
5. Clearly define where the idea originated. Note direct quotes within quotation marks. Make it clear when you are summarizing an argument and when you respond with your own opinion or interpretation of it. Note when the presentation is over.
6. Be respectful, even if you disagree.
7. Keep the dialogue going—bring responses from social media into the meeting session



(e.g., ask questions posed to the author from the Twittersphere) and remember to use the meeting hashtag (#aarsbl15) so you can see who is responding to the same session you are.

# EMPLOYMENT CENTER

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The Annual Meetings Employment Center provides job candidates and employers with current job listings, candidate credentials for review, a message service, and interview facilities.

## CANDIDATE SERVICES

All registered candidates receive:

- ✧ Annual Meetings edition of *Employment Listings*.
- ✧ Opportunity to submit a CV for employer review.
- ✧ Access to the Employment Center e-mail Message Center to send and receive confidential communication with registered employers.

All candidates have the option of submitting a CV to the Employment Center. Organized by job classification, online CVs are available to registered employers electronically from July 6, 2015 through February 15, 2016, and onsite at the Annual Meetings Employment Center.

Please see <http://www.aarsbl.org/content/candidate-services> for more information.

## Candidate Fees

The American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature have eliminated all Employment Center fees for candidates. Beginning in 2015, all active members of the American Academy of Religion or the Society of Biblical Literature who have registered for the Annual Meeting will be able to register as candidates with the Employment Center free of charge.

### LOCATION AND HOURS OF OPERATION

*November 20–23, 2015*  
*Sheraton Atlanta, Grand Ballroom, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor*

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Saturday, November 21 | 8:00 AM–7:00 PM |
| Sunday, November 22   | 8:00 AM–7:00 PM |
| Monday, November 23   | 8:00 AM–7:00 PM |

## EMPLOYER SERVICES

All registered employers receive:

- ✧ Job advertisements included in the Annual Meeting Edition of *Employment Listings*, available on-site to all candidates.
- ✧ An Employment Center Icon next to online advertisements indicating that the position is registered for the Employment Center.
- ✧ Access to candidate credentials online from July 6, 2015, through February 15, 2016.
- ✧ An interview booth and the ability to invite any candidate to an interview.
- ✧ Ability to reserve a Private Interview Room for an additional fee.
- ✧ Access to the Employment Center e-mail Message Center to send and receive confidential communication with registered candidates.

## Employer Fees

**First Job:** \$275 (\$325 after October 30)

**Each additional job:** \$60 (\$85 after October 30)

## REGISTRATION AND ADVERTISEMENT

Employment Center registration for both candidates and employers is currently open. Candidates must first register for the Annual Meetings before they can register for the Employment Center. Employers can register for the Employment Center when they post an online ad listing.

Please go to [www.aarsbl.org](http://www.aarsbl.org) to register.

*Employers who register onsite will not be able to reserve Private Interview Rooms or Interview Hall space prior to arriving onsite.*

*To be included in the Annual Meeting Edition of Employment Listings, all positions must be listed for at least four weeks before the Annual Meeting.*



The AAR and SBL have teamed up to present a series of sessions focused on academic, alt-ac, and post-academic employment. The goal of these sessions is to open a dialogue about the changing nature of academic employment and to reflect on the realities of the current job market.

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## A21-144/S21-153

### **Dealing with The Dossier: A Proactive Approach to Documenting Your Teaching**

Saturday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This roundtable is geared towards graduate students at any stage of their studies who intend on eventually applying to academic jobs. One key aspect of the application process is “the teaching dossier”, which consists of your statement of teaching philosophy, along with documentation of the efficacy of your approach. Utilized for honing and showcasing effectiveness as an educator, the teaching dossier is a vital tool for ongoing professional development. We will explore the process of articulating a teaching philosophy, and avenues of proactively procuring documentation of your teaching at every stage of your studies.

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## A21-201

### ***How the University Works* (New York University Press, 2008): A Roundtable on Labor in Religious Studies**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Marc Bousquet’s *How the University Works* is one of the first explorations of what is like to work in the modern university with the increasing casualization of labor in higher education. Despite popular stereotypes of high-earning, high-prestige professors, most campus employees work in the low-wage, low-prestige sphere of the service economy. Tenure-track positions are increasingly rare while adjuncts and graduate students teach the majority of courses. Non-tenure track jobs are now the norm. Adjuncts commonly earn about \$2700 a course without benefits, office space, or much-needed technology. Undergraduates are also a part of this low-cost, disposable workforce. Bousquet is a major figure in the academic labor movement, and he exposes exploitative labor in higher education, in which faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates work long hours for low wages.

This panel engages Bousquet’s book on labor by applying his insights and analysis to our discipline of religious studies. What does this increasing reliance on contingent labor mean for religious studies? What are the dominant forms of labor for religious studies scholars? What are the conditions of labor at our institutions and in our departments? What about scholars who lack affiliation and institution? How has the increasing reliance on contingent labor impacted not only how and what we teach, but also how we produce scholarship? What might we learn when we pay attention to how the working conditions of scholars impact our discipline as a whole?

In short presentations, our panelists discuss what it is like to work in religious studies at their own institutions, what it is like to lack institutional support, how this relates to religious studies, and the larger trends of contingency in higher education. Marc Bousquet will respond.

We encourage the audience to read *How the University Works* and come ready to discuss labor trends in not only in academia, but also our own discipline.

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## A21-303/S21-319

### **Envisioning Academic Alternatives**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This will be a workshop for graduate students and PhDs in Religious Studies, Humanities or Theology that will help them identify their skills and consider a range of possible career options that can fit holistically into wider life strategies.

The shift away from tenure-track positions has and will continue, creating new financial, social, and emotional challenges for those who entered academia hoping for professorships. This new academic job market demands a creative, entrepreneurial approach to making a living.

This workshop is designed to help academics and graduates approach academic work as only one part of a wider picture that potentially integrates a variety of income streams while still being able to pursue research goals and interests. Participants will examine their own history and relationships to academia, and become more empowered through discovering marketable skill sets they may not know they possess.

During the workshop we will discuss sustainable life strategies, considering what activities and relationships bring us real joy and can therefore be maintained in the long term. Participants will have the opportunity to reframe the issue of work/life balance in the context of an academic career, describe their abilities in terms of marketable skill sets and consider alternatives to traditional research, teaching, publishing and academic engagement.

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## A22-240

### **Another Plan “A”: Religious Studies Education and Careers Beyond the Academy**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Worried about the job market? Thinking that a career in higher ed no longer matches your interests and goals? Or just wondering about options? Join this discussion of career paths outside the academy. Panelists hold masters and doctoral degrees from a variety of religious studies, theology, and other humanities programs and have worked in fields including:

- publishing and editing
- journalism
- nonprofits and foundations
- government
- consulting

- religious communities
- academic administration
- social work and health care
- marketing

Come hear more about how graduate education in religious studies prepares us for — and enhances our practice of — various careers.

The panel discussion will be followed by an open conversation with the audience and group table discussions led by the panelists. Come tell us what AAR can do to better serve members who are exploring non-academic careers and to support those who have moved beyond the academy!

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## A22-252/S22-253

### Developing a Public Voice and Making a Living from It

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This is a workshop for all who went into academia wanting to change the world — those who, to borrow the words of the jailed Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo, “made the mistake of acting on impulses of sympathy or of justice.” We are many who have pursued studies of religion and related fields in hopes of developing a public voice and perhaps providing moral leadership.

Is this a quixotic dream? For those who have not found secure university employment — or who have found it and are disappointed — is it possible instead to work as a public intellectual/activist/artist?

The workshop builds on participatory exercises: What might you be willing to give up in order to follow your dream — how simply can you live? What combinations of jobs might be acceptable to you? If you could become a public voice, what would you want to tell the world?

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## A22-300/S22-342

### Networking Like the Job Is in Hand

Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

We make the most out of networking opportunities in graduate school by behaving like we are one of “them,” that is the professors, administrators, and other professionals with whom we seek to meet or interact. This panel will discuss methods of introduction, language, and perhaps most importantly, ways to make your own opportunities for networking as a form of professional development. For example, organizing speaker series and other events can create the networks you want to have, rather than just waiting for these opportunities to come to you. We will also discuss networking internationally through language and study abroad programs. We will discuss strategies on how to make the most of these important connections once you have developed them. Additionally, we will work on creating opportunities for yourself through receptions and other events even before you are on the job market.

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## A22-335

### Religious Studies and Nonprofit Management

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

Recent research data indicates that students who study religion often pursue careers in nonprofit administration. Given the historical connection between religious communities and nonprofit organizations, it is natural to consider how religious studies as an academic field can collaborate with the professional training offered in nonprofit management education. This workshop, led by the Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Georgia State University will reflect upon possible collaborations, using their own department's Concentration in Religion and Nonprofit Management program as a model for students seeking employment outside of the academy. In addition, the Director of Development for International Rescue Committee (Atlanta offices) will discuss how his religious studies background informs his nonprofit work with IRC.

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## A23-146/S23-151

### Alt-Ac Employment: Hiring from an HR Perspective

Monday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This session will introduce some aspects of the non-academic hiring process from both a potential employee and potential employer standpoint, drawing from my experience with recruitment and HR processing in several job positions. It will explore how to transfer skills from graduate school to an alt-ac or non-academic resume and job search. Depending on the interests of the participants, it could also touch on how to prep for interviews, how to negotiate salary, or what to look out for in the recruitment processes.

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## A23-334/S23-320a

### PhD Transitions Over 40

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This workshop will focus on career transitions specifically for people who are 40 or over and also are getting or already have a PhD.

Middle aged professionals, particularly those with advanced degrees, face unique challenges when changing careers. This workshop will provide an overview of the specific circumstances that over 40s with a PhD face in making career transitions, either into or outside of academia.

Participants will discuss the conditions and concerns that people at midlife face in a supportive environment. We will also do some exercises to help identify skills, discuss strategies for talking about one's varied career history confidently to prospective employers and also to others. We will work on advanced job seeking skills such as elevator pitches designed for people in career transition. We will discuss the importance of networking and continuing education and discuss ways to leverage these resources in the community. Finally we will look at some case studies of individuals who have been successful with career transitions at midlife and hear their inspiring stories and tips.

# ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

AAR or SBL members with disabilities or any attendees who may have difficulty getting around the meeting are encouraged to note this during registration, as well as on the housing section of registration if applicable. AAR and SBL will make every reasonable attempt to accommodate you, whether by arranging services such as sign language interpreters, assigning accessible hotel room space, or through the AAR and SBL's taxi reimbursement policy.

## Getting to the Annual Meeting

### MARTA – Rapid Transit Train

The MARTA Station is located directly in the airport and is easily accessible. Tickets can be purchased as you enter the station (\$2.50 fare, one-way plus \$1 card charge). The MARTA station at the airport has a staffed kiosk, as well as accessible ticket machines. The elevator at the MARTA station is in the center of the platform. Trains have wheelchair seating available. Trains provide station information via audio announcements and via visual message boards.

Take the MARTA train to the Peachtree Center Station. (All trains departing from the airport go to Peachtree Center Station.) Once you reach the station, there is an elevator to Peachtree Street that is left of the platform. That will bring you to roughly 218 Peachtree St. (to the right of Jalapeño Charlie's.) The Hyatt entrance is 1.5 blocks north, and across John Portman Street.

More detailed information can be found here: <https://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/hotels-and-local-transportation-information>.

## Getting Around the Annual Meeting

### Primary Meeting Location

AAR and SBL sessions will be held in three locations—the Hyatt Regency, the Marriott Marquis, and the Hilton Downtown. The Employment Center will be located in the Sheraton Downtown. Additional meetings and receptions will be held in the Sheraton Downtown and the Westin Peachtree Plaza.

The Hyatt, Marriott, and Hilton are all connected via a wheelchair accessible skybridge. The skybridge connects the Hyatt (Lobby Level) to the Marriott (Atrium Level). The Marriott (Marquis Level) then connects with the Hilton (second floor).



At the Marriott, the skybridges are on different levels; the Atrium Level is two floors up from the Marquis Level. The skybridge from the Hyatt to the Marriott is 130 feet long, and the Marriott to Hilton is 158 feet long.

The most accessible way to get to the Westin is from the Hyatt. You'll exit the front doors and travel south, crossing John Portman and Andrew Young. Once you have crossed Andrew Young, cross Peachtree St. and continue west to the accessible entrance just past the loading docks. (The street becomes quite hilly just beyond the accessible entrance.)

The most accessible way to get to the Sheraton is from the Hilton. There is an accessible ramp on the first floor to the left (if standing inside, looking outside the main doors) by the gift store. Travel south on Courtland and cross Andrew Young. Once you have crossed the street, take a left on Andrew Young and look for the accessible entrance to the left of the UPS Store. (The main entrance, located on Courtland, is also accessible. However, it has a steeper ramp and sidewalk access is somewhat impeded by tree roots.)

In general, roads running north and south tend to be relatively level, but roads that are east and west often have steep hills. Attendees might want to plan their routes accordingly.

## No Shuttle Service between the Convention Center and Other Hotels

AAR and SBL no longer provides shuttle bus service at the Annual Meeting.

### Taxi Reimbursement

AAR and SBL will reimburse attendees with disabilities for the cost of a private taxi or ride-share service to travel between official meeting locations, if needed. To receive the reimbursement, please submit all receipts with a letter detailing the nature of your disability, your departure point, and your destination. Only travel between official Annual Meeting locations (i.e., hotels and convention center) will be covered. Questions may be directed to [SSHabrak@aarweb.org](mailto:SSHabrak@aarweb.org).

### Wheelchair or Electric Scooter Rental

Attendees who wish to rent a wheelchair or electric scooter for use during the Annual Meeting are welcome to contact the following provider to arrange for service:

**Atlanta Scooter Rentals** (<http://atlantascooterrentals.net>) is offering attendees a special rate for the Annual Meeting. Please be sure to tell them that you are with the AAR and SBL to get \$5 off your reservation. Manual wheelchairs are \$125 for your entire visit. Rates for renting an electric scooter vary, depending on length of your stay. Please click the link for details: <http://atlantascooterrentals.net/1213195.html>. Atlanta Scooter Rentals will deliver the wheelchair or scooter to your hotel and will pick up the scooter from the front desk at your hotel once you depart. **Please call Atlanta Scooter Rentals at 770-309-3699 to make individual arrangements.** They suggest that you make your reservation as soon as possible to ensure availability.

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## Onsite Accessibility Issues

Should you encounter an accessibility issue at the Annual Meeting, please notify the hotel's front desk so they can get the issue resolved. You may also report the problem at the AAR and SBL Registration Desk (located in the Hyatt Regency) or email [reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org) or [annualmeeting@sbl-site.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sbl-site.org).

## Food at the Annual Meeting

During weekdays, two food courts provide fast and inexpensive meal options for attendees during business hours. The SunTrust Food Court can be accessed via an indoor walkway in between the Marriott Marquis Atrium Level and the Hyatt Lobby Level. Access is fully accessible via wheelchair. The Hyatt is connected by an indoor walkway to the Mall at Peachtree Center. The Hyatt walkway is NOT accessible; to use this path, you must navigate three steps. There is an alternate accessible but circuitous route that leads from the Hyatt, through the Marriott, and back around to the mall.

## Accessible Dining Guide

Warm thanks to the Emory Disability Studies Initiative, particularly Sam Van Horn and a team of undergraduates, who created this accessible restaurant guide: [http://disstudies.org/downloads/FINALSDS\\_uDSI\\_AccessibilityAssessment%20with%20OCR.pdf](http://disstudies.org/downloads/FINALSDS_uDSI_AccessibilityAssessment%20with%20OCR.pdf). Please confirm the restaurant hours with them prior to making plans, as hours of operation and other details are subject to change.

## Annual Meeting Program Accessibility

### ASL Interpreter Services

AAR provides interpreter services for attendees who request ASL interpretation in advance of the meeting. To request interpreter service, contact AAR at [annualmeeting@aarweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@aarweb.org) **no later than September 1** to ensure that AAR has sufficient time to arrange for appropriate interpreters. If members inform AAR about their anticipated attendance at particular sessions, AAR staff will coordinate with presenters and session presiders to secure advance copies of papers for interpreters.

### Assisted Listening System

We can equip any room in the Marriott Marquis with an assisted listening system. AAR and SBL will provide receivers to attendees who request them in advance. If you would like to make use of this service, please email Soraya Shahrak at [SShahrak@aarweb.org](mailto:SShahrak@aarweb.org) **by November 14**.

Assisted listening services will be available in Marriott Marquis A707, the room designated for sessions sponsored by the Religion and Disability Studies Group and the Committee on the Status of People with Disabilities. Advance notice is needed to provide assistive listening device support in other Marriott rooms. If you would like to use the system, please provide us with a schedule of sessions and their room numbers as soon as possible so that the technology can be set up in advance for the sessions.

### Accessible Presentations

AAR and SBL encourage all presenters and presiders to make their presentations fully accessible to attendees with disabilities. The following guidelines suggest best practices for accessible presentations: <https://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/guidelines-for-accessible-presentations>.

## Materials in Alternative Format

Attendees who need materials in alternative formats should contact the presenters directly. If you need contact information, please email [annualmeeting@aarweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@aarweb.org) or [annualmeeting@sbl-site.org](mailto:annualmeeting@sbl-site.org). If members inform AAR or SBL about their needs and their anticipated attendance at particular sessions, AAR or SBL staff will do their best to coordinate with presenters and session presiders to facilitate the availability of handouts or other session materials in alternative formats.

## Accessibility for Presenters

The room format at AAR and SBL sessions commonly includes a podium with a microphone designed for standing presentations. The Hyatt Regency-Regency Ballroom and the Marriott Marquis-Marquis Ballroom AB have a riser for the head table. The rest of the head tables will be on the floor. Presenters who need an alternative format (such as a tabletop microphone or podium) or who anticipate a problem with the riser should contact [annualmeeting@aarweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@aarweb.org) to arrange for appropriate presentation technology.

## Meeting Room Accessibility

All sessions at the AAR and SBL are accessible to attendees using wheelchairs. Meeting room chairs will be arranged to ensure two open spaces for attendees using wheelchairs.

## Designated Room for Religion and Disability Studies Group Sessions

AAR has scheduled all sessions sponsored/cosponsored by the Religion and Disability Studies Group and the AAR Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee in the same room at the Marriott Marquis, A707.

## Sighted Guide or Mobility Assistance

Attendees who need a sighted guide or other mobility assistance to navigate the annual meeting should email Soraya Shahrak at [SShahrak@aarweb.org](mailto:SShahrak@aarweb.org) **by November 14**.

## Volunteer to Assist Your Colleagues

Are you able to devote a few hours of your time at the annual meeting to assist a colleague? Please contact Soraya Shahrak at [SShahrak@aarweb.org](mailto:SShahrak@aarweb.org) if you are able to serve as a sighted guide or to provide mobility assistance during a portion of the meeting.

## Employment Center Accessibility

AAR and SBL are committed to maximizing accessibility for employers and job seekers who are making use of the Employment Center. AAR and SBL can arrange for a quiet booth, to minimize noise or distraction from adjacent booths, or may be able to arrange for a private interview room if space is available. If you need a quiet room or have other accessibility needs, please contact [careers@aarweb.org](mailto:careers@aarweb.org) **by October 27** so that we can adequately accommodate you.

# HOW TO USE THE PROGRAM BOOK

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In response to comments from previous years' Annual Meetings surveys, and in order to better serve the needs of Annual Meetings attendees, we changed our Annual Meetings publications in a number of ways:

The *Program Book* is being mailed to all Annual Meeting attendees who did not opt out registered by August 13.

This Program Book contains the room assignments for all sessions. A location key is provided on the bottom of each odd numbered page. We anticipate that there will be very few changes from the time of this publication until the meeting. Any updated room assignments will be noted in the onsite *At-A-Glance*, which will be stuffed into attendee tote bags, and in the Mobile App.

All AAR, SBL, Related Scholarly Organizations (RSOs), Program Affiliates, and Additional Meetings sessions are listed in this *Program Book*. The sessions have been divided into three sections:

- ☞ AAR sessions (designated by an A#) and AAR RSO sessions (designated by a P#)
- ☞ SBL sessions (designated by an S#) and SBL Program Affiliate sessions (designated by a P#)
- ☞ Additional Meetings sessions (designated by an M#)

There is some overlap between the AAR's RSOs and SBL's Program Affiliates, and in these cases, the sessions are listed in both the AAR and SBL sections. To determine in which section to look for a session, please consult the Session Index at the back of the book.

The A/S/P/M numbers will tell you the date and time of a session. For example, A22-102 occurs on Sunday, November 22 and takes place between 9:00 AM–12:59 PM.

## ***Session Number Key:***

|         |                                |
|---------|--------------------------------|
| 1–99    | Begin before 9:00 AM           |
| 100–199 | Begin between 9:00 AM–12:59 PM |
| 200–299 | Begin between 1:00 PM–3:59 PM  |
| 300–399 | Begin between 4:00 PM–6:29 PM  |
| 400–499 | Begin after 6:30 PM            |

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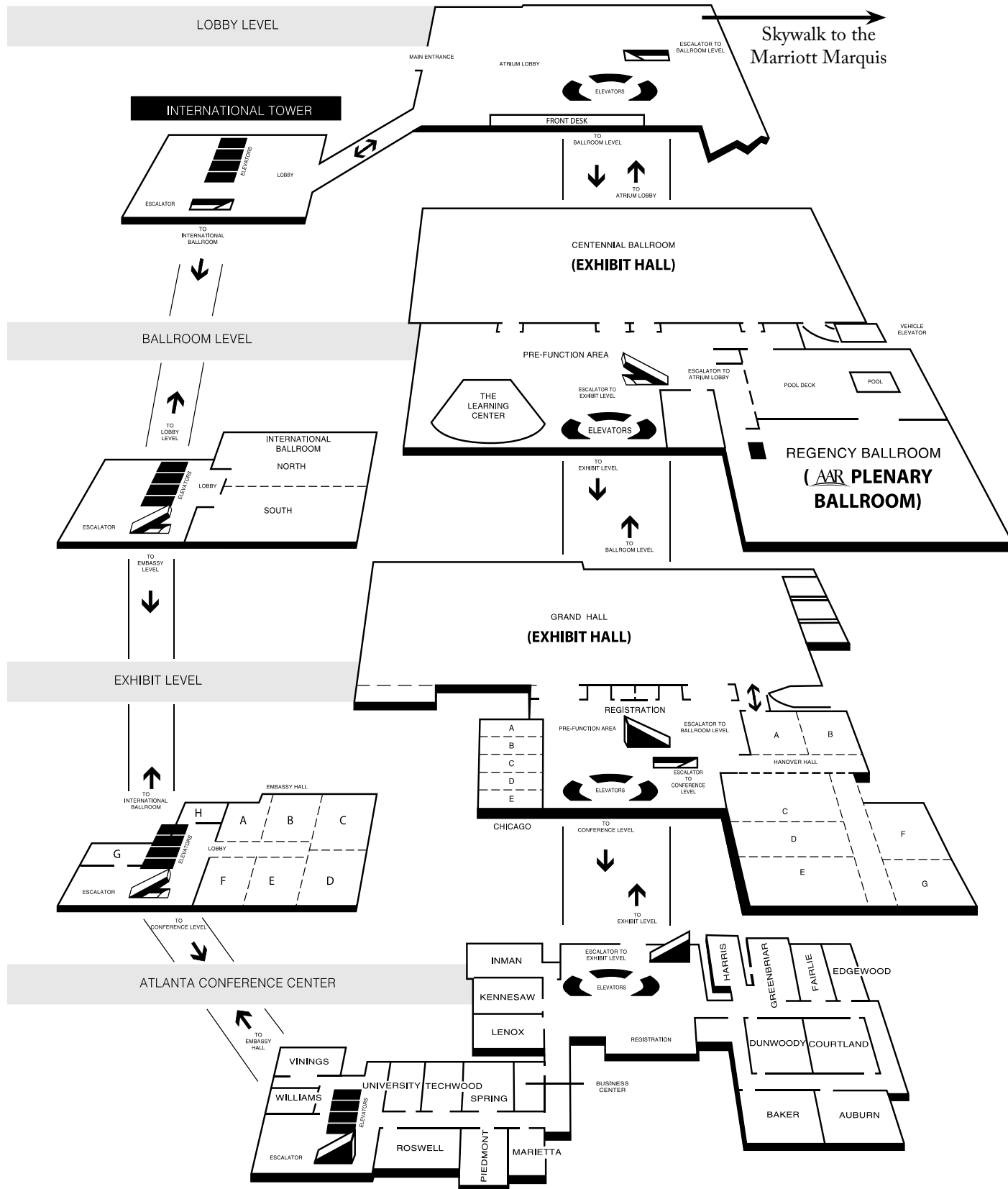
Symbols located adjacent to the session number indicate sessions which highlight special subjects in the AAR program. A symbol key is provided on the bottom of each even numbered page.

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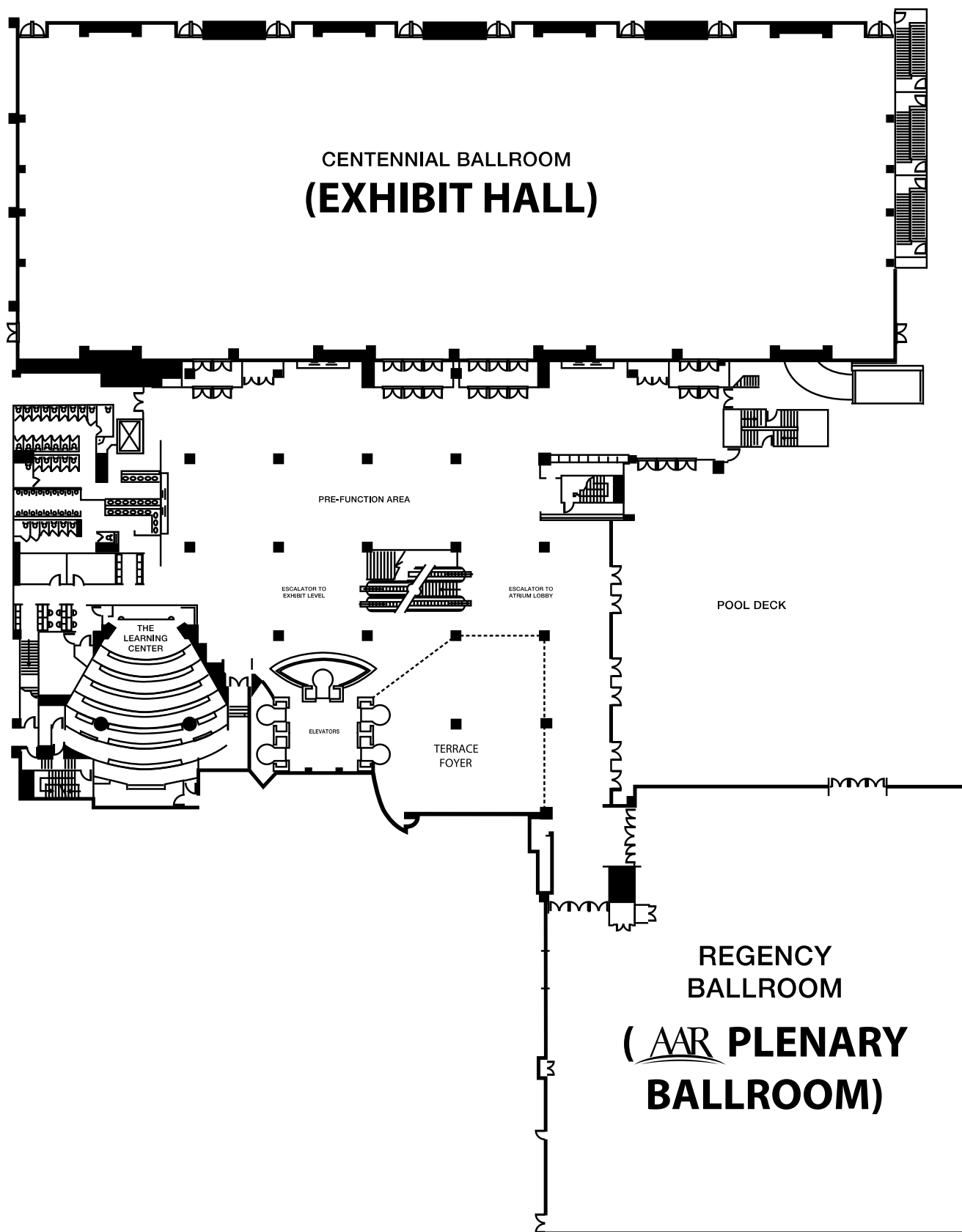


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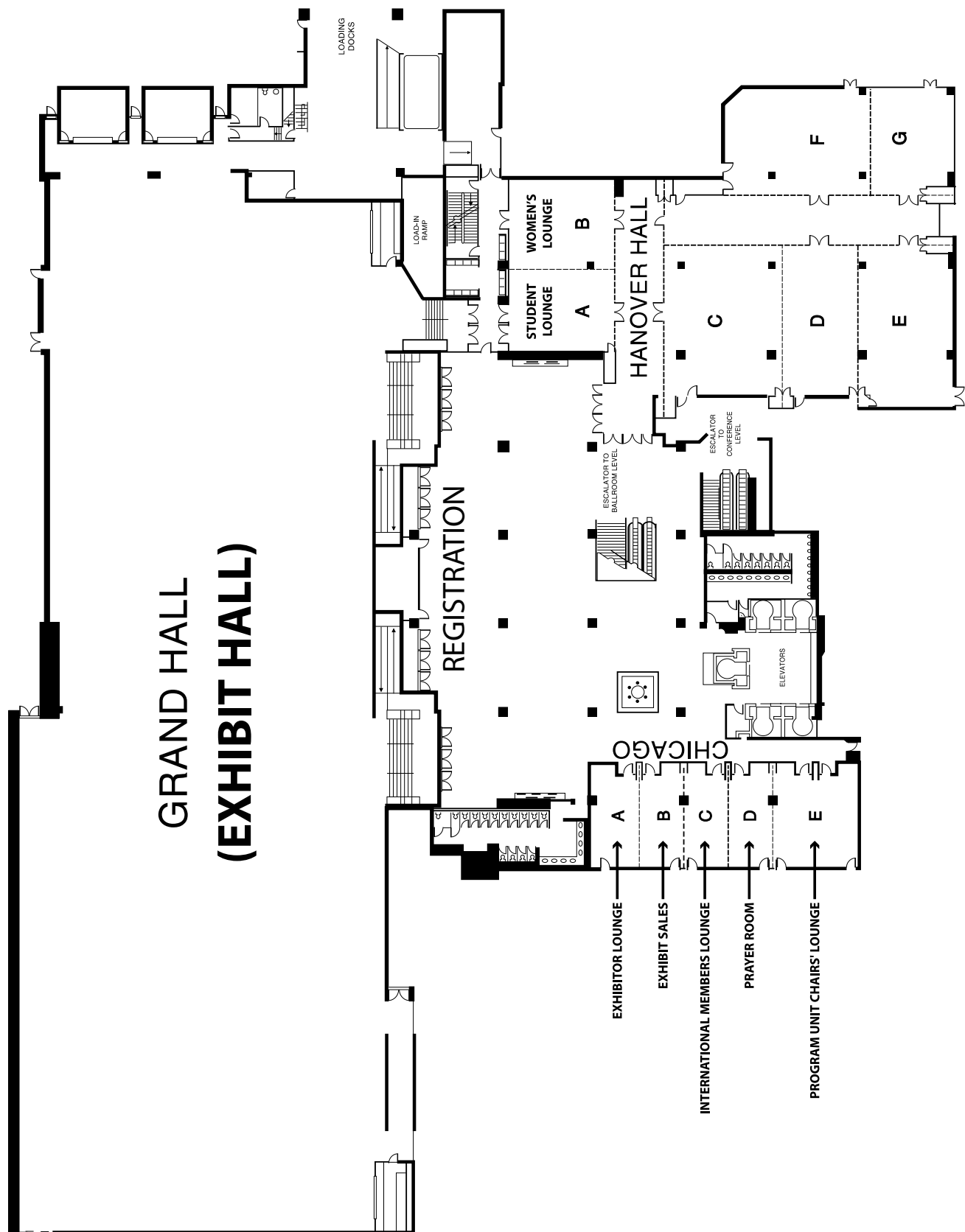


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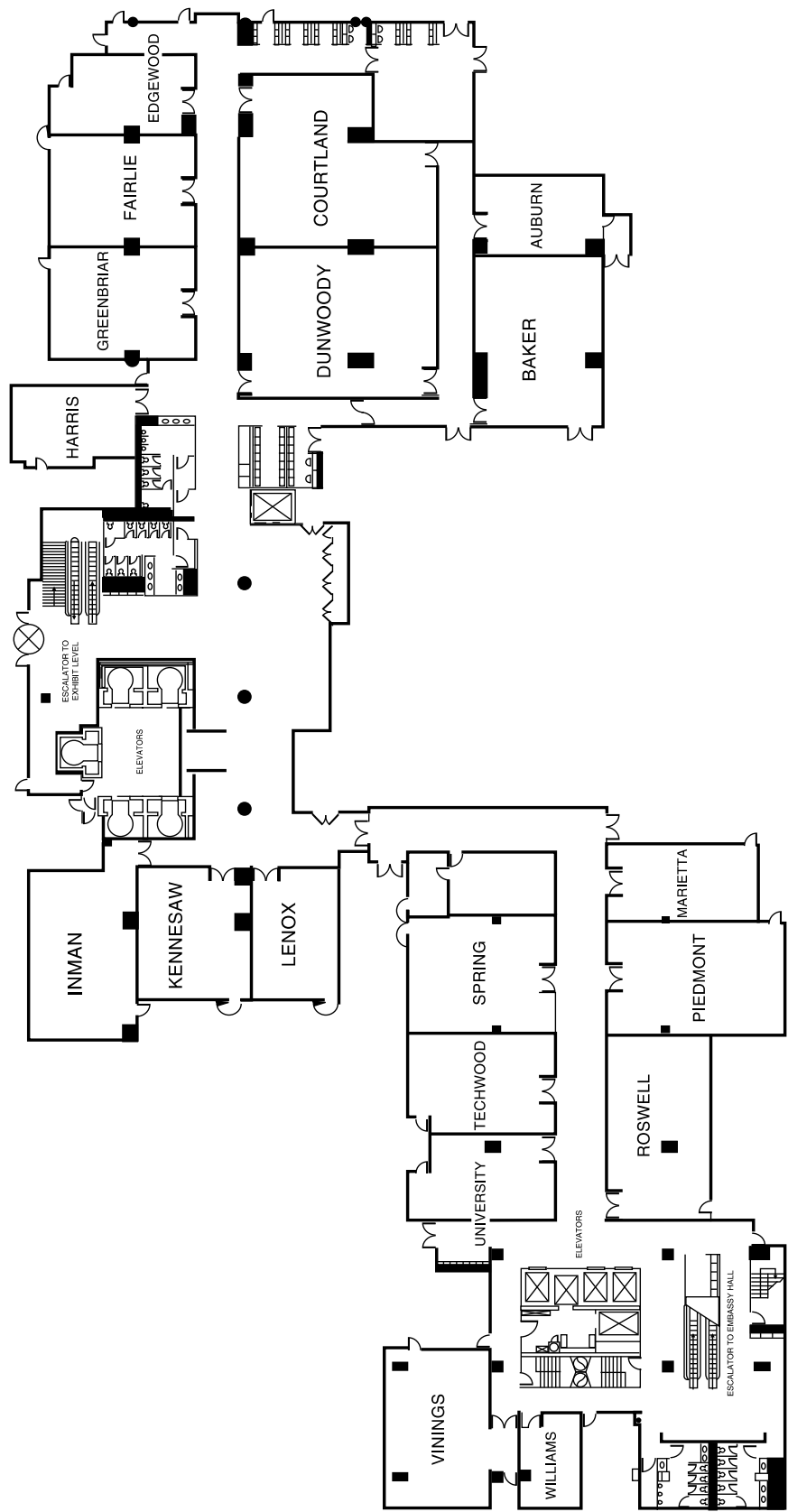
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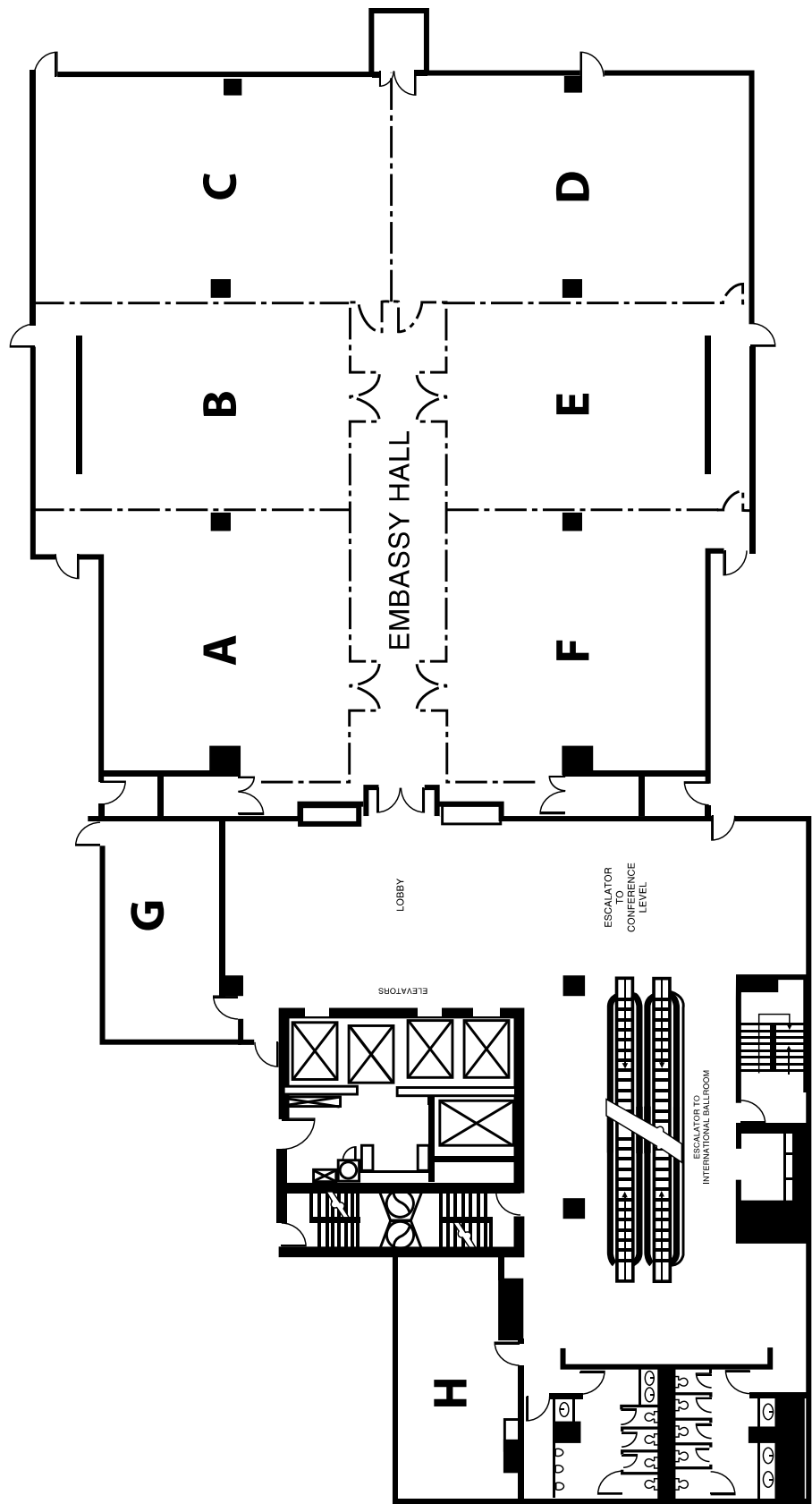
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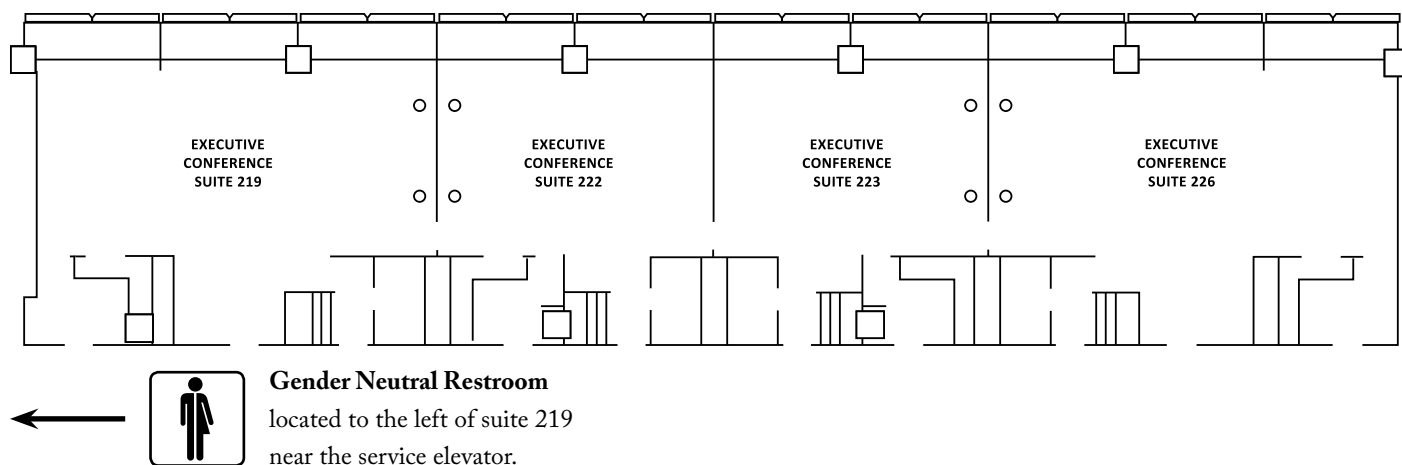
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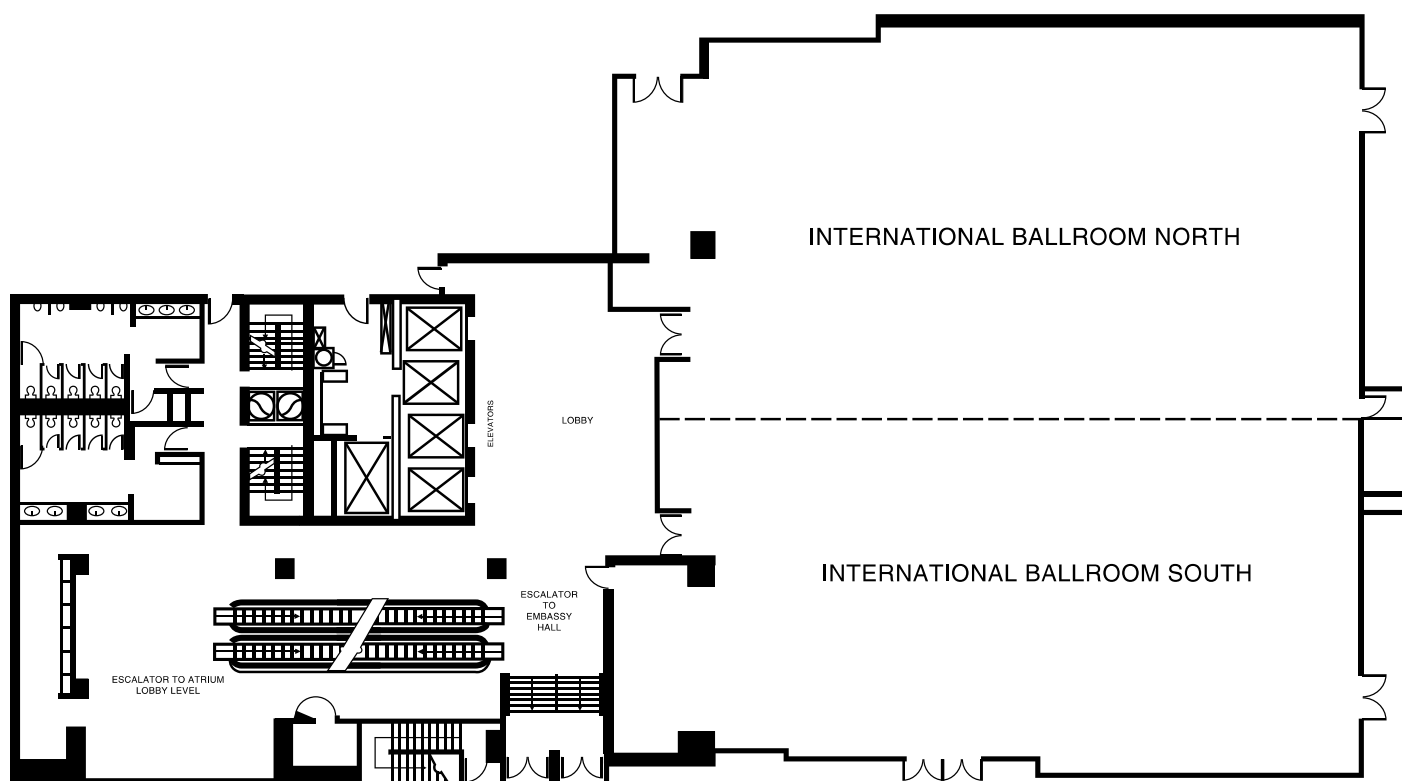
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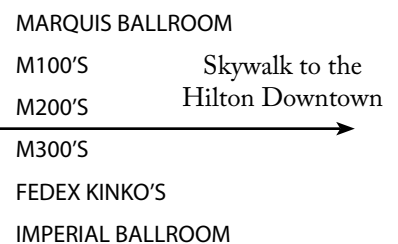
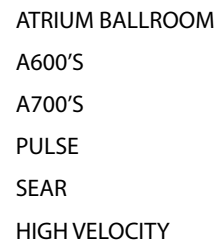
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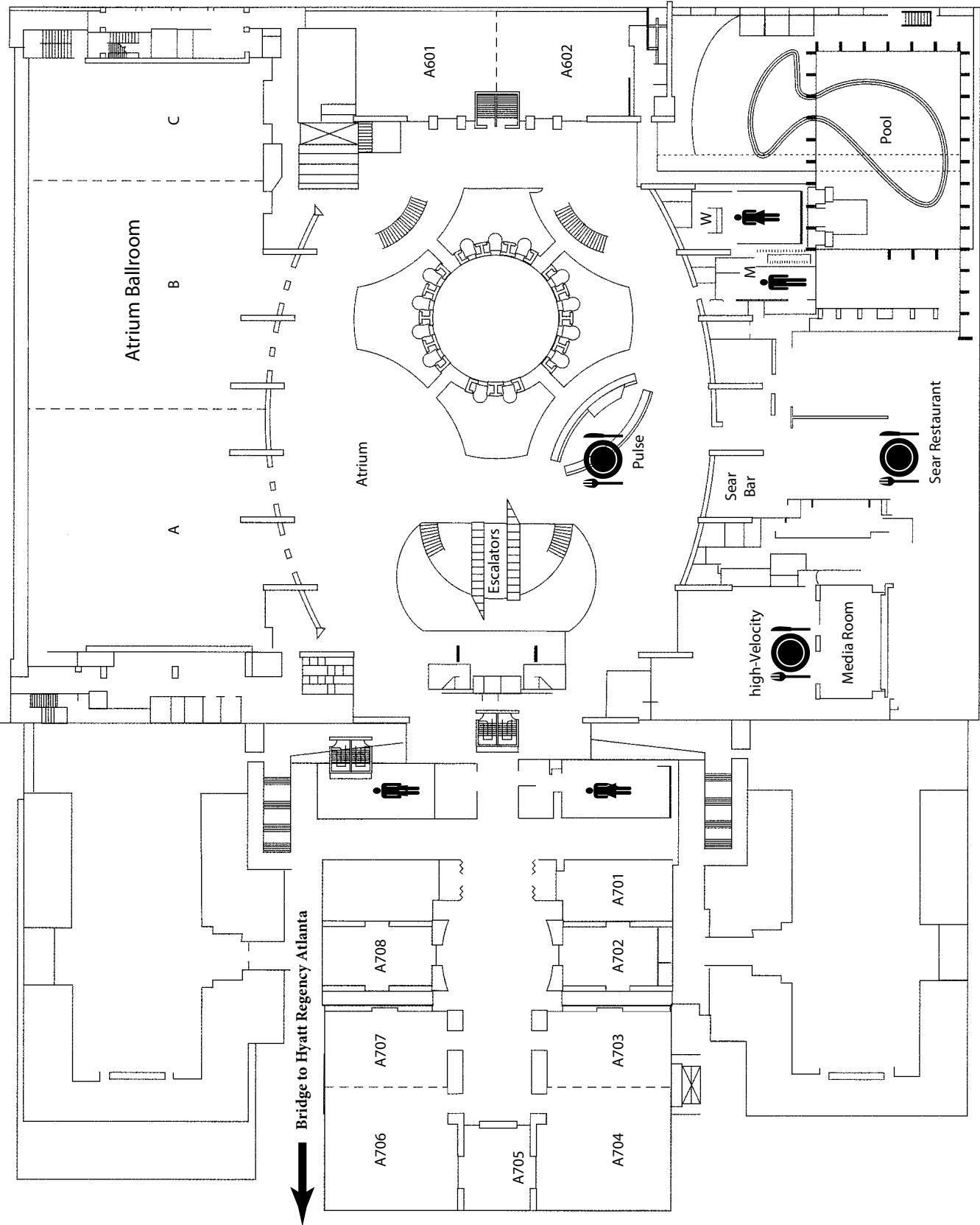
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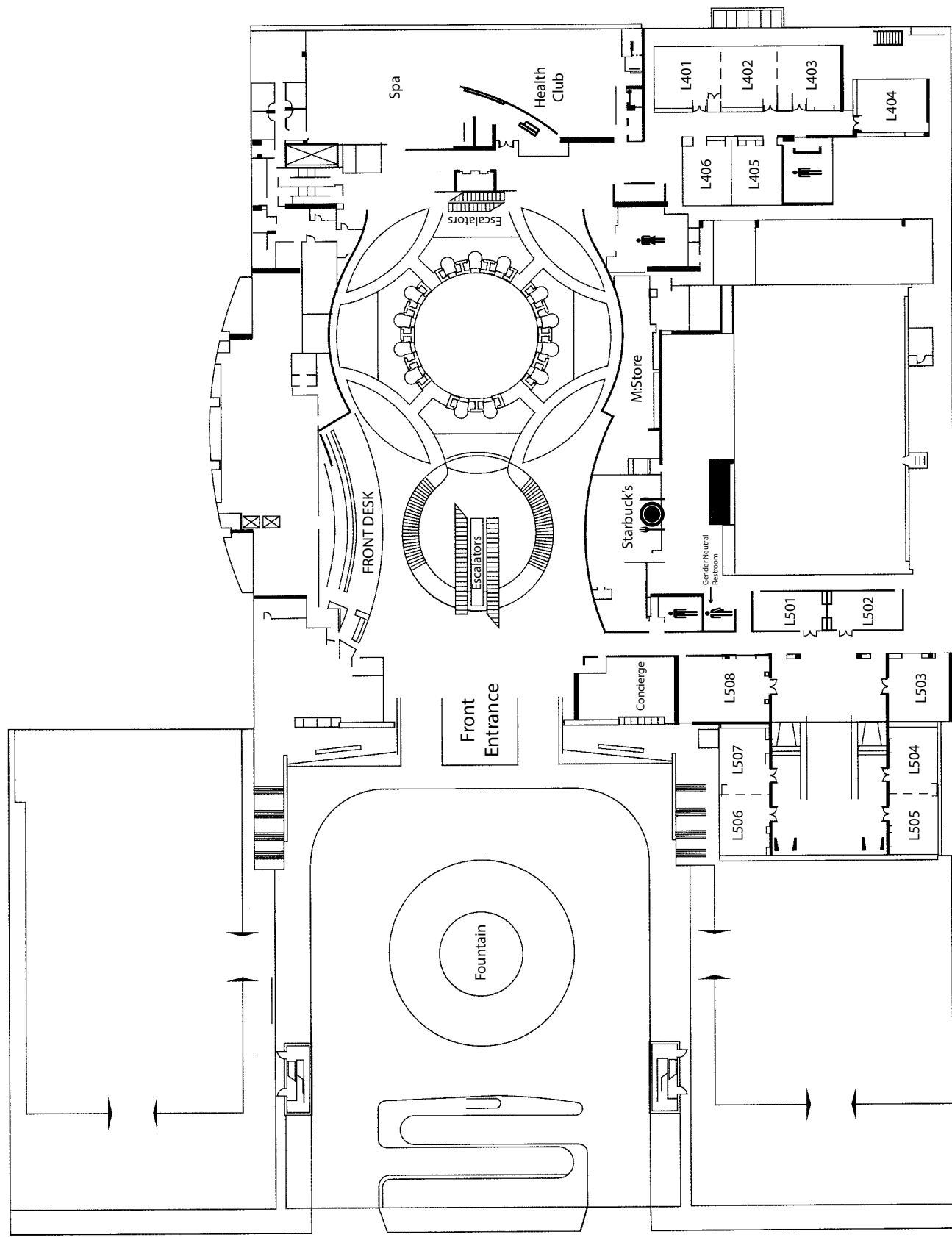
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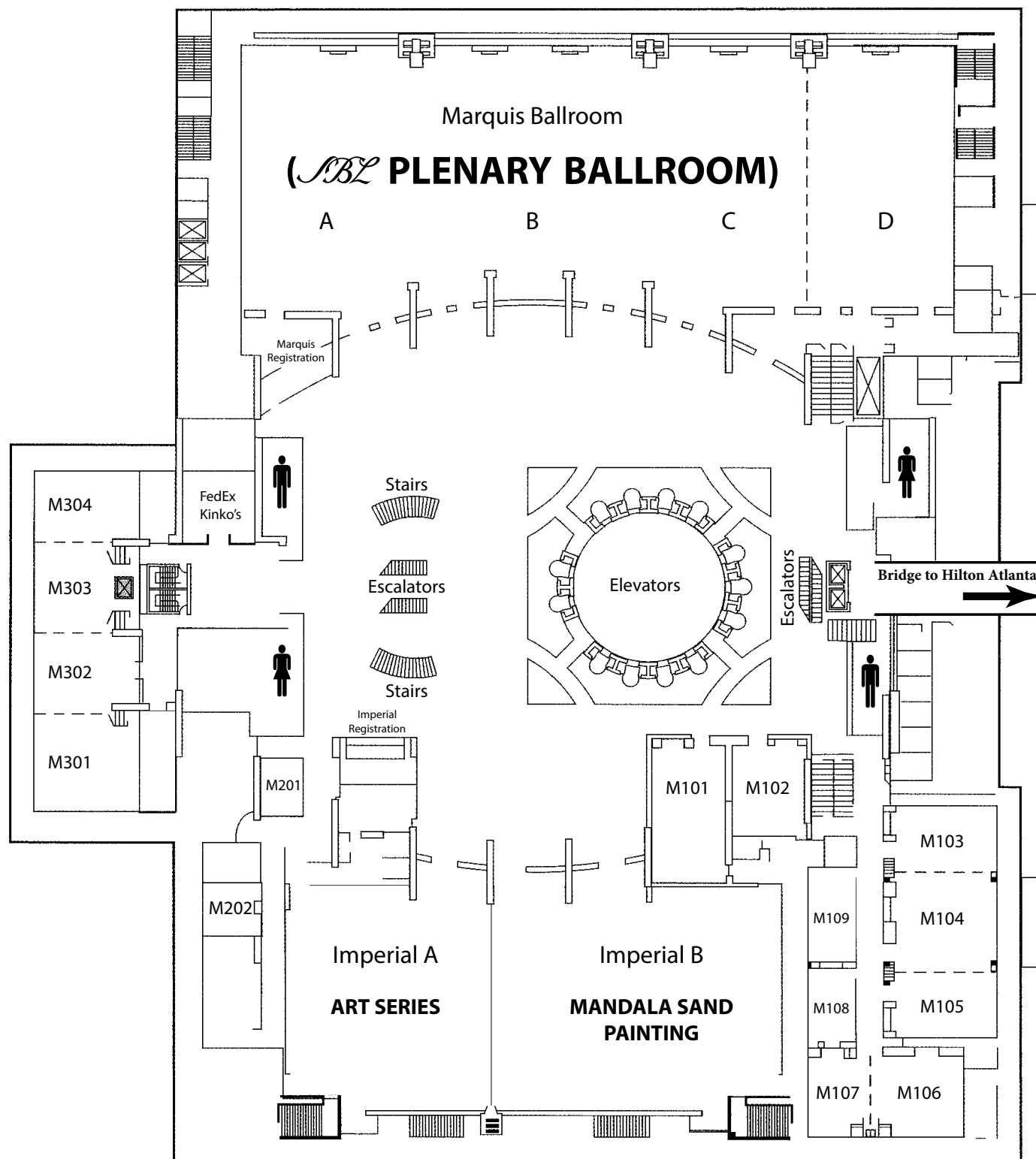
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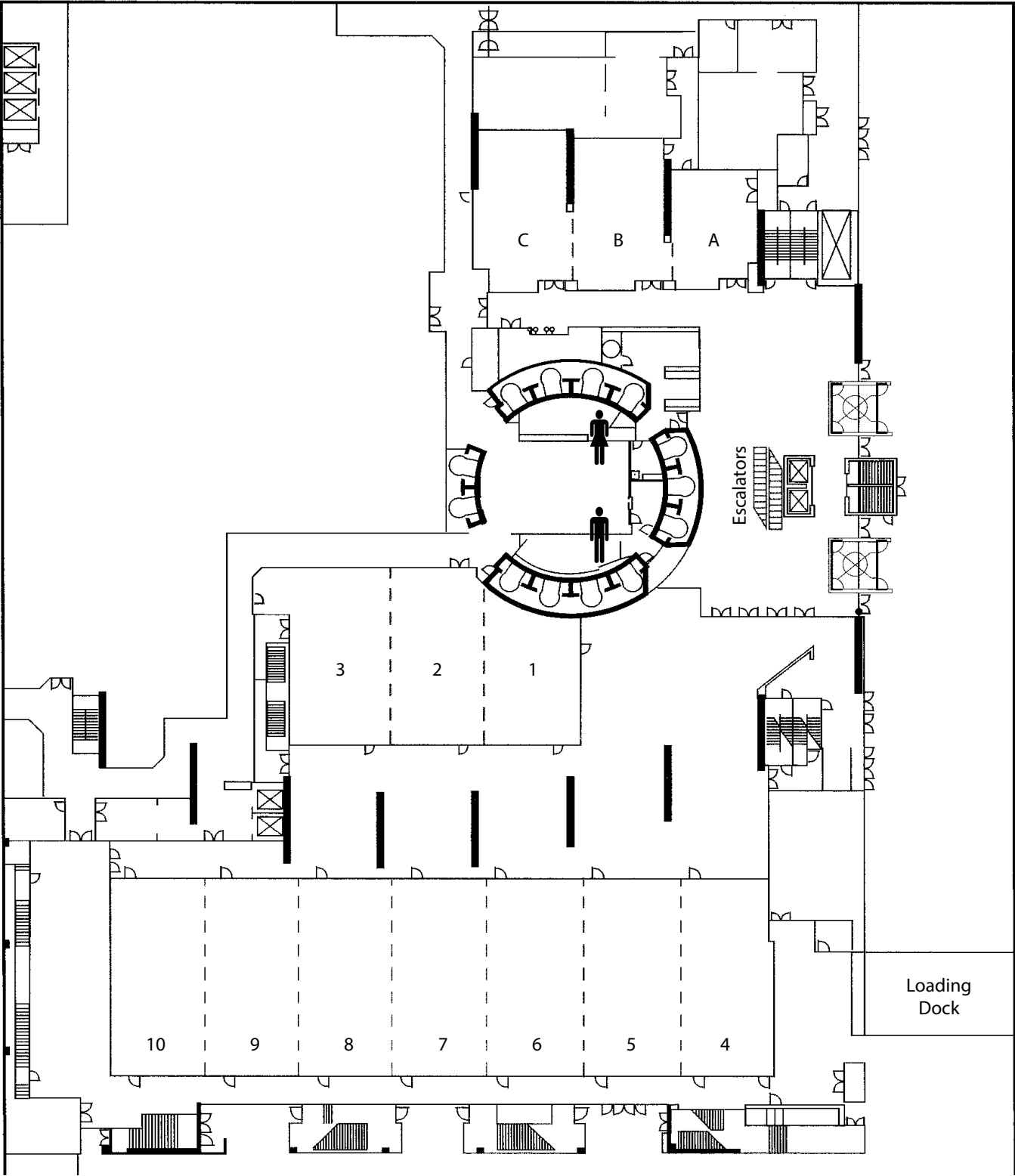
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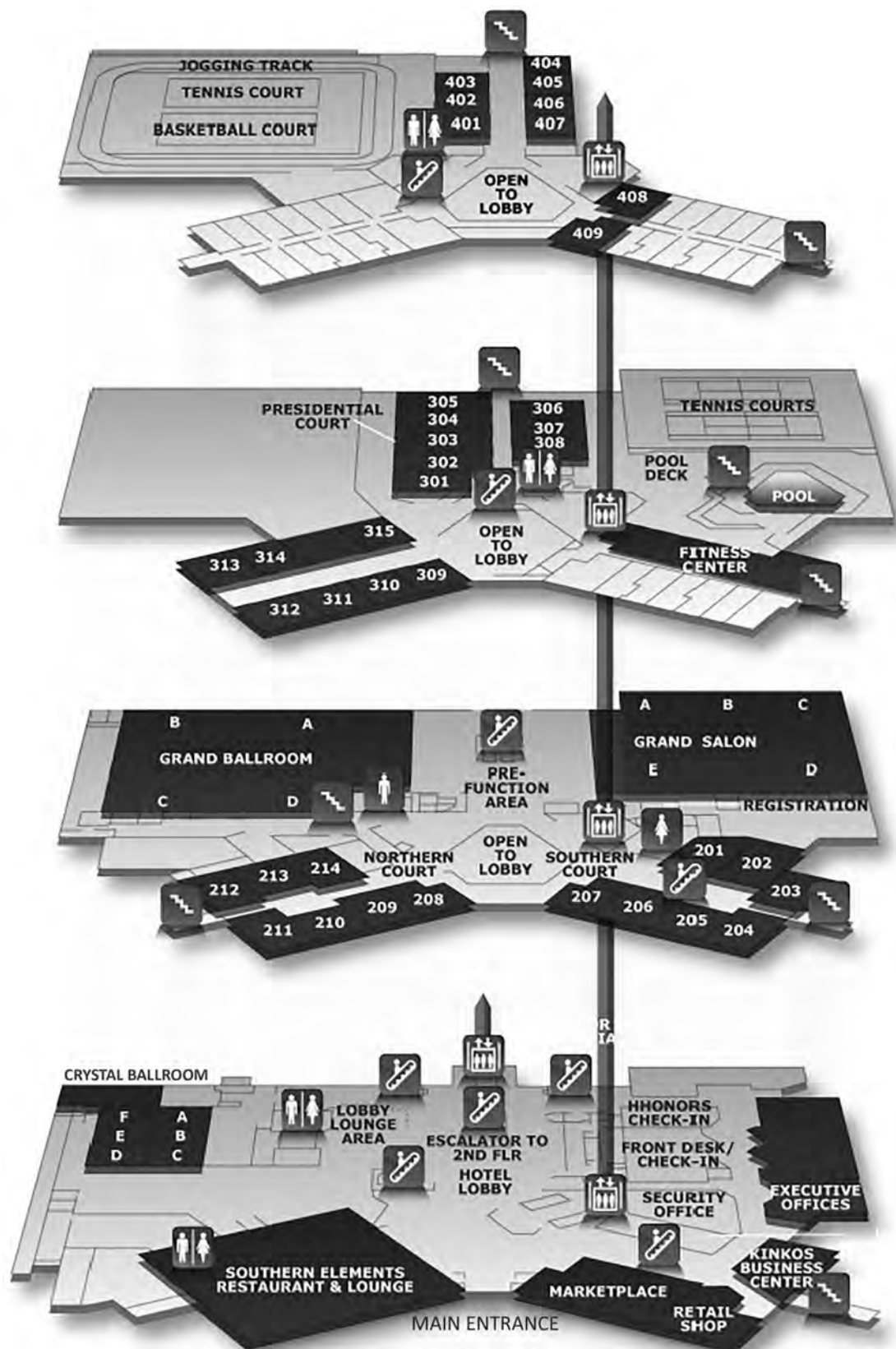


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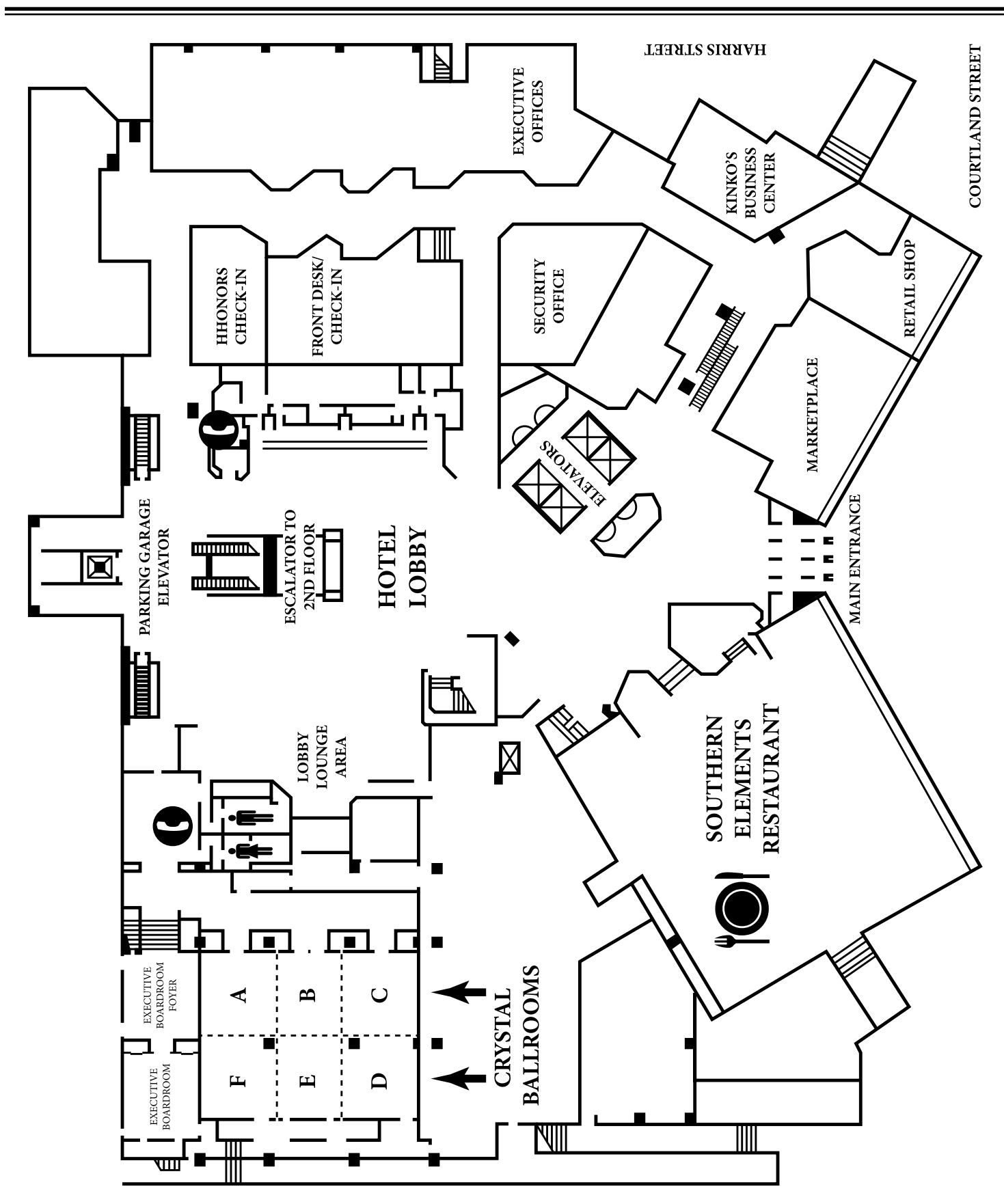


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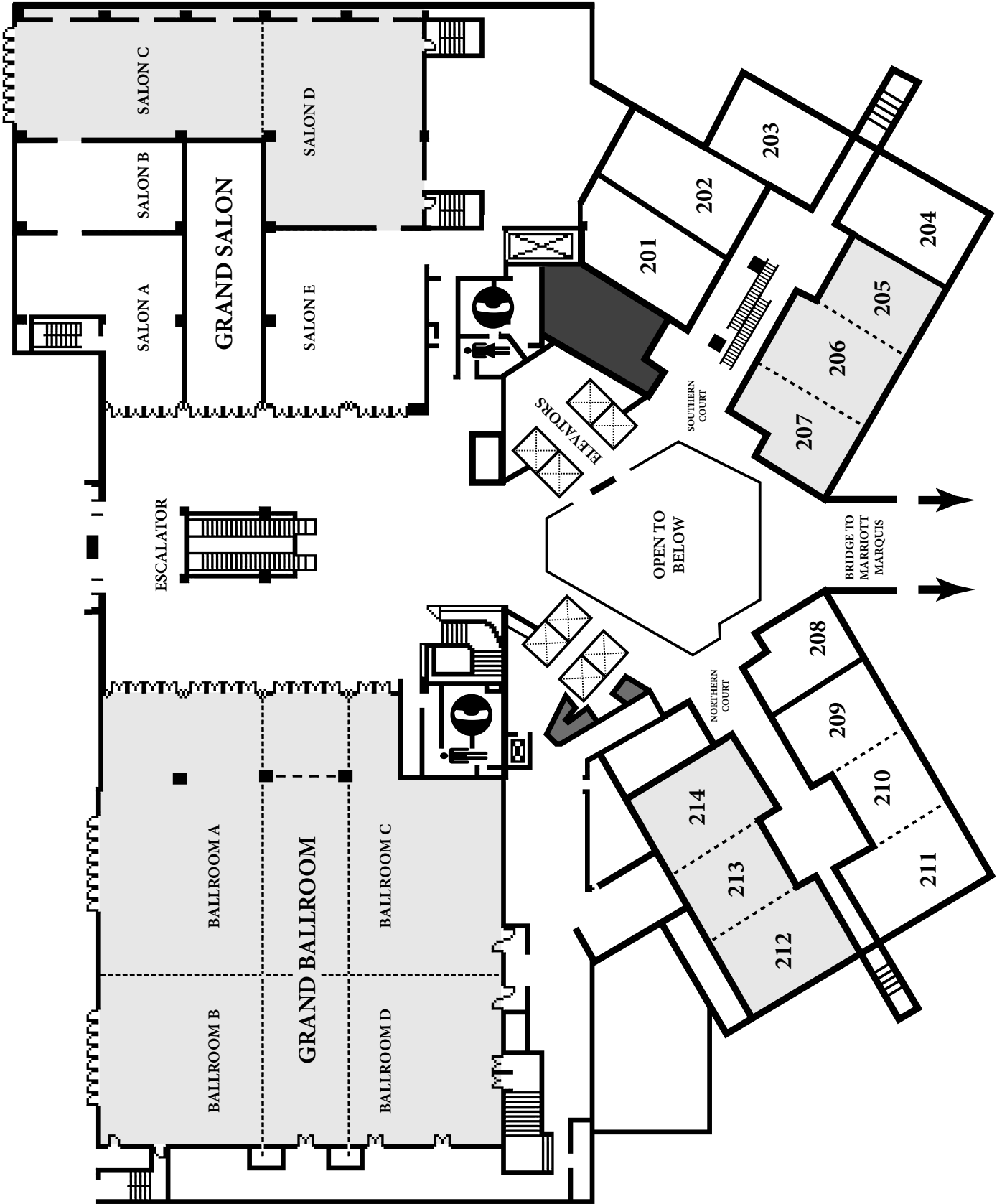
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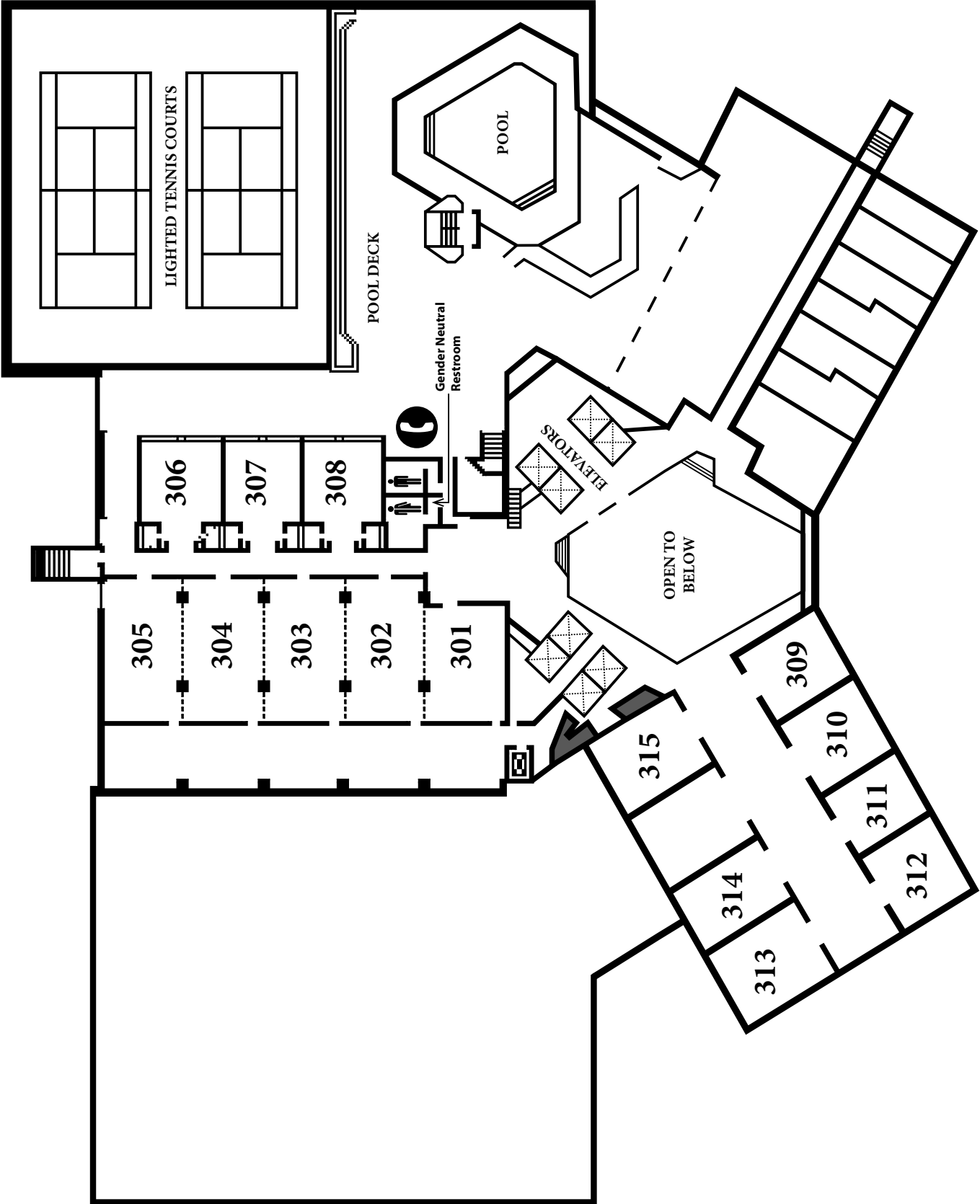
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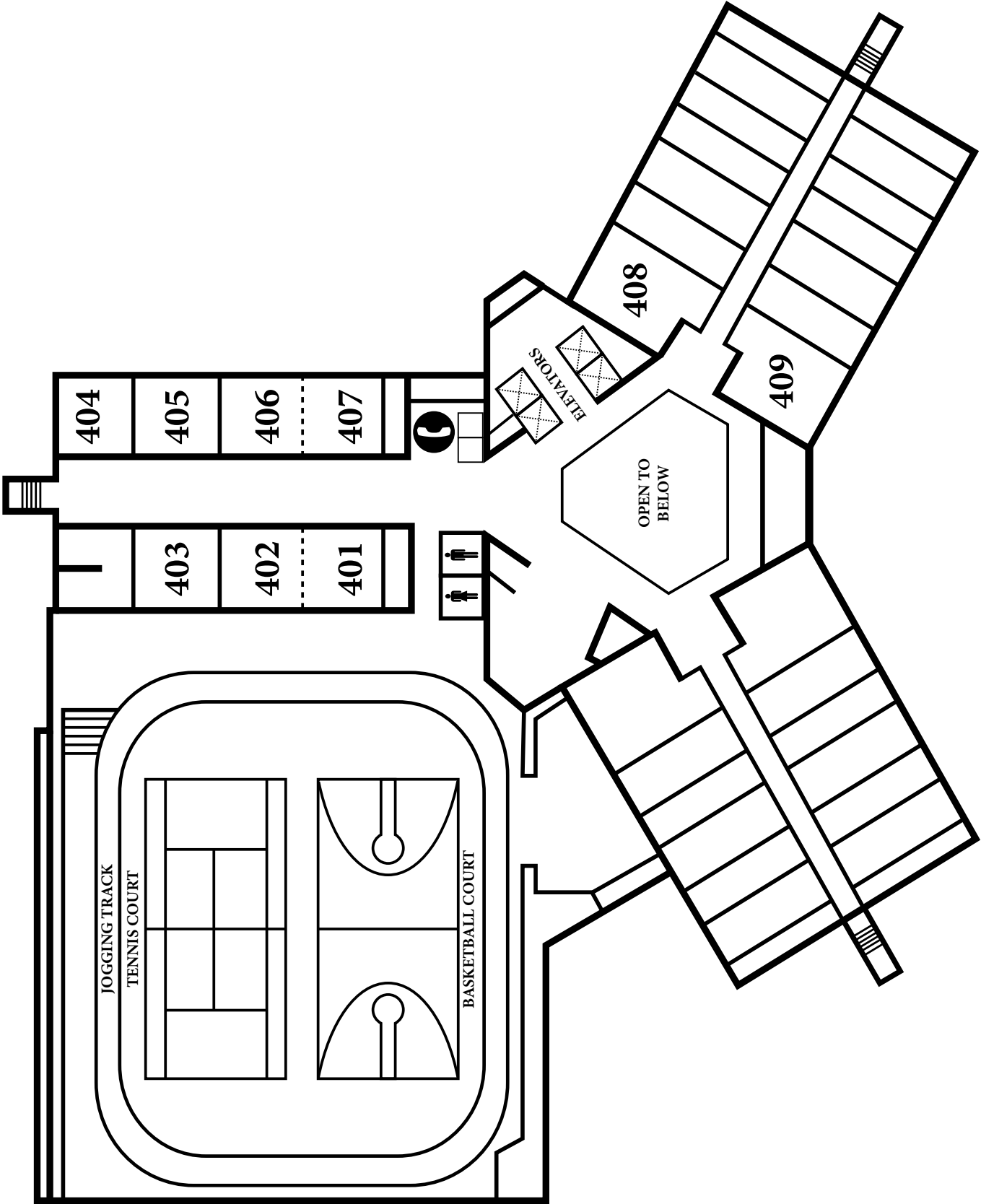
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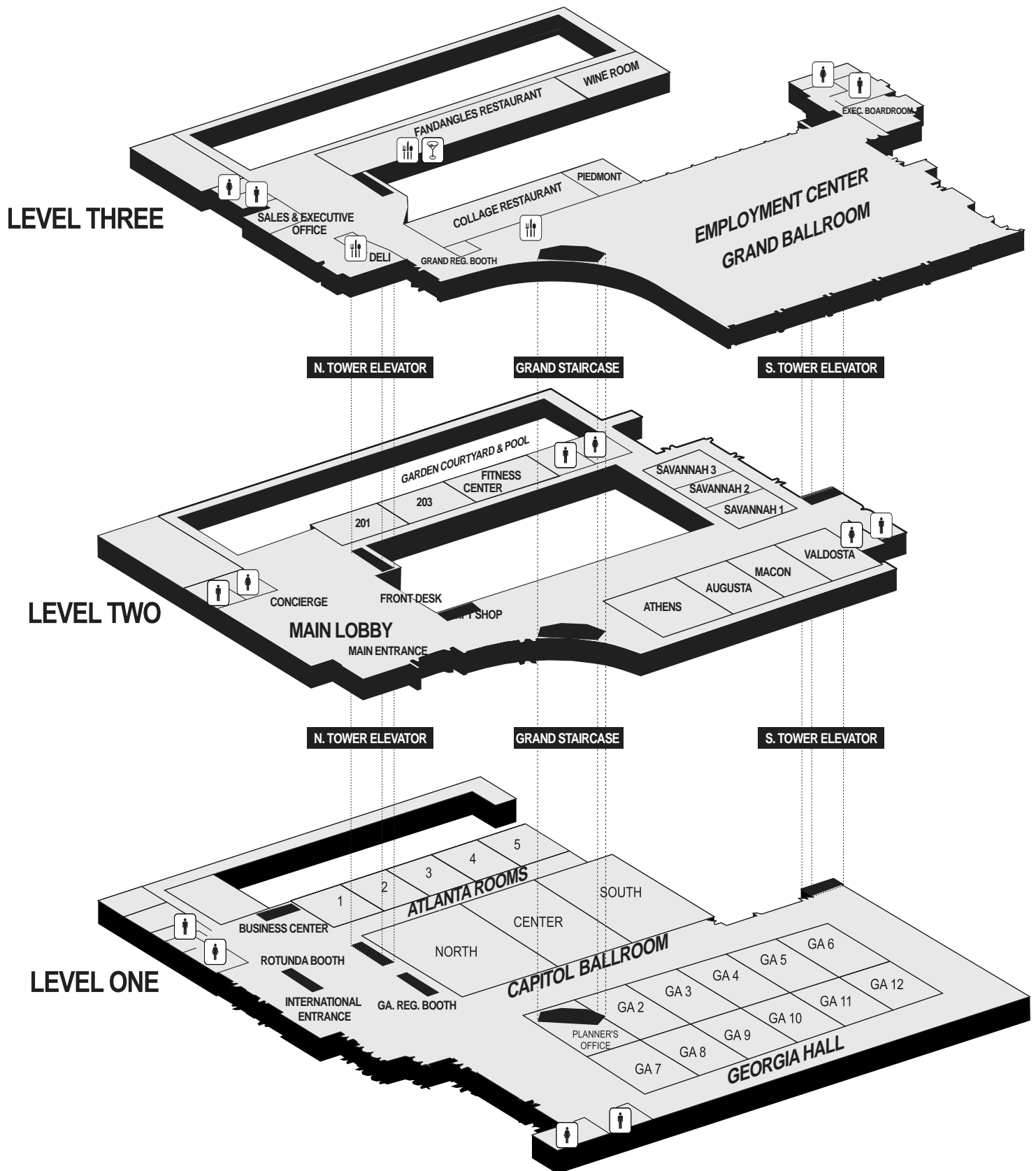
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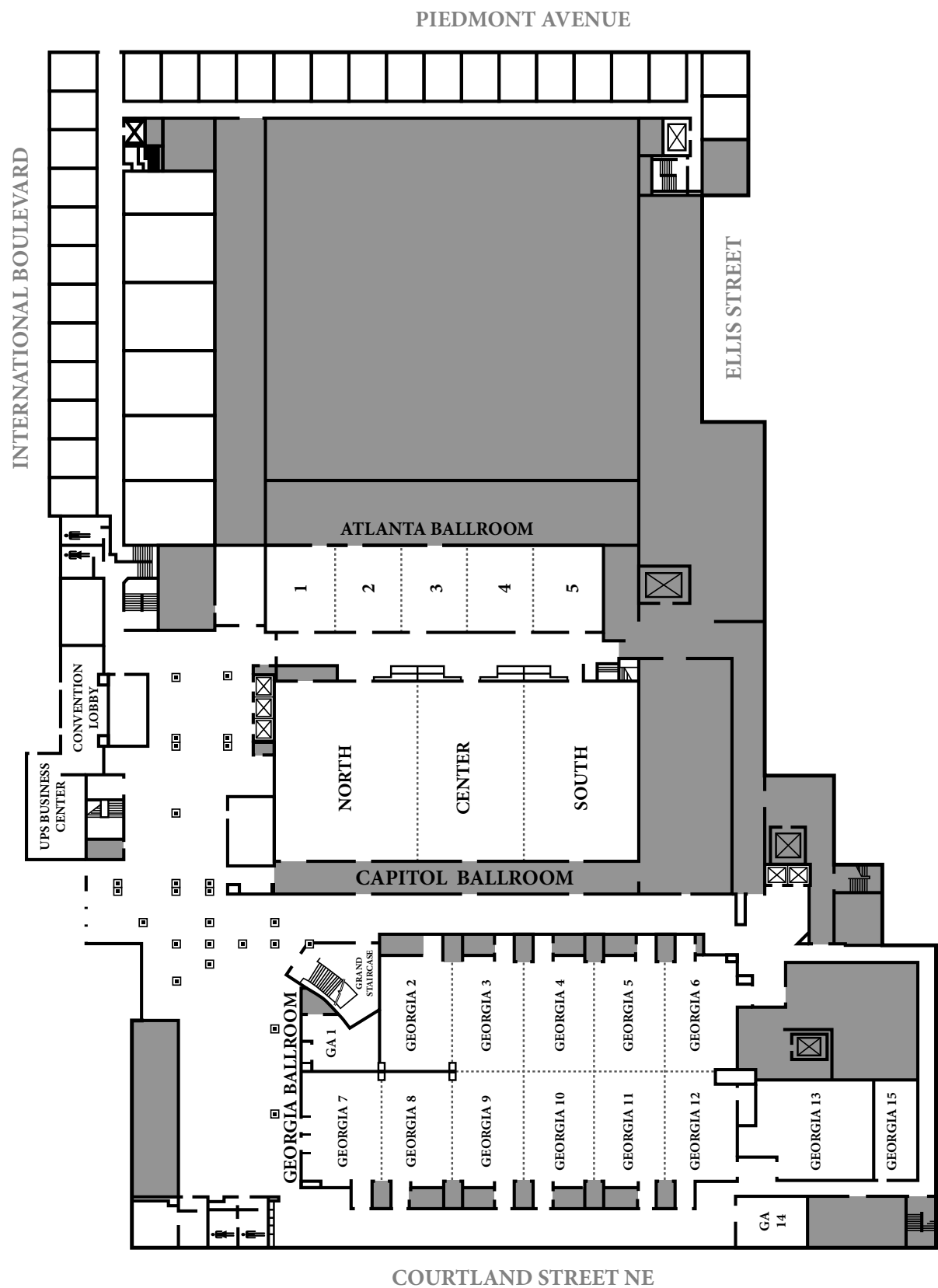
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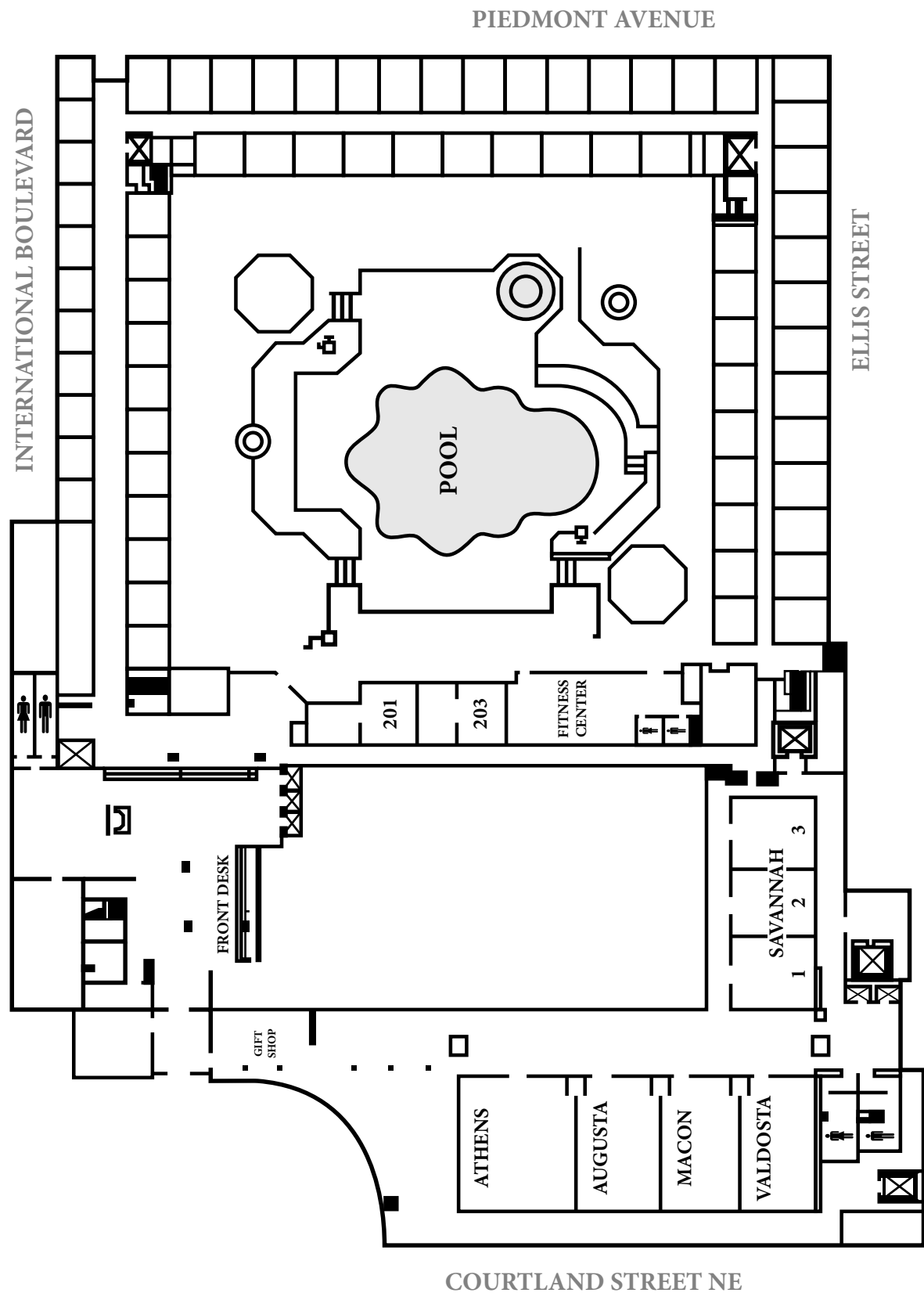
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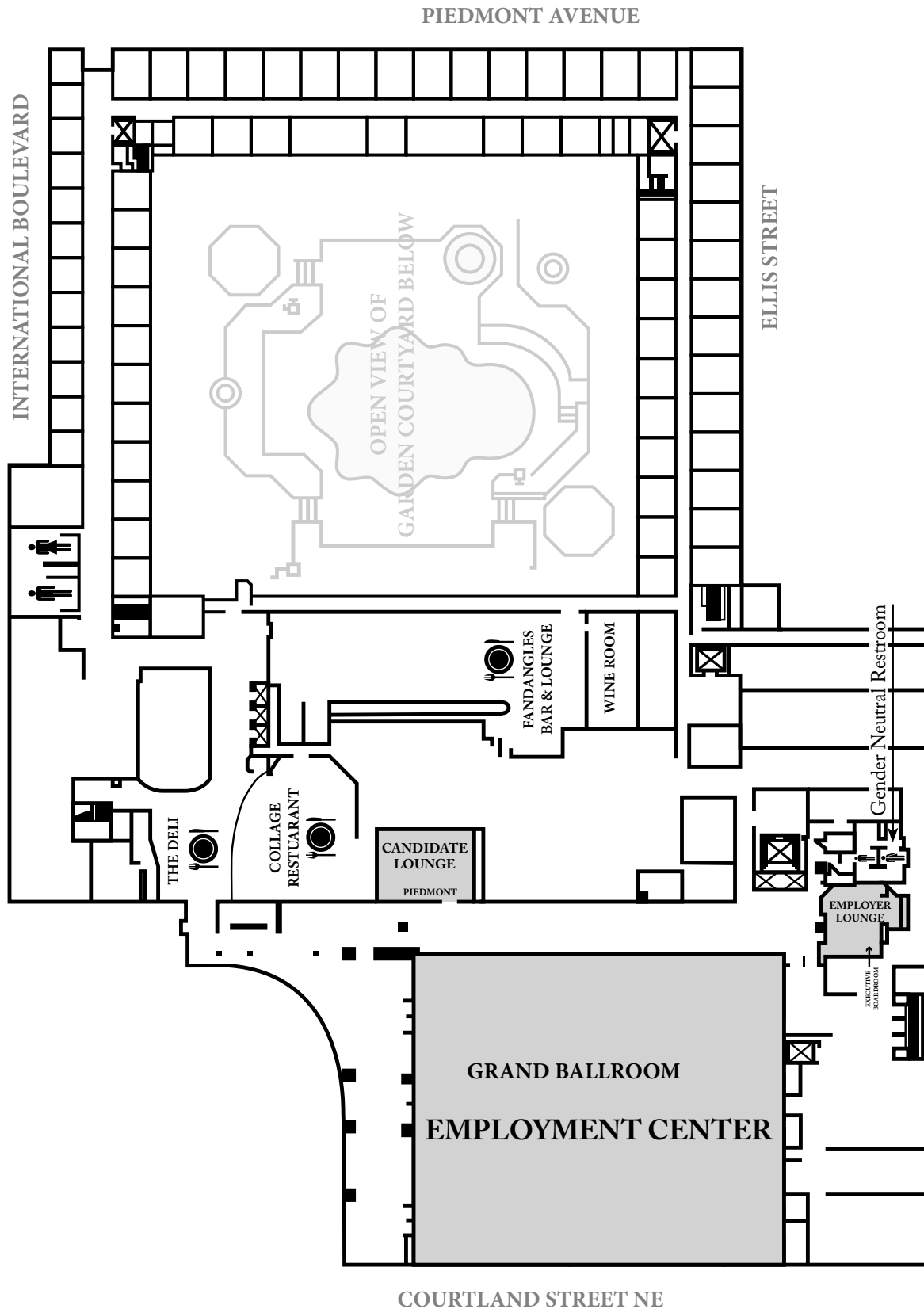
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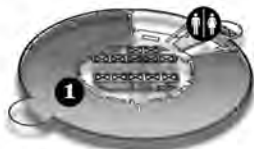
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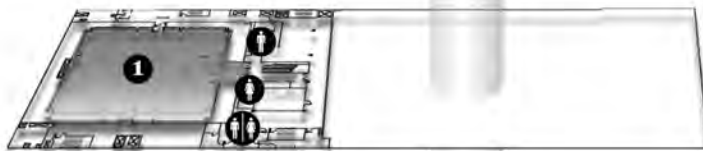
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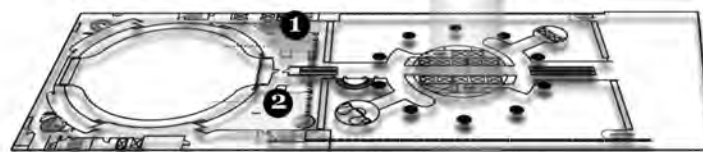
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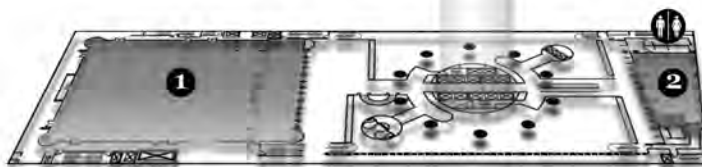
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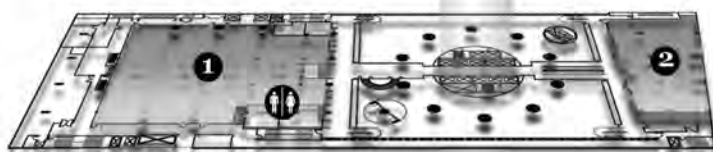
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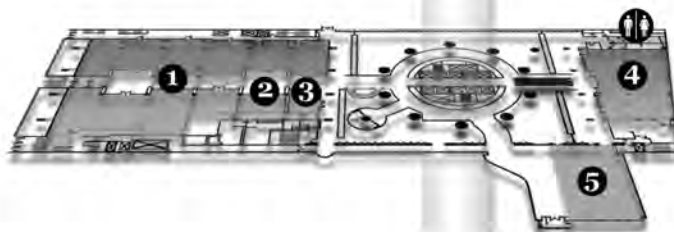
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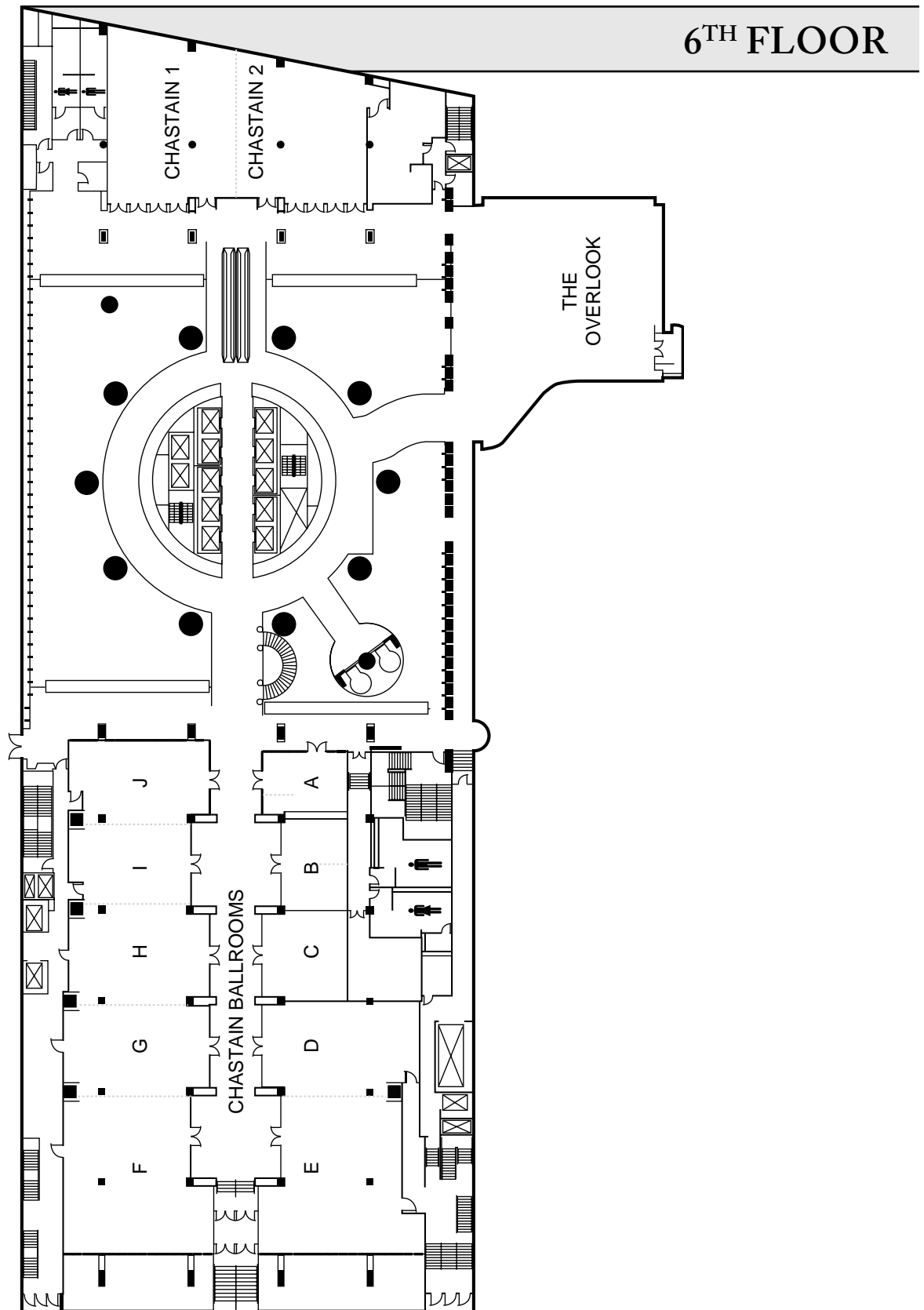
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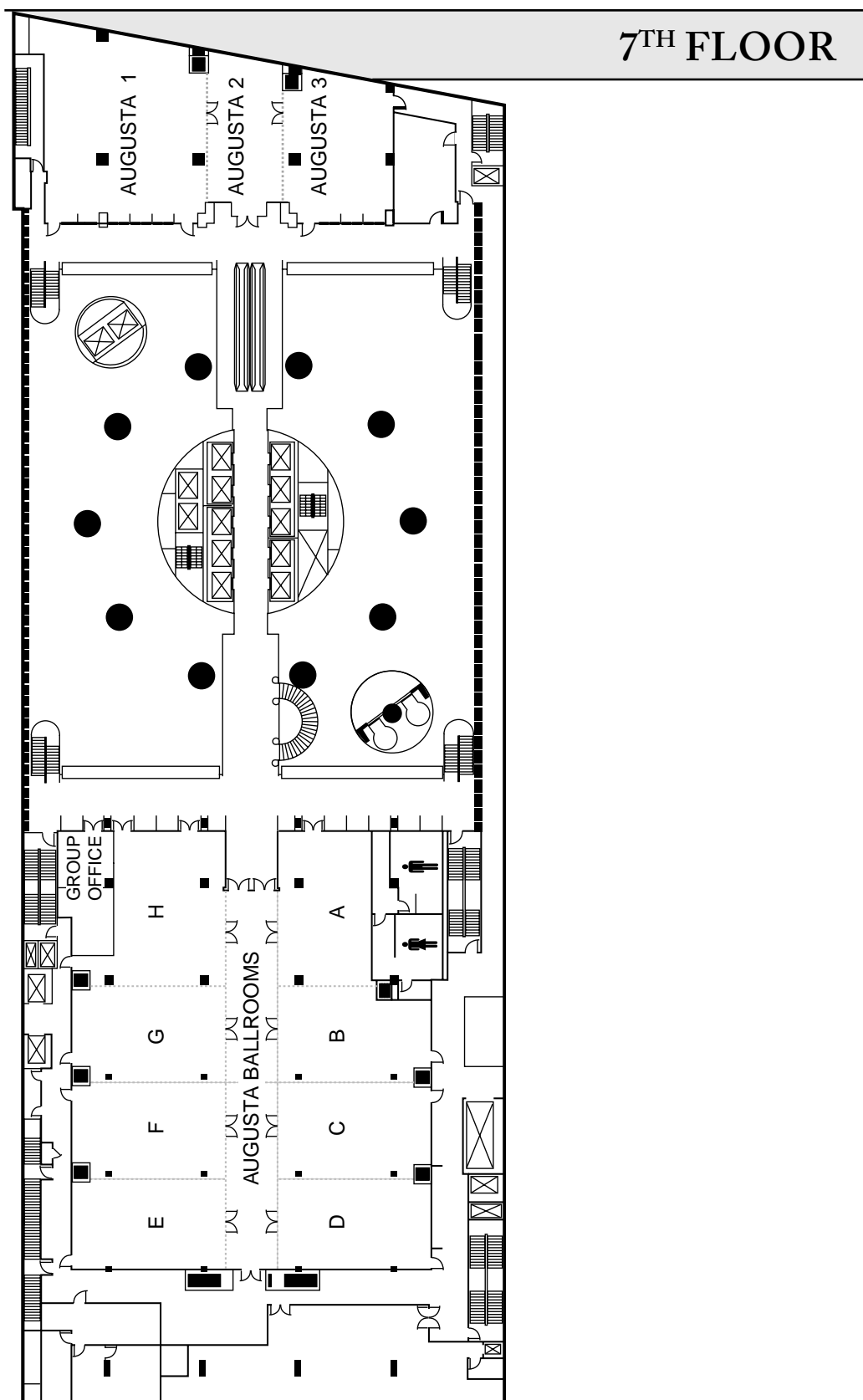
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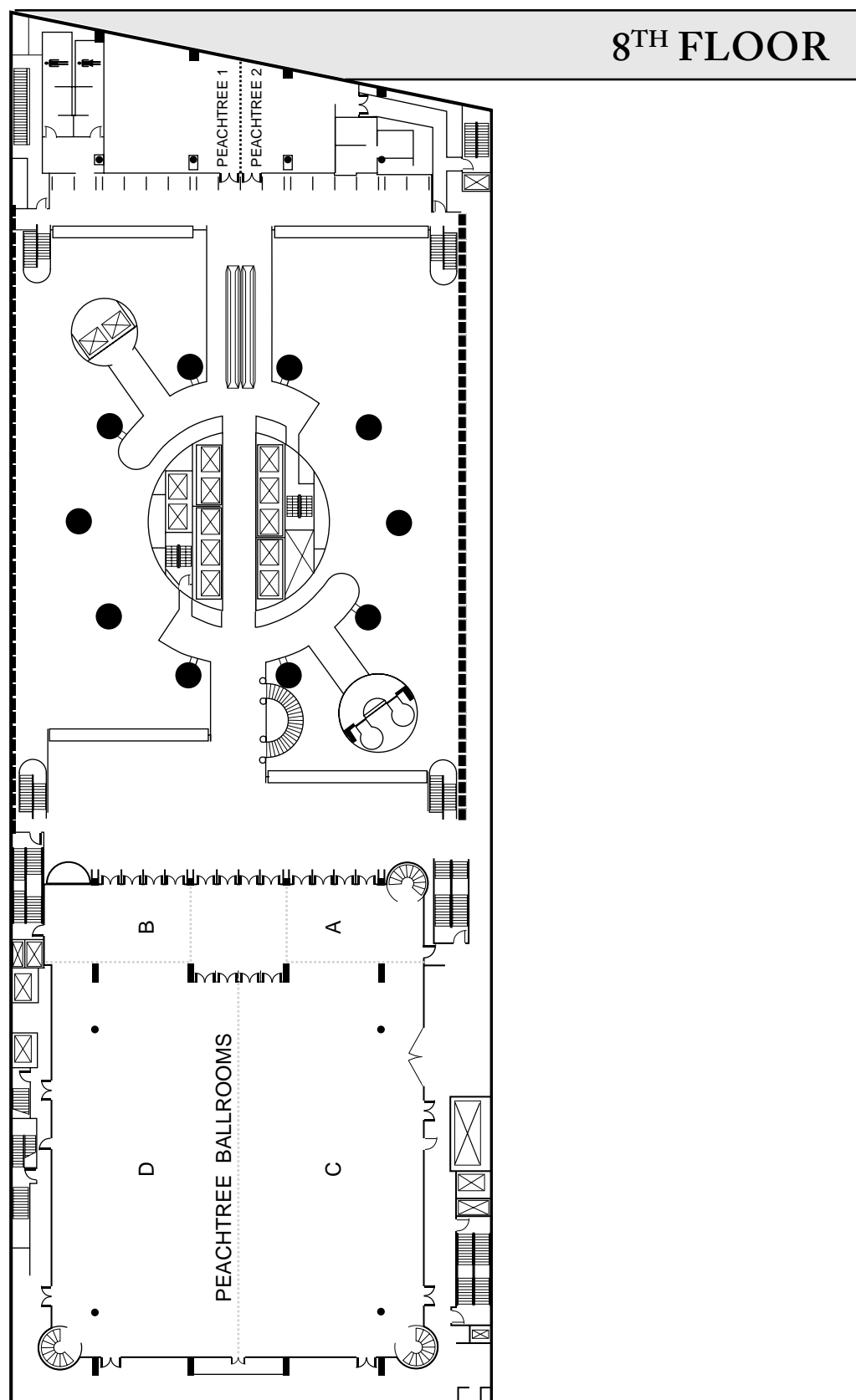
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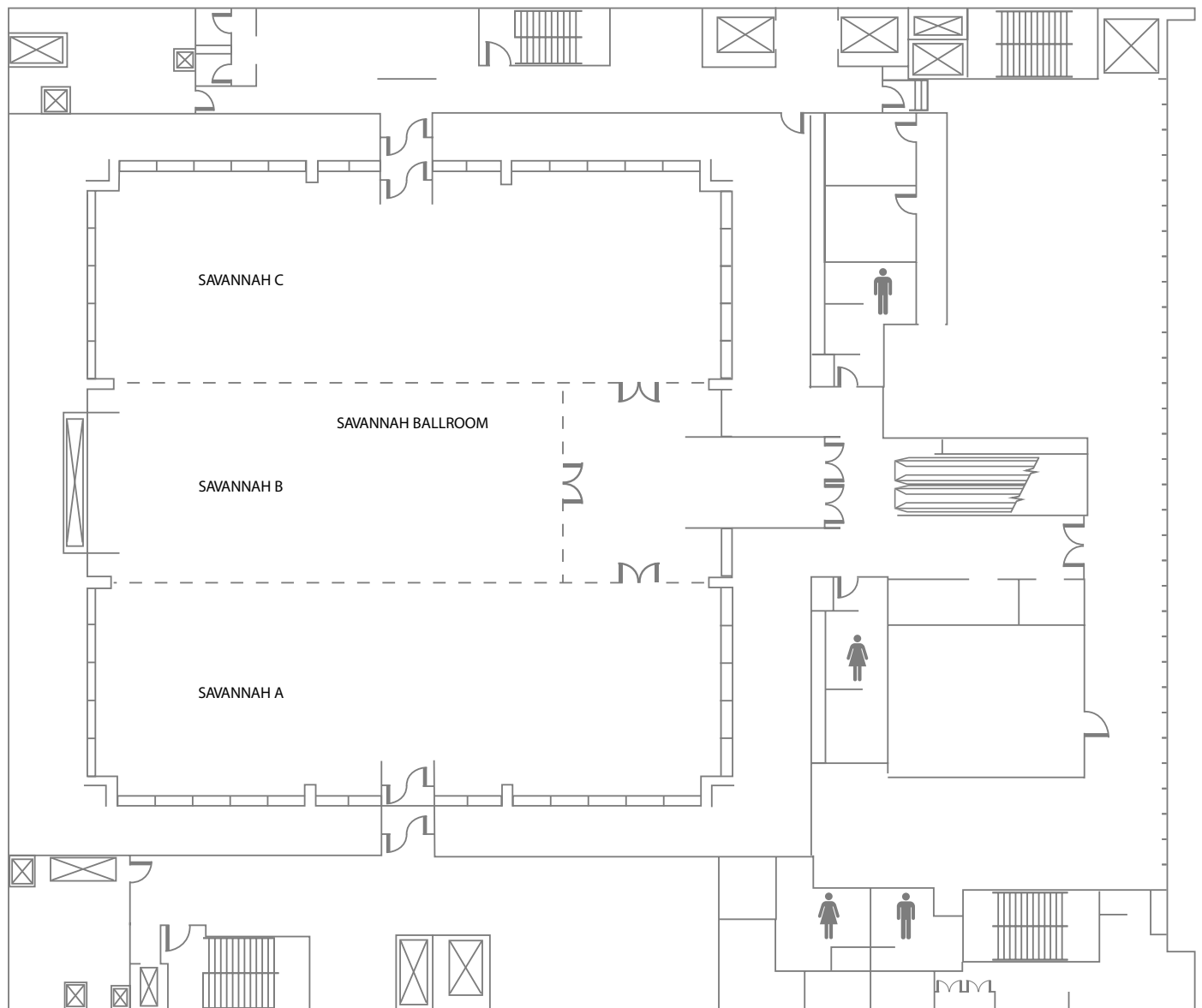


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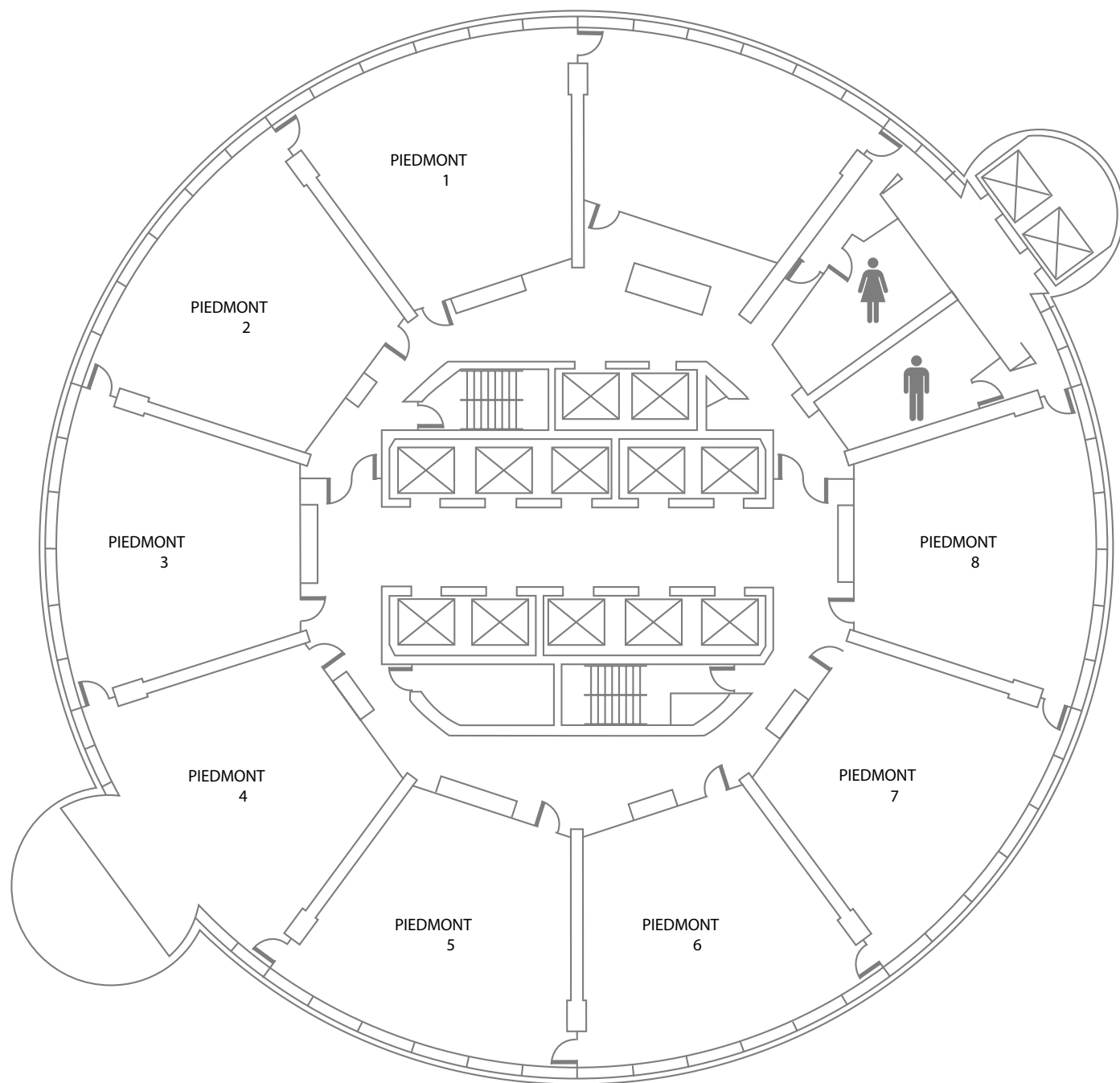
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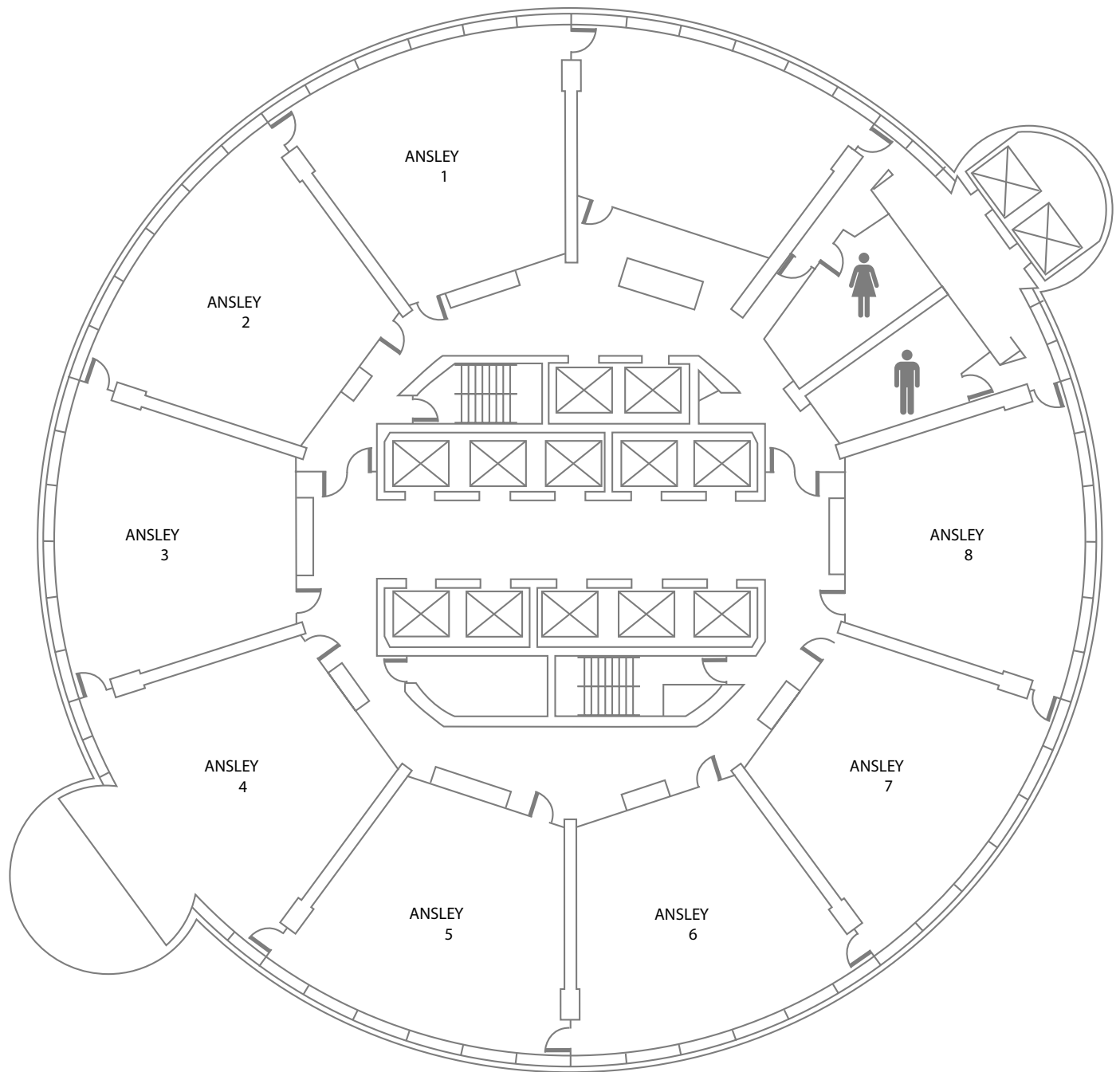
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The Adventist Society for Religious Studies (ASRS) is a scholarly community whose purpose is to “provide intellectual and social fellowship among its members and encourage scholarly pursuits in all religious studies disciplines, particularly with reference to the Seventh-day Adventist tradition.” Having met continuously since 1972, we formally organized in 1979 as the Andrews University Society for Religious Studies and in 1993 the society changed its name to the Adventist Society for Religious Studies. The Society’s organizational documents ensure independence from external oversight while remaining dedicated to the Seventh-day Adventist Church’s considerable venture in higher education. Our membership is made up of a diverse group of religious scholars from around the world. We believe that our connection to the America Academy of Religion is an important element of the professional development of these professors and our Society. We meet in conjunction with the AAR to share presentations and discussion of important issues in religion and higher education.

### *African Association for the Study of Religions*

The African Association for the Study of Religions is an academic association of the scholars of religions posted in universities in Africa, and of scholars of the religions of Africa posted in universities outside Africa. It was founded at an IAHR (International Association for the History of Religions) conference in Harare, Zimbabwe, in September 1992 for the purpose of promoting the academic study of the religions of Africa more generally through the international collaboration of all scholars whose research has a bearing on the subject. The AASR seeks to stimulate the academic study of religions of Africa in a variety of ways: providing a forum for multilateral communications between scholars of African religions; facilitating the exchange of resources and information; encouraging the development of linkages and research contacts between scholars and institutions in Africa, and between scholars in Africa and those overseas. The AASR also endeavors to assist scholars to publish their work and travel to professional meetings. The AASR is an affiliate of the IAHR since 1995.

It meets at the IAHR quinquennial congress and organizes conferences in Africa. Its members participate in panels at conferences outside of Africa. The AASR publishes the bi-annual AASR Bulletin and maintains a web site: [www.aasr.org](http://www.aasr.org). AASR plans for an online journal are at an advanced stage.

### *Association of Practical Theology*

The purpose of the Association of Practical Theology (APT) is to promote critical reflection on theology and practice. Reconstituted from its predecessor organizations in 1984, the APT was sparked by the understanding of practical theology as an integrative hermeneutical endeavor at the heart of theological education that includes critical examination of religious traditions and practices and exploration of the contributions of ministerial sub-disciplines. The APT meets annually in conjunction with the AAR and biennially for a comprehensive conference. APT meetings at the AAR draw national and international scholars from a variety of disciplines (members of APT and non-members) and the biennial meeting allows for more in depth study of specific issues and the conduct of official business. The APT posts proceedings, membership information, and other news on its website ([www.practicaltheology.org](http://www.practicaltheology.org)) and welcomes new members from all areas of religious and theological study.

### **Association of Social Scientists of Religion of MERCOSUR**

The ACSRM was founded in Montevideo in 1994, in the framework of the IV Conference on Religious Alternatives in Latin America under the name "Asociación de Cientistas Sociales de la Religión en el Mercosur" (ASCRM - Association of Social Scientists of Religion of MERCOSUR\*). Progressively the ACSRM was expanding their borders and now includes researchers and professors of the entire Latin America and also from other parts of the world. The ACSRM is a not-for-profit entity of an academic nature, and is independent from political, religious or economic groups. At present, it is a point of reference for all those in Latin America and the Caribbean who take an interest in studies about the religious phenomenon. Its purposes are

1. To foster research and teaching about social sciences of religion from a Latin American perspective.
2. To encourage social scientists of the MERCOSUR countries to contribute to the analysis of the religious phenomenon in this part of the American continent.
3. To promote scientific meetings, congresses, seminars, conferences, so that members may exchange information among themselves and with those of similar international scientific associations. Every two years, the Association organizes the Conference on Religious Alternatives in Latin America.
4. To support the publication of books and magazines on the topic of religion, securing, to that effect, financial help from public and private institutions. The Association publishes the journal *Ciencias Sociales y Religión/Ciências Sociais e Religião* ("Social Sciences and Religion").

\*MERCOSUR is the Common Market of the South (of Latin America)

### **Center for Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions**

The Center for Interdisciplinary Study of Monotheistic Religions (CISMOR), established in 2003, conducts comprehensive and interdisciplinary research and educational activities related to the monotheistic world. It fosters specialists who can help to achieve coexistence among different civilizations and at the same time makes the results of its research available to the world at large, with the goal of becoming a mediator between the Islamic, Judaic, and Christian worlds. Although, the three Abrahamic religions that originated in the Middle East—Judaism, Christianity, and Islam—are closely related as brothers, Western countries have a long history of repeated conflicts and antagonism with the Islamic world. In order to achieve peace, security, and the coexistence of civilizations in today's world, we must undertake comprehensive and interdisciplinary educational and research activities from a civilizational perspective. CISMOR is unlike any other research institute in the world because it centralizes in-depth interdisciplinary research on all three Abrahamic religions and also because of its unique location in Japan, a country that is free of historical or cultural constraints on such studies, thus allowing the institute to take an entirely objective point of view. Research on Abrahamic religions is still a comparatively new field in Japan, and there is still a lot to be learned. By increasing our understanding of Abrahamic religions, we will at the same time contribute to a deeper understanding of Japanese religion. We try to find the way to contribute to reform the Abrahamic religions from the stand point of Japanese religiosity.

### **Christian Theological Research Fellowship**

The Christian Theological Research Fellowship is a distinctively Christian research organization in systematic and moral theology and related disciplines. The society exists to promote and sustain fellowship and truth-seeking (*fides quaerens intellectum*) in theological reflection upon the Christian faith, within the mainstream of the Christian tradition. We see ourselves as a spiritual fellowship in service to the Church of Messiah Jesus.

### **College Theology Society**

The College Theology Society ([www.collegetheology.org](http://www.collegetheology.org)) is a non-profit professional society of college and university professors of religious studies and theology. Founded in 1954 as the Society for Catholic College Teachers of Sacred Doctrine, it adopted its current name in 1967. Each year, from the Thursday after Memorial Day to the following Sunday, the Society convenes its annual meeting at a college or university campus. From 1996 to the present, the at-large region of the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion has convened its annual meeting in conjunction with the College Theology Society's annual meeting. The College Theology Society also has a long history of scholarly publications. First, beginning in 1955, it has produced an annual volume based upon papers delivered at the annual meeting. Today the volume is composed of peer-reviewed essays and is published by Orbis Press.

The Society's peer-reviewed journal, *Horizons*, first appeared in 1974 and is currently published biannually through Cambridge University Press (<http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayJournal?jid=HOR>). Members receive a copy of the annual volume and *Horizons* as part of their dues. The College Theology Society remains committed to its role as a professional society that welcomes all those who serve as professors of theological and religious studies at colleges and universities.

### **Colloquium on Violence and Religion**

The Colloquium on Violence and Religion is an international association of scholars founded in 1990. It is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard's mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture. In promoting research in mimetic theory, COV&R welcomes scholars and others from diverse fields and theoretical orientations who are interested in the foundational role of imitation in individual human lives and cultures. In addition to gathering at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, the Colloquium meets each summer, alternating between North American and European venues. COV&R's publications include a website (<http://www.uibk.ac.at/theol/cover/>), a book series, *Studies in Violence, Mimesis, and Culture*, published by Michigan State University Press, the journal *Contagion* and a biannual newsletter (*Bulletin of the Colloquium on Violence and Religion*). COV&R membership information: <http://www.uibk.ac.at/theol/cover/aboutcover/membership.html>. The coordinator of COV&R at the AAR is Professor Martha Reineke, University of Northern Iowa ([martha.reineke@uni.edu](mailto:martha.reineke@uni.edu)). COV&R membership information: <http://www.uibk.ac.at/theol/cover/aboutcover/membership.html>.

### **Consortium of Christian Study Centers**

The Consortium of Christian Study Centers (CCSC) exists to advance the growth and effectiveness of Christian Study Centers at colleges and universities around the world. In pursuit of its mission, CCSC has the following goals: to promote collaboration among Study Centers and other like-minded organizations, to provide mutual stimulation and resources to existing Study Centers, to encourage and support the development of new Study Centers, and to raise awareness of the Study Center movement. For more information, please visit our website at <http://www.studycentersonline.org>.

### **European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism**

The European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism (ESSWE) was established in 2005 to advance the academic study of the various manifestations of Western esotericism from late antiquity to the present, and to secure the future development of the field. To these ends, the ESSWE holds an international conference every two years in a major European city, publishes an affiliated journal, *Aries*, a related book series, and a *Newsletter* (normally appearing twice a year), and provides various resources on its website (<http://www.esswe.org/>). Occasional workshops, prizes and travel bursaries are also used to advance the ESSWE's objectives. Full membership is open to scholars of Western Esotericism based at European institutions and to scholars based elsewhere who are interested in Western Esotericism in Europe, and non-voting associate membership is open to all. Membership provides free access to some of the ESSWE's activities and discounted access to some other activities. Student members and scholars from economically disadvantaged countries receive further discounts.

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### ***European Society of Women in Theological Research***

Founded in 1986 in Switzerland, the ESWTR is a scholarly network of women scholars in theological research and religious studies. Currently, the Society has more than 500 members who come from different religious, denominational, national, and academic backgrounds. The ESWTR provides the opportunity for women researchers from the European continent to meet and to dialogue with each other at biannual international conferences held in different European countries. Conference themes raise important issues in feminist theological and religious research. During the year in which no international meeting takes place, members meet nationally or regionally. Currently, country or regional groups exist in Austria, Belgium, Britain, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Republic of Georgia, Greece, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway, Northern America, Palestine, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. Membership is open to women engaged in the academic study of theology, religious studies, and related areas.

They may live and work in Europe, hold a European passport, or may be admitted after special consideration by the Board. Members receive the *ESWTR Newsletter* and the annually published *Journal of the ESWTR*.

### ***Evangelical Philosophical Society***

The mission of the Evangelical Philosophical Society is to glorify God through the faithful practice of philosophy, fostering a deeper understanding of God and the world he created while both encouraging and enabling Christian philosophers to engage philosophical and spiritual issues in the academy, church, and culture.

### ***Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought***

The Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought is a community of productive scholars contributing to the academic study of religion and philosophy through interpretive, critical, and constructive reflections on distinctively American religious and philosophical thought. It fosters broad discussion through its sponsorship of conferences, seminars, workshops, and publications (including the *American Journal of Theology & Philosophy*). The work of the Institute emphasizes: (1) the interface between theology and philosophy, especially as shaped by American empiricist, naturalist, process and pragmatic traditions; (2) the development of liberal religious thought in America. For further information about IARPT, please visit our website, [www.iarpt.org](http://www.iarpt.org). Its journal, *The American Journal of Theology and Philosophy*, publishes articles and reviews that make scholarly contributions to these areas of focus. Please see the journal website for further information, <http://ajtp.press.illinois.edu/>.

### ***International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion***

The International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion (IACSR) was founded in 2006. The IACSR is an interdisciplinary association, including scholars from a wide variety of disciplines in the human, social, natural and health sciences that are interested in the academic, scientific study of religious phenomena. The objective of the IACSR is to promote the cognitive science of religion through international collaboration of all scholars whose research has a bearing on the subject. The IACSR pursues this objective through a wide range of scholarly activities and venues such as biennial conferences, interim local meetings, the facilitation of research networks, and by directing the *Journal for the Cognitive Science of Religion*: <http://www.equinoxpub.com/JCSR/>. For more information about the IACSR, please visit: <http://www.iacsr.com>.

### ***International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies***

The International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies (IASBS) has as its aim the development of international Shin and Pure Land Buddhist studies and the facilitation of exchange among its members. IASBS was founded in the spring of 1982 by a group of scholars in Kyoto in response to the mounting international attention to Shin Buddhism. The members include not only academics, priests, and laypersons affiliated with Shin Buddhism but also those of other academic expertise and religious tradition. IASBS welcomes participation of those with a wide range of interests and specializations within and beyond Pure Land Buddhism. IASBS annually publishes *The Pure Land*, an academic journal in English that contains articles (many from papers presented at IASBS conferences), essays, translations, and book reviews. This is the only scholarly journal specifically dedicated to the study of Pure Land Buddhism. The association also publishes a newsletter twice a year, in the spring and fall. For more information, visit <http://www.iasbs.net/>.

### ***International Bonhoeffer Society-English Language Section***

The International Bonhoeffer Society: English Language Section is an interfaith scholarly organization. It was founded in 1971 to promote research in the theology, ethics, and life of the German theologian, Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945). The English Language Section has members in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and other lands. It is governed by an elected board and society officers. Society membership is open to all persons interested in the theology, life, and spiritual influence of Dietrich Bonhoeffer and in constructive theological and pastoral studies inspired by his legacy.

### ***International Society for Chinese Philosophy***

The International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP) is a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of uniting persons affiliated with the study and research of Chinese Philosophy or interested in promoting the study and research of Chinese Philosophy in both academic and non-academic circles. By "Chinese Philosophy" is meant the whole philosophical tradition and heritage within the span of Chinese history and the spectrum of Chinese civilization. The term "Chinese Philosophy" also connotes the areas of logical, metaphysical, ethical, aesthetical, and epistemological thinking and reflection in reference to the Chinese philosophical tradition and heritage, Chinese language, Chinese society, and Chinese civilization. The society organizes and sponsors conferences and conference panels on Chinese philosophy. Its official journal is the *Journal of Chinese Philosophy* (Blackwell Publishers, Inc.). ISCP also sponsors and co-sponsors philosophical, educational, cultural or scientific activities in cooperation with educational, cultural, philosophical, or scientific institutions or organizations associated with the study and research of Chinese Philosophy.

### ***Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies***

The Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum supports scholarship and publications in the field of Holocaust studies, promotes the growth of Holocaust studies at American universities, seeks to foster strong relationships between American and international scholars, and initiates programs to ensure the ongoing training of future generations of scholars specializing in the Holocaust. The Mandel Center accomplishes its mission through sponsorship of fellowship opportunities; seminars for teaching faculty at the college and university levels; research projects and publications; summer research workshops, conferences, lectures, and symposia; and the evaluation, collection, and making available of Holocaust-related archival materials.

The Program on Ethics, Religion, and the Holocaust, an integral part of the Mandel Center, serves as a resource for individuals and groups grappling with the ethical and philosophical issues raised by the Holocaust and contemporary antisemitism, and through its panels, symposia, and workshops investigates the relationship of the Holocaust to the past history and future potential of Jewish/Christian relations. Please contact [crc@ushmm.org](mailto:crc@ushmm.org) for more information.



### ***Karl Barth Society of North America***

The Society's membership is open to all interested parties: scholars, students, pastors, laypersons. A Newsletter is published twice a year, edited by Dr. Paul D. Molnar, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, St. John's University, 8000 Utopia Parkway, Queens, NY 11439. Annual dues are \$25 (students \$15). Information is available at <http://kbarth.org>. Also visit the website (<http://www.ptsem.edu/library/barth/>) that contains substantial articles as well as information about events, posted by the Center for Barth Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary (contact: [barth.studies@ptsem.edu](mailto:barth.studies@ptsem.edu)). Two sessions are held each year as Additional Meetings at the AAR Annual Meeting: one on Friday afternoon, the other on Saturday morning. As perhaps is only appropriate, the Society is always more of an event than an institution, whose irregular activities have earned it the well-known Barthian motto: *providentia dei, confusione hominum*.

### ***La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars***

La Comunidad is an ecumenical association of Hispanic scholars of religion. La Comunidad proactively advances the interests and scholarship of Latinas and Latinos in biblical, theological, and religious studies. For more information, please contact Efrain Agosto, [eagosto@nyts.edu](mailto:eagosto@nyts.edu), or Theresa Torres, [torresth@umkc.edu](mailto:torresth@umkc.edu).

### ***Niebuhr Society***

The Niebuhr Society was organized in 2003 as a non-profit organization. "The Society is dedicated to historical, critical, and constructive study of the thought of Reinhold Niebuhr (1892–1971) and ... scholarly engagement with the moral, political, and theological questions that were central to his work. The Niebuhr Society serves these purposes through presentations and discussion at its annual meeting, dissemination of information about relevant programs and activities, and support for the collection, preservation, and publication of material related to Reinhold Niebuhr's life and work .... The Society encourages participation by persons from a wide variety of religious backgrounds, academic disciplines, and political viewpoints and seeks to develop a program that reflects the breadth of Niebuhr's interests and concerns." The Society remains in contact not only through its annual meetings but also through occasional emails updating membership on recent developments in Niebuhr studies, and through our Society webpage (<http://niebuhrsociety.typepad.com/>).

### ***North American Association for the Study of Religion***

The North American Association for the Study of Religion (NAASR) was founded in 1985 to encourage historical, comparative, structural, theoretical, and cognitive approaches to the study of religion; to represent North American scholars of religion at the international level; and to sustain communication between North American scholars and their international colleagues engaged in the study of religion. NAASR was affiliated to the IAHR at the XVI<sup>th</sup> congress in 1990. NAASR holds meetings concurrently with the American Academy of Religion (AAR) and Society of Biblical Literature (SBL) and has been a Related Scholarly Organization of the AAR since 1998. NAASR sponsors a quarterly journal published by Brill, *Method & Theory in the Study of Religion* (MTSR), which is the only international periodical devoted exclusively to methodological and theoretical topics in the academic study of religion. NAASR also sponsors a book series, *Key Thinkers in the Study of Religion*, which is published by Equinox.

### ***North American Paul Tillich Society***

Founded in 1975, the 250-member NAPTS is concerned with Paul Tillich's (1886–1965) philosophical-theological thought, with its analysis, critique, and revision; with the implications and the use of this thought in political, social, psychotherapeutic, scientific, artistic, and ethico-religious spheres; the application of Tillich's thought to questions he himself could never have imagined in his lifetime; finally, with the impact and the creative extension of Tillich's legacy. The Society meets annually in conjunction with AAR, organizes international conferences, collaborates with the German, French speaking, and several other Tillich societies, awards an annual student paper prize, and sponsors publications.

The quarterly Bulletin carries papers from meetings and other information on Tillich, publication, letters, et al. Dues \$50/year. Membership: Frederick Parrella, Religious Studies, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 95053-0335 or [fparrella@scu.edu](mailto:fparrella@scu.edu).

### ***Polanyi Society***

The Polanyi Society, formed in 1972, includes in its membership scholars and students who, inspired by the thought of Michael Polanyi (1891–1976), seek to explore and expand upon his seminal ideas. A Hungarian by birth, Polanyi began his distinguished career as a physical chemist in Germany and England, but it is his later work in economics, social thought, and especially philosophy that continues to be influential today. Polanyi's Gifford Lectures, *Personal Knowledge*, was a pioneer work demonstrating the contextual, theory-laden, faith-shaped, and passionate character of all human endeavors, including theology and religious practice as well as science and the arts. The Polanyi Society holds its Annual Meeting Friday evening and Saturday morning at the beginning of the AAR Annual Meeting. Papers to be discussed are posted prior to the meeting on the Society website, <http://www.polanyisociety.org/>. Archived copies and current issues of the Polanyi Society's peer-reviewed journal, *Tradition and Discovery* (three issues a year), information about joining the Society, upcoming meetings, and links to Polanyi essays will be found on the website. *Personal Knowledge* is subtitled "Towards a Post-Critical Philosophy," and the Society invites all those who are interested in exploring postfoundational versions of epistemology, philosophy of religion, ethics, and theology to join with us. Polanyi's notions of tacit knowing, heuristic passion, and conviviality are among the many contributions he makes to this ongoing venture.

### ***Psychology, Culture, and Religion***

The Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group is an informal association of scholars and practitioners in the fields of religion and psychology broadly defined, who share common interests in the relationship between religion, psychology, and contemporary cultures. Working at the intersections of religion and psychology, the group enables participants to contextualize religious studies in relationship to the theory and practice of psychotherapy and pastoral counseling. PCR's location on the boundary of academic study and applied professions like clinical psychology and pastoral psychotherapy results in rich, varied, and stimulating interdisciplinary conversations of a kind uncommon in the AAR generally. Elements of the dialogue have included modern and postmodern developments in psychology, counseling, cultural, and social anthropology, sociology, feminist studies, critical literary theory, and other forms of interpretive theory.

### ***Public Religion Research Institute***

Public Religion Research Institute (PRRI) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to research at the intersection of religion, values, and public life. PRRI's mission is to help journalists, opinion leaders, scholars, clergy, and the general public nationwide better understand debates on public policy issues and the role of religion and values in American public life by conducting high quality public opinion surveys and qualitative research.

Since its founding in 2009, PRRI research has become a standard source of trusted information among journalists, scholars, policy makers, clergy, and the general public. PRRI research has been cited in thousands of media stories and academic publications, and plays a leading role in deepening public understanding of the changing religious landscape and its role in shaping American politics. In addition to our monthly PRRI/RNS Religion News Survey conducted in partnership with Religion News Service and our annual flagship American Values Survey, PRRI conducts a number of major national surveys focused on a range of issues at the intersection of religion, values, and public life. Each year, the PRRI research team and growing group of affiliated scholars also publish peer-reviewed articles based on our research in leading academic journals and books.

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### **Religious Education Association**

In 1903, the Religious Education Association (REA) was established “to inspire the educational forces of our country with the religious ideal; to inspire the religious forces of our country with the educational ideal; and to keep before the public mind the ideal of Religious Education, and the sense of its need and value.” For over a century, REA has been a community of vision and reflective conversation, composed of peoples from diverse faiths and cultures, focused on scholarship, research, teaching and leadership in religious education—which is now commonly called religious formation. Although predominantly Protestant in the beginning, its membership includes those from the Baha’i, Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Mormon, and other traditions involved in all aspects of religious formation. Its membership is 80% professors and researchers but includes clergy, directors of religious education, public leaders, and teachers in elementary and secondary schools. Thus it maintains its commitment to scholarship informed by and accountable to practitioners. Please contact [secretary@religiouseducation.net](mailto:secretary@religiouseducation.net) for more information.

REA has sustained and inspired rigorous reflection and research on religious education, formation, and moral development. Its journal, *Religious Education*, published continuously since 1906, is a leading scholarly education publication.

In 2012, a new book series, *Horizons in Religious Education*, was launched with Wipf and Stock Publishers, with the first volume on interreligious learning published Spring 2014.

REA meets annually on the first weekend in November, in addition to its session at the AAR & SBL Annual Meetings.

### **Société internationale d'études sur Alfred Loisy**

The Société is a non-profit association formed to foster study of the French exegete and scholar of religion, Alfred Loisy (1857-1940) and of the Roman Catholic Modernist movement in which he figured so prominently. It was formed to foster international communication and contact among scholars from a variety of disciplines as well as other interested parties whose work and interests bear upon issues that surfaced in the latter decades of the nineteenth century and remain of enduring religious significance.

### **Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy**

The SACP was established in 1967 as a nonprofit organization aimed at advancing the development of the disciplines of Asian and comparative philosophy in the international academic arena, and bringing together Asian and Western philosophers for a mutually beneficial exchange of ideas. It holds panels in conjunction with the American Philosophical Association, the Association of Asian Studies, and the American Academy of Religion. Annual individual membership dues for the SACP are \$35 (\$20 for students and professors emeriti) and include a subscription to the SACP Forum. The Society also sponsors a monograph series on specialized topics published by the University of Hawai’i Press. For more information about the SACP and about the Journal, *Philosophy East and West*, please see our website at <http://www.sacpweb.org>.

### **Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**

The Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies was founded in 1987 to provide an ongoing organization for those committed to study, reflection, interchange, and practice arising out of Buddhist-Christian encounters. The purposes of the Society are 1) To serve as a coordinating body supporting activities related to the comparative study of, and the practical interaction between, Buddhism and Christianity, by groups and individuals; 2) To encourage those who report on Buddhist-Christian dialogue and comparative study to employ analytical and theoretical tools and to set their discussion within the framework of our larger human history; 3) To be as inclusive as possible in all its activities, seeking a balance with regard to geography, ethnicity, age, sex, denomination or lineage, cultural tradition, and leadership in both academic and religion institutions, and in the public and private sectors. The Society meets annually in conjunction with the national AAR meeting, having its board meeting and a program session one day prior (Friday) to the start of the AAR schedule (Saturday), and an additional program session during the AAR conference proper.

The Society publishes a scholarly journal, *The Journal for Buddhist-Christian Studies* (Univ. of Hawaii) and a biannual newsletter. The Society’s website, [www.society-buddhist-christian-studies.org](http://www.society-buddhist-christian-studies.org), includes membership information, upcoming dialogue events, conference summaries, newsletters, and links, including one to the newly launched Buddhist-Christian Studies Database housed at Boston College.

### **Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT)**

The Society for Comparative Research on Iconic and Performative Texts (SCRIPT) was founded in 2010 to foster academic discourse about the social functions of books and texts that exceed their semantic meaning and interpretation, such as their display as cultural artifacts, their ritual use in religious and political ceremonies, their performance by recitation and theater, and their depiction in art. The society sponsors programming at existing regional and international scholarly meetings and at colleges and universities. We welcome new members and ideas for programs and venues to host them.

### **Society for Hindu-Christian Studies**

The Society for Hindu-Christian Studies was founded in November, 1994 as a logical extension to the dialogue and scholarship being carried on in the *Hindu-Christian Studies Bulletin* (now the *Journal of Hindu-Christian Studies*), which first appeared in 1988 under its founding editor, Dr. Harold Coward. The society is dedicated to the study of Hinduism and Christianity and their interrelationships. It seeks to create a forum for the presentation of historical research and studies of contemporary practice for the fostering of dialogue and interreligious conversation carried forward in a spirit of openness, respect, and true inquiry. Committed to scholarly interchange according to accepted traditional and contemporary methods, the society understands its scope broadly, so as to include issues related to religious practice, spirituality, and education; it is interested in supporting activities related to the comparative study of Hinduism and Christianity. Our membership includes Christians interested in the study of Hinduism, Hindus interested in the study of Christianity, and scholars — Hindu, Christian, and other — interested in the historical and contemporary interactions of Hinduism and Christianity.

### **Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies**

SARTS is a community of scholars and artists who seek to understand the deepest levels of relationship between works of art and religious sensibility. Our focus is concrete aesthetic encounter with the arts and their religious, ethical and theological interpretation. While originating in the Christian traditions of theological reflection, we seek constructive conversation and critical inquiry that will make sense of a world of increasing cross-influences, both in art and among religious traditions.

Through scholarly exchange we explore how art shapes human ways of being in the world. At the same time we explore how the study of art at the intersection of religious and theological traditions leads to artistic vision and to aesthetic modes of perception, practice, and thought. The Society is committed to the implications of these discussions for the teaching of theological and religious approaches to art, and for the nurturing of both recognized and emerging artists and scholars whose work will shape the future of theological and religious understandings of human existence.

### **Society for the Study of Chinese Religions**

The annual membership dues for the Society are \$30 (\$15 for students and retired). In order to become a new member of SSCR, send a check payable in U.S. dollars to the SSCR treasurer: Dr. Gil Raz, Department of Religion, Thornton Hall, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, 03755; e-mail: [gil.raz@dartmouth.edu](mailto:gil.raz@dartmouth.edu). Alternatively, you can pay the membership fee via the online electronic payment system PayPal via the link from our website (<http://isites.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k7027&pageid=icb.page43815>). The membership fee pays for the receipt of the annually produced *Journal of Chinese Religions*. Additional information on published works (books or articles), recently read papers or presentations, and work in progress is also useful and welcome.



### ***Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality***

The Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality promotes research and dialogue within the growing community of people interested in spirituality. Formed in 1991, the SSCS is ecumenical and strives to be inclusive of the widest possible range of expressions of Christian spirituality. It is interdisciplinary and welcomes the application of diverse disciplines to the study of spirituality. While the emphasis of the SSCS is clearly on Christian spirituality, it seeks to foster creative dialogue with other traditions of spirituality. Although the Society is comprised of people from diverse, academically oriented communities, the SSCS also appeals to nonscholars such as pastors, practitioners, and those in the helping professions. For more information please contact Anita Houck at [ahouck@saintmarys.edu](mailto:ahouck@saintmarys.edu).

### ***Society for the Study of Japanese Religions***

The Society for the Study of Japanese Religions (SSJR) is an international association of approximately 200 scholars committed to the academic study of the religions of Japan. Membership is open to students and scholars of Japanese religions or related fields. In addition to the AAR, the Society is also affiliated with the Association for Asian Studies (AAS); our website can be accessed at <https://sites.google.com/site/ssjrhome/>. The Society publishes newsletters in the fall and spring of each year notifying members of upcoming meeting schedules, recent member news, publications of interest, and so forth. In addition, the Society publishes an annual Supplement based on sponsored presentations at the AAR and AAS.

### ***Society of Christian Philosophers***

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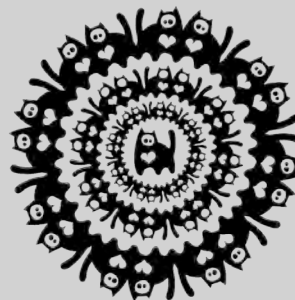
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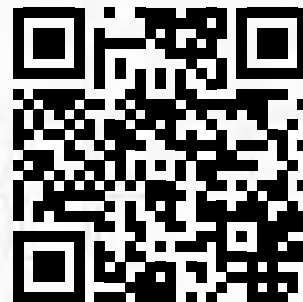
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# PLENARY SESSIONS

## Plenary Panel: Racial Injustice and Religious Response from Selma to Ferguson (A21-145)

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM • Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

### Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

The Annual Meeting theme, “Valuing the Study of Religion,” includes pondering how religion has been valued—and devalued—in the public sphere. Addressing a variety of social contexts from the legislature to the streets, panelists will analyze religious responses to racial injustice. In 2015, the fiftieth anniversary of the historic march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, attending to injustice seems more morally urgent than ever. Encompassing both the historical trajectory that led us to this painful moment and the religious resources activists have employed, this conversation brings together notable voices to offer their assessments of the contemporary situation. Ruby Sales, the human rights activist and public theologian who joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in the 1960s and later founded a non-profit organization dedicated to racial, economic, and social justice, will join Cornel West, distinguished scholar and intellectual, in a conversation with Professor Imani Perry, a celebrated scholar of African American Studies and Law who has written eloquently about racial injustice and “pathways to freedom, equality, and enriched democracy.”

### Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary



Cornel West is a prominent and provocative democratic intellectual. He is a Professor of Philosophy and Christian Practice at Union Theological Seminary and Professor Emeritus at Princeton University. He has also taught at Yale, Harvard, and the University of Paris. Cornel West graduated Magna Cum Laude from Harvard in three years and obtained his M.A. and Ph.D. in Philosophy at Princeton. He has written over twenty

books and has edited thirteen. Though he is best known for his classics, *Race Matters* and *Democracy Matters*, and for his memoir, *Brother West: Living and Loving Out Loud*, his most recent releases, *Black Prophetic Fire* and *Radical King*, were received with critical acclaim.

Dr. West has made three spoken word albums including *Never Forget*, collaborating with Prince, Jill Scott, Andre 3000, Talib Kweli, KRS-One and the late Gerald Levert. His spoken word interludes were featured on Terence Blanchard's *Choices* (which won the Grand Prix in France for the best Jazz Album of the year of 2009), The Cornel West Theory's *Second Rome*, Raheem DeV Vaughn's Grammy-nominated *Love & War: Masterpeace*, and most recently on Bootsy Collins' *The Funk Capital of the World*. In short, Cornel West has a passion to invite a variety of people from all walks of life into his world of ideas in order to keep alive the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. — a legacy of telling the truth and bearing witness to love and justice.

### Ruby Nell Sales, SpiritHouse Project, Atlanta, GA

Ruby Nell Sales looks at her work as a calling rather than a career. She answered the call to social justice at Tuskegee Institute where she joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and worked on voter registration in Lowndes County, Alabama.

Sales received a B.A. degree from Manhattanville College and attended graduate school at Princeton University. Sales received a Masters of Divinity degree from the Episcopal Divinity School where she was an Absalom Jones Scholar. While there, she developed a reputation as a preacher and has preached at churches and cathedrals around the nation. After divinity school, she founded a national nonprofit organization, the SpiritHouse Project, which she continues to direct.



Sales has received numerous awards and honors. She was selected and honored as a HistoryMaker ([www.HistoryMaker.com](http://www.HistoryMaker.com)) and a Veteran of Hope by Vincent G. Harding. She was inducted into the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Board of Preachers and is the recipient of the Beautiful Are Their Feet Award from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference. An oral history of her is housed at the Library of Congress. In May 2015, Sales received an Honorary Doctorate Degree from West Chester University in Pennsylvania.

Sales is well regarded for her work with young people. As a social justice activist, Sales' work is cited in several books, journal articles and films such as *Broken Ground: A Film on Race Relations in the South* and Dan Rather's *American Dream Segment*. Sales is one of the founders of *SAGE Magazine: A Scholarly Journal on Black Women*. As a social critic, Sales has published works in several journals, newspapers and magazines and is a frequent guest on Pacifica Radio. Sales lives and works in Atlanta, Georgia.

### Imani Perry, Princeton University



Imani Perry is the Hughes Rogers Professor of African American Studies at Princeton University. She is the author of two books: *More Beautiful and More Terrible: The Embrace and Transcendence of Racial Inequality in the United States* (NYU, 2011) and *Prophets of the Hood: Politics and Poetics in Hip Hop* (Duke, 2004). She is also editor of the Barnes and Noble Classics edition of the *Narrative of Sojourner Truth*, and the author of numerous scholarly articles in the fields of Law, Literary and Cultural Studies. In addition to providing radio and television commentary, Perry has written book reviews for the *New York Times*, the *San Francisco Chronicle* and the London School of Economics book review blog.

# AAR *PLENARY SESSIONS*

## Presidential Address —Valuing the Study of Religion (A22-150)

*Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM • Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)*

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

In this plenary Thomas Tweed addresses urgent issues we face within and beyond the academy by asking about how the study of religion is *valued*. That means, first, analyzing how it is valued—and devalued—in the public arena, and discerning what that can tell us about how to refine the usual arguments for the importance of the study of religion and, thereby, help endangered programs fare better in negotiations with administrators and stakeholders. Second, attending to this theme also encourages us to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values we enact in our work. Gaining more clarity about those values, Tweed proposes, can help us more effectively confront two challenges we face in the AAR: how to advance the divisive conversation about divergent approaches and how to enhance our ongoing discussion about professional obligations. Thinking about our obligations can begin by identifying the commitments encoded in AAR policies and procedures, but we must go farther. Tweed suggests that we have to think more about professional ethics—from institutions' duty to report graduate student placement rates to individual researchers' obligation to adhere to standards of professional conduct—and we must remain vigilant in addressing trends that violate shared commitments and endanger professional life—from the recent rise in contingent faculty to the chilling challenges to academic freedom. Finally, a focus on values allows us to address divisions within the academy by reframing the stale debate about the relation between Religious Studies and Theology. By frankly acknowledging our guiding values—and concomitant normative judgments—we will not resolve all differences, but we might gain more clarity about what we share and what we don't.

### Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame



Thomas A. Tweed is the Harold and Martha Welch Professor of American Studies and Professor of History at the University of Notre Dame. He is also Faculty Fellow in the Institute of Latino Studies and the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies. Previously, he taught at the University of Texas, the University of Miami, and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. At UNC he was Chair of the Department of Religious Studies,

Zachary Smith Distinguished Professor, Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences, and founding director of the First Year Seminar Program. Tweed's research has been supported by several grants and fellowships, including three from the National Endowment for the Humanities. He edited *Retelling U.S. Religious History* and co-edited *Asian Religions in America: A Documentary History*, which *Choice* named an "outstanding academic book." He also wrote *The American Encounter with Buddhism, 1844–1912: Victorian Culture and the Limits of Dissent* and *Our Lady of the Exile: Diasporic Religion at a Cuban Catholic Shrine in Miami*, which won the American Academy of Religion's book award. Tweed's *Crossing and Dwelling: A Theory of Religion* was published in 2006, and his most recent book, *"America's Church": The National Shrine and Catholic Presence in the Nation's Capital*, also received the AAR's book award for historical studies.

His professional service has included work as external reviewer, expert witness, blog contributor, and media consultant. He has led workshops for high school teachers and been on the editorial board of journals, including *Church History* and *History of Religions*. Tweed had served on several AAR committees and juries and co-chaired the North American Religions Section before being elected to the Board of Directors in 2012 and serving as president in 2015.

## The Moral Challenges of Research: A Panel on the AAR's Draft Statement on Responsible Research Practices (A22-200)

*Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM • Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)*

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

The American Academy of Religion has issued guidelines on many practices, including teaching and hiring. But, unlike most other ACLS organizations, we have no guidelines regarding research. A group of ten scholars led by AAR President Thomas Tweed and Executive Director Jack Fitzmier has drafted proposed guidelines on responsible research practices. That proposal has emerged from the group's discussions, as well as from conversations with members at a public session in 2014 and an online forum in 2015. This session aims to continue that wider conversation and solicit more comments about the draft. Toward those ends, the group that wrote the document will be present to listen to suggestions and questions from the audience and the panelists. The historians, translators, and fieldworkers on the panel have been asked to identify moral dilemmas they have faced in their own research and to assess the effectiveness of the newly drafted statement in dealing with those challenges. After hearing the panelists' reflections, we will invite members of the audience to offer their own comments. We hope that this final conversation will refine our understanding of researchers' responsibilities and lead to a more nuanced and comprehensive final draft, which the group plans to submit to the AAR Board of Directors for its consideration in 2016.

### Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University

Wendy Cadge is a Professor of Sociology and Chair of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies at Brandeis University. She teaches and writes about religion in the contemporary United States, especially as it relates to healthcare, immigration and sexuality. She is the author of *Paging God: Religion in the Halls of Medicine* (University of Chicago Press, 2012) and *Heartwood: the First Generation of Theravada Buddhism in America* (University of Chicago Press 2005). She is also a co-editor of *Religion on the Edge: De-Centering and Re-centering the Sociology of Religion* (Oxford University Press).



### Kathryn Lofton, Yale University



Kathryn Lofton is Chair of the Department of Religious Studies and Professor of American Studies, Religious Studies, History and Divinity at Yale University. She is a historian of religion with a focus on the cultural and intellectual history of the United States. She has published on a variety of subjects, including American celebrity, Protestant fundamentalism, office cubicles, Oprah Winfrey, religious modernism, nineteenth-century ritual

theory and the relationship between religious history and religious studies. Her current research projects focus on the culture concept of the Goldman Sachs Group and the religious contexts of Bob Dylan. For her work at Yale, she won the 2010 Poorvu Family Award for Interdisciplinary Teaching, the 2013 Sarai Ribicoff Award for the Encouragement of Teaching at Yale College, and the 2013 Graduate Mentor Award in the Humanities.

### Afe Adogame, University of Edinburgh

Afe Adogame holds a PhD in History of Religions from the University of Bayreuth, Germany (1998). He serves as an Associate Professor of Religious Studies and World Christianity and Director International and Convener of School's Research Ethics Committee at New College, University of Edinburgh, UK. His most recent publications include: (ed.) *The Public Face of African New Religious Movements in Diaspora: Imagining the Religious 'Other'* (Ashgate, 2014); (eds.)



*Africa in Scotland, Scotland in Africa: Historical Legacies and Contemporary Hybridities* (Brill, 2014); and *The African Christian Diaspora: New Currents and Emerging Trends in World Christianity* (Bloomsbury Academic, 2013). He is the General Secretary of the African Association for the Study of Religions (AASR); serves on the Steering Committees of the AAR's Sociology of Religion and Religion and Migration Groups. He received the AAR Collaborative International Research Grant in 2013/2014 on the theme: *The Feminization of New Immigrant African Pentecostal Diasporic Religious Cultures*.

### Laurie L. Patton, Middlebury



Laurie Patton became President of Middlebury July 1, 2015. Previously she was Dean of Arts & Sciences at Duke University and the Robert F. Durden Professor of Religious Studies and Professor of Cultural Anthropology. Dr. Patton came to Duke in 2011 from Emory University, where she was the Charles Howard Candler Professor of Religions.

A graduate of Harvard (BA) and the University of Chicago (Ph.D.), Dr. Patton is an accomplished scholar and the author or editor of nine books on South Asian history, culture, and religion. In addition, she has translated the classical Sanskrit text, the Bhagavad Gita, and has published two books of poetry. She has lectured widely on interfaith issues and religion and public life, and consulted with White House offices on faith-based initiatives and civic engagement. Dr. Patton is completing two further monographs — one on scholars in the public sphere and another on women, Sanskrit, and religious identity in postcolonial India.

## “Normativity” and the Academic Study of Religion: Reframing the Conversation about Theology and Religious Studies (A23-147)

**Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM • Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)**

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

This conversation focuses on one of the most enduring and difficult issues facing the Academy: what is the relation between Theology and Religious Studies? Tom Tweed will initiate the an exchange between Ann Taves, a distinguished scholar of Religious Studies, and Graham Ward, a distinguished scholar of Theology, by asking each to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values that inform their work. They then will explore what they share and what they don't. The session will end with the panelists proposing how we might reframe the conversation in more useful ways.

### Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

Ann Taves is Professor of Religious Studies at the University of California at Santa Barbara. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1983. She has held faculty appointments at the Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University. She is the author of numerous books and articles, including *Fits, Trances, and Visions: Experiencing Religion and Explaining Experience from Wesley to James* (Princeton 1999)



and *Religious Experience Reconsidered: A Building Block Approach to the Study of Religion and Other Special Things* (Princeton 2009). She held a fellowship at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford in 2008–2009 and was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2011. She is a past president of the American Academy of Religion and president elect of the International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion. She is currently working on a book titled *Revelatory Events: Experiences and Appraisals in the Emergence of New Spiritual Paths* and supervising the interdisciplinary Religion, Experience, and Mind Lab Group at UCSB.

### Graham Ward, University of Oxford



Graham Ward is the Regius Professor of Divinity at the University of Oxford and former Head of the School of Arts, Histories and Cultures at the University of Manchester. Among his books are *Cities of God* (Routledge), *Cultural Transformation and Religious Practice* (CUP), *True Religion* (Blackwell), *Christ and Culture* (Blackwell), *The Politics of Discipleship* (Baker Academic) and *Unbelievable* (I.B.Tauris). Along with Michael Hoelzl, he is also

the translator of two of Carl Schmitt's works: *Political Theology II* (Polity) and *Dictatorship* (Polity). He edits three book series: *Christian Theologians in Context* (OUP), *Illuminations* (Blackwell) and *Studies in Theology and Political Culture* (Continuum). Currently he is engaged in a four-volume work entitled *Ethical Life*. The first volume, *How the Light Gets In* is to be published by Oxford University Press in 2016.

## THATCAMP

### The Humanities and Technology Camp 2015 (A20-106)

Friday, November 20, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM  
Marriott Marquis–L504–L505 (Lobby Level)

John Crow, Florida State University, Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, and Eric Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

The advent of digital technology and social media has not only transformed how today's religious communities function, but also how scholars teach and research religion more broadly. If you are interested in exploring how technology is changing—or can change—the work of religious studies scholars, then we invite you to attend the AAR's third annual THATCamp!

THATCamp stands for “The Humanities and Technology Camp,” and it exists to bring scholars and technologists of every skill level together to learn how to integrate digital technology into their teaching and research.

THATCamps are unconferences, which means this learning and building occurs not through formal presentations but in hands-on workshops or sessions that participants propose on the spot. Topics we will cover could include academic blogging, social media in the classroom, digital research methods, web-based class projects, online publishing, and countless others.

The cost for the workshop is \$15, which includes an entire day of sessions. There will be time for lunch on your own. Registration is limited to the first 100 participants. THATCamp attendees also must register and create profiles on the [aar2015.thatcamp.org](http://aar2015.thatcamp.org) blog in the fall, where they will receive instructions and be able to propose sessions.

## Religion and Media Workshop

### Law, Public Culture, and Religion (A20-108)

Friday, November 20, 11:00 AM–6:00 PM  
Marriott Marquis–A703 (Atrium Level)

Ann Burlein, Hofstra University, Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, and M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

The Religion and Media workshop, one of the most popular sessions at the AAR annually, is a day-long seminar designed to foster conversation at the cutting edge of the study of religion, media, and culture. In 2015, the workshop will explore how law mediates religion.

- ✎ How do legal regimes organize and produce structures of feeling? How might aesthetics form spaces of counter-legality?
- ✎ How do debates about law mediate minoritization? How might legal formations shape the religious identities and life possibilities of citizens?
- ✎ How do conversations about law and religious freedom frame global understandings and misunderstandings of religion?

The workshop will not be structured as a traditional paper session, but rather as a workshop exploring the mediation of religion by and through law. Three to five readings will be circulated to participants before the event. Because of the nature of this workshop, it is essential that all participants commit to doing the readings ahead of time and prepare to participate for a seminar-style conversation.

#### Panelists:

Allison Fish, Indiana University  
*Laying Claim to Yoga: Intellectual Property, Cultural Rights, and the Digital Archive in India*

Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University  
*Beyond Religious Freedom: The Limits of Law and the Politics of Global Religious Difference*

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University  
*Religion, Biopolitics, and State Violence: The Police State and the Politics of Racial Threat*

Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis  
*Spirited Possessions: Intellectual Property and Media in the American Spiritual Marketplace*

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University  
*Sound Law: The Politico-Aesthetics of Public Space*

Tisa Wenger, Yale University  
*Mapping Religion in the Philippines: Religious Freedom and the Unsettled Secularisms of U.S. Empire*

The cost for the workshop is \$75, which includes lunch and the entire afternoon of sessions. Registration is limited to the first 75 participants.

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## Religion & Ecology Workshop

### *Journey of the Universe: Hope for the Future (A20-201)*

Friday, November 20, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM  
Hilton Atlanta–Crystal ABEF (Level 1)

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Nancy Menning, Ithaca College, and Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, Presiding

*Journey of the Universe* narrates the history of the cosmos as myth informed by contemporary science, bringing religion and science together in compelling ways. In this workshop, we will explore the pedagogical potential of this universe story, in cosmological as well as more localized scales. We will examine how this narrative shapes our understanding of the long arc of history, defines our human place in the grander cosmological journey, and suggests possibilities for ethical action. The goal of the workshop is to strengthen our capacity to awaken awe and wonder in the classroom and equip students to participate effectively in environmental activism. Working with the *Journey of the Universe* curricular materials we will analyze the emotional resonance of this narrative structure, how the materials will engage students, and how this contributes to an effective pedagogy.

The cost for the workshop is \$35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 120 participants.

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## Ethnography and Theology Workshop

### **A Multi-Disciplinary Orientation and Consultation on Using Ethnographic Research Methods for Theological Scholarship from Experts in Social Science and Theology (A20-202)**

Friday, November 20, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM  
Hilton Atlanta–Crystal CD (Level 1)

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College, Presiding

Featuring a multi-disciplinary array of scholars from the social sciences and theology, this workshop will focus on the methodological orientation and the unresolved issues inherent in using ethnographic research methods to develop theological scholarship.

The workshop will provide:

1. Orientation and suggested resources for using ethnography to explore theology,
2. Consultation with experienced scholars on participants' research proposals and projects,
3. Critical dialogue on ambiguities and controversies arising from current practices,
4. Opportunity for dialogue and exploration of research methods and theological work, and
5. Networking with colleagues from a variety of fields and institutions interested in this work.

Participants will include:

Luke Bretherton, Duke University  
Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University  
Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit  
Kathleen Jenkins, College of William and Mary  
Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
Gerardo Marti, Davidson College  
Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute  
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University  
Christian Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary  
James Spickard, University of Redlands  
Peter Ward, MF Norwegian School of Theology

The cost for the workshop is \$35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 80 participants.



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## Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop

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### Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices (A20-203)

Friday, November 20, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM  
Hilton Atlanta–404–405 (Level 4)

Danielle Widmann Abraham, James Madison University, and  
Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Presiding

We will focus on pedagogy that enhances student learning and critical thinking about the complexities of modern colonial and postcolonial histories—and their effects—in Muslim contexts. The breadth and diversity of modern European forms of colonialism in Muslim communities creates a variety of challenges in the undergraduate classroom. How do we begin to specify content? Do we privilege breadth, providing students with an overview of colonial encounters and their aftermaths from West Africa to Southeast Asia? Or do we privilege depth, digging deeply into colonial and postcolonial histories in a limited range of settings? Which approach most effectively illuminates colonial and postcolonial debates about the reconfiguration of Islamic traditions—especially those regarding the relationship between Islamic devotional practices, forms of community life, and the state?

How do we provide students with sufficient background in pre-modern Islamic traditions so that they can appreciate the nature and extent of change during the modern period? What concepts or themes are most essential to analyzing the effects of modern colonialism in diverse Muslim communities? Modernity? Secularization? Gender? Power? And how can we set the stage for understanding contemporary forms of Islamism and political Islam in relationship to the experience of colonization?

The format will consist of presentations by experienced instructors combined with small group discussion. Our aim is to provide an opportunity for reflection on effective teaching and student-centered learning. The workshop is intended both for graduate students and professors of Islamic studies, as well as scholars from other fields in religious studies who are looking to incorporate more Islam material in their courses.

The cost of the workshop is \$35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration limited to the first 75 participants.

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## Theological Education Workshop

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### Teaching Global Theologies: International Perspectives (A20-206)

Friday, November 20, 1:45 PM–5:00 PM  
Hilton Atlanta–305 (Level 3)

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

This workshop will focus on the challenges and opportunities of teaching theology from a variety of international perspectives. We will discuss how theology can be taught to go beyond tokenism to honor diverse theological voices.

The goals of this workshop are:

- ✧ To learn about the construction of global theology and the practice of teaching theology with global and local.
- ✧ To share pedagogical insights and concrete classroom examples of engaging theological materials from other contexts.
- ✧ To understand teaching theology in a comparative mode, using examples from China and the United States.
- ✧ To envision a theological curriculum, staff, and cultural ethos necessary for theological instruction to address the global challenges of the twenty-first century.
- ✧ To encourage networking among scholars from diverse Christian backgrounds and different faith traditions.

The first panel will survey the challenges and practices of teaching theology in the Global South and Global North. The second panel will offer insights from scholars who have taught in a variety of global contexts. The workshop will include ample time for dialogue and networking.

Participants will include:

Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal  
Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University  
Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, Fuller Theological Seminary  
Volker Küster, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz  
Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista, São Paulo  
Susan Brooks Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary  
Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong

The cost for the workshop is \$35, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration is limited to the first 75 participants.

## Workshop Reservation Form

| No.   | Workshop   | Day/Time                                | Cost |
|-------|--|---|------|
| _____ | THATCamp<br><i>The Humanities and Technology Camp</i>  | Friday, November 20<br>9:00 AM–5:00 PM  | \$15 |
| _____ | Religion and Media<br><i>Law, Public Culture, and Religion</i>                               | Friday, November 20<br>11:00 AM–6:00 PM | \$75 |
| _____ | Rethinking Islamic Studies<br><i>Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices</i> | Friday, November 20<br>1:00 PM–5:00 PM  | \$35 |
| _____ | Ethnography and Theology<br><i>Ethnographic Methods for Theological Scholarship</i>          | Friday, November 20<br>1:00 PM–5:00 PM  | \$35 |
| _____ | Theological Education<br><i>Teaching Global Theologies: International Perspectives</i>       | Friday, November 20<br>1:45 PM–5:00 PM  | \$35 |
| _____ | Religion and Ecology<br><i>Journey of the Universe: Hope for the Future</i>                  | Friday, November 20<br>2:00 PM–5:00 PM  | \$35 |

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### Workshops fill up quickly and are first-come, first serve!

Return this form with payment by November 1, 2015 to AAR Registration and Housing,  
825 Houston Mill Rd. NE, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30329, fax to +1-404-935-5321, email [reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org), or  
register online while completing the registration process at [www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/registration-housing](http://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/registration-housing).  
If you’ve already completed registration, please send in the form or simply email [reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org).

# AAR PROGRAM UNIT PROPOSALS

The Program Committee welcomes proposals for new program units, especially proposals that address: 1) areas of pent-up demand, and 2) new and emerging fields.

## Which Type of Program Unit to Propose?

✎ **GROUPS** are established to encourage the exploration of an emergent area of study or methodology, to cultivate the relation between the study of religion and a cognate discipline, or to pursue a long-range and broad research project. More focused than Sections and less restricted in participation than Seminars, Groups are expected to experiment with the format of sessions at the Annual Meeting.

All proposals for new Groups must begin as Exploratory Sessions. An Exploratory Session is a complete prearranged session that provides a platform for a group of members to announce a line of inquiry new to the AAR program and to seek out others interested in pursuing it further. The proposal can be for a papers session, roundtable session, or other creative type of session format. Exploratory sessions are submitted through the Program Administration Proposal, Evaluation, and Review System (PAPERS), and must be submitted before **March 2, 2016**. Notification of program acceptance will be announced by April 1, 2015. Exploratory sessions that are accepted onto the program are then invited to submit an application by **December 1, 2016** at <https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-group-proposal-form/>. The Program Committee meets each January to review and approve proposals. Samples of successful proposals are available from [annualmeeting@aarweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@aarweb.org).

✎ **SEMINARS** are for an already-identified group of up to twenty members who want to work together on a defined research project with a view to publication. Seminars have a five-year non-renewable term. Seminar proposals do not require Exploratory Sessions preliminary to the new unit application. Applications must be received via the web form at <https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/new-seminar-proposal-form/> by **December 1, 2015**. The Program Committee meets each January to review and approve proposals. Samples of successful proposals are available from [annualmeeting@aarweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@aarweb.org).

For additional questions, please attend the session on *How to Propose a New Program Unit* (A22-203) on Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM in the Hyatt Regency–222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level).

## New Program Unit Proposal

The proposal is your opportunity to make the case for the new program unit by presenting a clear rationale, analytical focus, approaches, and objectives of the unit. In the online form you will be asked to:

- ✎ Provide a title for the new unit.
- ✎ Provide an intellectual rationale for the unit's creation: what questions and conversations will the new unit foster?
- ✎ Provide a practical rationale for the new unit's creation: why can't the questions/conversations discussed above be hosted in an existing unit? If there is overlap with any existing unit or units, please submit letter(s) of support from those units' chair(s) to [annualmeeting@aarweb.org](mailto:annualmeeting@aarweb.org).
- ✎ Note the purpose, scope, direction, and approaches the unit might take, and explain how they contribute to the broader mission of the AAR Annual Meeting program.

✎ Demonstrate the demand for a new unit

Additional information required:

- ✎ List the AAR members who will chair the unit (1–2) and serve on the steering committee (3–5).
- ✎ Compile a short annotated bibliography of published works on the topic, with an introductory paragraph explaining the status of publications in the subfield.
- ✎ Solicit letters of support from AAR members who are interested in, and support the work of, the proposed unit.
- ✎ Propose a Call for Papers for the new unit, should it be approved.
- ✎ For Group proposals, give a description of the Exploratory Session, including an attendance count.
- ✎ For Seminar proposals, propose a five-year plan, including plans regarding publication of the completed project

In preparing all petitions, members should be aware of the following policy: The American Academy of Religion is committed to the policy and practice of including women, minority, and younger members in the activities of the Academy. In Annual Meeting programming, this commitment will be carried out to the degree that each unit works to accomplish it. Thus, unit chairpersons, steering committees, and participants in sessions provide the testing arenas for evaluating our success in adhering to this commitment. The Program Committee will include attention to this policy and practice in evaluating proposals for starting or continuing program units.

For more detailed information, please visit [www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/proposing-new-program-unit](http://www.aarweb.org/annual-meeting/proposing-new-program-unit).

# HIGHLIGHTS

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The Moral Challenges of Research: A Panel on the AAR's Draft Statement on Responsible Research Practices (A22-200)  
"Normativity" and the Academic Study of Religion: Reframing the Conversation about Theology and Religious Studies (A23-147)

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*How the University Works* (New York University Press, 2008): A Roundtable on Labor in Religious Studies (A21-201)  
Dehumanized vs. Holistic Scholars: How Academia Impacts Our Lives (A21-304)  
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Engaging Trans Studies in Religion: Scholarship, Teaching, and the Intersectionalities of Trans Lived Experience (A21-306)  
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What Next? Institutional Changes in Work/Life Balance (A22-107)  
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Expanding the Possibilities for Scholarly Conference Presentations: Alternatives, Innovations, Enhancements (A22-253)  
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The Value of Religious Studies in an Age of Budget Cuts (A22-302)  
How to Propose a New Program Unit (A22-303)  
Media Representations of ISIS/ISIL (A23-106)  
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AAR Awards Ceremony and Reception (A22-400)



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Ebola, Africa, and Beyond: An Epidemic in Religious and Public Health Perspectives (A23-315)

The Value of Religious Studies in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Higher Education: Place-Based Pedagogy in the Southern U.S. (A24-103)

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Arti-Facts/Divorcing the Demons: A Collaborative Gallery Installation and Storytelling Performance with Babylonian Incantation Bowls (A22-401)

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## BOOKS UNDER DISCUSSION

Religious and Theological Reflections on Kathi Weeks' *The Problem with Work: Feminism, Marxism, Antiwork Politics, and Postwork Imaginaries* (Duke University Press, 2011) (A21-123)

Co-Editors Meet Critics: Sullivan and Hurd, *Politics of Religious Freedom* (University of Chicago Press, 2015) (A21-125)

After Marie Griffith's *God's Daughters* (University of California Press, 1997): Narrating the Power of Submission in Contemporary Pentecostalism (A21-131)

Assessment and Future Trajectories in the Study of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding: A Panel Discussion of the *Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding* (2015) (A21-137)

Schleiermacher and Contemporary Constructive Theology: Christine Helmer's *Theology and the End of Doctrine* (Westminster John Knox Press, 2014) (A21-138)

*How the University Works* (New York University Press, 2008): A Roundtable on Labor in Religious Studies (A21-201)

New Directions in the Study of Art and Religion: Norman Girardot's *Envisioning Howard Finster* (University of California Press, 2015) and Brent Plate's *A History of Religion in 5½ Objects* (Beacon Press, 2014) (A21-203)

Tyler Roberts, *Encountering Religion: Responsibility and Criticism After Secularism* (Columbia University Press, 2013) (A21-211)

Political Spirituality at the Crossroads of Religious Studies and Liberation Theology (A21-226)

Richard Nixon, Quakers, and Religion in Politics: A Panel Discussion on H. Larry Ingle's Book, *Nixon's First Cover-up: The Religious Life of a Quaker President* (University of Missouri Press, 2015) (A21-234)

Responding to Robert Johnston's *God's Wider Presence: Reconsidering General Revelation* (Baker Academic, 2014) (A21-301)

Author Meets Critic: Reggie Williams' *Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus: Harlem Renaissance Theology and an Ethic of Resistance* (Baylor University Press, 2014) (A21-317)

*The Legacy of John Zizioulas: Thirty Years after Being as Communion* (St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1985) (A21-325)

Author Meets Critics: The Relevance of Lynne Huffer's *Mad for Foucault* (Columbia University Press, 2009) and *Are the Lips a Grave?* (Columbia University Press, 2013) for Theology and the Study of Religion (A21-327)

Albert Raboteau's *Slave Religion* (Oxford University Press, 1978): A Retrospective (A22-110)

Discussion of *The Oxford Handbook of Religious Conversion* (2014) (A22-140)

*God Is Not One* (HarperCollins, 2011): Author Meets Critics (A22-206)

Author Meets Critics: Erin Runions' *The Babylon Complex: Theopolitical Fantasies of War, Sex, and Sovereignty* (Fordham University Press, 2014) (A22-220)

Roundtable Discussion on Anna Sun's *Confucianism as a World Religion: Contested Histories and Contemporary Realities* (Princeton University Press, 2013) (A22-230)

Author Meets Critics: *Conceiving the Indian Buddhist Patriarchs in China* (University of Hawai'i Press, 2015) (A22-263)

Author Meets Critics, John G. Stackhouse's *Need to Know: Vocation as the Heart of Christian Epistemology* (Oxford University Press, 2014) (A22-270)

The Strong Black Woman: Blessing or Burden? A Roundtable Discussion on Chanequa Walker-Barnes' *Too Heavy a Yoke: Black Women and the Burden of Strength* (Cascade Books, 2014) (A22-273)

Wayne Proudfoot: Thirtieth Anniversary of *Religious Experience* (University of California Press, 1985) (A22-274)

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Buying (into) Yoga: Perspectives on Andrea Jain's *Selling Yoga: From Counterculture to Pop Culture* (Oxford University Press, 2014) (A22-277)

New Directions in Theological Education: Pedagogical and Epistemological Models from Latino U.S.A. (A22-306)

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*Kierkegaard and the Staging of Desire* (Fordham University Press, 2014): A Discussion of Carl Hughes' Book on Rhetoric and Performance in a Theology of Eros (A23-117)

*Beyond Ontological Blackness* (Continuum, 1995): A Twenty Year Retrospective (A23-210)

Author-Meets-Critics Session: Birgit Meyer's *Sensational Movies: Video, Vision, and Christianity in Ghana* (University of California Press, 2015) (A23-215)

Animals in Religious Studies and Jewish Thought: A Conversation on Aaron Gross's *The Question of the Animal and Religion: Theoretical Stakes, Practical Implications* (Columbia University Press, 2015) (A23-216)

*Poetics of the Flesh* (Duke University Press, 2015): A Book Review Panel on Mayra Rivera's New Work (A23-217)

Responding to Matthew Avery Sutton's *American Apocalypse: A History of Modern Evangelicalism* (Belknap Press, 2014) (A23-224)

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*César Chávez* (A22-407)

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*The Fire Inside*: A Documentary Screening and Conversation about Nature, Contemplative Practice and the Climate Crisis (A23-402)



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The presenters in the following sessions have agreed to post  
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 on a secure page on the AAR website that is available to AAR  
 members only and is inaccessible to search engines. Papers will  
 be removed after the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in  
 attending any of these sessions, please check the AAR website  
 at <https://www.aarweb.org/aar-full-paper-submission-program>  
 after November 1 to view the papers and come to Atlanta  
 having read them and prepared to discuss.

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 Christine Helmer's *Theology and the End of Doctrine*  
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 Author Meets Critics, John G. Stackhouse's *Need to Know:  
 Vocation as the Heart of Christian Epistemology* (Oxford  
 University Press, 2014) (A22-270)  
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 What Is the Emerging Church? Definitions and  
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 Categories for Comparative Philosophy of Religion (A23-140)  
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# AAR REGIONAL MEETINGS



Spring at American Academy of Religion is all about our Regional Meetings. There may still be time to submit a paper for one of the regional meetings or to register to attend. Go to <https://www.aarweb.org/membership/regions> for more information about the meetings, call for papers or links to the regional websites.

| REGION                      | REGIONAL MEETING LOCATION                             | REGIONAL MEETING DATES | REGIONAL COORDINATOR |
|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------|
| Eastern International       | University of Pittsburgh<br>Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  | May 6–7                | Verna Ehret          |
| Mid-Atlantic                | Hyatt Regency<br>New Brunswick, New Jersey            | March 10–11            | David Brewer         |
| Midwest                     | Ball State University<br>Muncie, Indiana              | April 1–2              | Jeffrey Brackett     |
| New England-Maritimes       | Boston College<br>Boston, Massachusetts               | April 2 (tentative)    | James Bretzke        |
| Pacific Northwest           | University of Idaho<br>Moscow, Idaho                  | May 6–8                | Ardy Bass            |
| Rocky Mountain Great Plains | Iliff School of Theology<br>Denver, Colorado          | April 1–2              | Jacob Kinnard        |
| Southeast                   | Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center<br>Atlanta, Georgia | March 4–6              | Sally Holt           |
| Southwest                   | Marriott Hotel<br>DFW Airport North<br>Irving, Texas  | March 11–13            | Katherine Downey     |
| Upper Midwest               | Luther Seminary<br>St. Paul, Minnesota                | April 1–2              | Courtney Wilder      |
| Western                     | University of Arizona<br>Tuscon, Arizona              | April 1–3              | Dirk von der Horst   |

# AAR REGIONAL STUDENT DIRECTORS

The Regional Student Directors are here to help you:

- ☞ Become involved at the regional level
- ☞ Network with other aspiring professionals in your region, state, and local city and
- ☞ Design regional and national programming that will assist your academic journey

***If you are interested in these opportunities, please contact your Regional Student Director today!***

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## ***Meet Kristy Slominski, 2014–2015 AAR Student Director***



**Kristy Slominski**

Kristy L. Slominski is a historian of American religion and sexuality. She received her Ph.D. in Religious Studies from the University of California, Santa Barbara in March 2015. Her dissertation is entitled *An American Religious History of Sex Education*. She received her MA in religious studies from UCSB in 2009 and her BA in religious studies and interdisciplinary studies from Michigan State University in 2007. She is currently teaching courses at Georgia State University.

Since she joined the AAR in 2006, Slominski has served the organization in multiple leadership capacities. On the national level, she currently serves on the Board of Directors, the Planning Committee, and the Graduate Student Committee. Within the AAR Western region, she has served as elected student representative and board member (2010–present), chair of the Nineteenth Century Section (2009–2012), and founder and chair of the Graduate Student Professional Development Section (2012–present). In addition to her research presentations at regional and national conferences, she has organized and led workshops on professional development for regional and national AAR meetings, as well as for her department and university. For further details, visit <http://kristyslominski.wordpress.com>.

# ANNUAL MEETING TRAVEL GRANTS

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Attending the Annual Meeting, delivering papers, serving on panels, and interviewing at the Employment Center afford valuable opportunities for scholarly development. Yet in recent years, declining access to external sources of funding has made the cost of attendance prohibitive for many who would benefit from these activities. Students, contingent faculty, and the unemployed/underemployed experience this hardship most acutely. If they cannot attend, not only they, but the Academy as a whole suffers from the loss of their involvement. To broaden participation in the Annual Meeting, AAR has developed a generous grant program to defray costs and make attending the Annual Meeting a reality for members who would otherwise struggle to attend.

The American Academy of Religion is pleased to award twenty-five travel grants worth \$500 each, plus complimentary Annual Meeting registration, on a competitive basis to members who demonstrate both financial need and a desire to participate in the Annual Meeting. Special consideration is given to applicants from underrepresented minorities.

## 2015 WINNERS

- ☞ Dean Accardi, Connecticut College
- ☞ Dustin Atlas, Al Quds Bard
- ☞ Arun Brahmabhatt, University of Toronto
- ☞ Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge
- ☞ Kin Cheung, Temple University
- ☞ Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University
- ☞ Justin Doran, University of Texas
- ☞ Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury, Laurentian University
- ☞ Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology
- ☞ Jan Holton, New Haven, CT
- ☞ Alexander Hwang, Saint Leo University
- ☞ Ren Ito, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto
- ☞ Andriette Jordan-Fields, University of Denver and Iliff School of Theology
- ☞ Brendan McNerny, Fordham University
- ☞ Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina
- ☞ Preston Parsons, University of Cambridge
- ☞ Lilly Phiri, University of KwaZulu-Natal
- ☞ Daniel Rober, Fordham University
- ☞ Sarah Robinson, Claremont Graduate University
- ☞ Lara Schubert, Claremont Graduate University
- ☞ Emily Sigalow, Brandeis University
- ☞ Angeline Song, Laidlaw College, New Zealand
- ☞ Justin Stein, University of Toronto
- ☞ Jennifer Wade, Boston College
- ☞ Tamar Wasoian, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

## AAR RELIGION AND THE ARTS TRAVEL GRANT

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Funded by Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University

The AAR Religion and the Arts Travel Grant is awarded to a graduate student studying Religion and the Arts who is without institutional support to attend the AAR Annual Meeting. The travel grant will offset the travel costs associated with attending the Annual Meeting: registration fees, hotel, transportation, and meals up to \$1,500.

## 2015 WINNER

- ☞ Matthew Lynch, University of North Carolina



Matthew Lynch



## MANDALA SAND PAINTING

Marriott-Imperial B (Marquis Level)



Tibetan Buddhist monks from Drepung Loseling Monastery will construct a Mandala Sand Painting Saturday, November 21 to Monday, November 23 in the Marriott Marquis Imperial B (Marquis Level) from 8:00 AM–7:00 PM.

From all the artistic traditions of Tantric Buddhism, that of painting with colored sand ranks as one of the most exquisite. Millions of grains of sand are painstakingly laid into place on a flat platform over a period of days or weeks to form the image of a mandala.

Mandalas can be created in various media, such as watercolor on canvas, wood carvings, and so forth. However, the most spectacular and enduringly popular are those made from colored sand.

The mandala sand painting begins with an opening ceremony, during which the lamas consecrate the site. This is done by means of chanting, music and mantra recitation, and will be held on **Saturday, November 21, at 8:30 AM.**

The lamas begin the exhibit by drawing an outline of the mandala on the wooden platform. On the following days they lay the colored sands. Each monk holds a traditional metal funnel called a *chakpur* while running a metal rod on its grated surface. The vibration causes the sands to flow like liquid onto the platform.

Traditionally most sand mandalas are destroyed shortly after their completion. This is done as a metaphor for the impermanence of life. The sands are swept up and placed in an urn; half is distributed to the audience at the closing ceremony, while the remainder is carried to a nearby body of water, where it is deposited. The waters then carry the blessing to the ocean, and from there it spreads throughout the world. The closing ceremony will be held on **Monday, November 23, at 6:30 PM.**

## ATLANTA RELIGIOUS SOUNDS MAP PROJECT

Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)

The Religious Sounds Map Project installation provides an opportunity for attendees to interact with a web-based “sound map” of religious communities throughout Atlanta. By archiving sounds, this map (created by the Religious Studies Department at Georgia State University) provides users an opportunity to listen to formal sounds of religious institutions (such as prayers, sermons, and hymns) as well as the informal/spontaneous sounds (such as the sounds of coffee hours, spontaneous conversations, and day-to-day lived community experiences). The sound map also provides a way to take note of communities and events without fixed geographic locations (e.g., communities meeting in private homes or rented facilities; occasional religious holiday celebrations). The goal is to create a resource that provides access to lived religious experience in a new dimension. For more information email [kmcclymond@gsu.edu](mailto:kmcclymond@gsu.edu). Drop-in visits to the installation are welcome throughout the Annual Meeting.

## A22-401

### Arti-Facts/Divorcing the Demons: A Collaborative Gallery Installation and Storytelling Performance with Babylonian Incantation Bowls

Sunday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)

During late antiquity in Babylonia, a variety of different faith communities shared a ritual to expel demons from their domestic environments. Although there are few clues as to the actual process, inscribed earthenware vessels were deliberately buried in thresholds, interior rooms, and cemeteries from the fifth-late seventh centuries CE.

Over 2000 examples of ceramic vessels with texts have been unearthed since the late nineteenth century. The bowl texts name specific clients, representing many diverse religious groups, seeking respite from discord. In many cases, the inscriptions address specific demons suspected of causing strife. The bowls were then buried inverted.

These bowls demonstrate a ritual that might just help today: expelling the demons that plague us all. Past and present, human communities share similar anxieties. The list might include disease, dangers in childbirth, loss of livelihood, familial discord, war, famine. One might add arrogance, violence, senseless hatred, hypocrisy, stupidity, and malice to our contemporary anxieties. As artists and scholars, we view the ancient act of sharing a ritual across faith traditions as one worth reconsidering for the present.

And so we present this exhibition of some of these ancient bowls and a storytelling performance as a beginning of this reconsideration. The bowls will be on display for the duration of the Annual Meeting. The storytelling performance, featuring Rabbi Daniel Rosenberg, will take place on Sunday at 8:00 PM.

## A22-403

### The Snare Is Broken and We Are Set Free

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-Learning Center (Ballroom Level)

Sponsored by the Death, Dying, and Beyond Group

*The Snare Is Broken & We Are Set Free* is an original solo theatrical performance exploring death, mourning, and the transfiguration of death through ritual and myth. A collage of sacred Scriptures, embodied movement, and rituals and rites from across faith traditions, this piece invites viewers into the liminal spaces where death and mourning take us. What does it mean to be a human who is born and dies? Is there beauty to be found in the mystery of death? Will hope attend us in lament? Performed and created by Seattle theater artist Carrie Cates.

## A22-402

### Pushing the Bear: The 1848–49 Cherokee Trail of Tears

Sunday, 8:30 PM–9:30 PM

Hyatt-Learning Center (Ballroom Level)

A staged reading of *Pushing the Bear*, a 30-minute play about the 1848–49 Cherokee Trail of Tears. Emory University students read the script, followed by a question and answer session with the author.

## **A21-307: Race, Ferguson, and the Future of American Democracy**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

National Center for Civil and Human Rights  
100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd NW

The tragic realities of racism in the United States — most recently embodied in the events in Ferguson — remind us about the dangers of the myth of a “post-racial” America. Recognizing that “race” today encompasses complex social realities far beyond the black-white dichotomy that has historically characterized race relations in the U.S., the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has invited a diverse panel of distinguished scholars to reflect on the future of American democracy through the lens of racial and ethnic particularity in order to articulate a road map for future engagement that emphasizes social justice and reconciliation.



Naris Virani  
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Ruben Rosario  
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Saint Louis University



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Emory University

## **A21-401: Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception**

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

National Center for Civil and Human Rights  
100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd NW

Visit with friends and colleagues at this informal reception hosted at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. The Center is located a short walk away from the Hyatt Regency Atlanta Hotel.

## **A22-151: Women's Mentoring Lunch**

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of Women in the Profession Committee invite women who are graduate students and new scholars to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGBTIQ midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs \$13 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Go to <https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/2015-womens-mentoring-luncheon/> to register.

## **A23-107: Disability Justice and Racial Justice: Intersections and Imperatives**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

This year marks landmark anniversaries for civil rights and disability rights: 50 years since the passage of the Voting Rights Act and 25 years since the Americans with Disabilities Act. Yet these legislative victories are increasingly insecure. As activists protest the social and structural violence that threatens communities of color and people with disabilities, this panel examines the intersections that link disability justice and racial justice. How might scholars and activists better recognize the kinships between these and other justice movements—and challenge barriers of racism and ableism that have often framed these issues as separate struggles? What issues are central to the justice priorities of disabled people of color, especially to disabled women of color? How might the intersections and imperatives of disability justice and racial justice inform our work in the classroom, the academy, and the streets?



# *AAR's Status of Women in the Profession Committee cordially invites you to:*

## **A20-404: Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta's Gay Mecca**

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

This film is a documentary by filmmaker Red Summer of black women who discuss their triple identity as black Muslim lesbians. Film will be followed by a panel of respondents.

## **A22-151: Women's Mentoring Lunch**

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of Women in the Profession Committee invite women who are graduate students and new scholars are to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGBTIQ midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs \$13 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Go to <https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/2015-womens-mentoring-luncheon/> to register.

*A Guide for Women in Religion: Making Your Way from A-Z*, (Rev. 2014), edited by Mary Hunt, Kecia Ali and Monique Moultrie will be available for purchase (\$18) at the Mentoring Lunch.

## **A22-107: What Next? Institutional Changes in Work/Life Balance**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)

This panel is a part of a multi-year work/life balance project of the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession. The conversation will center around the possibilities and challenges of changing institutional culture and practices. As leaders of academic institutions, panelists will examine structural issues that prohibit and enhance work/life balance at the workplace and the academy.

For more information on this project, go to: <https://www.aarweb.org/worklife-balance-project>.

## **A23-107: Disability Justice and Racial Justice: Intersections and Imperatives**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

This year marks landmark anniversaries for civil rights and disability rights: 50 years since the passage of the Voting Rights Act and 25 years since the Americans with Disabilities Act. Yet these legislative victories are increasingly insecure. As activists protest the social and structural violence that threatens communities of color and people with disabilities, this panel examines the intersections that link disability justice and racial justice.

## **WOMEN'S LOUNGE ROUNDTABLE SERIES**

Sponsored by the AAR Women's Caucus and the Status of Women in the Profession Committee.  
All events occur in the Women's Lounge — Hyatt Hanover B.

### **Friday, 1:30 AM–3:30 PM:**

*A20-205: Leveling the Landscape: Women's Caucus Gathering and Workshop on Valuing the Feminist Study of Religion*

### **Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM:**

*A21-106: Cultivating Minds: New Directions in Feminist Pedagogy*

### **Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM:**

*A21-202: Beyond Down and Dirty: From Good to Great Sex*

### **Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM:**

*A22-203: New Hands Tilling: Emerging Scholars' Visions of the Future of Feminist Theology*

### **Sunday, 5:00 PM–7:00 PM:**

*A22-333: Enriching the Field: Publishing New Books on Gender and Religion*

### **Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 AM:**

*A23-150: Women's Caucus Business Meeting*



Su Yon Pak, Chair  
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Seminary



Jerusha Lamptey  
Union Theological  
Seminary



Monique Moultrie  
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Carolyn Roncolato  
Chicago, IL



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Manhattan College



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Azusa Pacific  
University

Visit the SWP Committee's webpage at [www.aarweb.org](http://www.aarweb.org)  
for more information about our initiatives and Annual Meeting Events.

# *AAR's LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession Committee invites you to join us at the following Annual Meeting events:*

## **A20-404: Film: *Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta's Gay Mecca***

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

The Afro-American Religious History Group, Contemporary Islam Group, Islam, Gender, and Women Group, Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group, Religion and Cities Group, Religion and Sexuality Group, Queer Studies in Religion Group, Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, & Queer Persons in the Profession Committee, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, and the Study of Islam Section want to co-sponsor showing the film *Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta's Gay Mecca*. The film is a documentary of black women that filmmaker Red Summer brought together to discuss their triple identity as black Muslim lesbians.

## **A21-146: Roundtable Lunch**

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

All students and junior scholars who identify outside of normative gender histories and/or sexualities are welcome to join us for an informal lunch. No fee or preregistration is required. Please bring your own lunch; a lunch station is available in the lobby area of the Hyatt. The roundtable leaders listed were confirmed attendees as of April; other senior scholars in the field may be joining us as well.

Visit the LGBTIQ Committee's webpage at

***www.aarweb.org***

for more information about our initiatives  
and Annual Meeting events.

## **A21-306: Engaging Trans Studies in Religion: Scholarship, Teaching, and the Intersectionalities of Trans Lived Experience**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

The experience of trans persons and perspectives in the academic study of religion presents an important moment in the development of an emerging field of trans studies in religion. This Special Topics Forum, sponsored by the Status of LGBTIQ Persons in the Profession, articulates and analyzes the issues and debates present in this developing area. A panel of trans scholars in religion will seek to articulate, both critically and concretely, the contours of their efforts to integrate their research, teaching and lived experience. Presentations will take up the following questions: How do we define the emerging field of trans studies in religion? What are some of the critical issues in gender-queering religious studies? How does trans studies in religion, as well as trans lived experience, interface with other current issues, conflicts, and questions in the academic study of religion?

## **A21-408: LGBTIQ Scholars / Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception**

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Marriott-Marquis C (Marquis Level)

LGBTIQ scholars, scholars of LGBTIQ studies, and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends, and make new ones! Sponsored by the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee.

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# BOOK AWARD GIVEAWAY!

*Win the Winners!*

*Drop your business card off at the AAR booth (#603)  
in the Exhibit Hall to be in the drawing to win  
the 2015 AAR Book Award Winners.*

## **Analytical-Descriptive Studies**

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, *A Ministry of Presence: Chaplaincy, Spiritual Care, and the Law* (University of Chicago Press, 2014)

## **Constructive-Reflective Studies**

Michelle Voss Roberts, *Tastes of the Divine: Hindu and Christian Theologies of Emotion* (Fordham University Press, 2014)

## **Historical Studies**

Claudia Brosseder, *The Power of Huacas: Change and Resistance in the Andean World of Colonial Peru* (University of Texas Press, 2014)

## **Textual Studies**

Tariq Jaffer, *Rāzī: Master of Quranic Interpretation and Theological Reasoning* (Oxford University Press, 2015)

## **Best First Book in the History of Religions**

Cécile Fromont, *The Art of Conversion: Christian Visual Culture in the Kingdom of Kongo* (University of North Carolina Press published for the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, 2014)

**Drawing will be held on Monday, November 23 at 12:00 PM.**

**Books will be shipped by the AAR to the winner  
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# BOOK GIVEAWAY!

*Win the Books Under Discussion at the 2015 AAR Annual Meeting!*

Drop your business card off at the AAR booth. (#603) in the Exhibit Hall to be in the drawing to win the Books Under Discussion in this year's program.

*Beyond Ontological Blackness: An Essay on African American Religious and Cultural Criticism* by Victor Anderson (A23-210)

*Pray the Gay Away: The Extraordinary Lives of Bible Belt Gays* by Bernadette C. Barton (A23-225)

*Electric Santería: Racial and Sexual Assemblages of Transnational Religion* by Aisha M. Beliso-De Jesús (A22-307)

*How the University Works: Higher Education and the Low-Wage Nation* by Marc Bousquet (A21-201)

*Christian Faith: Dogmatics in Outline* by B. A. Gerrish (A23-328)

*Envisioning Howard Finster: The Religion and Art of a Stranger from Another World* by Norman J. Girardot (A21-203)

*A Critical Introduction to Religion in the Americas: Bridging the Liberation Theology and Religious Studies Divide* by Michelle A. Gonzalez (A21-226)

*God's Daughters: Evangelical Women and the Power of Submission* by R. Marie Griffith (A21-131)

*The Question of the Animal and Religion: Theoretical Stakes, Practical Implications* by Aaron S. Gross (A23-216)

*Theology and the End of Doctrine* by Christine Helmer (A21-138)

*Mad for Foucault: Rethinking the Foundations of Queer Theory* by Lynne Huffer (A21-327)

*Are the Lips a Grave? A Queer Feminist on the Ethics of Sex* by Lynne Huffer (A21-327)

*Kierkegaard and the Staging of Desire: Rhetoric and Performance in a Theology of Eros* by Carl S. Hughes (A23-117)

*Nixon's First Cover-up: The Religious Life of a Quaker President* by H. Larry Ingle (A21-234)

*Selling Yoga: From Counterculture to Pop Culture* by Andrea Jain (A22-277)

*God's Wider Presence: Reconsidering General Revelation* by Robert K. Johnston (A21-301)

*The Political Spirituality of Cesar Chavez: Crossing Religious Borders* by Luis D. León (A21-226)

*Routledge Companion to Religion and Popular Culture* edited by John C. Lyden and Eric Michael Mazur (A23-234)

*Sensational Movies: Video, Vision, and Christianity in Ghana* by Birgit Meyer (A23-215)

*Piety and Plurality: Theological Education since 1960* by Glenn T. Miller (A22-306)

*When Peace Is Not Enough: How the Israeli Peace Camp Thinks about Religion, Nationalism, and Justice* by Atalia Omer (A23-111)

*The Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding* edited by Atalia Omer, R. Scott Appleby, and David Little (A21-137)

*Divine Enjoyment: A Theology of Passion and Exuberance* by Elaine Padilla (P20-316)

*A History of Religion in 5½ Objects* by S. Brent Plate (A21-203)

*God Is Not One: The Eight Rival Religions That Run the World* by Stephen Prothero (A22-206)

*Religious Experience* by Wayne Proudfoot (A22-274)

*Slave Religion: The "Invisible Institution" in the Antebellum South* by Albert J. Raboteau (A22-110)

*The Oxford Handbook of Religious Conversion* edited by Lewis R. Rambo and Charles E. Farhadian (A22-140)

*Poetics of the Flesh* by Mayra Rivera (A23-217)

*Encountering Religion: Responsibility and Criticism after Secularism* by Tyler Roberts (A21-211)

*The Babylon Complex: Theopolitical Fantasies of War, Sex, and Sovereignty* by Erin Runions (A22-220)

*Need to Know: Vocation as the Heart of Christian Epistemology* by John G. Stackhouse, Jr. (A22-270)

*Politics of Religious Freedom* edited by Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Saba Mahmood and Peter Danchin (A21-125)

*Confucianism as a World Religion: Contested Histories and Contemporary Realities* by Anna Sun (A22-230)

*American Apocalypse: A History of Modern Evangelicalism* by Matthew Avery Sutton (A23-224)

*The Aesthetics and Ethics of Faith: A Dialogue between Liberationist and Pragmatic Thought* by Christopher D. Tirres (A21-226)

*Too Heavy a Yoke: Black Women and the Burden of Strength* by Chanequa Walker-Barnes (A22-273)

*The Problem with Work: Feminism, Marxism, Antiwork Politics, and Postwork Imaginaries* by Kathi Weeks (A21-123)

*Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus: Harlem Renaissance Theology and an Ethic of Resistance* by Reggie Williams (A21-317)

*Conceiving the Indian Buddhist Patriarchs in China* by Stuart H. Young (A22-263)

*Being as Communion: Studies in Personhood and the Church* by John D. Zizioulas (A21-325)

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- ★ Duke University Press
- ★ Fordham University Press
- ★ HarperCollins
- ★ New York University Press
- ★ Oxford University Press
- ★ Princeton University Press
- ★ Routledge

- ★ St. Vladimir's Seminary Press
- ★ University of California Press
- ★ University of Chicago Press
- ★ University of Hawai'i Press
- ★ University of Missouri Press
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# PROGRAM SESSIONS

Although the American Academy of Religion cooperates with Related Scholarly Organizations (RSOs) that have similar missions as the AAR, and provides them space for their meetings (sessions marked with a P#), the content of these sessions is not reviewed by either the AAR's Program Units or its Program Committee.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

### P19-401

#### Adventist Society of Religious Studies Reception

Thursday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Hyatt-Embassy AB (International Tower Level LL2)

### P19-402

#### Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting

Thursday, 7:30 PM–9:30 PM

Hyatt-Embassy EF (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Historical and Philosophical Voices**

Olive J. Hemmings, Washington Adventist University, Presiding

Nicholas Miller, Andrews University  
*Ellen White, Natural Law, Civil Rights, and Social Activism*

Richard Rice, Loma Linda University  
*Tempered Enthusiasm: Adventists and the Temperance Movement*

Zane Yi, Loma Linda University  
*"Christ and Culture" Revisited: Towards an Adventist Theology of Culture*

Zack Plantak, Loma Linda University  
*Liminality and Responsibility of a Prophetic Movement*

Business Meeting:

Teresa Reeve, Andrews University

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### A20-100

#### Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee Meeting

Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-L507 (Lobby Level)

Patrick S. Cheng, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

### P20-1

#### Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting

Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)

**8:00 AM – Devotional**

**8:15 AM Business Session II**

Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding

**8:30 AM – Paper Session II Biblical and Theological Voices**

Bruce Boyd, Burman University, Presiding

Leo Ranzolin, Loma Linda University

*Adventism in the Public Square? A Model from Paul's Areopagus Speech?*

Janis Lowry, Adventist University of Health Sciences

*Matthew 26 in the Public Square: Can 10 Bridesmaids with Talent and Extra Olive Oil Serve the Least of These*

Charles Scriven, Dayton, Ohio

*Apocalypse and the Public Square, A Theo-Philosophical Renovation of Premillennialism*

Martin Weber, Logos/Faithlife Corporation

*Inter-faith Isolationism Squanders the Adventist Advantage*

### 10:00 AM – Paper Session III – Adventist Institutions in the Public Square

Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding

*Adventist Health Care and the Public Square*

Gorden Doss, Andrews University

*The Adventist Missionary in the Public Square*

Slimon Saliba, Florida Hospital

*Adventist Health Care and the Public Square*

Larry Geraty

*Adventist Higher Education and the Public Square*

### 11:45 AM – Business Session III

Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding

**12:00 PM – Lunch**

### A20-101

#### Status of Women in the Profession Committee Meeting

Friday, 8:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott-M106 (Marquis Level)

Su Yon Pak, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

### P20-100

#### North American Association for the Study of Religion Executive Council Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton-314 (Level 3)

### A20-110

#### Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-AAR Suite

Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding



## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### P20-101

#### North American Paul Tillich Society

Theme: **Pedagogy and Paulus**

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

### P20-102

#### Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Board Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

### A20-102

#### Public Understanding of Religion Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-L406 (Lobby Level)

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding

### A20-103

#### Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)

Nargis Virani, New York, NY, Presiding

### A20-104

#### International Connections Committee Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–2:00 PM

Hyatt-Chicago C (Exhibit Level)

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

### A20-105

#### Regional Coordinators Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hilton-402 (Level 4)

Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

### A20-106



#### THATCamp — The Humanities and Technology Camp AARSBL2015

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

Eric Smith, Iliff School of Theology, John Crow, Florida State University, and Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver, Presiding

See page 72 for details.

### A20-107

#### American Lectures in the History of Religions Meeting

Friday, 10:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott-L503 (Lobby Level)

Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University, Presiding

### P20-103

#### North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Theory in a Time of Excess: On the Restraint of Theory**

Friday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Hilton-311 (Level 3)

According to some, theory ensures the integrity of religious studies as an academic discipline: it is the development and application of theory to explain religion that distinguishes critical scholarship from the apologetics of theology (and, allegedly, the covert apologetics of phenomenology of religion). I acknowledge the necessity of theoretically-grounded explanation of religion, not as a levy to be paid for entrance into the academy or the public university, but as an essential dimension of the task of analyzing the collection of phenomena that we, for better or worse, call religion. Theories are, in short, a good thing. Acknowledging the necessity of theory, however, does not tell us when and how theory should be deployed. I argue that just as theory should be deployed in the task of explaining religion (briefly: identifying the causes, origins, and/or functions of religion), it should be withheld in the task of interpreting religion (briefly: identifying the meaning of religion for the religious subject). If, as many have argued, it is true that interpretation entails explanation, then understanding the religious subject's perspective on, or experience of, religion necessarily means unearthing his explanation of religion. And if this is true, then the interpolation of the scholar's own explanatory theory as an interpretive tool almost certainly obscures or eisegetically reshapes the subject's perspective; in other words, it corrupts the data.

#### Symbol Key:

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| AAR Award Winners      | Especially for Students | Focus on Employment                    | New Program Unit   | Receptions and Breakfasts   |
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| Business Meeting       | Focus on Atlanta        |  |  | Wildcard Sessions           |

Theory must be restrained in the interpretive phase of the analysis of religion, or else the scholar risks losing the very phenomenon she seeks to study. The legitimacy and integrity of research in religious studies therefore rests not only on the proper application of theory, but on the proper restraint of it as well.

Panelist:

Jason N. Blum, American University in Cairo

Responding:

Michael Altman, University of Alabama

Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College

Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University

## A20-108

### Religion and Media Workshop

Theme: **Law, Public Culture, and Religion**

Friday, 11:00 AM–6:00 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, and M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University, Presiding

See page 72 for details.

Allison Fish, Indiana University  
*Laying Claim to Yoga: Intellectual Property, Cultural Rights, and the Digital Archive in India*

Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University  
*Beyond Religious Freedom: The Limits of Law and the Politics of Global Religious Difference*

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University  
*Religion, Biopolitics, and State Violence: The Police State and the Politics of Racial Threat*

Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis  
*Spirited Possessions: Intellectual Property and Media in the American Spiritual Marketplace*

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University  
*Sound Law: The Politico-Aesthetics of Public Space*

Tisa Wenger, Yale University  
*Mapping Religion in the Philippines: Religious Freedom and the Unsettled Secularisms of U.S. Empire*

## A20-109

### Academic Relations Committee Meeting

Friday, 12:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Heritage Boardroom (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

## A20-200

### Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group and IQSA Qur'an and Late Antiquity Group

Theme: **Towards a "Long Late Antiquity": Continuities from the Pre-Islamic to the Islamic Era**

Friday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)

Michael Pregill, Boston University, Presiding

Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston  
*Law and Tradition in the Long Seventh Century (570–705): Between Qur'an and Church Canon*

Walter Ward, University of Alabama, Birmingham  
*The Pre-Islamic Image of the Word "Saracen" and Its Implications for Early Christian and Islamic Interactions*

Cecilia Palombo, Princeton University  
*"Why Do the Rabbis and Religious Authorities Not Forbid Them from Uttering Sinful Words?" Qur'anic and Late Antique Attitudes towards Religious Scholars*

Mushegh Asatryan, University of Calgary  
*Is Ghulat Religion Islamic Gnosticism? The Shi'ite "Extremists" of Early Islamic Iraq*

Dylan Burns, Freie Universität Berlin  
*Is Ghulat Religion Islamic Gnosticism? Syro-Mesopotamian Gnostic Traditions*

## P20-210

### North American Paul Tillich Society

Theme: **Feminist Engagements with Tillich**

Friday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

## P20-211

### Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies Board Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

## P20-212

### Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship

Theme: **Annual Meeting and Lecture: Actualism, Dualism, and Onto-Relations**

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Our guest speaker, Dr. McMaken, Assistant Professor of Religion, will address the questions: Why did T. F. Torrance complain that Barth's late doctrine of baptism exhibits an uncharacteristic dualism, puzzling interpreters of Barth since? What did he mean by "dualism?" Was he right? The lecture will begin after a brief business meeting of 20 minutes for TFT Fellowship members and the Executive Board. There will be a time of questions and answers after the lecture. See [www.tforrance.org](http://www.tforrance.org) for more information.

W. Travis McMaken, Lindenwood University  
*Actualism, Dualism, and Onto-Relations: Interrogating Torrance's Criticism of Barth's Doctrine of Baptism*

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### A20-202



#### Ethnography and Theology Workshop

Theme: **A Multi-Disciplinary Orientation and Consultation on Using Ethnographic Research Methods for Theological Scholarship from Experts in Social Science and Theology**

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College, Presiding

See page 73 for details.

Panelists:

Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute  
Nancy Ammerman, Boston University  
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University  
James Spickard, University of Redlands  
Kathleen Jenkins, College of William and Mary  
Luke Bretherton, Duke University  
Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University  
Gerardo Marti, Davidson College  
Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary  
Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit  
Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
Peter Ward, MF Norwegian School of Theology

### A20-203



#### Rethinking Islamic Studies Workshop

Theme: **Teaching Islamic Studies: Key Topics and Best Practices**

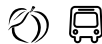
Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hilton-404-405 (Level 4)

Danielle Widmann Abraham, James Madison University, and Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Presiding

See page 74 for details.

### A20-204



#### Atlanta City Tour

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

See page 8 for details.

### P20-213

#### International Bonhoeffer Society Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

### M20-203

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#### Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

Theme: **Womanist In-Gathering**

Friday, 1:30 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

### A20-205



#### Women's Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Leveling the Landscape: Women's Caucus Gathering and Workshop on Valuing the Feminist Study of Religion**

Friday, 1:30 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding

Come enjoy the camaraderie of the Women's Caucus and network with other scholars. The 2015 Women's Caucus pre-conference workshop connects us with the AAR 2015 conference theme "Valuing the Feminist Study of Religion" by discussing the topic, "Valuing the Feminist Study of Religion." During this workshop-style session, the co-chairs of the AAR/ SBL Women's Caucus will be discussing how we employ a feminist perspective, not only in the topics we investigate, but also in our methodology and approach. Come join the conversation as we reflect on the values we carry into our research as well as what motivates our scholarship.

Panelist:

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College

### P20-214

#### Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting

Friday, 1:30 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)

#### 1:30 PM – Paper Session IV - Issues of Race and Ethnicity

Reymar Vetne, Pacific Union College, Presiding

Ramona Hyman, Oakwood University

*Jesus and Civil Rights in Alabama as Poetic Activism*

Keith Burton, Oakwood University

*Why is Obama America's First Black President?*

Doug Morgan, Washington Adventist University

*Adventism's Promise for Black Liberation*

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Erick Mendieta, Andrews University  
*Immigration and Christian Social Ethics: An Adventist Proposal*

### 3:10 PM – Business Session IV

Teresa Reeve, Andrews University, Presiding

### 3:30 PM – Sectional Meetings

Christian Theology and History: Martin Hanna, Andrews University, convener

New Testament: Erhard Gallos, Andrews University, convener

Old Testament: Alden Thompson, Walla Walla University, convener

Philosophy and Ethics: Zane Yi, Loma Linda University, and Timothy Golden, West Chester University of Pennsylvania, conveners

Practical Theology: Ernie Furness, Southeastern California Conference, convener

World Religions/Missiology: Paul Dybdahl, Walla Walla University, convener

### 4:30 PM – Special Meetings

Black Theology Group: Leslie Pollard, Oakwood University, convener

Women in Theology Group: Ginger Hanks-Harwood, conveners

### Friday Evening, Nov. 20

#### ASRS-ATS Unity Meal and Presidential Addresses

Olive Hemmings, Washington Adventist University, and Lael Caesar, Adventist Review, Presiding

Dinner

ASRS Presidential Address

Mark Carr, *Alaska Conference*

ATS Presidential Address

Felix Cortez, *Andrews University*

## A20-206



### Theological Education Workshop

Theme: **Teaching Global Theologies: International Perspectives**

Friday, 1:45 PM–5:00 PM

Hilton-305 (Level 3)

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

See page 74 for details.

Panelists:

Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University

Veli-Matti Karkkainen, Fuller Theological Seminary

Volker Kuester, Kampen Theological University

Francis Ching-Wah Yip, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Jung Mo Sung, Universidade Metodista de Sao Paulo

Susan B. Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary

## P20-215

### North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Theory in a Time of Excess: What the Cognitive Science of Religion Is (And Is Not)**

Friday, 2:00 PM–3:50 PM

Hilton-311 (Level 3)

Over the past decade or so there has been an exponential growth in research in the Cognitive Science of Religion (CSR). Yet despite this, there continues to be a lack of understanding, and sometimes blatant misunderstanding, about what characterizes the field. This state of affairs is due, in part, to the reluctance of those within the field to commit to a precise definition. CSR is a broad in scope. It is also a relatively young academic approach to the study of religion and consequentially, is ever-expanding and often in a state of flux. Scholars have often characterized CSR by what it is not rather than what it is. In this paper, I argue that at heart of CSR is a theory that human cognition is necessary (but not sufficient) to explain the presence, persistence and prevalence of human ideas and behaviors deemed “religious.” It is thus distinguished from its often-atheoretical academic counterparts in the study of religion because of the attempt to explain, rather than describe, religion and because of the centrality of the role of the human mind in this explanation. Finally, I demonstrate the fruitfulness of this theory by presenting selected case studies of what CSR has actually explained since its inception.

Panelist:

Claire White, California State University, Northridge

Responding:

Monica R. Miller, Lehigh University

Brad Stoddard, Florida State University

Matt Sheedy, University of Manitoba

## A20-201



### Religion and Ecology Workshop

Theme: ***Journey of the Universe: Hope for the Future***

Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hilton-Crystal ABEF (Level 1)

Nancy Menning, Ithaca College, and Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University, and Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Presiding

See page 73 for details.

## A20-207

### Graduate Student Committee Meeting

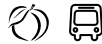
Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University, Presiding

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## A20-208



### Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change Tour

Friday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

See page 8 for details.

## P20-219

### Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Theme: **Special Symposium on the Lasting Legacy of Raimon Panikkar**

Friday, 2:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hilton-312 (Level 3)

Intercultural dialogical dialogue is a viable alternative in this globalized world to the conflict model of major world civilizations. In this special mini-symposium, panelists reflect on the philosophical and theological legacy of Raimon Panikkar (1918–2010) and to foster our understanding of this alternative path. A reception will follow the symposium.

Kim Seungchul, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture  
*Raimon Panikkar and an Asian Way of Religious Pluralism*

Erik Rangstrom, Elms College  
*Discovering the 'Thou': Henri Nouwen and Raimon Panikkar on Filiality and Dialogue*

Fred Dallmayr, University of Notre Dame  
*Democracy as creatio continua: Whitehead, Tillich, Panikkar*

Mark Banas, Georgia Perimeter College  
*Connecting Being and Thinking in Religion: Panikkar's Relativity of Language*

Aaron Fehir, Saint Leo University  
*Panikkar's Christianity: A Kierkegaardian Assessment*

Young-chan Ro, George Mason University  
*Knowledge, Wisdom, and Being in Raimon Panikkar*

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University  
*Being and Philosophy in Raimon Panikkar: A Prominent Place of the 'Mother Tongue'*

## P20-206a

### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Pre-Meeting workshop for ATSI, FTE, HTI and NAIITS Doctoral Students on Teaching and Learning (By invitation only)**

Friday, 2:00 PM–7:30 PM

Marriott-M304 (Marquis Level)

A gathering of doctoral students associated with ATSI, FTE, HTI, and NAIITS in their final year of studies or at the dissertation writing stage to discuss particular issues about teaching and learning such as: What do you want your teaching to do in the world?; Community teaching and learning; Vocation and institutional contexts; Evaluation and assessment as ways for celebration and reflection on mutual growth; Collaboration in the first year(s) of teaching; Gifts we leave one another.

Panelists:

Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Eastern University

Terry LeBlanc, North American Institute for Indigenous Theological Studies

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross

Stephen G. Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

## P20-220

### Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality

Theme: **Exclusion and Embrace: The Challenge of Racism Today**

Friday, 3:00 PM–5:30 PM

Martin Luther King Jr. Center, 449 Auburn Avenue NE

Diana L. Hayes, Georgetown University, Presiding

3:00 PM–4:00 PM – Tour of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center 449 Auburn Avenue NE

4:00 PM–5:30 PM – Conversation and Reflection at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Horizon Campus, 101 Jackson Street NE

All are welcome! Our session begins with a tour of the Martin Luther, King, Jr. Center, during which we will invite participants to reflect on the experience of racism in its many forms. At 4:00 PM we will proceed to the adjacent Horizon Campus of Ebenezer Baptist Church for a video reflection prepared for this event by Miroslav Volf and for shared reflection facilitated by Diana Hayes. The Museum and Horizon Campus are accessible by taxi and walking. Please visit [http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/annual\\_meeting/annual\\_meeting.html](http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/annual_meeting/annual_meeting.html) for more details on this program, as well as information on the Society dinner and our evening session, "Spirituality and Pedagogy: An Intercultural Perspective" (7:00 PM–8:30 PM, also at the Horizon campus). Return shuttles, sessions, and reception are free; tax-deductible contributions are welcome. For additional information, please contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at [ahouck@saintmarys.edu](mailto:ahouck@saintmarys.edu).

Panelist:

Miroslav Volf, Yale University

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**P20-216****Association of Practical Theology**Theme: **Practical Theology for Politically Charged Situations**

Friday, 3:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-M101 (Marquis Level)

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Presentations will be short so as to allow for plenty of discussion.

Please visit [www.practicaltheology.org](http://www.practicaltheology.org) for further session description, advance copies of the papers, and other material.Reginald Blount, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, and  
Virginia Lee, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
*We Who Believe in Freedom Cannot Rest: Pedagogies of Justice*Mai-Anh L. Tran, Eden Theological Seminary, and Leah  
Gunning Francis, Eden Theological Seminary  
*Taking it to the Streets: Practicing Theology at the Intersections of  
Ferguson and Faith*

Business Meeting:

Tom Beaudoin, Fordham University, Presiding

**P20-217****Karl Barth Society of North America**

Friday, 3:30 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jinhyok Kim, Torch Trinity Graduate University  
*Karl Barth's Doctrine of the Holy Spirit*Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary  
*The Political Theology of Karl Barth: Why a Womanist Theologian  
Should Care***P20-218****European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism**Theme: **Western Esotericism and Cognition**

Friday, 3:30 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

The purpose of this ESSWE meeting is to explore how modern developments in cognitive studies could be made relevant to the study of Western Esotericism, for instance in view of the role of alterations of consciousness as facilitators of “gnosis,” practices of imaginations/ visualization, meditation, and so on.

Leonard George, Capilano University  
*A Biopsychological Perspective on Theurgical Ecstasy*John MacMurphy, University of Amsterdam  
*Oneiropoiesis in Ecstatic Kabbalah*Simon Magus, University of Exeter  
*Austin Osman Spare and the Conquest of the Imaginal*Massimo Introvigne, Center for Studies on New Religions, Turin,  
Italy  
*Visualization, Scientology, and the Arts*Egil Asprem, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*A Theoretical Framework for the Generation of Experiential  
Knowledge*Adam Klin-Oron, Van Leer Institute  
*Channeled Consciousness***P20-313****North American Paul Tillich Society**Theme: **Harvey Cox: The Legacy of Paul Tillich**

Friday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

**P20-314****North American Association for the Study of Religion**Theme: **Theory in a Time of Excess: Of Cognitive Science,  
Bricolage, and Brandom**

Friday, 4:00 PM–5:50 PM

Hilton-311 (Level 3)

The chief glory of the Study of Religion is its theoretical eclecticism. As a field it should resist programmatic theoretical approaches. Its use and development of theory should be driven by specific questions that arise in particular studies of religious phenomena. Metatheoretical reflection should generally be closely tethered to works of first-order scholarship. The use of Robert Brandom's analysis of existential commitments to illuminate so-called narrative theology illustrates these claims and bears implications for the cognitive science of religion.

Panelist:

Matthew Bagger, Auburn University

Responding:

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University

James Dennis LoRusso, Princeton University

Robyn Walsh, University of Miami

**P20-221****Polanyi Society**Theme: **Polanyian Applications**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 5 (Level 1)

Walter B. Gulick, Montana State University Billings, Presiding

Matthew Sandwisch, Baylor University  
*Connections between Michael Polanyi and Virtue Epistemology*Andrew Johnson, Fort Mill, SC  
*Created to Know: A Comparison of the Epistemologies of Michael  
Polanyi and Francis Schaeffer*Stan Scott, University of Maine  
*Presque Isle, The Tacit Dimension in Biblical Metaphor: “The  
Kingdom”*Robert Hyatt, Whittier, NC  
*Polanyian Philosophical Resources for Mental Health Professionals  
Dealing with Trauma Related Pathologies*Jon Fennell, Hillsdale University  
*Polanyi's ‘Illumination’: Aristotelian Induction or Peircean Abduction?*Francesco Poggiani, Pennsylvania State University  
*Polanyi and Pierce on Truth and Responsibility*

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## P20-315

### Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies

Theme: **What Is Wrong with Us? What Is Wrong with the World?**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, Presiding

Christianity and Buddhism, in diverse ways, assert a fundamental flaw in the human condition expressed by terms like “sin” and “delusion” — a flaw that we are largely unconscious of, which prevents us from noticing the extent to which we ourselves as individuals and societies contribute to the harms we see around us. In what ways are Christian or Buddhist diagnoses of a basic human flaw critical for understanding the causality of current world problems, such as growing social and economic inequalities, religious animosities, racism, environmental degradation, and violence? Can any of these problems be addressed without adequate consideration of such traditional diagnoses? If not, what specific Christian or Buddhist understandings of the human condition need to be raised up today to shed light on such problems? How might Buddhist and Christian perspectives challenge or complement each other? And how might these traditional perspectives on the human condition undergo reinterpretation when relating them to current problems?

Panelists:

Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University

Glenn Willis, Misericordia University

Roger Haight, Union Theological Seminary

Hsiao-Lan Hu, University of Detroit Mercy

Responding:

Kristin Johnston Largen, Lutheran Theological Seminary

## A20-300

### Department Chairs' Reception

Friday, 5:30 PM–7:00 PM

Marriott-AAR Suite

Chairs of Religious Studies Departments are invited to this reception to mingle with and ask questions of other chairs and members of the AAR's Academic Relations Committee.

## P20-316

### Bible, Theology, Postmodernity Group

Theme: **Book Discussion: *Divine Enjoyment: A Theology of Passion and Exuberance***

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

Jacob Erickson, St. Olaf College, Presiding

This panel will offer a critical and constructive review of Elaine Padilla's *Divine Enjoyment: A Theology of Passion and Exuberance* (Fordham University Press, 2014). Paradigms of divine pathos have emphasized, for good reasons, the significance of suffering. This panel presses beyond this argument to offer a dialog on its complement, enjoyment, and in particular, the experience of jouissance or pleasure as a mode of becoming reciprocally.

Having as its foreground the book's main theme of divine enjoyment and exuberance, and employing interpretative lenses such as feminism, queer thought, and aesthetics, it will take a fresh look at discourses that focus on bodied imaginings. The goal of the session is not just to bring panelists and author together in conversation but to collaborate in envisioning a way forward for future projects likewise seeking to break free from philosophical and theological constructs on divine love lacking in porosity, intensity, multiplicity, or impropriety.

Panelists:

Maaik De Haardt, Tilburg University

Benjamin Valentin, Andover Newton Theological School

Lisa Isherwood, University of Winchester

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

Marcia Pally, New York University

Responding:

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary

## M20-307

### Feminist Studies in Religion Boards Preconference Meeting

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

## M20-400



















### New Religious Movements Group Mentoring Workshop

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Are you a graduate student or junior scholar whose work relates to the study of new or alternative religions? If so, this mentoring workshop may be for you. Mentees will be paired with more advanced scholars to discuss issues relevant to their particular work and/or academic situation. The workshop is free, but advance registration is required. To register, send an email of inquiry to Marie Dallam no later than Oct. 15, 2015 at [mwdallam@ou.edu](mailto:mwdallam@ou.edu).

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**P20-405****Society for Hindu-Christian Studies and Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**Theme: **Rebirth: Hindu and Christian Perspectives**

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott-M101 (Marquis Level)

Stephanie Corigliano, Boston College, Presiding

Bradley Malkovsky, University of Notre Dame  
*Reincarnation and Christianity: An Historical and Theological Overview*Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University  
*The Early Jesuit Critique of Rebirth: What Can We Learn from History?*Ankur Barua, University of Cambridge  
*Revisiting the Rationality of Reincarnation*Jonathan Edelmann, University of Florida  
*One-life and Many-life Theisms: A Philosophical Discussion*

Responding:

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

**P20-406****Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**Theme: **Spirituality and Pedagogy: An Intercultural Perspective**

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:15 PM

Ebenezer Baptist Church, Horizon Campus, 101 Jackson Street NE

All are welcome for a discussion of the teaching of spirituality in different international contexts, with a light reception to follow. Ebenezer Baptist Church is accessible by taxi and walking; free shuttles will be provided back to the Convention area after the session (tax-deductible contributions are welcome). Please visit [http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/annual\\_meeting/annual\\_meeting.html](http://sscs.press.jhu.edu/annual_meeting/annual_meeting.html) for more details on this program and earlier events, including a tour of the King Center; our afternoon program, "Exclusion and Embrace: The Challenge of Racism Today," with Miroslav Volf and Diana Hayes; and the Society dinner. For additional information, please contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at [ahouck@saintmarys.edu](mailto:ahouck@saintmarys.edu).

**P20-407****Søren Kierkegaard Society Banquet**

Friday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Paschal's Restaurant, 180-B Northside Drive SW

For more information or to register, please contact Carl Hughes at [chughes@tlu.edu](mailto:chughes@tlu.edu).

Panelist:

Rick A. Furtak, Colorado College

**P20-408****Society of Christian Philosophers**Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Christine Helmer's *Theology and the End of Doctrine***

Friday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-L401 (Lobby Level)

Andrew Chignell, Cornell University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jesse Couenhoven, Villanova University

Stephen T. Davis, Claremont McKenna College

Amber Griffioen, University of Konstanz

Jacqueline Marina, Purdue University

Responding:

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University

**A20-400****Film: *Un Prophète***

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

A young Arab man is sent to a French prison where he becomes a mafia kingpin.

Panelist:

Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary's University, Halifax

**A20-401****Films: The Howard Finster Legacy: Three Short Films about a Stranger from North Georgia and Other Planets (*I Can Feel Another Planet in my Soul, An End Time Interview with Howard Finster, and Paradise Garden: Howard Finster's Legacy*)**

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, Presiding

This session features three short documentary films about Howard Finster (1915/16–2001), probably the most celebrated contemporary folk, self-taught, outsider, and visionary artist of the last quarter of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The screening of the three films were made at three different periods in Finster's career and afterlife: 2001, 2001–2004, 2013–14 by three quite different filmmakers (Matt Nawada, music producer; David Fetcho and Susan English Felcho, the creative director of Foundlight TV; and Ava Leigh Steward and Jeremy Miller of ArtWest films). The screening of the films (about 50 minutes total) will be followed by a discussion with the filmmakers and Jordan Poole, Director of the Paradise Garden Foundation of Summerville GA, the group in charge of preserving Finster's greatest artwork, his multi-acre environmental simulacrum of the biblical Eden.

Panelists:

David Fetcho, New College, Berkeley

Susan Fetcho, New College, Berkeley

Ava Leigh Steward, ArtWest Films

Jeremy Miller, ArtWest Films

Matt Nawada, Stupid Genius LLC

Jordan Poole, Paradise Garden Foundation, Summerville, GA

Steven Pattie, Steven Pattie, Inc.



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### A20-402



#### Film: *Pariah*

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

A Brooklyn teenager juggles conflicting identities and risks friendship, heartbreak, and family in a desperate search for sexual expression.

Panelists:

Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary  
Samantha Curley, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA  
Chelsea McInturff, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA

### A20-403



#### Film: *Zen Noir*

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

A nameless “noir” detective, still mourning the loss of his wife, investigates a mysterious death in a Buddhist temple, but his logical, left-brained crime-solving skills are useless in the intuitive, non-linear world of Zen.

Panelist:

Edward Godfrey, Temple University

### A20-404



#### Film: *Al-Nisa: Black Muslim Women in Atlanta's Gay Mecca*

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Sponsored by the Afro-American Religious History Group, Contemporary Islam Group, Islam, Gender, and Women Group, Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group, Religion and Cities Group, Religion and Sexuality Group, Queer Studies in Religion Group, Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, and the Study of Islam Section

The film is a documentary of black women that filmmaker Red Summer brought together to discuss their triple identity as black Muslim lesbians.

Panelist:

Red Summer, Washington, DC

Responding:

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University  
Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina  
Aishah Shahidah Simmons, AfroLez Productions, Philadelphia, PA  
Farah Zeb, University of Exeter  
Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge

### A20-405



#### AAR and SBL Welcome Reception

Friday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-Atrium Ballroom (Atrium Level)

Come join the party with your friends and colleagues for fun and conversation at the AAR and SBL Members' Reception. Light refreshments, cash bar, and a DJ combine to make this a great way to catch up with old friends or dance the night away with new ones.

### M20-404



#### Feminist Studies in Religion Reception

Friday, 8:30 PM–10:30 PM

Hyatt-Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

### A21-1

#### Yoga Class

Saturday, 7:00 AM–8:00 AM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

Join us for a 50-minute energizing and wakening yoga class, appropriate to all levels of practitioners. Fun flow that will incorporate the whole body — stretching into the legs, releasing tension in the shoulders, opening up the heart with some gentle back bending. And, of course, a great playlist to get you ready for the day. Towels will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing.

### M21-1

#### Feminist Studies in Religion *JFSR* Editorial Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

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## P21-1

### Society for Hindu-Christian Studies Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Hilton-407 (Level 4)

## A21-2

### AAR New Members' Breakfast

Saturday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, Presiding

New (first-time) AAR members in 2015 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors. By invitation only.

## A21-3

### Regional Officers' Breakfast

Saturday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hyatt-Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

By invitation only. The AAR is happy to provide this opportunity for officers in the AAR's ten regions to network with one another and to hear reports from Regions Director Susan Hill and AAR staff about AAR Board actions and deliberations and regional initiatives being undertaken by the AAR.

## A21-4

### Mandala Sand Painting Opening Ceremony

Saturday, 8:30 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott-Imperial B (Marquis Level)



Tibetan Buddhist monks from Drepung Loseling Monastery will construct a Mandala Sand Painting Saturday, November 21 to Monday, November 23 in the Marriott Marquis Imperial B (Marquis Level) from 8:00 AM–7:00 PM.

From all the artistic traditions of Tantric Buddhism, that of painting

with colored sand ranks as one of the most exquisite. Millions of grains of sand are painstakingly laid into place on a flat platform over a period of days or weeks to form the image of a mandala.

Mandalas can be created in various media, such as watercolor on canvas, wood carvings, and so forth. However, the most spectacular and enduringly popular are those made from colored sand.

The mandala sand painting begins with an opening ceremony, during which the lamas consecrate the site. This is done by means of chanting, music and mantra recitation, and will be held on **Saturday, November 21, at 8:30 AM.**

The lamas begin the exhibit by drawing an outline of the mandala on the wooden platform. On the following days they lay the colored sands. Each monk holds a traditional metal funnel called a *chakpur* while running a metal rod on its grated surface. The vibration causes the sands to flow like liquid onto the platform.

## A21-100



### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **How to Establish and Maintain a Professional Online Presence**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This session on establishing and developing a professional online presence will include:

- How to set up and use social media accounts like Twitter, Instagram, and *Academia.edu*
- How to set up a website or weblog, with a focus on Wordpress and Tumblr platforms
- Conceptual framing for a website or weblog, including theme, mission, content, and editorial scope
- How to write, publish, and promote blog posts
- How to effectively and ethically share content with other websites and social media platforms

Panelist:

Emily Crews, University of Chicago

## P21-102

### North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Theory in a Time of Excess: The High Stakes of Identifying (with) One's Object of Study**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–10:50 AM

Hilton-311 (Level 3)

Something struck me in my shift from the disciplinary training of my Ph.D. — literary theory — to the discipline in which I now teach and write — religious studies. When I was working through my graduate studies and developing a research specialization in postcolonial and feminist theories, it seemed common knowledge that the only way to engage in a serious consideration of power dynamics and the ways in which race, gender, sexuality, capital, and other identifications intersect with those dynamics was to utilize “critical theory.” Specifically, what that moniker referred to — and what I still take it to mean in my own work — is a brand of inquiry following from Frankfurt School analysis that invites structural social critique rather than phenomenological or explanatory description. Where my own locus of identity studies and literary theory were concerned, this meant taking seriously the post-structuralist tools operationalized in the late 1960s and refusing to take for granted a natural or obvious relationship between the labels or concepts we use and what we take them to mean. What now seems to dominate identity studies in the academic study of religion, however, is that very explanatory description from which critical theorists have tried to turn away. In so many cases, scholars seem to suggest that a serious engagement of power dynamics and identity is, in fact, predicated upon a rejection of post-structuralist critique so as to take stock of “lived experiences” of marginalized groups. What accounts for this inversion, I suggest, is the relationship between scholars and their object of study. It is this relationship that I aim to explore in my paper.

Panelist:

Merinda Simmons, University of Alabama

Responding:

Jason Slone, Georgia Southern University

Martha Smith Roberts, University of California, Santa Barbara

Thomas Whitley, Florida State University

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Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

### A21-102



#### Arts, Film, Literature, Media, Popular Culture, Visual Culture, and Religion Cluster

Theme: *The Birth of a Nation a Century Later*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Derek Hicks, Wake Forest University, Presiding

The year 2015 marks the centenary of the release of D.W. Griffith's troubling cinematic masterpiece, *The Birth of a Nation*. Based on Thomas Dixon's racist novel *The Clansman*, Griffith raised the stakes of the cinematic arts through highly developed editing approaches and other technical advances. At the same time, the film retains many of the racist portrayals found in the novel. This raises questions about the relations of aesthetics and ethics, about visual representation, and about the ongoing connections of race and religions in the United States. This session will explore the film, its cultural context, and its aftermath by exploring related artistic productions and cultural movements connected with the film.

Panelist:

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia

Judith Weisenfeld, Princeton University

Rachel Lindsey, Washington University, Saint Louis

Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL

Business Meeting:

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, Presiding

### A21-103

#### Reformed Theology and History Group and Wesleyan Studies Group

Theme: *Arminius in Wesleyan and Reformed Traditions*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

John Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Susan Moudry, Baylor University

*Abhorrence, Appreciation, or Perhaps a Little of Both: Mr. Wesley's Commentary on Mr. Calvin*

David Hunsicker, Fuller Theological Seminary

*The Westminster Confession and the Possibility of a Reformed-Arminian Consensus*

Tamara Lewis, Southern Methodist University

*Wesley's Legacy: Early Modern English Reformed and Arminian Counter-Narratives of Literary and Racial Blackness*

### A21-104

#### Ritual Studies Group

Theme: *Etiquette and Religion*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christopher Jensen, McMaster University, Presiding

Kim Ridealgh, University of East Anglia

*Talking to God: Facework and Amun(-Ra) in Ancient Egypt*

Christopher Handy, McMaster University

*Indian Buddhist Lavatory Rituals and the Aesthetics of Etiquette in Early India*

Peder Gedda, University of British Columbia

*On the Quest for Divine Manners: The Sikh Khalsa and the Eighteenth Century Codification of Religious Etiquette in North India*

Hans Harmakaputra, Boston College

*Between Etiquette and Religious Precept: A Comparison of the Islamic Discourse of Shaking Hands between the Sexes in the United States of America and Indonesia*

### A21-105



#### Theological Education Committee

Theme: *Intersectionality in Theological Education: Continuing the Conversation*

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

This session deepens a crucial conversation begun in the 2015 Spotlight on Theological Education titled, "Intersectionality in Theological Education: Engaging Complexity, Activism, and Multiple Consciousness." Several contributors to the Spotlight will be joined by others to engage in dialogue with one another and with attendees about the ways intersectionality shapes research, teaching, and advocacy in theological education.

Panelists:

Nancy J. Ramsay, Brite Divinity School

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion

Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College

Traci C. West, Drew University

Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University

Maaraidzo Mutambara, Africa University

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**A21-106****Women's Lounge Roundtable**Theme: **Cultivating Minds: New Directions in Feminist Pedagogy**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Marcelle Grano, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

Feminist pedagogy transforms students from passive recipients of knowledge to active agents of social change. This year the AAR/SBL Women's Caucus is again collaborating with the Feminist Liberation Theologian's Network (FLTNT). Caucus panelists will offer fresh perspectives on feminist pedagogy when educating students or religious communities about feminist theology and the arts, the theme of the 2015 FLTNT session. Panelists from this Women's Caucus session will attend the pre-conference FLTNT session on Friday afternoon, and the Caucus session on Saturday morning will continue the conversation. Panelists will include reflections on the FLTNT session in their presentations, as well as present their own work. A representative from the FLTNT session will be a responder at this Women's Caucus session.

Kathryn Common, Boston University

*Forging Voice: Feminist Theology, Theopoetics and Film*

Meredith Minister, Shenandoah University

*Trigger Warnings in the Feminist Religious Studies Classroom*

Marsha Thrall, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

*"What's Going On?" Using Music and Feminist Pedagogy to Bridge Racial and Class Divides between Congregations***A21-107****Buddhism Section**Theme: **Formations of Doctrine in Buddhist Modernity**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Jason Josephson, Williams College, Presiding

Eyal Aviv, George Washington University

*A Well-Reasoned Dharma: Buddhist Logic in Republican China*

Jimmy Yu, Florida State University

*Chan as Dependent on Words and Language: A New "Doctrinal Classification" (Panjiao) within Chan Buddhism*

Hwansoo Kim, Duke University

*Propagation (Pogyo) as a Site of Buddhist Governmentality in Colonial Korean Buddhism (1910–1945)*

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado, and Baimacuo Baimacuo, Southwest Nationalities University

*Buddhist Modernism and Ethical Reform on the Tibetan Plateau: New Articulations of Non-Violence***A21-108****Comparative Studies in Religion Section**Theme: **Mothers, Motherhood, and the Maternal Body in****Comparative Contexts II**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

David Mozina, Boston College, Presiding

Vijaya Nagarajan, University of San Francisco

*Mothering Tamil Daughters in Hindu Mythology, Ritual, and Everyday Life*

Kyrh Daniels, Harvard University

*Ritual Centers and Love Turned Sour: Mothers' Rooted Births and Spiritual Vulnerability in Haiti and the Democratic Republic of Congo*

Vasiliki Limberis, Temple University

*"...Through a Glass Darkly," Cappadocian Motherhood*

Kimberley C. Patton, Harvard University

*Motherhood and Micro-Chimeras: The Challenge of Dyadic Identity*

Responding:

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College

Business Meeting:

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University, and Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College, Presiding

**A21-109****Ethics Section**Theme: **Black Lives Matter: The Ethics and Politics of Contemporary Protest**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Christophe D. Ringer, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Daniel A. Morris, Augustana College

*Eric Garner on the Jericho Road: Just War Thought, Police Brutality, and Black Resistance*

Rima Vesely-Flad, Warren Wilson College

*Faith in Ferguson: Grassroots Challenges to the U.S. Penal State*

Sallie M. Cuffee, Medgar Evers College

*The Brooklyn African American Clergywomen Oral History Project: Engendering Ethical Discourse Among Clergywomen, the Black Church, and Male Leadership*

Melanie Jones, Chicago Theological Seminary

*Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me 'Round: The Politics of Embodied Protest from Selma to Ferguson*

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## A21-110

### Philosophy of Religion Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

Theme: **Between Philosophy and a Phenomenological Hard Place: New Materialism as a Methodology in the Study of Religion**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Panelists:

Sonia Hazard, Duke University

Peter Anthony Mena, Phillips Theological Seminary

Karen Bray, Drew University

Hillary Kaell, Concordia University, Montreal

Responding:

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University

## A21-111



### Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Ecclesial Practices Group

Theme: **Can Ethnography Serve Theological Purposes?**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Gerardo Marti, Davidson College, Presiding

Panelists:

Luke Bretherton, Duke University

Jeffery L. Tribble, Columbia Theological Seminary

Kathleen Jenkins, College of William and Mary

James Spickard, University of Redlands

## A21-112

### Religion in South Asia Section and Hinduism Group

Theme: **Proclaiming Power: The Ritual Uses of Flags in South Asia**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

David Brick, Yale University, Presiding

Marko Geslani, Emory University

*An Omen Made to Please: Military and Astrological Sources of Indra's Banner*

Ellen Gough, Emory University

*Even the Gods Worship the Jina: The History of the Jain Festival of Indra*

Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin

*Royal Flags, Standards, and Pillars (Dhvaja) in the Late Malla Period of Nepal*

Michael C. Baltutis, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

*The Public Life of a Royal Scribe: Displaying Indra's Flag in Eighteenth Century Kathmandu*

Responding:

Richard H. Davis, Bard College

## A21-113



### Teaching Religion Section and North American Hinduism Group

Theme: **Teaching About Hinduism through Dance and Embodied Knowledge**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presiding

Arthi Devarajan, University of Miami

*An Embodied Appeal: Indian Dance and Theory-Practice Learning as an Invitation to the Religious Studies Classroom*

Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina, Asheville

*Utilizing Embodied Pedagogy to Explore Textual Authority in Relation to Practice and Sensing the Hindu Gods*

Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Middlebury College

*Embodied Transformations: The Creative Possibilities of Dancing Krishna in an American College Classroom*

Sasikala Penumarthi, Academy of Kuchipudi Dance, Duluth, GA

*Angabhinayam: Conveying Emotion and Aesthetics through the Dancing Body*

Responding:

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Michael Altman, University of Alabama, Presiding

## A21-114



### Theology and Religious Reflection Section

Theme: **Opportunities and Challenges of Teaching Islamic Studies in Theological Seminaries**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Nazila Isgandarova, University of Toronto

Munir Jiwa, Graduate Theological Union

Jerusha Lampsey, Union Theological Seminary

Nevin Reda, University of Toronto

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Feryal Salem, Hartford Seminary  
Ermin Sinanovic, International Institute of Islamic Thought,  
Herndon, VA

Responding:

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

## A21-115



### Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group and SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section, and SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

Theme: **Honoring the Scholarship of Randall Bailey**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Eric Thomas, Drew University

Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame

## A21-116



### Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group

Theme: **Buddhist Responses to Religious Pluralism**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Francisca Cho, Georgetown University, Presiding

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire  
*Religious Diversity: Finding the Real Questions*

Douglas S. Duckworth, Temple University  
*Buddhism and Beyond: The Question of Pluralism*

Rachel Pang, Davidson College  
*The Contemporary Relevance of Shabkar's (1781–1851) Response to Religious Pluralism*

Abraham Velez de Cea, Eastern Kentucky University  
*Are Buddhist Supremacist Claims Really Buddhist?*

Responding:

Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, and Grace G. Burford,  
Prescott College, Presiding

## A21-117

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### Chinese Religions Group

Theme: **Sending Off the Dead: Funerary and Burial Practices in China**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Mark Halperin, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Keith Knapp, The Citadel

*Clay Roosters Cannot Lord over Mornings: The Religious Aspects of Austere Burials in Early Medieval China*

Claire Yi Yang, University of California, Berkeley  
*Death Ritual of the Tang Dynasty (618–907): Time, Space, and Family*

Fan Zhang, Florida State University  
*Afterlife Matters: Burial Practices and Ancestral Rites in Twelfth-Century Pingyang*

Karin Myhre, University of Georgia  
*Disposition of the Dead: The Corpse and the Spirit in Chinese Dramas*

Benjamin Brose, University of Michigan  
*Xuanzang, Psychopomp: Journey to the West as Mortuary Rite*

## A21-118

### Cognitive Science of Religion Group

Theme: **Morality Without Religion: Empathy, Fairness, and Prosocial Primates**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Dimitris Xygalatas, University of Connecticut, Presiding

Dr. Frans B. M. de Waal is one of the world's leading primatologists, known for his work on the behavior and social intelligence of primates. His book, *The Bonobo and the Atheist*, examines the origins and evolution of morality and the role of religion in human society. He is C. H. Candler Professor in the Psychology Department of Emory University and Director of the Living Links Center at the Yerkes National Primate Center, in Atlanta. He has been elected to the National Academy of Sciences (US), the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences. In 2007, he was selected by *Time* as one of The Worlds' 100 Most Influential People Today, and in 2011 by *Discover* as among 47 (all time) Great Minds of Science.

Panelist:

Frans de Waal, Emory University

Responding:

Sarah Brosnan, Georgia State University

Robert N. McCauley, Emory University

Edward Slingerland, University of British Columbia

Azim Shariff, University of Oregon

Frans de Waal, Emory University

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**A21-119**



## Contemplative Studies Group

Theme: **Listening Closely: Toward an Interdisciplinary Ethnographic Neuroscience of Contemplative Practice**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Jeffrey C. Ruff, Marshall University, Presiding

Michael Spezio, Scripps College  
*"Bridge Laws" and the "Neural Encoding" of Mindfulness: Ethnographic Neuroscience and Opportunities for Interdisciplinary Contemplative Studies*

Jennifer Mascaro, Emory University  
*The Neural Mediators of Kindness-based Meditation*

Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Emory University  
*Contemplative Science, Secular Ethics, and the Lojong Tradition: A Case Study*

Jeffrey Stephen Lidke, Berry College  
*The Potential of the Bi-Directional Gaze: A Call for Neuroscientific Research on the Activation of the Autonomic Nervous System through Tantric Practice*

Responding:

Andrea Hollingsworth, Boston University

Business Meeting:

Louis Komjathy, University of San Diego, and Anne C. Klein, Rice University, Presiding

**A21-120**

## Contemporary Islam Group

Theme: **Rethinking Muslim Politics**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Edith Szanto, American University of Iraq, Presiding

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston  
*Every Place is Karbala: Muslim Reflections on Cosmopolitanism, Modernity, and Imperialism*

Mashal Saif, Clemson University  
*Insulting Muhammad: State, Sovereignty, and Pakistan's Blasphemy Law Controversy*

Nadeem Mahomed, University of Johannesburg  
*The Ahmadi Cases: Religion and Identity in Apartheid South Africa*

Mohamed Shaid Mathee, University of Johannesburg  
*What Is ISIS's Link to the Muslim Religious-Intellectual Tradition?*

Emann Allebban, McGill University

*What is Islamic in Islamic Political Theology? A Genealogy of Reformist Discourses on the Political and the Theological*

Responding:

Mohammad Fadel, University of Toronto

**A21-121**



## Contemporary Pagan Studies Group

Theme: **Valuing Paganism in Public and Open Spaces**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Gwendolyn Reece, American University  
*Pagan Clergy and Leaders: A Quantitative Snapshot*

Daniela Cordovil, Pará State University  
*Political Engagement of Feminist and Ecological Pagans: A Comparison between Brazil and Portugal*

Clara Schoonmaker, Syracuse University  
*The Fight for the Pentacle: Pagans, Veterans, and the Limitations of American Religious Pluralism*

Paul B. Rucker, Minneapolis, MN, and Alison Beyer, Cherry Hill Seminary  
*Creating Sacred Space with Art Exhibitions: Another Approach to Interfaith Work*

Responding:

Shawn Arthur, Wake Forest University

Business Meeting:

Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding

**A21-122**

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION



## Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group

Theme: **Genealogies of Religion and Affect**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Tam Parker, University of the South, Presiding

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina  
*David Hume on the Passions, Affect, and Religion*

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Heterogeneity and/as Affect in Georges Bataille's Sacred Sociology*

Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Adorno, Aesthetic Experience, and The Shuddering Subject*

Christine Libby, Indiana University  
*Melancholic Lovesickness in Pre-Modern Religious Literature*

Responding:

J. Barton Scott, Montana State University

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**A21-123****Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**

Theme: **Religious and Theological Reflections on Kathi Weeks's *The Problem with Work: Feminism, Marxism, Antiwork Politics, and Postwork Imaginaries* (Duke University Press, 2011)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Sarah Bloesch, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Panelists:

Kathryn Blanchard, Alma College

Susannah Laramie Kidd, ACLS Public Fellow, Los Angeles County Arts Commission

Julie Mavity Maddalena, Brooks School

Kevin Minister, Shenandoah University

Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

Responding:

Kathi Weeks, Duke University

**A21-124****Gay Men and Religion Group**

Theme: **Progress and Perils in the Queer-Evangelical Sea Change**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Deborah Jian Lee, Beacon Press, Chicago, IL, Presiding



Deborah  
Jian Lee

David P.  
Gushee

Richard Cizik

Joshua Wolff

Haven Herrin

Paul Southwick

This roundtable will examine the complex shift toward LGBTQ acceptance among certain evangelical communities, specifically exploring the areas of evangelicalism where the most robust conversations and transformations are taking place.

Panelists:

David P. Gushee, Mercer University

Richard Cizik, New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good, Oak Ridge, TN

Joshua Wolff, Adler University

Haven Herrin, Soulforce, Abilene, TX

Paul Southwick, On God's Campus

**A21-125****Law, Religion, and Culture Group**

Theme: **Co-Editors Meet Critics: Sullivan, Hurd and Mahmood, *Politics of Religious Freedom* (University of Chicago Press, 2015)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Noah Salomon, Carleton College, Presiding

Panelists:

Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University

Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University

Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley

Responding:

Laura Dudley Jenkins, University of Cincinnati

M. Christian Green, Emory University

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside

Elizabeth Ann Pritchard, Bowdoin College

Business Meeting:

Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University, Presiding

**A21-126****Liberation Theologies Group and Contingent Faculty Task Force**

Theme: **Liberation and Charlatanry in Academia**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

To approach the questions of knowledge, its production, institutions of knowledge, and the role of education in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, this session explores both the challenges illuminated by contemporary events — such as the struggle at General Theological Seminary that was widely reported in the *New York Times* and elsewhere — and creative approaches for responding to today's institutional and educational needs. From critical analyses of contingent labor and student debt through proposals for innovative pedagogy and formation, the papers offer provocative views on some of the central questions facing theological education today.

Jennifer Buck, Azusa Pacific University  
*The Adjunctification of Christian Higher Education*

Cláudio Carvalhaes, McCormick Theological Seminary  
*We Have Always Been a Farce: The Good Savage and the Demonic Cannibal*

Joshua Davis, New York, NY  
*Formation and Resistance: Rethinking Seminary Education as a "Seedbed" of Social Transformation*

Hollis Phelps, University of Mount Olive  
*The Illegitimacy of Student Loan Debt: Toward a Liberative Theology of Resistance and Refusal*

Cassie Trentaz, Warner Pacific College  
*Cultivating and Sustaining a Damn: Hope-Mongering and Choosing What to Learn, What Not to Learn, and How to Go about It in the Grit of a Twenty-First century Urban, Diverse, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Classroom*

Business Meeting:

Hannah Hofheinz, Harvard University, Presiding

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**A21-127**



## Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group

Theme: **Women and the Reformation**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Austra Reinis, Missouri State University  
*The Historia vom Leiden, Sterben, Auferstehung vnd Himelfart Christi of Margarethe, Princess of Anhalt (1473–1530)*

Arnfridur Gudmundsdottir, University of Iceland  
*Katharina Zell and the Role of Experience in Her Theological Endeavors*

Terra Rowe, Drew University  
*Disorientation and Envelopment: An Aesthetic Interpretation of Luther's "Freedom of a Christian"*

Mary Philip, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, Wilfrid Laurier University  
*Dandelions, Thistles, Lotuses*

Responding:

Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Vitor Westhelle, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, and Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

**A21-128**



## Middle Eastern Christianity Group

Theme: **Modern Arab Christianity and the Complexity of Identity**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, Presiding

Hiroko Miyokawa, National Institutes for the Humanities, Tokyo, Japan  
*Modern Sons of Pharaohs? Racism, Pharaonism, and the Copts in Early Twentieth Century Egypt*

Stanley John, Alliance Theological Seminary  
*Migrant Vulnerabilities that Shape Migrant Religious Experience: Kerala Christians in Kuwait*

Melanie Trexler, Valparaiso University  
*Arab and Baptist? Creating Identities in Washington, D.C.*

Alistair Hunter, University of Edinburgh

Fiona McCallum, University of Saint Andrews  
*Stick or Twist? The Tradition/Innovation Dilemma Facing Diasporic Middle Eastern Churches in Competitive Religious Marketplaces*

Business Meeting:

Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union, and Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

**A21-129**



## Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Group

Theme: **Virtue Ethics as a Lens on Moral Injury: Possibilities and Limits**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Rita Brock, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Brian Powers, Emory University  
*Distorted Willing and Moral Injury: Augustine and the Wounded Combatant*

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University  
*Moral Injury as the Undoing of Virtue*

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University  
*The Dissonance and Injury of Moral Clarity (and the Moral Freedom of Dissonance): On the Inevitability of Moral Injury in Virtue-Ethical Frameworks*

Kate Ward, Boston College  
*Moral Injury and Virtue Ethics: Understanding the Moral Impact of Poverty*

Business Meeting:

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University, and Rita Brock, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

**A21-130**

## New Religious Movements Group

Theme: **Theorizing the Study of New Religions**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Jeremy Rapport, College of Wooster, Presiding

Ata Anzali, Middlebury College  
*The Making of a New Religious Movement in Iran: The Case of "Inter-Universal Mysticism" (Irfan-i Kayhani)*

Eileen Barker, London School of Economics and Political Science  
*The Method-Illlogical Limits of Sociological Enquiry? Inclusiveness and Exclusiveness in "The Cult Scene"*

Jennifer Hahn, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Theorizing Contemporary American Spirituality: Alcoholics Anonymous, A Case Study*

Song-Chong Lee, University of Findlay  
*The Violence of the Sinchunji Church and the Entrepreneurial Model*

Responding:

David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery

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**A21-131****Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Group**

Theme: **After Marie Griffith's *God's Daughters* (University of California Press, 1997): Narrating the Power of Submission in Contemporary Pentecostalism**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Leah Payne, George Fox University, Presiding

Panelists:

Kate Bowler, Duke University

Margaret Bendroth, Congregational Library and Archives, Boston, MA

Elaine Lawless, University of Missouri

Arlene Sanchez Walsh, Azusa Pacific University

Catherine Brekus, Harvard University

Marla Frederick, Harvard University

Responding:

R. Marie Griffith, Washington University, Saint Louis

Business Meeting:

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

**A21-132****Qur'an Group**

Theme: **The Qur'an Translated and Performed**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)

Kristin Sands, Sarah Lawrence College, Presiding

SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College

*Qur'an Translations and Commentaries in South Asia*

Shankar Nair, University of Virginia

*A Hindu Qur'an? Sanskrit-to-Persian Translation as Qur'anic Commentary in Mughal South Asia*

Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha

*"For People Who Understand": Chinese Translation as Interpretation of the Qur'an*

Tehseen Thaver, Bard College

*Performing the Qur'an: Text, Ritual, and Religious Identity in Medieval Islam*

Responding:

Travis Zadeh, Haverford College

Business Meeting:

Walid Saleh, University of Toronto, and Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

**A21-133****Religion and Science Fiction Group**

Theme: **Cthulhu's Many Tentacles**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

George Faithful, Seton Hall University, Presiding

Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College

*Altar Call of Cthulhu: Religion in H.P. Lovecraft's Cthulhu Mythos*

David McConeghy, Chapman University

*The Monstrous Other: Enchantment and Secularism in the Cthulhu Mythos*

Justin Mullis, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

*Playing Games with the Great Old Ones: A Look at Ritual, Play, and "Recreational Religion" in the Cthulhu Mythos Fandom*

Jeremy Hanes, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Oh R'yleh? Internet Performances and the Parodic Potential of the Cthulhu Aesthetic*

Responding:

Laura Ammon, Appalachian State University

Business Meeting:

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

**A21-134****Religion in Europe Group**

Theme: **Muslim Identity and European Media from the Danish Muhammad Cartoons to *Charlie Hebdo***

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Kocku von Stuckrad, University of Groningen, Presiding

Jennifer Veninga, Saint Edward's University

*Je Suis Charlie, Je Suis Ahmed, Je Suis Jyllands-Posten: Identities and Solidarities Ten Years after the Danish Cartoon Crisis*

Carol Ferrara, Boston University

*Je (Ne) Suis (Pas) Charlie: French Muslim Identity Politics in the Aftermath of the Charlie Hebdo Attacks*

Kirsten Wesselhoeft, Harvard University

*On the "Front Lines" of the Classroom: Muslim and Non-Muslim Media Representations of State Pedagogy in the Aftermath of the January 2015 Paris Attacks*

Matthew Robinson, Northwestern University

*European Tolerance: A Fragile Treasure?*

Business Meeting:

Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University, Presiding

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**A21-135**



## Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

Theme: **Latin American and Caribbean Christianities: Evangelization, Repentance, Conversion, and Public Religion**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Jessica Delgado, Princeton University, Presiding

Kelsey Moss, Princeton University  
*Instructions in Faith: Constructing Religious and Racial Difference through Evangelizing Discourse in the Early Americas*

Ann Hidalgo, Claremont School of Theology  
*A Church Covering Itself in Ashes: Repenting for Sins against the Indigenous Peoples of Brazil*

Nathaniel Samuel, Saint Thomas University  
*The Flower Festivals of Saint Lucia: Exploring the Significance of the Creative Imagination in Caribbean Religiosity and Theology*

Brandon Bayne, University of North Carolina  
*"Willy Nilly Baptisms" and "Chichimeca" Freedoms: Ambivalent Rituals and the 1695 O'dham Revolt*

Business Meeting:

Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia, Presiding

**A21-136**



## Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group

Theme: **Monasticism: Body, Community, and the State**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

Maria Heim, Amherst College, Presiding

Antoinette DeNapoli, University of Wyoming  
*Gender, Monasticism, and the Reimagining of Sangha in Indian Traditions of Renunciation: Hindu Sadhus' Creation of Women's-Only Mandals in Rajasthan*

Amy P. Langenberg, Eckerd College  
*Blood Matters: A Comparison of Female Impurity in Chinese and Indian Monastic Buddhism*

Ann Heirman, Ghent University  
*Bodily Care in Buddhist Monastic Life of Ancient India and China: An Advancing Purity Threshold*

Chengzhong Pu, Leiden University  
*State Intervention in Buddhist Ordination in Early History of Chinese Buddhism*

Responding:

James Robson, Harvard University

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Business Meeting:

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, and Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University, Presiding

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## Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

Theme: **Assessment and Future Trajectories in the Study of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding: A Panel Discussion of the Oxford Handbook of Religion, Conflict, and Peacebuilding (2015)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Panelists:

Scott Appleby, University of Notre Dame

Susan Hayward, Georgetown University, United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.

Slavica Jakelic, Valparaiso University

John Kelsay, Florida State University

David Little, Harvard University

Cecelia Lynch, University of California, Irvine

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia

Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

Business Meeting:

Lane Van Ham, Metropolitan Community College, Penn Valley, Presiding

**A21-138**

**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**



## Schleiermacher Group

Theme: **Schleiermacher and Contemporary Constructive Theology: Christine Helmer's *Theology and the End of Doctrine* (Westminster John Knox Press, 2014)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Shelli Poe, Millsaps College, Presiding

Bruce L. McCormack, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Barth, Schleiermacher, and Constructive Theology Today*

Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University  
*Schleiermacher's Writing as Spiritual Exercise: The Speeches and the Christmas Dialogue*

Christine Helmer, Northwestern University  
*Theology after the End of Doctrine*

Business Meeting:

Shelli Poe, Millsaps College, and Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

**A21-139****Vatican II Studies Group**

Theme: **Catholicism vis-à-vis Modernity and Beyond: Religious Liberty, Other Faiths and “Signs of the Times”**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Kathleen Cummings, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Francesca Cadeddu, John XXIII Foundation for Religious Sciences, Bologna

*Debate on Religious Freedom in the Light of Dignitatis Humanae and Its Reception*

Nancy Dallavalle, Fairfield University

*The Risk of Catholicity: Dignitatis Humanae Comes to the Synod on the Family*

Jutta Sperber, University of Rostock

*The Debate on Religious Liberty in the Context of Catholic-Muslim Dialogue*

Dries Bosschaert, University of Leuven

*Beyond Meeting the Modern World: The Diffusion of Louvain Christian Anthropology Between Malines and Zürich (September 1963–February 1964)*

Eugene Schlesinger, Marquette University

*Saecula Saeculorum: Church and World in Gaudium et Spes*

Responding:

Massimo Faggioli, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota

Business Meeting:

Peter De Mey, University of Leuven, Presiding

**A21-140**

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**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

Theme: **Womanist and Black Feminist Responses to Tyler Perry's Productions**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College, Presiding

Panelists:

Tamura A. Lomax, Virginia Commonwealth University

Carol B. Duncan, Wilfrid Laurier University

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University

Nyasha Junior, Howard University

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary

Lisa M. Allen, Interdenominational Theological Center

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University

**A21-141 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**

*New!*

**Chinese Christianities Seminar**

Theme: **Crossing Regional Boundaries**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jonathan Tan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding

Christopher D Sneller, King's College London

*The Role of Union Theological Seminary (New York) in Indigenizing Christianity in Twentieth-Century China*

Stephanie Wong, Georgetown University

*Towards A Responsive Urbanizing Church: Chinese Catholics Crossing the Rural-Urban Boundary*

Mu-tien Chiou, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

*Pluralism and Christian Ecumenism: A Theological Reflection on Post-Sunflower Movement Taiwan*

Di Kang, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

*Historiography and Community Identity: Hong Kong Christians and the Recording of the 2014 Pro-Democracy Protest*

Justin Tse, University of Washington

*A Tale of Three Bishops: Chineseness and the Global City in Vancouver's Anglican Realignment*

Responding:

Jonathan A. Seitz, Taiwan Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Alexander Chow, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

**A21-142 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION**

*New!*

**New Perspectives on Religion in the Philippines Seminar**

Theme: **New Perspectives on Contested Communities and Religious Organizations in the Modern Philippines**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Deirdre de la Cruz, University of Michigan, Presiding

Arun W. Jones, Emory University

*Filipino Protestantism under American Colonial Rule*

Marybeth Acac, Temple University

*Migrating South: American Sponsored Christian Settlements in Mindanao*

Scott MacLochlainn, University of Michigan

*Of Corporations and Congregations: A Christian Schism in the Philippines*

Alexander Blechschmidt, University of Zurich

*“Keep Your Theology Out of My Biology”: The Catholic Church, Reproductive Health and the Socio-Political Dimension of Organized Nonreligion in the Philippines*

Business Meeting:

Adrian Hermann, University of Hamburg, Presiding

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## P21-103



### Colloquium on Violence and Religion

Theme: **René Girard and Catherine Keller: Engaging Process Cosmology and Mimetic Theory**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

Thomas Ryba, University of Notre Dame and Purdue University, Presiding

COV&R is an international association founded in 1990 which is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard's mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture.

Katelynn Carver, University of Saint Andrews  
*No Thing Outside: Affirming an Interconnected Reality to Reverse Patterns of Violence within a Whiteheadian-Girardian Paradigm*

Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa  
*An Unfathomable God: Mimesis, Apocalypse, and the Process Theology of Catherine Keller*

Responding:

Daniel London, Graduate Theological Union

Business Meeting:

A brief meeting to plan the 2016 COV&R sessions at the AAR will conclude Session I.

## P21-104



### Karl Barth Society of North America

Theme: **Book Panel**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)

Garrett Green, Connecticut College, Presiding

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Kevin Diller, Taylor University  
*Barth and Rationality according to D. Paul La Montagne*

D. Paul La Montagne, Presbytery of New Brunswick  
*Theology's Epistemological Dilemma according to Kevin Diller*

## P21-105



### Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

Theme: **God and Evil in Hindu and Christian Theology, Myth, and Practice**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-407 (Level 4)

Lance Nelson, University of San Diego, Presiding

Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University  
*Hindu Disproves of God: The Sāṃkhya Sūtras on God's Psychology and the Problem of Evil*

Rico Gabriel Monge, University of San Diego  
*The Good and the Bad, the Beautiful and the Ugly: An Eastern Orthodox Perspective on Theodicy*

Lance Nelson, University of San Diego  
*Creation, God, and Evil in Plotinus, Augustine, Śaṅkara, and Abhinavagupta*

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University  
*From 'Angry Curse' to 'Poetic Verse': Aspects of Good and Evil in Bhakti Traditions*

Lavanya Vemsani, Shawnee State University  
*Narasimha, No Boundaries: Evil and Good in Myth and Practice*

James Ponniah, University of Madras  
*Subaltern Encounter of Evil: Subverting the Dominant and Appropriating the Indigenous*

Business Meeting:

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

## P21-106

### Søren Kierkegaard Society

Theme: **Kierkegaard and Religious Belief**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M101 (Marquis Level)

J. Aaron Simmons, Furman University, Presiding

Kevin Hart, University of Virginia  
*Spiritual Acoustics*

Genia Schönbaumsfeld, University of Southampton  
*Conceptual Schemes, Existence Spheres and Forms of Life*

Jeffrey Hanson, Fitzroy, Australia  
*Response to Hart and Schönbaumsfeld*

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**P21-109****Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**Theme: **Presidential Address and Annual Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton–Georgia 10 (Level 1)

Claire Wolfeich, Boston University, Presiding

9:00 AM–10:15 AM - 2014 Presidential Address

Lisa E. Dahill, California Lutheran University

*Into Local Waters: Rewilding the Study of Christian Spirituality*

10:30 AM–11:30 AM - Annual Meeting All are welcome.

For more information on the Society and its events, please visit

<https://sscs.press.jhu.edu> or contact Anita Houck, Secretary, at [ahouck@saintmarys.edu](mailto:ahouck@saintmarys.edu).**P21-110****Polanyi Society**Theme: **Symposium on Thomas Pfau's *Minding the Modern: Human Agency, Intellectual Traditions, and Responsible Knowledge* (Notre Dame Press, 2015)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

Andrew Grosso, Nashotah House Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Martin X. Moleski, Canisius College

Philip Rolnick, University of Saint Thomas

Responding:

Thomas Pfau, Duke University

Business Meeting:

David Rutledge, Furman University, Presiding

**P21-111****Niebuhr Society**Theme: **From Ferguson to Charleston and Beyond: Race and Niebuhrian Ethics in the Age of Obama**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton–Capitol North (Level 1)

Mark Douglas, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Niebuhr Society Business Meeting will follow the discussion.

Panelists:

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary

Gary J. Dorrien, Columbia University, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

James H. Cone, Union Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

K. Healan Gaston, Harvard University, Presiding

**P21-107****Society for Buddhist–Christian Studies**Theme: **Buddhist and Ignatian Spiritualities: Points of Intersection and Dialogue**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt–Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Sandra Costen Kunz, Trinity Theological Seminary, Legon, Ghana, Presiding

In Buddhist traditions we find various forms of meditative practice that lead an individual through an inner transformation in stages of development to a life of wisdom and compassion that reaches out to other beings. Among the forms of contemplation found in the Christian tradition, the Ignatian path of The Spiritual Exercises describes different stages culminating in the Contemplation on Divine Love, which grounds the practitioner in a life of selfless dedication to the service of others. This panel will highlight points of intersection and dialogue between Buddhist and Ignatian contemplative practices and spiritualities, seeking deeper appreciation of aspects of each in light of the other, with possible implications for our current lives and world.

Panelists:

Sarita Tamayo–Moraga, Santa Clara University

Andre L. Delbecq, Santa Clara University

Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University

Responding:

Karen Enriquez, Xavier University

11:30 AM Business Meeting:

Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, Presiding

**P21-108****Adventist Society of Religious Studies Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt–International North (International Tower Level LL1)

**9:00 AM – Adventism Addresses the Public Square**

Ben Baker, General Conference Archives

*Seen through a Glass Darkly: Taking Steps to Be Seen As We Are***9:20 AM – Ellen White in the Public Square****Panel Discussion of *Ellen Harmon White: American Prophet*;**

Bonnie Dwyer, Adventist Spectrum, Presiding

Panelists:

Ted Levterov, Loma Linda University

Michael W. Campbell, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies

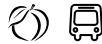
Terrie Aamodt, Walla Walla University

Gil Valentine, La Sierra University

**11:00 AM – Worship**William Johnsson, 1<sup>st</sup> President of ASRS (1979), sermon*Leaving the Comfort Zone: From John the Baptist to Jesus*

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A21-143



## High Museum of Art Tour and Optional Tour of Bill Arnett's Warehouse of African American Vernacular Art

Saturday, 9:30 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, and Susan Crawley, Former Curator of Folk Art at High Museum of Art, Atlanta, Presiding

See page 8 for details.

P21-112



## Society of Christian Philosophers

Theme: **The Testimony of the Spirit**

Saturday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton-313 (Level 3)

R. Douglas Geivett, Biola University, Presiding

This session features three speakers addressing the Christian doctrine of the testimony of the Spirit. They have authored chapters for a forthcoming volume of new cross-disciplinary essays on the doctrine of *The Testimony of the Spirit* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming).

Paul W. Gooch, University of Toronto  
*Conscience and the Voice of God*

C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University  
*Moral Guidance and the Testimony of the Spirit*

Craig A. Evans, Acadia Divinity College  
*Divine Testimony in the New Testament*

A21-144



## Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Dealing with The Dossier: A Proactive Approach to Documenting Your Teaching**

Saturday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This roundtable is geared towards graduate students at any stage of their studies who intend on eventually applying to academic jobs. One key aspect of the application process is “the teaching dossier,” which consists of your statement of teaching philosophy, along with documentation of the efficacy of your approach. Utilized for honing and showcasing effectiveness as an educator, the teaching dossier is a vital tool for ongoing professional development.

We will explore the process of articulating a teaching philosophy, and avenues of proactively procuring documentation of your teaching at every stage of your studies.

Panelist:

Raj Balkaran, University of Calgary

P21-113

## North American Association for the Study of Religion Business Meeting

Saturday, 11:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton-311 (Level 3)

A21-145



## Plenary Panel: Racial Injustice and Religious Response from Selma to Ferguson

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding



Imani Perry



Cornel West



Ruby Nell Sales

The annual meeting focuses on “Valuing the Study of Religion,” which includes pondering how religion has been valued — and devalued — in public spaces. Addressing a variety of social spaces from the legislature to the streets, this panel analyzes religious responses to racial injustice. In 2015, the fiftieth anniversary of the historic march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, attending to injustice seems more morally urgent than ever. Considering both the historical trajectory that led us to this painful moment and the religious resources activists have employed, this conversation brings together notable voices to offer their assessments of the contemporary situation. Ruby Sales, the human rights activist and public theologian who joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in the 1960s and later founded a non-profit organization dedicated to “racial, economic, and social justice,” will join Cornel West, distinguished religion scholar and democratic intellectual, in a conversation with Professor Imani Perry, a celebrated scholar of African American Studies and Law who has written eloquently about racial injustice and “pathways to freedom, equality, and enriched democracy.”

Panelists:

Imani Perry, Princeton University

Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary

Ruby Nell Sales, SpiritHouse Project, Atlanta, GA

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**A21-146****Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee**Theme: **Roundtable Lunch**

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Patrick S. Cheng, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

All students and junior scholars who identify outside of normative gender histories and/or sexualities are welcome to join us for an informal lunch. No fee or preregistration is required. Please bring your own lunch; a cash-and-carry station will be available near the room for those wishing to buy their lunches onsite. The roundtable leaders listed were confirmed attendees as of April; other senior scholars in the field may be joining us as well.

Roundtable Leaders:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

Anna Blaedel, Drew University

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

Jennifer Harvey, Drake University

Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University

Randall Miller, Arcus Foundation, New York, NY

Cameron Partridge, Harvard University

Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona

Kathleen T. Talvacchia, New York University

Linn Tonstad, Yale University

Heather White, New College of Florida

Melissa M. Wilcox, Whitman College

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

**P21-114****Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality International Relations Committee Meeting**

Saturday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 2 (Level 1)

**P21-202a****Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**Theme: **Faculty of Color Luncheon**

Saturday, 12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

We invite you to attend our Faculty of Color luncheon to connect with, share with, and learn from others in a supportive environment. The luncheon is an opportunity to build upon our work of empowering faculty in the teaching of religion and theology within a network of mutual care and concern for the successful navigation of the classroom, your institution, and academic career. This mealtime event is an informal setting for us to gather together and better understand how we can harness the power of our common commitments. Open Invitation but RSVP to Trish Overpeck by October 1, 2015 ([overpecp@wabash.edu](mailto:overpecp@wabash.edu)).

**Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM****A21-200****Student Lounge Roundtable**Theme: **Conquering Qualifying Exams**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This roundtable session addresses the needs of students in the early to mid-stages of their graduate career, specifically those who are preparing for their qualifying exams either at the MA or PhD level. In this session, I aim to discuss the following questions: (1) What factors should one consider when drafting lists for the qualifying exams? (2) How can one most effectively use the qualifying exams as a means of preparing for one's dissertation as well as the job market (i.e. one's teaching specialties)? (3) What are effective ways of preparing for the exams? This session will conclude with a discussion of tips for maintaining work-life balance, good health and overall well-being during this time period. Through this session, I hope to create an open space for alleviating some of the anxieties associated with exam preparations.

Panelist:

Bhakti Mamtora, University of Florida

**A21-201****Academic Relations Committee and Contingent Faculty Task Force**Theme: *How the University Works* (New York University Press, 2008): **A Roundtable on Labor in Religious Studies**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding



Marc Bousquet's *How the University Works* is one of the first explorations of what is like to work in the modern university with the increasing casualization of labor in higher education. Despite popular stereotypes of high-earning, high-prestige professors, most campus employees work in the low-wage, low-prestige sphere of the service economy. Tenure-track positions are

increasingly rare while adjuncts and graduate students teach the majority of courses. Non-tenure track jobs are now the norm. Adjuncts commonly earn about \$2700 a course without benefits, office space, or much-needed technology. Undergraduates are also a part of this low-cost, disposable workforce.

Bousquet is a major figure in the academic labor movement, and he exposes exploitative labor in higher education, in which faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates work long hours for low wages.

This panel engages Bousquet's book on labor by applying his insights and analysis to our discipline of religious studies. What does this increasing reliance on contingent labor mean for religious studies? What are the dominant forms of labor for religious studies scholars? What are the conditions of labor at our institutions and in our departments? What about scholars who lack affiliation and institution? How has the increasing reliance on contingent labor impacted not only how and what we teach, but also how we produce scholarship? What might we learn when we pay attention to how the working conditions of scholars impact our discipline as a whole?

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In short presentations, our panelists discuss what it is like to work in religious studies at their own institutions, what it is like to lack institutional support, how this relates to religious studies, and the larger trends of contingency in higher education. Marc Bousquet will respond. We encourage the audience to read *How the University Works* and come ready to discuss labor trends in not only in academia, but also our own discipline.

### Panelists:

Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Shreena Gandhi, Kalamazoo College  
Charles Haws, Society of Biblical Literature  
Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL

### Responding:

Marc Bousquet, Emory University

## A21-202

### Women's Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Beyond Down and Dirty: From Good to Great Sex**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding

Marcelle Grano, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

Alicia Besa-Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

This panel will examine the theme of sex from an intergenerational, intercultural, and interdisciplinary perspective in light of Patricia Beattie Jung, Radhika Balakrishnan and Mary Hunt's book *Good Sex: Feminist Perspectives from the World's Religions*. It recognizes that the qualification of good sex differs based on values, culture, social status, religious belief, and sexual orientation.

Cynthia Bond, Claremont Graduate University  
*Sex Workers, Moral Agency and Human Rights: A Response to Mary E. Hunt's Just Good Sex: Feminist Catholicism and Human Rights*

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University  
*Just Shameful(-ly) Good Sex*

Fitri Junoes, The University of Hong Kong  
*The Many Shades of Grey between Sexuality and Enlightenment in Buddhism*

Alicia Besa-Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Sex and the Seasoned Woman: Patriarchy to Heterarchy*

### Responding:

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD

Patricia Beattie Jung, Saint Paul School of Theology

Wanda Deifelt, Luther College

## A21-203



### Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: **New Directions in the Study of Art and Religion: Norman Girardot's *Envisioning Howard Finster* (University of California Press, 2015) and Brent Plate's *A History of Religion in 5½ Objects* (Beacon Press, 2014)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-310 (Level 3)

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

### Panelists:

Philip Francis, Manhattan College  
Colin Rhodes, University of Sydney  
Bryan S. Rennie, Westminster College  
Jerry Cullum, Free Lance Art Critic and Curator  
Susan Andrews, Saint Joseph's University

### Responding:

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College  
Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University

### Business Meeting:

Yolanda Pierce, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Richard M. Carp, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

## A21-204

### Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: **The Gift of Theology: The Contribution of Kathryn Tanner to Contemporary Theology**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

### Panelists:

Paul DeHart, Vanderbilt University  
Charles Mathewes, University of Virginia  
Ian A. McFarland, Cambridge University  
Hilda Koster, Concordia College, Moorhead  
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University  
Rosemary P. Carbine, Whittier College

### Responding:

Kathryn Tanner, Yale University

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**A21-205**

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**North American Religions Section and Religion and Popular Culture Group**Theme: **Islamophobia, Civil Religion, and the Limits of Tolerance**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Lance D. Laird, Boston University, Presiding

Rosemary R. Corbett (Hicks), Bard College  
*For God and Country: Muslims Striving for National Belonging through Community Service*

Sher Afgan Tareen, Florida State University  
*Bilalian Affect: Race, Immigration, and Civil Religion in the Nation of Islam*

Brandon Dean, University of Iowa  
*"Infiltrate...Populate...Legislate...Decimate...Eliminate": Islamophobia in the Cartoon Tracts of Jack T. Chick*

Morgan Shipley, Michigan State University  
*More than a Caricature: Youth Muslim Movements and the Boundaries of Religious Tolerance in Post-9/11 America*

Business Meeting:

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University, Presiding

**A21-206****Philosophy of Religion Section**Theme: **Emotion and Religious Experience**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Evan Morse, Yale University  
*Experience Itself: The Private Religion Argument*

Sameer Yadav, Westmont College  
*Wonder and the Apophatic Attitude*

Niki Clements, Rice University  
*Emotions and Imitation in Cassian's Reading Practices*

Julian Perlmutter, University of Cambridge  
*Sacred Music, Religious Emotion, and Knowledge about God*

**A21-207****Religion and Politics Section and International Development and Religion Group**Theme: **The Politics of Engagement: Religious NGOs and the United Nations**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Daniel Perell, Baha'i International Community, Presiding

Julia Berger, University of Kent  
*Rethinking Religion in World Affairs: The Baha'i International Community and the United Nations*

Clara Braungart, Peace Research Institute, Frankfurt

Ann-Kristin Beinlich, Peace Research Institute, Frankfurt  
*Pro-Life vs. Pro-Choice? Reconciliation vs. Punishment? The Impact of RNGOs on UN Diplomacy*

Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Kent  
*The Disconnect: Asian Religion, NGOs, and the United Nations*

Karsten Lehmann, KAICIID Dialogue Centre, Vienna  
*From Church Diplomacy to Civil Rights Activism: A Fundamental Shift in the UN-related Activities of the Quakers*

**A21-208****Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Sociology of Religion Group**Theme: **Negotiating Religiosity in Public Institutions: Comparative Perspectives from the United States and Europe**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Gerardo Marti, Davidson College, Presiding

Mary Ellen Konieczny, University of Notre Dame  
*"Service before Self": Organization, Cultural Conflict, Religion, and the US Air Force Academy Cadet Freethinkers Group, 2000–2015*

Ines Michalowski, WZB Berlin Social Science Center  
*Organization-Specific Opportunity Structures of Religious Accommodation: European Armed Forces in Focus*

Mar Grier, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Anna Clot, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona  
*What Should a Multifaith Room Look Like? Negotiating Religious Diversity in Hospital Settings in Spain*

Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University  
*God on the Fly? The Work of Airport Chaplains in the United States*

Responding:

Richard Callahan, University of Missouri

**A21-209****Religion in South Asia Section**Theme: **New Directions in the Study of Religion in South Asia**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Harshita Mruthinti Kamath, Middlebury College, Presiding

Ilanit Loewy Shacham, University of Chicago  
*Geography, History, and Myth in Krsnadevaraya's Narration of Srivatsnavism*

Michael Allen, Hampden-Sydney College  
*New Directions in the Study of Vedanta: Lessons from The Ocean of Inquiry*

Anand Taneja, Vanderbilt University  
*Strangeness and the Role of Islam in the Ethical Life of Hindus: Some Reflections on the Dargah of Firoz Shah Kotla*

Purvi Parikh, University of Pennsylvania  
*Constructing Moral Selves in Contemporary Hinduism: The Self-Ethics of Swadhyaya*

Responding:

John Hawley, Barnard College, Columbia University

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A21-210

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## Study of Islam Section

Theme: **Boundaries, Borders, Crossings**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)

Shankar Nair, University of Virginia, Presiding

Samuel Kigar, Duke University

*Acquisition (Kash) and the Construction of Borders in Pre-modern Islamic Thought*

William Sherman, Stanford University

*Why Did Bayazid Go to War? Rethinking a Mughal-Afghan Borderland*

Patrick DSilva, University of North Carolina

*"Finding Fortune in the Breath of the Master": Situating Sufi and Yogic Exchanges in a Nineteenth-Century Persian Manuscript*

Markus Dressler, Göttingen University

*Comparing Marginalized Alid Traditions from the Balkans to Western Iran: Toward a New Research Agenda*

Responding:

Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of Vermont

A21-211



## Theology and Religious Reflection Section

Theme: **Tyler Roberts, *Encountering Religion: Responsibility and Criticism After Secularism* (Columbia University Press, 2013)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Tamsin Jones, Trinity College, Presiding

Panelists:

Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago

Amy M. Hollywood, Harvard University

Brenna Moore, Fordham University

Mary Corley Dunn, Saint Louis University

Responding:

Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College

Business Meeting:

Tamsin Jones, Trinity College, and Brenna Moore, Fordham, Presiding

A21-212



**Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Law, Religion, and Culture Group and North American Hinduism Group and Religion and Migration Group**

Theme: **Enter the State: Revisiting the Making of Post-1965 Asian American Religion**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University, Presiding

Ren Ito, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto

*Reconstituting the Nation: Immigration, Discourses of State, and Asian North American Religiosity*

Paul Chang, University of Chicago

*"There Is No Authority Except from God": Witness Lee and the Local Church Movement between Asceticism and Authority*

Melissa Borja, City University of New York

*Resettling Religion: Refugee Resettlement Policy and Vietnamese and Hmong Religious Life*

Justin Tse, University of Washington

*Restructuring the Church: Cantonese Protestant Organizations and Economistic States*

Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara

*The Interpretive Fiction of 1965: Constructing Conventional Wisdom about Asian-Influenced Metaphysical Religious Traditions in the United States*

Responding:

Carolyn Chen, Northwestern University

A21-213



**Augustine and Augustinianisms Group**

Theme: **Augustine Theorizing the Many Facets of Human Poverty and Need**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University, Presiding

Joshua Nunziato, Villanova University

*The Price of Wisdom? Voluntary Poverty and Sacrificial Community in Augustine's Monastery*

Joseph Clair, George Fox University

*Christ in the Poor: Augustine's Preaching and Teaching on Wealth*

Kevin Grove, University of Notre Dame

*Placing the Poor: Augustine's "In-Corporating" Rhetoric and the Enarrationes in Psalms*

Gerald Boersma, Saint Bonaventure University

*Epistemic Poverty: Augustine on Seeing the Back of God*

Business Meeting:

Matthew Drever, University of Tulsa, Presiding

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**A21-214****Bioethics and Religion Group**Theme: **Vaccines, Medicines, and Responsibility for Public Health**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Erinn Staley, Wellesley College

*What's Religious about Vaccine Objections?*

Aline Kalbian, Florida State University

*Relational Autonomy, Vaccinations, and Public Health*

Christina McRorie, University of Virginia

*Aquinas on (Intellectual) Property: A Natural Law Argument Concerning Pharmaceutical Patents in the Case of HIV*

Tim Carey, Boston College

*"Compete with Each Other in Performing Good Deeds": A Comparison of Muslim and Catholic Lived Bioethical Approaches to HIV/AIDS in Kenya*

Business Meeting:

Marcella Norling, Orange Coast College, Presiding

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**A21-215****Body and Religion Group**Theme: **Body and Social Protests**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

George Pati, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Nina Hoel, University of Oslo

*Exploring "Islamic Body Politics" through a Qualitative Lens: A Slice of South African Muslim Women's Engagements*

Janice McRandal, Australian Catholic University, Trinity College Queensland

*Body Attack: On the Liturgical (De)formations of Women's Bodies through Fitness*

Katherine Merriman, University of North Carolina

*Muhammad Ali and the Ritualization of the Muslim Body as Social Protest*

David Crawley, Laidlaw College

*Resistance to Religious Authority and the (Re)Appearing Body*

Melanie Jones, Chicago Theological Seminary

Liz Alexander, She Dreams of Freedom

*When Caged Bodies Testify: Continental and Diasporan African Women's Memoirs as Sacred Texts*

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**A21-216****Buddhist Philosophy Group and Yogācāra Studies Group**Theme: **The Buddhist Philosophical Conception of Intersubjectivity**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

Robert Sharf, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Jake Davis, Brown University

*Seeing the World of Experience as It Is: Assessing the Epistemic Value of Mindfulness*

Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University

*Imagine Being a Preta: Early Indian Yogācāra Approaches to Intersubjectivity*

Catherine Prueitt, Emory University

*Traces of Identity: The Karmic Foundations of Concept Formation in Dharmakīrti's Āpoha (Exclusion) Theory*

Sonam Kachru, University of Chicago

*Yogācāra and the Extent of Inner Space*

Responding:

Jay Garfield, Yale-NUS College

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**A21-217****Christian Spirituality Group and Mysticism Group**Theme: **The Life and Times of a Modern Mystic: On the Centenary of the Birth of Thomas Merton**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Thomas Cattoi, Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University, Presiding

Jack Downey, La Salle University

*"We Drank Many Gin and Tonics": Desire and Enchantment in Merton's Buddhist Pilgrimage*

Daniel Horan, Boston College

*The Lady, the Dunce, and the Monk: How Julian of Norwich and John Duns Scotus Shaped Thomas Merton's Incarnational Mysticism*

Daniel Rober, Saint John's University, New York

*Is Thomas Merton a Saint? Does it Matter? Mysticism, Postmodernity, and the Limits of Sanctity*

Katelynn Carver, University of Saint Andrews

*The Many-Storyed Mountains: A Mertonian Model for the Spiritual Significance of Narrativity*

Responding:

Christine M. Bochen, Nazareth College



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A21-218

### Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group and SBL Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Group

Theme: **Children, Religion, and Violence**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Philip Tite, University of Washington, Presiding

Joel LeMon, Emory University

*Violence against Children and Girls in the Reception History of Psalm 137*

Diane Fruchtmann, Washington and Lee University

*Instructive Violence: Educated Children as Victims and Aggressors in Late Antique Latin Martyr Poetry*

Paul Middleton, University of Chester

*"Suffer Little Children": Child-sacrifice, Martyrdom, and Jewish and Christian Identity Formation*

Michael Heyes, University of South Florida

*"Like an Innocent Lamb": Accusations of Ritual Murder in English Martyrological Narratives*

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

*When Pain Becomes Symbolic of Commitment: The Practice of Spanking among Adults and Children Who Focus on the Family Childrearing Literature*

Responding:

Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University

A21-219



### Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group

Theme: **B(l)ack to the Future: Afrofuturism and Making Worlds with Words**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Brett Esaki, Georgia State University, Presiding

DeAnna Daniels, Lehigh University

*Afrofuturist Architectonic Texts: Resituating Sites of Knowledge Production as Source Material*

Kamasi Hill, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

*AfroFunkFuturisticHipHopJazzySoul: The Afrofuturist Legacy of Atlanta's Funk Jazz Kafé*

Carl Petter Opsahl, University of Oslo

*"Dark Matter Moving at the Speed of Light": Exploring Afrofuturism and Hybrid Spirituality in Hip-Hop*

Michael Thate, Princeton University

*Reaping Profits and Weeping Prophets: Jeremiah, Tupac, and the Posturings of "Peace"*

Business Meeting:

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University, Presiding

A21-220

### Daoist Studies Group

Theme: **Medicine and Religion in East Asia**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

David Mozina, Boston College, Presiding

C. Pierce Salguero, Abington College

*Toward a Global History of the Crosscultural Exchange of Buddhism and Medicine*

Michael Stanley-Baker, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science

*Situating Medicine and Religion in Early Imperial China*

Ori Tavor, University of Pennsylvania

*Defying Aging and Restoring Vigor: Technologies of the Gendered Body in Early China*

Benedetta Lomi, University of Virginia

*Curing with Ox-Bezoars: Empowerment and Materiality in Heian-Period Therapeutic*

Responding:

Elena Valussi, Loyola University Chicago

A21-221



### Death, Dying, and Beyond Group

Theme: **What Are Near Death Experiences? Social Movement, Contested Category**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Candi Cann, Baylor University, Presiding

Pieter Craffert, University of South Africa

*Is There Really Such a Thing as a Near-Death Experience? Rethinking the Concept*

Michael Kinsella, University of California, Santa Barbara

*The Aging New Age: Baby Boomers, Near-Death Experiences, and the Emergence of the Afterlife Movement*

Joshua Wright, University of Colorado

*"Hell is Not Satan's Playground": Accounts and Critiques of Visionary and Near Death Experiences of Hell in American Evangelicalism, 1978–2014*

Kamini Gogri, University of Mumbai, and Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa

*Messengers of Moksha: Jainism and the Near Death Experience*

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## Business Meeting:

Diana Walsh-Pasulka, University of North Carolina, Wilmington,  
Presiding

**A21-222****Eastern Orthodox Studies Group and Religion and Sexuality Group**

Theme: **Orthodoxy and Eros: Gender, Sexuality, and Embodiment in the Eastern Orthodox Tradition**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Vera Shevzov, Smith College, Presiding

Hans Boersma, Regent College

*Putting On Clothes: Body, Sex, and Gender in Gregory of Nyssa*

Crystal Lubinsky, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth  
*What's in a Name? The Transvestite or Andromimetic Saints of Eastern Christendom*

Maria McDowell, Portland, OR

*Common Particularity: Theodore the Studite and Symeon the New Theologian on the Diversity of Embodiment*

Ashley Purpura, Purdue University

*Beyond the Binary: Hymnographic Constructions of Eastern Orthodox Gender Identities*

Responding:

Edith Mary Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

**A21-223****Ecclesiological Investigations Group**

Theme: **What's the Point of Synods?**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Miriam Perkins, Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Presiding

Luigi Gioia, Pontificio Ateneo S. Anselmo

*The Recent Practice of Synodality and its Ecclesiological Significance in the Light of Pope Francis' Evangelii Gaudium*

Bryan Kevin Brown, Boston College

*Synodality in Communities of Ministerial Women Religious: Sandra M. Schneiders's Contribution to a Dialogical Ecclesiology*

JK Melton, Fordham University

*Relationship as Sign of Communion: Anglican Relationships in the Aftermath of Lambeth 1998*

Responding:

Vladimir Latinovic, University of Tübingen

Business Meeting:

Mark Chapman, Ripon College Cuddesdon, and Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding

**A21-224****Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group**

Theme: **Unfamiliar Spaces: Critical Perspectives on Ethics, Sexuality, Pedagogy, and Erotics**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Molly Hadley Jensen, Southwestern University, Presiding

Wendy Farley, Emory University

*"Courage Unparalleled Opened Her Utterly" Maternal Ethics: Eros, Ambiguity, and Power*

Jeremy Posadas, Austin College

*Queering and De-Protestantizing "Religion and Sexuality" Courses*

Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University

*Let's Talk about Celibacy! An Analysis of Popular and Scholarly Discourses*

Meredith Minister, Shenandoah University

*Crippling Responses to Sexual Violence*

Responding:

Elizabeth Gish, Western Kentucky University

Business Meeting:

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, and Carol White, Bucknell University, Presiding

**A21-225****Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group**

Theme: **The Relevance of Kierkegaard's Thought for Catholic Theology**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Helene Russell, Christian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Joshua Furnal, Dartmouth College, Radboud University

*Kierkegaard's Catholic Reception and the Legacy of Vatican II*

Lee Barrett, Lancaster Theological Seminary

*Kierkegaard and Catholic Spiritual Writers on Faith, Love, and Natural Desire for God: A Way Beyond the Protestant/Catholic Impasse*

Christopher Barnett, Villanova University

*Rest as Unio Mystica? Kierkegaard, Augustine, and the Spiritual Life*

Responding:

C. Stephen Evans, Baylor University

Business Meeting:

Marcia C. Robinson, Syracuse University, and Avron Kulak, York University, Presiding

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A21-226



## Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

Theme: **Political Spirituality at the Crossroads of Religious Studies and Liberation Theology**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

David Carrasco, Harvard University, Presiding

Panelists:

Luis Leon, University of Denver

Chris Tirres, DePaul University

Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami

Responding:

Jorge A. Aquino, University of San Francisco

Timothy Matovina, University of Notre Dame

A21-227



## Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group

Theme: **Lesbians, Dykes, Feminists, and Queers: Who Really Is Part of the “L-Word” Today?**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding

Raedorah Stewart, Washington, DC

*Queer Femmes: Lipstick on My Dipstick and Other Womanist Feminist Lesbian Poems*

Amey Victoria Adkins, Duke University

*Hail, Mary: Intimacy, Ecstasy, and the Lesbian Relation of Annunciation*

Myrna Perez Sheldon, Rice University

*Against Nature and God: The Evangelical Use of Biology Against Feminists and Lesbians, 1980–2015*

Sarah Bloesch, Southern Methodist University

*Lesbians in Space and Out of Time: Sexuality on Display from Museums to Prisons*

Responding:

Amy Milligan, Elizabethtown College

Business Meeting:

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

A21-228



## Mormon Studies Group

Theme: **Mormons and Anti-Mormons without Borders: Transnational Places, Practices, and People**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

J. Spencer Fluhman, Brigham Young University, Presiding

David Howlett, Skidmore College

John-Charles Duffy, Miami University

*American Zion, Global Church: Reimagining Sacred Space in Two U.S.-Centered Mormon Denominations*

Taunalyn Rutherford, Claremont Graduate University

*Colonialism and Caste in the LDS Church in India*

Philipp Gollner, University of Notre Dame

*Crossing “Our Country” to the Salt Lake: Mormon Otherness as a Foil for Immigrant Belonging*

Responding:

Melissa Inouye, University of New Zealand

Business Meeting:

Quincy Newell, Hamilton College, Presiding

A21-229



## Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: **The Religion and Politics of Sacred Space**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal BE (Level 1)

James Miller, Queen's University, Presiding

Luke Whitmore, University of Wisconsin, Steven's Point

*Understanding the Destructive Dance of Nature*

Muazu Shehu, University of Sheffield

*Varieties of Religious Environmentalism: Understanding the Spiritual Motivation for Pro-Environmental Action among Christian and Muslims in Northeastern Nigeria*

Jonas Idestrom, Church of Sweden Research Unit, Uppsala, Sweden

*Encounters with God in Rural Landscapes: “Nature-Based” Spirituality in Northern Sweden*

Todd LeVasseur, College of Charleston

*Grow the Scorched Ground Green: Values and Ethics in the Transition Movement*

Chris Crews, The New School

*Sumak Kawsay, Pachamama, and Cosmopolitics: The Rights of Nature, Earthbound People and Global Indigenous Struggles*

Responding:

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College

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**A21-230****Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

Theme: **Resilience, Recovery and Innovation: Surviving the Trail of Tears**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, Presiding

Margaret McMurtrey, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Native American Hymns and the Trail of Tears: Resistance, Resilience, and Recovery*

R. Alfred Vick, University of Georgia  
*Overcoming the Loss of Culturally Significant Plant Species after the Trail of Tears*

Sarah Dees, University of Tennessee  
*Chronicle Cultural Perseverance: The Legacy of the Trail of Tears in Public History and Anthropology*

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas  
*Wide Open Spaces Revisited: The Trail of Tears and National Memories*

Responding:

Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University

**A21-231****Open and Relational Theologies Group**

Theme: **Open and Relational Hope — with Jurgen Moltmann**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

Jacob Erickson, St. Olaf College  
*A Shimmering Planet: Climate Despair, Affect Theory, and the Spirit of Hope*

Ryan Patrick McLaughlin, Siena College  
*Between Open and Process Theologies: The Hope of God and the Origin of Evolutionary Disvalues*

Bethany Sollereder, University of Oxford  
*Open Theism and the Foundations of Hope*

Johanne Stubbe Teglbjærg Kristensen, Copenhagen University  
*Hope and the Body: Jürgen Moltmann's Eschatology of Resurrection from the Perspective of the Phenomenology of the Body*

Luke Higgins, Savannah, GA  
*Hope Without Providence: God-World Reciprocity and Time in Whiteheadian Eco-Process Theology*

Responding:

Jürgen Moltmann, Eberhard-Karls-Universität, Tübingen, Germany

**A21-232****Practical Theology Group**

Theme: **Postcolonializing Practical Theology: Methods, Issues, and Practices**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Katharine Lassiter, Mount Saint Joseph University, Presiding

Hee-Kyu Heidi Park, Xavier University  
*Postcolonializing Practical Theological Methodology As Cartography of Boundary Dynamics*

Emmanuel Lartey, Emory University  
*Postcolonializing Practical Theology: Responding to the Reality and Challenge of Multiple Religious Belonging*

Fulgence Nyengele, Methodist Theological School in Ohio  
*Reclaiming a Marginalized Voice: Ubuntu As a Resource for Postcolonializing Practical Theology*

Melinda McGarrah Sharp, Phillips Theological Seminary  
*Postcolonializing Role Dramas in Practical Theology: Implications for Theological Anthropology from Intake to Interpretation*

Cedric Johnson, Wesley Theological Seminary  
*Postcolonializing Congregations: Emerging Practical Theological Practices in the Neoliberal Age*

Responding:

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Business Meeting:

Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary, and Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

**A21-233****Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**

Theme: **Pragmatism and Genealogy**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Joseph Winters, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

Daniel Wyche, University of Chicago  
*Derwey As Genealogist: Pragmatism, the "Genetic Method," and Philosophical Reconstruction*

Kevin Wolfe, Carleton College  
*Genealogy and Nietzsche's Pragmatism*

Joshua Mauldin, Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ  
*Genealogy as Faith Seeking Understanding: The Case of Winnifred Fallers Sullivan's The Impossibility of Religious Freedom*

Responding:

William David Hart, Macalester College

Business Meeting:

Beth Eddy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

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A21-234



## Quaker Studies Group

Theme: **Richard Nixon, Quakers, and Religion in Politics: A Panel Discussion on H. Larry Ingle's Book, *Nixon's First Cover-up: The Religious Life of a Quaker President* (University of Missouri Press, 2015)**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Stephen Angell, Earlham College, Presiding

Panelists:

Emma Lapsansky-Warner, Haverford College

Randall Balmer, Dartmouth College

Lon Fendall, George Fox University

Isaac May, University of Virginia

Responding:

H. Larry Ingle, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga

Business Meeting:

Carole Dale Spencer, Earlham College, and Jon Kershner, University of Lancaster, Presiding

A21-235



## Religion and Food Group

Theme: **Culinary Conversion and Consumption in Contemporary Culture**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Rachel Gross, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Aldea Mulhern, University of Toronto

*Why Pay More to Eat Less? Value, Values, and Religious Economics in Toronto, Canada*

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado

*Secrets of a Food Storage Mom: Motherhood and Food Storage Practices in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints*

Catherine Newell, University of Miami

*Food Faiths: Religion, Science, and the World of Spiritual Eating*

Kathleen M. Self, Saint Lawrence University

*Self-Transformation in Conversion Narrative and Weight-Loss Memoir: Fusing the Christian and the Secular*

Responding:

R. Marie Griffith, Washington University, Saint Louis

Business Meeting:

Nora L. Rubel, University of Rochester, Presiding

A21-236



## Religion and Humanism Group

Theme: **Religious Humanism and Human Rights**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd NW

J. Sage Elwell, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Human rights, it has often been asserted, cannot exist without a robust understanding of the idea of human dignity. The study of religious humanisms can play an important role in the current debates about the relationship between the ideals of human dignity, flourishing, and rights. This panel explores the following questions: What is the place of various religious humanisms in the grounding of human dignity? How has religion both supported and suppressed human rights? Can the contemporary articulations of religious humanisms address the critiques and rejections of human dignity and human rights?

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

*"A Relatively New Discovery in the Modern West:" The Origins and Varieties of Black Humanism*

Thurman Willison, Union Theological Seminary

*An Integrative Theory of Human Dignity*

James E. Helmer, Xavier University

*Dignity, Rank, and Rights: A Critical Reappraisal*

Responding:

Verna Marina Ehret, Mercyhurst University

Business Meeting:

Slavica Jakelic, Valparaiso University, Presiding

A21-237



## Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Group

Theme: **Public School Teacher Preparation to Teach About Religion: International Perspectives on Teacher Training**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

Jenny Berglund, Södertörn University, Presiding

Joanne Maguire Robinson, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Unnatural Exclusion: Devaluing Domestic Religious Diversity in Teacher Training for Social Studies*

Isabelle Saint-Martin, École Pratique des Hautes Études

*Teaching about Religion in France: What Training for the Teachers?*

Tim Jensen, University of Southern Denmark

*Religion Education and Citizenship Education — A Perfect Match or a Mismatch? A Danish Perspective*

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Norman Richardson, Stranmillis University College, Belfast  
*Teaching Religion in Public Schools in a Contested Society: A  
 Perspective from Northern Ireland*

Business Meeting:

Michael Waggoner, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

## A21-238



### Religion in Southeast Asia Group

Theme: **Cultivating Authenticity, Efficacy, and Identity in  
 Southeast Asia**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Vivienne Angeles, La Salle University, Presiding

Annette Hornbacher, University of Heidelberg

*In Search of Spirituality: Religious Dynamics in Post-Subarto Bali*

Nathan McGovern, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*Thai Brahmins, Buddhist Brahmins*

Thomas Patton, City University of Hong Kong

*The Wizard King and His Grandchildren: Intimate Bonds Between a  
 Buddhist Saint and His Burmese Devotees*

Seb Rumsby, University of London

*The Changing Dynamics of Millenarian Movements in the Ethnic  
 Politics of South East Asia*

Responding:

Anne R. Hansen, University of Wisconsin

Business Meeting:

Richard Fox, Universität Heidelberg, Presiding

## A21-239



### Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group

Theme: **The Security of the State and the Regulation of Religion**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-213 (Level 2)

Jeffrey Wheatley, Northwestern University, Presiding

Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University

*"It Is Just as Easy to Police the Portals of Heaven from Cappadocia as  
 from Constantinople": The Regulation of Religion in Late Antiquity*

Cara Burnidge, University of Northern Iowa

*Regulating Religions of the World at the End of Empire: Or the Value  
 of Religion in Early Twentieth Century Diplomacy*

Michael Graziano, Florida State University

*Regulating Religion in the Postcolonial Intelligence State: The CIA  
 and World Religions*

Matt Sheedy, University of Manitoba

*Representations of Native Spirituality at the Canadian Museum for  
 Human Rights and the Discourse on World Religions*

Responding:

Brent Nongbri, Macquarie University

Business Meeting:

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston, and Syed Adnan Hussain,  
 Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Presiding

## A21-240

### Space, Place, and Religion Group

Theme: **The Production and Destruction of Religious Space in  
 Urban Contexts**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

Benjamin Kirby, University of Leeds

*Prayer Walks and the Geopolitics of Urban Space: African Pentecostal  
 Churches in Hong Kong*

Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College

*Saints Who Cast Shadows: Vernacular Sanctity, Subversion, and Space  
 in New Orleans*

Ariel Schwartz, Northwestern University

*Clearing Religious Rubble: Rebuilding after Arson*

David Le, Brown University

*Memorialization and Martyrdom in Tabrir Square*

Responding:

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota

## A21-241



### Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

Theme: **The Future of Debt: Theology, Economy, and the Political**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Amaryah Jones-Armstrong, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Sean Capener, Claremont Graduate University

*The Price of Charity: "Christian Love" and Credit Banking*

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College

*The Sovereign Logic of Jubilee*

Lucia Hulsether, Yale University

*The Multicultural Ethic and the Spirit of Microcredit*

Stephen Keating, Chicago Theological Seminary

*Debt: The Last Few Years*

Responding:

Vincent Lloyd, Syracuse University

Business Meeting:

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

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**A21-242**



## Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

Theme: **Female Lives and Narratives in Tibet: New Materials and New Perspectives**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University, Presiding

Michael Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center, Cambridge, MA

*The Bibliographic Scope of Buddhist Women Literati in Tibet*

Jue Liang, University of Virginia

*Garland of Seven Strands: An Early Corpus of Yeshe Tsogyel's Hagiographies*

Elizabeth Angowski, Harvard University

*Intimate Relationships in the Early Lives of Yeshe Tsogyel*

Alison Melnick, Bates College

*Female Authority and the Lives of Women in Eighteenth Century Tibet: Reading Hagiography as History*

Holly Gayley, University of Colorado

*Situating Female Religious Authority: Gender, Genre, and Geography in Eastern Tibet*

Responding:

Janet Gyatso, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Benjamin Bogin, Skidmore College, and Sarah Jacoby, Northwestern University, Presiding

**A21-243**



## Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group

Theme: **Religion on/from the Edge**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Johnny B. Hill, Claflin University, Presiding

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary

*Watershed Pedagogy in the Crucible of Detroit Emergency: Christian Theology, Hip-Hop Prophecy, and Indigenous Ceremony Making Common Cause*

Susan Reynolds, Boston College

*Educating for Life in Ecclesial Borderlands: Transformative Pedagogy and Religious Practice in U.S. Multicultural Parishes*

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Judith Jones, Agnes Scott

College, Andie Sweetman, Agnes Scott College, and Ugonna

Ume, Agnes Scott College

*Disruptive Students: Unruly Ramblings for Social Change in Atlanta*

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Business Meeting:

Darby Ray, Bates College, and Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry, Presiding

**A21-244**



## World Christianity Group

Theme: **Reconfiguring Mission? Diasporic Technologies, South-South Outreach, Colonial Comparisons, and the Business of Migrating Christianity**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Jane Carol Redmont, Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, Presiding

Sue Rodelius Dickson, Ashland University

*Mission From Africans to Africans: A Case Study of an African Independent Church*

Hyunwoo Koo, Harvard University

*Missionaries and Colonialism in Zambia: A Comparative Approach to the Motivations of the Nineteenth Century British and Contemporary Korean Missionaries*

Rachel Erickson-Rui, South Seattle College

*Wenzhou Christians: Mission and Business through Migration*

Geomon George, City Seminary of New York

*The Appropriation of Technology and the Dissemination of the Gospel among the Diaspora Kerala South Indian Pentecostals in the United States*

Responding:

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Jane Carol Redmont, Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts, Presiding

**A21-245**



## Economics and Capitalism in the Study of Buddhism Seminar

Theme: **Health Care Institutions and Economics: Transforming Buddhist Practice**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

Richard K. Payne, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University

*Marketing Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction and Reiki to Hospitals and Hospices as Secular, Scientific, Cost-Effective Therapies*

Susan Zakin, University of Chicago

*Buddhist Practices and/as Medicine in Contemplative Studies Programs: Mental Labor and the Corporatization of Health and Wellbeing*

Ira Helderman, Vanderbilt University  
*Insider Trading and Outside Observers: The (Re)Construction of Contemporary Mindfulness Practices in U.S. Mental Health Economies*

Ronald Purser, San Francisco State University

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*Trickle Down Mindfulness: Examining and Questioning Core Assumptions in the Corporate Mindfulness Movement*

Responding:

Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee

Business Meeting:

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

## A21-246

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ★

### Holmes Welch and the Study of Buddhism in Twentieth-Century China Seminar

Theme: **Prescriptive Ideals (Sectarian and Institutional) in Holmes Welch's Work on Chinese Buddhism**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Erik Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

Erik Schicketanz, University of Tokyo  
*Narratives of Buddhist Decline and Sectarian Formations in Modern China*

Wei Wu, Princeton University  
*Distinction and Inclusiveness: The Rise of A Tibetan Esoteric School in Anti-Sectarian Trends in Republican China*

Jimmy Yu, Florida State University  
*Centralized and De-centralized Approaches to the Study of Chinese Buddhist Monasticism*

Responding:

Gregory Adam Scott, University of Edinburgh

Business Meeting:

Erik Hammerstrom, Pacific Lutheran University, and Gregory Adam Scott, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

## A21-247

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ★

### Material Islam Seminar

Theme: **The Islamic Sensorium**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2)

Kambiz GhaneaBassiri, Reed College, Presiding

Charles Hirschkind, University of California, Berkeley  
*Reflections from Granada on the Place of Islam in Europe*

Esra Almas, Halic University  
*Women, Coffee, and Prayers: Islam and the Practice of Everyday Life in Sâmîha Ayverdi's İbrahim Efendi's Mansion*

Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University  
*Viewing Practices and Pharaonic Objects in Medieval Egyptian Culture*

Karen Ruffle, University of Toronto  
*Sensate Devotion: Invoking the Alam in Qutb Shabi Somatic Shi'ism*

Business Meeting:

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University, Presiding

## A21-249



### African Diaspora Religions Group

Theme: **The Symbolism of Water in the African Diaspora**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Presiding

An Yountae, Lebanon Valley College  
*From Trauma to Future: Reinventing the Collective Identity from the Depth of the Ocean*

Danielle Clausnitzer, University of Georgia  
*Water Symbolism and the Allmuseri: An Analysis of Double-Conscious Identity in African Americans*

Oluwatomisin Oredein, Duke University  
*Monsters on Board: The Ontological Baptism of Blackness*

Kendra Marie Busby, University of Georgia  
*The Bayou Saint John: The Water That Healed a People*

Anisah Bagasra, Claflin University  
*The Sheedis and the Shrine of Manghopir*

Business Meeting:

Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver, Presiding

## P21-200

### Art/s of Interpretation Group

Theme: **Honoring Charles H. Long: The Art/s of Interpretation Group Celebrates his Retirement I**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington, Presiding

This will be the first of two sessions recognizing the work and legacy of Charles H. Long, eminent Historian of Religions and Past-President of the AAR, who is formally retiring from the AAR this year.

Panelists:

Jennifer Reid, University of Maine, Farmington

Tatsuo Murakami, Sophia University

Raymond Carr, Pepperdine University

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College

Philip P. Arnold, Syracuse University

Lisa Poirier, DePaul University

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University

Vincent L. Wimbush, Claremont Graduate University

Jualynne E. Dodson, Michigan State University

Jay Geller, Vanderbilt University

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## P21-203

### North American Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Presidential Panel**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-311 (Level 3)

In consultation with the Program Committee and Craig Martin (NAASR Executive Secretary and Treasurer), Russell McCutcheon (NAASR President) has invited Greg Johnson and Leslie Dorrough Smith to address us concerning where NAASR has been and what, at this particular moment, ought to be our focus when trying to continue pressing the field in novel, rigorous, and interesting directions. Greg (who is a former Department Chair, a former member of NAASR's Executive Council, and the American Academy of Religion's current Chair of their Program Committee) and Leslie (University of Santa Barbara PhD graduate in the study of religion, who also directs Women's and Gender Studies on her campus, and who works on religion in the United States, with an eye toward studying scholars as well) to help us think through where the cutting edges may now be in the field. As preparation for this particular panel all attendees will be asked to have already read Don Wiebe and Luther Martin's co-written but as yet unpublished essay on NAASR's history (posted as a PDF on the NAASR website's "About" page: <http://naasr.com/about-2>). It is not apparent that all members necessarily know the ground covered by NAASR but it is also not necessarily apparent that past is always prologue. (Don and Luther's paper was written after NAASR hit the 20 year mark and we are now, in 2015, hitting our 30<sup>th</sup>.)

Panelists:

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

Leslie Dorrough Smith, Avila University

## P21-204

### North American Paul Tillich Society

Theme: **Tillich and Lutheranism**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International A (International Level)

Panelists:

Derek Nelson, Wabash College

Curtis L. Thompson, Thiel College

Anne Marie Reijnen, Faculté Universitaire de Théologie Protestante, Bruxelles

Thomas G. Bandy, Thriving Church

## P21-205

### Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: **Just War as Deterrence Against Terrorism: Options from Theological Ethics**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-405 (Level 4)

Terrorism can be characterized as asymmetrical, indiscriminate, unconventional, and destabilizing violence. Given the threat of conventional warfare, Christian pacifists and just war proponents alike would not disagree with efforts at "just peacemaking" to minimize hostilities. Even so, just war advocates would claim that force would still be required when such good-faith efforts are not only rejected and scorned but when aggressors do their worst against the innocent and defenseless. But how should Christian just war theorists and pacifists alike proceed in their response to terrorism? What particular approaches are called for in light of this growing phenomenon by both Christian just war theorists and pacifists? This panel discussion of Christian just war theorists and pacifists will engage this weighty, relevant topic.

## P21-206

### Society for the Arts in Religious and Theological Studies

Theme: **The Arts, Race, and Activism: From the Classroom to the Streets**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Westin-Chastain H (Level 6)

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University, Maureen O'Connell, La Salle University, and Paul Myhre, Wabash College, Presiding

The past year saw a wake of movements across the country attempting to address issues of racial justice for communities of color. This 90-minute session will feature a conversation about the ways in which the arts not only provide pedagogical avenues for engaging the challenging subject matter of these movements, but also spur creative student activism on our campuses and in the streets of our communities. Brief reflections by five "conversation starters" selected for their work in the area of visual culture and the arts, religion, and activism will spark a free-flowing conversation about the role of imagery and creative expression in contemporary social justice movements. Facilitators and participants will also share teaching tactics for channeling undergraduate creativity and interest in visual culture into concrete expressions of social engagement. The presentation will be 1:00 PM–2:30 PM. After that there will be continued conversation.

Panelists:

Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

Ralph Watkins, Columbia Theological Seminary

Cláudio Carvalhaes, McCormick Theological Seminary

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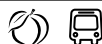
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**P21-246****Society for Pentecostal Studies**Theme: **Pentecostal Readings of Old Testament Texts**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-210 (Level 2)

Rebecca Idestrom, Tyndale University College and Seminary, Presiding

Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College  
*A Pentecostal Hearing of Psalmic Voices*David Hymes, Northwest University  
*The Message of Qobeleth and Pentecostal-Charismatic Spirituality*Dongsoo Kim, Pyongtaek University  
*The Jewish Origin of Glossolalia***A21-248****Center for Civil and Human Rights Tour**

Saturday, 1:45 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

See page 8 for details.

**Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM****A21-300****Women and Religion Section**Theme: **Problematising Agency and Subversion: New Directions in the Study of Women and Religious Activism**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

K. Christine Pae, Denison University, Presiding

Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University  
*Does Women's Agency Need to Be Subversive? The Example of Angélique Arnauld and Early Modern Convent Reform*Emily Crews, University of Chicago  
*Manipulating (In)visibility in Colonial Namibia: Loide Shikongo and "The Song of Chief Iipumbu"*Nicholas Rademacher, Cabrini College  
*Disrupting Assumptions: Mary Elizabeth Walsh's Integration of Secular and Religious Strategies for Racial Justice at Midcentury*Scott Brown, University of Colorado  
*Made in Her Image? The Problems of Imagining Women as Goddesses, and Goddesses as Women*

Responding:

Debra Majeed, Beloit College

Business Meeting:

Susan Abraham, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

**A21-301****Evangelical Studies Group**Theme: **Responding to Robert Johnston's *God's Wider Presence: Reconsidering General Revelation* (Baker Academic, 2014)**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Amos Yong, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jason Sexton, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Panelists:

Douglas (Jake) Jacobsen, Messiah College

Beth Felker Jones, Wheaton College

Paul Louis Metzger, Multnomah Biblical Seminary

Anna Robbins, Acadia Divinity College

Responding:

Robert K. Johnston, Fuller Theological Seminary

**A21-302****Korean Religions Group**Theme: **The Politics of Mourning: Religious Responses to the Sewol Ferry Tragedy**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, Presiding

Ja Woo Nyung, Video and Film Artist

*Showing of a Video on the Sewol Ferry Disaster*

Min-Ah Cho, Saint Catherine University

*The Illusion of Religious Neutrality and the Korean Catholic Leadership*

Ju Hui Judy Han, University of Toronto

*Landscapes of Grief and Solidarity: Faith, Family, and Political Activism*Kyeongil Jung, Saegil Christian Institute for Society and Culture  
*Hostility Virus and Love Antibody: The Korean Church After Sewol*Hiheon Kim, Sungkonghoe Episcopal University  
*A New Christian Wave for Truth and Love in Praxis*

Hyekyung Jee, University of Virginia

*An Examination of Two Buddhist Responses to the Sewol Ferry Incident: The Ways of Traditional Korean Buddhism and the Jungto Society*

Business Meeting:

Debernieri Torrey, University of Utah, Presiding



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## P21-303

### European Society of Women in Theological Research

Theme: **In Memory of Luise Schottroff (1934-2015)**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Everyone is welcome to our panel discussion. For additional information, please contact Susanne Scholz at [sscholz@smu.edu](mailto:sscholz@smu.edu).

Panelists:

Kahl Brigitte, Union Theological Seminary

Martin Rumscheidt, Dove, NH

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University

Sean D. Burke, Luther College

## P21-305

### Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 4 (Level 1)

## A21-303



### Employment Workshops

Theme: **Envisioning Academic Alternatives**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This will be a workshop for graduate students and PhDs in Religious Studies, Humanities or Theology that will help them identify their skills and consider a range of possible career options that can fit holistically into wider life strategies. The shift away from tenure-track positions has and will continue, creating new financial, social, and emotional challenges for those who entered academia hoping for professorships. This new academic job market demands a creative, entrepreneurial approach to making a living. This workshop is designed to help academics and graduates approach academic work as only one part of a wider picture that potentially integrates a variety of income streams while still being able to pursue research goals and interests. Participants will examine their own history and relationships to academia, and become more empowered through discovering marketable skill sets they may not know they possess. During the workshop we will discuss sustainable life strategies, considering what activities and relationships bring us real joy and can therefore be maintained in the long term. Participants will have the opportunity to reframe the issue of work/life balance in the context of an academic career, describe their abilities in terms of marketable skill sets and consider alternatives to traditional research, teaching, publishing and academic engagement.

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Panelist:

Amy Hale, Helix Education, Oakland, CA

## A21-304



### Graduate Student Committee

Theme: **Dehumanized vs. Holistic Scholars: How Academia Impacts Our Lives**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

B. J. Parker, Baylor University, and Bhakti Mamtara, University of Florida, Presiding

Scholars in academia at all levels perform many roles such as teacher, researcher, author, counselor, advocate, and activist, to name a few. In addition to the numerous hats that we wear in the academy, we also juggle personal identities such as being parents, partners, friends, and members of communities. Mediating the pressures of being productive and the desire to maintain one's humanity and beliefs often leaves the individual confused, diminished, and/or fractured. How does one go about incorporating the various components of the self (ethics, beliefs, family, personal and professional goals, etc.) into a balanced whole? What does a "holistic scholar" or "holistic scholarship" look like? Which aspects of the discipline support a holistic self, and which undermine such an ideal? This panel features a range of scholars interested in exploring the tensions, resolutions, and possibilities that lie between the "holistic" and "dehumanizing" poles of our work.

Panelists:

T. Laine Scales, Baylor University

Rosemary R. Ruether, Claremont Graduate University

Brian Palmer, Uppsala University

Donna Yarri, Alvernia University

Joshua Canzona, Georgetown University

Nicholas Werse, Baylor University

## A21-305

### Publications Committee

Theme: **How to Get Published**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Panel of experienced editors will field questions about getting published.

Panelists:

Cynthia Eller, Montclair State University

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University

Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Harvard University

John Nemec, University of Virginia

Cynthia Read, Oxford University Press

Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich

## A21-306

### Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee

Theme: **Engaging Trans Studies in Religion: Scholarship, Teaching, and the Intersectionalities of Trans Lived Experience**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Cameron Partridge, Harvard University, Presiding

The experience of trans persons and perspectives in the academic study of religion presents an important moment in the development of an emerging field of trans studies in religion. This Special Topics Forum articulates and analyzes the issues and debates present in this developing area. A panel of trans scholars in religion will seek to articulate, both critically and concretely, the contours of their efforts to integrate their research, teaching and lived experience. Presentations will take up the following questions: How do we define the emerging field of trans studies in religion? What are some of the critical issues in gender-queering religious studies? How does trans studies in religion, as well as trans lived experience, interface with other current issues, conflicts, and questions in the academic study of religion?

Panelists:

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion

Jacob Lau, University of California, Los Angeles

Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona

Justin Tanis, Graduate Theological Union

Erin Swenson, Atlanta, GA

## A21-307

### Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

Theme: **Race, Ferguson, and the Future of American Democracy**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd NW

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

The tragic realities of racism in the United States — most recently embodied in the events in Ferguson — remind us about the dangers of the myth of a “post-racial” America. Recognizing that “race” today encompasses complex social realities far beyond the black-white dichotomy that has historically characterized race relations in the U.S., the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has invited a diverse panel of distinguished scholars to reflect on the future of American democracy through the lens of racial and ethnic particularity in order to articulate a road map for future engagement that emphasizes social justice and reconciliation.

Panelists:

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University

Daisy L. Machado, Union Theological Seminary

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Omid Safi, Duke University

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont Graduate University,  
Claremont School of Theology

## A21-308

### Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: **Binding Practices: Relational Connection in Visual and Performing Art**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-310 (Level 3)

Richard M. Carp, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

Cia Sautter, College of Saint Scholastica

*Smart Girls Are Beautiful: The Researcher as Performer*

Christina Carnes Ananias, Charleston Southern University

*Picasso's Visual Irony: The Nude and African Primitivism as Theological Critique in Les Demoiselles d'Avignon*

Anne-Marie Korte, Utrecht University

*Queer Iconoclasm and Queer Iconoclasm: From the Christas to Madonna*

Andrew Westover, J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA

*Communing with Objects: Scholarship, Experience, and the Museum*

## A21-309

### Buddhism Section and Buddhist Philosophy Group

Theme: **Dr̥ṣṭi: The Problems of Views and Beliefs in Buddhism**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)

Masahiro Shimoda, University of Tokyo, Presiding

A. Charles Muller, University of Tokyo

*A Comparative Philosophical Approach to a Universal Problem: Views and Beliefs in Epistemology, Psychology, and Buddhism*

Rafal Stepień, Columbia University

*From the “Cessation of Conceptualization” to the “Abandonment of All Views”: An Ultimate Reading of Nāgārjuna's Mūlamadhyamakakārikā*

Paul Fuller, Bristol, United Kingdom

*Actions Speak Louder Than Words: The Danger of Attachment to Views in the Pāli Canon and Engaged Buddhism*

Akira Saito, University of Tokyo

*On Satkāyadr̥ṣṭi*

Responding:

Daniel A. Arnold, University of Chicago

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## A21-310

### Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: **Thinking Divine Attributes**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Tyler Wittman, University of Saint Andrews

*"Roomy without a Roof": Modern Theology, Aquinas, and the Therapeutic Retrieval of God's Happiness*

Eugene Schlessinger, Marquette University

*Closing the Gap: The Divine Missions and Divine Immutability*

James Gordon, Wheaton College

*Rethinking Divine Spatiality: Divine Omnipresence in Theological and Philosophical Perspective*

Joseph Lenow, University of Virginia

*Timelessness and Four-Dimensionalism*

## A21-311

### Philosophy and Religion Section and Body and Religion Group and Hinduism Group and Tantric Studies Group

Theme: **"Affective Blooms": Feelings, Intimacies, and Bodies in Hindu Traditions**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Glen Hayes, Bloomfield College, Presiding

Shubha Pathak, American University

*Making Divine Love: Kālidāsa's Creation of Śiva and Pārvatī's Consummation in the Kumārasambhava*

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

*The Affect of Tantric Bodies*

Alexander Rocklin, Willamette University

*"All the World Loves a Lover": Gender, Affect, and Discipline in the Physical Cultural Program of the Hindu Mahasabha in Colonial Trinidad*

Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside

*Haptic Logics: The Transmission of Affect in the Guru-Disciple Relationship*

Responding:

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University

## A21-312

### Religion and Politics Section

Theme: **Guns, Climate, Contraception, and Marriage: How Religion is Shaping American Politics Heading into 2016**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Washington, D.C., Presiding

Michael Chan, Luther Seminary, and Katie Day, Lutheran

Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

*Faith and Firearms: The Role of Religion in the Construction of Meanings around Guns*

Jame Schaefer, Marquette University

*Catholic Influence on Climate Policy: Pope Francis, the U.S. Bishops, and Advocacy Organizations*

Shannon Dunn, Gonzaga University

*Problematizing the Idea of Corporate Conscience in Religious Liberty Arguments*

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge

*Spouses for Life: How the Fight for Gay Marriage is Changing Religion and Politics*

Business Meeting:

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

## A21-313

### Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Cognitive Science of Religion Group and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group

Theme: **Cross-Cultural and Cognitive Approaches to Changes in Sense of Self**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Albert Silva, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Robert N. McCauley, Emory University, and George Graham,

Georgia State University

*Religious Experience, Schizophrenia, and Disownership of Self*

Jared Lindahl, Brown University

*Meditation-Induced Changes in Sense of Self Reported by American Buddhists: History and Phenomenology*

Willoughby Britton, Brown University

*Meditation-Induced Changes in Sense of Self Reported by American Buddhists: Neurobiology and Cross-cultural Psychiatry*

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Shifts in Sense of Self in the Production of the Book of Mormon and A Course in Miracles*

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**A21-314****Religion in South Asia Section**

Theme: **Transnational Dimensions of Religions in Contemporary India**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

Afgar Mohammad, University of Texas  
*So Far, So Near: Local Sufism, Trans-Local Sufi Poetics, and Urban Islam*

Claire Robison, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Inscribing a Global Vaishnava Culture on the Indian Nation-State*

Drew Thomases, Columbia University  
*Camel Fair Kaleidoscopic: Religion and Color in Pushkar*

Jon Keune, Michigan State University  
*Dhamma, Dalitness, and Diversity: Transnational Buddhist Collaborations in Nagpur*

Responding:

Andrea Marion Pinkney, McGill University

**A21-315****(#islamaar) ★****Study of Islam Section**

Theme: **Performing Sufism**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Vincent Cornell, Emory University, Presiding

Matthew Lynch, University of North Carolina  
*Recite the Masnavi, Excite the Community: The Role of the Masnavi-khvan in the Nascent Stages of the Mevlevi Order*

Mohsin Ali, University of California, Los Angeles  
*The Social Life of a Sufi Hagiography: Sayyid Abul Hasan 'Alī Nadwī's Use of Sayyid Ahmad Shāhid*

Jessica Chen, Stanford University  
*Five Pillars, Five Senses: The Practicing Body in Chinese Sufi Thought*

Oludamini Ogunnaike, Harvard University  
*Performing Realization, Performing Sainthood: The Sufi Music Videos of the Taalibe Baay of Dakar*

Responding:

Syed Rizwan Zamir, Davidson College

Business Meeting:

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina, and Frederick Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding

**A21-316****Teaching Religion Section**

Theme: **Teaching Sexuality and Religion: Contextual, Affective, and Trans/formative Aspects of Classroom Pedagogy**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-213 (Level 2)

Darryl Stephens, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Amanullah De Soudy, University College Cork  
*Teaching Traditions in a Different World: Masculinity and Femininity in Islam*

Kate Ott, Drew University  
*Front and Center in the Classroom: Inviting Sexual Histories and Bodies to Be Seen*

Edward V. Vacek, Loyola University New Orleans  
*From Catholic Seminarians to Undergraduate Nones*

Stephanie M. Crumpton, Lancaster Theological Seminary  
*Trigger Warnings, Covenants of Presence and More: Cultivating Safe Space for Theological Discussions About Sexual Trauma*

Responding:

Patricia Beattie Jung, Saint Paul School of Theology

**A21-317****Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Black Theology Group and Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and Christian Theological Research Fellowship**

Theme: **Author Meets Critic: Reggie Williams' Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus: Harlem Renaissance Theology and an Ethic of Resistance (Baylor University Press, 2014)**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College, Presiding

Panelists:

J. Kameron Carter, Duke University

Keri Day, Brite Divinity School

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College

Clifford Green, Hartford Seminary

Responding:

Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary

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A21-318

## African Religions Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group

Theme: **Men in Focus: Negotiating Masculinity and Religion in Africa**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding

Johanneke Kroesbergen-Kamps, Justo Mwale University  
*A Business Trip to the Underworld: Engaging Masculinities in Testimonies of Zambian Ex-Satanists*

Stephen Lloyd, Boston University  
*John Calvin, Oscar Pistorius, and the Contest for Afrikaner Masculinity*

Ayodeji Ogunnaiké, Harvard University  
*Managing Multiple Masculinities: Traditional Perspectives on Masculinity Drawn from Yoruba Mythology*

John Blevins, Emory University, and Alexander Plum, Emory University  
*"I'll Be Prepared to Be a Man": The Effects of a Faith-Based Program on Perceptions of Masculinity among Adolescent Kamba Males in Kenya*

Lilly Phiri, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal  
*Queer Masculinities in Contemporary Protestantism in Zambia: Paradoxes and Possibilities*

Responding:

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds

A21-319

## Buddhism in the West Group and Contemplative Studies Group

Theme: **Toward an Ethics-Based Mindfulness: Rationales and Resistances**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Justin Whitaker, University of London  
*Sati, Sammā-sati, and Sila: An Historical Examination of Mindfulness in the Early Texts*

Candy Gunther Brown, Indiana University  
*Explicit Ethics Essential to Skillful Speech, Right Intention, and Informed Consent*

Kin Cheung, Temple University

*To Teach or Not to Teach Explicit Ethics in Mindfulness Programs: Right Question, but We Need to Ask the Right Audience*

Lynette Monteiro, Ottawa Mindfulness Clinic

*Ethics and Secular Mindfulness Programs: Sila as Victim of the Fallacy of Values-Neutral Therapy*

Jake Davis, Brown University

*Facing up to the Question of Ethics in Mindfulness-Based Interventions*

Responding:

Linda Heuman, Brown University

A21-320

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## Chinese Religions Group

Theme: **Academic Legacies of the Study of Chinese Religions**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Anna Sun, Kenyon College, Presiding

Christopher Daily, Regent's University, London  
*From Missionary to Sinologist: The Impact of James Legge's Search for Authority on the Academic Study of Chinese Christianity*

Gregory Adam Scott, University of Edinburgh  
*Water from Native Wells: Depictions of Chinese Sacred Spaces in Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth-Century Western Publications*

Thomas DuBois, Australian National University  
*The Mind of Empire: Japanese Ethnographic Studies of Religion in China*

Lucas Carmichael, University of Chicago  
*Historical and Scriptural Approaches to the Daode Jing*

Business Meeting:

James A. Benn, McMaster University, and Megan Bryson, University of Tennessee, Presiding

A21-321



## Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group

Theme: **Ethnographic Approaches to Religion and Violence**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Michael Jerryson, Youngstown State University, Presiding

Ryan Williams, University of Calgary  
*Islam and Violence in UK Maximum-Security Prisons: An Ethnographic Approach*

Amarnath Amarasingam, Dalhousie University  
*Foreign Fighters in Syria: Understanding the Whys and the Hows*

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James Ponniah Kulandai Raj, University of Madras  
*Communal Violence in India: Exploring Strategies of Its Provocation and Resolution in Contemporary Times*

Grisel Oliva, Florida International University  
*The Paradox of Ordination and Religious Nationalism: Theravada Buddhist Female Monastics and the 969 Movement in Burma*

Iselin Frydenlund, University of Oslo  
*Buddhist Militarism beyond Texts: The Importance of Ritual during the Sri Lankan Civil War*

Business Meeting:

Michael Jerryson, Youngstown State University, Presiding

## A21-322



### Comparative Religious Ethics Group

Theme: **Moral Theory and Comparative Religious Ethics**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

David Clairmont, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University  
*De-Centering Culture: Comparative Religious Ethics and Normative Inquiry from an African Perspective*

Kevin Jung, Wake Forest University  
*Normativity in Comparative Religious Ethics*

Bharat Ranganathan, University of Notre Dame  
*On the Limits of the Ethnographic Turn*

Business Meeting:

Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University, and Beverley Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

## A21-323



### Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group

Theme: **The Medicalization of Religion: Bodies and Brains as Loci of Control**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding

Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina  
*The Religion of Homo Nexus: Cognitive Science of Religion, Biopolitics, and Neuroplasticity*

Daniel Moseson, Syracuse University  
*The Medicalization of "Religious Experience" in Contemplative Studies*

Shin Kwon Kim, University of Oxford  
*Purge Away Alcohol for Cleanliness: Cleanliness in Mind and Body, Individual and Society, and Secular and Sacred Realms*

Arlene Macdonald, University of Texas Medical Branch  
*Organs as "Sensational Forms": Transplant Advocacy and the Transformation of Religious Experience*

Business Meeting:

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, and Ann M. Burlein, Hofstra University, Presiding

## A21-324

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### Death, Dying, and Beyond Group and Religion and Popular Culture Group

Theme: **The Grateful Undead: Afterlife and Sacrificial Narratives in Popular Culture**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Mohamed S. Hassan, Temple University, Presiding

Matt Friedrich, Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
*The Terror of Resurrection: Representation and Theologies of (Un)Death in Cinema Horror*

Andrea Dara Cooper, University of North Carolina  
*Alternative Sacrificial Narratives: Death Is Your Gift*

Michael Amoruso, University of Texas  
*The Life of Dead Souls: What Representations of Afterlife and the Dead Tell Us about Religious Consensus in Brazil*

Courtney Tepera, Temple University  
*Heaven in the Real World? The Many Uses and Meanings of "Heaven" in Christian Contemporary Music*

## A21-325



### Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

Theme: **The Legacy of John Zizioulas: Thirty Years after *Being as Communion* (Saint Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1985)**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Brandon Gallaher, University of Exeter, Presiding

Panelists:

Karen Kilby, University of Durham

Khaled Anatolios, Boston College

Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University

Paul S. Fiddes, Regents Park College

Business Meeting:

Vera Shevzov, Smith College, and Aristotle Papanikolaou, Fordham University, Presiding

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## Ecclesial Practices Group and the Society for the Study of Anglicanism

Theme: **Conflict and Reconciliation in Ecclesial Practice**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

Tone Stangeland Kaufman, MF Norwegian School of Theology, Presiding

Christopher C. Brittain, University of Aberdeen  
*Lent and Ramadan under the Same Roof*

Jesse Zink, University of Cambridge  
*Debating the Sacraments in a War Zone: Conflict and Reconciliation among Anglicans during Sudan's Civil War*

Joyce Ann Mercer, Virginia Theological Seminary  
*Conflicting Identities: An Ethnographic Account of Conflict and Schism in an Episcopal Parish*

Kyle Lambelet, University of Notre Dame  
*Crossing the Line: Liturgical Protest and the Tasks of Deliberation*

Business Meeting:

Natalie Wigg-Stevenson, Emmanuel College, Presiding

A21-327



## Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group and Queer Studies in Religion Group and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: The Relevance of Lynne Huffer's *Mad for Foucault* (Columbia University Press, 2009) and *Are the Lips a Grave?* (Columbia University Press, 2013) for Theology and the Study of Religion**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Mary Keller, University of Wyoming, Presiding

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary  
*The Walking Cure*

Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Kent  
*"Dazzlement": Foucault, Experience and Huffer's Erotic Ethics*

Wesley Barker, Mercer University  
*Tracing Lips: Reading Eros Beyond Ethics in the Work of Lynne Huffer*

Jason Frey, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*A Queer Vulnerability: Body Ethics and Foucauldian Relationality*

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University  
*The Bar/Bedroom as Liturgy's Rectum/Lips: In Search of Christianity's Catachrestic Heterotopias*

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Responding:

Lynne Huffer, Emory University

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## Law, Religion, and Culture Group and Secularism and Secularity Group

Theme: **The Economics of Secularism**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Daniel Vaca, Brown University, Presiding

Jotham Parsons, Duquesne University  
*Early Modern Political Economy and the Formation of the Secular*

Andrew Ventimiglia, University of California, Davis  
*The Profit in Prophecy: Intellectual Property and the Economics of Evangelical Publishing*

Kolby Knight, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*"The Scythe of Secularity": Schools, Capitalism, and the Decapitation of Religion in 1894*

Shannon Trospen Schorey, University of North Carolina  
*"All Knowledge for All!" Intellectual Property, Piracy, and Religion in an Information Age*

Responding:

Bronwyn Roantree, Harvard University

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## Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: **Affect and Moral Emotions in Religion and Ecology**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Courtney O'Dell-Chaib, Syracuse University  
*Desiring Devastated Landscapes: Cultivating Biophilia Within Ecological Collapse*

Sarah Fredericks, University of Chicago  
*Climate Shame, Restorative Justice, Religious Ritual*

Brandon Morgan, Baylor University  
*Materiality in Excess: Toward a Theological Aesthetics of Bodily Life in Elizabeth Grosz and Rowan Williams*

Andrew Thompson, University of the South  
*Emotion and Ethics in Novel Ecosystems: An Environmental Pragmatist Approach*

Luke Higgins, South University  
*Affective Experimentation in Eco-Religious Practice: Insights from Whitehead and Latour*

Responding:

Christopher Carter, University of San Diego

**A21-330**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ★ **Religion in the American West Group**Theme: **Religious Promotion and Sacred Space in the American West**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Brandi Denison, University of North Florida, Presiding

Jenna Gray-Hildenbrand, Middle Tennessee State University  
*Religion, Fraud, and the American West: The "I AM" Activity and Defining the Limits of Religious Freedom*Justin Doran, University of Texas  
*Bayou Revival: Houston as the Contact Zone between the New South and the American West*Megan Goodwin, Bates College  
*"This Is Not About Religion": The State of Texas v. Yearning For Zion*Angela Tarango, Trinity University, and Isaiah Ellis, University of North Carolina  
*Hunting Buffalo in Oklahoma: Native American Casinos, Sacred Land, and Portrayals of Native Culture and Religion*

Responding:

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico

Business Meeting:

Brandi Denison, University of North Florida, Presiding

**A21-331****Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**Theme: **Pedagogy and Visual Culture**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Ken Derry, University of Toronto, Presiding

Omar Shaukat, University of Johannesburg  
*Teaching Sacrifice in Gran Torino, True Grit and Django Unchained: Thinking through Civil Religion in Films*Edward Godfrey, Temple University  
*Zen Noir vis-à-vis Myers-Briggs Personality Typology: Semiotic Multivalence as Grounds for Dialog*Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary's University, Halifax  
*Gangland Prophets: Un Prophète (2009) as a Tool for Teaching Islam*Takushi Odagiri, New York University  
*Depicting Religious Awareness in Documentary Modes: Global Japanese Cinema*

Kutter Callaway, Fuller Theological Seminary, Chelsea McInturff, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA, Samantha Curley, Level Ground, Pasadena, CA

*On Level Ground: Pedagogical Advances in Religion and Film***A21-332****Religion, Media, and Culture Group and World Christianity Group**Theme: **The Medium Is the Mission: Christianity and Technology in Colonial and Postcolonial Contexts**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Erika W. Dyson, Harvey Mudd College, Presiding

Alia Wegner, University of Edinburgh  
*Wonders Mistaken for Signs: The British and Foreign Bible Society and Bible Shortage in Madras, May 1817*Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of Iowa  
*A Telegraph for the Sultan and Other Spectacular Technology: Material Media in Colonial Christian Mission*Adam T. Shreve, University of Edinburgh  
*White Jesus Speaking Shona: Campus Crusade's The Jesus Film (1979) and Neocolonialism in Zimbabwe Today*

Responding:

Kathleen Foody, College of Charleston

Business Meeting:

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, and Jenna Supp-Montgomerie, University of Iowa, Presiding

**A21-333****Ricoeur Group**Theme: **Ricoeur, Pluralism, and Interreligious Dialogue**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Michael Sohn, Cleveland State University, Presiding

Mark Godin, University of Chester  
*Ricoeur and Human Plurality: Broadening Theological Visions*Darryl Ferguson, University of Chicago  
*"Truth" in the Political: Ricoeur's "Truth and Falsehood" and the Protection of Plurality*Brian A. Butcher, Saint Paul University  
*Naming the Unnameable (?) Liturgical (Un)Translatability and the Challenge of Interreligious Dialogue*Wanjoong Kim, Graduate Theological Union  
*Non-Self as Another: Reading Prajñāpāramitā Concept of Non-Self from Ricoeur's Dialectical Hermeneutics*

Business Meeting:

Kenneth A. Reynhout, Bethel Seminary, Presiding

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## Roman Catholic Studies Group

Theme: **Critique of Family Discourses in the Catholic Church**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Karen Enriquez, Xavier University, Presiding

John Slattery, University of Notre Dame

*The Dogmatic Depravity of Adoption: Changing the Language of "Open to Life"*

Colleen Carpenter, Saint Catherine University

*"But I Thought Love Was Supposed to Endure All Things": Domestic Violence, Discernment, and the Indissolubility of Marriage*

Julia Enxing, University of Muenster

*The Trope of "Gender-Ideology" in the Documents of the Synods of Bishops on the Family Seen through Pope Francis' Call for Misericordia*

Mauricio Najarro, Graduate Theological Union

*Codependence and Familiar Idolatry: Liberation, Critique, and the Demands of Compassion in Catholic Discourse*

Responding:

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University

Business Meeting:

Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University, and Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University, Presiding

A21-335



## Space, Place, and Religion Group

Theme: **Examining Japanese Mountain Asceticism through the Lens of Space and Place**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Carina Roth, University of Geneva

*Variations of Symbolic Topography: The Shaping of Japan's Mountains in Shugendō*

Diane E. Riggs, Western Michigan University

*Shrunk, Folded, and Hidden: Imagined Space in the Shugendō Yuigesa*

Caleb Carter, University of California, Los Angeles

*Imagined Spaces and Encoded Places in the Historical Formation of Shugendō*

Frank W. Clements, University of Pennsylvania

*Summit, Foot, and Parish: Space and Authority in Early Modern Haguro Shugendō*

Responding:

Heather Blair, Indiana University

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Business Meeting:

David Bains, Samford University, and Brian J. Nichols, Mount Royal University, Presiding

A21-336

## Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: **Tillich's Theological Legacies**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, San Anselmo, CA, Presiding



Paul Tillich

Fifty years ago, on October 22, 1965, Paul Tillich died, just days after having given his final public lecture. Consideration of the theological endeavor between then and now highlights how seminal his thought has been within the field of religion. In contemporary parlance, it could be said that in many ways today's Academy is Tillich gone viral. On this panel, leading scholars address how Tillich's ideas have contributed to their work in religion and science, theology and culture, theology and psychology, black liberation theology, feminist theology, ground of being theologies, and theology and world religions. The vibrancy of Tillich's contribution to the constructive work of these scholars indicates the lasting nature of his influence on the field.

Panelists:

Harvey Cox, Harvard University

Robert Russell, Center for Theology and Natural Sciences, Berkeley, CA

Pamela Cooper-White, Union Theological Seminary

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

Responding:

Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

A21-337



## Transhumanism and Religion Group

Theme: **Transhumanism and the Enhancement of Religion**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Tracy J. Trothen, Queen's University, Presiding

Alan Murphy, Vanderbilt University

*"Have You Believed Because You Have Seen?": Medical and Technological Alterations to the Visual Field as Possible Vehicles for Transhuman Enhancement of Religious Experience*

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University

*Hacking the Religious Mind through Computer Simulation*

Richard McCarty, Mercyhurst University

*Transhumanism, Postmillennialism, and Queer Visions of Eschatology*

Megan Leverage, Florida State University  
*Second Creation and Procreation: Gender, Sexuality, and the Family in Transhumanist New Religious Movements*

Responding:

Ted Peters, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary

Business Meeting:

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary,  
 Presiding

## A21-338 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ★ 📄 *New!*

### Folklore and Religion Seminar

Theme: **Vernacular Miracles: Folklore and Religion in Everyday Life**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College, Presiding

Kate Kelley, University of Missouri

*Myth at the Intersection of Folkloristics and Religious Studies*

Tom Mould, Elon University

*The Social Life of Sacred Stories among Latter-Day Saints*

Robert Glenn Howard, University of Wisconsin

*A New Age Apocalypse: Digitally Driven Vernacular Religion*

Sarah Riccardi-Swartz, New York University

*"To Me They're Relics": Vernacular Religion in Ozarkian Orthodox Devotional Practices*

Joseph Sciorra, City University of New York

*Creativity, Polyphony, and Catholic Vernacular Arts of Italian Americans in New York City*

Sabina Magliocco, California State University, Northridge  
*Beyond the Rainbow Bridge: Vernacular Cosmologies of Animal Afterlives*

Business Meeting:

Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College, and Stephen Wehmeyer, Champlain College, Presiding

## A21-339 ★

### Global Perspectives on Religion and HIV/AIDS Seminar

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

Lynne Gerber, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Christopher A. House, Ithaca College

*African Students Researching Religion and HIV: Addressing Issues of Stigma and Sexuality?*

Beverly Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal

*Rhetorics of the Black Church: Sex, Religion, and HIV/AIDS Across the African Diaspora*

Business Meeting:

Anthony Petro, Boston University, Presiding

## A21-340 ★

### Religion and US Empire Seminar

Theme: **Conceptualizing American Empire: Theoretical and Methodological Approaches**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A602 (Atrium Level)

Tisa Wenger, Yale University, Presiding

Panelists:

Cara Burnidge, University of Northern Iowa

Sylvester Johnson, Northwestern University

Terrence Johnson, Georgetown University

Elaine Peña, George Washington University

Keith Feldman, University of California, Berkeley

Business Meeting:

Tracy Leavelle, Creighton University, Presiding

## A21-341

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ♠ 📄

### Wildcard Session

Theme: **From Tolerance to Recognition: Recognition and the Acceptance of Otherness**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Risto Saarinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Aku Visala, University of Helsinki, and Olli-Pekka Vainio,  
 University of Helsinki

*Tolerance or Recognition? What Can We Expect?*

Panu-Matti Pöykkö, University of Helsinki

*Levinas on Recognition and Metaphoricity*

Minna Hietamäki, University of Helsinki

*Recognition: One-Minded Agreement or Positive Toleration of Differences?*

Elina Hellqvist, University of Helsinki

*Recognition, Toleration and Identity: LGBTQ in the Lutheran Church*

Ritva Palmén, University of Helsinki, and Heikki J. Koskinen,  
 University of Helsinki

*Mediated Recognition and Agreement in Conflict: Peter Alfonsi's Dialogi contra Iudaeos*

Anna-Liisa Tolonen, University of Helsinki

*A Meaning and Many Visions: John Chrysostom in Conflict and Dialogue*

Joona Salminen, University of Helsinki

*Divine Mediation and Mediated Recognition: A Case Study of Marcellus of Ancyra*

Timothy Riggs, University of Jyväskylä

*In Search of the Good: Gnosis as Recognition in Proclus and Maximus the Confessor*

Responding:

Jan-Olav Henriksen, MF Norwegian School of Theology

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

## A21-342



### AAR Board of Directors Subcommittee on Academic Freedom

Theme: **Open Session on the AAR's Revised Statement on Academic Freedom**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hilton–Crystal BE

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, and Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

A sub-Committee of the AAR's Board has been working on revisions to our Statement on Academic Freedom. The first draft of the new Statement was posted online, and the sub-Committee invited members to submit comments. Based on the helpful comments we received, the sub-Committee will craft a second draft of the revised Statement before the Annual Meeting. This time around, we will not solicit online comments. But we will post the second draft on the AAR website in advance of the Annual Meeting. We invite all members who would like to discuss the latest draft to attend this session with the sub-Committee.

Panelists:

Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa

Jin Y Park, American University

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

Asma Afsaruddin, Indiana University

## P21-300

### Art/s of Interpretation Group

Theme: **Honoring Charles H. Long: The Art/s of Interpretation Group Celebrates his Retirement II**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt–Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Panelists:

Randal Cummings, California State University, Northridge

Richard A. Gardner, Sophia University

Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara

James Anthony Noel, San Francisco Theological Seminary

Karen Fields, Richmond, VA

Corey D. B. Walker, Winston Salem State University

Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver

David Carrasco, Harvard University

Responding:

Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC

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## P21-302

### African Association for the Study of Religions

Theme: **Issues in African-Initiated Churches and African Diaspora Christianity**

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt–Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University, Presiding

Bernard Appiah, University of Birmingham

*Integration Strategies of Pentecostal Churches in the African Diaspora*

Lovemore Togarasei, University of Botswana

Obed Ndeya Kealotswe, University of Botswana

Sana Mmolai, University of Botswana

*Quinine, Ditaola, and the Bible: Investigating Botswana Health Seeking Practices*

Janice McLean–Farrell, City Seminary of New York

*Singleness, Marriage, and the Second-Generation: Charting the Future of African and African Diasporan Immigrant Families in the West*

JoAnn D'Alisera, University of Arkansas

*Afterlife Exiles: Death and Dying in the Sierra Leonian Diaspora*

Responding:

Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University

## P21-306

### College Theology Society Liturgical Celebration

Saturday, 6:00 PM–7:00 PM

Sheraton–Atlanta 5 (Level 1)

## A21-400



### International Members' Reception

Saturday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Amy L. Allocco, Elon University, Presiding

A reception for international members of the AAR. Winners of the Collaborative International Research Grants will be announced. By invitation only.

#### 2014–2015 Collaborative International Research Grant Winners

Chad Bauman, Butler University, USA, and James Ponniah, University of Madras, India

*Christians and Religious Violence in Sri Lanka*

Amber L. Griffioen, University of Konstanz, Germany, and

Mohammad Sadegh Zahedi, Imam Khomeini International University, Iran

*Longing, Suffering, and Love in Medieval Christian and Islamic Mysticism*

Christian Haskett, Centre College, USA, and Rana P.B. Singh,  
Banaras Hindu University, India  
*Varanasi's Tiny Temples and the Making of Hinduism*

John J. McGraw, Aarhus University, Denmark, Ronald Fischer,  
Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, and Dimitris  
Xygalatas, University of Connecticut, USA  
*Divination & Decision-Making: Ritual Techniques of Distributed  
Cognition in the Guatemalan Highlands*

SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College, USA, and Waris  
Mazhari, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, India  
*The Politics and Poetics of Islamic Law in Contemporary South Asia*

## P21-406



### Public Understanding of Religion Committee and the Religious Freedom Center of the Newseum Institute

Theme: **Reception to Introduce a New Initiative on Public  
Scholarship and the Media**

Saturday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Westin-Chastain C (Level 6)

## A21-401



### Racial and Ethnic Minorities Reception

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr Blvd  
NW

## P21-403



### Religious Education Association

Theme: **Valuing the Teaching of Religion: Connecting,  
Disrupting, Transforming Power**

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)

Kathy Winings, Unification Theological Seminary, Presiding

Connecting to the theme of this year's presidential address by Dr. Thomas A. Tweed, "Valuing the Study of Religion," this session is a panel discussion among scholars of religious studies, theology, and religious education on the challenges and possibilities of teaching religion in times of social tension, conflict, protest, and resistance. The teaching of religion takes place in a variety of settings and for varied aims — be it for lifelong and life-wide religious formation, for broadened religious knowledge, or for advancement of responsible participation in public life. How do teachers of religion understand the power of religious knowing and learning? How do we imagine the connecting, disrupting, and transforming potentials of teaching religion? This session is an opportunity to connect with the Religious Education Association, a related scholarly organization of the AAR. We value interdisciplinary and intercultural research at the intersections of religion and education. You can also connect with us at [www.religiouseducation.net](http://www.religiouseducation.net).

Panelists:

Judith L. Bishop, Mills College

Andre E. Johnson, Memphis Theological Seminary

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion

Sarah Tauber, Jewish Theological Seminary

## P21-405

### Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies and Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

Theme: **Vespers (Evening Prayer) in the Byzantine Rite**

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

All are welcome to join in this traditional liturgical service, common to both Eastern Orthodox and Byzantine-Rite Catholic Churches, which inaugurates the Lord's Day. Entirely chanted in English, with some Greek and Slavonic.

## P21-407

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### Study of Islam Section and Islamic Studies Groups Reception

Saturday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

*Saturday, 7:00 PM and Later*

## A21-402

### Journal of the American Academy of Religion (JAAR) Editorial Board Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

## A21-403



### Friends of the Academy Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-AAR Suite

Individuals who have been members of the AAR for 40 years or more and those whose generosity allows us to continue many of our special programs are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR Board of Directors.

## A21-404



### Contingent Faculty and Applied Religious Studies Professionals Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-AAR Suite

AAR members who work at colleges and universities on a contingent or contractual basis or who apply their degrees to work outside of the academy are welcome to meet and greet each other at this reception hosted by the AAR's Contingent Faculty Task Force and Applied Religious Studies Working Group. Please RSVP by Friday, November 6, by e-mailing Sarah Levine ([slevine@aarweb.org](mailto:slevine@aarweb.org)).

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

### P21-404

#### Evangelical Philosophical Society

Theme: **The Philosophical Basis for Religious Liberty**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

What precisely justifies religious liberty? Some scholars argue that religion is not special, that it is not entitled to any unique status in the panoply of civil and/or natural rights, and that whatever goods that religious liberty was supposed to protect can be protected by subsuming “religious liberty” under a more general right to autonomy on questions of ultimate concern. Still other thinkers argue that because religious belief is irrational it should receive no more protection from the law than what is given to personal hobbies, theories about the universe, etc. Consequently, in order to enter this conversation, there are two questions the panelists will address: “What is religious liberty?” and “How is it justified?”

### A21-406

#### Film: *Jingū Kirin*

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Thanks to the generous support from the Center for Information on Religion, Japan, we will be able to bring from Japan the director and the producer of the film, Kenshi Fushihara and Katsuhiko Abuno. In addition, two American scholars (a Japanese religion specialist and a Japanese film specialist) will join the panel. The film centers on the Japanese actress Kiki Kirin’s first pilgrimage to the Ise Jingū shrine complex in 2013 during its shikinen sengū (i.e., the process of rebuilding its major shrines, which occurs every twenty years). Through participating in various ceremonies surrounding the shikinen sengū as a pilgrim, Kiki explores what this shrine and its shikinen sengū mean to different people, all the while pondering on the meanings of life and death, as a 10-year cancer survivor.

Panelists:

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara

Ryan M. Cook, Emory University

Responding:

Kenshi Fushihara, Tokai Television Broadcasting, Ltd., Nagoya, Japan

Katsuhiko Abuno, Tokai Television Broadcasting, Ltd., Nagoya, Japan

### A21-407

#### Films

Theme: *Tupac vs.*

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Panelist:

Daniel White Hodge, North Park University

### P21-402

#### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott-Skyline North (Level 10)

Everyone is welcome. Come and learn about our programs and opportunities. Celebrate teaching with past and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants. In addition, sign up for an appointment during the conference to discuss your ideas for a Wabash Center grant, or stop by our booth in the Exhibit Hall.

### P21-408

#### Polanyi Society

Theme: **Polanyi: Theological and Ethical Implications**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

David Rutledge, Furman University, Presiding

Walter Mead, Illinois State University

*Theological Implications of Polanyi’s Philosophy of Knowing and Being*

Lucila Crena, Regent College

*A Polanyian Witness in an Age of Mistrust: A Majority World Perspective*

Matthew O’Sullivan, Hillsdale College

*Rules of Right Practice or Contact with Reality? Michael Polanyi and George Lindbeck on the Purpose of Theological Propositions*

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**M21-412****Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society Joint Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM  
Westin–Chastain D (Level 6)

**M21-417****New Religious Movements Group and *Nova Religio* Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM  
Westin–Piedmont 4 (Level 12)

**A21-405*****JAR* Reception for Authors and Board Members**

Saturday, 8:30 PM–9:30 PM  
Hyatt–AAR Suite

**A21-408****LGBTIQ Scholars / Scholars of LGBTIQ Studies Reception**

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Marriott–Marquis C (Marquis Level)  
LGBTIQ scholars, scholars of LGBTIQ studies, and friends are invited to a reception. Come network, see old friends, and make new ones! Sponsored by the Status of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, and Queer Persons in the Profession Committee.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22****A22-1****AAR Annual Business Meeting**

Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM  
Marriott–L503 (Lobby Level)  
Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding  
Join the AAR Board of Directors for a continental breakfast and a brief business meeting.

**A22-2****Contingent Faculty Task Force Meeting**

Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM  
Marriott–Sear Restaurant  
Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL, Presiding

**M22-4****Feminist Studies in Religion Web Board Meeting**

Sunday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM  
Hyatt–Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

**A22-100****Graduate Student Business Meeting and New Member Welcome**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–9:30 AM  
Hyatt–Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University, Presiding

Like most “business meetings” at the Annual Meeting, this one is open to all students (both graduate and undergraduate) and is an opportunity to share your ideas and feedback. What events would you like to see the Graduate Student Committee plan in the future? What are your main concerns as a student member within the American Academy of Religion? How can the Graduate Student Committee better represent student needs? This is also an opportunity to ask questions and to learn more about student resources and initiatives. You will have an opportunity to meet the regionally elected student directors who serve on the Graduate Student Committee and represent students on their regional board of directors. This is also a great opportunity to network with other student members and to learn tips for making the most of your Annual Meeting experience and AAR membership.

Business Meeting:

B. J. Parker, Baylor University, Presiding

**P22-105****Colloquium on Violence and Religion**

Theme: **Karen Armstrong's *Fields of Blood: Religion and the History of Violence***

Sunday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM  
Marriott–M103 (Marquis Level)

Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

COV&R is an international association founded in 1990 which is dedicated to the exploration, criticism, and development of René Girard's mimetic model of the relationship between violence and religion in the genesis and maintenance of culture.

Panelists:

Chelsea King, University of Notre Dame  
David Humbert, Thorneloe University  
Brian Collins, Ohio University  
William Johnsen, Michigan State University  
John D. Dadosky, University of Toronto

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*Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM*

## A22-101



### Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

Theme: **Critical Analysis of Gender and Transgender in Indigenous Cultures**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University, University of Chester, Presiding

Gabriel Estrada, California State University, Long Beach  
*Visual, Erotic, and Theological Sovereignty in Kumu Hina (2014): Mahus and Kanaka Maoli Transgender Film*

Robert M. Baum, Dartmouth College  
*From a Male to a Female Prophetic Tradition among the Diola of Senegambia*

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College  
*The Gendering of Being Possessed in Eastern Gujarat*

Business Meeting:

Robert M. Baum, Dartmouth College, Presiding

## A22-102

### Queer Studies in Religion Group and Religion and Disability Studies Group

Theme: **Queer Disability Theory and Theology**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University, Presiding

Deborah Creamer, Association of Theological Schools, Pittsburgh, PA

Heike Peckruhn, Daemen College  
*Crippling Religion*

Max Thornton, Drew University  
*Trans/Criptions: Gender, Disability, and Liturgical Experience*

Brian Blackmore, Temple University  
*Towards a Crip Theology: Biblical Foundations of the Queer Disability Drive*

Cassie Houtz, Harvard University  
*Saving the Unsavable: A Queer Redemption*

Karen Bray, Drew University  
*Willfully Unredeemed: The Mad Crippling of Liberal Queerdom*

## A22-103



### Wildcard Session

Theme: **God's a White Racist: Ferguson, Black Death, and Racing Religion**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Daniel White Hodge, North Park University, Presiding

Travis Harris, College of William and Mary  
*Performing Resistance: Hip Hop's Fight Against Institutional Racism in Saint Louis, Missouri*

Ralph Watkins, Columbia Theological Seminary  
*The Generational Divide in the Black Church: The Future of the Prophetic Witness in a Time of Crisis*

Andre E. Johnson, Memphis Theological Seminary  
*Race, Ruckus, and the Color of God: A Spirituality of Ferguson*

Monica R. Miller, Lehigh University  
*When God Ain't Good and Humans Ain't Better: Ferguson, Black Death and the Monstrosity of Religious Rhetoric*

Responding:

Najeeba Syeed-Miller, Claremont School of Theology

## A22-104

### Publications Committee Meeting

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Theodore Vial, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

## A22-105



### Academic Relations Committee

Theme: **Academic Freedom in Peril — And What to Do About It**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Edward E. Curtis, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding

The academic freedom of too many scholars of religion is in peril. Threats to the academic freedom of AAR members include the dramatic rise in the use of contingent laborers and a lack of protection for their free speech; outright violation of university procedures and due process of law in hiring, promotion, and tenure processes; organized efforts by various interest groups to deny public or private funding for the academic study of religion; and organized campaigns to smear or discredit individual scholars based on false accusations of undue bias, dishonesty, and/or disloyalty to the state. This special topics forum examines the state of academic freedom for scholars of religious studies both in the United States and abroad.

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In addition to offering analysis of the problem, panelists will outline what can be done, especially by the AAR, to strengthen this bedrock principle of our work together.

Panelists:

Kelly J. Baker, Tallahassee, FL  
Omid Safi, Duke University  
Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley  
Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College

## A22-106

### Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **Religious Liberty, the Supreme Court, RFRA, and RLUIPA**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Using the *Hobby Lobby* and *Holt v. Hobbs* Supreme Court decisions as a starting point, the panel will discuss the challenges of valuing religion in law, addressing such questions as: Do court decisions in cases such as *Hobby Lobby* and *Holt v. Hobbs* serve or undermine religious pluralism? When are religious exemptions to laws that apply generally to everyone warranted? How ought religious liberty be weighed against other rights (e.g., equal protection of the laws — LGBT rights)? How do the Supreme Court Justices' opinions reflect the broader societal arguments about what counts as "religious exercise" and whether or how religion is valued in public spaces?

Panelists:

Kent Greenwalt, Columbia University  
Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University  
Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California  
Mark Silk, Trinity College

## A22-107

### AAR Status of Women in the Profession Committee and SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee

Theme: **What Next? Institutional Changes in Work/Life Balance**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)

Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

This panel is a part of a multi-year work/life balance project of the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession. The conversation will center around the possibilities and challenges of changing institutional culture and practices. As leaders of academic institutions, panelists will examine structural issues that prohibit and enhance work/life balance at the workplace and the academy. In 2014, the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession hosted a conversation on navigating "relationships" in academic life. Papers from this session are published in the *Religious Studies News* "Not for Women Only" section. For more information on this project, go to: <https://www.aarweb.org/worklife-balance-project>.

Panelists:

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University  
Denise K. Buell, Williams College  
Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Eastern University  
Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School  
April D. DeConick, Rice University  
Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary

## A22-108



### Buddhism Section

Theme: **Data-Driven Approaches in Contemporary Buddhist Studies: Perspectives on Textual and Praxis Lineages**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Wendi Adamek, University of Calgary, Presiding

James B. Apple, University of Calgary  
*Phylogenetic Analysis in the Study of Tibetan Kanjurs*

Christopher Handy, McMaster University  
*Mahāyāna by Number: An Experiment in Automated Genre Analysis*

Christopher Jensen, McMaster University  
*Mapping Oneiric Practice in Medieval Chinese Buddhism: Using Geographic Information System (GIS) Software to Analyze Historical Trends in the Biographies of Eminent Monks Corpus*

Joseph Walser, Tufts University  
*When Even the Devil Can Quote Sutra: A Data-Guided Approach to an Old Exegetical Problem*

Jason Protass, Stanford University  
*Geographical Information Systems (GIS) and the Chan Lamp Records*

Responding:

Jiang Wu, University of Arizona

Business Meeting:

Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago, Presiding

## A22-109

### Comparative Studies in Religion Section

Theme: **Navigating the Boundaries of the "Religious" and "Secular" in Contemporary Social and Political Circumstances**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Christopher Patrick Parr, Webster University, Presiding

Jacques Berlinerblau, Georgetown University  
*"The Secular" and "the Religious" Are Not Opposites, nor Necessarily Adversarial*

Ingrid Anderson, Boston University  
*Teaching Jewish Studies in a Secular University*

Fred Abong, Salve Regina University  
*Eagleman and Malabou: Prophets of Contemporary Neurobiological Practice as Postsecular Remedy to Subjective Anosognosia*


Jordan Miller, Salve Regina University  
*Idle No More and the Ecology of Protest: Indigeneity, Spirituality, and Politics*

Responding:

Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-110

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#### History of Christianity Section

Theme: **Albert Raboteau's *Slave Religion* (Oxford University Press, 1978): A Retrospective**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Daniel Ramirez, University of Michigan, Presiding

Panelists:

- Jason Young, State University of New York, Buffalo
- Michelle Gonzalez Maldonado, University of Miami
- Marla Frederick, Harvard University
- Terrence Johnson, Georgetown University

Responding:

Albert J. Raboteau, Princeton University

Business Meeting:

Daniel Joslyn-Siemiatkoski, Seminary of the Southwest, Presiding

### A22-111

#### North American Religions Section

Theme: **Protesting Catholics: The "New Anti-Catholicism" and the Politics of Public Religion in North America**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Anthony Petro, Boston University
- Hillary Kaell, Concordia University, Montreal
- Kathleen Holscher, University of New Mexico

Responding:

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

### A22-112

#### Philosophy of Religion Section

Theme: **Description, Prescription, and Value in the Study of Religion**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Derek Alan Woodard-Lehman, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Travis Cooper, Indiana University

*Valuable Categories, Evaluative Taxonomies: Re-Reading Functionalist and Structuralist Classification Paradigms after Jonathan Z. Smith*

Bharat Ranganathan, University of Notre Dame

*Atrocity and Intelligibility in the Study of Religion*

Anil Mundra, University of Chicago

*The Natural, The Normative, and the Study of Religion*

Gary Slater, Saint Edwards University

*Substituting "Implicit/Explicit" for "Prescriptive/Descriptive": A Pragmatic Response to Inquiry into Religious Values*

### A22-113



#### Religion and Politics Section and Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group

Theme: **Empire and the Raw Materials of Religious Concern**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Duane Jethro, University of Utrecht, Presiding

Ilyse Morgenstein Fuerst, University of Vermont

*Defining Islam after the 1857 Sepoy Rebellion*

Michael Thate, Princeton University

*Albert Schweitzer, W. E. B. Du Bois, and Colonial Africa*

Adam H. Becker, New York University




















*Empire, Imperial Engines, and the Raw Material of the Theory of Religion: A Non-Colonial Missionary Perspective*

Responding:

David Chidester, University of Cape Town

Peter Gottschalk, Wesleyan University

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**A22-114****Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

Theme: **Shifting Forms of Religious Practice and Identity: Four Studies**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

C. Melissa Snarr, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Sara Williams, Emory University  
*The Haunting of Cabbagetown Park: Black Church Presence in Atlanta's Milltown*

Dilara Üsküp, University of Chicago  
*Politicking from the Pulpit?*

Deborah Berho, George Fox University  
*Cantando Our Own Songs: Worship Music in Evangelical Latino Churches*

C. Lynn Carr, Seton Hall University  
*How Can You Be Both \_\_\_\_\_ and Lukumi? Reconciling Multiple Religious Attachments in the U.S.*

Responding:

Nichole Phillips, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Gerardo Marti, Davidson College, and Ann B. McClenahan,  
Boston Theological Institute, Presiding

**A22-115****Religion in South Asia Section and Space, Place, and Religion Group**

Theme: **Tomb and Mortuary Relic Worship in South Asia**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Valerie Stoker, Wright State University, Presiding

Tillo Detige, Ghent University  
*Absence, Agency, and Immanence: The Ritual Veneration of Deceased Ascetics as a Technology of the Self in Digambara Jainism*

Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina  
*Islamic Norms and Local Identity in the South Asian Sufi Shrine*

Mark McLaughlin, College of William and Mary  
*Pre-Dargah Roots of Hindu Samadhi Burial Practice*

Dean Accardi, Connecticut College  
*Politics Enshrined: Governing the Sacred Landscape through the Tombs of Sufi Saints*

Responding:

Carla Bellamy, City University of New York

**A22-116**

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**Study of Islam Section and Animals and Religion Group**

Theme: **To Kill or Not to Kill: Islamic Perspectives on Animal Ethics**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Dalia Abo-Haggar, Harvard University, Presiding

Nuri Friedlander, Harvard University  
*Can Pain Be Good? Muslim Theologians and Jurists on the Problem of Animal Pain*

Ghazala Anwar, Graduate Theological Union  
*From Animal Welfare to Animal Rights: The Basmalah of Vegetarianism*

Magfirah Dahlan-Taylor, Craven Community College  
*Beyond Barbarity and Concealment: Islamic Responses to Postdomesticity*

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida  
*Between the Letter and the Spirit of the Prophet's Word: al-Nafrāwī on the Treatment of Insects*

Responding:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

**A22-117****Teaching Religion Section and Qur'an Group**

Theme: **Aesthetics, Authority, and Audience: New Directions in Teaching the Qur'an**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Roshan Iqbal, Georgetown University, Presiding

Youshaa Patel, Lafayette College  
*Texts and Contexts*

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University  
*Translation as Interpretation*

Lauren Osborne, Whitman College  
*Hearing the Qur'an*

Elliott Bazzano, Le Moyne College  
*Reading the Qur'an through a TED Talk*

Responding:

Anna M. Gade, University of Wisconsin



## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-118



#### Afro-American Religious History Group

Theme: **The Work, Life, and Legacy of Vincent Harding: Reflections on Activism and Afro-American Religious History**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Valerie C. Cooper, Duke University, Presiding

Tobin Shearer, University of Montana

*Vincent Harding's Academic/Activist Union: The Mennonite Roots, 1960–1965*

Juan Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University

*"That's Not How the Story Ends." Vincent Harding's Liberating Vision of African-American Religious History*

Responding:

Rachel E. Harding, University of Colorado, Denver

Business Meeting:

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College, and Josef Sorett, Columbia University, Presiding

### A22-119

#### Anthropology of Religion Group

Theme: **Phenomenological Anthropology and the Study of Religion**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

David Amponsah, University of Missouri, Presiding

Don Seeman, Emory University

*Between Phenomenological Anthropology and the Phenomenology of Religion*

Kate DeConinck, Harvard University

*Negotiating Religion in the Wake of Mass Tragedy: An Existential, Phenomenological, and Anthropological Analysis of the 9/11 Tribute Center*

George Gonzalez, Monmouth University

*Towards an "Existential Archaeology" of Corporate Spirituality*

Marc Loustau, Harvard University

*"Making a Little (Christian) Friendship": What Do Phenomenological Anthropology and Christian Ethics Have to Say to Each Other about Friendship?*

Sonia Silva, Skidmore College

*Where All Journeys Meet: Knowledge and Experience in Basket Divination*

Responding:

Devaka Premawardhana, Colorado College

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### A22-120



#### Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group

Theme: **Asian American Christian Ethics**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Stuart Hall and Convent of the Sacred Heart, Presiding

Panelists:

Kwok Pui Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

Rita Brock, Brite Divinity School

Traci C. West, Drew University

Andrew Park, United Theological Seminary

Patrick S. Cheng, Chicago Theological Seminary

Responding:

Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology

Ilup Ahn, North Park University

Business Meeting:

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College, and Rachel A. R. Bundang, Stuart Hall and Convent of the Sacred Heart, Presiding

### A22-121

#### Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group and SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Group

Theme: **Bonhoeffer as Theological Interpreter of Scripture**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Myk Habets, Carey Baptist College, Presiding

R. Walter Moberly, University of Durham

*Bonhoeffer's "Creation and Fall" Revisited*

Tyler Atkinson, Bethany College

*Bonhoeffer, Qobeleth, and the "Natural Joy of Bodily Life"*

Chris Dodson, University of Aberdeen

*"The Person Who Receives Blessing... Must Also Suffer Much": Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Wilhelm Herrmann, and a Hermeneutic of Suffering*

Derek Taylor, Duke University

*Nonreligious and yet Theological: Bonhoeffer's Interpretation in a World Come of Age*

**A22-122****Childhood Studies and Religion Group**

Theme: **Children's Religious Education: Schools, Temples, and Beyond**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding

Zahra Ayubi, Dartmouth College

*Raising the Gendered Soul: Childhood and Prescribed Gender Roles in Premodern Islamic Ethics*

Sailaja Krishnamurti, York University

*Children's Texts and Pedagogies of Religion and Identity in Toronto Area Hindu Temples*

Leslie Ribovich, Princeton University

*"Loving Thy Neighbor" in 1950s New York City Public Schools: Students' Understandings of Morality and Religion*

Meredith Ross, Florida State University

*"I Don't Want That Culture around My Children": Anxiety, Islam, and Book Banning in Contemporary America*

Responding:

Vanessa R. Sasson, Marianopolis College

Business Meeting:

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Presiding

**A22-123****Class, Religion, and Theology Group and SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Group**

Theme: **Class, Religion, and the Bible**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L401-403 (Lobby Level)

Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, Presiding

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

*Why We Cannot Afford to Study Religion and Theology (or Anything Else) without Class*

Keri Day, Brite Divinity School

*From Atlanta to Africa: Class, Globalized Gospels of Success, and the New Black South*

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity

*"Tapping" the Hebrew Bible for Life in Just Social Relations – the Subaltern Way*

Richard A. Horsley, University of Massachusetts, Boston

*Class Conflict: What the Gospels Are All About*

Responding:

Roland Boer, University of Newcastle

**A22-124**

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**Comparative Theology Group**

Theme: **The Liturgical Turn in Comparative Theology: Methods and Cases**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Martha L. Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Marianne Moyaert, VU University Amsterdam

*From Inter-Texting to Inter-Riting: Opportunities and Challenges*

Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College

*Phenomenological Analysis of Interreligiously Shared Monoreligious Rites*

James Farwell, Virginia Theological Seminary

*Not-Two with Christ*

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

*Deep Ritual Thinking: Challenge and Opportunity for the Comparative Theologian*

Joshua Ralston, University of Edinburgh

*Ritual Embodiment after Iconoclasm: A Sunni and Protestant Comparative Liturgical Theology*

Business Meeting:

Hugh Nicholson, Loyola University Chicago, and Kristin

Johnston Largen, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

**A22-125****Confucian Traditions Group**

Theme: **The Ambiguous Place of Xiao (Filial Piety) in Premodern Chinese Thought**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)

Pauline Lee, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Liang Cai, University of Arkansas

*The Master Kept a Distance from His Own Son: Is Confucian Xiao 孝 Consanguinism?*

Keith Knapp, The Citadel

*Punishing the Unfilial: A Confucianization of Early Chinese Law?*

Wei Zhang, University of South Florida

*Xiao in Early Confucian Texts and Later Imperial Discourses*

Business Meeting:

Yong Huang, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Presiding

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## A22-126



### Daoist Studies Group

Theme: **Historical Models of Daoism and State Authority**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Joshua Capitanio, University of the West, Presiding

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of California, Berkeley  
*The Eastern Han State and Daoist Heterodoxies*

Terry Kleeman, University of Colorado  
*Daoism and the State under the Northern Dynasties*

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University  
*Bringing the Periphery to the Center: The Myths of Han Ziming*

Jonathan Pettit, Purdue University  
*The Daoist Conversion of Yiguan Dao in Mid-Twentieth Century Taiwan*

Business Meeting:

David Mozina, Boston College, and Elena Valussi, Loyola University Chicago, Presiding

## A22-127

### Hinduism Group

Theme: **Hinduism, Science, and the Modern Indian Nation**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Patton Burchett, New York University, Presiding

Claire Robison, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*"A Scientific and Systematic Religion": Representations of Gaudiya Vaisnava Hindu Tradition in Contemporary Mumbai*

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College  
*Narendra Modi and the Revelation of Vedic Science*

Daniel Cheifer, Syracuse University  
*Science, Ritual, Affect, and Community in the Gayatri Pariwar*

Antoinette DeNapoli, University of Wyoming  
*"God's and Humans' DNA are the same": The Rhetoric of Technoscience and the Reimagining of the Modern in the Practices of Hindu Sadhus in North India*

Responding:

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

## A22-128



### Japanese Religions Group

Theme: **Conceiving Esoteric Buddhism in Medieval Japan**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Asuka Sango, Carleton College, Presiding

Matthew McMullen, University of California, Berkeley  
*Reconsidering the Exoteric-Esoteric Paradigm in Medieval Japanese Buddhism*

Mikael Bauer, University of Leeds  
*Conceiving the Exoteric-Esoteric in the Writings of Kojima no Shinkō (934–1004)*

Yeonjoo Park, University of Illinois  
*Winding-Snake Mind: Tendai Esoteric Understanding of Non-duality and the Dynamic Structure of Enlightenment in the Keiran Shūyōshū*

Brian Ruppert, University of Illinois  
*The Turning-the-Dharma-Wheel Rite and Its Manuals: Constructing the Esoteric Buddhist Sovereign and Kami-Buddhist Multiverse of Medieval "Japan" (Nihon)*

Aaron Proffitt, University of Michigan  
*Dōhan (1179–1252) and the "Esoteric Pure Land" Culture of Early-Medieval Kōyasan*

Responding:

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara

Business Meeting:

Mark Rowe, McMaster University, Presiding

## A22-129



### Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion

Theme: **Honoring Justo Gonzalez: Latino/a Christian Thought Past, Present and Future**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon University, Presiding

This session will reflect upon and honor the work of Justo Gonzalez. As a critical scholar in the study of Latina/o Christianities over the past several decades, Gonzalez's work has shaped multiple fields and facets of the study of religion and theology. Thus our panelists will consider the impact of Gonzalez's work on Latina/o biblical hermeneutics, constructive theology, inter-religious dialogue and mission histories, and the formation of Latino/a serving-organizations in theological education. Discussion will follow and then Awarding of the 2015 La Comunidad Lifetime Achievement Award in Scholarship.

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University, New York  
*Santa Biblia and Beyond: The Promise of Latino/a Biblical Interpretation*

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Loida I. Martell-Otero, Palmer Theological Seminary  
*Mañana: Constructing Latina/o Theologies — Issues and Opportunities*

Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi, Southern Methodist University  
*Interreligious Dialogue and Christian Mission and Ministry: Revisiting Our Theological Agenda in Light of World Christianity Studies*

Joanne Rodríguez, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton, NJ  
*Hispanic Summer Program (HSP), Asociación para la Educación Teológica Hispana (AETH), and Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI): Latino/a Theological Education since 1989*

Responding:

Justo L. Gonzalez, Decatur, GA

Business Meeting:

Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary, Teresa Delgado, Iona College, Theresa Torres, University of Missouri, Kansas City, and Joanne Rodríguez, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Princeton, NJ, Presiding

## A22-130



### Liberal Theologies Group

Theme: **Liberal Perspectives on Climate Change**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Sarah Morice Brubaker, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Myriam Renaud, University of Chicago

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University

Mark I. Wallace, Swarthmore College

Sofia Betancourt, Yale University

Daniel McKanan, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Daniel McKanan, Harvard University, and Sarah Morice Brubaker, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

## A22-131



### Music and Religion Group

Theme: **Like You Mean It: Religious Sincerity in American Popular Music**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Stephen A. Marini, Wellesley College, Presiding

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University

*Get Up, Stand Up: Bob Marley in Performance*

Chad Seales, University of Texas

*For Africa With Love: U2's Bono and the Religious Sincerity of Millennial Capitalism*

Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University

*Billie Holiday's "God Bless the Child": The Gospel of Uplift and the Double Consciousness of Spirit*

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

*Passing Religion: Bob Dylan and the Musical Politics of Difference*

Responding:

Jason C. Bivins, North Carolina State University

Business Meeting:

Philip Stoltzfus, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota, Presiding

## A22-132

### Nineteenth Century Theology Group and Schleiermacher Group

Theme: **Schleiermacher and Mediating Theology**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Annette G. Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Matthias Gockel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Presiding

David Chao, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Euthyphro and the Doctrine of God: Isaak Dörner's Reconstruction of Divine Immutability in Ethical Terms*

Darren Sumner, Fuller Theological Seminary, Northwest

*Kenosis as a Mediating Christology: The Erlangen School and the Logic of Incarnation*

Kevin Vander Schel, Villanova University

*Mediating Christ: The Christocentric Theologies of Neander and Ullmann*

Zachary Purvis, University of Edinburgh

*Mediating Theology, Historicism, and the Sociology of Knowledge*

## A22-133

### Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

Theme: **Ascent and Eros in the Platonic Tradition**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

John Kenney, Saint Michael's College, Presiding

Mark Edwards, Oxford University

*Solomon's Kiss from Origen to the Later Middle Ages*

Harold Attridge, Yale University

*Seeing the Invisible, Knowing the Unknowable: Philo's Assent To God*

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University

*Eros and Ascent in Plotinus*

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-134

#### Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group

Theme: **Help, Harm, or Resistance? Psychological and Religious Practices of Caregiving in a Neo-Liberal Society**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Pamela Cooper-White, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jessica Van Denend, Union Theological Seminary  
*Neoliberalism's Empathy and the Denial of Complicity and/or Commonality with the Suffering Other*

Richard Coble, Vanderbilt University  
*Chaplain as Cyborg: Negotiating Care in a Neoliberal Age*

Melinda McGarrah Sharp, Phillips Theological Seminary  
*Locked in Disbelief: Reading Michelle Alexander and Jessica Benjamin to Loosen Resistance in the Bonds of Love*

Cedric Johnson, Wesley Theological Seminary  
*Fanon, Freud, and Foucault: Towards an Integrative Approach to Soul Care in the Neoliberal Age*

Mary Clark Moschella, Yale University  
*Joyful, Spiritual Resistance: A Case Study*

### A22-135

#### Ecclesiological Investigations Group and International Development and Religion Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Religion and Ecology Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group

Theme: **Laudato Si': Realities are Greater than Ideas?**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Ivan Strenski, University of California, Riverside, Presiding



Pope Francis

Pope Francis much anticipated encyclical *Laudato Si'* includes an appeal for "Dialogue among the various sciences . . . [which] can tend to become enclosed in [their] own language, while specialization leads to certain isolation and the absolutization of [their] own field of knowledge." From the perspective of six AAR Program Units with overlapping interests in the themes developed by Francis, this roundtable responds to the Pope's request for "An open and respectful dialogue that looks to the common good, . . . always keeping in mind that 'realities are greater than ideas'".

Panelists:

Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University

Barbara Muraca, Oregon State University

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Erin Lothes Biviano, College of Saint Elizabeth  
Maria T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School  
R. Scott Appleby, University of Notre Dame

### A22-136

#### Religion and Sexuality Group

Theme: **Bodies that Matter: Exploring Dynamic Disabilities, Holy Children, Black Nuns, and the Virgin Mary**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Shannen Williams, University of Tennessee  
*"To Be Celibate, Black, and Committed:" Black Catholic Nuns and the Transformative Politics of Celibacy in the Twentieth-Century African-American Freedom Struggle*

Leonard Curry, Vanderbilt University  
*Ordinary Aesthetics or Disabling Sightlines in Theological Personhood*

Johanna Hurtig, University of Helsinki  
*Religious Community and Sexual Violence against Children: Conservative Laestadianism, a Revival Movement in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland*

Elina Vuola, University of Helsinki  
*Finnish Eastern Orthodox Women, the Virgin Mary, and Gender*

Responding:

Sharon Fennema, Pacific School of Religion

Business Meeting:

Nina Hoel, University of Oslo, Presiding

### A22-137

#### Religion in Premodern Europe and the Mediterranean Group

Theme: **Medieval Christian Conceptions of Muslims and Jews**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Martha Newman, University of Texas, Presiding

Ryan Strickler, Australian Catholic University  
*Christian and Jewish Apocalyptic Responses to Seventh-Century Crises*

Michael Heyes, University of South Florida  
*Circumcising Olibrius: Threatening Sexuality and Religious Alterity in the Life of Saint Margaret*

David Freidenreich, Colby College

Anna Spencer, Colby College

*Muslim Christ-Killers in Medieval Iberian Art*

Deeana Klepper, Boston University  
*Christian Hebraism in a Changing Iberian Landscape: Ponce Carbonell, Pablo de Santa Maria, and Christian Engagement with Jewish Tradition*

Erika Tritle, University of Chicago  
*On Choosing to Live without Dew or Hoarfrost in Late Medieval Spain*

Business Meeting:

Brian Catlos, University of California, Santa Cruz, University of Colorado, and David Freidenreich, Colby College, Presiding

## A22-138



### Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group

Theme: **Affect and the Politics of Religious Conviction**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Liane Carlson, Columbia University, Presiding

Valentina Napolitano, University of Toronto  
*On an Affective Return: Francis, the Criollo Pope*

Jessica Johnson, University of Washington  
*Coming under Conviction Online to Bodily Affect and Political Effect*

Eleanor Craig, Harvard University  
*Being the Promise: Happiness and Exhaustion in a Service Economy*

Responding:

Abigail Kluchin, Ursinus College

Business Meeting:

Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford, Presiding

## A22-139



### Religion, Memory, History Group

Theme: **The Work of Material Memory: Nostalgia, (Dis-)Comfort, and Identity Construction in Religious Practice**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Matthew King, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Katja Rakow, Heidelberg University  
*Materiality and Memory: The Bound Bible as Material Anchor for Nostalgia*

Alexandra Kaloyanides, Yale University  
*American Jesus in Burma: The Religious Face of Ethnic Difference*

Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*The Discomfort of Things: Materially Purging Memory through Object Destruction*

David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*The Silent Missionary: Stereoscopic Tourism in the Mormon Imaginary*

Responding:

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto

Business Meeting:

Jodi Eichler-Levine, Lehigh University, and Mona Hassan, Duke University, Presiding

## A22-140



### Religious Conversions Group

Theme: **Discussion of *The Oxford Handbook of Religious Conversion* (2014)**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

Chad Bauman, Butler University, Presiding

Panelists:

Lewis R. Rambo, San Rafael, CA

Charles E. Farhadian, Westmont College

Eliza Kent, Skidmore College

Reid Locklin, University of Toronto

Esra Ozyurek, London School of Economics

Anne Spencer, College of Idaho

Business Meeting:

Charles J. Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

## A22-141



### Sacred Texts and Ethics Group

Theme: **Activism, Exegesis, and Prison Theology: Religion and Biblical Interpretation in the Campaign for a Georgia Death Row Inmate**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Reggie Williams, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College  
*Freedom and Hope on the Inside: The Transformative Power of Prison Theology*

Letitia M. Campbell, Emory University  
*Motives, Messaging and Messengers: Religious Rhetoric and Persuasion in the #KellyOnMyMind Campaign*

Jeania Ree Moore, University of Cambridge  
*Scripture as Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary: A Substantial and Shifting Resource in Political Engagement*

Kimberly Jackson, Absalom Jones Episcopal Center  
*Preaching Justice and the Bible: A Case Study and Pastoral Reflection*

Melissa Browning, Mercer University  
*Single Stories, Complex Issues, and the Ethics of Solidarity*

Responding:

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Emily Filler, Earlham College, Presiding

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-142



#### Yoga in Theory and Practice Group

Theme: **Yoga and Nationalism: Identity and Destiny**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-213 (Level 2)

Andrew J. Nicholson, Stony Brook University, Presiding

Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis  
*Where Yoga, Homophobia, and Nationalism Intersect: Baba Ramdev and the Sexual Politics of Yoga*

Shravana Borkatky Varma, Rice University  
*Stirring the Teapot: Saffron vs. Red*

Christa Schwind, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver  
*Imagining an American Yoga: Sridaiva #Buckthetuck*

Responding:

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

Business Meeting:

Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis,  
Presiding

### A22-143

*New!*

#### Occupying Latino Male Bodies Seminar

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

Miguel A. De La Torre, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

By invitation only.

Panelists:

Santiago H. Slabodsky, Claremont Graduate University,  
Claremont School of Theology

Chris Tirres, DePaul University

Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew University

Luis Leon, University of Denver

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

### A22-144



#### Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **The State of Political Theology Today**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Inese Radzins, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Panelists:

Abbas Barzegar, Georgia State University

Alex Dubilet, Vanderbilt University

Ruth Marshall, University of Toronto

Erin Runions, Pomona College

Ted A. Smith, Emory University

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary

Responding:

Annika Thiem, Villanova University

### A22-145



#### Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Marian Apparitions and Theoretical Problems in Religious Studies**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jill Krebs, McDaniel College, Presiding

Panelists:

J. Gordon Melton, Baylor University

Massimo Introvigne, Center for Studies on New Religions, Turin,  
Italy

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College

Sandra Zimdars-Swartz, University of Kansas

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa

Emily Suzanne Clark, Gonzaga University

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

Joseph Laycock, Texas State University

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**A22-146****Wildcard Session**

Theme: **How to Do Things with Scripture: Case Studies in Performing the Word**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Maria Doerfler, Duke University, Presiding

Rebecca Rine, University of Virginia  
*How Scripture (and Commentary) Can Transform Its Hearers: Language and Linguistics in Gregory of Nyssa*

Mark James, University of Virginia  
*Learning the Language of Scripture: Origen, Analogy, and the Logic of Performativity*

Sean Moberg, Catholic University of America  
*Making Scripture Present: Meditation in Monasticism and Ancient Philosophy*

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America  
*Scriptural Symbola and the Monastic Habit in the Fourth Century*

**P22-107****Karl Barth Society of North America**

Theme: **Theological Theology — Engagements with the Work of John Webster**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2)

R. David Nelson, Grand Rapids, MI, Presiding

In a number of significant monographs and essays, John Webster has advocated for a more theological theology. To claim that Christian theology should in fact be thoroughly theological means that theological discourse gains little by conforming to the canons of inquiry that govern other disciplines. Theology, rather, should focus its attention on its own unique subject, God and all things in relation to God, and should follow procedures that allow it to access and bear witness to these realities. This panel explores various aspects of Webster's program for theological theology. The session concludes with a response from Webster.

Kevin J. Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School  
*Exegesis I know, and Theology I know, but who are you? Acts 19 and the Theological Interpretation of Scripture*

Katherine Sonderegger, Virginia Theological Seminary  
*The Sinlessness of Christ*

Francis Watson, Durham University  
*Does Historical Criticism Exist? A Contribution to Debate on the Theological Interpretation of Scripture*

Responding:

John B. Webster, University of Saint Andrews

**P22-108****Theta Alpha Kappa Board of Directors Meeting**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton-Georgia 1 (Level 1)

**P22-146****Society for Pentecostal Studies**

Theme: **A Roundtable Discussion of John Goldingay's *The Theology of the Book of Isaiah* (IVP, 2014)**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

John Christopher Thomas, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Ricki Moore, Lee University

Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis College

Andrew Davies, University of Birmingham

Chris Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary

Responding:

John Goldingay, Fuller Theological Seminary

**P22-148a****Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Theme: **Grant Writing Conversations**

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Centennial Ballroom Booth #1311 (Ballroom Level)

Do you have a grant idea for a project on teaching and learning? Have you ever thought about applying for a Wabash Center grant? Do you have questions about our grant procedures and protocols, whether your project would qualify, or how your ideas might be shaped into an appropriate Wabash Center proposal? Come see us at our booth in the exhibit area on Sunday, Nov. 22 from 9:00 AM–11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Trish Overpeck ([overpeck@wabash.edu](mailto:overpeck@wabash.edu)) to schedule a time to meet with us.

**A22-147****Student Lounge Roundtable**

Theme: **Making Grading and Assessment Work for You**

Sunday, 9:30 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This roundtable will cover best practices for a variety of assessments: papers, class presentations, quizzes, final exams, fieldwork, and portfolios. We will also draw on education research and our own experiences to discuss some of the difficult questions around grading: How to be consistent? How to be fair? How to provide meaningful feedback when time is limited? How to craft assessments that reflect the wide range of goals in a religion course? The presider will provide participants with a packet of sample assessments and other practical tools for classroom use.

Panelist:

Joshua Canzona, Georgetown University

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## P22-109

### International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

Theme: **Current Approaches to Religious Cognition**

Sunday, 10:00 AM–12:30 PM

Marriott-M102 (Marquis Level)

## P22-112

### Christian Theological Research Fellowship

Theme: **Theosis: Protestant and Ecumenical Possibilities**

Saturday, 10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 1–2 (Level 1)

Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding

Protestant and Ecumenical Possibilities “Ye are gods” (Ps 82:6); “God became man so that men can become gods” (Saint Athanasius). These are words to make the average Protestant squirm. While very familiar in Eastern Orthodoxy, theosis continues to be a much misunderstood and overlooked concept in Protestant circles.

Yet it expresses the biblical promise that believers will come to participate in the divine nature (2 Pet 1:4). Christ’s command to be perfect as God is perfect (Matt 5:48) can be obeyed only by those who have become like God. “He said (in the Bible) that we were ‘gods’ and He is going to make good His words” (C. S. Lewis). This panel of presentations on theosis range from a Lutheran/ecumenical perspective through Anabaptist and Wesleyan perspectives. A business meeting will follow.

Veli-Matti Karkkainen, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*An Ecumenical Perspective*

Brenda Colijn, Ashland Theological Seminary  
*An Anabaptist Perspective*

Randy L. Maddox, Duke University  
*A Wesleyan Perspective*

## A22-148



### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Double-Dipping: Or, Maximizing Your Time**

Sunday, 11:00 AM–12:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

As faculty members, our responsibilities seem to increase at an ever-increasing rate. In addition to teaching, scholarship, and service, we must mentor, advise, assess, and promote our institutions in a wide variety of ways. A key to maximizing the little time that we do have left for creative endeavors is the concept of “double-dipping.” This means that one take on a project or theme, and develop it in numerous formats so that one’s energy and time is not so disjointed and ineffectual. It is something that numerous faculty do, sometimes consciously and sometimes unconsciously, in order to try to connect the various roles we must play in such a way that allows us to be more focused. I would use examples from my own work to demonstrate how I have successfully done this.

Panelist:

Donna Yarri, Alvernia University

## P22-110

### Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy

Theme: **Integrating Intercultural Philosophy and Theology into Academic Curriculum**

Sunday, 11:30 AM–12:55 PM

Hilton-408 (Level 4)

Intercultural philosophy/theology has been catching the attention and interest of the North American undergraduate students for some time now. This panel shares some food for thought as to how we may expand our teaching curriculum and incorporate intercultural dimensions. Papers will be presented followed by questions and answers.

Anna Lannstrom, Stonehill College  
*Cross-Cultural Philosophy as a University Curriculum*

Joseph Johnson, Roswell, GA  
*The Tendency to Distort in Cross-Cultural Philosophy: The Case of Tominaga Nakamoto*

Daniel Coyle, Birmingham-Southern College  
*Nietzsche’s Cross-Cultural Philosophy for a Trans-Asiatic Curriculum of the Future*

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## A22-149



### Public University Department Chairs Meeting

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida, Presiding

This session provides a forum for the chairs of religion/religious studies departments/programs at public universities to discuss issues related to teaching about and conducting research on religion in this particular context.

## A22-150



### Presidential Address

Theme: **Valuing the Study of Religion**

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding



Thomas A.  
Tweed

In this plenary Thomas Tweed addresses urgent issues we face within and beyond the academy by asking about how the study of religion is valued. That means, first, analyzing how it is valued — and devalued — in the public arena, and discerning what that can tell us about how to refine the usual arguments for the importance of the study of religion and, thereby, help endangered programs fare better in negotiations with administrators and stakeholders. Second, attending to this theme also encourages us to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values we enact in our work. Gaining more clarity about those values, Tweed proposes, can help us more effectively confront two challenges we face in the AAR: how to advance the divisive conversation about divergent approaches and how to enhance our ongoing discussion about professional obligations. Thinking about our obligations can begin by identifying the commitments encoded in AAR policies and procedures, but we must go farther. Tweed suggests that we have to think more about professional ethics — from institutions' duty to report graduate student placement rates to individual researchers' obligation to adhere to standards of professional conduct — and we must remain vigilant in addressing trends that violate shared commitments and endanger professional life — from the recent rise in contingent faculty to the chilling challenges to academic freedom. Finally, a focus on values allows us to address divisions within the academy by reframing the stale debate about the relation between Religious Studies and Theology. By frankly acknowledging our guiding values — and concomitant normative judgments — we will not resolve all differences, but we might gain more clarity about what we share and what we don't.

Panelist:

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame

## A22-151



### Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee and Status of Women in the Profession Committee Women's Mentoring Lunch

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Elaine Padilla, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Michele Saracino, Manhattan College, Presiding

Women who are graduate students and new scholars are invited to a luncheon with over thirty womanist, feminist, and LGBTIQ midcareer and senior scholars. Women will have the opportunity to mentor and be mentored in a context where every question is valued. The lunch costs \$13 per person; sorry, no refunds. Registration is limited to 100. Go to <https://aar.wufoo.com/forms/2015-womens-mentoring-luncheon/> to register.

Mentors:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

Rebecca Alpert, Temple University

Ellen T. Armour, Vanderbilt University

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

Socorro Castañeda-Liles, Santa Clara University

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

Stephanie M. Crumpton, Lancaster Theological Seminary

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West

Namsoon Kang, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University

Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University

Nami Kim, Spelman College

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Shaw University

Insook Lee, New York Theological Seminary

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa

Angela Sims, Saint Paul School of Theology

Angella Son, Drew University

Emilie M. Townes, Vanderbilt University

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary

## P22-111

### International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies Steering Committee Programming Meeting

Sunday, 12:00 PM–2:00 PM

Hilton-409 (Level 4)

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## A22-200



### Plenary Panel: The Moral Challenges of Research: A Panel on the AAR's Draft Statement on Responsible Research Practices

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding



Laurie Louise  
Patton



Kathryn Lofton

The American Academy of Religion has issued guidelines on many practices, including teaching and hiring; but, unlike most other ACLS organizations, we have no guidelines regarding research. A group of ten scholars led by AAR President Thomas Tweed and Executive Director Jack Fitzmier has drafted proposed guidelines. That proposal has emerged from the group's discussions, as well as from conversations with members at a public session in 2014 and an online forum in 2015. This session aims to continue that wider conversation and solicit more comments about the draft. Toward those ends, the group that wrote the document will be present to listen to suggestions and questions from the audience and the panelists. The historians, translators, and fieldworkers on the panel have been asked to identify moral

dilemmas they have faced in their own research and to assess the effectiveness of the newly drafted statement in dealing with those challenges. After hearing the panelists' reflections, we will invite members of the audience to offer their own comments. We hope that this final conversation will refine our understanding of researchers' responsibilities and lead to a more nuanced and comprehensive final draft, which the group plans to submit to the AAR Board of Directors for its consideration in 2016.

Panelists:

Laurie Louise Patton, Middlebury

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Afe Adogame, University of Edinburgh

Wendy Cadge, Brandeis University



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## A22-201



### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Balancing Graduate School with Life: Work, Life, Identity, and Family**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Graduate students often struggle with the relationship between scholarship, personal identity, relationships, and other commitments. While we find meaning in scholarly pursuits enough to put on hold some vocational and relational opportunities, many of us have chosen to pursue deep relationships, develop hobbies, and participate in meaningful communities while shouldering scholarly responsibilities. Led by two students currently juggling the demands of being a parent while pursuing a PhD, this roundtable discussion respectfully inquires as to how to live a holistic and sustainable life. Andrew Ike Shepardson will focus on "Balancing Graduate School with Other Dimensions of Life and Identity" and Elissa Cutter will speak to "Balancing Academia and Family."

Panelists:

Andrew Shepardson, Trinity College, University of Toronto

Elissa Cutter, Saint Louis University

## A22-202



### Teaching and Learning Committee

Theme: **Conversation with 2015 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner Judith Bishop**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

Judith L. Bishop, the 2015 Excellence in Teaching Award Winner will offer comments on this year's annual meeting Theme: Valuing Religion, followed by responses from former award winners Caroline Jones Medine (2013) and Bobbi Patterson (2010)

Panelist:

Judith L. Bishop, Mills College

Responding:

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

Carolyn Medine, University of Georgia



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## A22-203

### Women's Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **New Hands Tilling: Emerging Scholars' Visions of the Future of Feminist Theology**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, and  
Francesca Tronetti, California Institute of Integral Studies, Presiding

This session invites early career researchers and emerging scholars to debate the future(s) of feminist theology in light of their own research. It provides a platform for upcoming scholars to reflect upon how their own work is shaping and re-shaping feminist discourse in religion and to speak about their own personal and professional formation. As such, this session encourages the creative work of weaving new visions. It invites panelists to discuss the direction of feminist scholarship in the 21<sup>st</sup> century — to name areas of scholarship and debate which they believe may need extending, transforming, reworking or redefining in light of global and contemporary challenges — and to do this with reflection on how their own thinking has been challenged.

Julia Berger, University of Kent

*Towards a New Discourse on Gender Equality: A Study of the Bahá'í Community's Engagement with the United Nations*

Ann Duncan, Goucher College

*From the "Mommy Wars" to the Mother of God: Motherhood, Faith and New Directions for Feminist Scholarship*

Melissa Pagán, Emory University

*Providing Sanctuary for La/os Indocumentada/os: Toward a Decolonialista Theology and Ethics*

## A22-204

### Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: **Cosmopolitan Modes of Religious Literature in South Asia: Modeling Local and Global**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Charles Preston, University of Chicago, Presiding

Philip Friedrich, University of Pennsylvania

*Religious Space and Political Sociability in Late Medieval Sinhala Sandesas*

Justin Henry, University of Chicago

*Negotiating the Past: Vernacular Historiography in Sri Lanka from the Fourteenth Century*

Sarah Pierce Taylor, University of Pennsylvania

*Jinasena's Parsvabhyudaya and the Making of Jain Cosmopolitanism*

Responding:

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University

## A22-205



### Buddhism Section and Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group and Buddhist Philosophy Group and Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

Theme: **Women And Buddhist Philosophy**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Sara L. McClintock, Emory University, Presiding

Jin Y. Park, American University

*Women, Buddhism, and Philosophy: Where and How Do They Meet?*

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego

*Buddhist Women's Ways of Knowing: Gender and Philosophical Analysis in the Tibetan Tradition*

Constance Kassor, Smith College

*Rhetoric and Marginalization through a Tibetan Buddhist Perspective*

Joy Brennan, Kenyon College

*Gender and Karma Then and Now*

## A22-206



### Comparative Studies in Religion Section

Theme: **God Is Not One (HarperCollins, 2011): Author Meets Critics**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Kenny Smith, Louisiana State University

Nathan Rein, Ursinus College

Responding:

Stephen Prothero, Boston University

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-207

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION  

#### North American Religions Section and Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group and Secularism and Secularity Group

Theme: **Healing Between Religion and the Secular in North America**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Emily Wu, Dominican University of California, Presiding

Shenandoah Nieuwsma, University of North Carolina  
*Between "Religion" and "the Secular": Negotiating Healthcare "Spirituality's" Place in the Twenty-First Century*

Ira Helderman, Vanderbilt University  
*"Religion" and "Secular" in U.S. Psychotherapists' Interface with Buddhist Traditions*

Justin Stein, University of Toronto  
*The Impact of Different Framings of Reiki's "Spirituality" on Access to U.S. Healthcare Sites*

Katie Givens Kime, Emory University  
*The Buffered Addict: Beneath the "Religious or Not?" of Twelve-Step Programs*

Responding:

Albert Silva, University of California, Berkeley

### A22-208

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#### Study of Islam Section and Contemporary Islam Group and Islamic Mysticism Group and Islam, Gender, Women Group and Qur'an Group

Theme: **Mentoring Session for Scholars Studying Muslims/Islam**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, Presiding

This networking session will provide an opportunity for graduate students, faculty, and independent scholars engaged in the study of Islam and Muslims, especially those studying women and/or gender, to connect with others and receive tailored mentoring and professional advice. Attendees can choose tables based on particular interests; each table will have one or two mentors to lead a conversation on topics including publishing, the tenure process, job searches, discrimination, balancing work with family responsibilities, AAR and professional service, and discussing Islam with the media and general public.

### A22-209

#### Theology and Religious Reflection Section

Theme: **God and Religion in the Next U.S. War**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Ed Waggoner, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Joshua Jeffery, Vanderbilt University  
*"Never Been So Thoroughly Policed": Systematic United States Government Surveillance and Suppression of Religious Dissent during the Great War, 1917–1918*

Laura Alexander, University of Virginia  
*International Law and Humanitarian Intervention: Theological Ethics in Public Deliberation over the "Next War"*

Responding:

George Hunsinger, Princeton Theological Seminary

### A22-210

#### Women and Religion Section and Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group and Religion in Southeast Asia Group

Theme: **Contesting Authority, Reclaiming Traditions: Religion and Gender in Southeast Asia**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Emma Tomalin, University of Leeds, Presiding




















David Brian Esch, Florida International University  
*The World's First Transgender Mosque: Javanese, Gendered, and Religious Embodiments*

Norbani Ismail, Herndon, VA  
*Muslim Religious Authority and the Mass Media in Malaysia: Reaffirming Orthodoxy through Female Preachers (Pendakwah)*

Tyler A. Lehrer, University of Colorado  
*Reframing Authority: Buddhist Blogging and the Theravāda Bhikkhuni Ordination Dispute*

Lara K. Schubert, Claremont Graduate University  
*Restraint Over Freedom: Empowerment of Cambodian Buddhist Donji (Nuns) and Female Christian Pastors*

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**A22-211****African Diaspora Religions Group and Indigenous Religious Traditions Group and Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

Theme: **Decolonization through Therapeutic and Culinary Practices**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Gregory D. Alles, McDaniel College, Presiding

Natalie Avalos Cisneros, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Healing as Liberation: Native American and Tibetan Decolonization*

Andrea Smith, University of California, Irvine  
*Indigeneity, Gender, and Anti-Blackness: Decolonizing Decolonization through Spiritual Healing and Transformation*

Scott Alves Barton, New York University  
*Race, Faith, and Cake: Foodways and a Festa de Divino Espírito Santo*

Responding:

Kathleen J. Martin, California Polytechnic State University

**A22-212****African Religions Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues and Religion Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group**

Theme: **Violence against Women in Africa: Politics, War, and Religion**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Dianna Bell, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Laura Grillo, Pacifica Graduate Institute  
*An Intimate Rebuke: Female Genital Power in Civil War*

Won Chul Shin, Emory University  
*The Liberian Mothers' Journey to Peace: Gendered Violence during the Liberian Civil Wars and the Liberian Women's Mass Action for Peace as Ritual in Protest*

Michelle Wolff, Duke University  
*The "Corrective" Rape of Black Lesbians in South Africa: Locating the Failure of Progressive Politics within Secular Democracy*

David Tombs, University of Otago  
*Breaking the Silence: The Role of the Churches in Responding to Sexual Violence in South Africa*

Responding:

Sarojini Nadar, University of KwaZulu-Natal

**A22-213****Afro-American Religious History Group**

Theme: **Researchin' Our History, Tellin' Our Truths: Afro-Jewish Studies from Insider Perspectives**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Sarah Azaransky, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Walter Isaac, Marquette University  
*Cooperian Reflections on Afro-Jewish Artifacts*

Andre Key, Paine College  
*Situating Black Judaism in the South: Stories of Migration and Reorientation*

Sholomo Levy, Northampton Community College  
*From Out of Zion: Arnold Josiah Ford and Black Jewish Nationalism*

Responding:

Khadijah Miller, Norfolk State University

**A22-214****Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

Theme: **Resistance through Interpretation: Pedagogy, Memory, and Narrative Identity**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

Melissa Borja, City University of New York, Presiding

Courtney T. Goto, Boston University  
*Teaching to Decenter Assumptions about Context: An Asian North American Contribution to Practical Theology*

Min-Ah Cho, Saint Catherine University  
*Becoming Wisdom Woman and Strange Woman: Asian and Asian-American Women's Pedagogy in Coping with Stereotypes*

Henry Kuo, Graduate Theological Union  
*The Dangerous Memory of 1965: Immigration Legislation as Asian-American Ecclesiological Challenge*

Anne Blankenship, North Dakota State University  
*Reshaping the American West: Japanese American Pioneers during World War II*

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-215



#### Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

Theme: **Biblical and Theological Hermeneutics "After" Postmodernity**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Marion S. Grau, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Presiding

Brock Perry, Drew University

*Surface Reading: Affective Encounters with the Bible after Postmodernism*

Brett Potter, Toronto School of Theology

*Film as Midrash: Postmodern Hermeneutics and Visual Theology*

Michael Sohn, Cleveland State University

*Word, Writing, Tradition: Ricoeur's Post-Modern Retrieval of Religion*

Richard Livingston, Claremont Graduate University

*Divining the Event Horizon*

Business Meeting:

Jacob Erickson, St. Olaf College, Presiding

### A22-216

#### Black Theology Group

Theme: **Black Theology, The Arts, and Popular Culture**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Brian Bantum, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

Jeania Ree Moore, University of Cambridge

*Beauty, Ugliness, and Black Theology: A Theological Aesthetics for Black Experience*

Rufus Burnett Jr., Duquesne University

*Afro-Christian, Afro-Blue: Land-Based Autonomy and the Making of Blues Identities at the Turn of the Twentieth Century*

Daniel White Hodge, North Park University

*Yeezus is Jesus: Examining the Socio-Hermeneutical Transmediated Images of Jesus Employed by Kanye West*

Responding:

Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary

### A22-217

#### Body and Religion Group and Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: **Body as Ultimate Concern**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Shawn Arthur, Wake Forest University, Presiding

Panelists:

Russell Re Manning, Bath Spa University

Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

Courtney Wilder, Midland University

### A22-218

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION

#### Class, Religion, and Theology Group

Theme: **Class Contention in Religion and Theology**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Joan M. Martin, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Jan Rehmann, Union Theological Seminary

*How Max Weber's Sociology of Religion Is Informed by His Class Project*

Jung Mo Sung, Methodist University of São Paulo

*Class, Consumption, and Struggle of Gods: An Approach from Liberation Theology*

Ken Estey, Brooklyn College

*Class Controversies in Religion and Theology*

### A22-219

#### Comparative Religious Ethics Group and Religion and Humanism Group

Theme: **The Future of Human Dignity**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Slavica Jakelic, Valparaiso University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jennifer A. Herdt, Yale University

Matthew Puffer, University of Virginia

Chad Wellmon, University of Virginia

Responding:

Elizabeth Bucar, Northeastern University

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**A22-220****Confucian Traditions Group**

Theme: **Roundtable Discussion on Anna Sun's *Confucianism as a World Religion: Contested Histories and Contemporary Realities* (Princeton University Press, 2013)**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)

Filippo Marsili, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Responding:

Anna Sun, Kenyon College

**A22-221****Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group**

Theme: **Class, Cohort, and Aesthetics in the Study of Religion**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Ipsita Chatterjea, International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture, Presiding

Laurens de Rooij, Durham University  
*Influences of Social Class on the Practice of Islam*

Helena Kupari, University of Helsinki  
*"Sense of Beauty" and Minority Experience: The Case of Elderly Finnish Orthodox Christian Women*

Sean McCloud, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Class, Religious Aesthetics, and Force of Habit*

Responding:

Katja Rakow, Heidelberg University

Business Meeting:

David Walker, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

**A22-222****Hinduism Group**

Theme: **Sacred Sites in Urban India: Changing Temples, Changing Hinduisms**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Leela Prasad, Duke University, Presiding

Jennifer Ortegren, Emory University  
*"Self and the City": Constructing Middle Class Identity in the Urban, Neighborhood Temple*

Emilia Bachrach, Millsaps College  
*(Re)constructing Krishna's Home: Changing Temple Spaces in Gujarat and Rajasthan*

Deonnie Moodie, University of Oklahoma  
*Kolkata: A Modern Day Temple City?*

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University  
*Expanding Goddess Shrines, Changing Urban Landscapes: Hyderabad*

**A22-223****Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group and Quaker Studies Group**

Theme: **Quaker Spirituality and Interfaith Dialogue: Practical, Pedagogical and Ethical Dimensions**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Jon Kershner, University of Lancaster, Presiding

Ann Riggs, Loyola University Chicago  
*The Multiple Strands of Quaker Ethics of Interfaith Dialogue*

Rebecca Mays, The Dialogue Institute, Philadelphia, PA  
*Will Interfaith Study and/or Activism Compromise Individual Faith and/or Religious Communal Identity?*

Rebecca Tatum, Union Theological Seminary  
*A Sense of the Meeting: Quaker Process as a Bridge between First Nations and Anglo Ways of Knowing in the 1995 British Columbia Land and Resource Management Plans (LRMP)*

Russell CD Arnold, Regis University  
*Cultivating Parker Palmer's Habits of the Heart in an Integrative Course on Israel/Palestine*

Julie Meadows, Generous Reader Editing, Clinton, SC  
*A Quaker Approach to Interreligious Dialogue: Michael Birkel's Qur'an in Conversation*

Responding:

Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School

**A22-224****Japanese Religions Group**

Theme: **Selling Spirituality, Buying Buddhism, Commercializing Kami, Marketing Merit, Delivering Doctrine: Economic Aspects of Religious Traditions in Japan**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Levi McLaughlin, North Carolina State University, Presiding

Fabio Rambelli, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Creative Religiosity: Religious Performances and Religious Marketing in Edo Period Popular Religion*

Matthew Mitchell, Duke University  
*Skewering Fortune: Temple Fundraising Lotteries in Early Modern Japan, with a Focus on Zenkōji's Daihongan Convent*

Elisheva Perelman, College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University  
*Pawns of Immortality: The Consequences of Soteriological Care in Japan's Modern Tuberculosis Epidemic*

Jessica Starling, Lewis and Clark College  
*Selling Doctrine: Buddhist Women's Associations and the Production of Religious Literature for Women (Fujin Kyōke) in Modern Japan*

Responding:

Stephen G. Covell, Western Michigan University

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-225

#### Middle Eastern Christianity Group

Theme: **Middle Eastern Christianity and Islam: Areas for Dialogue?**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Michel Andraos, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Joshua Mugler, Georgetown University  
*How the Churches of Classical Baghdad Were Built*

Andrew M. Sharp, University of Virginia  
*Orthodox Christians, Muslims, and the Environment: Ecology as Fertile Ground for Dialogue in the Middle East*

Deanna Womack, Emory University  
*Muslim-Christian Dialogue, Past and Present: Lessons from Nineteenth-Century Ottoman Syria*

Melanie Trexler, Valparaiso University  
*Educating the Americaines: Arab Baptist-Muslim Dialogue in Lebanon*

### A22-226



#### Music and Religion Group and Religion and Migration Group

Theme: **Belief and Blessings: Migration, Music, and Affect**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Philip Stoltzfus, University of Saint Thomas, Minnesota, Presiding

Alemayehu Bahta, Duke University  
*Bäsdät 'ägär Mānor: An Analysis of Ethiopian Sacred Music and the Changing Definition of Migration*

Lisle Dalton, Hartwick College  
*"The Gospel Train to Heaven": Technology and Salvation in Railroad Songs*

Alison Marshall, Brandon University  
*Affective Tetherings: Blessings and Bayaniban in Filipino Canada*

Business Meeting:

Alison Marshall, Brandon University, and Rubina Ramji, Cape Breton University, Presiding

### A22-227

#### Mysticism Group

Theme: **Spiritual but Not Religious: Mysticism and the "Nones"**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida, Presiding

Jane A. Shaw, Stanford University  
*The Mystical Turn and the "Spiritual but Not Religious" Phenomenon in Early Twentieth-Century Britain*

Stephanie Yuhas, University of Colorado  
*Seeking Non-Dual Experience: The Spiritual but Not Religious Approach to Mysticism*

Linda Ceriello, Rice University  
*Contemporary Narratives of the SBNR and Nones: Toward a Metamodern Reading of Millennial Mysticism*

Responding:

Linda A. Mercadante, Methodist Theological School, Ohio

### A22-228

#### Nineteenth Century Theology Group

Theme: **Neo-Kantianism and Religious Thought**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

James Swan Tuite, Indiana University, Presiding

Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University  
*The Philosopher as Interpreter: Hermann Cohen's Critique of the History of Religions School*

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University  
*Paul Natorp "Between the Times"*

Peter Woodford, University of Cambridge  
*The Very Idea of a "Science of Religion:" Ernst Troeltsch and Heinrich Rickert in Conversation*

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**A22-229****Pentecostal–Charismatic Movements Group**

Theme: **Reframing Gender and Pentecostalism in the Global and New South**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-310 (Level 3)

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Presiding

Kijan Bloomfield Maxam, Princeton University  
*In, But Not Of the World: Pentecostal Faith and Belonging for Women and Girls in Urban Jamaica*

Judith Casselberry, Bowdoin College  
*Running For Jesus: Gender Mobility in Black American Pentecostalism*

Justin Doran, University of Texas  
*The Heartfelt Spirit: A Pentecostal Dialectic between the New and the Global South*

**A22-230****Religion and Sexuality Group**

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Erin Runions's *The Babylon Complex: Theopolitical Fantasies of War, Sex, and Sovereignty* (Fordham University Press, 2014)**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Edward Silver, Wellesley College, Presiding

Panelists:

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary

John Howell, University of Chicago

Larisa Reznik, Bowdoin College

Cynthia Ruth Chapman, Oberlin College

Responding:

Erin Runions, Pomona College

**A22-231****Science, Technology, and Religion Group**

Theme: **Science Fiction, Science and Religion**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

Ted Peters, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

Catherine Newell, University of Miami  
*Single Vision: The Wages of Scientific Materialism and Resurgence of Nature Religion in LeGuin's "Newton's Sleep"*

Lisa L. Stenmark, San Jose State University  
*Developing an Apocalyptic Vision: Postcolonial and Indigenous Science Fiction and Hope for a New World*

Neela Bhattacharya Saxena, Nassau Community College  
*AI as Awakened Intelligence: Technological Singularity and the Buddhist Bardo in the Film Her*

**A22-232****Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

Theme: **Thinking Critically about the Future(s) of the Human**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Stefan Skrimshire, University of Leeds, Presiding

Agata Bielik-Robson, University of Nottingham  
*Another Ecology: Adorno's Reconciliation with Nature*

Thomas Lynch, Chichester University  
*Seeking a Philosophy for the End of the World? Religion, Hope, and Nihilism between Hegel and Bloch*

Responding:

Anthony Paul Smith, La Salle University

**A22-233****PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION****Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group**

Theme: **Bordering Others: Examining Religious Community in Eastern Late Antiquity**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding

Jennifer Hart, Elon University  
*Fixing Ritual to Fix Community: Using Orthopraxy to Define "True" Mandaeism*

Scott McDonough, William Paterson University  
*"...And No Trace Left of Their Bones": Conversion and Continuity in Early Armenian Christianity*

Sara Ronis, Harvard University  
*Seeing the Other in Sasanian Babylonia*

Christina Grobmeier, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Don't Bowl Me Over: An Examination of Aramaic Curse Bowls and the Suba Cave Inscriptions*

Todd Godwin, University of London  
*The Word "Tajik"/"Daqing" in Chinese Sources and What It Tells Us about the Islamicization of Central Asia during the Early Abbasid Caliphate*

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A22-234



## Wildcard Session

Theme: **From Post-Apartheid Cape Town to Post-Racial Ferguson: Black Death, Public Protests, and the Recasting of White Shamelessness**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Rachel C. Schneider, Rice University  
*Prophetic Politics and Police Brutality in Urban South Africa*

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University  
*From "Big Men" Back to White Boys: The Shameful Path of White Male American Identity Formation*

Elonda Clay, VU University Amsterdam  
*Burn This Bitch Down! Protest Space, Apocalyptic Envisioning, and Media Representations of Racial Unrest in Ferguson, Missouri*

Tiffany Trent, Arizona State University  
*Scripturalism, Abrahamic Patriarchy, and the Tenth Commandment: Contemporary Constructions and Criminalizations of Black Advancement as Theft*

A22-235



## Wildcard Session

Theme: **Moltmann and the Future of Theology**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

M. Douglas Meeks, Vanderbilt University, Presiding



Jürgen Moltmann

Over the past 60 years the theology of Jürgen Moltmann has found resonance throughout the world, perhaps more than any other Protestant theologian. His theology combines biblical inspiration, sensitivity to church tradition, attention both to spirituality and political engagement, and it addresses central questions of human existence in the light of the "coming of God." Academic theology today is in a crisis. If we judge by the sales of theological books or reputation of theologians in the scholarly and non-scholarly public, neither the church nor the world seems to need academic theology. What would be required for theology to become authentically public again? The purpose of this session is to explore ways in which Moltmann's theology, both its style and content, can provide resources for revitalization of theology today.

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University  
*Jürgen Moltmann, The First Postcolonial Theologian?*

Catherine Keller, Drew University  
*Earth-Hope: Moltmann, Political Theology, and Global Warming*

Christopher L. Morse, Union Theological Seminary  
*Accounting for the Hope*

Miroslav Volf, Yale University

*What I Wish I Could Learn from Moltmann*

Amos Yong, Fuller Theological Seminary

*The Future Spirit of Theology: Moltmann, Pneumatology, and Trinitarian Theology for the Third Millennium*

Responding:

Jürgen Moltmann, Eberhard-Karls-Universität, Tübingen, Germany

A22-240



## Applied Religious Studies Working Group

Theme: **Another Plan "A": Religious Studies Education and Careers Beyond the Academy**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Harvard Law School, Presiding

Worried about the job market? Thinking that a career in higher ed no longer matches your interests and goals? Or just wondering about options? Join the new Applied Religious Studies Working Group for a discussion of career paths outside the academy. Panelists hold masters and doctoral degrees from a variety of religious studies, theology, and other humanities programs and have worked in fields including: publishing and editing journalism nonprofits and foundations government consulting religious communities academic administration social work and health care marketing Come hear more about how graduate education in religious studies prepares us for — and enhances our practice of — various careers. The panel discussion will be followed by an open conversation with the audience and group table discussions led by the panelists. Come tell us what AAR can do to better serve members who are exploring non-academic careers and to support those who have moved beyond the academy!

Panelists:

Patton Dodd, H.E.B. Family Foundation

Chris Hutchison-Jones, Pine Street Inn Men's Stabilization Unit at the Lemuel Shattuck Hospital, Jamaica Plain, MA

Rodney Knowles, Research Now, Dallas, TX

J. Shawn Landres, Quality and Productivity Commission, Los Angeles County

Randall Miller, Arcus Foundation, New York, NY

Hussein Rashid, Hofstra University

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**P22-219****Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

Theme: **New Approaches in Social Sciences and the Study of Ancient Religion**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University, Sacramento, Presiding

Megan Daniels, Stanford University  
*Religion, Cultural Evolution, and Axial Age Transitions: Investigating the Queen of Heaven in the Iron Age Mediterranean*

Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas  
*A Hybrid Agency in the Making of Hellenistic Judaism: 2 Maccabees as a Test Case*

Carmen Palmer, University of Toronto  
*The Language of "Brotherhood" in Ancient Mediterranean Groups: A Sign of Shared Kinship*

David Jorgensen, Colby College  
*Methodological Approaches to Orthodoxy and Heresy in Recent Scholarship*

**A22-236****Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee Meeting**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott-L501 (Lobby Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

**A22-237****Graduate Student Committee**

Theme: **Undergraduate Workshops at Georgia State University**

Sunday, 2:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at AAR Membership Desk (Exhibit Level)

Rupa Pillai, University of Oregon, Presiding

Meet at 1:30 PM at the AAR Membership Desk to walk from the Hyatt to the 17<sup>th</sup> floor of 25 Park Place. In coordination with the AAR's Graduate Student Committee, GSU's Religious Studies Department invites undergraduates to attend an afternoon of free workshops on its campus, a 10-minute walk from the Hyatt. The event will start with a session from 2:00 PM–3:15 PM on "Navigating the Discipline: Understanding and Making the Most of the Study of Religion." A meet-and-greet reception will follow from 3:15 PM–3:45 PM. The event will conclude with a workshop on "Applying Skills of Religious and Theological Studies after Undergrad," which will focus on applying to graduate school — in both religion and other fields. It will also include tips on how to market skills learned in the study of religion to pursue other career opportunities. All undergraduates are welcome to attend. For questions, contact [kslominski@gsu.edu](mailto:kslominski@gsu.edu).

Panelists:

Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University

Brett Esaki, Georgia State University

Molly Bassett, Georgia State University

**A22-238****Student Lounge Roundtable**

Theme: **Writing in Community: How a Writing Group Can Enhance Your Thesis or Dissertation**

Sunday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Dissertation and thesis writing can be an isolating experience — sometimes by design, sometimes by seeming necessity. The built-in community of seminars is over, and the demands of the project leave little time for friends. Conventional wisdom suggests that forced isolation is the only way to complete a dissertation in a reasonable amount of time. Yet, for many the prospect of spending months in the solitary confinement of a library cubicle can be daunting. Moreover, for those (like us) with families, such isolation is simply untenable. In this workshop we explore an alternative to writing in isolation: the writing group. After writing in isolation ourselves, we have found that the support of writing in community not only keeps us sane but also enhances our projects. Based on our own experiences, we will discuss such matters as finding the right writing partners, keeping each other accountable, peer-reviewing chapters, sharing meals, balancing writing with family, and avoiding potential pitfalls of communal writing.

Panelists:

David Cramer, Baylor University

Jennifer Howell, Baylor University

Jordan Rowan Fannin, Baylor University

**A22-239****Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum Tour**

Sunday, 2:45 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

Ellen Ott Marshall, Emory University, Presiding

See page 8 for details.

**A22-250****Theological Education Committee**

Theme: **Committee Meeting**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Jeffrey Williams, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## A22-251



### Contingent Faculty Task Force

Theme: **Creative Responses to Contingency**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Hussein Rashid, Hofstra University, Presiding

Last year, the AAR's Contingent Faculty Task Force hosted a forum to allow scholars who work in contingent positions to discuss the conditions of life and labor off the tenure track. This year, we're hosting a forum to discuss how individuals, departments, institutions, and unions can creatively respond to the contingency crisis. What can you do about the adjunct crisis if you are an adjunct, a graduate student, a faculty member, a department chair or a dean? What can your department and institutions do? What are the steps necessary to make employment equitable and fair for contingent faculty? The four panelists approach the over-reliance on contractual work in academia from different perspectives. The panel includes adjuncts, current and former, a department chair, and a dean, faculty both non-tenured track and tenured, to discuss not only the treatment of contingent workers and current unionization efforts, but also suggestions of what departments and institutions can do about the increasing casualization of higher education.

Panelists:

Kerry Danner-McDonald, Georgetown University

Russell T. McCutcheon, University of Alabama

Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, University of Richmond

## A22-252



### Employment Workshops

Theme: **Developing a Public Voice and Making a Living from It**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This is a workshop for all who went into academia wanting to change the world — those who, to borrow the words of the jailed Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo, “made the mistake of acting on impulses of sympathy or of justice.” We are many who have pursued studies of religion and related fields in hopes of developing a public voice and perhaps providing moral leadership. Is this a quixotic dream? For those who have not found secure university employment — or who have found it and are disappointed — is it possible instead to work as a public intellectual/activist/artist? The workshop builds on participatory exercises: What might you be willing to give up in order to follow your dream — how simply can you live? What combinations of jobs might be acceptable to you? If you could become a public voice, what would you want to tell the world?

Panelist:

Brian Palmer, Uppsala University

## A22-253

### Program Committee and Regional Coordinators

Theme: **Expanding the Possibilities for Scholarly Conference**

**Presentations: Alternatives, Innovations, Enhancements**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Allen Redmon, Texas A&M University, Central Texas, Presiding

The purpose of this special topics session is to foster thoughtful and creative conversation about the possibilities of alternative modes of academic conference presentations. Although the traditional model of paper presentation will continue to have value in the academy, we seek to find ways to infuse more voices, more styles of presentation, and more perspectives into the traditional conference. A number of AAR Regional meetings have been experimenting with session formats that break the traditional mold by creating opportunities for more discussion, interaction and engagement among attendees. Brief presentations/demonstrations of some alternative conference session formats will be followed by conversation and brainstorming.

Panelists:

Sally Smith Holt, Belmont University, Southeast Region

B. J. Parker, Baylor University, Southwest Region

Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology, Rocky Mountains-Great Plains Region

## A22-254



### Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **Marty Forum: Ziba Mir-Hosseini**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding



Ziba Mir-Hosseini

Scholar and filmmaker Ziba Mir-Hosseini, a specialist in Islamic law, gender and development and Professorial Research Associate at the Centre for Middle Eastern and Islamic Law, University of London, is the recipient of the 2015 Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion. At the Marty Forum, Professor Mir-Hosseini will be interviewed by Diana L. Eck, Harvard University. The Marty Award recognizes extraordinary contributions to the public understanding of religion.

Panelists:

Ziba Mir-Hosseini, University of London

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University

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**A22-255**
**Ethics Section and Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group and Comparative Religious Ethics Group and Religion and Humanism Group**

Theme: **Religion, Law, and Violence: Comparative Approaches to the Critique of Humanitarianism, Intervention, and War**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Henrik Syse, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Oslo, Norway, Presiding

To this time, relatively few commentators challenge genealogies of religion and morality and their relationship to contemporary discourses of international law and humanitarian intervention. In part, this has been due to an enduring notion of intervention as divorced from historical conversations on Christian just war theory. For many, thought on intervention is best summarized by Michael Walzer, who, writing in his *Just and Unjust Wars* (1977), suggested “humanitarian intervention involves military action on behalf of oppressed people, and it requires that the intervening state enter, to some degree, into the purposes of those people” (104). Absent from Walzer’s discussion of intervention, however, are the possible genealogical inheritances such discourses retain from Christian just war discourses, among others. This panel will explore the approaches to formulating a critique humanitarian intervention, international legal norms, and the role of religious communities and discourses in the construction and deconstruction of each.

John Corrigan, Florida State University  
*Religious Violence and American Foreign Policy*

Troy Mack, Drew University  
*The Atrocities of Carl Schmitt: Issues for Law, Religion, and Humanitarian Intervention*

Gregory M. Reichberg, Peace Research Institute Oslo  
*The Relation of Just War to International Law: Two Competing Catholic Approaches*

Responding:

Nathan French, Miami University

**A22-256****(#aarhcs)**
**History of Christianity Section**

Theme: **The Civil War and Its Religion in American Religion**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

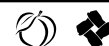
Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Dale T. Irvin, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

Katharine Batlan, University of Texas  
*Christ is on Our Side: Christianity and Constitutions in the American Civil War*

Priscilla Eppinger, Graceland University  
*The Religious Context of the Civil War and the Development of Liberal Theology: Lucretia Mott as Exemplar of Theological Liberalism*

Louis A. Ruprecht, Georgia State University  
*Beyond the Birth of a Nation, or, The Limits of Liberal Tolerance*

**A22-257**
**North American Religions Section and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group**

Theme: **Prophetic Pulpits: The Influence and Legacies of MLK Jr. among Latina/o Activists**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Carlos Decena, Rutgers University, Presiding

Panelists:

Michael Humphreys, Bethune-Cookman College

Maria T. Davila, Andover Newton Theological School

Altagracia Perez-Bullard, Episcopal Diocese of New York, New York, NY

**A22-258**
**Religion and Politics Section**

Theme: **Politics and Piety: New Perspectives on the Influence of Theology and Churches on African-American Political Activism**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Robert P. Jones, Public Religion Research Institute, Washington, D.C., Presiding

Sam Speers, University of Virginia

Kristopher Norris, University of Virginia  
*America’s Freedom Church: The Politics of Piety at Ebenezer Baptist Church*

Crystal DesVignes, Duke University  
*How God’s House Influences the State House: The Importance of Faith to African American Women’s Political and Social Activism*

Dilara Üsküp, University of Chicago  
*Blue Bible, Red Bible: Sin or Right? Examining the Impact of Theology on Morality-Based Opinions among Faith-Centered African Americans*

**A22-259**
**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

Theme: **Contributions to Social Scientific Theory in the Study of Religion**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute, Presiding

Trine Anker, MF Norwegian School of Theology, and Geir Afdal, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
*In a Hybrid Voice: Latour on Religion*

Cyril Orji, University of Dayton  
*The Contributions of C.S. Pierce to the Social Scientific Methodologies and the Academic Study of Religions*

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## A22-260

### Study of Judaism Section

Theme: **Expecting and the Unexpected: Marriage and Reproduction**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)

Aaron W. Hughes, University of Rochester, Presiding

Jessica Kirzane, Columbia University  
*Intermarriage and the Uncanny in the Literary Imagination of "Di Yunge"*

Mary Grace Dupree, Emory University  
*According to the Law of Moses and Israel: The Wedding of Reuven Malter and Danny Saunders in Chaim Potok's The Chosen*

Michal Raucher, University of Cincinnati  
*What to Expect When You are Haredi and Expecting: An Analysis of Pregnancy Advice Books for Haredi Women*

Responding:

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University

## A22-261

### Women and Religion Section and Childhood Studies and Religion Group and Religion and Migration Group

Theme: **Families in Migration**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Presiding

Jesse Zink, University of Cambridge  
*Turn Back on Us, O God: Religious Change among Dinka Women and Children during Sudan's Civil War*

Lisa Beth White, Boston University  
*Building Bridges: A Feminist Missiological Examination of Religious Practices in Response to Mass Immigration by Undocumented Minors*

Responding:

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

## A22-262

### Anthropology of Religion Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group

Theme: **Moving Bodies: Ethnographies of Latin American Devotional Communities**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida, Presiding

Eric Hoenes del Pinal, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Bearing the Collective Cross: Piety, Shared Experience, and Intercorporeality in Guatemala's Semana Santa Processions*

Seth Schermerhorn, Hamilton College  
*O'dham Walkers and their Staffs: Walking Sticks by Way of Calendar Sticks and Scraping Sticks*

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University  
*Santa Rita, Juan XXIII, the New Mission Movement, and the "Domestic Church": Negotiating Catholic Families in Rural Ecuador*

## A22-263

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### Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group and Daoist Studies Group and Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective Group

Theme: **Author Meets Critics: Conceiving the Indian Buddhist Patriarchs in China** (University of Hawai'i Press, 2015)

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Tao Jiang, Rutgers University, Presiding

Panelists:

Benjamin Brose, University of Michigan  
Elizabeth Morrison, Middlebury College  
C. Pierce Salguero, Abington College

Responding:

Stuart Young, Bucknell University

## A22-264

### Christian Spirituality Group

Theme: **Preaching and Spirituality in the Work of Barbara Brown Taylor**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM



















Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Lauren F. Winner, Duke University, Presiding

Panelists:

Peter S. Hawkins, Yale University  
Thomas G. Long, Emory University  
Donyelle McCray, Virginia Theological Seminary

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**A22-265**
**Cognitive Science of Religion and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group and Science, Technology, and Religion Group and SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Group**

 Theme: **Religion, Emotion, and Cognition**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

Mark Graves, Fuller Theological Seminary, Warren Brown, Fuller Theological Seminary, Kevin Reimer, University of California, Irvine, Andrea Beckum, Fuller Theological Seminary, Shaina Smith, Fuller Theological Seminary, and Michael Spezio, Scripps College

*Religion, Emotion, and Belief in Self-Identity Narratives of L'Arche Caring Exemplars*

Niki Clements, Rice University

*Ritual Reading and Affective Shaping: John Cassian and Late Antique Technologies of the Self*

Zaid Adhami, Williams College

*Reflexive Self-Awareness in Religious Belief? American Muslim Responses to Cognitive Dissonance*
**A22-266**

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**Comparative Theology Group**

 Theme: **Comparative Spiritualities of Violence and Healing**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Jeanine Diller, University of Toledo, Presiding

 Brooks Barber, Catholic University of America  
*Can Christ Serve Two Masters? Jesus as Religious Authority on Poverty in the Works of al-Ghazali and Bonaventure*

 Ryan Kuratko, Emory University  
*Defeat and Dope Slaps: the Shape of Ambiguity in the Rhetorics of Healing and Violence of the Pāli Vinaya and the Rule of Saint Benedict*

 Maureen Walsh, Rockhurst University  
*Memorializing Pregnancy Loss in Contemporary American Catholicism and Japanese Buddhism*

Responding:

Kristin Johnston Largen, Lutheran Theological Seminary

**A22-267**
**Contemporary Pagan Studies Group**

 Theme: **Tradition and Resistance in Paganisms**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Chas Clifton, Colorado State University, Pueblo, Presiding

 Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University  
*In Memoriam Maleficarum: Contemporary Pagan Mobilizations of the Burning Times*

 Mary Hamner, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
*Constructing an Authentic Witchcraft: Traditional Witchcraft, Wicca, and the Normalization of the Craft*

 Mariya Lesiv, Memorial University  
*Blood Brothers or Blood Enemies: Tradition and Ukrainian Pagan Responses to the Ukraine-Russia Crisis*
**A22-268**
**Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

 Theme: **Sightings and Visions of Hip Hop and Religion**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Syed Adnan Hussain, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Presiding

 Roy Whitaker, San Diego State University  
*"He Has Showed Up More Fully by Disappearing": Tupac Shakur, Afrofuturism, and Trans/humanism*

 Tara Baldrick-Morrone, Florida State University  
 Adam Miller, University of Chicago  
*Cindi and the Beast: Self and Collective in Opposing Visions of the Future*

 Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University  
*Apocalyptic Science Fiction: Bigg Jus and the ATL Afro-Futuristic Destruction of "Blackness"*
**A22-269**
**Eastern Orthodox Studies Group**

 Theme: **Religion and the Crisis in Ukraine**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

George Demacopoulos, Fordham University, Presiding

 Cyril Hovorun, Saint Ignatius Theological Academy  
*Ukrainian Churches in and after Maidan*

 Nicholas Denysenko, Loyola Marymount University  
*In Search of a Religious Identity: Sources for the Study of Intra-Orthodox Conflict in Ukraine*

 Pavlo Smytsnyuk, University of Oxford  
*Greek Wine for Ukrainian Wineskins: Insights from Contemporary Greek Theologians and the Crisis in Ukraine*

 Tikhon Vasilyev, Oxford University  
*The Mission of the Christian Church in Times of War and Humanitarian Crisis: Ethical Reflection*

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### A22-270

PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION  

#### Evangelical Studies Group

Theme: **Author Meets Critics, John G. Stackhouse's *Need to Know: Vocation as the Heart of Christian Epistemology* (Oxford University Press, 2014)**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Myron A Penner, Trinity Western University, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary

Lynn H. Cohick, Wheaton College

Paul Martens, Baylor University

Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary

Responding:

John G. Stackhouse Jr., Crandall University

### A22-271

#### Islamic Mysticism Group

Theme: **Walls and Bridges: Situating the “Islamic” in Islamic Mysticism**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Vernon James Schubel, Kenyon College, Presiding

Rubina Salikuddin, Harvard University  
*Prohibitions and Proper Etiquette: Regulating Ziyārat in the Timurid Period*

William Sherman, Stanford University  
*Rituals of Revelation: Dhikr on the Afghan Frontier*

Shobhana Xavier, Wilfrid Laurier University  
*From Jaffna to Pennsylvania: Piety and Practice at the Shrines of Bawa Mubaiyaddeen*

Sam Houston, Florida State University  
*“Soldiers of God”: Tarbiya, Virtue, and Islamist Activism*

Responding:

Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago

### A22-272

#### Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Yogācāra Studies Group

Theme: **Kierkegaard and Buddhism**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Joseph Westfall, University of Houston-Downtown, Presiding

Sheridan Hough, College of Charleston  
*Kierkegaardian Selves, Buddhist No-Selves, and the “Will to Suffer”*

David Wisdo, Columbus State University  
*The Self: Kierkegaard and Buddhism in Dialogue*

### A22-273

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#### Practical Theology Group and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

Theme: **The Strong Black Woman: Blessing or Burden? A Roundtable Discussion on Chanequa Walker-Barnes's *Too Heavy a Yoke: Black Women and the Burden of Strength* (Cascade Books, 2014)**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Carolyn McCrary, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding

Panelists:

Trina Armstrong, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities



















Candice Benbow, Princeton Theological Seminary

Beverly Wallace, Shaw University

Responding:

Chanequa Walker-Barnes, Mercer University

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**A22-274****Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group**

Theme: **Wayne Proudfoot: Thirtieth Anniversary of *Religious Experience* (University of California Press, 1985)**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

William David Hart, Macalester College, Presiding

Panelists:

Matthew Bagger, Auburn University

Cornel West, Union Theological Seminary

G. Scott Davis, University of Richmond

Responding:

Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University

**A22-275****Queer Studies in Religion Group**

Theme: **Reimagining Religion as Queer Resistance**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Linn Tonstad, Yale University, Presiding

Sonia Crasnow, University of California, Riverside

*Talking About Transition: Addressing Transgender Inclusion in Judaism*

Drake Konow, Meriden, CT

*The Cathedral Project: Protest, Liturgy, and AIDS Activism at Saint Patrick's Cathedral*

Mara Block, Harvard University

*"Baudelaire's Dream": Queer Writing and Parodies of Clinical Discourse*

Responding:

Heather White, New College of Florida

Business Meeting:

Kent Brintnall, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, and  
Thelathia Young, Bucknell University, Presiding

**A22-276****Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group**

Theme: **Religion and Genocide in the Balkans: Memory and Perspective**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Benjamin Sax, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding

M. Christian Green, Emory University

*Religion and Gender in the Balkan Genocides: Unlearned Lessons for Twenty-First Century Conflicts*

Joseph Wiinikka-Lydon, Emory University

*Analyzing Violence through Virtue: The Bosnian Case*

**A22-277****Religion, Sport, and Play Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Group**

Theme: **Buying (into) Yoga: Perspectives on Andrea Jain's *Selling Yoga: From Counterculture to Pop Culture* (Oxford University Press, 2014)**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Ellen Goldberg, Queen's University, Presiding

Panelists:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

Anna Pokazanyeva, University of California, Santa Barbara

Hugh B. Urban, Ohio State University

Christa Schwind, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver

Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College

Responding:

Andrea Jain, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis

**A22-278****Scriptural Reasoning Group**

Theme: **Scriptural Reasoning, Philosophy, and the Formation of Readers**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Laurie Zoloth, Northwestern University, Presiding

Geoffrey Claussen, Elon University

*Socrates and the Golden Calf: Being "Stiff-Necked" and the Formation of Torah Scholars*

Jacob Goodson, Southwestern College

*Applying Scriptural Reasoning Reading Strategies to the Philosophy of Religion: Five Hermeneutical Models for Bringing Scripture into the Undergraduate Classroom*

M M Nauman Faizi, University of Virginia

*Interpretation as Restoration: Exploring Sir Sayyid Ahmed Khan's Argument for the Modernity of the Qur'an*

Business Meeting:

Simeon Zahl, University of Oxford, Presiding

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## A22-279

### Tantric Studies Group

Theme: **Weaving Traditions, Casting Spells: Tantra, Magic, and Folk Religion**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

John Nemec, University of Virginia, Presiding

Xenia Zeiler, University of Helsinki  
*Exorcising Evil: The Interweaving of Tantra and Ojhbāi (Ghost Exorcism and Healing Rituals)*

Sravana Borkataky Varma, Rice University  
*Spells: Intersection of Magic with Tantra in Assam*

June McDaniel, College of Charleston  
*Tantric Magic in Bengal and Bali: From Pisacha Tantrikas to Dukuns*

Meera Kachroo, McGill University  
*Professional Prayoga: Marketing Yantras in Contemporary Srividya*

Gordan Djurdjevic, Simon Fraser University  
*The Kosmic Gnosis of the Left Hand Path: The Place of Hindu Theories and Practices within Esoteric Voudon*

## A22-280

### World Christianity Group

Theme: **Enduring Christian Witness beyond Martyrdom: Lessons from El Salvador, Liberia, and Syria**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Malik Muhammed, Fordham University, Presiding

Meg Stapleton Smith, Yale University  
*Redefining Martyrdom: Jon Sobrino's Christology of Witness*

Michael VanZandt Collins, Boston College  
*Spiritual Space and Christian Witness in Syria: The Case of Frans van der Lugt, S.J.*

Christine McCarthy, Fordham University  
*Mothering Peace: Toward a Theological Anthropology for Engendered Peacebuilding*

## A22-281

### Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Religious Hybridities and Multiple Religious Belonging: A Contested Concept?**

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Catherine Cornille, Boston College, Presiding

Andre van der Braak, VU University Amsterdam  
*Multiple Religious Belonging as a Contested Approach to Religious Hybridity*

Manuela Kalsky, Dominican Research Center for Theology and Society, Amsterdam, VU University Amsterdam  
*Multiple Religious Belonging: A Paradigm Shift from Theological Unity to Transreligious Multiplicity*

Abraham Velez de Cea, Eastern Kentucky University  
*Discipleship and the Possibility of Buddhist-Christian Belonging*

Responding:

Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University

Emily Sigalow, Brandeis University

## M22-203

### AAR Mid-Atlantic Region

Theme: **Race Relationships in Baltimore and NYC through the Lens of Religious and Theological Scholarship**

Sunday, 3:30 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University, Presiding

The MAR-AAR will host a short panel discussion and then facilitate small group discussions about the racially significant events that have occurred in the Mid-Atlantic this year. There will be a fifteen minute presentation by Dr. Douglas, describing the landscape of these events and reflecting on the responses among religious communities to them. Then the respondents will offer remarks, one from an ethics perspective, and one from an activist perspective. Next, the moderator will open it up for 20 minutes of small group discussion among the attendees. At least one question on the table will be how to introduce topics, such as race relations in a fair and helpful way to students.

Panelist:

Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College

Responding:

Carl Garrison, Community of Hope Ministries, New York City

Foster Pinkney, University of Chicago

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**A22-300****Student Lounge Roundtable**Theme: **Networking Like the Job Is in Hand**

Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

We make the most out of networking opportunities in graduate school by behaving like we are one of “them,” that is the professors, administrators, and other professionals with whom we seek to meet or interact. This panel will discuss methods of introduction, language, and perhaps most importantly, ways to make your own opportunities for networking as a form of professional development. For example, organizing speaker series and other events can create the networks you want to have, rather than just waiting for these opportunities to come to you. We will also discuss networking internationally through language and study abroad programs. We will discuss strategies on how to make the most of these important connections once you have developed them. Additionally, we will work on creating opportunities for yourself through receptions and other AAR events even before you are on the job market.

Panelist:

Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina

**Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM****S22-333****North American Association for the Study of Religion and SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship**

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-303 (Level 3)

Theme: **When Is the Big Tent Too Big?**

James Linville, University of Lethbridge, Presiding

Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama

*Tents and Canopies: When the “Big Tent” Becomes a “Sacred Canopy” in Biblical Studies*

Stephen L. Young, Brown University

*Is the Tent So Big that it Hides Ideology?*

Patrick McCullough, University of California, Los Angeles

*On Not Letting Confessions Tell Us What to Do: Reading New Testament Texts without “Origins”*

Ipsita Chatterjea, International Society for the Study of Religion, Nature and Culture

*Big Tent, Smaller Tents, Blue Tent, and the Specter of the Red Tent: What Do We Do and Does Anyone Outside of the Tent Know We Are Doing It?*

Responding:

Edward Silver, Wellesley College

**P22-326****Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion**Theme: **Sacred Scriptures and Violence Against Women**

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A708 (Atrium Level)

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding

The sacred scriptures of all three monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam inscribe not only violence against wo/men and the culture of feminine subordination but also values of self-affirmation, justice, and well-being. Feminist scholars in religion are well versed in analyzing and interpreting sacred texts in critical, historical, literary, religious and cultural terms. However, we also need to develop methods of religious consciousness-raising and empowerment which seek to enable religious wo/men who have experienced violence and abuse both to critically name the rhetoric of violence inscribed in sacred texts and to identify resources for well-being and for resisting the culture of feminine subordination, objectification, and dehumanization. The panel will continue our conversation, across religious interpretive boundaries, about the search for methods of Scriptural interpretation that foster wo/men's religious agency and the ability to reject violence and subordination on religious grounds.

Panelists:

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University

Angela Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary

Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington

Karri Whipple, Drew University

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina

Jerusha Lampsey, Union Theological Seminary

**P22-347****Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**Theme: **Thinking about Writing and Teaching**

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College, Martha Ellen Stortz, Augsburg College, and Thomas Pearson, Wabash Center, Presiding

Participants in this interactive and hands-on session will think together about how and why various types of writing about teaching become valuable for authors as well as readers who are reflecting on their teaching and student learning. Participants will be led through a hands-on, small group interactive process to reflect on their teaching practice and begin to “workshop” an idea for a writing project about teaching. How can writing and reading about teaching support your reflective teaching practice?

**A22-301****Employment Services Advisory Committee Meeting**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L501 (Lobby Level)

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## A22-302



### Academic Relations Committee and Public Understanding of Religion Committee

Theme: **The Value of Religious Studies in an Age of Budget Cuts**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Kathleen Roberts Skerrett, University of Richmond, Presiding

Pressure on humanistic disciplines like religious studies is enormous in the modern academy. From budget cuts and threats of downsizing, the professionalization of students and the instrumentalization of higher ed, to the adjunctification of faculties and STEM orientations that demand ever-increasing career-oriented outcomes for graduates, religious studies departments are no longer self-justifying in many colleges and universities. This Special Topic Forum explores how religious studies departments have been and can be successful in defending their programs in the face of budget cuts or other pressures, and thus how we articulate the “value” of the study of religion to administrators and boards, to the broader academy, to funding sources like donors and legislatures, and to the public at large. Panelists, from community colleges, and private and public institutions, will share their experiences of navigating funding crises and share strategies for how to articulate the many “values” of the study of religion.

Panelists:

- Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa
- Charles A. Kimball, University of Oklahoma
- Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida
- Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College

## A22-303

### How to Propose a New Program Unit

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, and Robert N. Puckett, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

Join the Director of Meetings and the Program Unit Director for an informal chat about upcoming Annual Meeting initiatives as well as the guidelines and policies for proposing a new program unit.

## A22-304



### Religion and the Arts Award Jury

Theme: **Conversation with 2015 Religion and the Arts Award Winner Marilynne Robinson**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Eric Ziolkowski, Lafayette College
- Brook Wilensky-Lanford, *Killing the Buddha*, Jersey City, NJ
- Marilynne Robinson, University of Iowa



Marilynne Robinson

## A22-305

### Buddhism Section

Theme: **Books and Bodies, Caves and Technologies**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

Lori Meeks, University of Southern California, Presiding

Yi Ding, Stanford University

*Constructing Merit: The Religious Functions of Dunhuang Caves in Light of the “Merit Record” (Gongde Ji) Texts*

Eric Huntington, Princeton University

*Creating Universes: Divergent Ritual Cosmologies in Nepalese and Tibetan Contexts*

Alexander Hsu, University of Chicago

*How Do You Use A Grove of Pearls? Notes toward a History of Medieval Chinese Buddhist Anthological Use with Evidence from Dunhuang*

Daniel Tuzzeo, Stanford University

*On Cognitive and Narrative Maps: Navigating Memory and the Afterlife through Imagined Space in Buddhist Texts and Material Culture*

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**A22-306**(#aarhcs)   **History of Christianity Section and Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Practical Theology Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group**Theme: **New Directions in Theological Education: Pedagogical and Epistemological Models from Latino U.S.A.**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christian A. B. Scharen, Auburn Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Justo L. Gonzalez, Decatur, GA

Edwin David Aponte, The Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY

Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Eastern University

**A22-307****North American Religions Section and African Diaspora Religions Group and Afro-American Religious History Group and Latina/o Critical-Comparative Studies Group**Theme: **Feeling Santería: Ethnographies of Affect, Mobility, and Micropractices of Afro-Cuban Religion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Solimar Otero, Louisiana State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Aisha Beliso-De Jesus, Harvard University

Elizabeth Perez, Dartmouth College

Responding:

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College

Todd Ramón Ochoa, University of North Carolina

**A22-308****Philosophy of Religion Section**Theme: **Continental Philosophy of Religion and Religious Studies: Past, Present, and Future**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Samantha Copping, Santa Barbara, CA, Presiding

Panelists:

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

Sarah Hammerschlag, University of Chicago

Tyler T. Roberts, Grinnell College

Bradley Onishi, Rhodes College

**A22-309****Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group**Theme: **Biblical Interrogations of Identity, Culture, and Social Location**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding

Lynn B. E. Jencks, Northwestern University

*"For God So Loved The World": Latina/o Charismatic Catholics and the Transformative Experience of Encountering God's Love*

Leslie R. James, DePauw University

*Re-Inventing the Human: Martin Luther King, Jr., C.L.R. James, and the New Jerusalem*

Angeline M.G. Song, University of Otago

*Not Just Hearing, but Feeling a Scream: Connecting with Esther through a Hermeneutic of Empathy*

Matthew W. Dougherty, University of North Carolina

*Reading Chosenness, Reading Race: Cherokee Uses of Biblical Narrative and Covenant Theology, 1819–1838*

Responding:

Ariella Werden-Greenfield, Temple University

**A22-310****Buddhist Critical–Constructive Reflection Group**Theme: **Buddhism as a Remedy for American Suffering: Issues in the Application of Buddhist Teachings**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College, Presiding

Brooke Dodson-Lavelle, Emory University

*Against One Method: Toward a Critical-Constructive Approach to the Adaptation and Implementation of Buddhist-Based Contemplative Programs in America*

Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida

*"Buddhism in America After Ferguson": Privilege, Diversity and Inclusion in American Convert Buddhism*

Responding:

Sid Brown, University of the South

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A22-311

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## Chinese Religions Group

Theme: **Politics, Imperial Institutions, and Religion in Imperial China**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Mark Csikszentmihalyi, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Luke Habberstad, University of Oregon

*Who Gets to Praise the Emperor? A Western Han Debate about the New Year's Court Audience*

April Hughes, Gonzaga University

*Shifting Conceptions of Kingship in Medieval China: A Reexamination of the Canonical and Apocryphal Maitreya Scriptures*

Eric Greene, University of Bristol

*The Authority of Meditation in the Kaiyuan Era: The Scripture on the Secret Essentials of Meditation in Cave 59 at the Wofoyuan*

Richard G. Wang, University of Florida

*Liu Yuanran, the Longhushan Delegation, and the Competition for Prestige at the Ming Court*

Responding:

Charles D. Orzech, University of Glasgow

A22-312

## Comparative Religious Ethics Group

Theme: **The Ethics of Social Difference, Global Interdependence, and Forced Migration**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Beverly Foulks McGuire, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding

Thomas Carrico, Florida State University

*A Social Critique of the Judgment of Morality: Pierre Bourdieu and the Critical Study of Religious Ethics*

Shifa Noor, University of Virginia

*Tanzih, Tashbih and Tawhid in A Secular Age: The Ethics of Oneness in Charles Taylor and Ibn Arabi*

Benjamin Schewel, University of Virginia

*Comparative Religious Ethics and the Problem of Forced Migration*

Responding:

Irene Oh, The George Washington University

A22-313



## Contemplative Studies Group and Mysticism Group

Theme: **Mystics and Contemplatives in the Academy Today: Religious Experience from the Outside In and Inside Out**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding

Panelists:

Anne C. Klein, Rice University

Lola L. Williamson, Millsaps College

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

Jay Michaelson, Chicago Theological Seminary

Frederick Colby, University of Oregon

Responding:

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Rice University

Business Meeting:

Stuart R. Sarbacker, Oregon State University, Presiding

A22-314



## Ecclesiological Investigations Group and Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group and Vatican II Studies Group and SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Group

Theme: **Inter-Religious Dialogue in Our Times: The Legacy of Nostra Aetate**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Homayra Ziad, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding

Thérèse Martine Andrevon Gottstein, Institut Catholique Paris  
*To What Extent Did the Shoah Really Influence the Redaction of Nostra Aetate § 4?*

Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph's University

*Not All Blessings Are Equal: Post-Nostra Aetate Catholic Interpretations of the Biblical Blessings to the Jews and to the Nations*

Katharina von Kellenbach, Saint Mary's College of Maryland  
*Nostra Aetate's Urgent Call to Forget the Past*

Christopher Denny, Saint John's University, New York  
*Religiones Antiquae: Reviving Nostra Aetate to Expand the Scope of Salvation History*

Responding:

John T. Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union

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**A22-315**PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION **Gay Men and Religion Group and Men, Masculinities, and Religion Group and Religion, Sport, and Play Group**Theme: **Male Aesthetics and Muscle Gods**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

Brett Krutzsch, College of Wooster, Presiding

Jeffrey F. Keuss, Seattle Pacific University  
*Crossfit and Muscular Christianity Resurrected*Jason Smith, Vanderbilt University  
*Foucault for Heisman: Normalizing Power and the “Gym-Built” Amateur Athlete*Scott Strednak Singer, Temple University  
*From Muscular Christianity to Hard-Body Christianity: The Power Team and the Meaning of Muscle in Sports Evangelism*Jared Vazquez, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver  
*When This Boy is Not a Bottom: Effeminate Men and the Failure of Masculine Performances***A22-316****Martin Luther and Global Lutheran Traditions Group and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group**Theme: **Christian Theology and Jewish Persecution with Martin Luther’s Writing**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Kirsi Stjerna, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Presiding

Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary  
*Luther and the Jews: Is Paul the Problem or Solution?*R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College  
*Martin Luther and the Jews: A Theological–Historical Exploration of the Roots of Persecution*Ryan Tafilowski, University of Edinburgh  
*“Dark, Depressing Riddle”: The Dreadful Vocation of the Jews in the Theology of Paul Althaus***A22-317****New Religious Movements Group and Religion and Food Group and Western Esotericism Group and European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism**Theme: **New Religious Movements, Western Esotericism and Food**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Benjamin Zeller, Lake Forest College, Presiding

Daniel McKanan, Harvard University  
*Biodynamics, Community Supported Agriculture, and Slow Food: An Ecological Approach*Dusty Hoesly, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*They Will Be “Attracted to Us by Our Fruits”: Organic Farming as Spiritual Practice and Practical Spirituality at Sunburst Farms*Susannah Crockford, London School of Economics  
*We Are What We Eat: Dietary Regulations in “New Age” Spirituality***A22-318****Psychology, Culture, and Religion Group**Theme: **Society Without God? “Existential Health” and Alternative Frameworks for Meaning-Making**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Storm Swain, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Presiding

Carrie Doebling, Iliff School of Theology  
*A Critical Phenomenological Pastoral Theological Method for Responding to Suffering in Ways That Respect Religious Differences*Jonathan Stotts, Vanderbilt University  
*Homo Religiosus, Homo Prociendus: Meaning-Making as Projection or Sublimation?*Annhild Tofte Haga, University of Oslo  
*Dialogues and Conflicts between Images of Jesus and Experiences of Being Oneself in Life Story Narratives: An Example of Dialogical Self Theory as an Analytical Tool in Empirical Research on Images of God***A22-319****Reformed Theology and History Group**Theme: **Resistance and Submission in the Reformed Tradition**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

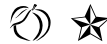
Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, Presiding

Matthew Tuininga, Oglethorpe University  
*Because of Your Hardness of Heart: Calvin, Moral Pluralism, and the Politics of Submission*Rachel Sophia Baard, Villanova University  
*Belligerent Public Theology: The Confessional Theology of Dirk J. Smit*Christina Larsen, University of Saint Andrews  
*Jonathan Edwards’ “Humble Inquiry”: Resistance and Submission as the Visibility of Love in the Church*

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## A22-320



### Religion and Cities Group

Theme: **Illegality and Criminalization in the City**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Irene Stroud, Princeton University, Presiding

Michael R. Fisher, Vanderbilt University  
*To Catch A Criminal: The Illegality of Homelessness in the Neoliberal City and the Politics of Theological Legitimation*

Casey Crosbie, Claremont School of Theology  
*Criminalizing Charity: Social Control and "Illegitimate" Assistance to the Homeless in Atlanta and Los Angeles*

Andrew Krinks, Vanderbilt University  
*Property, Trespass, and the Spatial Delineations of Personhood: From Theologies of Criminalization to Counter-Theologies of Spatial Reclamation*

Responding:

Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Helene Slessarev-Jamir, Claremont School of Theology, and Elise Edwards, Baylor University, Presiding

## A22-321

### Religion and Disability Studies Group

Theme: **Violence, Dignity, and Resistance: Disability Representation in Comics and on Screen**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Leigh Ann Hildebrand, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Hajung Lee, Boston University  
*The Social Perception of Disabled Women in the Film Oasis (2002)*

Kirk VanGilder, Gallaudet University  
*Beyond the SuperCrip: How The 99 Turns Disability Narratives Upside Down and Inside Out*

Kimberly Humphrey, Boston College  
*Fracturing the Myth of the Holistic Self: Persons with Dementia, Caregiving, and a Model for Ecclesial Response*

## A22-322

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### Religion and Popular Culture Group

Theme: **Between Sacred and Secular: Media, Performance, and Popular Religion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Rabia Gregory, University of Missouri, Presiding

Mandy McMichael, Huntingdon College  
*Pageant Prayers: When Responding to God's Call Requires a Stage and a Crown*

Jessica Carr, Lafayette College  
*Graphic Women: Gender in Jewish Comics*

Erika Gault, Hilbert College  
*Youth, Religion, and New Media: The Rise of Gospel Rap and a New Black Church Aesthetic*

## A22-323

### Religion, Media, and Culture Group

Theme: **Third Spaces, Media, and Hybrid Subjects**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Andrew Aghapour, University of North Carolina, Presiding

Stewart M. Hoover, University of Colorado, and Nabil Echchaibi, University of Colorado  
*The Third Spaces of Digital Religion*

Emad Hamdeh, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University  
*The Internet and Religious Authority in Modern Sunnism*

Andrew Polk, Middle Tennessee State University  
*Free-Market Religion: Selling America after the Second World War*

Lucia Hulsether, Yale University  
*Buying into the Dream: Utopian Subjects at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights*

## A22-324

### Science, Technology, and Religion Group

Theme: **Experiencing Land and Body: Cultivating Lived Narratives of Science and Religion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Robert Geraci, Manhattan College, Presiding

Cara Rock-Singer, Columbia University  
*My Body is a Temple and a Laboratory*

Tamar Novick, Tel Aviv University  
*Milk, Dance, and Dig: Techniques of Making a Holy Land in Palestine*

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Adrienne Krone, Duke University  
*Sacred Soil: The Contemporary Cultivation of Sustainable Jewish Agriculture in the United States*

Responding:

Evan Berry, American University

## A22-325



### Sikh Studies Group

Theme: **Sikh Encounters with Others: Comparative and Interreligious Engagements**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)

Michael Hawley, Mount Royal University, Presiding

Rahuldeep Singh Gill, California Lutheran University  
*In Comparison a Power Dwells: Rethinking Communal Taxonomy in Early Sikh Literature*

Amanda Randhawa, Ohio State University  
*Negotiations of Religion, Ritual, and Gender in Tamilnadu*

Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley,  
 University of Melbourne  
*Sikhs in Australia: Indentured Trysts, Religious Demography, and Street Assaults*

Responding:

Harjeet Grewal, University of Michigan

Business Meeting:

Anne Murphy, University of British Columbia, Presiding

## A22-326

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### Study of Islam Section

Theme: **Debating Concubinage: Regulating Sexual Slavery in Islamicate Contexts, Past and Present**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Bernadette Brooten, Brandeis University, Presiding

Craig Perry, Princeton University  
*Legal Pluralism and Slave Concubinage in the Medieval Egyptian Jewish Community (1150–1250 CE)*

Younus Mirza, Allegheny College  
*"The Slave Woman Will Give Birth to Her Master": Ibn Rajab al-Hanbali's Refutation of the Sale of the Umm al-Walad*

Kecia Ali, Boston University  
*Redeeming Slavery, Rewriting History: The "Islamic State," Muslim Tradition, and Debates over Concubinage*

Responding:

Gail Labovitz, American Jewish University

## A22-327

### Tantric Studies Group and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

Theme: **Ritual (and) Practice in Hindu and Buddhist Tantrism**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Jacob Dalton, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Rae Erin Dachille-Hey, University of California, Berkeley  
*Tantric Ritual and the Problem of Imagination*

Patricia Sauthoff, University of London  
*Controlling Death to Control Perceptions: Understanding How Kashmir Saiva Death Rituals Lead to Social Influence*

Michael Reading, Claremont School of Theology  
*Brahmacharya in Focus: Tantric and Advaita Vedantic Perspectives on the Spiritual Utility of Celibacy*

## A22-328



### Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: **New Appropriations of Tillich's Thought**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Frederick J. Parrella, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Mike Grimshaw, University of Canterbury  
*God Is in the Details: Reading Mies van der Rohe's Modern Architecture through Tillich's Theology of Culture and Technology*

Jari Ristiniemi, University of Gävle  
*Clashes of Justice in Finding Life, Justice in General, and Expressive/Creative Justice in Modern Cinema*

Jon Gill, Claremont Graduate University  
*Grounds of Being Becoming: The Possibility of a Tillichian-Inspired Process Theology as Displayed by Underground Rap*

Business Meeting:

Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, San Anselmo, CA, and Stephen G. Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

## A22-329

### Wesleyan Studies Group

Theme: **Wesleyan Culture and the Public Square since the Mid-Twentieth Century**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Edgardo Colon-Emeric, Duke University, Presiding

Dion Forster, Stellenbosch University  
*Nelson Mandela and the Methodist Church of South Africa: An African Christian Humanist Approach to Social Holiness*

Mark Gorman, Centre United Methodist Church, Forest Hill, MD  
*The "Iconic" Methodist: George W. Bush and the State of Contemporary United Methodism*

Natalya Cherry, Southern Methodist University  
*Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr., Called by King "The Greatest Teacher of Nonviolence in America"*

Responding:

Rebekah Miles, Southern Methodist University

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### A22-330



#### Yogācāra Studies Group

Theme: **Reading the Tattvārtha Chapter**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College, Presiding

Eyal Aviv, George Washington University

*Textual Context to the Tattvārthapaṭala*

Ulrich Timme Kragh, University of Copenhagen

*Rhetorical Devices in the Tattvārthapaṭala*

Ligeia Lugli, Mangalam Research Center for Buddhist

Languages, Berkeley, CA

*Fragments of a Learned Conversation: Identifying the Interlocutors of the Tattvārtha's Arguments for the Inexpressibility of Reality*

Joy Brennan, Kenyon College

*Inversion, Clinging, and the Three Natures*

Business Meeting:

C. John Powers, Australian National University, and Roy Tzohar, Tel-Aviv University, Presiding

### A22-331



#### Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Negative Theologies and Apophaticism**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Richard McGregor, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Panelists:

Wendy Farley, Emory University

William Franke, Vanderbilt University

Eric Perl, Loyola Marymount University

Sajjad Rizvi, University of Exeter

Responding:

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University

### A22-332



#### Exploratory Sessions

Theme: **Spirits of Capitalism: Exploring Religion and Economy**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Daniel Vaca, Brown University, Presiding

Panelists:

Janine Giordano Drake, University of Illinois

George Gonzalez, Monmouth University

Elayne Oliphant, New York University

Responding:

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

### P22-300

#### Theta Alpha Kappa Annual Meeting and Reception

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 5 (Level 1)

Theta Alpha Kappa, the National Honor Society for Religious Studies and Theology, invites chapter sponsors and members to attend the Annual Meeting, which will be preceded by a brief reception.

### P22-350



#### African Association for the Study of Religions

Theme: **Religion, Social Space, and Development**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding

Franz Kogelmann, University of Bayreuth, and Magnus Echter, University of Bayreuth

*Religion(s) and Sacred Space(s) in Africa and Beyond*

Komi Ahiatoga Hiagbe, Global Theological Seminary, Ghana

*An Investigation into Some African Endogamous Models of Development*

Maaraidzo Mutambara, Africa University

*African Ethics and Disability: Case Study of the Shona of Zimbabwe*

Responding:

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University

Business Meeting:

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University, Presiding

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## A22-333

**Women's Lounge Roundtable**

Theme: **Enriching the Field: Publishing New Books on Gender and Religion**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, Presiding

This session presents scholars who have published books in the discipline of Gender and Religion, in 2014 and 2015. The panel of AAR and SBL authors will provide an overview of their books as well as share their perspectives on current research being published in gender and religion. The scholars will also share their experiences regarding strategies and mechanics for getting books on gender and religion published.

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego  
Eminent Buddhist Women (*State University of New York Press, 2014*)

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College  
Embracing the Other, A Transformative Spirit of Love (*W. B. Eerdmans, 2015*)

Jennifer Hockenbery, Mount Mary College  
Thinking Woman: A Philosophical Approach to the Quandary of Gender (*Cascade, 2015*)

Elisheva Baumgarten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
Practicing Piety in Medieval Ashkenaz: Men, Women and Everyday Observance (*University of Pennsylvania Press, 2014*)

Julie Neuffer, Eastern Washington University  
Helen Andelin and the Fascinating Womanhood Movement (*University of Utah Press, 2014*)

Mary Beth Fraser Connolly, Purdue University North Central  
Women of Faith: The Chicago Sisters of Mercy and the Evolution of a Religious Community (*Fordham University Press, 2014*)

Elizabeth O'Donnell Gandolfo, Wake Forest University  
The Power and Vulnerability of Love: A Theological Anthropology (*Fortress Press, 2015*)

## P22-301

**American Journal of Theology and Philosophy and the Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought**

Theme: **William E. Connolly – Annual AJTP Lecture**

Sunday, 5:45 PM–8:45 PM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

William David Hart, Macalester College, and Michael Hogue, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding

5:45 PM–6:15 PM — Business Meeting of the Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought

6:30 PM–8:00 PM — Annual Lecture of the *American Journal of Theology and Philosophy*, William E. Connolly

This lecture is open to the public but seating is limited. If you are not registered for the AAR and SBL Annual Meeting, but wish to attend the lecture, please contact Michael Hogue ([mhogue@meadville.edu](mailto:mhogue@meadville.edu)).

Panelist:

William E. Connolly, Johns Hopkins University

## P22-353

**Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

Theme: **Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation only event)**

Sunday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Each year the Wabash Center invites a group of new faculty for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. If you know of someone whom we should invite or you are in your first year of teaching, please send us a name and email address. Include the academic discipline, graduate program and the number of years teaching full-time. Send nominations by October 1<sup>st</sup> to: Paul Myhre, Associate Director of the Wabash Center, [myhrep@wabash.edu](mailto:myhrep@wabash.edu) or 800-655-7117.

## A22-334

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section, Teaching Religion Section, Women and Religion Section, African Diaspora Religions Group, Anthropology of Religion Group, Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group, and Sociology of Religion Group**

Theme: **Special Session in Honor of Karen McCarthy Brown**

Sunday, 6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Jalane D. Schmidt, University of Virginia, Presiding



Karen McCarthy Brown

The 1991 publication of Karen McCarthy Brown's *Mama Lola: A Vodou Priestess in Brooklyn*, now in its third edition, was a watershed contribution to the field of Religious Studies and became a perennial favorite among assigned textbooks. Brown's exemplary ethnographic treatment of the religious practices of a Haitian immigrant humanized the adepts of this much-maligned African diaspora religion, and made social science methodology accessible to Religious Studies, a field theretofore dominated by (and still largely defined by) textual studies. Brown's feminist scholarship valued women's accounts of their religious practices and life experiences as data for research, and provided a self-reflexive interpretation of the relationships she established with field subjects who became her own religious family. Panelists will reflect upon the influence of Karen McCarthy Brown's scholarship on their own research and teaching, and how her work marked, and helped to produce, the "ethnographic turn" in the Study of Religion.

Panelists:

Robert A. Orsi, Northwestern University

Pamela Klassen, University of Toronto

Aisha Beliso-De Jesus, Harvard University

Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

A22-335



## Applied Religious Studies Working Group

Theme: **Religious Studies and Nonprofit Management**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

Recent research data indicates that students who study religion often pursue careers in nonprofit administration. Given the historical connection between religious communities and nonprofit organizations, it is natural to consider how religious studies as an academic field can collaborate with the professional training offered in nonprofit management education. This workshop, led by the Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Georgia State University will reflect upon possible collaborations, using their own department's Concentration in Religion and Nonprofit Management program as a model for students seeking employment outside of the academy. In addition, the Director of Development for International Rescue Committee (Atlanta offices) will discuss how his religious studies background informs his nonprofit work with IRC.

Panelists:

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

Justin Howell, International Rescue Committee

*Sunday, 7:00 PM and Later*

A22-403



## Arts Series Performance: *The Snare is Broken and We Are Set Free*

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-Learning Center (Ballroom Level)

Sponsored by the Death, Dying, and Beyond Group.

*The Snare is Broken and We Are Set Free* is an original solo theatrical performance exploring death, mourning, and the transfiguration of death through ritual and myth. A collage of sacred Scriptures, embodied movement, and rituals and rites from across faith traditions, this piece invites viewers into the liminal spaces where death and mourning take us. What does it mean to be a human who is born and dies? Is there beauty to be found in the mystery of death? Will hope attend us in lament? Performed and created by Seattle theater artist Carrie Cates.

Panelist:

Carrie Cates, Seattle School of Theology and Psychology

P22-400

## Société Internationale d'Études sur Alfred Loisy

Theme: **Contexts and Criticisms of Loisy's Ecclesiology**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

David Schultenover, Marquette University, Presiding

Jeffrey Morrow, Seton Hall University

*The Kingdom of God and the Church: A Look at Loisy's Ecclesiology*

Charles J. T. Talar, University of Saint Thomas, Houston

*Creating Critical Distance: Pierre Batiffol and Alfred Loisy on the Church*

Danny Praet, Ghent University

*The Church in the Correspondence of Franz Cumont and Alfred Loisy*

Responding:

Mark Chapman, Ripon College Cuddesdon

A22-401



## Arts Series: Arti-Facts/Divorcing the Demons: A Collaborative Gallery Installation and Storytelling Performance with Babylonian Incantation Bowls

Sunday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)



During late antiquity in Babylonia, a variety of different faith communities shared a ritual to expel demons from their domestic environments. Although there are few clues as to the actual process, inscribed earthenware vessels were deliberately buried in thresholds, interior rooms, and cemeteries from the fifth-late seventh centuries CE.

Over 2000 examples of ceramic vessels with texts have been unearthed since the late nineteenth century. The bowl texts name specific clients, representing many diverse religious groups, seeking respite from discord. In many cases, the inscriptions address specific demons suspected of causing strife. The bowls were then buried inverted.

These bowls demonstrate a ritual that might just help today: expelling the demons that plague us all. Past and present, human communities share similar anxieties. The list might include disease, dangers in childbirth, loss of livelihood, familial discord, war, famine. One might add arrogance, violence, senseless hatred, hypocrisy, stupidity, and malice to our contemporary anxieties. As artists and scholars, we view the ancient act of sharing a ritual across faith traditions as one worth reconsidering for the present.



And so we present this exhibition of some of these ancient bowls and a storytelling performance as a beginning of this reconsideration. The bowls will be on display for the duration of the Annual Meeting.

### Symbol Key:

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Panelists:

Laurel Robinson, Georgia Southwestern State University  
Keaton Wynn, Georgia Southwestern State University  
Daniel Rosenberg, Chicago, IL

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## A22-404



### Film: *African Christianity Rising*

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding

Christianity's explosive growth in Africa is part of a startling reversal in world history. Christianity is no longer the religion of the West. Over two-thirds of the world's Christians now live in the global South — with Africa growing the fastest. What does it mean? What developments will it foster? With guidance from leading scholars in the field the film documents the vitality and changing nature of Christianity in Africa, exploring the ways in which it has become increasingly popular by becoming increasingly African — that is, becoming more rooted in local cultures as Christianity has wherever it has effectively spread. The stories filmed bring viewers into these African worlds through the personal dramas of people wrestling with ordinary, yet gripping, human problems. Such stories are illuminated by leading thinkers on the subject, including Archbishop Peter Sarpong of the Catholic Church in Ghana, a pioneer in introducing African culture into Christian worship.

Panelists:

Birgit Meyer, Utrecht University  
Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds  
J. Kwabena Asamoah-Gyadu, Trinity Theological Seminary

Responding:

James Ault, Filmmaker, *African Christianity Rising*

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## A22-405



### Film: *Gurukulam*

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

In vivid and sensuous detail, *Gurukulam* follows a group of students and their teacher as they confront fundamental questions about the nature of reality and self-identity at a remote forest ashram in southern India. Daily chores, meditation, ritual, and rigorous study are woven together connecting the natural and religious worlds in moments of surprising revelation and comic contradiction. Deeply observational and experiential, *Gurukulam* evokes the presence of the place and a tactile sense of the sacred. The richly layered soundscape and the intimate imagery bring us into a place of extraordinary beauty and simplicity. From Swami Dayananda's first lesson: "Saying is only an expression of what you see," *Gurukulam* is a rare invitation to look, listen, and experience a contemplative rhythm of life as old as the Bhagavad Gītā and as new as present-day India. Co-directed by Neil Dalal and Jillian Elizabeth.

Panelist:

Neil Dalal, University of Alberta

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## A22-406



### Film: *The Muslims Are Coming*

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Directed by Negin Farsad and Dean Obeidallah. This comedy-documentary follows a group of Muslim comedians as they travel across the United States on a good will tour designed to increase understanding and combat Islamophobia through giving free comedy shows. By dealing in a humorous way with stereotypes and religious and cultural differences, they humanize Muslims and "give America a big Muslim hug." Scenes of their standup alternate with street events such as "Ask a Muslim" and the "Name that Religion" game which are both educational and entertaining, and which serve to deconstruct essentialist and uninformed views of Islam. The differences among the comedians also show the diversity within Islam, and the impossibility of presenting a monolithic image of Muslims.

Panelist:

John Lyden, Grand View University

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## A22-407



### Film: *César Chávez*

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Directed by Diego Luna (2014). This film presents the life of Cesar Chavez, a civil rights activist and labor organizer. The 2014 film *Cesar Chavez* is the first non-documentary, feature-length film to focus on the life of Mexican American labor leader, César Chávez. Because 2015 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the grape strike, led by Chávez and Larry Itliong, a strike that became a major training ground and inspiration for Chicana/os and other Latina/os who participated in different civil rights actions and organizations around the United States, the Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group is organizing a panel that critically examines the legacies and cultural memory that surrounds Chávez.

Panelists:

Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon University  
Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

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## A22-402



### Arts Series Performance — *Pushing the Bear: The 1848-49 Cherokee Trail of Tears*

Sunday, 8:30 PM–9:30 PM

Hyatt-Learning Center (Ballroom Level)

Diane Glancy, Macalester College, Presiding

A staged reading of *Pushing the Bear*, a 30-minute play about the 1848–49 Cherokee Trail of Tears. Emory University students read the script, followed by a question and answer session with the author.

Panelist:

Michael Evenden, Emory University



# AWARDS CEREMONY AND RECEPTION



Ziba Mir-Hosseini

**John R. Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding**  
Celebrate the achievements of the 2015 AAR award winners at the ceremony and reception held in their honor.

## Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion

Ziba Mir-Hosseini, University of London

## Excellence in Teaching Award

Judith Bishop, Mills College

## Religion and the Arts Award

Marilynne Robinson, Iowa City, Iowa



Judith Bishop

## 2015 Best In-depth Reporting on Religion Awards

**First Place:** Elizabeth Dias, *Time*

**Second Place:** Daniel Burke, *CNN*

**Third Place:** David Ovalle, *Miami Herald*



Marilynne Robinson

## 2015 Excellence in the Study of Religion Book Awards

### Analytical-Descriptive

Winnifred Fallers Sullivan

*A Ministry of Presence: Chaplaincy, Spiritual Care, and the Law*  
(University of Chicago Press, 2014)

### Constructive-Reflective

Michelle Voss Roberts

*Tastes of the Divine: Hindu and Christian Theologies of Emotion*  
(Fordham University Press, 2014)

### Historical Studies

Claudia Brosseder

*The Power of Huacas: Change and Resistance in the Andean World of Colonial Peru*  
(University of Texas Press, 2014)

### Textual Studies

Tariq Jaffer

*Rāzī: Master of Quranic Interpretation and Theological Reasoning*  
(Oxford University Press, 2014)



Elizabeth Dias



Daniel Burke

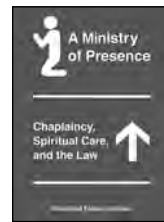


David Ovalle

## 2015 Best First Book in the History of Religions

Cécile Fromont

*The Art of Conversion: Christian Visual Culture in the Kingdom of Kongo*  
(University of North Carolina Press, published for the Omohundro  
Institute of Early American History and Culture, 2014)



*A Ministry of Presence: Chaplaincy, Spiritual Care, and the Law*



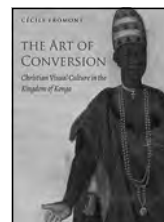
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Anna Bigelow



Lee H. Butler, Jr.

### Individual Research Grants

Anna Bigelow, North Carolina State University  
*Objects of Devotion: Islam, Material Religion, and  
Interreligious Relations in India*

Lee H. Butler, Jr., Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Introducing Africana Pastoral Theology: A Narrativized Historiography*

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University  
*Contemporary Catholic Missions in Rural Ecuador*

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University  
*Judaism, Jesus, and Evangelical Rabbis:  
A Study of Jewish Affinity Christians*

Kevin O'Neill, University of Toronto  
*For Christ's Sake: Crack, Christianity, and Captivity*

Storm Swain, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia  
*Case Studies for Teaching Disaster Spiritual Care*

Heather R. White, New College of Florida  
*Gay Liberation at the Church of the Holy Apostles*



Rebekka King



Kevin O'Neill



Jill DeTemple



Storm Swain



Heather R. White

### Collaborative Research Grant

Whitney A. Bauman, Florida International University,  
Robert N. Puckett, American Academy of Religion, and  
Mary Grace DuPree, Emory University  
*Mapping the Field of Religious Studies*



Whitney A. Bauman



Robert Puckett



Mary Grace DuPree



Elizabeth Anderson

### International Dissertation Research Grant

Elizabeth Anderson, Yale University  
*Research Destinations: Rome, London, and India*

### Selva J. Raj Endowed International Dissertation Research Fellowship

Rakesh Peter Dass, Harvard University  
*Research Destinations: United Kingdom*



Rakesh Peter Dass



Elizabeth Allison

### 2015 Regional Development Grants

Elizabeth Allison, California Institute of Integral Studies Religion and Ecology  
*Network for Scholar-Practitioners in the San Francisco Bay Area*

Sabrina D. MisirHiralall, Montclair State University, and  
Matthew Vaughan, Union Theological Seminary  
*Colloquium Speaker Series on Teaching and Learning  
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Jack Hill, Texas Christian University; Allen Redmon, Texas A&M University,  
Central Texas; Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University; Marc DiPaolo,  
Oklahoma City University; Paul Martens, Baylor University; B.J. Parker, Baylor  
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## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

### A23-1



#### Program Unit Chairs' Breakfast

Monday, 7:15 AM–8:45 AM

Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Presiding

Program Unit Chairs are invited to a breakfast featuring information on upcoming program initiatives and celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

### A23-2

#### Membership Task Force Meeting

Monday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott-Sear Restaurant

Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University, Presiding

### A23-100



#### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Humility, Solidarity, and Mutuality: Three Holistic Methodological Goals for Comparative Religious Study**

Monday, 9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

To effectively engage difference and commonality in comparative religious scholarship, this presentation coalesces holistic feminist insights to support the following three epistemological goals: humility, solidarity, and mutuality. In the words of feminist postcolonial thinker Trinh T. Minh-ha, "Despite our desperate, eternal attempt to separate, contain, and mend, categories always leak." Despite the mantle of scholarly authority and common linguistic exclusion, I will report on the usefulness of engaging in qualitative research with feminist methods, which I employed in interview research and writing for the dissertation. These methodological tools may enable other scholars to deal responsibly with difference in comparative study by enacting humility, solidarity, and mutuality when engaging with the content of study, and when applicable, with interview participants in qualitative research.

Panelist:

Sarah Robinson, Claremont Graduate University

## Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

### A23-101

#### Study of Judaism Section

Theme: **Regulating Sexuality in Postwar American Jewish Communities: Navigating Queer Bodies, Heteronormativity, and Hegemonic Christianity**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University, Presiding

Rachel Gordan, Brandeis University

*Alfred Kinsey and the Making of a Post-WWII Orthodox Jewish Sexuality*

Brett Krutzsch, College of Wooster

*Jewish in Life, Christianized in Death: The Jewishness of Harvey Milk's Gay Activism*

Gregg Drinkwater, University of Colorado

*AIDS Was Our Earthquake: American Judaism in the Age of AIDS*

Jonathan Jackson, Maxwell School of Syracuse University

*Useful and Inhuman: Inversions of Queer and Corrections of the Jewish Body*

### A23-102

#### Confucian Traditions Group

Theme: **How the Changes Changed: Yijing Exegesis in Post-Imperial China**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Michael Lackner, Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Presiding

Geoffrey Redmond, Columbia University

*Doubting Antiquity and the Reconstruction of the Ancient Zhouyi*

Tze-ki Hon, State University of New York, Geneseo

*Reading the Hexagrams for the New Nation: Yijing Studies in Twentieth-Century China*

Dennis Cheng, Hong Kong Institute of Education

*Tian (天, Heaven) and Yijing Philosophy*

Stéphanie Homola, Collège de France, École des Hautes études en Sciences Sociales

*A Cultural Encounter between the Yijing and Modern Astronomy: The Case of Liu Zibua 刘子华 (1899–1992)*

Responding:

On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University

#### Symbol Key:



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**A23-103****Ecclesiological Investigations Group**Theme: **The Church and the Environmental Crisis**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Bradford E. Hinze, Fordham University, Presiding

Andrew Spencer, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Southern Baptists and the Environment: Divergence Between  
Theology and Praxis*Henry Kuo, Graduate Theological Union  
*The Dangerous Memory of Accra: Hope for a Unified Reformed  
Response to the Ecological Crisis*John Shelton, Duke University  
*Sacramental Imagination: Forming an Ecological Conscience at the  
Lord's Table*Jennifer Kryszak, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens  
*Serving the Dear Neighbor through the Earth: A Mission for  
Ecological and Social Justice*

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**A23-104****Gay Men and Religion Group**Theme: **Queer Utopias and Dystopias**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Roger A. Sneed, Furman University, Presiding

Allison Covey, University of Toronto  
*Comic-Con International as Performance of Queer Utopia*Christopher Ashley, Union Theological Seminary  
*A Kind Angel's Thesis: Religion, Technology, and Queer Humanism in  
Neon Genesis Evangelion*Andrea Tucker, Vanderbilt University  
*Desiring Earthseed: Teaching Octavia Butler's Parable of the Sower  
behind the Gate*Anthony Hoshaw, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Trash Animals, Queers, and the City*

Responding:

Marco Derks, Utrecht University

Business Meeting:

W. Scott Haldeman, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

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**A23-105****Roman Catholic Studies Group**Theme: **Race and White Supremacy in the Construction of  
American Catholicism**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Matthew Cressler, College of Charleston, Presiding

Panelists:

Emma J. Anderson, University of Ottawa

Shannen Williams, University of Tennessee

Felipe Hinojosa, Texas A&amp;M University

Kristy Nabhan-Warren, University of Iowa

M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College

Karen Teel, University of San Diego

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**A23-106****Public Understanding of Religion Committee**Theme: **Media Representations of ISIS/ISIL**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Ayesha S. Chaudhry, University of British Columbia, Presiding

A recent article in *The Atlantic* by Graeme Wood — “What ISIS Really Wants” — and the controversy it has given rise to, has brought once again to the fore questions about the kind of role scholars of religion can legitimately and usefully play in “defining” religion in the public square. Wood, citing heavily the work of the Princeton Scholar of religion Bernard Haykel, is of the view that ISIS is Islamic, rooted in the textual tradition its supporters employ to authenticate their actions. In a response to this article, also in *The Atlantic*, Caner K. Dagli, associate professor of religious studies at the College of the Holy Cross, is sharply critical of Wood, writing, “On what grounds do non-Muslim journalists and academics tell Muslims that their judgment that ISIS does not take a full and fair view of the Quran and Sunnah (the example and teachings of the Prophet Muhammad) amounts to a “cotton-candy” view of Islam, while these non-Muslims retain the right to judge how “serious” ISIS is in its understanding of core Islamic texts?” However, it is not just non-Muslim academics and journalists and their critics who are engaging in the formation of representations of what is and is not Islamic through different media channels (responses and counter responses to “What ISIS Really Wants” are being played out across new social media, Twitter, blogs etc). ISIS/ISIL itself makes use of social networking to also engage in a process of making a claim on what counts as Islam and Islamic. This is a very public strategy that has involved the production and the global dissemination of videos of beheadings as well as the use of Twitter and Facebook to apparently lure young Muslim women, including those from North America and Europe, to travel to the Middle East to join ISIS and engage in “radical” “jihadist” activities.

This in turn has received no small amount of media interest and some emergent academic commentary from those wishing to document and better understanding the way that young women might be “radicalized” in this way via new media. This panel brings together experts from both academia and journalism that have engaged with: 1) The recent controversies over the way in which ISIS/ISIL is represented in the public square by academics and journalists; and 2) How ISIS supporters represent ISIS via different forms of new social media, including the rising concern over the radicalization of young women.

Panelists:

Kecia Ali, Boston University

Caner Dagli, College of the Holy Cross

Sohaira Siddiqui, Georgetown University School of Foreign  
Service, Qatar

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

### A23-107

#### Status of LBGTIQ, Persons with Disabilities, Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and Women in the Profession Committees

Theme: **Disability Justice and Racial Justice: Intersections and Imperatives**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

This year marks landmark anniversaries for civil rights and disability rights: fifty years since the passage of the Voting Rights Act and twenty-five years since the Americans with Disabilities Act. Yet these legislative victories are increasingly insecure. As activists protest the social and structural violence that threatens communities of color and people with disabilities, this panel examines the intersections that link disability justice and racial justice. How might scholars and activists better recognize the kinships between these and other justice movements — and challenge barriers of racism and ableism that have often framed these issues as separate struggles? What issues are central to the justice priorities of disabled people of color, especially to disabled women of color? How might the intersections and imperatives of disability justice and racial justice inform our work in the classroom, the academy, and the streets?

Panelists:

Raedorah Stewart, Washington, DC

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

Jeremy Schipper, Temple University

Allyssa Green, Jonesboro, GA

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College

### A23-108

#### Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: **Between: Liminality as Creative (Re)Source in American Religion, Literature, and Art**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Yolanda Pierce, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jason Bartulis, University of Chicago

*Between Photographic Naturalism and Literary Religion: Flannery O'Connor's Modernist Graces*

Matthew Potts, Harvard University

*Remaking American Monsters: Race and Religion in Cormac McCarthy's Fiction*

Andrew Smith, Tennessee Technological University

*Banjo and Bread: Hippy Christian Liturgy as New Left Liberation*

Joy R. Bostic, Case Western Reserve University

*Justice Making and the Beloved Community: The Underground Railroad, Toni Morrison's Beloved, and Mapping Emancipatory Landscapes*

### A23-109



#### Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: **Apophysis and Its Limits: Speech, Language, and Reasoning about God**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Holly Taylor Coolman, Providence College, Presiding

David Wilmington, Baylor University

*Toward a Harmonious Silence: An Argument for Relational Apophaticism*

Brendan McInerney, Fordham University

*A Concrete Mystery: Apophatic Theology and Trinitarian Discourse in the Thought of Hans Urs von Balthasar*

Deborah Casewell, University of Edinburgh

*Between Suffering and Reason: Jungel as a Corrective to Modern Theology*

Kirsten Heacock Sanders, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

*What Seeing Jesus Offers for the Doctrine of Impassibility*

Business Meeting:

David Stubbs, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

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## A23-110

### Ethics Section

Theme: **Fiftieth Anniversary Remembrance of the Voting Rights Act of 1965**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Keri Day, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

James McBride, New York University  
*Black Votes Matter: Shelby v. Holder and the Moral Impoverishment of the United States Supreme Court*

Marc Rugani, Catholic University of America  
*Clamo Ergo Sum: Establishing the Fundamental Right to Protest out of Christian Theologies of Liberation*

Jonathan Rothchild, Loyola Marymount University  
*Why the Voting Rights Act Still Matters Fifty Years Later*

## A23-111



### Religion and Politics Section

Theme: **How the Israeli Peace Camp Thinks About Religion, Nationalism, and Justice: Roundtable Debate of Atalia Omer's *When Peace Is Not Enough* (University of Chicago Press, 2013)**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Jason Springs, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Panelists:

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia  
Cecelia Lynch, University of California, Irvine  
Amir Hussain, Loyola Marymount University  
Shaul Magid, Indiana University

Responding:

Atalia Omer, University of Notre Dame

## A23-112

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### Religion in South Asia Section and Study of Islam Section and North American Hinduism Group and Sikh Studies Group

Theme: **Teaching the “Asian Religions” Survey: Challenges and Opportunities**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Richard H. Davis, Bard College, Presiding

Panelists:

Michael Altman, University of Alabama  
Pashaura Singh, University of California, Riverside  
Christian Haskett, Centre College  
Judson Murray, Wright State University  
Carole Barnsley, Transylvania University  
Jonathan H. X. Lee, San Francisco State University  
Annabella Pitkin, Barnard College, Columbia University

## A23-113



### Teaching Religion Section and Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

Theme: **Demonstrating a Teaching Tactic: Engaging Students in Learning**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding

The session will be present teaching tactics in a timed format on engaging students in active learning. Each tactic will be distributed and the author will clarify its content. There will be time for discussion for each tactic as well as time for general discussion.

Brent Hege, Butler University  
*Crafting a “Big Picture” Assignment: Interviews as Teaching Tool*

Umesh Patel, University at Buffalo  
*Speed Dating*

Kristy Slominski, Georgia State University  
*Using Clickers to Start Discussions in the Religious Studies Classroom*

Kyle Schiefelbein, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary  
*Engaging Historical-Theological Sources in the Digital Classroom*

Rose Aslan, California Lutheran University  
*Drama in the Classroom*

David Jorgensen, Colby College  
*Coffee-Hour Role Play*

Business Meeting:

David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding

## A23-114



### Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Class, Religion, and Theology Group and Liberation Theologies Group and Religion and Cities Group

Theme: **How Class, Religion, and Theology Shape Academia and Academics**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Robert O. Smith, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University  
*Phenomenal Women: Black Female Embodiment and American Iconic Power*

Mark Wood, Virginia Commonwealth University  
*From Neoliberal Diversity to Deep International Solidarity: Reclaiming the University for Democracy and the Public Good*

James W. Perkinson, Ecumenical Theological Seminary  
*The “Place” of Animist Theologies of Liberation: “Learning to Learn” From Gayatri Spivak’s “Impossible Vision” of Global Ecological Justice*

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University  
*Class and Power in the Classroom and beyond*

Business Meeting:

Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, and Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

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A23-115



## African Religions Group

Theme: **African Values and Ethics on the Global Stage: Critical Perspectives on Religious Cosmopolitanism**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Teresa Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University, Presiding

Dianna Bell, Vanderbilt University  
*Islam in African Values: The Qur'anic Basis of Muslim Merit-Making in Posthumous Sacrifices in Mali*

Erin Nourse, University of Denver  
*"Make My Hands Holy": How Gift-Giving (Hasin-Tanana) and the Malagasy Ethic of Reciprocity (Fibavanana) Equips Traditional Healers to Provide Clients with Much-Needed Therapeutic Resources in Regions of Medical Scarcity*

David Ngong, Stillman College  
*Implications of the Spirituality of the Twin among the Vengo of Cameroon*

Beddingfield Meghan, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Reempowerment for the Family Man: Reestablishing the Okpara in the Igbo Second Burial Rite in Contemporary Nigerian Christianity*

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University  
*Hunting Values in an African State: Religion, Human Rights, and Post-Conflict Realities in Côte d'Ivoire*

Responding:

Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University

Business Meeting:

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, and Mary Nyangweso, East Carolina University, Presiding

A23-116

## Augustine and Augustinianisms Group and Scriptural Reasoning Group

Theme: **New Research on the Practice of Early Christian Psalm Interpretation**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Simeon Zahl, University of Oxford, Presiding

Charles Stang, Harvard University  
*Psalmody in the Origenist Tradition*

Rachel Muers, University of Leeds  
*Who Speaks and Who Hears? First, Second and Third Persons in the Harp of Prophecy*

Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge  
*Rabbinic Reasoning and Psalms of Salvation: Rejection of the Idea of Redemption by Human Hands*

Anthony Dupont, University Leuven  
*Voice of the Whole Christ: Augustine's Hermeneutics of the Psalms*

Responding:

Paul R. Kolbet, Yale University

A23-117



## Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group and Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: **Kierkegaard and the Staging of Desire (Fordham University Press, 2014): A Discussion of Carl Hughes' Book on Rhetoric and Performance in a Theology of Eros**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Céline Léon, Grove City College, Presiding

Panelists:

Don E. Saliers, Emory University

Helene Russell, Christian Theological Seminary

Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology

Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University

Responding:

Carl Hughes, Texas Lutheran University

A23-118



## Buddhism in the West Group

Theme: **Converts, Immigrants, Social Movements, and Mindfulness**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Wakoh Shannon Hickey, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Presiding

Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*The Fortuneteller and the Freemason: Two Western Buddhist Converts and Their Influence on the Buddhist Churches of America in the Early Twentieth Century*

Courtney Bruntz, Oregon State University  
*Dharma in the Heartland: An Exploration of Immigrant Buddhists in Nebraska*

Jason Ellsworth, Dalhousie University  
*Reinvigorating the Market: Taiwanese Buddhist Ethical Food Projects on Prince Edward Island*

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Ronald Purser, San Francisco State University  
*From Healthcare Intervention to Spiritual Lineage: Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) as a Modern Single-Practice Tradition*

Business Meeting:

David McMahan, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

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## A23-119

### **Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group and Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture Group**

Theme: **Buddhist Approaches to Moral Injury and Recovery**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Christopher Ives, Stonehill College, Presiding

Grace G. Burford, Prescott College  
*Buddhist Teachings and Practices as Resources for Understanding and Treating Moral Injury*

John M. Thompson, Christopher Newport University  
*Angulimāla's Redemption: Narrating a Buddhist Way beyond Moral Injury*

Brendan Ozawa-de Silva, Emory University  
*Theoretical and Practical Resources of the Tibetan Lojong (Blo Sbyong) Tradition for Addressing Moral Injury*

Jennifer Wade, Boston College  
*Mind Training Informed by the Transformational Anger of Judith Butler as Resource to Support Recovery from Moral Injury*

Responding:

Zachary Moon, Illiff School of Theology

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## A23-120



### **Contemporary Islam Group**

Theme: **Connecting Islam in Africa: Patterns of Islamic Reform and Politics of Change**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding

Ahmed Khalid Ayong, University of Bayreuth  
*From the Jauleru to the Jamiah: The Life and Activities of Sheikh Abdourrahman Nasrou (1933–2003)*

Brannon Ingram, Northwestern University  
*True Sufis Don't March in the Streets: Deobandi Political Ethics from South Asia to South Africa*

Alexander Thurston, Georgetown University  
*Teaching Hadith in Northern Nigeria*

Ann Wainscott, Saint Louis University  
*Religious Regulation as Foreign Policy: The Case of Morocco*

Matthew Steele, Harvard University  
*Shafi'i Students, Maliki Scholars, and Hanafi Laws: The Making of Juridical Authority in Early Twentieth Century Sudan*

Responding:

Terje Ostebo, University of Florida

Business Meeting:

Danielle Widmann Abraham, James Madison University, Presiding

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## A23-121

### **Contemporary Pagan Studies Group and Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**

Theme: **The Problem of "Religion" in the Study of Indigenous and Polytheistic Traditions**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Barbara A. McGraw, Saint Mary's College of California, Presiding

Erich Fox Tree, Wilfrid Laurier University  
*One Hundred One Myths about Indigenous Religion, or A Religion about "Mythical Indigens"*

Suzanne Owen, Leeds Trinity University, University of Chester  
*Defining Pagan Religions through Charity Law*

Elana Jefferson-Tatum, Emory University  
*From the Fetish Concept to the Construction of Religion: The Discursive Formation of African Religious Others*

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## A23-122



### **Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group**

Theme: **Religious Pluralism and Feminist/Womanist/Mujerista Theologies**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Rachel Mikva, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary

Joanne Marie Terrell, Chicago Theological Seminary

Rachel Heath, University of Chicago

Nina Hoel, University of Oslo

Robyn Henderson-Espinoza, Pacific School of Religion

Business Meeting:

Homayra Ziad, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, and Jennifer Howe Peace, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

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### A23-123

#### Korean Religions Group

Theme: **Meaning, Memory, and Message: New Approaches to Seminal Issues in Korean Religions**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Debernieri Torrey, University of Utah, Presiding

Franklin Rausch, Lander University  
*Humble but Wise: Papal and Korean Leadership during Pope Francis's 2014 Visit to Korea*

Young Woon Ko, Lorain Community College  
*Masculinities, Confucianism, and Sexual Identity in the New Paradigm of Korean Yijing*

Timothy S. Lee, Brite Divinity School  
*Jeremiad against Korean Evangelicalism, 1990–2015: Denunciations and Prescriptions*

Haewon Yang, Claremont, CA  
*Contextualization and Spiritualization: A Paradoxical Combination in the Korean Translation of Eugene H. Peterson*

Seong-nae Kim, Sogang University  
*Cultural Memory of the Cheju Massacre and the Korean War: Moral Practices of Spirit Possession and Kinship Rites*

Responding:

Richard D. McBride, Brigham Young University, Hawaii

### A23-124

#### Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group

Theme: **The Legacy of César Chávez after Fifty Years**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theresa Torres, University of Missouri, Kansas City, Presiding

Lloyd Barba, University of Michigan  
*Activists and Aleluyas: The Politicization of Pentecostal Farmworkers*

Jason Steidl, Fordham University  
*César Chávez and the Dangerous Rhetoric of Ecumenism*

Jeremy Cruz, Saint John's University, New York  
*César Chávez and Faith-Based Egalitarianism: Source or Stumbling Block?*

Responding:

Luis Leon, University of Denver

Business Meeting:

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Presiding

### A23-125

#### Men, Masculinities, and Religions Group

Theme: **Performative and Discursive Masculinities: Intersecting Race, Religion, Ethnicity, and Sexuality**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Amanullah De Soudy, University College Cork, Presiding

David Newman, Syracuse University  
*Playing the Second Skin: Mormon Men, Sexuality, and the Holy Garments*

Myounghun Yun, Vanderbilt University  
*Deconstructing the Misframing and Misrepresentation of Asian American Masculinities: A Qualitative Study on 1.5 Generation Korean-American Men in the Evangelical Tradition.*

Darius Hills, Rice University  
*Reciprocal Masculinities in Alice Walker's The Color Purple*

Alyssa Maldonado, Princeton University  
*"They Give the Feast Their Hearts, These Faithful and Honest Men." Manhood and Masculinity at the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

Business Meeting:

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds, Presiding

### A23-126

#### Nineteenth Century Theology Group

Theme: **Aesthetics and the Religious Imagination in the Nineteenth Century**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Zachary Purvis, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Liane Carlson, Columbia University  
*The Poetics of Pantheism in Early German Romanticism*

David Le, Brown University  
*The End of Art and the Non-End of Religion: Hegel on Aesthetics and Religion*

Devon Abts, King's College London  
*"An Incomprehensible Certainty": Exploring A Sacramental Approach to the Religious Imagination in Nineteenth Century Britain*

Responding:

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge

Business Meeting:

Todd Gooch, Eastern Kentucky University, Presiding

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## A23-127

### Practical Theology Group

Theme: **Dismantling Mass Incarceration**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-213 (Level 2)

Christine Hong, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Hannah Adams Ingram, University of Denver  
*Letters Like Prayers: Appealing to the Gods of the Parole Board*

Brandy Daniels, Vanderbilt University  
*Practical Theology and the Shift from Prison Reform to Prison Abolition: The Liberation of Theo-Ethical Reflections on Incarceration*

Jason Sexton, California State University, Fullerton  
*Transforming the Hardest of Hearts: Criminality and a Theology of Prison Education*

Amy Leivad, University of Saint Thomas, Minneapolis  
*The Eucharist, Justice, and Dismantling Mass Incarceration*

## A23-128

### Qur'an Group

Theme: **Legal, Ethical, and Mystical Readings of the Qur'an**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Tariq Jaffer, Amherst College, Presiding

Yousef Casewit, American University of Sharjah, New York University, Abu Dhabi  
*What Ambiguity? Ibn Barrājān's (d. 536/1141) Treatment of the Muḥkamāt and Mutashābihāt*

Hamilton Cook, Emory University  
*"From the Wombs of Absence:" Rūzbiḥān Baqlī's "Theology of Absence" in his 'Arā'is al-Bayān fi ḥaqā'iq al-Qur'ān*

Ayat Agah, Claremont Graduate University  
*Recovering Walayah as an Ethic of Concern*

Responding:

Joseph Lombard, American University of Sharjah

## A23-129

### Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: **New Directions in Ecotheology**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Anne Marie Dalton, Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Presiding

Panu Pihkala, University of Helsinki  
*Rediscovery of Early Twentieth Century Ecotheology*

Daniel Horan, Boston College  
*Decolonizing Creation: A Postcolonial Critique of Ecological Stewardship*

David Larrabee, Union Theological Seminary  
*Process Thought and Environmental Ethics*

Lily Oster, Emory University  
*Bound in Being: An Obligated Ontology*

Matthew Eaton, University of Saint Michael's College  
*From Idolatry to Infinity: Transitional Christology Following Emmanuel Lévinas and the New Materialism*

Responding:

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University

## A23-130

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### Religion and Popular Culture Group and Religion and Science Fiction Group and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group and Yoga in Theory and Practice Group

Theme: **(Re)presentations of Science and Yogic Religion in Pop Culture**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Rudy V. Busto, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Anna Pokazanyeva, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*The Turbaned Superman: Popular Depictions of Yogi Figures and the Shift to a Scientific Universalism*

Joel Gruber, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Tibetan Yogic Practices in the Batman Epic: The Dark Yoga of the Dark Knight*

Adam Krug, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*"I'll See You Again in Twenty-Five Years:" Tibetan Buddhism in David Lynch's Twin Peaks and in American Pop Culture in the 90s*

Paul G. Hackett, Columbia University  
*The Future Is Not What It Used To Be: Religion, Yoga, and Tibet in Star Trek and Doctor Who*

Rex Barnes, Columbia University  
*The Implied Spider-Man: Transcreating Religious Imagery, Symbol, and Meaning in Spider-Man India*

Responding:

Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of the West

## A23-131



### Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group

Theme: **Muslims, Film, and Visual Culture**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Jeanette Reedy Solano, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Candace Mixon, University of North Carolina  
*In Fatima's Footsteps: Commemorating the Daughter of the Prophet*

Susie Paulik Babka, University of San Diego  
*"Less Hamas, More Hummus": The World of Street, Mural, and Graffiti Art by Muslim Artists*

Kristian Petersen, University of Nebraska, Omaha  
*New American Muslim Cinema: A Transnational Critique of Hollywood*

Responding:

John Lyden, Grand View University

Business Meeting:

Ken Derry, University of Toronto, Presiding

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## A23-132



### Religion, Sport, and Play Group

Theme: **Religious Studies Pedagogies for Sport and Play**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Arthur Remillard, Saint Francis University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Rebecca Alpert, Temple University
- Patton Burchett, New York University
- Katherine C. Zubko, University of North Carolina, Asheville
- Annie Blazer, College of William and Mary
- Randall Balmer, Dartmouth College

Business Meeting:

- Annie Blazer, College of William and Mary, and Arthur Remillard, Saint Francis University, Presiding

## A23-133



### Science, Technology, and Religion Group

Theme: **Technology and the Sacred**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Sarah Fredericks, University of Chicago, Presiding

John Allison, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*The Question Still Concerning Technology: Imagining Ontology with Eliade and Heidegger*

Takeshi Kimura, University of Tsukuba  
*Hybridity of Robotics and Mahayana Buddhism: The Mahayana Buddhist Philosophy of Robot in the Case of Masahiro Mori*

Jordan Brady Loewen, Syracuse University  
*"Welcome to a New Reality": Digital Shamanism and Its Embodied Consequences*

Yasmin Cho, Duke University  
*Taking Photos of Sacredness: Technology, (In)Visibility, and the Production of Sacredness in the Practice of Tibetan Buddhism*

Business Meeting:

- Sarah Fredericks, University of Chicago, and Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

## A23-134



### Sociology of Religion Group and Critical Research on Religion

Theme: **The Sociology of Religious Experience**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University, Presiding

Philip Wexler, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Resacralizing Critical Social Theory: An Example from Jewish Mysticism*

Jill Krebs, McDaniel College  
*Chitchatting with Our Lady, or What Sociology Can Learn from Marian Visionaries*

Scott Muir, Duke University  
*The Spirit of The Scene: Music Festivals, Collective Effervescence, and the Cult of the Individual*

Jeremy Hamilton-Arnold, Yale University  
*Native Appropriation in Hipster Heterotopia: The Plains Indian Headdress and (In)Authentic Identities at Indie Music Festivals*

Responding:

Warren S. Goldstein, Harvard University

Business Meeting:

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University, Presiding

## A23-135



### Theology of Martin Luther King Jr. Group

Theme: **Creating Community and Consciousness: New Perspectives on the Significance of Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Karen Jackson-Weaver, Harvard University, Presiding

Dominic Erdozain, King's College London  
*King and the American Conscience: The Challenge to the "Thermometer" Church*

Miriam Perkins, Emmanuel Christian Seminary  
*The Praxis of Prophetic Voice: Martin Luther King, Jr. and Communication Strategies of Resistance*

Raimundo César Barreto, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*The Significance of Martin Luther King, Jr. for Latin America: A Brazilian Perspective*

James H. Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School  
*A New Creation: Spiritual and Social Transformation in the Sermons of Martin Luther King, Jr.*

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Cory May, Aberdeen, Scotland  
*Christian Pacifism or Christian Cowardice? Ethics of Coercive Action  
Through The Theology of Reinhold Niebuhr and Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Business Meeting:

AnneMarie Mingo, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

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## A23-136

### Tillich: Issues in Theology, Religion, and Culture Group

Theme: "A" Body Revealing Ultimate Concern

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Sharon Peebles Burch, Interfaith Counseling Center, San Anselmo, CA, Presiding

Panelists:

Kayko Driedger Hesslein, Graduate Theological Union  
Shonda Nicole Gladden, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Beth Ritter-Conn, Belmont University  
Devan Stahl, Saint Louis University  
Adam Pryor, Bethany College

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## A23-137



### Wesleyan Studies Group

Theme: **Unity/Disunity in the Wesleyan Family**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

Priscilla Pope-Levison, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Kevin Watson, Emory University  
*Embodying Methodist Theology: Competing Visions of Holy Living  
within the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Rise of Free  
Methodism*

Jared Maddox, Southern Methodist University  
*The 1844 General Conference and the Politicization of the Methodist  
Episcopal Church*

Nell Becker Sweeden, George Fox Evangelical Seminary  
*(Dis)Unity in Social Holiness: Complexities of Race, Class, and  
Gender*

Robert Doyle Smith, Olivet Nazarene University  
*Conflicting Concepts of Pentecost: The Nazarene Response to the Azusa  
Street Revival Shapes Their Future Relations with Pentecostalism*

Responding:

Steven T. Hoskins, Trevecca Nazarene University

Business Meeting:

Ted Campbell, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

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## A23-138



### Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Group

Theme: **Sin, Suffering, and Spatiality: Exploring Culture, Caste, and Critique**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University, Presiding

Oluwatomisin Oredein, Duke University  
*The Propensity of Stains: Suffering as Dirty*

Sailaja Krishnamurti, York University  
*Hindu Religiosity at the Margins of Diaspora: Queer and Feminist  
Activism, South Asian Diaspora Communities, and the Critique of  
Caste*

Nikia Robert, Claremont School of Theology  
*Is Purple the New Orange? A Womanist Ethic of Survival in an Age  
of Mass Incarceration*

Elyse Ambrose Minson, Drew University  
*Liberative Ethics at "The Pier": Environmental Transphobia and the  
Christopher Street Pier, New York City*

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, and Joseph Cheah,  
University of Saint Joseph  
*Theological Reflections on "Gangnam Style": A Racial, Sexual, and  
Cultural Critique*

Business Meeting:

Grace Ji-Sun Kim, Earlham College, Presiding

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## A23-139 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION



*New!*

### Emerging Church, Millennials, and Religion Seminar

Theme: **What Is the Emerging Church? Definitions and Constructions**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

Randy Reed, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Terry Shoemaker, Arizona State University  
*Deconstructing Westphalia: The Emerging Church, Citizen Pilgrims,  
and Globalization*

Steven Studebaker, McMaster Divinity College

Lee Beach, McMaster Divinity College  
*From Monks to Punks: Emerging Christianity in Canada*

Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University  
*Heresy, Betrayal, Magic, and Insurrection: Theology, Philosophy, and  
Politics in the Work of Peter Rollins*

Brandon Daniel-Hughes, John Abbott College  
*The Emergent Church Movement as Experimental Program:  
Embodied Hypotheses in Cognition and Value*

Adam Sweatman, Florida State University  
*A Generous Heterodoxy: A History of the Emerging Church Milieu*

Responding:

Xochitl Alvizo, California State University, Northridge

Shenandoah Nieuwsma, University of North Carolina

Business Meeting:

Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

## A23-140 PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION ★ *New!*

### Global-Critical Philosophy of Religion Seminar

Theme: **Categories for Comparative Philosophy of Religion**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Timothy D. Knepper, Drake University, Presiding

Jacob Sherman, University of Cambridge

*From "Faith and Reason" to the Post-Colonial Re-Evaluation of Religious Epistemologies*

Nariman Aavani, Harvard University

*Rethinking the Categories of Philosophy of Religion Through the Particularities of Shabistari and Saraswati's Epistemologies of the Self*

Nathaniel Holmes, Florida Memorial University

*Philosophy of Religion and Disabilities*

Steven G. Smith, Millsaps College

*Scripture as a Topic in Global-Critical Philosophy of Religion: A Preliminary Survey of Major Questions*

Lawrence Whitney, Boston University

*The Problem of Religious Language*

Business Meeting:

Gereon Kopf, Luther College, Presiding

## A23-141

### Responsible Research Practices Seminar Meeting

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, and Jack Fitzmier, American Academy of Religion, Presiding

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## A23-142 ★

### Stand-alone MA Programs in Religion Seminar

Theme: **The Future of MA Programs in Religion: Where Do We Go from Here?**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)

Stephen C. Berkwitz, Missouri State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Eric Bain-Selbo, Western Kentucky University

Molly Bassett, Georgia State University

Martha Finch, Missouri State University

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado

Dennis Kelley, University of Missouri

David T. Stewart, California State University, Long Beach

Oren Baruch Stier, Florida International University

Jarrold Whitaker, Wake Forest University

Brian Wilson, Western Michigan University

Molly Zahn, University of Kansas

Jonathan Ebel, University of Illinois

Business Meeting:

Jarrold Whitaker, Wake Forest University, and Stephen C.

Berkwitz, Missouri State University, Presiding

## A23-143 ★ *New!*

### Video Gaming and Religion Seminar

Theme: **Crafting the Study of Religion and Video Games: A Roundtable Discussion of Key Perspectives**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Panelists:

Jason Anthony, Brooklyn, NY

Ian Bogost, Georgia Institute of Technology

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

Owen Gottlieb, Rochester Institute of Technology

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen

Michael Waltemathe, Ruhr Universität Bochum

Rachel Wagner, Ithaca College

Xenia Zeiler, University of Helsinki

Responding:

Michael Houseman, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes

Business Meeting:

Gregory Grieve, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, and

Kerstin Radde-Antweiler, University of Bremen, Presiding

## A23-144

### Michael C. Carlos Museum Tour

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

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## A23-145

















### Pitts Theology Library Special Collections Tour

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

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## P23-100

### Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies and Society for Hindu-Christian Studies

Theme: **Thomas Merton at 100: His Influence on the Study of Hinduism and Buddhism**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)

George Kilcourse, Bellarmine College, Presiding

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

*'All the Way from India: Merton in the Mirror of Hinduism*

Thomas Forsthoefel, Mercyhurst University

*Merton and the Axes of Dialogue*

Judith Simmer-Brown, Naropa University

*Communicating In Depth: Merton's Practice Dialogue with Tibetan Buddhism*

John P. Keenan, Middlebury College

*Thomas Merton's Unfinished Journey: From Encounter to Sharing*

## P23-143

### Society for Pentecostal Studies

Theme: **Pentecostal Readings of New Testament Texts**

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-405 (Level 4)

Blaine Charette, Northwest University

*The Whence and Whither of Those Born of the Spirit: John 3.8 and the Correlation between Son of God and Children of God*

Adam White, Alphacrucis College

*Spirit-filled, Educated Morons: The Calling of the Twenty-first Century Pentecostal in Light of the "New Atheism"*

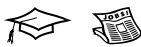
Daniel I. Morrison, McMaster Divinity College

*Presentations of Parance and Performance as Seen by Thyatira*

David R. Johnson, Bangor University

*The Mark of the Beast or the Seal of God: Pneumatic Discernment, Effective History, and Early Pentecostal Periodical Literature*

## A23-146



### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Alt-Ac Employment: Hiring from an HR Perspective**

Monday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

This session will introduce some aspects of the non-academic hiring process from both a potential employee and potential employer standpoint, drawing from my experience with recruitment and HR processing in several job positions. It will explore how to transfer skills from graduate school to an alt-ac or non-academic resume and job search.

Depending on the interests of the participants, it could also touch on how to prep for interviews, how to negotiate salary, or what to look out for in the recruitment processes.

Panelist:

Jessica Lee Ehinger, University of Oxford

## A23-147



### Plenary Panel: "Normativity" and the Academic Study of Religion: Reframing the Conversation about Theology and Religious Studies

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Thomas A. Tweed, University of Notre Dame, Presiding



Ann Taves

This conversation focuses on one of the most enduring and difficult issues facing the Academy: what is the relation between Theology and Religious Studies? Tom Tweed will initiate the exchange between Ann Taves, a distinguished scholar of Religious Studies, and Graham Ward, a distinguished scholar of Theology, by asking each to identify the epistemic, moral, and aesthetic values that inform their work. They then will explore what they share and what they don't. The session will end with the panelists proposing how we might reframe the conversation in more useful ways.



Graham Ward

Panelists:

Ann Taves, University of California, Santa Barbara

Graham Ward, Oxford University

## A23-148

### Program Committee Meeting

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

Greg Johnson, University of Colorado, Presiding

## A23-149



### Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee

Theme: **Connecting Conversations Luncheon**

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

The Status of People with Disabilities in the Profession Committee (PWD) will host a luncheon for scholars and students with disabilities, as well as anyone interested in disability issues in the Academy. The lunch will follow our Special Topics Forum on Disability Justice and Racial Justice. Please join us to continue the conversation about the intersection of activism and the Academy. The luncheon will also offer opportunities for mentoring and informal connections with colleagues. Registration for the lunch costs \$13 and is limited to 100 people. If you would like to add this event to your registration, please contact the AAR Registration Bureau at [reg@aarweb.org](mailto:reg@aarweb.org) for assistance.

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A23-150



### Women's Caucus Business Meeting

Monday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College, and Theresa Ann Yugar, California State University, Los Angeles, Presiding

Come participate in the Women's Caucus Business Meeting — We will be reviewing feedback this year's panels, discussing our ongoing projects, and making plans for the 2016 conference. All are welcome!

Panelists:

Marcelle Grano, California Institute of Integral Studies  
Alicia Besa-Panganiban, Princeton Theological Seminary  
Kathryn Common, Boston University  
Marsha Thrall, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Natalie Terry, Santa Clara University  
Kathy McCallie, Phillips Theological Seminary  
Julia Berger, University of Kent  
Janice Poss, Claremont Graduate University  
Francesca Tronetti, California Institute of Integral Studies  
Hannah Bacon, University of Chester

A23-151



### William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum Tour

Monday, 12:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

Jill Petersen Adams, Emory University, Presiding

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A23-200



### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **The Dissertation Distance Dilemma**

Monday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

As increasing numbers of graduate students move away from their "home base" for job/life opportunities, staying connected with dissertation advisers, readers, and/or graduate resources are becoming more difficult. How can we stay on top of our studies when we no longer live near our school? How can we ensure that our dissertation advisers continue to give our projects priority when we no longer physically see them?

How do we convince another school to let us use their library when we are not a student there? What tips and tools can we utilize to stay on track? If you are a scholar that faces the "distance dilemma," come share your experience with other students and learn how we can continue to thrive in our studies regardless of where we live.

Panelist:

Brandon Turner, Catholic University of America

**Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM**

A23-201

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### History of Christianity Section

Theme: **Christian Pieties, Practices, and Receptions in Historical Perspective**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton-213 (Level 2)

Peter Anthony Mena, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

Paul A Brazinski, Catholic University of America  
*Maximus Planudes and Boethius' Byzantine Reception: Βίος Βοηθίου*

David Grumett, University of Edinburgh  
*The Fourth Lateran Council, Eucharistic Reservation, and Corpus Christi*

Klaus Yoder, Harvard University  
*Freedom in Divine Service: Vernacular Liturgical Singing as a Paradigm for Reformation Ritualization*

Caleb McCarthy, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Christian Missionaries and the Creation of "Oriental" and Islamic Museum Collections in the United States*

A23-202



### Study of Judaism Section

Theme: **Thinking Beyond Jewish Thought**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)

Larisa Reznik, Bowdoin College, Presiding

Elias Sacks, University of Colorado  
*The Business of Philosophy: Mendelssohn and Krochmal on Economics and Judaism*

Samuel Brody, University of Kansas  
*On David Ricardo, Jewishness, and the Secular Space of Economy*

Shira Billet, Princeton University  
*Judaism and the German Academy in the Nineteenth Century: Hermann Cohen between Neo-Kantianism, Protestantism, and Wissenschaft des Judentums*

Dustin Atlas, Al Quds Bard College  
*Buber's Appropriation of Feuerbach's Anthropology of Religion*

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Business Meeting:

Sarah Imhoff, Indiana University, and Aaron W. Hughes,  
University of Rochester, Presiding

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## A23-203



### Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group

Theme: **Latina/o Religious Iconoclasm**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton-307 (Level 3)

Chris Tirres, DePaul University, Presiding

Adrian Emmanuel Hernandez-Acosta, Harvard University  
*On Queer Religion, Nationalism, and Sex: A Response by Caribbean  
(Theological) Bottoms*

Alejandro Escalante, Union Theological Seminary  
*God in Drag: An Indecent Approach to the Sacrament of Protest*

Patrick Polk, University of California, Los Angeles  
*Deconstruction and Reconstruction: Making Mexican Folk Saints for  
the Twenty-first Century*

Daisy Vargas, University of California, Riverside  
*Patrolling Borderland Religion: the Surveillance and Criminalization  
of Mexican Devotion*

Business Meeting:

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside,  
Presiding

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## A23-204



### Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

Theme: **We Came to Believe: Spiritual Healing in Alcoholics  
Anonymous and Related Groups**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Jed Forman, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Jennifer Hahn, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*A Power Greater Than Ourselves: Alcoholics Anonymous' Spiritual  
Solution to Modern Suffering*

Dennis Kelley, University of Missouri  
*Having Had a Spiritual (Re)Awakening: Traditional Spirituality  
and Sobriety in Indian Country*

Ed Van Herik, Georgia State University  
*Moral Injury on the Home Front: Can a New Approach Provide  
Fresh Insight into Spirituality and Alcoholism?*

Responding:

Michael Kuhar, Emory University

Business Meeting:

Lance D. Laird, Boston University, Presiding

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## A23-205

### Academic Relations Committee

Theme: **Academic Relations Committee Meeting**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-222 (2<sup>nd</sup> Level)

Theodore Trost, University of Alabama, Presiding

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## A23-207



### Social Theory and Religion Cluster

Theme: **Sex, Ascesis, and Historiography**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Samuel B. Castleberry, Syracuse University, Presiding

Sara Swenson, Syracuse University, Presiding

Building on recent conversations about feminisms, sexuality, and  
the study of religion (e.g., at last year's AAR STAR session; and at  
a recent conference at Syracuse), this panel invites scholars to think  
together and anew about sex, ascesis, history, and history-writing.  
Lynne Huffer will present some of her recent work, each panelist will  
respond, and a larger discussion will follow.

Panelists:

Lynne Huffer, Emory University

Constance Furey, Indiana University

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University

LeRhonda Manigault-Bryant, Williams College

Business Meeting:

Randall Styers, University of North Carolina, David Walker,  
University of California, Santa Barbara, and Warren S.  
Goldstein, Harvard University, Presiding

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## A23-208

### Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: **Eberhard Jüngel on the Doctrine of God: Trinity,  
Metaphysics, Analogy**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Piotr Malysz, Samford University, Presiding

Robert David Nelson, Baker Academic and Brazos Press, Presiding

David Congdon, InterVarsity Press Academic  
*God's Being Is in Self-Contradiction: Eberhard Jüngel and the  
Contemporary Debate over Divine Simplicity*

Kathryn Reinhard, Fordham University  
*The Augustinian Logic of Jüngel's Pneumatology and Ecclesiology*

Robert Saler, Christian Theological Seminary  
*Jüngel's Contribution to a Christian Grammar of Death and Suffering*

Paolo Gamberini, Berkeley, CA  
*Jüngel's Concept of Analogy as an Apologia for the Humanity of God*

David Bruner, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*God's Being is in Coming: Jüngel's Demythologized Doctrine of the  
Trinity*

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## A23-209

### Comparative Studies in Religion Section

Theme: **Methodical Aspects of Comparison**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Eric D. Mortensen, Guilford College, Presiding

Panelists:

- Oliver Freiberger, University of Texas
- Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
- David Freidenreich, Colby College
- Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University
- Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

Responding:

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

## A23-210



### Ethics Section and Black Theology Group

Theme: *Beyond Ontological Blackness (Continuum, 1995): A Twenty Year Retrospective*

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

Tyson-Lord J. Gray, New York, NY, Presiding

Panelists:

- Roger A. Sneed, Furman University
- Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University
- Adam Clark, Xavier University
- Barbara Holmes, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities

Responding:

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University

Business Meeting:

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University, and Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

## A23-211

### North American Religions Section

Theme: **Discourses of Race and Religion in American History**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Lerone Martin, Washington University, Saint Louis, Presiding

Emily Suzanne Clark, Gonzaga University  
*Black Bodies, Bright Spirits: Afro-Creole Spiritualism and Race*

M. Cooper Harriss, Indiana University

*Resurrecting Nat Turner: History, Fiction, and Changing Discourses of Race and Religion after the Styron Affair*

Rachel Lindsey, Washington University, Saint Louis

*Born Free and Equal: Americanism in Ansel Adams's Manzanar Photographs*

Brad Stoddard, McDaniel College

*Hebrew Israelites: Encountering Race in Faith-Based Prisons*

Responding:

Curtis Evans, University of Chicago

## A23-212



### Philosophy of Religion Section

Theme: **Race and the Practice of the Philosophy of Religion**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Jonathon Kahn, Vassar College, Presiding

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology

*Multiple Religious Belonging Theorized through African American Studies: Redressing a Challenge in Theories of Religious Pluralism*

Vincent Lloyd, Syracuse University

*Anti-Blackness as Radical Evil*

Sonia Sikka, University of Ottawa

*Is Philosophy of Religion Racist?*

Josef Sorett, Columbia University

*Secular Compared to What? African American Religion and the Trope of Black Sacred/Secular Fluidity*

Business Meeting:

Michael Rea, University of Notre Dame, and Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University, Presiding

## A23-213



### Religion in South Asia Section

Theme: **Theorizing Spirit Possession in South Asia**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding

Jeremy Saul, College of Religious Studies, Mahidol University, Thailand

*When a Celibate Male God Occupies a Female Body: A Native Theory of Spirit Possession*

Anne Vallely, University of Ottawa, and Kamini Gogri, University of Mumbai

*Negotiating with Worldliness: A Jain Spirit Medium and the Healing Power of the Goddess*

Nirmal Selvamony, Central University of Tamil Nadu  
*Possession and Community*

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Kristin Bloomer, Carleton College  
*When a Macho Hindu God Occupies a Female Christian Body: Spirit Possession as Assisted Reproductive Technology in South India*

Responding:

Michael Slouber, Western Washington University

Business Meeting:

Valerie Stoker, Wright State University, and Carla Bellamy, City University of New York, Presiding

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## A23-214

### Women and Religion Section and Quaker Studies Group

Theme: **Women, Religion and Reform in the Nineteenth Century**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Carole Dale Spencer, Earlham College, Presiding

Jone Salomonsen, University of Oslo  
*First Wave Feminist Religious Critique: Elizabeth Cady Stanton (USA) and Aasta Hansteen (Norway)*

Priscilla Eppinger, Graceland University  
*"All of These Subjects of Reform Are Kindred in Their Nature": Lucretia Mott's Praxis-Oriented Theology*

Lydia Willsky-Ciullo, Fairfield University  
*"Death or Dishonor?" Caroline Dall, Transcendental-Unitarianism, and the Spiritual Crisis of Prostitution*

Courtney VanLacy, Southern Methodist University  
*Jarena Lee and Her Mystical Permeability*

Amy Easton-Flake, Brigham Young University  
*Constructing Womanhood: Collective Biographies of Mormon Women*

Responding:

Deborah Whitehead, University of Colorado

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## A23-215



### African Religions Group and Anthropology of Religion Group and Religion, Colonialism and Postcolonialism Group and Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and World Christianity Group

Theme: **Author-Meets-Critics Session: Birgit Meyer's Sensational Movies: Video, Vision, and Christianity in Ghana (University of California Press, 2015)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Adrian Hermann, University of Hamburg, Presiding

Panelists:



Stefanie Knauss, Villanova University  
J. Kwabena Asamoah-Gyadu, Trinity Theological Seminary  
Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee  
David Morgan, Duke University  
Don Seeman, Emory University

Responding:

Birgit Meyer, Utrecht University

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## A23-216

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### Animals and Religion Group

Theme: **Animals in Religious Studies and Jewish Thought: A Conversation on Aaron Gross's *The Question of the Animal and Religion: Theoretical Stakes, Practical Implications* (Columbia University Press, 2015)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

David Clough, University of Chester, Presiding

Beatrice Marovich, University of North Dakota  
*Animals in the Theory of Religion and the Mystification of Solidarity: A Response to Aaron Gross*

Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford  
*Animal Method: The Materialist Shift in Aaron S. Gross's The Question of the Animal and Religion*

Matthew Eaton, University of Saint Michael's College  
*The Question of the Animal and Theology: Re-imagining Theory and Incarnation*

Responding:

Aaron Gross, University of San Diego

Business Meeting:

David Clough, University of Chester, and Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina, Presiding

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## A23-217



### Bible, Theology, and Postmodernity Group

Theme: **Poetics of the Flesh (Duke University Press, 2015): A Book Review Panel on Mayra Rivera's New Work**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-304 (Level 3)

Jacob Erickson, Saint Olaf College, Presiding

Panelists:

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross  
M. Shawn Copeland, Boston College  
Elias Ortega-Aponte, Drew University  
Laurel C. Schneider, Vanderbilt University

Responding:

Mayra Rivera, Harvard University

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A23-218



## Buddhist Philosophy Group

Theme: **Siddha-Scholars and Scholar-Siddhas: Tantra and Philosophy in Indian Buddhism**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago, Presiding

Kammie Takahashi, Muhlenberg College  
*Birds and Fishes: View and Method in the Mahāyoga Texts of Buddhaguhya*

Adam Krug, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Philosophy and Polemics in Indrabhūti's Jñānasiddhi*

Davey Tomlinson, University of Chicago  
*The Tantric Context of a Philosophical Debate About Consciousness: Ratnākaraśānti's Nirākāravāda*

Alexander Yiannopoulos, Emory University  
*Continuity and Convergence in Epistemology and Meditation: Ratnākaraśānti's Synthesis of Sūtra and Tantra*

Responding:

John D. Dunne, University of Wisconsin

Business Meeting:

Richard Nance, Indiana University, and Sara L. McClintock, Emory University, Presiding

A23-219

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## Chinese Religions Group and Daoist Studies Group

Theme: **Querying "Buddho-Daoism"**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Stephen F. Teiser, Princeton University, Presiding

Gil Raz, Dartmouth College  
*Buddhists, Daoists, or Both? Buddho-Daoist Stelae of the Northern Dynasties and the Lived Religion of Local Communities*

Kwi Jeong Lee, Princeton University  
*A Barbarian Ancestor or an Honorable Patriarch: Buddho-Daoist Debates over the Image of the Buddha in Medieval China*

Joshua Capitanio, University of the West  
*Transformations of Sanskrit and Pseudo-Sanskrit Incantations in Daoist Thunder Ritual Manuals*

Stephanie Balkwill, University of Southern California  
*The Way of the Lotus: Finding the Lotus Sūtra in the Daoist Canon*

Responding:

Stephen R. Bokenkamp, Arizona State University

A23-220



## Christian Spirituality Group

Theme: **Perspectives on Teresa of Avila on the Five-Hundredth Anniversary of Her Birth**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Mary Frohlich, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding

Jean-Pierre Fortin, Université de Sherbrooke  
*Prayerful Spirituality as Experiential Theology: Teresa of Avila's Mystical Transposition of Augustine's Confessions*

Tara Soughers, Plainville, MA  
*"The More He Loves Them the Greater the Tribulation": Teresa of Avila's Spirituality of Suffering*

Ryan Kuratko, Emory University  
*Attending to Others: Iris Murdoch and Teresa of Avila on Attention, Consolation, and Transformation*

Mauricio Najarro, Graduate Theological Union  
*Hematological Linguistic and Itinerant Practice: Spirituality and Tradition in Teresa of Avila*

Responding:

Bernard McGinn, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Glenn Young, Rockhurst University, Presiding

A23-221



## Cognitive Science of Religion Group

Theme: **How We Got This Way: Cognitive and Evolutionary Approaches to Religious Ideology**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

Robert C. Neville, Boston University, Presiding

Jonathan Morgan, Boston University, Sevil Hacaoglu, Istanbul University, Catherine Caldwell-Harris, Boston University, and Ayşe Ayçiçeği Dinn, Istanbul University  
*Cosmopolitan Ideology and Religiosity in Istanbul: How Cultural Context Shapes the Relationship between Cognitive Style and Religion*

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University  
*Introducing the Multidimensional Religious Ideology Scale*

Connor Wood, Boston University  
*The Biotechnology of Group Formation: A Durkheimian Account of Conservative and Liberal Morals in Religion*

Aimee Radom, New York Psychoanalytical Society and Institute  
*Religious Analogs of Secular Ideology: An Empirical Validation of a Three-Factor Model*

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Business Meeting:

Claire White, California State University, Northridge, and Travis Chilcott, Iowa State University, Presiding

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## A23-222

### Contemporary Islam Group and Religion in Southeast Asia Group

Theme: **Tensions in the Study of Islamic Piety, Affect and Self-Formation: Views from Indonesia**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Richard Fox, Universität Heidelberg, Presiding

Webb Keane, University of Michigan

*Mediating Piety: A Qur'anic Quarrel in Indonesia*

Mun'im Sirry, University of Notre Dame

*The Politics of Forbidding Wrong: Defining Piety and Contending Authority*

James Hoesterey, Emory University

*Sincerity, Scandal, and the "Authentic Fake" in Indonesian Islam*

Carla Jones, University of Colorado

*Style on Trial: Visibility and Sincerity in Gendered Critiques of Piety in Indonesia*

Robert W. Hefner, Boston University

*Shariah Law and Ethical Subjectivity: Selfhood and Sensibility in Indonesian Muslim Women's Morality*

Responding:

Charles Hirschkind, University of California, Berkeley

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## A23-223

### Critical Approaches to Hip-Hop and Religion Group and Music and Religion Group

Theme: **Re-"Shaping" Music, Race, and Religion: From Sacred Harp to Southern Rap**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Sheraton-Athens (Level 2)

Christopher Driscoll, Rice University, Presiding

Jesse P. Karlsberg, Emory University

*The Black in "White Spirituals": Sacred Harp's Nineteenth-Century Black Belt Roots*

Timothy Eriksen, Wesleyan University

*Shape Note Music, Postmillennialism, and Antislavery: Black and White "Old Folks' Concerts" in Western New England*

Christopher Rapko, Marietta, GA

*"I Cannot See Heaven Being Much Better Than This": Prosperity Gospel and Conceptions of Heaven in Country Rap Lyrics*

Kendall Marchman, Young Harris College

*What's Good for Hip-Hop May Not be Good for My Soul: The Dilemma of Big K.R.I.T.*

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## A23-224



### Evangelical Studies Group

Theme: **Responding to Matthew Avery Sutton's *American Apocalypse: A History of Modern Evangelicalism* (Belknap Press, 2014)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Jason Sexton, California State University, Fullerton, Presiding

Panelists:

Margaret Bendroth, Congregational Library and Archives, Boston, MA

Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University

Joy J. Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary

Fred Sanders, Biola University

Responding:

Matthew A. Sutton, Washington State University

Business Meeting:

Joy J. Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

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## A23-225



### Gay Men and Religion Group and Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group

Theme: ***Pray the Gay Away* (New York University Press, 2012): An Author-Meets-Critics Session**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Marie Cartier, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

John Erickson, Claremont Graduate University

*The Power of Interview: Deconstructing the Geographical, Temporal, and Current Experiences of Gay Men and Lesbians in the Bible Belt*

Aaron Klink, Duke University

*Praying after the Gay Wouldn't Go: Ethnography, Theology, and Spiritual Practice*

Daniel Tidwell, Seattle University

*We Pray What Our Bodies Know: A Formational Response to Bernadette Barton's Pray the Gay Away*

David Bos, University of Amsterdam, VU University

*Perseverance of the Saints: The Short but Meaningful Life of "the Ex-Gay" in the Dutch Bible Belt*

Responding:

Bernadette Barton, Morehead State University

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A23-226



## International Development and Religion Group

Theme: **Between Theology and Religious Studies: Normativity and the Academic Study of International Development**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury, Presiding

Christine McCarthy, Fordham University  
*Capability and Capax Dei: Human Nature and Justice in Elizabeth Johnson and Martha Nussbaum*

Spencer Bogle, Southern Methodist University  
*Saving Progress: A Critical Analysis of Enduring Enlightenment Notions of Progress through Soga Expression of Salvation*

Kathryn Kraft, University of East London

Jonathan D Smith, University of Leeds  
*Connectors, Normalizers and Buffers: The Role of Mediating Actors in the Responses of Local Faith-based Organizations to the Syrian Refugee Crisis*

Kristy Bergman Schroeder, University of Winnipeg  
*Religion, Gender, and Rights-based Development*

Responding:

Roland Robertson, University of Aberdeen, University of Pennsylvania

Business Meeting:

Jill DeTemple, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

A23-227



## Interreligious Reflections on Immigration Seminar

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)

Alexander Y. Hwang, Saint Leo University, Presiding

Casey Strine, University of Sheffield  
*Mother, Sister, Liar, Breadwinner? An Analysis and Comparison of the Mother/Sister Stories in the Book of Genesis*

Ilsup Ahn, North Park University  
*Parareligious Cooperation to Provide Justice to Undocumented People: A Christian-Buddhist Engagement on Offering Hospitality to Strangers*

Gurbet Sayilgan, Georgetown University  
*The Ur-Migrants: The Qur'anic Narratives of Adam and Eve and Their Contribution to a Constructive Islamic Theology of Migration*

Matthew Jantzen, Duke University

*Immigration and the Theological Problem of Sovereignty: Catholic Social Teaching, Carl Schmitt, and the Theopolitical Foundations of the Modern State*

Daniel Campana, University of La Verne

*Dislocation and Immigrant Experience as Resources for Interreligious Discourse*

Silas Allard, Emory University

*Crossing Borders: Religion, Migration, and a Critique of the Legal Subject*

Responding:

Michael Canaris, Loyola University Chicago

Laura Alexander, University of Virginia

Business Meeting:

Hussam S. Timani, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

A23-228

(#aarigw) PRE-POSTED PAPERS SESSION



## Islam, Gender, Women Group

Theme: **Academic Scholarship and Activism: Negotiating Normativities, Subjectivities, and Feminisms**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Souad T. Ali, Arizona State University, Presiding

Each table at this session will draw on one of five pre-circulated papers as a starting point for a discussion of meta-questions for the study of gender and women in relation to Islam and Muslims. With the presence of authors and facilitators, we will address questions of normativity and confessional investments, including the location of non-feminist work on gender/women in Islam; the location of academic and nonacademic intellectual production in the larger context of transnational feminism; and the tensions between colonial feminism and Islamic gender justice movements.

Adis Duderija, University Malaya

*Toward Scriptural Hermeneutics of Islamic Feminism*

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Facilitator

Ellen McLarney, Duke University

*Soft Force: Women in Egypt's Islamic Awakening*

Caleb Elfenbein, Grinnell College, Facilitator

Sarah Eltantawi, Evergreen State College

*Colonial Feminism or Good Ethnography? Untying the Ethical Knot*

Justine Howe, Case Western Reserve University, Facilitator

Aisha Geissinger, Carleton University

*Exegetical Gazes, Interpretive Authority, and Gender: Methodological and Ethical Questions*

Jerusha Lamptey, Union Theological Seminary, Facilitator

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Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina  
*To Work for Change: Normativity, Feminism, and Islam*  
Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, Facilitator

Business Meeting:

Kecia Ali, Boston University, and Aysha Hidayatullah, University of San Francisco, Presiding

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## A23-229



### Middle Eastern Christianity Group and SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section and SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

Theme: **Wisdom Literature in Middle Eastern Christian Communities**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-315 (Level 3)

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

Ilaria L. E. Ramelli, Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Rome (Angelicum)

*Bardaisan of Edessa's Wisdom Christology: Roots, Parallels, Meanings*

Jacob Lollar, Florida State University

*"Listen, My Son, and Understand Me": The Translation and Arrangement of the Proverbs of the Syriac Legend of Abiqar*

Hans Moscicke, Marquette University

*Prodigal Reunion: Tatianic Developments in the Syriac Hymn of the Soul*

Mourad Takawi, University of Notre Dame

*Asceticism as Resistance: The Ishmaelites, Monastic Practice, and Orthopraxy in the Virtues of Saint Macarius of Egypt*

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University

*The Arabic Renditions of the Sayings of the Desert Fathers: Greek and Syriac Wisdom, Arabic Culture*

Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

*Edifying Anecdotes of Alexander the Great in Medieval Copto-Arabic Literature*

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## A23-230



### Native Traditions in the Americas Group

Theme: **Theorizing Native American Religions: Thought and Practice Through Time and Space**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Ines M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Erich Fox Tree, Wilfrid Laurier University

*The Cultural and Religious Implications of Tribal-Maya Collaboration in a Diasporically Indigenous Homeland*

Tammy Heise, University of Wyoming

*Nowhere to Call Home: How The 1870 Ghost Dance Inspired the Modoc War*

Dana Lloyd, Syracuse University

*Conceptions of Land and Religious Freedom: Reading Lyng v. Northwest Indian Cemetery Protective Association*

Timothy A. Brown, Randolph-Macon College

*Minimalist Religion in the Works of Sherman Alexie*

Responding:

Suzanne J. Crawford O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University

Business Meeting:

Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Iowa, and Michael Zogry, University of Kansas, Presiding

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## A23-231



### Open and Relational Theologies Group

Theme: **Open and Relational Hermeneutics**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Krista E. Hughes, Newberry College, Presiding

Jon Paul Sydnor, Emmanuel College

*The Openness of Christ: A Plea for an Open, Agapically Relational Biblical Hermeneutic*

Mary Rebecca Huie-Jolly, CPE Center, Saint Francis Hospital, Columbus, GA

*Opening Scripture and Mending the World: Applying Cognitive Linguistic Tools within Open and Relational Hermeneutics*

John Sanders, Hendrix College

*Conceptual Metaphor Theory as Support for Open Theistic Hermeneutics*

John Holloway, Regent University

*"I Am the Lord! If I Say It, It Will Happen": Open Theist Approaches to Biblical Prophecy in the Eighteenth Century*

Amanda Brobst-Renaud, Baylor University

*The Annunciation and Magnificat as a Theological Hermeneutic: Scripture and Human Experience in Dialogue*

David H. Nikkel, University of North Carolina, Pembroke

*The Wildness of Creation: An Interpretation of the Voice from the Whirlwind in Job*

Daniel Ott, Monmouth College

*Engaging Scripture as Myth: Revisiting Bernard Meland and (Re) Mythologizing Process Theology*

Business Meeting:

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

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## A23-232



### Religion and Disability Studies Group

Theme: **Disability Theology: Religious Reflection and Ethnography with/in Intellectually Disabled, Deaf, and Autistic Communities**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Rebecca Spurrier, Emory University, Presiding

Elizabeth Antus, John Carroll University

*"Body" as Disruption: Intellectual Disabilities, Butlerian Ethics, and Dismantling the Christian Regime of the Ableist Body*

Peter Capretto, Vanderbilt University

*Caring Without Condescension, or On Not Operationalizing Disability in Theology*

Lorraine Cuddeback, University of Notre Dame

*Working Friendships: An Ethnography of Different Agencies among Adults with Intellectual Disabilities*

Jason Hays, Naropa University

*Embodied Poetics: Deaf Religious Resistance to Logocentric Hermeneutics*

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Olivia Bustion, University of Chicago  
*"God Speaks Aspergian": An Online Ethnography of Autistic Christians*

### Business Meeting:

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, and Mary Jo Iozzio,  
 Boston College, Presiding

## A23-233



### Religion and Ecology Group and Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy Group

Theme: **Teaching Climate Change and Climate Justice in Religion/Religious Studies Classrooms**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-208 (Level 2)

Laura Stivers, Dominican University of California, Presiding

Kevin O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University  
*Teaching Climate Controversies as Theological Conflicts*

Melanie L. Harris, Texas Christian University  
*Ecofeminism and Ecological Reparations*

James Martin-Schramm, Luther College

Daniel T. Spencer, University of Montana, Missoula  
*Using a Case Method Approach and Unique Pedagogical Techniques to Teach about Climate Change*

Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary  
*Teaching Climate Change for Moral Agency, Eco-Justice, and Structural Analysis*

## A23-234



### Religion and Popular Culture Group

Theme: **Book Session: The Routledge Companion to Religion and Popular Culture (2015)**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

John Lyden, Grand View University, Presiding

### Panelists:

Sheila J. Nayar, University of North Carolina

Eric Mazur, Virginia Wesleyan College

Rodger Payne, University of North Carolina, Asheville

### Responding:

Richard Callahan, University of Missouri

### Business Meeting:

Chad Seales, University of Texas, Presiding

## A23-235



### Ritual Studies Group and Western Esotericism Group

Theme: **The Ritual Dimension in Western Esotericism: Between Normativity and Transgression**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College, Presiding

Elizabeth Lowry, Arizona State University  
*Ritual Dirt: Discourses of Purity and Pollution in the Nineteenth-Century Seance*

Ellen Randolph, Florida International University  
*Gnosticism, Transformation, and the Role of the Feminine in the Gnostic Mass of the Ecclesia Gnostica Catholica (E.G.C.)*

Cimminnee Holt, Concordia University, Montreal  
*Magic and Media: Centralizing the Material in Satanic Ritual*

Madeline Duntley, Bowling Green State University  
*Esoterica in the Amphitheater: Transgressive Reenactment and Metaphysical Re-embodiment in Ritual Pageantry*

### Business Meeting:

Claire Fanger, Rice University, Presiding

## A23-236



### Secularism and Secularity Group

Theme: **Future Directions in the Study of the Secular**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-M106-107 (Marquis Level)

Joseph Blankholm, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Finbarr Curtis, Georgia Southern University  
*Securing the Secular*

Mayanthi Fernando, University of California, Santa Cruz  
*The Materiality of Secularity: Secular Bodies and Secular Space*

Noreen Khawaja, Yale University  
*The Existential Ethic: Reconsidering the Secular in Modern European Thought*

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College  
*Secularity and the Money Economy*

### Responding:

Saba Mahmood, University of California, Berkeley

### Business Meeting:

Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Henry Luce Foundation, New York, NY, Presiding

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**A23-237****Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group and SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Group**Theme: **“Christianization” and “Islamization”**: Terminologies, Categories, Case Studies

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Wendy Mayer, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Nathan Schumer, Columbia University  
*Disaster and Christianization: The Earthquake of 363 CE and the Christianization of the Cities of Roman Palestine*Adam Bursi, Cornell University  
*“Sprinkle the Place with This Water”: Christianization and Islamification of Religious Space in Late Antiquity*Rebecca Falcasantos, Providence College  
*By the World Forgot: Sabbatians and the Manipulation of Memory in Fifth-Century Constantinople*John Zaleski, Harvard University  
*Forming a Muslim Understanding of Celibacy: The Case of al-Junayd al-Baghdadi*Jessica Lee Ehinger, University of Oxford  
*Living and Dying a Christian under Islam: Martyrologies and the Islamification of Late Antique Palestine*Chanequa Walker-Barnes, Mercer University  
*What Manner of Woman Is This? Images of Black Womanhood in the Art of Shonda Rhimes*Lacette Cross, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*Frieda’s ‘Ruined’ Resistance*

Andriette Jordan-Fields, Iliff School of Theology

Valerie L. Jackson, Iliff School of Theology  
*Vixen, Gladiator, or The Help!*

Business Meeting:

Tracey Hucks, Haverford College, Presiding

**P23-241****Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts**Theme: **Sensing Books, Sensing Scriptures**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-404 (Level 4)

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University, Presiding  
SCRIPT fosters academic discourse about the social functions of books and texts that exceed their semantic meaning and interpretation, such as their display as cultural artifacts, their ritual use in religious and political ceremonies, their performance by recitation and theater, and their depiction in art.Natalia Suit, University of North Carolina  
*How Printing Created Manuscripts: Aesthetic and Historical Approaches to Quranic Manuscripts*Anne Clark, University of Vermont  
*Sensing Scripture in a Medieval Illustrated Prayer Book*Yohan Yoo, Seoul National University  
*Sensory Readings of Classics: A Neo-Confucian Form of Spiritual Cultivation*Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College  
*Sculpting “Source-Places”: Alex Haley “Wroughts” a Scripture*Steve A. Wiggins, Routledge  
*Sensing the Bible in the TV Series Sleepy Hollow*

Business Meeting:

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College, and Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University, Presiding

**A23-238****Wildcard Session**Theme: **Exploring Protestantization**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

Tarald Rasmussen, University of Oslo, Presiding

Panelists:

Helge Årsheim, University of Oslo  
Oddbjørn Leirvik, University of Oslo  
Aud Valborg Toennessen, University of Oslo  
Marius Timmann Mjaaland, University of Oslo  
Vebjørn Horsford, University of Oslo  
Trygve Wyller, University of Oslo

Responding:

Winnifred Sullivan, Indiana University

**A23-239****(#womanists@aar)** ★**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**Theme: **Contestable or Acceptable: Representations of Black Women on Television and in Fictional Literature**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Pamela Lightsey, Boston University, Presiding

Lakisha Lockhart, Boston College  
*Being Scandal-Less: Re-Imagining the Narrative of the Successful Black Woman***A23-240****Ponce de Leon Avenue Houses of Worship Tour**

Monday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

Jeanne Halgren Kilde, University of Minnesota, and David Bains, Samford University, Presiding

See page 9 for details.

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## A23-241



### Student Lounge Roundtable

Theme: **Kickstarter and Pinterest? Creating a Web of Support for Dissertation Writing Through Popular Social Media Technology**

Monday, 2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

In this presentation, doctoral candidate will demonstrate successes using crowdfunding to supplement institutional and grant funding for a dissertation and the technology of Pinterest to bookmark and showcase popular articles for a creative scholarly visual web presence. Mueller's work focuses on gender and LGBTQ+ issues although these methods could apply in other areas. She will touch on some frequently asked questions when introducing crowdfunding for dissertation research. For example, crowdfunding raises the most support from close friends and family members. This method of fundraising for a dissertation draws in fiscal contributions from community in addition to emotional support that comes when someone donates!

We all know that writing a dissertation is a tough road. Forming ties through popular social media helps us create a "web" of support and work around feelings of fracturedness.

Panelist:

Michelle Mueller, Graduate Theological Union

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

## A23-300



**Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Bioethics and Religion Group and Religion and Disability Studies Group and SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Group**

Theme: **Narrating Disability and Illness in Christian and Jewish Literature, Bioethics, and Theology**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Brent Cline, Spring Arbor University  
*Monasticism and the Disabled Body*

Mark Lambert, University of Chicago  
*Majestic and Macabre Mirrors: Virginity and Leprosy in the Thought of Gregory of Nyssa*

Jonathan K. Crane, Emory University  
*Please Be Patient: Jewish Narratives of Embracing Pain and Finitude*

John Berkman, The Catholic University of America  
*Redemptive vs. Non-Redemptive Suffering: Christian Theological Narratives as Spiritual Boot Camp*

Responding:

Candida Moss, University of Notre Dame

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## A23-301



**Christian Systematic Theology Section and Eastern Orthodox Studies Group and Middle Eastern Christianity Group and Roman Catholic Studies Group**

Theme: **The Legacy of Chalcedon (451): Christology, Ecclesiology, and the Communion of Middle Eastern Churches**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Jason R. Zaborowski, Bradley University, Presiding

Paul Pasquesi, Marquette University  
*Narsai and Babai on Two Qnume: The East Syriac Defense of Two Natures Christology and Acceptance of a Modified Seal of Chalcedon*

Nathaniel Wood, Fordham University  
*Deification and Divine-Humanity: The Legacy of Chalcedon in Modern Russian Orthodox Theology*

Brendan McInerney, Fordham University  
*Disordered Dyophysitism: An Ecumenical Critique of Chalcedon in Contemporary Catholic Theology*

Mark Yenson, King's University College  
*Is There Such a Thing as "Pure Chalcedonism"? Correcting Selective Memory in Western Christology*

## A23-302

### Ethics Section

Theme: **Visions of Justice**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

Fred Simmons, The Center for Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, Presiding

Richard Oxenberg, Endicott College  
*Retributivism and Outraged Love: A Search for the Heart of Retributive Justice*

Michael Humphreys, Bethune-Cookman College  
*Restorative Justice as a Theology of Liberation*

Dallas Gingles, Southern Methodist University  
*Justice Denied Is Justice Delayed: Bonhoeffer, King, and the Politics of Martyrdom*

Jacob Robinson, Vanderbilt University  
*Liberation, Reconciliation, and Beyond: The Politics and Ethics of Howard Thurman and Desmond Tutu*

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## A23-303

### North American Religions Section and Religion, Memory, History Group

Theme: **Materiality, Memory, and North American Religions**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-302 (Level 3)

Jennifer Scheper Hughes, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

Lauren Kerby, Boston University

*Disruptive Objects: Challenging Evangelical Narratives of the American Past and Present on Tours of Washington, D.C.*

Erika W. Dyson, Harvey Mudd College

*A Discontinuous Chant of Amabilities: Emma Dunham Kelley-Hawkins, Photography, and the Return of the Author*

Vaughn Booker, Princeton University

*"In Protestation of this Great National Sin": The Star of Zion and America's Lynching Crisis*

Kati Curtis, Yale University

*Harrowing Histories: The Relics and Reliquaries of Henry Ford*

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## A23-304



### Religion and Politics Section and Religion and Public Schools: International Perspectives Group

Theme: **Religion and Freedom of Expression: Teaching about Activism and Terrorism in Liberal Societies**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

Erik Owens, Boston College, Presiding

Will Livingston, Florida State University

*Hashtag Humanism: An Ethico-Political Analysis of #BlackLivesMatter and #JeSuisCharlie*

Marie von der Lippe, University of Bergen

Trine Anker, MF Norwegian school of Theology

*Teaching Terrorism: A Discussion of 22 July and Religion Education in Norway*

Elizabeth Barre, Rice University

*The Politics of Valuing (in) the Religious Studies Classroom*

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## A23-305

### Study of Judaism Section

Theme: **Ritual as Tradition, Ritual as Innovation**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)

Robert Erlewine, Illinois Wesleyan University, Presiding

Vadim Putzu, Missouri State University

*Two Kabbalists Walk into a Bar: Attitudes toward Wine among Sixteenth-Century Jewish Mystics*

Barbara Thiede, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

*The Tie That Binds: How Jewish Women of Ashkenaz Subverted the Rabbis, Changed the Liturgy, and Created a New Material Culture*

Shira Schwartz, York University

*Passover Objects: How to Be/Have Them*

Daniel Weiss, University of Cambridge

*Actual Israel and Ideal Israel: Tensions between Ethnographic Approaches to Jews and Judaism and the Jewish Textual Tradition's Theological Stance towards Empirical Jewish Communities*

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## A23-306

### Theology and Religious Reflection Section and Asian North American Religion, Culture and Society Group and Women of Color Scholarship, Teaching, and Activism Group

Theme: **Engaging Asian/Asian North American Feminist Theologies**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton-201 (Level 2)

Boyung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

Panelists:

Anne Joh, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Nami Kim, Spelman College

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College

Neomi De Anda, University of Dayton

Kate Ott, Drew University

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Stuart Hall and Convent of the Sacred Heart

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## A23-307



### Afro-American Religious History Group and Queer Studies in Religion Group and Religion and Sexuality Group and Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

Theme: **Protest, Performance, and Prophecy: Resisting Violence against Black Queer Bodies**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Whitney Bond, Emory University, Presiding

Adriaan van Klinken, University of Leeds

*Queer Prophecy and Afro-Cosmopolitan Imagination: Kenyan Writer Binyavanga Wainaina's Coming Out and Religious Critique*

Thelathia Young, Bucknell University

Benae Beamon, Boston University

*"Dying" to Live: Protest and the Radical Performativity of Black Queer Bodies*

Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University

*Enraged Against Us: African-American Women Students Practicing Non-Violence at Prudence Crandall's Academy, 1833-34*

Indhira Udofia, Duke University

*Whoring the Madonna, Virginizing the Jezebel: Black Women's Gender Performance*

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## Religion and Popular Culture Group

Theme: **Made for TV: The Popular Religion of Television Shows, Real or Not**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Elijah Siegler, College of Charleston, Presiding

Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University  
*Welcome to the Desert of the Real: Piety, Absolution, and Moral Licensing in Reality TV's Environmental Economy of Virtue*

Myev Rees, Northwestern University  
*Religion and Reality Television: Dismantling the Public/Private Binary on TLC's 19 Kids and Counting*

Monique Moultrie, Georgia State University  
*Good God/Good Sex: Sexual Ethics in Religious Reality TV*

Courtney Wilder, Midland University  
*Broadchurch: Exploring Theodicy in Contemporary Crime Drama*

A23-309

## Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group

Theme: **Ears and Eyes: Audiences in East Asian Buddhist Ritual, Eighth–Thirteenth Centuries**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom A (Level 2)

Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Kristina Buhrman, Florida State University  
*Looking Up to See: The Audience as Reflected in Instructions for Star-Related Rituals in the Asabashō Manual*

Bryan Lowe, Vanderbilt University  
*Who's the King? Ritualized Writing and Celestial Audience in Ancient Japanese Buddhism*

Amanda Goodman, University of Toronto  
*"Call Down the Assembly": Reflections on "Local" Ritual and Ritual Audience in Chinese Buddhist Invocation Texts from Tenth-Century Dunhuang*

Heather Blair, Indiana University  
*Reverently I Pray: Ritual and Literary Audiences for Liturgical Prayers in Heian Japan*

Responding:

Daniel B. Stevenson, University of Kansas

A23-310

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## Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Comparative Theology Group

Theme: **Sacrifice, Holiness and Worship in Hinduism and Judaism**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College

Daniel Polish, Mount Saint Mary College

*Image Worship and Sacrifice: Legitimacy, Illegitimacy, and Theological Debate*

Ithamar Theodor, University of Haifa

*The Ladder of Ethics in Vishvanatha Chakravarti and the Rambal*

Thomas Forsthoefel, Mercyhurst University

*The Guru and the Zaddik and the Testimony of the Holy Ones*

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University Chicago

*Shakti Garbha as Ark of the Covenant at an American Hindu Goddess Temple*

Responding:

Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College

A23-311

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## Study of Islam Section

Theme: **(Re) presenting Islam and Muslims: Performance, Gender, and Media**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Ballroom C (Level 2)

SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding

Sophia Arjana, Iliff School of Theology

*Dracula's Wives: The Female Muslim Monster in Modernity*

Kayla Renée Wheeler, University of Iowa

*"That's Not Islam": Muslim Women Using YouTube to Create New Subjectivities*

Edith Szanto, American University of Iraq

*Beyond Victims and Heroines: Gender, Religion, and the Syrian Conflict*

Jenny Berglund, Södertörn University

*Performing the Words of God*

David Tittensor, Deakin University

*The Gülen Movement and the Issue of Gender: Tensions between Traditionalism and Reform*

Responding:

Saadia Yacoob, Williams College

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## A23-312



### Teaching Religion Section

Theme: **Practical Uses of Technology in the Classroom**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Molly Bassett, Georgia State University, Presiding

Raleigh Heth, University of Georgia, Tyler Kelly, University of Georgia, and Scott Brevard, University of Georgia  
*iReligion: A Proposal for the Use of Podcasts as an Educational Medium in the Field of Religion*

Amod Lele, Boston University  
*Promoting Collaborative Learning in the Study of Religion: A Case Study Using Google Apps and WordPress Blogs*

Michael McGravey, Duquesne University  
*Complement Student Learning with Mobile Tech*

Michael Ostling, University of Queensland  
*Drawing on the Board*

Responding:

David McConeghy, Chapman University

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## A23-313

### Women and Religion Section and Religions, Medicines, and Healing Group

Theme: **Gender, Health, and Healing: Women's Bodies, Religious Cures, and Productions of Medical Knowledge**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-205 (Level 2)

Linda L. Barnes, Boston University School of Medicine, Presiding

Michelle M. Lelwica, Concordia College, Moorhead  
*Vulnerable Bodies, Controlling Discourses: A Critical Analysis of Christian and Cartesian Legacies Embedded in the Commercial Pursuit of "Women's Health"*

Lynn B. E. Jencks, Northwestern University  
*The Gendering and Healing of Depression in Latina/o Immigrant Charismatic Catholicism*

Cara Curtis, Harvard University  
*In Search of a Full Account of Mothers' Spiritual Response to Depression: Using a Womanist Phenomenological Approach across Boundaries*

Yasmin Cho, Duke University  
*Buddhist Medical Nuns: Gender, Monastic Education, and the Production of Medical Knowledge in Tibetan Buddhism in Contemporary China*

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## A23-315



### African Religions Group and African Association for the Study of Religion

Theme: **Ebola, Africa, and Beyond: An Epidemic in Religious and Public Health Perspectives**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Regency (Ballroom Level)

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, Presiding

Epidemics always highlight or exaggerate the power relations and inequalities that characterize everyday life — no less so in the case of the West African Ebola epidemic. The epidemic has revealed the inadequacy of medical infrastructures in Africa, the influence that international institutions have over African public health crises, and the prejudices that inform popular understandings of the continent. Religion has played a key role in these dynamics. Not only have ritual practices allegedly contributed to the epidemic's spread, but religious leaders have tried to educate their followers in collaboration with public health authorities to stem the epidemic. This roundtable brings together public health experts and religion scholars to ask what we can learn from the epidemic in relation to the potential of religion to help or hinder effective responses to threats like Ebola, both in and beyond Africa, and how religious studies can nuance public health understandings of African realities.

Panelists:

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University

Scott Santibañez, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA

John Kpahun Yambasu, Religious Leaders Task Force on Ebola in Sierra Leone, Freetown, Sierra Leone

John Blevins, Emory University

Ellen Idler, Emory University

Responding:

Jacob K. Olupona, Harvard University

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## A23-316

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### Animals and Religion Group

Theme: **Animals as Harbingers of Fortune, Disaster, and Power in Asian Religions**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-206 (Level 2)

Grace Kao, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Huaiyu Chen, Arizona State University  
*Living with Tigers in Medieval Chinese Religions*

Brandon Dotson, Ludwig Maximilians Universität München  
*Wild Animals, Fortune, and the Hunt in Old Tibetan Dice Divination*

Takashi Miura, University of Arizona  
*How to Deify a Catfish: The Significance of "Earthquake Catfish" as a World-Renewing Deity in Japanese Religion*

Zhang Ni, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
*Animal Spirits, Chinese Religion, and the Problem Space of Chinese Secularism*

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina

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### A23-317



#### Anthropology of Religion Group

Theme: **Transnational Flows and Cultural Borrowing: Ethnographies of Influence**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

Donna S. Mote, University of the South, Presiding

Rebekka King, Middle Tennessee State University  
*Affinity and Intimacy: Representational Economies in Jewish Affinity Christianity*

Drew Thomases, Columbia University  
*Camel Fair Kaleidoscopic: Religion, Value, and Color in Pushkar*

Nalika Gajaweera, University of Southern California  
*Mindfulness: A Buddhist Modernist Innovation for the "Spiritual but Not Religious" Age*

Responding:

Ellen Badone, McMaster University

Business Meeting:

Laurel Zwissler, Central Michigan University, Presiding

### A23-318



#### Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group and Christian Spirituality Group and Music and Religion Group and Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements Group

Theme: **Gendering Gospel Music**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal CD (Level 1)

David Stowe, Michigan State University, Presiding

Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College  
*I Opened My Mouth to the Lord! Authoritative Women's Voices and Prophetic-Apocalyptic Biblical Discourse in Gospel Music*

Alisha L. Jones, Indiana University  
*Singing High: Black Countertenors and Treble Timbres of Transcendence in Gendered Gospel Performance*

Charrise Barron, Harvard University  
*Sweeter: The Gospel Music and Performance of Kim Burrell*

Cory Hunter, Princeton University  
*Gospel Love Albums: Sex, Sensuality, and Spirituality*

### A23-319



#### Black Theology Group

Theme: **Black Theology and Sacred Texts**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Monica A. Coleman, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Christopher Duncanson-Hales, University of Sudbury  
*Dread Hermeneutics: Bob Marley, Paul Ricoeur, and the Productive Imagination*

Richetta Amen, Graduate Theological Union  
*A Womanist Interpretation of the Lukan Parable of the Great Supper (Luke 14:15–24) Using the Amended Parable Theory of Octavia E. Butler*

Timothy McGee, Southern Methodist University  
*Living Beyond Death: Engaging the Christo-logics of God of the Oppressed after Sisters in the Wilderness*

James H. Evans, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School  
*A Hermeneutic of the Cross: Religion and Racialized Discourse in the Thought of James Baldwin*

Cláudio Carvalhaes, McCormick Theological Seminary  
*Yourubá and Black Theologies, a Dialogue*

Business Meeting:

Andrea C. White, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

### A23-320



#### Body and Religion Group

Theme: **Bodily Touch and Modes of Knowledge**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

Nikki Bado, Iowa State University, Presiding

Stephanie N. Arel, Boston University  
*Haptic and Somatic Knowing in Religious Practice: Ethical Dimensions of Touching the Traumatized Body*

Rebecca Spurrier, Emory University  
*Take My Hand: The Reading and Touching of Common Prayer*

Erinn Staley, Wellesley College  
*This Is My Body: Christian Traditions and the Work of Breastfeeding*

Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania  
*Touching the Divine: The Haptic Theology of Ida Craddock*

Business Meeting:

George Pati, Valparaiso University, and Nikki Bado, Iowa State University, Presiding

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**A23-321****Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and Cultural History of the Study of Religion Group**Theme: **Critical Perspectives on the Cognitive Science of Religion**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-401-402 (Level 4)

Egil Asprem, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Ruth Marshall, University of Toronto  
*Genealogical Reflections*Arthur McCalla, Mount Saint Vincent University  
*Idéologues on Religion: Toward a Genealogy of the Cognitive Science of Religion*Matt Williams, Stanford University  
*The Architecture of Orthodoxy: Toward a Religious Theory of Cognitive Science*John Modern, Franklin and Marshall College  
*Paranoia Is All in Your Head*

Responding:

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

**A23-322****Hinduism Group**Theme: **Textual Commentary in Colonial South Asia: Innovations, Adaptations, Continuities**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L405-406 (Lobby Level)

Anne E. Monius, Harvard University, Presiding

Knut Axel Jacobsen, University of Bergen  
*The Context of Hariharananda Aranya's Commentaries on the Yogashastra and Their Reception as "Authentic" by Scholars*Joel Bordeaux, Colgate University  
*Devotion Through Double Entendre: Bilingual Poetry and Bitextual Commentary in Colonial Bengal*Arun Brahmbhatt, University of Toronto  
*Envisioning and Engaging a Scholastic Public: Swaminarayan Vedanta Commentaries*Eric Steinschneider, University of Toronto  
*The Child Saint and the False Philosopher: Comacuntara Nayakar, the Periyapuranam, and "Tamil Religion"*

Business Meeting:

Timothy Dobe, Grinnell College, and Amanda Lucia, University of California, Riverside, Presiding

**A23-323****Islamic Mysticism Group**Theme: **The Sufi Tradition in Formation**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Elizabeth R. Alexandrin, University of Manitoba, Presiding

Jeremy Farrell, Emory University  
*Canon and Counter-Canon in Early Sufi History*Jason Welle, Georgetown University  
*Clarifying Companionship: How Ādāb al-Suhba Function for al-Sulami*Nicholas Boylston, Georgetown University  
*Islam from the Inside Out: Ayn al-Qudat on the Nature and Significance of Islamic Doctrine and Practice*Arjun Nair, Harvard University  
*From Mystical Poetry to Sufi Path: Understanding Ibn al-Fārīd's Naẓm al-sulūk as a Work of Theoretical Sufism*Shifa Noor, University of Virginia  
*Tawhid as Thirddness: Ibn Arabi's Phenomenology of Tanzih and Tashbih*

Responding:

Cyrus Zargar, Augustana College

Business Meeting:

Martin Nguyen, Fairfield University, and Omid Safi, Duke University, Presiding

**A23-324****Jain Studies Group**Theme: **Jain Modernities**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Crystal AF (Level 1)

Lisa Owen, University of North Texas, Presiding

M. Whitney Kelting, Northeastern University  
*The Shifting Terrain of Jain Modernity and Gendered Religious Practices*Andrea Luthle-Hardenberg, Tübingen University  
*Ascetic Child Initiations among the Jains: Defending Religious Freedom and Minority Rights of Shvetambar Jains*Anne Vally, University of Ottawa  
*Jain Food and Modernity: The Eclipse of Metaphysics and Rise of Identity Politics*Tine Vekemans, Ghent University  
*Jain Digital Modernities: (Re)presenting Jainism in New Media*

Responding:

John E. Cort, Denison University

Business Meeting:

Lisa Owen, University of North Texas, and John E. Cort, Denison University, Presiding

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## A23-325

### Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group and Religious Conversions Group

Theme: **Religious Conversions and Søren Kierkegaard**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Jennifer Veninga, Saint Edward's University, Presiding

Jeffrey Hanson, Australian Catholic University  
*The "Main Point" in the Merman's Life: Continuity as Conversion in Fear and Trembling and The Concept of Anxiety*

Grant Poettcker, Briercrest College and Seminary  
*Socrates, Nicodemus, and Zacchaeus: Kierkegaard and Halik on Conversion and Offense*

Deidre Nicole Green, Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, Copenhagen, Denmark  
*Christianity Becomes You: Conversion, Atonement, and Love in the Thought of Søren Kierkegaard*

Andrew Torrance, University of Saint Andrews  
*Can a Person Prepare to Become a Christian?*

## A23-326

### New Religious Movements Group

Theme: **New Religions and Popular Culture**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Megan Goodwin, Bates College, Presiding

Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College  
*The Complexion of God: The Vernacular Photography of Father Divine's Peace Mission Movement*

Satoko Fujiwara, University of Tokyo  
*Explaining Japanese Youth Religiosity after Aum: An Alternative or a New Mainstream?*

David Krueger, Philadelphia, PA  
*Straight Edge Religion: Hardcore Punk and the Sober Revolution*

Responding:

W. Michael Ashcraft, Truman State University

Business Meeting:

Marie W. Dallam, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

## A23-327

### Platonism and Neoplatonism Group

Theme: **Lloyd Gerson and the Relevance of Platonism**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Kevin Corrigan, Emory University, Presiding

Panelist:

Lloyd Gerson, University of Toronto

Responding:

Willemien Otten, University of Chicago

John Kenney, Saint Michael's College

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge

Business Meeting:

Douglas Hedley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

## A23-328

### Reformed Theology and History Group

Theme: **Engaging the Work of B.A. Gerrish**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

Joshua Ralston, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Panelists:

Bruce L. McCormack, Princeton Theological Seminary

Martha L. Moore-Keish, Columbia Theological Seminary

Roger Haight, Union Theological Seminary

Dawn A. De Vries, Union Presbyterian Seminary

Business Meeting:

Cynthia Rigby, Austin Theological Seminary, and J. Todd Billings, Western Theological Seminary, Presiding

## A23-329

### Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: **Local and Transnational Religious Environmental Discourses**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding

Rose Caraway, Iowa State University  
*The Spiritual Dimensions of Cuban Permaculture Ethics*

Emma DeVries, Duke University  
*Climate Ethics from the Site of the Wound: Exploring Race, Bodies, and Resistance in the Alberta Tar Sands*

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Brett Esaki, Georgia State University  
*Environmental Justice, Religious Studies, and the Development of Sustainability Literacy*

Anna Huxley, University of Manchester  
*The Wonder and Awe of U.K. Faith-Based Organizations Engaged in Advocacy on Climate Change: A Qualitative Investigation*

Responding:

Robin Veldman, Iowa State

Business Meeting:

James Miller, Queen's University, and Evan Berry, American University, Presiding

## A23-330



### Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group

Theme: **Religious Reflections on the One-Hundredth Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Alana Vincent, University of Chester, Presiding

Noelle Vahanian, Lebanon Valley College  
*Between Denialism, Revisionism, and Memorializing: Rethinking the Victim of Genocide through Laruelle's General Theory of Victims and Marion's "Saturated Phenomenon"*

Tamar Wasoian, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, McCormick Theological Seminary  
*Armenian Women and Post-Genocide Collective Memory*

Wendy Wiseman, Beykent University  
*One Hundred Years of Oblivion: The Task of Witnessing at the Centennial of the Armenian Genocide*

Responding:

Sarah K. Pinnock, Trinity University

Business Meeting:

Alana Vincent, University of Chester, Presiding

## A23-331

### Religion, Media, and Culture Group

Theme: **Lessons in Jewish Resistance and Reconstruction of New Media from Digital Judaism**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Heidi Ann Campbell, Texas A&M University, Presiding

Menahem Blondheim, Hebrew University  
*The Jewish Communication Tradition and Its Encounters with (the) New Media*

Wendi Bellar, Texas A&M University  
*Sanctifying the Internet: Aish HaTorah's Use of the Internet for Digital Outreach*

Oren Golan, University of Haifa  
*Legitimation of New Media and Community Building among Jewish Denominations in the USA*

Michele Rosenthal, University of Haifa  
*On Pomegranates and Etrogs: Internet Filters as Practices of Media Ambivalence among Israeli National Religious Jews*

Owen Gottlieb, Rochester Institute of Technology  
*Jewish Games for Learning: Renewing Heritage Traditions in the Digital Age*

## A23-332



### Ritual Studies Group

Theme: **Improvising and Performing Gender and Media**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Cara Rock-Singer, Columbia University  
*Improvisational Reading: The Silent Dramatics of Kohenet Hebrew Priestesses' Torah Service*

Perundevi Srinivasan, Siena College  
*"Disrobing Draupadi:" Gender in Text, Theatre, and Life*

Elena Kravchenko, University of Texas  
*Ethics of Gender: Cultivating Christian Womanhood with the Help of Soviet and Eastern Orthodox Technologies of Self*

John Thibdeau, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Performing Egyptian Mawlid Festivals: Ethical Implications of Fractured Soundscapes*

Torang Asadi, Duke University  
*Touching the Murtis, Seen by God: The Distant Touch and the Material Gaze in BAPS Temples*

Neil Dalal, University of Alberta  
*Approaching Ritual Embodiment through the Senses: Visual Ethnography in a South Indian Advaita Vedānta Gurukulam*

Responding:

Jens Kreinath, Wichita State University

Business Meeting:

Grant H. Potts, Austin Community College, Presiding

## A23-333



### Tantric Studies Group

Theme: **Fear and Loathing in Samsara: a Study in Terror across Tantric Literature and Practice Systems**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott-L506-507 (Lobby Level)

Gudrun Bühnemann, University of Wisconsin, Presiding

John R. B. Campbell, University of Virginia  
*Awake and Terrified: Buddhist Tantric Commentators on the Subtle States of Mind at Death*

David Gray, Santa Clara University  
*Laughing in the Face of Fear: Horror and Terror in Yoginītantras*

Katarina Turpeinen, University of Virginia  
*Going beyond Fear: The Cutting Practices in Rinzin Gödem's Dzokchen Anthology*

Elaine Fisher, University of Wisconsin  
*When Tantra Becomes Orthodoxy: Samayin Śrīvidyā the Sanitization of Fear-Based Technology*

Responding:

Christian K. Wedemeyer, University of Chicago

Business Meeting:

Lorilai Biernacki, University of Colorado, and John Nemec, University of Virginia, Presiding

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

## A23-334



### Employment Workshops

Theme: **PhD Transitions over 40**

Monday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

This workshop will focus on career transitions specifically for people who are 40 or over and also are getting or already have a PhD. Middle aged professionals, particularly those with advanced degrees, face unique challenges when changing careers. This workshop will provide an overview of the specific circumstances that over 40s with a PhD face in making career transitions, either into or outside of academia. Participants will discuss the conditions and concerns that people at midlife face in a supportive environment. We will also do some exercises to help identify skills, discuss strategies for talking about one's varied career history confidently to prospective employers and also to others. We will work on advanced job seeking skills such as elevator pitches designed for people in career transition. We will discuss the importance of networking and continuing education and discuss ways to leverage these resources in the community. Finally we will look at some case studies of individuals who have been successful with career transitions at midlife and hear their inspiring stories and tips.

Panelist:

Amy Hale, Helix Education, Oakland, CA

*Monday, 6:30 PM and Later*

## A23-400



### Mandala Sand Painting Closing Ceremony

Monday, 6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Marriott-Imperial B (Marquis Level)

Tibetan Buddhist monks from Drepung Loseling Monastery will construct a Mandala Sand Painting from Saturday, November 21, 8:30 AM–Monday November 23, 6:30 PM.



Traditionally most sand mandalas are destroyed shortly after their completion. This is done as a metaphor for the impermanence of life. The sands are swept up and placed in an urn; to fulfill the function of healing, half is distributed to the audience at the closing ceremony, while the remainder is carried to a nearby body of water, where it is

deposited. The waters then carry the healing blessing to the ocean, and from there it spreads throughout the world for planetary healing.

## A23-401



### Film: *Waking in Oak Creek*

Monday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

*Waking in Oak Creek* (produced by Patrice O'Neill and Charene Zalis) is a 33 minute documentary film about the 2012 massacre of six worshipers at the Sikh Temple of Wisconsin by a white supremacist. The film includes interviews with members of the Sikh Temple of Wisconsin and follows the Mayor, Police Chief and members of the community of Oak Creek in the year after the attack as they form bonds with their Sikh neighbors. It portrays how members of the Wisconsin Sikh community and a police lieutenant shot seventeen times by the perpetrator of the attack inspired thousands to attend gatherings and events to honor the victims.

After one of the deadliest hate crimes in United States History, the film highlights how the Sikh community, the broader community, and law enforcement agents have worked together to overcome tragedy, stand up to hate, and create a safe town for everyone.

Panelist:

Charles Townsend, University of California, Riverside

## A23-402



### Film: *The Fire Inside: A Documentary Screening and Conversation about Nature, Contemplative Practice and the Climate Crisis*

Monday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding

Our session will consist of a screening begins with a screening of the 2012 documentary short, *The Fire Inside*, co-created by a professional, Atlanta-based film director and a religious studies scholar in the Religion and Ecology Group. The screening will be followed a discussion of the themes of the film and the provocative questions it raises. Such questions include: Does contemplative practice matter when there is so much on-the-ground work to be done? If so, how does it matter? How do people connect across religious and spiritual differences to work toward climate change mitigation, adaptation and resilience? Our hope and intention is that such questions will spark a thoughtful and engaging conversation. We have also found, from prior screenings, that audience members often feel that simply viewing the film is a contemplative experience in and of itself. Our hope also, then, is to provide an experiential getaway for those who desire a contemplative experience in the midst of the hectic pace of the Annual Meeting!

Panelists:

Rebecca Kneale Gould, Middlebury College

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

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## A23-403



### Program Unit Chairs' and Steering Committee Members' Reception

Monday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-AAR Suite

Program Unit Chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception celebrating their contributions to the AAR Annual Meeting.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

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## A24-100

### Ethics Section

Theme: **Political Asceticism: Practices of Disobedience and Imagination**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge, Presiding

Karline McLain, Bucknell University

*Gandhi's Ashrams: Residential Experiments in Spiritual and Political Asceticism*

Alda Balthrop-Lewis, Princeton University

*Thoreau's "Free Labor": Asceticism against Slavery in Walden*

Brian Hamilton, University of Notre Dame

*Barefoot and Angry: Poverty as Provocation in Medieval Religious Movements*

Responding:

David Brakke, Ohio State University

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## A24-101

### Religion and the Social Sciences Section

Theme: **Developments in Ecclesial and Congregational Relationships in Belgium, Latin America, and the US**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt-Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

Ann B. McClenahan, Boston Theological Institute, Presiding

Emily Sigalow, Brandeis University, Presiding

Jelle Creemers, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit

*Making Friends with the Unrighteous Mammon: How Evangelical Free Churches in Belgium Redefined Themselves in View of Government Subsidies (1980–2015)*

Robert Haynes, Durham University

*Pilgrimage to the Other: Exploring U.S. American Short-Term Missioners' Views of Their Latin American and Caribbean Hosts as Objects of Pilgrimage*

Paul D. Numrich, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Trinity Lutheran Seminary

*Sacred Assemblies under the Same Roof: How Groups Share Common Space for Religious Purposes*

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## A24-102



### Teaching Religion Section

Theme: **Service Learning 2.0: New Models for Collaborative Learning**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding

Donna Yarri, Alvernia University

*Service Learning in "The Ethical Treatment of Animals" Course*

Meghan T. Sweeney, Boston College

*What's Next? Service Learning Meets Social Entrepreneurship: Possibilities and Cautions*

Mara Brecht, Saint Norbert College

*Serving by Storytelling: Teaching Muslim and Christian Theologies Dialogically*

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## A24-103

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### Animals and Religion Group and Contemplative Studies Group and Religion and Ecology Group and Space, Place, and Religion Group

Theme: **The Value of Religious Studies in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Higher Education: Place-Based Pedagogy in the Southern U.S.**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt-Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Isabel Mukonyora, Western Kentucky University, Presiding

Panelists:

Joseph Witt, Mississippi State University

David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University

A. Whitney Sanford, University of Florida

Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University

Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University

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## A24-104



### Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group

Theme: **Aesthetics and Modernity with Bonhoeffer**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt-Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Craig J. Slane, Simpson University, Presiding

Joseph McGarry, St Margaret's Anglican Church, Auckland, New Zealand

*Bonhoeffer, Cervantes, and The Real: Don Quixote and Its Contemplative Influence on Bonhoeffer's Theology*

Winston Persaud, Emory University

*Life as Art in the Immanent Frame: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Charles Taylor in Conversation*

Javier Garcia, University of Cambridge

*Key Questions for Latino Pentecostals: Negotiating Race, Pluralism, and Ecumenism in Dialogue with Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

Business Meeting:

Jennifer McBride, Wartburg College, Presiding

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**Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM**

## A24-105

### Mysticism Group and Western Esotericism Group

Theme: **A Twentieth Century Mystic and Esotericist: Valentin Tomberg**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Marco Pasi, University of Amsterdam, Presiding

Glenn McCullough, University of Toronto  
*The Gnostic Christian: Valentin Tomberg's Integration of C.G. Jung's Gnostic Psychology with Catholic Orthodoxy*

Michael Stoeber, University of Toronto  
*Reincarnation in Christian Hermeticism: Valentin Tomberg's View of Soul-Making Rebirth and Roman Catholicism*

Helmut Zander, University of Fribourg  
*Esoteric Catholic Spirituality: The Tomberg-Network and the Spirituality of Reincarnation and Grace*

## A24-106

### Religions, Social Conflict, and Peace Group

Theme: **Religious Practices for Nonviolence, Social Healing, and Peacebuilding**

Tuesday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Marriott-L402 (Lobby Level)

Lane Van Ham, Metropolitan Community College, Penn Valley, Presiding

Trelawney J. Grenfell-Muir, University of Massachusetts, Boston  
*Strategies in the Minefield: The Effect of Leadership Style, Personality, Social Power, and Context on Activism Levels in Northern Ireland Clergy Peacebuilders*

Siti Sarah Muwahidah, Emory University  
*Everyday Peacebuilding and Sunni-Shi'i Coexistence in Indonesia*

Mehmet Salih Sayilgan, Catholic University of America  
*Said Nursi's Ethics of Non-Violence: Implications to Rene Girard's Mimetic Scapegoat Theory*

Ross Kane, University of Virginia  
*Social Healing through Hybrid and Syncretic Sacrifice in South Sudan*

## A24-107

### Religion and Politics Section

Theme: **Critical Perspectives on Middle East Political Movements: Human Rights in Historical and Contemporary Contexts**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-L405 (Lobby Level)

Vincent Biondo, California State University, Fresno, Presiding

Rachel Scott, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University  
*The Egyptian Constitution of 2014: Islamic Law, Christians, and the Return of the Millet?*

Doug Rossinow, Metropolitan State University  
*Writing the History of American Zionism: National, Transnational, and Postnational Perspectives*

Sarah Eltantawi, Evergreen State College  
*Nahda vs. Sunna: Tracing the Genealogy of the Muslim Brotherhood Movement in Egypt from 1928–Today to Understand Contemporary Islamic Movements*

## A24-108

### Study of Judaism Section

Theme: **Catastrophe! Judaism and Disasters**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Williams (Atlanta Conference Level)

Benjamin Sax, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding

David Gottlieb, University of Chicago  
*How to Remember a Catastrophe: Sacrifice as a Template for "Midrashic Memory"*

Tim Langille, University of Pittsburgh  
*Affective Collective Memory in Second Temple Judaism*

Una Stroda, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago  
*Inferno by Yael Bartana — Is This a Joke?*

Jennifer Caplan, Syracuse University  
*Tza'ar Ba'alei Chayim? Jews as Predators and Prey in the Zombie Apocalypse*

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## A24-109

### Roman Catholic Studies Group

Theme: **Public Catholicism and the American Experience**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Amy Koehlinger, Oregon State University, Presiding

Bradley Kime, University of Virginia  
*Religious Outsiders and the Catholic Critique of Protestantism in America*

Michael Pfeifer, City University of New York  
*The Strange Career of New Orleans Catholicism: Race and the Transformation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in the Twentieth Century*

Claire Wolfteich, Boston University  
*Public Leadership, Mothering, and Catholic Spirituality: Analyzing Life Writing of Dorothy Day and Dolores Huerta*

Kathleen Garces-Foley, Marymount University  
*Reframing Cultural Diversity in the Church*

Responding:

Anthony Burke Smith, University of Dayton

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## A24-110



### Status of Persons with Disabilities in the Profession Committee

Theme: **Cultivating Cultures of Accessibility in the Academy and the Classroom: An Interactive Workshop with Margaret Price**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A707 (Atrium Level)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University, Presiding

In this interactive workshop, acclaimed disability studies scholar Margaret Price invites participants to think about the spaces, both physical and virtual, of academic life. Focusing on the concepts of “space” and “time,” Price asks us to reconsider certain long-held values of academic life, including notions of productivity, participation, collegiality, and independence. College classrooms, job interviews, and academic conferences assume certain habits of mind that can be deeply exclusionary. Combining insightful critique with concrete strategies for transforming pedagogy and policy, Price offers us an opportunity to reimagine how we teach and learn together. How might faculty, administrators, and students work together to fashion educational spaces that are more broadly accessible? How can we cultivate academic cultures that promote human flourishing, that make space for diverse bodies and minds? And finally, how can we move past a model of individual “accommodation” to design participatory and just spaces in which to work together? Margaret Price is an Associate Professor of English at Spelman College.

Her book, *Mad at School: Rhetorics of Mental Disability and Academic Life* (University of Michigan, 2011), won the Conference on College Composition and Communication Outstanding Book Award in 2013. She is now at work on a mixed-methods study of disabled faculty and disability disclosure in higher education.

Panelist:

Margaret Price, Spelman College

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## A24-111

### Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

Theme: **A Story of One's Own: Authorizing Mosaics of American Women's Religious Experience**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

Alexis S. Wells, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Laura McTighe, Columbia University  
*“In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens”: The Spiritual Work of History-Making in Post-Katrina New Orleans*

Meredith Coleman-Tobias, Emory University  
*Audre and Africa: Reconsidering Lorde's Rites/Rights*

Jessica B. Davenport, Rice University  
*Multiplicity in Text and Image: Carrie Mae Weems's Kitchen Table Series as a Quest for Complex Subjectivity*

Meredith Doster, Emory University  
*Dancing with Dissidence: Sue Monk Kidd's Secret Life of Self*

Responding:

Rosetta E. Ross, Spelman College

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## A24-112

### Buddhism Section and Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

Theme: **Tibetan Teachers, Tibetan Performers: Can Performance Theories Help Us Understand Buddhist Pedagogical Practices?**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A702 (Atrium Level)

Michael Sheehy, Tibetan Buddhist Resource Center, Cambridge, MA, Presiding

Joshua Schapiro, Fordham University  
*Performative Framing and Reflexivity: Patrul Rinpoche's Teachings about Teaching*

Elizabeth Monson, Harvard University  
*The Performance of Truth Telling: Spiritual Transformation in the Writings of Drukpa Kunle (1455–1529)*

Annabella Pitkin, Barnard College, Columbia University  
*Dazzling Displays and Mysterious Departures: Bodhisattva Pedagogy as Performance in the Biographies of Two Twentieth Century Tibetan Buddhist Masters*

Ryan Jones, McGill University  
*Performativity and Personhood between Teachers and Students in Tibetan Buddhist Preliminary Practices (Sngon 'Gro)*

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

## A24-113

### Comparative Studies in Religion Section

Theme: **Digitally Mapping Religion through the Senses**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-Imperial A (Marquis Level)

David Stowe, Michigan State University, Presiding

Digital mapping platforms offer exciting possibilities for representing how religions “take place” in particular geographic contexts. The four panelists in this session are all working on projects that aim to map the shifting religious landscapes of the regions in which they work (the American Midwest, Southeast, and upstate New York) by focusing on the sights and sounds of religious life. They are each leading collaborative research projects that make use of photography, audio recording, and digital mapping as tools for interpreting the diverse and changing character of their local religious environments. In this session, panelists will offer examples of their works-in-progress and will reflect on the significance of engaging the senses for research, teaching, and more, broadly, the comparative study of religion. This session has also created a companion stand-alone “soundscape station” installed in the conference space, open to all AAR attendees throughout the conference.

Panelists:

Isaac Weiner, Ohio State University

Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University

S. Brent Plate, Hamilton College

Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University

## A24-114

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### History of Christianity Section

Theme: **Small Gods: Fairies, Demons, and Nature Spirits at the Margins of Christianity**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

Michael Ostling, University of Queensland, Presiding

Lisa Bitel, University of Southern California  
*Spirits, Saints, and the Sid in Early Medieval Ireland*

Éva Pócs, University of Pécs  
*Angels and Others: Christianity and Folk Demonology in Hungarian Healing Practices*

Hans Broedel, University of North Dakota  
*Text, Testimony, Faith, and Reason: Early Modern Protestant Divines Contemplate the Existence of Marvelous Creatures*

Ülo Valk, University of Tartu

*The Devil and Nature Spirits between Christianization and Nation Building*

Responding:

Misty Bastian, Franklin and Marshall College

## A24-115

### Philosophy of Religion Section

Theme: **Sacrifice and Secularism: Embodied Economies of Value**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L508 (Lobby Level)

Jill Petersen Adams, Emory University, Presiding

M. Gail Hamner, Syracuse University  
*Secularity, Sacrifice, Impasse*

Laura S. Levitt, Temple University  
*Secular Relics*

Donovan Schaefer, University of Oxford  
*Imaging Postsecular Sacrifice: Calvary and Economies of Attachment*

Johannes Zachhuber, University of Oxford  
*The Secularization of Sacrificial Discourse and Its Theological Background*

## A24-116

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### Study of Islam Section

Theme: **Assessing the Role of Sunna and Hadith**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-L401 (Lobby Level)

Frederick Colby, University of Oregon, Presiding

Nebil Husayn, Princeton University  
*When Ali Was without Equal: Tafdil Ali in Proto-Sunni Thought*

Rebecca Williams, University of South Alabama  
*Did Ibn Kathir Practice What He Preached? Methodology and Content in the Sira and Tafsir*

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia  
*Emotion and Cognition in the Sunnah*

Joel Blecher, Washington and Lee University  
*ISIS, Classical Hadith Commentary, and the Revival of Slavery*

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## A24-117

### Theology and Religious Reflection Section

Theme: **Public and Counterpublic Theologies: Methods Amidst Fracture and Plurality**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago, Presiding

Olivia Bustion, University of Chicago

*Particularity without Provincialism: Public Theology as Dramaturgy*

Julius Crump, University of Chicago

*Evil as (a) Good: Public Theology, Public Conversation, and a Language of Faith*

Jessica Smith, Emory University

*Articulating, De-articulating, Re-articulating: Theology Going Public with Its Capitalist Bedfellows*

Rick Elgendy, Wesley Theological Seminary

*On Keeping Public Theology Both “Public” and “Theological”: Liturgical Participation and the Production of Knowledge*

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## A24-118

### Women and Religion Section

Theme: **Who’s a Sinner, Who’s a Slave? Sex Trafficking and the Rescue Industry**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 1 (International Level)

SueJeanne Koh, Duke University, Presiding

Panelists:

Amey Victoria Adkins, Duke University

Yvonne Zimmerman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

Letitia M. Campbell, Emory University

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## A24-119

### Childhood Studies and Religion Group

Theme: **Child Theologies: Rethinking Doctrines and Practices with Attention to Childhood**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A705 (Atrium Level)

Sally Stamper, Seton Hall University, Presiding

Joseph Morgan-Smith, Duquesne University

*Toward a Lutheran Program of Moral Education: Or, Why Luther Bribed Children to Pray*

Natalie Carnes, Baylor University

*Children and the Mysteries of Habituation*

Marcia Bunge, Gustavus Adolphus College

*Diverse Approaches to Child Theologies: Exploring Child Theology Projects in England, South Africa, and the United States*

DJ Konz, Aberdeen University

*Barth’s Child: The Concept and Challenge of the Child in and to the Theology of Karl Barth, with Constructive Proposals for Doctrine and Practice*

Responding:

Mary Ann Hinsdale, Boston College

Amy Marga, Luther Seminary, Saint Paul

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## A24-120

### Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence Group

Theme: **Religion, Violence, and the Social Imaginary**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 3 (International Level)

Margo Kitts, Hawaii Pacific University, Presiding

M. Christian Green, Emory University

*Questionable Martyrdom: Contemporary Disputes over Its Nature and Scope*

Kelly Denton-Borhaug, Moravian College

*Is It Sweet to Die? Sacrificial Rhetoric and Discipline in U.S. Ways of War*

Sharmin Sadequee, Michigan State University

*Islam in “Guantanamo North”: Communications Management Units (CMU) and Questions of Disjuncture and Violence*

James G. Kroemer, Concordia University, Mequon

*“Fight for the Cause of Christ”: Bernard of Clairvaux’s Rationale for Sacred Violence*

Elizabeth Margaret Bounds, Emory University

Georgette Ledgeister, Emory University

*Priests and Practices: Religion as a Social Imaginary for War and Sustainable Peace in Liberia*

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## A24-121

### Interreligious and Interfaith Studies Group

Theme: **Sharing the Sacred? On the Ritual Dimension of Interreligious Encounters**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Jeannine Hill Fletcher, Fordham University

*When Practice Precedes Theory: A Study of Interfaith Ritual*

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

*Interreligious Learning vs. Interreligious Misappropriation: Gandhian Criteria for Assessing Forms of Multiple Religious Participation*

Richard Kearney, Boston College

*Sharing the Sacred: Towards an Open Eucharist*

Marianne Moyaert, VU University Amsterdam

*On Ritual Boundaries: Inter-Riting and Its Limits*

Samuel Etikpah, University of Oslo

*Festival as Diap Praxis: Interreligious Convivance and Community Development in Ghana*

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## A24-122

### Latina/o Critical and Comparative Studies Group

Theme: **Fieldwork and Methodologies in the Study of Latina/o Religious Communities**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-M104 (Marquis Level)

Theresa Torres, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Presiding

Panelists:

Neomi De Anda, University of Dayton

Lara Medina, California State University, Northridge

Gastón Espinosa, Claremont McKenna College

## A24-123

### Theology and Continental Philosophy Group

Theme: **Micrologics of the Postsecular**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-International 7 (International Level)

Stephen Keating, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

An Yountae, Lebanon Valley College

*Poetics of Creolization: Rethinking the Spiritual beyond the Secular Coloniality/Modernity*

Amaryah Jones-Armstrong, Vanderbilt University

*Disinheriting Supersession: Black Theology and the Politics of the Flesh*

Beatrice Marovich, University of North Dakota

*In the Wreckage of Life's Sanctity: Death and Postsecularity*

Alex Dubilet, Vanderbilt University

*Undecidable Acts of Subversion: Thinking the Postsecular with Pussy Riot's "Punk Prayer"*

Responding:

Anthony Paul Smith, La Salle University

## P24-141

### Søren Kierkegaard Society

Theme: **Kierkegaard and Biblical Hermeneutics in Conversation**

Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Embassy F (International Tower Level LL2)

Kyle Roberts, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding

Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield

*"I, Nebuchadnezzar, Am No Longer Nebuchadnezzar": Decolonizing the Mind in Kierkegaard, Fanon, and Glissant*

Andrew Torrance, University of Saint Andrews

*When Scripture Gets in the Way: A Kierkegaardian Note of Caution*

Mari Leesment, University of Toronto

*Kierkegaard Explains Ecclesiastes: Contradictions as a Reflection of the Limits of Wisdom for Describing Life Under God*

Silas Morgan, Loyola University Chicago

*On the Troubles of Thinking Postcolonially about Kierkegaard*

## A24-124

### Christian Systematic Theology Section

Theme: **Knowing and Speaking of God**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-M106 (Marquis Level)

Junius Johnson, Baylor University, Presiding

Devon Abts, King's College London

*"Christ Plays in Ten Thousand Places": A Study in Poetry, Imagination, and Trinitarian Theology*

Daniel Robinson, Graduate Theological Union

*Clement of Alexandria's Strategy of Symbiosis with Hellenistic Epistemology*

Won Jae Hur, Boston College

*"In Lively Sentience with Another": An Embodied Model of Knowing God in Edith Stein's Later Works*

## A24-125

### North American Religions Section and Mormon Studies Group and Ritual Studies Group

Theme: **Women and Healing in Nineteenth-Century Mormonism**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-International 6 (International Level)

Kate Holbrook, LDS Church History Department, Salt Lake City, UT, Presiding

Susanna Morrill, Lewis and Clark College

*Women, Health, and Identity in Early Mormonism*

Kristine Wright, Guelph, ON

*"I Have Had Seasons of Being Better but Never Well": Chronicity, Ritual Failure, and Mormon Identity*

Responding:

Samuel Brown, University of Utah School of Medicine

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**A24-126****Religion in South Asia Section**Theme: **The Religious in Sanskrit Drama: A City, a Story, a Lesson**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-A706 (Atrium Level)

Bruce M. Sullivan, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

Seth Ligo, Duke University

*Stories of Kāśī: Narrative and the Realization of Sacred Space*

Nell Hawley, University of Chicago

*"Behave like Rāma, Not like Rāvaṇa:" Theorizing Conflict between Epic Stories and Moral Lessons*

Aleksandra Gordeeva, Yale University

*Religion and Literary Theory in Jain and Hindu Dramas*

Responding:

Laurie Louise Patton, Middlebury College

**A24-127****Contemporary Islam Group**Theme: **Forgetting the Indic for the "Islamic": Exploring the Development of Khōjā Caste Memory**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Nargis Virani, New York, NY, Presiding

Iqbal Akhtar, University of Edinburgh

*The Chronicle of Light: Khōjā Cosmology in the Periphery of Indic Islam*

Karim Gillani, University of Alberta

*The Contestation of Indic Khoja Oral Literature (Ginans) as "Islamic"*

Responding:

Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

**A24-128****Law, Religion, and Culture Group and Religion, Colonialism, and Postcolonialism Group**Theme: **Negotiating the Religious-Secular Distinction in the Colonial Marketplace**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Richard Amesbury, Universität Zürich, Presiding

Kenneth Richards, University of North Carolina

*Sovereign Exchange: The Force of Religious Freedom in Eighteenth Century Maine*

Alexander Rocklin, Willamette University

*Making Laborers into Sadhus: The Politics of the Category Religion in a Plantation Economy*

J. Brent Crosson, University of Texas

*Religion against the Law: Re-Valuing Obeah in the Caribbean*

Stephanie Wright, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Islam Incorporated: Halal Foods and the Anxieties of Secular Consumption***A24-129****Sociology of Religion Group and Critical Research on Religion**Theme: **Cultural Warriors and Counter-Publics: Redescribing Identity in the Sociology of Religion**

Tuesday, 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Warren S. Goldstein, Harvard University, Presiding

Sorcha Brophy, Yale University

*Orthodoxy as Project: Maintaining Ideological Identity in an American Protestant Denomination*

Brian Carwana, University of Toronto

*Evangelicalism and Secularism: Christian Lobbyists Confront the Affective Regimes of a Liberal Public Square*

Amy McDowell, University of Mississippi

*Challenging Islamophobia: Images of Muslim Masculinity and Femininity in Taqwa-core Punk Rock*

Jin Sook Kim, Graduate Theological Union

*Performing Gender and the Death Drive: A Lacanian Interpretation of Gender Practice*

Responding:

David Feltmate, Auburn University, Montgomery

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# SOCIETY INFORMATION

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The mission of the Society of Biblical Literature is to foster biblical scholarship. This mission is accomplished through seven strategic goals:

- ✧ Collaborate with educational institutions and other appropriate organizations to support biblical scholarship and teaching
- ✧ Develop resources for diverse audiences, including students, religious communities and the general public
- ✧ Encourage study of biblical literature and its cultural contexts
- ✧ Facilitate broad and open discussion from a variety of perspectives
- ✧ Offer members opportunities for mutual support, intellectual growth, and professional development as teachers and scholars
- ✧ Organize congresses for scholarly exchange
- ✧ Publish biblical scholarship

These strategic goals are, in turn, pursued through a number of SBL programs and initiatives under the leadership of SBL volunteers and staff.

## PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

### **Congresses**

The Society's meetings bring together scholars from around the world to foster biblical scholarship by:

- ✧ showcasing the latest in biblical research
- ✧ fostering collegial contacts
- ✧ advancing research
- ✧ highlighting a wide range of professional issues

### **Annual Meeting**

The North American Annual Meeting is the largest international gathering of biblical scholars in the world. Each meeting highlights the study of the Bible, archaeology, related languages and literatures, theology, religion, and contemporary issues such as the Bible in American public education. The Annual Meeting also features the world's largest exhibit of books and digital resources for biblical studies—all of which are also for sale at this congress. Members benefit from the meetings of other organizations that convene at the same time.

### **International Meeting**

The International Meeting is held annually outside North America. Drawing between 500 and 800 attendees from over 40 countries, the size and varying locales of this meeting provide a unique and intimate forum for scholarly discourse across continents. The program draws attention to the regional interests of biblical scholarship, both in our host institution and as represented in the institutions of our attendees. The meeting usually takes place between the beginning of July and the middle of August.

### **Publications and Technology**

SBL Publications offers a wide variety of resources for biblical studies specialists as well as students in colleges, universities, and seminaries; leaders in church and synagogue settings; and members of the general public. Books published include major reference works, commentaries, text editions and translations, scholarly monographs, tools for teaching and research, and works of general interest. In addition, the SBL serves as the exclusive distributor of all Brown Judaic Studies volumes and as the North American distributor of works by Sheffield Phoenix Press. The *Journal of Biblical Literature* is one of the oldest and most distinguished journals in biblical scholarship, while the online *Review of Biblical Literature* offers the most comprehensive review of biblical studies publications. The Society also sponsors the online journal *TC: A Journal of Biblical Textual Criticism and The Online Critical Pseudepigrapha*. Finally, the Society continues to provide leadership for font development, markup standards, and digitization of primary sources through partnerships with museums and related institutions.

## THE PROFESSION

### **Career Resources**

The Society provides resources for employment and professional development information in a variety of ways. Through its Annual Meeting, the Society offers career development and job listing and interview resources, with which employers are able to list job openings online for member access, and members are able to register to display their Curriculum Vitae and interview with employers. Beginning in 2011, SBL and AAR held their Annual Meetings concurrently, as well as one jointly sponsored Employment Center at the Annual Meetings. The Center includes all of the services AAR and SBL have offered independently, including the ability to list jobs online and to display candidate credentials and register for interviews. Plans are underway to create a single job-listing site, which will be managed jointly by SBL and AAR. The societies also offer helpful events such as panel reviews of pertinent topics that focus on the "how to" of the application and job-interview process.

## ***Career Development Committee***

The SBL Professional Development Committee addresses the variety of needs that arise throughout the career life cycle of all the society's members. Its major responsibilities are to:

- ☞ focus on all aspects of the career landscape and life cycle, including the ways in which our members' identities and personal lives intersect with their careers
- ☞ develop resources for members in all institutional locations
- ☞ educate members regarding professional issues, especially when new concerns arise (e.g., the rise of adjunct positions over tenure track, cultural taxation, retirement planning in a depressed economy)
- ☞ advocate with other organizations on behalf of the interests and needs of members

## ***International Cooperation Initiative***

The Society's International Cooperation Initiative (ICI) was launched in 2007, and each year SBL has seen growth in participation and interest from scholars and students from all over the globe. From the initial organizational meeting in Vienna to this 2014 gathering in the same city, ICI has established an online depository of published resources available freely to anyone in ICI countries; initiated two online, open-access monograph series; set up a communications network of liaisons; sponsored a database of scholars to facilitate scholarly exchange, mentoring programs, and possibilities for collaborative teaching; provided over four hundred students and scholars in ICI countries with special rates for SBL membership; and maintained a calendar of events covering biblical studies and related conferences all over the world.

## ***ICI Online Books***

The Online Book depository now has over four hundred titles from SBL and our publishing partners: Brown Judaic Studies, Catholic Biblical Association, Fortress Press, Gorgias Press, Sheffield Phoenix Press, Westminster John Knox, and Wiley-Blackwell.

## ***Open-Access Monograph Series***

**Ancient Near East Monographs (ANEM)** is a co-publication effort between SBL and the Centro de Estudios de Historia del Antiguo Oriente at the Universidad Católica Argentina. The series currently has seven published titles available online, with five of the titles available through print-on-demand.

**International Voices in Biblical Studies (IVBS)** is guided by an editorial board comprised of international scholars. The series is designed to provide a venue for publication and distribution of scholarly work from all areas of the world, and to particularly make the excellent scholarship from underresourced areas available to the more traditional centers of biblical scholarship. The five titles published to date are all available online or through print-on-demand.

## ***ICI Liaison Network***

In order to facilitate worldwide communications, the Liaison Network engages scholars in ICI countries to facilitate the two-way flow of information pertaining to SBL and global biblical scholarship. A monthly newsletter serves the ICI liaisons and other interested parties by providing updates to conferences, publications, and other SBL news.

## ***ICI Scholarly Exchange***

SBL hosts two databases that allow scholars, students, and institutions to establish contact and make arrangements for various types of scholarly exchange. Members have discovered opportunities to teach in other countries and have found creative ways to use technology in order to share teaching experiences with classrooms on other continents.

## ***Global Participation in the SBL Annual Meeting***

SBL has committed to engage scholars and students who would not otherwise have opportunities to participate in the Annual Meeting by transmitting live broadcasts of selected sessions. In 2013, sessions were broadcast from the Baltimore meeting to groups in Bolivia, Brazil, Egypt, Ghana, India, Nigeria, Peru, Poland, South Africa, and Ukraine. Plans for the 2014 San Diego meeting include a continuation of this program, with hopes of engaging audiences from additional countries.

## ***Status of Women in the Profession Committee***

The Status of Women in the Profession Committee encourages the participation of women in all areas of biblical studies. In pursuit of this mandate, the committee focuses its efforts in the areas of mentoring, networking, and opening biblical studies to greater participation by women. Funding is given for a limited number of non-North American women to attend congresses.

## ***Student Advisory Board***

Started in 2005, the purpose of this advisory group is to coordinate student participation across all Society activities, committees, and programs in an effort to foster greater opportunities for student participation and leadership development. The explicit goals of this group are to:

- ☞ facilitate a greater connection between students and the Society with a view toward lifetime membership, volunteer involvement, and leadership
- ☞ provide resources and programming specifically geared toward student members
- ☞ to develop and groom the next generation of leaders

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### ***Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities Committee***

The Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee has long supported the recruitment and mentoring of racial and ethnic minority students from among the African American, Asian, Hispanic, and Native American populations.

### ***Regions***

Throughout the academic year, the regions coordinate lectures and conferences that keep the regions active and up to date in the latest biblical research and teaching. These meetings provide an intimate setting for scholarly exchange.

### ***Regional Scholars Program***

The eleven regions identify exemplary new scholars, particularly women and underrepresented minorities, for consideration and selection as one of the Society's Regional Scholars. A maximum of six regional scholars are selected each year and given stipends to cover a portion of the cost of attending the Annual Meeting.

### ***Administration***

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# SBL AWARDS AND GRANTS

## Regional Scholars' Program

The Regional Scholars' Program has been developed by the Society of Biblical Literature's Council of Regional Coordinators to recognize promising younger scholars in the field of biblical studies. Its objective is to encourage their intellectual development through a mentoring program and to provide practical assistance in securing a place to present their work at the Society's Annual Meeting.

Information on the application process is available from the Regional Coordinator of each region. For more information about regions, including a list of Regional Coordinators and the Regional Scholar Award program policy, visit the SBL website at <http://www.sbl-site.org/meetings/regionalMeetings.aspx>.

## James Barker



James Barker is currently Assistant Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity at Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee. His research focuses on the production and reception of the Gospels, and he received his Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University in 2011. His revised dissertation, *John's Use of Matthew*, was directed by Amy-Jill Levine and is forthcoming from Fortress Press. In 2014 James received the Paul J. Achtemeier

Award for New Testament Scholarship for his essay, "Ancient Compositional Practices and the Gospels: A Reassessment," which is forthcoming in the *Journal of Biblical Literature*. He has also published "The Reconstruction of Kaige/Quinta Zechariah 9,9" in *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft*.

## Tucker Ferda



Tucker Ferda is a Ph.D. candidate in the Cooperative Doctoral Program in Religion at the University of Pittsburgh and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He earned his M.T.S. degree from Duke in 2009. His research focuses on the Gospels, the historical Jesus, Second Temple Judaism, and the history of biblical interpretation. He has published articles on a wide range of topics in the *Journal of*

*Theological Studies* (forthcoming), *Journal of Biblical Literature*, *Novum Testamentum*, *Journal for the Study of Judaism*, *Dead Sea Discoveries*, *Biblica*, *Biblical Interpretation*, *Journal for the Study of the Historical Jesus*, and has contributed numerous articles to the *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception*. His dissertation, nearly finished, investigates the theory of a "Galilean crisis" in the ministry of the historical Jesus. He teaches undergraduate religion courses at the University of Pittsburgh, and graduate level Greek and other New Testament courses at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

## Ian Douglas Wilson



Ian Douglas Wilson is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Alberta. His dissertation, which he will defend in March 2015, is entitled "Kingship Remembered and Imagined: Monarchy in the Hebrew Bible and Postmonarchic Discourse in Ancient Judah." In 2013, he received the Andrew Stewart Memorial Graduate Prize in recognition of his research at the University of Alberta, and the Zita and John Rosen

Teaching Award, the University's top honor for graduate student instructors. His primary research interests are social remembering, identity formation, and sociopolitics in ancient Judah, especially in the early Second Temple era. Other interests include historical theory and historiography, theories of religion, and Near Eastern archaeology and the interpretation of material artifacts. His scholarly articles have appeared in publications such as *Harvard Theological Review*, *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament*, and *Zeitschrift für die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft*.

## Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship



We are pleased to announce that the 2015 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Andrew W. Pitts (Chair, Biblical Studies Department and Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies, Arizona Christian University) for his paper entitled, "The Genre of the Third Gospel and Greco-Roman Historiography: A Reconsideration." Andrew, a member of SBL since 2005, received his Ph.D. from

McMaster Divinity College in 2014. He serves as an editor for *Early Christianity in its Hellenistic Context* (Brill, 2013-present), an ongoing series of edited volumes devoted to advancing understanding of Christian origins.

The goal of the Achtemeier Award is to stimulate the finest and most penetrating work in New Testament studies and to foster the future of biblical scholarship. To that end, the award is given to a member who has completed her/his doctorate within the last ten years. There is a cash award of \$1,000. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories:

- ✧ persuasive thesis that engages the New Testament and demonstrates quality of scholarship and significance in the field,
- ✧ clarity of expression and thought, and
- ✧ originality and creativity.

The 2015 Achtemeier Award Committee consisted of Warren Carter (Brite Divinity School), and Adela Yarbro Collins (Yale Divinity School), and Laurence L. Welborn (Fordham University). The call for papers for the 2016 Paul J. Achtemeier Award will open by October 15, 2015.

### ***David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship***



We are pleased to announce that the 2015 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Jonathan Kaplan (Assistant Professor, Department of Middle Eastern Studies faculty affiliate, Department of Religious Studies, Schusterman Center for Jewish Studies, and Medieval Studies Program, The University of Texas at Austin) for his paper entitled, “Sefer Mosheh or Sefer Morashah? Reconsidering ‘the Torah’ in 4QMMT.” Jonathan is the author of

the forthcoming monograph *My Perfect One: Typology and Early Rabbinic Interpretation of Song of Songs* (Oxford University Press, 2015). He has published articles in JBL, HUCA, HTR, and JNES. He has been a member of SBL since 1999 and will attend the 2015 Annual Meeting in Atlanta. Please join us in congratulating Jonathan for this honor.

The goal of the Freedman Award is to promote excellence and creativity in Hebrew Bible scholarship. The award is given to a member who has received a Ph.D. or Th.D., in biblical studies or related field since 2003. There is an award of \$1,000.00. Papers for this award are evaluated on the basis of three categories:

- ☞ persuasive thesis that engages the Hebrew Bible,
- ☞ clarity of expression and thought, and
- ☞ originality and creativity.

The 2015 award committee is comprised of John Huddleston (College of Charleston), Mark Wade Hamilton (Abilene Christian University), and Cynthia Chapman (Oberlin College). The call for papers for the 2016 David Noel Freedman Award will open by October 15, 2015.

### ***The Society of Biblical Literature – De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History***



In partnership with the Society of Biblical Literature, De Gruyter is delighted to announce Dr. David Jorgensen as the winner of this year’s SBL–De Gruyter Prize for Biblical Studies and Reception History. Dr. Jorgensen’s manuscript, “Treasure Hidden in a Field: Early Christian Exegesis of the Gospel of Matthew,” was selected as the 2015 winner by the prize committee.

De Gruyter supports this award with an annual cash prize of \$1,500 for the best recent unpublished dissertation or first monograph in biblical studies with special attention to submissions in the field of reception history. Winning manuscripts are published in an appropriate De Gruyter book series or, if no appropriate series exists, as stand-alone titles. The prize promotes the study of the reception history of the Bible and aims to highlight the broad impact of the Bible in a wide variety of historical contexts and cultural settings.

The 2016 Call for Papers for the SBL–De Gruyter Prize is currently open. More information on deadlines and eligibility can be found on the SBL website at [sbl-site.org/membership/DeGruyterAward.aspx](http://sbl-site.org/membership/DeGruyterAward.aspx).

### ***Travel Grants***

Congratulations to the 2015 SBL Travel Grant recipients:

#### **ANNUAL MEETING PARTICIPANT GRANT WINNERS**



**Doris Udoka Enede**  
Kogi State University  
(Nigeria)



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**Laurentiu Mot**  
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**Ruth Oluwakemi Oke**  
Federal College of  
Education, Abeokuta  
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The SBL Travel Grants offer opportunities to current SBL members to attend the Annual Meeting, participate in the program, enhance their professional development, and build their network with fellow scholars. These grants help facilitate the work of Program Units, the International Cooperation Initiative, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee, and other SBL Committees representing scholars in the field. These grants are intended to support underrepresented and underresourced scholars. As such, preference will be given to women, ethnic/racial minorities, and members from ICI-qualifying countries. A key criterion is an applicant’s demonstrable financial need.

The Travel Grant Committee members are representatives from the International Cooperation Initiative, Status of Women in the Profession Committee, Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee. This year’s committee included: Ehud Ben Zvi, Mignon Jacobs, Susanne Scholz, Uriah Kim, and Rodney Sadler. We would like express our sincere thanks to all applicants and donors of the Society. Your contributions to the Society of Biblical Literature strengthen our mission to foster *biblical scholarship* globally.

## Criticism in Critical Times: Reflections on Vision and Task

Saturday, November 21, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM • Marriott Marquis, Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

**Athalya Brenner-Idan, Professor Emerita of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Chair at the Faculty of The Humanities, Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and Research Associate at the Biblia Arabica Project, Tel Aviv University, will deliver the 2015 SBL Presidential Address.**

Athalya Brenner, Tel Aviv University, Presiding



Athalya Brenner-Idan (formerly Brenner) is a first generation Israeli, born to *Ostjuden* parents who emigrated just before the Second World war to the then British Mandate of Eretz Yisrael/Palestine. She was born and grew up in Haifa, Israel, in a socialist, non-religious if somewhat a traditional home and school environment. She had her primary and secondary education in Haifa.

The obligatory army service in the IDF, membership in a Kibbutz, and a year's stay in the Cape Province, South Africa, followed. She studied for the BA in biblical studies and English language and literature at Haifa University, for the MA in biblical studies at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and for the PhD in biblical studies at the department of near eastern studies, Manchester University, England. The subject of her PhD dissertation, later published by JSOT Press (1972), was *Colour Terms in the Old Testament*, and her PhD supervisor was the late Prof. James Barr. She holds an honorary PhD degree from the Protestant Faculty of Bonn University, Germany.

Brenner-Idan began her professional career at the department of biblical studies of Haifa University as a teaching assistant, eventually rising to the position of lecturer. In 1986 she was denied promotion and tenure at that department because of her growing interest in the emerging feminist criticisms of the bible in general, and because of her book *The Israelite Woman: Social Role and Literary Type in Biblical Narrative* (1985, second edition 2014) in particular. She left the University and then taught as an adjunct at various teachers' training colleges in and around Haifa (Oranim, Gordon) and at the department of general studies at the Technion, Haifa. In 1993 she was appointed as Professor of the Feminism and Christianity Chair at Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands. In 1997 she was appointed to the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Chair at the University of Amsterdam, from which she retired in 2008; she remains a research associate at the University. From 2008 till 2015 she taught and supervised graduate students at the biblical studies section, department of Hebrew culture studies, at Tel Aviv University, where she is now research associate in the Biblia Arabica project. Her professional trajectory includes periods of teaching Hebrew Bible to graduate students at Brite Divinity School, Fort Worth, Texas; and in The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin, Hong Kong. She is currently also extraordinary professor of biblical studies at the Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University, South Africa.

Brenner-Idan started, like many of her contemporaries, by occupying herself mainly by textual criticism. However, she soon discovered that she was interested first and foremost in the linguistic aspects of biblical texts, such as the semantics of biblical language and later strata of Hebrew, and cognate Semitic languages. This interest grew further during her graduate studies years. Simultaneously, she developed an interest in literary criticism of the Hebrew bible, using tools and methods from her English studies. In the early 1980's, following a wave of feminist grass activity in Israel, she began to study feminist criticism. This led to an awareness of the lack of feminist criticism of biblical texts: such works were very rare at the time. This interest in feminist criticism, or rather criticisms, has remained a major motivation for her work in decades to come. The combination of literary and feminist criticism led to the wish to anchor biblical scholarship in cultural studies. This led to studying and developing tools to study contextual approaches to biblical texts.

Brenner-Idan's publications follow her interests. She is the editor of *A Feminist Companion to the Bible*, the first nineteen volumes of which were published 1993–2001 (the first 10 volumes were translated into Portuguese; three volumes were edited together with Carole R. Fontaine), and whose last and twentieth volume has appeared this year (2015). Another series is the *Texts@Contexts*, in which she collaborated with Gale Yee and Archie Lee on producing four volumes so far (2010–2014), with a fifth and sixth volumes in preparation. In total, Brenner-Idan has edited over thirty books. Other books were edited within the framework of the *Amsterdam Studies in the Bible and Religion* series, and elsewhere. Her own writing includes: *Colour Terms in the Old Testament* (1982, also translated into Japanese); *On Gendering Texts* (1993, with the late Fokkelen van Dijk-Hemmes); *The Intercourse of Knowledge* (1997); *I Am: Biblical Women Tell their Own Stories* (2005); *The Israelite Woman* (1985, translated into Portuguese, and 2014). She has been on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Biblical Literature*, *Journal for the Study of the Old Testament*, *Semeia*, and the *Review of Biblical Literature*, among others.

Within the SBL Brenner-Idan has been chair and committee member of the Feminist Criticism and Contextual Biblical Interpretation (SBL and ISBL) units, as well as the editorial boards of *JBL* and *Semeia*.

# SBL PROGRAM SESSIONS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

## S20-101

### SBL Status of Women in the Profession Committee

9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

## S20-102/A20-106

### THATCamp 2015

9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Marriott - L504-L505 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **The Humanities and Technology Camp**

## S20-103

### SBL Nominating Committee

10:00 AM–1:00 PM

Hyatt - SBL Suite

## P20-111

### Westar Institute

10:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Young Leaders in Religion Forum Orientation**

Meet and greet fellow members and advisors of the Young Leaders in Religion Forum (YLRF). Get some tips on how to take full advantage of the week's events. Hear an update on future directions of the YLRF program and share your much-needed insights and ideas about what you'd like to see happen with the program.

Open to clergy and other leaders ages 20 to 45.

## S20-201

### SBL Finance Committee

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - SBL Suite

## P20-202

### Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–3:45 PM

Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar (SAHS)**

The Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar (SAHS) works with like-minded scholars to facilitate a renewal of biblical interpretation in the academy that will help reopen the Book for our cultures. It does so from an academic, ecumenical, interdisciplinary, communal, and Christian foundation. For further information contact Heath Thomas ([bthomas@seabts.edu](mailto:bthomas@seabts.edu)) and see <http://www.paideiacentre.ca/what-we-do/scripture-and-hermeneutics-seminar/history> as well as the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups). The SAHS/SADS Dinner will take place on Saturday at 7:15 PM.

### Topic: The Old Testament and Worldview

Heath Thomas, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Welcome (10 min)

William Olhausen, Scripture Reading and Prayer (5 min)

Al Wolters, Redeemer University College  
*Worldview and the Old Testament* (20 min)

Raymond Van Leeuwen, Eastern University  
*Pentateuch and Worldview* (15 min)

Koert van Bekkum, Theologische Universiteit Kampen voor de Gereformeerde Kerken  
*Worldview, Historiography, and OT Narrative* (15 min)

Jamie Grant, Highland Theological College  
*The Psalter, Worship, and Worldview* (15 min)

### Book Launch and Break

David Beldman, Redeemer University College  
*Wisdom and Worldview* (15 min)

Matthew Emerson, Oklahoma Baptist University  
*Old Testament Worldview and Early Christian Apocalypses* (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

## P20-203

### Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott - L507 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Board of Directors Meeting**

## S20-204

### SBL Regional Coordinators Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Marriott - L506 (Lobby Level)

## P20-205/A20-200

### The Qur'an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Towards a "Long Late Antiquity": Continuities from the pre-Islamic to the Islamic Era**

Co-sponsored by the AAR Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity group.

Michael Pregill, Boston University, Presiding

Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston  
*Law and Tradition in the Long Seventh Century (570–705) – Between Qur'an and Church Canon* (20 min)

Walter D. Ward, University of Alabama at Birmingham  
*The Pre-Islamic Image of the Word 'Saracen' and its Implications for Early Christian and Islamic Interactions* (20 min)

Cecilia Palombo, Princeton University  
*"Why Do the Rabbis and Religious Authorities Not Forbid them from Uttering Sinful Words?": Qur'anic and Late Antique Attitudes towards Religious Scholars* (20 min)

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Mushegh Asatryan, University of Calgary  
*Is Ghulat Religion Islamic Gnosticism? (1) The Shi'ite "Extremists" of Early Islamic Iraq (20 min)*

Dylan Burns, Freie Universität Berlin  
*Is Ghulat Religion Islamic Gnosticism? (2) Syro-Mesopotamian Gnostic Traditions (20 min)*

### S20-206

#### SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hilton - 314 (Level 3)

### S20-206a

#### SBL Using Performance to Teach the Bible/Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines

1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt - Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Workshop**

Preregistration for this workshop through Annual Meetings registration is required. This is our fourth annual workshop and sharing session on using performance to engage students and teachers with biblical texts. The workshop includes practical steps for internalizing a biblical text for performance, embodied techniques to explore a text, and various approaches to performance and interpretation. This workshop is followed by an opportunity to meet with other scholars in the Orality Networking Event (4:30 PM–6:00 PM). The pedagogy workshop will meet from 1 to 4:30 PM on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Registration limited to the first thirty people to sign up. For more information, contact Phil Ruge-Jones ([pruge-jones@thlu.edu](mailto:pruge-jones@thlu.edu)). Sponsored by the program unit The Bible in Ancient and Modern Media. Prior participant testimony: "This was one of the best workshops I have attended; it opens up new, practical ways of reading and teaching the bible."

### P20-206b

#### Westar Institute

1:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Impact of the Jewish Revolts against the Roman Empire on Jewish and Christian Identities**

The Westar Christianity Seminar is a research project to revisit key moments and partisan debates prior to the formation of the Christian canon in order to formulate new models for writing the history of early Christianity. The agenda for this meeting is to investigate connections between the Jewish wars in 66 and 130 CE and "early Christian" literature. Seminar members will ask not only how Roman imperial violence and infringements, but also changing Judean politics, loyalties, and self-understanding, shaped this literature and contributed to the emergence of "Christian" as an affiliation in this period. The format is a discussion of the pre-circulated papers to discover what can be learned that will benefit the overall aims of the Seminar.

The papers will be posted on the Westar website [www.westarinstitute.org](http://www.westarinstitute.org). SBL and AAR attendees are welcome to audit Westar's seminar meetings.

#### Session One: 1:00–2:45 PM

Christine R. Shea, Ball State University, Presiding

Maia Kotrosits, Denison University, Introduction (10 min)

Arthur Dewey, Xavier University  
*Switchback Codes: Paul, Apocalyptic, and the Art of Resistance (30 min)*

Lane C. McGaughey, Willamette University  
*God, ReTAlIation, and the Apocalyptic Scenario (30 min)*

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
*Integrative Issues and Voting (35 min)*

**First proposition:** The state-sponsored violence of the Roman Empire was a primary factor in the formation of "Christ groups" and early Christianity.

Break (30 min)

#### Session Two: 3:15–5:00 PM

Ruben R. Dupertuis, Trinity University, and Glenna S. Jackson, Otterbein University, Presiding

Heidi Wendt, Wright State University Main Campus  
*From the Herodians to Hadrian: The Shifting Status of Judean Religion in Post-Flavian Rome (45 min)*

Bernard Brandon Scott, Phillips Theological Seminary  
*Review and Evaluation of Martin Goodman's Rome and Jerusalem: Impact on the Rise of Christianity (30 min)*

Nina Livesey, University of Oklahoma  
*Integrative Issues and Voting (30 min)*

**Second proposition:** Diaspora theory provides the clearest frameworks for understanding the history of the Christ groups of the first two centuries.

**Third proposition:** Jesus's violent death served as an image for community belonging for some Christ and early Christian groups in the face of systemic and widespread imperial violence, nuancing their simultaneous belonging to and difference from some

Break (90 min)

Session Three: 6:30–8:00 PM

Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University, and Stephen J. Patterson, Willamette University, Presiding

John Marshall, University of Toronto  
*Judean War and Judean Diaspora: Class and Networks (45 min)*

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
*Integrative Issues and Voting (45 min)*

**Fourth proposition:** "Belonging" and "identity" are more complex analytical categories, and offer more social traction, than "religion" and "faith" for describing the process and content of the emergence of early Christianity.

**Fifth proposition:** Christ-groups should be understood primarily through their connection with and belonging to ancient Israel.

**P20-206a****Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

2:00 PM–7:30 PM

Marriott - M304 (Marquis Level)

**Theme: Pre-Meeting workshop for ATSI, FTE, HTI and NAIITS Doctoral Students on Teaching and Learning (By invitation only)**

A gathering of doctoral students associated with ATSI, FTE, HTI, and NAIITS in their final year of studies or at the dissertation writing stage to discuss particular issues about teaching and learning such as: What do you want your teaching to do in the world?; Community teaching and learning; Vocation and institutional contexts; Evaluation and assessment as ways for celebration and reflection on mutual growth; Collaboration in the first year(s) of teaching; Gifts we leave one another.

Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Esperanza College, Terry LeBlanc, NAIITS, Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, and Stephen Ray, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

**P20-207****Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars**

3:00 PM–9:00 PM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

**Theme: Studying Scripture Together as Anglicans and Lutherans**

All parts of the AABS meeting will be held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 435 Peachtree St. NE, Atlanta, GA 30308 (an 8-minute walk from the Marriott Marquis in the convention center). All are welcome. Our Lutheran colleagues are especially invited to participate fully for this year's theme. Advance reservations are required for the catered dinner. Information and cost will be posted at a later date on the AABS website: [www.aabs.org](http://www.aabs.org). Contact Elizabeth Struthers Malbon ([malbon@vt.edu](mailto:malbon@vt.edu)) if you have questions in the meantime.

3:00 PM – Executive Committee Meeting

Henrietta Wiley, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Presiding

4:00 PM – Gathering and Greeting

Frank Hughes, Diocese of Western Louisiana School of Theology, Presiding

5:00 PM – General Business Meeting

Henrietta Wiley, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Presiding

6:00 PM – Holy Eucharist

7:00 PM – Dinner

7:45 PM – Studying Scripture Together as Anglicans and Lutherans

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Walter Bouzard, Wartburg College

Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest

Raymond Pickett, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

**S20-208****SBL Professional Development Committee**

3:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

**S20-209****SBL Student Advisory Board**

3:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt - Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

**P20-311****Institute for Biblical Research**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

**Theme: Research Group: Wisdom and Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible**

The Wisdom and Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible research group focuses on the relationship between wisdom and prophecy and how these two aspects of Hebrew literature overlap and interact within the Scriptures. All are invited to attend and take part in the discussion. For further information, contact Russell L. Meek ([rmeek@mbts.edu](mailto:rmeek@mbts.edu)) and William R. Osborne ([wrosborne@cofo.edu](mailto:wrosborne@cofo.edu)) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

William Osborne, College of the Ozarks, Presiding

William R. Osborne, College of the Ozarks

*Wisdom Gets 'Tyred' in the Book of Ezekiel (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Richard Schultz, Wheaton College (Illinois)

*Qohelet as Eschatological or Anti-apocalyptic Sage? Hebel, the Evil Day, and Divine Judgment in the Book of Ecclesiastes (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

John Hilber, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary

*The Relationship of Prophecy and Wisdom in the Ancient Near East (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury

*Where Shall Wisdom Be Found (in the Book of the Twelve)? (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

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## P20-301

### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Research Group: Ancient Historiography and the New Testament**

This group examines the connections between Greco-Roman historiographical literature, Jewish historiography (including the LXX), and early Christian literature (primarily the NT). Given the importance of history for Christianity (and Judaism), we look forward to exploring questions about the form, function, interpretation, and development of historiographical literature in the ancient world. If you are interested in joining us or have any questions, please contact Sean Adams ([adams.sean@gmail.com](mailto:adams.sean@gmail.com)) or Daniel Smith ([dsmit133@slu.edu](mailto:dsmit133@slu.edu)). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Sean Adams, University of Glasgow, Presiding

J. Andrew Cowan, University of St. Andrews

*The Old Is Good? Antiquity in Josephus' Antiquitates Judaicae and the Writings of Luke* (25 min)

Susanne Luther, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

*Indicators of Reality and Authenticity in John's Narrative Historiography* (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Ben Sutton, Ridley Melbourne

*Suetonius, Asconius, and Luke: Roman Authors and the Consultation of News Reports* (25 min)

Osvaldo Padilla, Samford University

*The Speeches in Acts: Seventy One Years After* (25 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## P20-302

### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Research Group: Biblical Theology, Hermeneutics, and the Theological Disciplines**

This research group brings into conversation the related enterprises of biblical theology and biblical interpretation, with an eye also to the broader connection between biblical studies and the work of theologians (systematic, historical, contextual etc). For further information, please contact Darian Lockett ([darian.lockett@biola.edu](mailto:darian.lockett@biola.edu)) or Stephen Presley ([spreles@swbts.edu](mailto:spreles@swbts.edu)). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding

Andrew J. Schmutzer, Moody Bible Institute

*The Suffering of God: Love in Willing Vulnerability* (20 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts

Wesleyan College

*A Psalm against David? A Canonical Reading of Psalm 51 as a Critique of David's Inadequate Repentance in 2 Samuel 12* (20 min)

Break (5 min)

J. David Stark, Faulkner University

*Paul, Apostle of Torah Obedience: Retheologizing Torah Obedience in the Letter to the Romans* (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## P20-303

### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Research Group: Book of the Twelve Prophets in Biblical Scholarship**

The purpose of this IBR research group is to provide a diverse professional forum to examine the Book of the Twelve Prophets. While a broad variety of approaches will be accepted and encouraged, this study session will be particularly interested in synchronic readings of the Book of the Twelve, including, but not limited to, discourse analysis, linguistic analysis, and literary analysis. This year's topic is "Theodicy and Hope in the Book of the Twelve." For further information contact Beth M. Stovell at [bstovell@ambrose.edu](mailto:bstovell@ambrose.edu) and Colin Toffelmire at [CToffelmire@ambrose.edu](mailto:CToffelmire@ambrose.edu). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Colin Toffelmire, Ambrose University College, Welcome (5 min)

Joel Barker, Heritage College & Seminary

*Where Does My Hope Come From? The Rhetorical Significance of Exod 34:6–7 in the Book of the Twelve* (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Anthony Petterson, Morling College, Sydney

*Exile and Re-exile in Zechariah and the Twelve* (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Jason LeCureux, Trinity College Queensland

*Restored Hope? The Function of the Temple and Cult as Restoration in the Book of the Twelve* (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

## P20-304

### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **Emerging Scholarship on the New Testament**

This session showcases emerging New Testament scholars sponsored by Fellows of the Institute of Biblical Research. All are welcome to attend the session. Summaries of the papers will be read at the session leaving opportunity for discussion. Full papers will be available here no later than October 1, 2015. For information on this session please contact Ruth Anne Reese ([ruthanne.reese@asburyseminary.edu](mailto:ruthanne.reese@asburyseminary.edu)). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Rachel Coleman, Regent University

*The Lukan Beatitudes in the Canonical Choir* (10 min)

## Discussion (14 min)

Laura J. Hunt, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant -  
University of Wales, Trinity Saint David  
*Pilate: Am I a Jew?* (10 min)

## Discussion (14 min)

Brandon Walker, University of Nottingham  
*Apocalyptic Now: Judgment and Rescue Miracles as Discipleship in Luke's Acts* (10 min)

## Discussion (14 min)

Erin M. Heim, Denver Seminary  
*The Firstborn among Many Brothers and Sisters: Identity Formation and the uiothesia Metaphors in Romans 8* (10 min)

## Discussion (14 min)

Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*God Loves a Cheerful Tither: Deuteronomy 14:22-29 as a Model for the "Cheerful Giver" of 2 Corinthians 9:7* (10 min)

## Discussion (14 min)

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**P20-305**
**Institute for Biblical Research**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - L403 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Emerging Scholarship on the Old Testament**

This session showcases emerging Old Testament scholars sponsored by Fellows of the Institute of Biblical Research. All are welcome to attend the session. Summaries of the papers will be read at the session leaving opportunity for discussion. Full papers will be available here no later than October 1, 2015. For information on this session please contact M. Daniel Carroll R. ([danny.carrollr@denverseminary.edu](mailto:danny.carrollr@denverseminary.edu)). For further information see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

M. Carroll R., Denver Seminary, Presiding

Moisés López, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Disability and Daily Living* (10 min)

## Discussion (20 min)

Lance Higginbotham, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School  
*Wisdom and the Building of the Tabernacle: Hokmah and Hakam in Exodus 25–40* (10 min)

## Discussion (20 min)

Michelle Knight, Wheaton College Graduate School  
*The Judging Prophetess: Reading Judges 4–5 in light of Deuteronomy 18:9–22* (10 min)

## Discussion (20 min)

Alexander Breikopf, McMaster Divinity College  
*(Re)Signifying Creation: Viewpoint in Job as a Basis for a Christian Environmental Ethics* (10 min)

## Discussion (20 min)

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**P20-306**
**Institute for Biblical Research**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **Research Group: Identity Formation in the Pauline Letters**

This research group focuses on identity formation in the Pauline letters and welcomes methodological diversity for that investigation. This year's session addresses cultural anthropology and identity in Paul's letters. Our presentations will address key methodological issues, biblical texts, and contested scholarly constructs related to the use of this analytic as a framework for reading Paul. For further details about our session in Atlanta please contact Brian Tucker ([brian.tucker@moody.edu](mailto:brian.tucker@moody.edu)) or Jim Miller ([james.miller@asburyseminary.edu](mailto:james.miller@asburyseminary.edu)).

James Miller, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Mimesis, Alterity, and Liminality: Envisioning In-Christ Identity as the Social Dimension of Pauline Eschatology* (25 min)

Chang Seon An, Boston University  
*'Let Us Celebrate the Festival': Paul's Placement of Jewish Ritual Language in 1 Corinthians 5:1–8* (25 min)

## Break (5 min)

Ryan Heisch, University of Aberdeen  
*Contrast or Comparison? Rethinking Dominant Group Identity Categories in Galatians* (25 min)

J. Brian Tucker, Moody Theological Seminary–Michigan  
*Paul's Eschatology, Jewishness, and Identity Formation Approach to Existing Identities in Christ: A Response* (25 min)

## Discussion (15 min)

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**P20-307**
**Institute for Biblical Research**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - Roswell (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Research Group: Old Testament Theology of Prayer**

The Old Testament Theology of Prayer research group will explore Old Testament prayers and texts related to prayer to discern what these texts reveal about the God of Israel, about Israel's understanding of what prayer "does," and how such texts can speak to Christian communities. Explorations may be done on the levels of the entire OT corpus, canonical sections, individual books, or individual texts. For further information, contact Phillip Camp ([pPhillip.camp@lipscomb.edu](mailto:pPhillip.camp@lipscomb.edu)) and Elaine Phillips ([Elaine.Phillips@gordon.edu](mailto:Elaine.Phillips@gordon.edu)) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Phillip G. Camp, Lipscomb University, Welcome

Phillip G. Camp, Lipscomb University  
*The Study of the Theology of Prayer in the Old Testament: Retrospective* (20 min)

Elaine Phillips, Gordon College  
*Where Do We Go Next? Boundaries and Connections* (20 min)

## Discussion (5 min)

Daniel I. Block, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
*Wrestling with God: The Role of Prayer in the Life of Moses, the Paradigmatic Prophetic* (20 min)

## Discussion (5 min)

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Ralph K. Hawkins, Averett University  
*'O LORD, Is This Not What I Said?' Soundings in Reception History of Prayers in Exodus (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ted Hildebrandt, Gordon College  
*Solomon's Temple Prayer (1 Kgs 8) (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

### P20-308

#### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - M107 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Research Group: A Pneumatic Hermeneutic--The Role of the Holy Spirit in Biblical Scholarship**

The purpose of this research group is to provide a diverse professional forum to examine the role of the Holy Spirit in hermeneutics and biblical scholarship. These meetings will examine various approaches throughout the history of biblical scholarship and the reception of Scripture pertaining to the work of the Holy Spirit in interpretation. To foster the continual scholarly discussion of this topic this seminar welcomes the development of not only previous analyses and practices but also new concepts and procedures. For information contact Kevin Spawn ([kspawn@regent.edu](mailto:kspawn@regent.edu)) and Archie Wright ([awright@regent.edu](mailto:awright@regent.edu)) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Review of John R. Levison's *Inspired: The Holy Spirit and the Mind of Faith*. Eerdmans, 2013.

Archie Wright, Regent University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Peter Enns, Eastern University (15 min)
- Edith Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (15 min)
- Blaine Charette, Northwest University (Washington) (15 min)
- Ronald Herms, Fresno Pacific University (10 min)

Responding:

John Levison, Southern Methodist University (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

### P20-309

#### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - L401 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Research Group: The Relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament**

This research group focuses on the relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament. For further information contact Creig Marlowe ([wcreigmarlowe@cs.com](mailto:wcreigmarlowe@cs.com)) and Gareth (Gary) Cockerill ([gcockerill@wbs.edu](mailto:gcockerill@wbs.edu)) and see the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups).

Gareth Cockerill, Wesley Biblical Seminary, Introduction (5 min)

Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership  
*"Live such good lives among the nations": The Missional Impact of OT Ethics in the New (35 min)*

Responding:

Creig Marlowe, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit (15 min)

Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership (5 min)

W. Edward Glenny, University of Northwestern – St. Paul (MN) (15 min)

Christopher Wright, Langham Partnership (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

### P20-310

#### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Research Group: Scripture in Global Context**

One effect of globalization is an increasing consensus that biblical and theological discourse can no longer be a solely Western phenomenon. As Christianity continues to expand in the global South and East, demand has grown for thoughtful theological analysis that addresses the concerns of the majority of Christians. This study group, in collaboration with "Theology in Global Context" group in ETS and with Eerdmans (first volume on Christology is published), aims to harness this promising moment by addressing both classical and non-traditional theological loci through engagement with the best resources from non-Western Christianity, bringing them into dialog with each other and Western thought. For information contact Gene Green ([gene.green@wheaton.edu](mailto:gene.green@wheaton.edu)) and K. K. Yeo ([kkyeo@garrett.edu](mailto:kkyeo@garrett.edu)). See further <http://www.ibr-bbr.org> (Research Groups: Scripture in Global Context). This year's session is focused on Soteriology. Presenters will summarize their papers followed by discussion. Copies of the papers will be available from November 1 at <https://www.ibr-bbr.org/scripture-global-context>.

Presentations

Khiok-Khng Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Milton Acosta, Seminario Bíblico de Colombia  
*What Do We Need to Be Saved From? (20 min)*

Elaine Wei Fun Goh, Seminari Theoloji Malaysia  
*Qobeleth's Gospel in Ecclesiastes: Eccl 3:1–15, 7:15–22 and 11:1–6 Considered (20 min)*

Rosinah Gabaitse, University of KwaZulu-Natal  
*Luke 4:18–19 and Salvation: In the Context of Marginalization of Women within Pentecostal Church in Botswana (20 min)*

Panel Dialogue and Q&A

Gene Green, Wheaton College (Illinois), Presiding

Discussion (60 min)

### P20-312

#### International Qur'anic Studies Association

4:00 PM–5:15 PM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Keynote Lecture**

**S20-313****SBL Semeia Studies Editorial Board**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - M202 (Marquis Level)

**S20-313a****SBL Orality, Memory, Performance Criticism, and Related Disciplines**

4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme: A Networking Event**

An informal gathering to hear reports about progress in promoting orality and related studies. Meet others with common scholarly interests and organize in small groups to discuss developments in key fields: Ancient storytelling (Gospels); Memory and delivery (Letters); Soundmapping; Performance exegesis; Ancient theater and biblical performances; The new textual criticism; Translation as exegesis; and more. Refreshments. This networking event follows the related workshop, does not require preregistration or fees, and provides an opportunity to meet with scholars who share common interests. To assist us (and to receive pre-event updates), please let us know of your plan to attend: Richard Swanson at [richard.swanson@augie.edu](mailto:richard.swanson@augie.edu).

**P20-317****International Qur'anic Studies Association**

5:15 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

**Theme: Reception****P20-314a****International Qur'anic Studies Association**

6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott - L508 (Lobby Level)

**Theme: Film Screening: Jesus in the Quran**

Jesus in the Qur'an is a recent documentary commissioned by the French-German television channel Arte and led by filmmakers Gerard Mordillat and Jerome Prieur. It explores how Jesus is presented in the Islamic scripture, and how the Qur'anic passages about Jesus were understood by successive generations of Muslim believers. The documentary features interviews with Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; Angelika Neuwirth, Freie Universität Berlin; Shawkat Toorawa, Cornell University; and Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham and many more. "We look to highlight the structural and inseparable link between Judaism, Christianity and Islam," says Gerard Mordillat. "If we dig deeply, we can explore the complex nature of the words and texts. Jesus is one of the important characters of the Qur'an, who is mentioned by name even more often than Muhammad. And Mary is the only woman mentioned in the Koran." -Gerard Mordillat and Jerome Prieur (from French, June 2012)

Gabriel Reynolds, University of Notre Dame, Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford, and Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston, Presiding

**S20-315****SBL Council and AAR Board Reception**

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Hyatt - AAR Suite

**P20-401****Institute for Biblical Research**

7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

**Theme: Annual Lecture**

The Institute for Biblical Research, Incorporated (IBR) is an organization of evangelical Christian scholars with specialties in Old and New Testament and in ancillary disciplines. Its vision is to foster excellence in the pursuit of Biblical Studies within a faith environment. The achievement of this goal is sought primarily by organizing annual conferences, conducting seminars and workshops, and by sponsoring academic publications in the various fields of biblical research. IBR's conferences, seminars and workshops are open to the public and its publications are available for purchase. For further information go to <http://www.ibr-bbr.org>.

Tremper Longman, Westmont College, Welcome (10 min)

Milton Eng, William Paterson University, Scripture Reading and Prayer (5 min)

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction

**Annual Lecture**

Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College  
*Old Testament Origins and the Question of God* (40 min)

**Responding:**

Sandra Richter, Wheaton College (Illinois) (10 min)

N. T. Wright, University of St. Andrews (10 min)

**Discussion** (20 min)

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**S20-402/A20-405****SBL & AAR Members Welcome Reception**

8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott - Atrium Ballroom (Atrium Level)

**P20-403****Institute for Biblical Research**

9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Marriott - Imperial A-B (Marquis Level)

**Theme: Annual Reception Sponsored by Zondervan**

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### S21-102

#### SBL Early Christianity and Its Literature Editorial Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Marriott - M202 (Marquis Level)

### P21-101

#### Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hilton - Crystal A-F (Level 1)

Theme: **IBR Breakfast for Women Scholars**

For further information contact Carol Kaminsky ([carolmkaminski@aol.com](mailto:carolmkaminski@aol.com)) or Beth Stovell ([BStovell@ambrose.edu](mailto:BStovell@ambrose.edu)), and see <http://www.ibr-bbr.org>. RSVP required to attend.

### P21-101a

#### Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Hilton - 409 (Level 4)

Theme: **IBR Ethnic Minority Breakfast**

A new initiative this year, the IBR invites members and potential members of ethnic minority background (Latino, Asian, African and/or Native American) to a continental breakfast for networking and brainstorming about future participation in the IBR. For further information, contact Danny Carroll ([Danny.Carroll@denverseminary.edu](mailto:Danny.Carroll@denverseminary.edu)) or Milton Eng ([miltoneng@verizon.net](mailto:miltoneng@verizon.net)).

### S21-106

#### SBL International Cooperation Initiative Executive Board

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

### S21-103

#### SBL Annual Meeting Orientation

8:15 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the SBL Student Advisory Board**

The Student Advisory Board invites all meeting attendees to an informal Q&A session to share practical tips for maximizing your experience of the SBL Annual Meeting and for full conference participation. The topics discussed at this session include networking opportunities, meeting strategies, and session etiquette. Discussion will be facilitated by experienced meeting attendees. Please join us with your questions.

Thomas Whitley, Florida State University, and Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York, Presiding

### S21-104

#### SBL Ancient Near East Monographs Editorial Board

8:30 AM–9:30 AM

Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

### S21-105

#### SBL Council

8:30 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

### S21-107

#### SBL International Voices in Biblical Studies Editorial Board

8:30 AM–9:30 AM

Marriott - L503 (Lobby Level)

*Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

### S21-108/A21-115

#### SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section / LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Honoring the Scholarship of Randall Bailey**

This session is co-sponsored with the SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Group and the AAR Bible in Racial, Ethnic, and Indigenous Communities Group.

Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Panelists:

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio (25 min)

Herbert Marbury, Vanderbilt University (25 min)

Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame (25 min)

Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary (25 min)

Eric Thomas, Drew University (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

**S21-109****SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Joint Session on Contextual Biblical Methodologies**

Papers will be summarized and discussed in roundtable format. Papers will be available online ahead of time at: <https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/>.

James Grimshaw, Carroll University, Presiding

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki  
*Literature Studies, Liberation Theology, and Impulses for Contextual Biblical Methodologies (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Stephen Lim, King's College - London  
*(Re-)Contextualising Contextual Methodologies from the Ground Up: Towards a Singaporeanisation of Asian Hermeneutics (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union  
*Utilizing Cross-textual and Cross-cultural Readings as a Hermeneutical Tool for Asian Women (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

J. Blair Wilgus, Hope International University  
*What has Abraham to do with Jerry Springer? Reading the Hebrew Bible in light of Modern Views of Domestic and Family Abuse (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Klaas Spronk, Protestantse Theologische Universiteit, Amsterdam  
*Judging Samson: Judges 16 in Intercultural Reading and the Arts after 9/11 (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**S21-109a****SBL Bible and Film Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Ethnicity, Racism, and Conquest in the Bible, Film, and America**

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Meghan Alexander Beddingfield, Princeton Theological Seminary and Justin Michael Reed, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*'Let Us Make Them in Our Image': The Historical Context and Contemporary Effect of 'Whitewashing' Ancient Egypt (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

L. Daniel Hawk, Ashland Theological Seminary  
*Saviors and Savages: Hybrid Types at the Frontiers of Conquest and Identity (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Rebekah Eklund, Loyola University Maryland  
*Hot Jesus, Tragic Superstar, Suffering Son of God: How Jesus Films Aim to Shape Our Moral Imaginations (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

**S21-110****SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **The Medium is the Message**

Valarie Ziegler, DePauw University, Presiding

Robin Gallaher Branch, North-West University (South Africa)  
*Teaching Theology with Laughter, Song, Rap, and Dance via the Play, Funny Bone Finds a Home: A Musical Featuring the Body of Christ (30 min)*

Eric M. Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College  
*Spear Wounds and Sleigh Bells: Believing and Seeing in the Gospel of John and The Polar Express (30 min)*

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University  
*Quoth, Doth, and Thy: The Translated Bible in Popular Culture (30 min)*

Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd  
*Jots and Tittles on the Cutting Room Floor: Movie-making as Midrash (30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

**S21-111****SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **Interactive Readings Between Text and Human Situations II**

Deborah Appler, Moravian College &amp; Theological Seminary, Presiding

Terry Ann Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary and Raynard Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
*The Mourning After: Leah, Loss and Melancholia in Genesis 29 (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Melanie A. Howard, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*A Miscarried Messiah: The Lukan Jesus as a Source for Liturgy When Coping with Miscarriage (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Douglas Estes, South University - Columbia  
*7 Fallacies of Conflict Resolution: An Application of Matt 5:23–26 in Ecclesial Practice (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary  
*Adonai Is My Shepherd: Theology, Values, and Sexism in Bible Translation (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

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## S21-112

### SBL Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Austin Busch, SUNY Brockport, Presiding

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore  
*Origen, the Myths of Scripture, and the Myths of Plato (30 min)*

Spencer L. Allen, University of Pennsylvania  
*Ishtar-of-Arbela's Mythological, Mystical, and Prophetic Independence from Ishtar-of-Nineveh (30 min)*

Abigail Rine, George Fox University  
*Anagnorisis in the David Narrative (30 min)*

M. David Litwa, University of Virginia  
*"I am God": The Primal Human as Primeval Self-deifier (30 min)*

## S21-114

### SBL Christian Apocrypha Section / Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Papyrus Fragments of Apocryphal Writings: How Were They Used?**

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Presiding (5 min)

Geoff S. Smith, University of Texas at Austin  
*Preliminary Report on the "Willoughby Papyrus" of the Gospel of John and an Unidentified Christian Text (25 min)*

Kelley Coblenz Bautch, St. Edward's University  
*The Textual History of the Greek Book of the Watchers: Contextual Clues from Translation and the Value of Variant Readings (25 min)*

Ross P. Ponder, University of Texas at Austin  
*A New Transcription of P. Oxy. 5072: Observations from a Recent Autopsy Analysis (25 min)*

Thomas A. Wayment, Brigham Young University  
*The Interaction between Apocrypha and Canon: A Case Study of Oxyrhynchus (25 min)*

Responding:

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S21-115

### SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:45 AM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Cognitive Difference**

Athanasios Despotis, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Presiding

April D. DeConick, Rice University  
*Up, Down, In, Out and Back Again: Sensory Motor Schema and the Ascent of the Soul (25 min)*

Roger Beck, University of Toronto  
*The Mithraeum as a Mechanism for Getting Down from Heaven and Back Up Again (25 min)*

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology  
*"I Do Not Understand My Actions": Some Cognitive Bases for Natural Dualisms (25 min)*

Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University  
*The Visible and Invisible in Early Christian Literature: Imagistic Story-Lines that Run Cognitive Progressions (25 min)*

Robert von Thaden, Jr., Mercyhurst College  
*Families, Children, and Askesis: Framing Christ-Believing Bodies (25 min)*

Grant Adamson, Rice University  
*Christology and Cognitive Science (25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

## S21-116

### SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Afterlife of Cyprian**

William Tabbernee, University of Oklahoma, Presiding

Jesse Hoover, Baylor University  
*"Either a Forgery or a Damn Fine Original": Cyprianus plebi Cartagini and the Origins of Donatism (30 min)*

Maureen A. Tilley, Fordham University  
*What's Wrong with Board Games: Context and Content of the pseudo-Cyprianic De aleatoribus (30 min)*

Geoffrey Dunn, Australian Catholic University  
*Cyprian in the Homilies of Augustine (30 min)*

Responding:

Daniel Van Slyke, Holy Apostles College and Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S21-117****SBL Critical Editions of the German Bible Society: 1. Biblia Hebraica Quinta (BHQ), 2. Nestle-Aland and Greek New Testament: New Editorial Committee**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

In the first paper Richard Weis will situate the Biblia Hebraica Quinta (BHQ), of which eight fascicles have now been published, within the diversity of editions of the Hebrew Bible both historically and in contemporary context. The distinctive character of the edition will be illustrated through examples from the newly published Genesis fascicle, edited by Abraham Tal.

Kay Joe Petzold will further explore the editorial concepts of the edited masorah of Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (BHS) and Biblia Hebraica Quinta (BHQ). Whereas the masorah of BHS was merely the personal opus magnum of Gerard E. Weil with esoteric editorial principles, the representation of the masorah of L in BHQ is 'essentially diplomatic'. The paper will present a critical reassessment of both concepts as part of an exhaustive masorah research program at Heidelberg University.

The 28<sup>th</sup> edition of the Nestle-Aland and the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the UBS Greek New Testament have been published just lately. Meanwhile a new editorial committee has taken up work, and plans for the further development of the editions are under way. In the session, two members of the committee will give a report. After an introduction by Holger Strutwolf, David Trobisch will give an account of the first meetings of the committee and will put their deliberations up for discussion.

Florian Voss, Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, Presiding

Richard Weis, Lexington Theological Seminary  
*Biblia Hebraica Quinta Among the Editions as Seen in the New Genesis Fascicle* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kay Joe Petzold, German Bible Society  
*The Masorah of L and the Editorial Concepts of the Edited Masorah of BHS and BHQ* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster  
and David Trobisch, Museum of the Bible (Green Collection)  
*The New Editorial Committee for the Nestle-Aland and the UBS Greek New Testament* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

**S21-118****SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section / Paul Within Judaism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Review of Paul within Judaism: Restoring the First-Century Context to the Apostle**, Fortress 2015, ed. by Mark Nanos and Magnus Zetterholm

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

James Crossley, University of Sheffield (15 min)

Christine Hayes, Yale University (15 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University (15 min)

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU) (15 min)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (65 min)

**S21-119****SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Epistles and Refrains**

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

Haley Goranson, University of St. Andrews  
*The Purpose of Calling and the Groaning of Creation: Re-considering the Grammar and Context of Romans 8:28* (30 min)

Vicky Balabanski, Flinders University  
*"Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch" (Col 2:21): Rediscovering Ourselves as Community, in Order to Re-imagine Our Interconnectedness with Creation* (30 min)

Timothy Milinovich, Dominican University  
*The Cosmic Christ in Roman Context: Ecology and Subaltern Identity in Colossians* (30 min)

Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University  
*The Apocalypse's Ecology among the Apocalypses* (30 min)

Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University  
*Forsaken Vocation: Reading Idolatry Ecologically* (30 min)

**S21-120****SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: **Nehemiah 5**

Roger Nam, George Fox University, Presiding

Richard Bautch, St. Edward's University  
*Deuteronomy's Brotherhood Ethic and Nehemiah 5* (25 min)

Marvin Lloyd Miller, University of Manchester  
*Shaking out the Skirt: Nehemiah's Economic Vision* (25 min)

Lisbeth Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
*The Role of the Governor's Meals in the Provincial Economy* (25 min)

Charles Carter, Seton Hall University  
*The Captives' Audience and (Dis)Interested Elite: Social and Economic Unrest in Nehemiah's Jerusalem* (25 min)

Responding:

Jon Berquist, Disciples Seminary Foundation (12 min)

Zipporah Glass, Vanderbilt University (12 min)

Discussion (25 min)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

## S21-121

### SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The THEOT (Textual History of the Ethiopic Old Testament) Project**

The THEOT project has analysed large sets of Ethiopic manuscripts for several OT books, dating from the 14th–20th centuries CE. Texts including Deuteronomy, Judges, Ruth, 1–4 Kings, Esther, Psalms, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Hosea, Joel, Obadiah, Jonah, Malachi, and the Biblical Canticles. Analysis is developing a picture of textual families, and the defining features of families, along with an emerging picture of the key factors that have influenced the development of the text. Papers presenting the current state of research, or papers that synthesise data and develop the picture of the textual history are invited. The session invites papers from those involved with the THEOT project, or from others working on Ethiopian manuscripts who can present research that builds the picture of the textual history.

Garry Jost, Marylhurst University, Presiding

Jeremy R. Brown, Catholic University of America  
*The Textual History of the Prayer of Jonah in the Ethiopic Manuscript Tradition* (25 min)

Garry Jost, Marylhurst University and Daniel Assefa Kassaye, Independent Scholar  
*A Preliminary Report on the Families of Manuscripts for the Ethiopic Book of Ruth* Garry Jost and Daniel Assefa (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Ralph Lee, Holy Trinity Theological College, Addis Ababa  
*The Textual History of Ethiopic Deuteronomy* (25 min)

Garry Jost, Marylhurst University and Jarod Jacobs, University of Manchester  
*Orthographic Variation in Ethiopic Obadiah: A Test Case in Methodology* (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-122

### SBL Formation of Isaiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Meaning of the Future in Isaiah**

Todd Hibbard, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding

Christopher B. Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Hope and History in Isaiah 24–27: Reassessing a 'Proto-Apocalyptic' Text* (30 min)

Rodrigo F. de Sousa, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie  
*Hopeful Responses: Visions of War and Peace as Keys to the Formation of Isaiah* (30 min)

Archibald L.H.M. van Wieringen, Tilburg School of Catholic Theology  
*Shaping the Future in the Book of Isaiah: The 'Beyond the Days' (Isa 2:2), the 'Day of the Lord' and the 'Days' of the Kings* (30 min)

Uta Schmidt, Universität Osnabrück

*Communicating the Future – A Pragmatic Reading of Isaiah 49–55* (30 min)

Richard Schultz, Wheaton College (Illinois)

*"They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain" (Isa 11:9 and 65:25): Inter- and Intratextual Influences on the Vision of the Future Jerusalem in Isaiah 65:17–25* (30 min)

## P21-123

### GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Biblical Formation of the Congregation for Missional Witness**

This session of the GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics includes papers on the theology and practice of biblical formation in the faith community: that is, the role of the Bible and its interpretation in the process of forming "Scripture-shaped communities" (Richard Hays) for mission in the world, in concrete contexts.

James C. Miller, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Mark Glanville, Trinity College - Bristol  
*Radical Gratitude and the Mission of God: Nourishing Celebration and Inclusivism in Local Congregations in light of the Festival Calendar (Deut 16:1–17)* (25 min)

Boaz Johnson, North Park University  
*Missional Theology and Congregation Formation in the Torah* (25 min)

Michael Barram, Saint Mary's College of California  
*To Serve God and Not Mammon: Reading Matthew 6 as Missionally Located Formation for Economic Discipleship* (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Mark Labberton, Fuller Theological Seminary (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

## S21-124

### SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Healing Cults in the Mediterranean World from the Late Hellenistic to Early Imperial Period**

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa, Presiding

Stephen P. Ahearne-Kroll, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities  
*The Other Rituals at the Epidauran Asklepieion* (25 min)

Barbette S. Spaeth, College of William and Mary  
*Cultic Continuity or Cultic Change? The Corinthian Asklepieion in the Greek vs. the Roman Period* (25 min)

Pieter Botha, University of South Africa  
*Weakness and Imperfection in Early Christian Healing Practices: The Illusion of Inclusion* (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)  
 Break (5 min)  
 Business Meeting (40 min)

## S21-125

### SBL Historical Jesus Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Robert Miller, Juniata College, Presiding

Michael Flowers, University of Manchester  
*"He Was NOT the Christ": A Proposed Emendation to Josephus' Testimonium Flavianum (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton Graduate School (Illinois)  
*The Grain of Truth behind the Parable of Salt (Or How Redaction Criticism Can Help Positively Identify the Words of Jesus) (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Break (10 min)

Olegs Andrejevs, Carthage College  
*Apocalyptic Jesus = a Violent Messiah? Revisiting Q's Apocalyptic Idiom (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Patrick Barber, John Paul the Great Catholic University  
*Did Jesus Expect to Die? A Test Case in Allison's Methodology and a Response to His Critics (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

## S21-126

### SBL Ideological Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **New Theoretical Perspectives**

Janet Ross, McMaster University, Presiding

Sean Burt, North Dakota State University  
*The Animal World, Horror, and the Unimaginable in The Book of Job (25 min)*

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University and Brennan W. Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary  
*Making the Right Hole Appear in the Right Place: Eccl 4:17–5:6 in Text and Tradition (25 min)*

Philip Yoo, University of Oxford  
*State-Sanctioned or Critiquing the State? Towards the Formation of the Pentateuch and the Promulgation of Torah (25 min)*

Peter N. McLellan, Drew University  
*Growing Sideways on Gerizim: Refusing Logos and Imagining Otherwise in John 4 (25 min)*

Bruce Worthington, Wycliffe College  
*Christianity Appears First, as Itself (25 min)*

Business Meeting (25 min)

## P21-127

### Institute for Biblical Research

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **IBR Unscripted**

This session of the IBR annual meeting offers Biblical Scholars from throughout the academy the opportunity to present their new and innovative ideas in an engaging forum inspired by the famous TED talks. Scholars will speak without notes and are encouraged to use a variety of media to help the audience interact with their ideas. A generous discussion time will follow each presentation and refreshments will be served. For further information see <https://www.ibr-bbr.org>.

Katie Heffelfinger, Church of Ireland Theological Institute, Presiding

Peter Enns, Eastern University  
*On Not-Knowing When Knowing is All You Know (17 min)*

Discussion (17 min)

Break (17 min)

Ruth Anne Reese, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Remembering the Future, Shaping the Past: Memory, Narrative, and Identity (17 min)*

Discussion (17 min)

Break (7 min)

Scott Hafemann, University of St. Andrews  
*The Unity of the Bible? Really? (17 min)*

Discussion (17 min)

Break (17 min)

Break (7 min)

## S21-129

### SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

Theme: **Characterizations of God**

Much of the prophetic literature appears in the form of divine speech mediated by a prophet. This session explores ways in which God/YHWH is portrayed in these speeches, be it through self-characterization, metaphors or more concrete descriptions. We welcome proposals that explore various theological implications of how God is portrayed, both in their ancient and modern contexts.

Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University, Presiding

Samuel E. Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*"I Am God and Not a Human": The Tension Between Divinized Ethics and Humanized Ethics (30 min)*

Tyler R. Yoder, Ohio State University  
*"It Was the Best of Times, It Was the Worst of Times": Fishing Imagery, Polarity, and Prophetic Literature (30 min)*

Lacy K. Crocker, Baylor University  
*The Chaokampf Motif and the King of Mount Zion: Isaiah 24 (30 min)*

Ian Douglas Wilson, University of Alberta  
*Yahweh's Historical Consciousness: Metahistoriography via Divine Speech in Isaiah 40–48 (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

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## S21-130

### SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **Visual Contact with the Apocalypse**

Deborah Prince, Bellarmine University, Presiding

Michelle Fletcher, King's College - London

*"De/coding the Apocalypse": Contemporary Artistic Insights into the Past, Present, and Future of the Book of Revelation (30 min)*

Responding:

Edward Adams, King's College - London (10 min)

Natasha O'Hear, University of St. Andrews (10 min)

Ben Quash, King's College - London (10 min)

Jonathan Redding, Vanderbilt University

*A Haunted Apocalypse: Reading leukos in Revelation through a Racial-Ethnic Critical Lens (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron Ricker, McGill University

*Golden Ages, Golden Violence (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah Shier, Trinity College - Dublin

*"Girdled at the Breasts" (Rev 1:13): Motherhood, Magic, and Misogyny in the Portrayal of the Son of Man in the Apocalypse of John (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

## S21-131

### SBL John, Jesus, and History Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Portraits of Jesus in the Gospel of John**

In 2013 the John, Jesus, and History group began a series on Portraits of Jesus in the Gospel of John. It explores roles ascribed to Jesus in the Fourth Gospel, which also appear in other early Christian sources. Two years ago we considered Jesus as rabbi, prophet, and apocalyptic Son of Man. This year we continue with Jesus as healer, controversialist, Davidic Messiah, and Son of God.

Craig R. Koester, Luther Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Graham H. Twelftree, Regent University

*Jesus as Healer in the Gospel of John (30 min)*

Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University

*Jesus as Controversialist: Media-Critical Perspectives on the Historicity of the Johannine Sabbath Controversies (30 min)*

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh

*Jesus as Messiah: The Unlikely Trove of Messiah Traditions in the Gospel of John (30 min)*

Alicia D. Myers, Campbell University

*Jesus as God's Son: Blending Voices and Memory to Hear John's Word (30 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-132

### SBL Joshua-Judges Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Joshua 24 in Current Research**

Papers in this session explore current theories of the social setting, composition, and literary context of Joshua 24.

Thomas Dozeman, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

Joachim J. Krause, University of Tübingen

*Hexateuchal Redaction in Joshua (30 min)*

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel

*Joshua 24: A Diaspora Oriented Overriding of the Joshua Scroll? (30 min)*

Konrad Schmid, Universität Zürich

*Jews and Samaritans in Joshua 24 (30 min)*

Responding:

Thomas Römer (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-133

### SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Cultural Exchange between Greece and the Near East in the 1st Millennium BCE: Archaeological and biblical perspectives on meals and feasting in Achaemenid Period**

Dorothea Erbele-Kuester, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Presiding

Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University

*Archaeological Perspective on Food, Feasting, and Cultural Identity in Achaemenid Era Southern Levant in light of Preceding Developments in Local Foodways (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Stone, Virginia Commonwealth University

*The Missing Symposium in the Inland Levant (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Klaus-Peter Adam, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

*The Term 'Liska' and Its Material Meaning: Reflections of Persian Time Meals and Offerings in 1 Samuel, Ezekiel, Nehemiah, and Ezra (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Stuart Weeks, University of Durham

*Wisdom Has Set Her Table (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Responding:

Carol Meyers, Duke University (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

**S21-134****SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

G. Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
*Should You Bring Allusion to a Metaphor Fight? (30 min)*David Bernat, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
*Yoke of the King or God: A Convergence of Metaphor and Metonym (30 min)*Lance Hawley, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*The "Low-Life" Mockers of Job: Job 30:1–8 as an Extended Animal Metaphor (30 min)*Jennifer Metten Pantoja, University of California-Los Angeles  
*The Metaphor of the Divine as Planter of the People in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)*Gillian Asquith, Melbourne School of Theology  
*Where Has All the Romance Gone? Blending Theory and the Divine Conjugal Metaphor (30 min)*

Judith Gundry, Yale Divinity School

*Where's the Beef? Paul, Poverty, and Love in 1 Corinthians 8 (20 min)*

Diana Swancutt, Boston University

*Paul's Rhetoric of Adoption and Inheritance as Israel's Promise to the Poor and Enslaved (20 min)*

Responding:

Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (15 min)

**S21-138****SBL Q Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Sarah Rollens, University of Alabama, Presiding

Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg  
*Food for Thought: Reading Q 12:42–44 as Part of the Formative Stratum (30 min)*Shane Patrick Gormley, Loyola University Chicago  
*The Necessity of Appropriate Fear: The Two-Fold Function of Q 12:4–5 (30 min)*Thomas Klampfl, Karl-Franzens Universität Graz  
*Searching and Finding in Q (30 min)*David Sloan, Malone University  
*A Passion Narrative in Q? (30 min)*Michael T. Zeddies, Chicago, IL  
*Evidence for Q from the Gospel of Peter (30 min)***S21-136****SBL Pauline Epistles Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Edward Adams, King's College - London, Presiding

David Wheeler-Reed, Yale University  
*Paging Dr. Paul: Reading Paul's use of Grief with Galen (25 min)*David A. Kaden, St. Olaf College  
*Rectifying Incongruity: Redescribing Paul and the Law with Roman Legal Fiction (25 min)*Stephen Chester, North Park Theological Seminary  
*Conflicting or Mutually Dependent Perspectives? Interpreting the Flesh, Sin, and the Human Plight in Paul (25 min)*Joshua Garroway, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion  
*Under Sin: Finding the Antecedent for Paul's Charge in Rom 3:9b (25 min)*Jee Hei Park, Fordham University  
*Paul, the Cosmopolitan (25 min)***P21-139****Qur'an Seminar (IQSA)**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, and Clare Wilde, University of Auckland, Presiding

Panelists:

Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, Sorbonne Universités (Paris)

Fred Donner, University of Chicago

Emran El-Badawi, University of Houston

Rahel Fischbach, Georgetown University

Daniel Madigan, Georgetown University

Gabriel Reynolds, University of Notre Dame

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida

Clare Wilde, University of Auckland

Hamza Zafer, University of Washington

**S21-137****SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Paul Impoverishment and Thriving**

Sze-kar Wan, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Ryan S. Schellenberg, Methodist Theological School in Ohio  
*Mutualism or Charity? Locating Paul's Economic Program (20 min)*Sylvia C. Keesmaat, Trinity College - Toronto  
*Economic Justice and Food Security in Romans (20 min)*

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### S21-140

#### SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Theme: **Martyrdom**

Kevin McGinnis, Springfield College, Presiding (5 min)

Heather Barkman, University of Ottawa  
*Augustine and the Construction of Martyrs' Identities* (20 min)

Sissel Undheim, Universitetet i Bergen  
*Double Martyrdom, Double Crown: Virgin Martyrs and Fourth-century Ascetic Hierarchies* (20 min)

Lily Vuong, Valdosta State University  
*Intra-Christian Competition in the Acts of Thecla and the Acts of Xanthippe and Polyxena* (20 min)

Jordan D. Rosenblum, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*The Swine Suicides: On the Appearance and Disappearance of Pork-related Jewish Martyrdom in Antiquity* (20 min)

Mary Joan Leith, Stonehill College and Allyson Sheckler, Stonehill College  
*Background as Foreground* (20 min)

Responding:

Karl Shuve, University of Virginia (15 min)

### S21-142

#### SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **RRA Group Track 2: Analytical Seminar on the Sociorhetorical Interpretation of 2 Corinthians 10-13**

Sheila McGinn, John Carroll University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelist:

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University (60 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (75 min)

### S21-144

#### SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Chris de Wet, University of South Africa, Presiding

Nicholas Reid, New York University  
*Children and Child Slaves in Early Mesopotamia* (30 min)

Brian Rainey, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Is Deut 23:16 a "Fugitive Slave Law"? (30 min)*

Jennifer S. Alexander, Vanderbilt University  
*Enslavement and Eunuchs: Matthew 19:12b in Narrative and Historical Context* (30 min)

Stacy Davis, Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame)

*"More Than A Slave" (Phlm 16): Christianization and Pro-Slavery Rhetoric in the Antebellum South* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### S21-145

#### SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **Narrative and Space**

Eric Smith, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

Danna Nolan Fewell, Drew University  
*Space for Moral Agency in the Book of Ruth* (25 min)

Mari Joerstad, Duke University  
*"Until this day": The Land as a Theological Resource in the Book of Joshua* (25 min)

Break (5 min)

John Vonder Bruegge, Northwestern College  
*"From Infancy Inured to War": Josephus' Geographical Excursus on Galilee (War 3.35–44) in light of Soja's "Thirdspace"* (25 min)

Andrew R. Krause, McMaster University  
*Reconciling Josephus' Perception and Conception of the Tiberian Synagogue in Vita 271–303* (25 min)

Responding:

Stephen Russell, City University of New York (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S21-146/A21-100

#### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **How to Establish and Maintain a Professional Online Presence**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

### S21-147

#### SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Panel Review of Francis Watson, Gospel Writing: A Canonical Perspective (Eerdmans, 2013)**

Robert Derrenbacker, Thorneloe University, Presiding

Francis Watson, Durham University, Introduction (10 min)

Panelists:

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto (15 min)

Mark Matson, Milligan College (15 min)

Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago (15 min)

Reponding:

Francis Watson, Durham University (15 min)

Discussion (80 min)

**S21-148****SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

Theme: **Theological Interpretation of Daniel in the MT and LXX**

All papers will be read in their entirety.

Thomas Holsinger-Friesen, Spring Arbor University, Presiding (5 min)

Richard S. Briggs, University of Durham

*The Eclipse of Daniel's Narrative: The Limits of Historical Knowledge in the Theological Reading of Daniel* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tim Meadowcroft, Laidlaw College

*"One Like a Son of Man" in the Court of the Foreign King* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Bogdan G. Bucur, Duquesne University

*Christological and Trinitarian Exegesis of Daniel 7 in Early Christianity* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennie Grillo, Duke University

*Reading Resurrection in the Additions to Daniel* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

**P21-148a****Westar Institute**

9:00 AM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Retrieving the Radical Tillich**

Westar's Seminar on God and the Human Future will honor the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Paul Tillich's death by addressing the topic, "The Radical Tillich: Reclaiming Strategic Atheism." Russell Re Manning, ed., *Retrieving the Radical Tillich: His Legacy and Contemporary Importance* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015) will introduce the topic. Seminar members will respond to Manning's presentations and two papers on the legacy of Tillich will be discussed. The papers will be posted on the Westar website [www.westarinstitute.org](http://www.westarinstitute.org). Westar is an independent research and educational organization and is not connected with any religious institution or denomination. AAR and SBL attendees are welcome to audit Westar's seminar meetings. Contact David Galston, Westar Academic Director, for further information [dgalston@westarinstitute.org](mailto:dgalston@westarinstitute.org).

Session One: 9:00 AM–10:00 AM

David Galston, Brock University, Presiding

Russell Re Manning, Bath Spa University

*Retrieving the Radical Tillich I* (20 min)

Responding:

Joseph A. Bessler, Phillips Theological Seminary (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (30 min)

Session Two: 10:30 AM–11:30 AM

John C. Kelly, University of Nevada, Reno, Presiding

Russell Re Manning, Bath Spa University

*Retrieving the Radical Tillich II* (20 min)

Responding:

Wonhee Anne Joh, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Break (90 min)

Session Three: 1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Jarmo Tarkki, California Lutheran University, Presiding

Jeffrey W. Robbins, Lebanon Valley College

*Paul Tillich and the Plastic Being of God* (30 min)

Clayton Crockett, University of Central Arkansas

*Tillich's Discourse on Political Theology* (30 min)

Break (30 min)

Session Four: 2:30 PM–3:30 PM

Joseph A. Bessler, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding

John D. Caputo, Syracuse University

*Answering Our Question about Strategic Atheism* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S21-149****SBL Why do I want to be a mentor, and how do I get good at it?**

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hilton - 405 (Level 4)

David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University, Presiding

Panelists:

Elizabeth Clark, Duke University

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame

Mikeal Parsons, Baylor University

**S21-150****SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **The Biblical Wisdom Books**

Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Will Kynes, Whitworth University

*The Death of the "Wisdom Genre" and the Rebirth of "Wisdom" and Genre* (25 min)

Bernd U. Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

*From Wisdom to Theology: Proverbs 10 as an Introduction to the "Solomonic Collection" (Prov 10:1–22:16)* (25 min)

C.L. Seow, Vanderbilt University

*YHWH's Cosmology in Context* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Matthew J. Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park  
*Qoheleth, Gilgamesh, and Kingship as a Historical Ideal* (25 min)Thomas M. Bolin, Saint Norbert College  
*A Spy in Our Midst: Qoheleth and the Slippage of Identity* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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## S21-151

### SBL Women in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Reading the Bible with Women from the South and Other Biblical Afterlives in Literature**

Shively Smith, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Amy Easton-Flake, Brigham Young University  
*Harriet Beecher Stowe's Popular Exegesis: Window to Biblical Women and 19th-century Woman Question (30 min)*

Vanessa L. Lovelace, Interdenominational Theological Center  
*Depicted White, Coded Black: The Biblical Figure Hagar in Nineteenth Century Southern Women's Novels (30 min)*

Amy Smith Carman, Pepperdine University  
*The Characterization of Women in Job and the Testament of Job (30 min)*

Mary R. D'Angelo, University of Notre Dame  
*Susanna's Choice: Susanna and Lucretia as Companions and Foils (30 min)*

Gail P. Streete, Rhodes College  
*Herodias' Daughter and Her Dance Recital (30 min)*

## S21-151a

### SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 408 (Level 4)

Theme: **Body and Embodiment in Jeremiah and Beyond**

Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding

Mary Chilton Callaway, Fordham University  
*Prophetic Corpus: Jeremiah's Body in Biblical and Postbiblical Tradition (30 min)*

Elizabeth Boase, Flinders University  
*Mis-Placed Bodies: The Interpenetration of Body and Place in Jeremiah (30 min)*

Jens Herzer, Universität Leipzig  
*Embodying Hope: The Function of Jeremiah and His Companions in the Later Baruch Literature (30 min)*

Else K. Holt, Aarhus Universitet  
*And the Word Became Words: The Inscription of the Divine Word on Jeremiah the Prophet in Jeremiah the Book (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-152

### SBL International Cooperation Initiative Forum

9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

Current ICI participants and those who are interested in knowing more about the program are invited to attend this Advisory Board discussion.

## S21-153/A21-144

### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Dealing with The Dossier: A Proactive Approach to Documenting Your Teaching**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

## S21-201

### SBL Women Student Members Networking Session

11:45 AM–12:45 PM

Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession**

Student women members of all levels are invited to participate in an hour of networking. Come and meet other women students of SBL and share your experiences, questions, and advice.

## P21-202

### Institute for Biblical Research

12:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Board of Directors Meeting**

## P21-202a

### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Luncheon**

We invite you to attend our Faculty of Color luncheon to connect with, share with, and learn from others in a supportive environment. The luncheon is an opportunity to build upon our work of empowering faculty in the teaching of religion and theology within a network of mutual care and concern for the successful navigation of the classroom, your institution, and academic career. This mealtime event is an informal setting for us to gather together and better understand how we can harness the power of our common commitments. Open Invitation but RSVP to Trish Overpeck by October 1, 2015 ([overpecp@wabash.edu](mailto:overpecp@wabash.edu)).

**Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM**

## S21-203

### SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Navigating “Concepts of Marriage” in African Biblical Hermeneutics**

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Dora Rudo Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary  
*Unmasking the Violence of Biblical Patriarchy: Towards Ethically Sound Concepts of Marriage in the African Contexts* (25 min)

Adekunle Dada, University of Ibadan  
*Rereading Gen 2:22–24 in the Context of African (Yoruba) Kinship and Family* (25 min)

Dorothy BEA Akoto, Interdenominational Theological Center  
*The Biblical Concept of Marriage as Practiced in an African, Socio-Cultural Context: The Ewe of Southeastern Ghana a Case in Point* (25 min)

Responding:

Rosinah Gabaitse, University of KwaZulu-Natal (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

## S21-204

### SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **King’s Bible: Martin Luther King Jr. and African American Interpreters**

Shanell Smith, Hartford Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Obery Hendricks, Columbia University in the City of New York (30 min)

Rodney Sadler, Union Presbyterian Seminary (30 min)

Monya Stubbs, United States Navy (30 min)

Lisa M. Bowens, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Apocalyptic Reverberations in the Writings of Martin Luther King, Jr.* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-205

### SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **Selected works from the forthcoming Oxford Handbook to Biblical Narrative**

Danna Nolan Fewell, Drew University, Presiding

Stephen D. Moore, Drew University  
*Biblical Narrative Analysis from the New Criticism to the New Narratology* (25 min)

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University - Fresno  
*Reading Others As the Subject(s) of Biblical Narrative* (25 min)

Martien Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia  
*Displacement, Diaspora, and Exile in Biblical Narrative* (25 min)

Abraham Smith, Perkins School of Theology Southern Methodist University  
*Witnesses for the Defense in the Gospel of Luke* (25 min)

Melanie Johnson-DeBraufre, Drew University  
*Narrative, Metanarrative, and the Letters of Paul* (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-207

### SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Interactive Readings Between Text and Human Situations I**

Randall Furushima, Pacific Rim Christian University, Presiding

Joseph Kim Paxton, Claremont School of Theology  
*Venting, Anger toward God, and Spiritual Growth: Towards an Integrative Practical Theology of Pastoral Care* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Niveen Sarras, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary  
*The Daughter of Zion Shares the Pain of the Syrian and Iraqi Women* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Rebecca Poe Hays, Baylor University  
*Trauma, Remembrance, and Healing: The Pastoral Effect of Joining the Wisdom Tradition and Historical Reflection in Psalm 78* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Sharon A. Brown, Moravian Theological Seminary  
*Healing Words: Spoken Words, Hip Hop Poetry, and Psalms of Lament* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S21-208

### SBL Bible and Visual Art Section / Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Teaching the Bible and the Arts in the Undergraduate Classroom**

Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Bobbi Dykema, Strayer University  
*Bible and the Arts for the Biblically and Visually Illiterate* (25 min)

Jane S. Webster, Barton College  
*Using Art to Teach Information Fluency in the Undergraduate Biblical Studies Course* (25 min)

J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield  
*Teaching the Bible in the Arts as an Upper Level Undergraduate Class* (25 min)

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David Howell, Ferrum College  
*The Bible and Art: Teaching an Undergraduate Honors Seminar (25 min)*

Heidi Hornik, Baylor University  
*Teaching Biblical Art Using an Art Historical Method: Take What You Want (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

### S21-209

#### SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Orality, Textuality, and Historiography**

This session explores how notions and theories of orality can illuminate our understanding of historiography. In recent years, scholars working in a variety of geographical and historical fields have considered the role of historiography in ancient societies, especially since the level of literacy in these societies remained low and therefore the most common experience of historiography may have been the performance (reading aloud) of written texts. Therefore, although historiography is typically understood as a product of literate society, what might an understanding of historiography informed by studies of orality have to offer current scholarly discussions? What influence on the written texts of historiography might a practice of them being read aloud in public settings have on the composition and reception of the written texts? This panel will provide an opportunity for scholars specializing in different corpora of historiographic literature to enter into dialogue about these questions and explore the ways in which specific texts can inform the broader comparative conversation about the interplay of orality, textuality, power, and authority.

Raymond Person, Ohio Northern University, Presiding

Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew's College - Saskatoon  
*Chronicles as Oral Text (30 min)*

Steve Mason, University of Groningen  
*Josephus' Recitation of His Judean War: Some Implications (30 min)*

Shem Miller, University of Mississippi  
*Historiography in the Dead Sea Scrolls: Orality, Performance, and Memory in the Peshrim (30 min)*

Beth M. Sheppard, Duke University Divinity School  
*To Be Continued: Multi-volume Greco-Roman Histories, Attention Spans, and Luke-Acts (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

### S21-210

#### SBL Biblia Arabica: The Bible in Arabic among Jews, Christians, and Muslims Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **Biblia Arabica: Trends in a Newly Developing Field**

This inaugural session of the Biblia Arabica Consultation will consist of papers followed by a panel and audience discussion about this exciting, newly developing field, intended also for Bible scholars who cannot read Arabic.

Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding

Michael Wechsler, Moody Bible Institute (Chicago)  
*Innovative Aspects of Saadia Gaon's Judaeo-Arabic Translation and Commentary on the Book of Esther (25 min)*

S.J. Pearce, New York University  
*The Hebrew Bible as Arabic Literature in Exile (25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Ronny Vollandt, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*Arabic Versions of the Bible: A status quaestionis (25 min)*

Meira Polliack, Tel Aviv University  
*Jewish and Christian Arabic Bible Translations: Convergence and Divergence in Translation Strategy, Script, and Method (25 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

### S21-211

#### SBL Biblical Ethics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **The Moral Vision of the Bible - A Methodological Discussion**

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding

Eryl W. Davies, Prifysgol Bangor - Bangor University  
*The Moral Vision of the Bible: A Hebrew Bible / Old Testament Approach (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Responding:

Todd Still, Baylor University (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David G. Horrell, University of Exeter  
*The Moral Vision of the Bible: A New Testament Approach (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Responding:

Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

### S21-212

#### SBL Biblical Law Section / Ritual in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Sacrifice and Ritual**

Hannah Harrington, Patten University, Presiding

William K. Gilders, Emory University  
*Disposal of the Flesh of the Sin/Purification Offering: Explicit, Implicit, and Conjectural Explanations for Ritual Instructions (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ada Taggar-Cohen, Doshisha University  
*Ritual as Divine Law: The Case of Hittite Royal Cultic Rulings or 'Royal Sacrifice' and Its Biblical Correspondence (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Hundley, Syracuse University  
*Addressing an Immaterial Problem in a Material World: Damage Control in Priestly and Other Ritual Systems (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University  
*The Case of Innocent Blood: The Relationship between the Cities of Refuge and the Ritual for the Unsolved Murder (Deut. 21:1-9) (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-213

### SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section / Book of Psalms Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Theme: **Reformation and Early Modern Women Interpreting the Psalms**

Melody Knowles, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Andrew Witt, Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto  
*When David Strikes His Harp: The Work of Mary Anne Schimmelpennick on the Psalms (20 min)*

Ramone R. Billingsley, Wycliffe College at the University of Toronto  
*A Recipe for a Feast: An Examination of Lady Hackett's Reading of Psalm 25 (20 min)*

Nathan Wall, Wycliffe College  
*Malady and Medicine: God's Justice and Mercy in Anne Locke's Sonnet Sequence on Psalm 51 (20 min)*

J. Glen Taylor, Wycliffe College  
*Reading Psalms 51 and 130 with Protestant Reformer Katharina Schütz Zell (20 min)*

B. J. Parker, Baylor University  
*Pembroke's Persuasion: The Rhetoric of Mary Sidney's Psalm 82 (20 min)*

Elizabeth Ann R. Willett, SIL International  
*Mary Sidney's Translation of "Isedeq" as "just" Rather Than "righteous" (20 min)*

Hannibal Hamlin, Ohio State University  
*Translation as Interpretation in the Psalms of Mary Sidney Herbert, Countess of Pembroke (20 min)*

## S21-214

### SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **The Writing of Malachi**

The session will explore some important aspects of the writing of Malachi, which were brought up in the last decade of research.

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg, Presiding (4 min)

Karl William Weyde, Norwegian School of Theology, Oslo  
*The Term Massa' in Malachi 1:1 (30 min)*

Corinna Körting, University of Hamburg  
*Between Cult-Practice and Literary Production: Priests and Levites in the Book of Malachi (29 min)*

Lotta Valve, Abo Akademi  
*The Merging of Covenantal Traditions in Malachi (29 min)*

Fanie Snyman, University of the Free State  
*Malachi's Controversial Conclusion: Problems and Prospects (29 min)*

Gunnar Magnus Eidsvåg, University of Stavanger  
*The Old Greek Translation of Malachi: Some Textual and Theological Developments (29 min)*

## S21-215

### SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Life of Cyprian**

Charles Bobertz, Saint John's University, Presiding

Alexander Evers, Loyola University Chicago  
*Cyprian and Urban Life – A Development of Church Hierarchy: Construction or Consequence (30 min)*

Kyle Harper, University of Oklahoma  
*Cyprian and His Plague: Taking the Pandemic Seriously (30 min)*

Allison K. Ralph, Catholic University of America  
*Cyprian of Carthage Use of the Body Politic as a Model for the Body of Christ (30 min)*

Responding:

Allen Brent, King's College - London (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-217

### SBL David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Honoring the 2015 Award Winner: Jonathan Kaplan**

We are pleased to announce that the 2015 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin, for his paper entitled, "Sefer Mosheh or Sefer Morashah? Reconsidering 'the Torah' in 4QMMT." Jonathan is the author of the forthcoming monograph *My Perfect One: Typology and Early Rabbinic Interpretation of Song of Songs* (Oxford University Press, 2015). He has published articles in JBL, HUCA, HTR, and JNES. He has been a member of SBL since 1999. Please join us in congratulating Jonathan for this honor. For more information about the award, please visit <http://www.sbl-site.org/membership/FreedmanAward.aspx>.

Mark Hamilton, Abilene Christian University, Presiding

Jonathan Kaplan, University of Texas at Austin  
*Sefer Mosheh or Sefer Morashah? Reconsidering "the Torah" in 4QMMT (30 min)*

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### Responding:

Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln (15 min)

Devorah Dimant, University of Haifa (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### S21-218

#### SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar / Disputed Paulines Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Refining Rhetography; Review of Harry O. Maier, Picturing Paul in Empire: Imperial Image, Text and Persuasion in Colossians, Ephesians and the Pastoral Epistles (Bloomsbury, 2013)**

RRA Group Track 3

Alexandra Gruca-Macaulay, Independent Scholar, Presiding (5 min)

### Panelists:

Rosemary Canavan, Catholic Theological College / University of Divinity (20 min)

Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (20 min)

Fredrick Long, Asbury Theological Seminary (20 min)

Jerry Sumney, Lexington Theological Seminary (20 min)

### Responding:

Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology (30 min)

Discussion (35 min)

### S21-219

#### SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Land and Lend Tenure**

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston, Presiding

Kelly Murphy, Central Michigan University  
*Field to Field, House to House: Land Tenure in the Prophets and Beyond* (20 min)

Raj Nadella, Columbia Theological Seminary  
*The Jerusalem Temple and Its Role in Land Consolidation in the First Century* (20 min)

Douglas Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University  
*Elite Control of Food Production and Non-elite Food Security in First-Century Galilee* (20 min)

Gildas Hamel, University of California-Santa Cruz  
*Land Tenure, Labor, and Debt* (20 min)

Break (5 min)

### Responding:

Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Australia (15 min)

Rainer Kessler, Philipps-Universität Marburg (15 min)

Discussion (35 min)

### S21-220

#### SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Ancient Egypt, Israel and the Hebrew Bible**

John Huddleston, College of Charleston, Presiding

Shirly Ben Dor Evian, Tel Aviv University and University of Lausanne

*The Many Faces of Pharaoh in the Hebrew Bible* (30 min)

Stefan Münzer, Universität Bern - Université de Berne  
*References to the Pharaoh in the Local Glyptic Assemblage of the Southern Levant during the 1st part of the 1st Millennium BCE* (30 min)

Scott Morschauser, Rowan University  
*"Do Not Look to Egypt?" Loyalty Oaths, Ancient Egypt, and the Old Testament* (30 min)

John Gee, Brigham Young University  
*"Put Off Thy Shoes From Off Thy Feet": Sandals and Sacred Space* (30 min)

Herbert B. Huffmon, Drew University  
*Revolutionary Sacred Architecture: Akhenaten's Sun Temples and Israel's Tent* (30 min)

### S21-221

#### SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Theme: **Critical Explorations in Feminist Hermeneutics**

Feminist hermeneutics looks at biblical interpretation in relation to created families, families of choice, and other family dynamics.

Richard Weis, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding

Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

*Abigail's Hospitality: Breaking the "Frames of War" in 1 Samuel 25* (30 min)

Lilly Nortje-Meyer, University of Johannesburg  
*The Rhetorical Construction of Masculinities in the Letter of Jude* (30 min)

Anne Létourneau, Université du Québec à Montréal  
*Bathing Beauty: The Concealment of Bathsheba's Rape and Counter-Power in 2 Samuel 11:1-5* (30 min)

Ashley Tate, University of Virginia  
*"Turn Your Eyes Away From Me:" Irony, Gender, and the Power of the Female Gaze in the Song of Songs* (30 min)

Charlene Van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch  
*"Is there a man here?" The Iron Fist in the Velvet Glove in Judges 4* (30 min)

**S21-222****SBL Formation of Isaiah Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Isaiah through the Lens of Trauma Studies**

Paul Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

J. Blake Couey, Gustavus Adolphus College

*The Image of Assyria in Isaiah from the Perspective of Trauma Studies (30 min)*

Christopher Frechette, Saint Mary's University (San Antonio)

*The Image of YHWH's Universal Reign as Moral Compass for the Traumatized "Servants of YHWH" in Third Isaiah (30 min)*

Break (3 min)

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

*Co-opting Another's Story: Isaiah and the TRC (Truth and Reconciliation Commission) (30 min)*

David Garber, Mercer University

*Remember, But Do Not Remember: The Trans-Generational Imprint of Trauma in Isaiah 40–66 (30 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

**S21-223****SBL Genesis Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Primeval Narratives**

Joseph Ryan Kelly, Tempe Preparatory Academy, Presiding

Jim Linville, University of Lethbridge

*The Priestly Creation Myth and Anti-Mythic Myth (25 min)*

Jeffrey Paul García, Nyack College

*Of Image, Earth, and Dust: Genesis Creation Topoi in Second Temple Texts and the Lowliness of Humanity in the Hodayot (25 min)*

Wilson de A. Cunha, LeTourneau University

*The naʿas in the Garden of Eden (Gen 2:4b–3:24): Malevolent or Benevolent? (25 min)*

Tzemah Yoreh, University of Toronto

*Noah's Four Sons (25 min)*

Mark McEntire, Belmont University

*A More Coherent J (25 min)***S21-224****SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Redescribing Cult Formation in the Early Imperial Era. Discourse, Invention, Material Religion**Please consult the full project description at <https://unisouthafr.academia.edu/GerhardvanDenHeever> or <https://muohio.academia.edu/JamesConstantineHanges>.Recommended reading for this session is J. Gordon Melton, "An Introduction to New Religions", in *The Oxford Handbook of New Religious Movements* (ed. James R. Lewis; New York, N.Y.: Oxford

University Press, 2004), 17–35.

Please note: it is assumed that proposers of papers intend to contribute these papers to the planned book.

Papers will be made available online before the meeting at <http://www.unisa.ac.za/Default.asp?Cmd=ViewContent&ContentID=20465>.

Book project, Greco-Roman Religions Section, Society of Biblical Literature "Redescribing Cult Formation in the Early Imperial Era. Discourse, Invention, Material Religion." Papers from the 2015 Annual Meeting, Atlanta.

Jill Marshall, Emory University, Presiding

James Constantine Hanges, Miami University

*De Iside et Osiride and the Greek Creation of Egyptian Religion (20 min)*

Frederick E. Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome

*Theoretical Observations on the Isis Cult in the Early Imperial Period (20 min)*

Richard Last, York University

*The Folk Conception of Religion and the Myth of a Domestic Jesus Movement (20 min)*

Markus Oehler, University of Vienna

*Confession Inscriptions from Asia Minor: A Rural Form of Religion (20 min)*

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa

*If Not 'Faxed From Heaven', Then Whence Do Cults Originate? (20 min)*

Break (5 min)

Discussion (45 min)

**S21-224a****SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Laura Zucconi, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Presiding

S. Timothy Hyun, Faith Evangelical College &amp; Seminary

*Job the Disabled: Disability and Welfare in the Book of Job (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Douglas A. Hume, Pfeiffer University

*Making Able the Disabled Christ: Reverse Kalokagathia in Phil 1:20–2:13 in light of Disability Studies (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Alexander Perkins, Fordham University

*Going Viral: The Mechanics of Holy Contagion in Early Christian Ritual (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Vincent Moulton, Temple University

*A Toy for All Ages: Patristic Presentations of Blinded Samson as Plaything (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Meerson, Princeton University

*Caesarean Section and Lithopedion in Ancient and Medieval Literature (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

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## P21-225

### Institute for Biblical Research

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **IRLBR Young Scholars Summit Showcase**

This session showcases the research of a collaborative group of junior scholars working at Tyndale House, Cambridge, under the leadership of senior IBR scholars and sponsored by IRLBR (<http://irlbr.org>). Daniel C. Fredericks (Belhaven University) from IRLBR provided the overall direction. The senior scholar for 2015 was Richard A. Taylor (Dallas). For further information on the Institute of Biblical Research, go to <http://ibr.org>.

Theme: What Qualifies a Psalm to be 'Messianic'? Considering Psalms 8, 16, 40 and 118

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

Daniel Fredericks, Belhaven University, Introduction (5 min)

Panelists:

Andrew Abernethy, Wheaton College (Illinois) (30 min)

Brandon Crowe, Westminster Theological Seminary (30 min)

Mariam Kamell, Regent College (30 min)

Michael McKelvey, Reformed Theological Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-225a

### SBL Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Caribbean Readings: Rhythmic Bible Readings and the Riddims of Reading the Bible**

Randall Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding (5 min)

Judith Soares, University of the West Indies

*Bible, Music, and Social Justice in the Caribbean* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College

*Resistance to "Babylon" in the Music of Bob Marley and the Wailers: Biblical and Theological Strategies* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

A. Paige Rawson, Drew University

*Reggae & the (Revolutionary) Rhythms of Rastafari: Biblical Hermeneutics: A Poetics of Relation and the Dissident Dance of Diasporic Mo(ve)ment* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies

*Salmonan pa hende di Awor — A Rhythmic Translation of the Psalms in Papiamentu: Bible Translation and the Acceptability Factor in Musical Performance* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S21-226

### SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **Gender, Slaves, Kings, and Soldiers**

Michelle Fletcher, King's College - London, Presiding

Nathan Leach, Yale Divinity School

*Christian Participation in Revelation's Violence* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Eliza Rosenberg, McGill University

*Manumission and Marriage in Revelation 17–22* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Justin Jeffcoat Schedtler, Augsburg College

*Christ as King: Biblical, Hellenistic, and Imperial Kingship Discourse in Revelation's Hymns* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

## S21-227

### SBL John, Jesus, and History Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **A Review of the John, Jesus and History Project**

The John, Jesus, and History project has been contributing to the discussion of the Fourth Gospel and questions of history since 2002. This year a panel will reflect on the work that has been done, the contributions that have been made, and the questions that might set directions for the future.

Helen Bond, University of Edinburgh, Presiding (5 min)

Jan van der Watt, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

*A Critical Appraisal of Challenging and Critical Views on the Historicity of John* (30 min)

Andrew Lincoln, University of Gloucestershire

*What is "History" in John, Jesus and History?* (30 min)

Michael Labahn, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg

*The "Johannine Lens" and Many Current Lenses on "John and Jesus": A Review of John, Jesus and History Volume III* (30 min)

Mark Goodacre, Duke University

*"Strange, Restless and Unfamiliar": The Character of the Fourth Gospel in the John, Jesus and History Project* (30 min)

Responding:

Catrin Williams, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant - University of Wales, Trinity Saint David (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## S21-228

### SBL Joshua-Judges Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Geography and Power in Joshua**

Papers in this session explore the meanings of territory in Joshua and the ways in which different terrain suggests the distribution of power.

J. Cornelis de Vos, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Stephen Russell, City University of New York  
*The Hierarchy of Estates in Land in the Book of Joshua* (25 min)

Francis Landy, University of Alberta  
*Rahab, Conquistadores, and Masquerades* (25 min)

Rachel Havrelock, University of Illinois at Chicago  
*Politics and the Promised Land* (25 min)

Nili Wazana, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Geography and Power in Joshua* (25 min)

Responding:

Ed Noort, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-229

### SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **(Post?)colonial Readings from the Puerto Rican Diaspora**

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University  
*"Come Out of Her, My People" (Rev 18:4): A Post(?)colonial Consideration of John's Apocalypse from the Puerto Rican Diaspora* (30 min)

Efrain Agosto, New York Theological Seminary  
*Colonized Apostles: Paul of Tarsus & Pedro Albizu Campos* (30 min)

Responding:

Luis Rivera-Pagan, Princeton Theological Seminary (30 min)

Ediberto Lopez, Seminario Evangélico de Puerto Rico (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-230

### SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **Queering Canons**

James Hoke, Drew University, Presiding

Eric A. Thomas, Drew University  
*When Eunuchs Read: Black Queer Ambi-veil-ence, Matt 19:12, and Others* (30 min)

Lynne Gerber, University of California-Berkeley  
*Queering the Sacred, Sacralizing the Queer: The Bible and/as Gay Literature at the Metropolitan Community Church of San Francisco, 1986–2001* (30 min)

Teresa J. Hornsby, Drury University  
*The Slender Man: A Trans Hermeneutic of the Apocalypse* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

## P21-231

### Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur'anic Corpus (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **The Question of Chronology of the Qur'anic Text: Contribution of Literary Analyses**

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida, Presiding

Adam Flowers, University of Chicago  
*The Qur'anic Conditional: Syntactic Evidence for the Periodization of the Qur'an* (20 min)

Lauren E. Osborne, Whitman College  
*Listening in the Qur'an: The Semantic Field of S-M-`* (20 min)

Emmanuelle Stefanidis, University Sorbonne Paris IV  
*Oral Proclamation and Written Text: Situating Chronological Approaches in Qur'anic Studies* (20 min)

Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, Paris-Sorbonne Université  
*Was All the Qur'an First Meant to Belong to the Qur'an?* (20 min)

Mohammad Hasan Ahmadi, University of Tehran and Seyyed Reza Moaddab, University of Tehran  
*The Relationship between Historical Development of Qur'an and Historical Development of Its Exegesis* (20 min)

Ryan David Woloshen, Wayne State University  
*An Analysis of Shifting Rhymes in Sura 52* (20 min)

Responding:

Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S21-232

### SBL Mark Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **"Who do you say I am?" Markan Christology: Jewish Prophet or Cosmic Lord?**

The session will continue the debate over Markan Christology. Is Jesus characterized entirely within the human plane, for example as a prophet? Or does Mark present Jesus as somehow cosmic, divine? Presentations consist of a short summary followed by extended discussion among seminar members, and finally a general discussion among all present. Papers are sent to formal members to be read in advance. If you are not a member but wish to obtain copies of papers in advance, contact the seminar chair, Kelli O'Brien, after November 1.

Kelli O'Brien, Independent Scholar, Presiding

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J. R. Daniel Kirk, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*Idealized Human or Identified as God? A Narratological Assessment of Mark's Christology in Conversation with Jewish Precedents (10 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Delbert Burkett, Louisiana State University  
*Mark's Jesus: Spirit-Filled Charismatic and Deified Human (10 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Michael Kok, The King's University  
*Adoptionist Interpretations of Mark's Gospel among Ancient and Modern Readers (10 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Rikk Watts, Regent College  
*Mark's "Dappled" Christology (10 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

General discussion, open to all

Discussion (30 min)

### S21-233

#### SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Libation and Meal - Wine, Offerings, and Ritual**

In this session invited scholars will focus on the role of libations, particularly in relation to ancient meals. The papers will address issues including how and by whom wine is used, and discuss the theological, social and political significance of using wine during a libation. The presenters are asked to include a focus on methodology for approaching these rituals and the associated data.

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, Presiding

Jan Heilmann, Technische Universität Dresden  
*Libations in the New Testament: About a Forgotten Ritual (30 min)*

Matthias Klinghardt, Technische Universität Dresden  
*Libation for the New Covenant (30 min)*

Meredith Warren, University of Sheffield  
*Pouring Out God's Wrath: Libation Imagery in the Book of Revelation (30 min)*

Responding:

Jonathan Brumberg-Kraus, Wheaton College (Massachusetts)  
(20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### S21-234

#### SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Imaginal Worlds and Biblical Studies**

Frauke Uhlenbruch, Independent Scholar, Presiding

James McGrath, Butler University  
*Nerd Fundamentalism: What Do Space Can(n)ons Have To Do With Biblical Canons? (30 min)*

Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York  
*A Hitchhiker's Guide to Midrash: Fanfic Canons and Interpretive Communities (30 min)*

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University  
*Canonical Embarrassments: Modeling Textual Authoritarian Discourse (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

### S21-235

#### SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Theme: **Coptic Gnostic Magic, Coptic Gnostic Texts**

Geoffrey Smith, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Review and Discussion of Malcolm Choat and Iain Gardner, *A Coptic Handbook of Ritual Power* (Brepols, 2013).

Panelists:

David Frankfurter, Boston University (20 min)

Lance Jenott, Universitetet i Oslo (20 min)

Responding:

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Eric Crégheur, Université Laval

*The Biblical Citations of the "Untitled Text" of the Bruce Codex (20 min)*

Kristine Toft Rosland, Universitetet i Oslo

*The Savior Interprets Moses: The Use of Old and New Testament in the Apocryphon of John (20 min)*

Lance Jenott, Universitetet i Oslo

*Two Versions of the Letter of Peter to Philip (NHC VIII,2 and CT,1) (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

### S21-236

#### SBL Paul and Politics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Paul, Empire, and the Politics of Interpretation**

Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University, Presiding

Theodore W. Jennings, Chicago Theological Seminary  
*Paul's Messianic Political Theology and the Deconstruction of Sovereignty (25 min)*

Angela N. Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary and Karri L. Whipple, Drew University  
*Disrupting Oneness, Challenging Erasure: A Feminist-Womanist Dialogue on the Body of Christ (25 min)*

Timothy Milinovich, Dominican University  
*Beyond the Anti-Imperial Dichotomy: Towards a Contrapuntal Reading of Romans 12–15 (25 min)*

Responding:

Diana Swancutt, Boston University School of Theology (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

**S21-237****SBL Pauline Epistles Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Theme: **Reviews of J. A. Harrill, Paul the Apostle and M. Novenson, Christ Among the Messiahs**

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University, Presiding

Panelists:

John Barclay, University of Durham (20 min)

Laura Dingeldein, University of Illinois at Chicago (20 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Responding:

J. Albert Harrill, Ohio State University (25 min)

Matthew Novenson, University of Edinburgh (25 min)

**S21-238****SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar / Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section**

1:00 PM–3:45 PM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Philo, Plutarch, and the New Testament**

This joint session is the second in a three-part CHNT series on Plutarch and the New Testament that will conclude next year.

Rainer Hirsch-Luipold, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Presiding

Gregory E. Sterling, Yale Divinity School  
*When East and West Meet: Eastern Religions and Western Philosophy in Philo of Alexandria and Plutarch (25 min)*Ronald Cox, Pepperdine University  
*"Through Others": The Dirty Work of Heavenly Intermediaries in Philo, Plutarch, and Early Christianity (25 min)*Julian Elschenbroich, Protestant University Wuppertal/Bethel  
*The Mechanics of Death: Philo's and Plutarch's View on the Death of the Human (25 min)*

Break (10 min)

Zlatko Pleše, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*Ritual, Idolatry, and the Rational Norm in Plutarch and Philo (25 min)*Gretchen Reydam-Schils, University of Notre Dame  
*Philo and Plutarch on Philautia (25 min)*David T. Runia, University of Melbourne  
*Response to Papers on Philo and Plutarch (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**S21-239****SBL Q Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Was There a "Q Community"?**

This session considers whether a distinct Q community can be imagined on the basis of Q's genre as well as its theological, cultural, rhetorical, and geographical orientations. To what extent can sociological inferences be drawn from postulated literary, theological, and narrative markers of the work? What difference might reconceptions of the idea a Q community have on our ideas about Christian origins? Some participants will be invited, but proposals for papers on these and related lines of analysis are welcome.

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University, Presiding

Simon J. Joseph, California Lutheran University  
*The Quest for the 'Community' of Q: Mapping Q Within the Social, Textual, and Theological Landscape(s) of Second Temple Judaism (20 min)*InHee Park, Ewha Womans University  
*Can Tax Collectors Be Friends of Jesus? (20 min)*Wendy Cotter, Loyola University of Chicago  
*The Social Location of Q: The Problem of a Greek Q for the Oppressed in the Galilee (20 min)*Christoph Heil, Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz  
*The Q Group in Galilee and Syria (20 min)*Alan Kirk, James Madison University  
*Can a Q Community Be Inferred from Q's Literary and Theological Profile? (20 min)*

Break (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

**P21-240****Qur'anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **The Qur'an and Politics: Hermeneutical Approaches**

Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding

Vanessa De Gifis, Wayne State University  
*Qur'anic Premises in Rhetorical Analogy: The Case of al-Ma'mun's Mihna (20 min)*Omar Shaukat, University of Johannesburg  
*Hermeneutics and/as Politics: Defending the Qur'an (and Muslims) against the 'Scandal' of Abrogation (20 min)*SherAli Tareen, Franklin and Marshall College  
*Translating the Qur'an as a Manifesto for Revolution: 'Ubaydullah Sindhi's Qur'ani Shu'ur-i Inqilab' (20 min)*Alexander Abbasi, University of Johannesburg  
*Reciting the Revolution: Dr Ali Shariati's Liberationist Approach to the Qur'an (20 min)*Rahel Fischbach, Georgetown University  
*Rereading the Qur'an – Challenging Traditional Authority: Political Implications of Contemporary Qur'an Scholarship (20 min)*

Discussion (50 min)

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## S21-241

### SBL Redefining Early Christianity Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **Anachronism, Genealogy, and Time-Displacement in Early Christian Texts**

Please contact Christopher Matthews ([christopher.matthews@bc.edu](mailto:christopher.matthews@bc.edu)) to receive papers before the meeting.

Christopher Matthews, Boston College, Presiding

Jennifer Eyl, Tufts University

*Cognitive Time-Travel in Paul's Mythmaking* (10 min)

Christopher B. Zeichmann, University of Toronto

*Mark's Jesus as Post-War Subject in Pre-War Galilee* (10 min)

Panelist:

Andrew Tobolowsky, Brown University (10 min)

Responding:

Willi Braun, University of Alberta (30 min)

Break (15 min)

Discussion (75 min)

## S21-242

### SBL Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section / Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **Speech, Sight, and Space**

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Philip Erwin, Graduate Theological Union

*The Artist Speaks: Dio Chrysostom's Defense of Images in His Twelfth Oration* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David P. Griffin, University of Virginia

*Like Sees Like: Platonic Theories of Vision and Jesus' Polymorphic Body in Early Christianity* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sören Swoboda, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena

*The Visualization of Suffering in the Ancient Courtroom and in Josephus* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Alexander Stewart, Tyndale Theological Seminary (Amsterdam)

*Ekphrasis, Emotions, and Motivation in the Apocalypse of John* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer Quigley, Harvard University

*Investing in Salvation: Cyprian's Assertion of Spiritual and Financial Authority in De Habitu Virginitatis* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

## S21-243

### SBL Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Interpreting Biblical Land Texts**

J. David Stark, Faulkner University

*Abrahamic Land and Offspring Promises in Pauline Perspective* (30 min)

Scott R. Moore, Regis University

*Promise and Intertextual Logic: How Hebrews Get from A(braham) to Z(ion)* (30 min)

Kenneth Atkinson, University of Northern Iowa

*Biblical "Land" Texts in the Dead Sea Scrolls: The Wilderness Experience as Lived at Qumran* (30 min)

Sarah Schreiber, Calvin Theological Seminary

*Relocating the Witness: Predicting Israel's Rebellion in Deuteronomy and Jubilees* (30 min)

F. Stanley Jones, California State University - Long Beach

*The "Land" in the Syriac and Latin Translations of Pseudo-Clementine Recognition 1.27-71* (30 min)

## S21-244

### SBL Slavery, Resistance, and Freedom Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Emerson Powery, Messiah College, Presiding

Marianne Bjelland Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo

*An Intersectional Approach to Metaphorical Slavery* (30 min)

Bernadette J. Brootten, Brandeis University

*Bishops versus Radical Egalitarians: The Synod of Gangra (343 CE)* (30 min)

Chris L. de Wet, University of South Africa

*Slavery and Sonship in Basil of Caesarea's De spiritu sancto* (30 min)

Midori E. Hartman, Drew University

*The Limits of Trafficking in Augustine's Letter 10\** (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-245

### SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **Physiognomy in Antiquity**

Zeba Crook, Carleton University, Presiding

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College

*Authentic Pauline Bodies: Between Representation and Reality* (25 min)

Callie Callon, Queen's University

*"He had neither form nor beauty": The Physiognomic Curiosity of the Negative Descriptions of the Physical Appearance of Jesus* (25 min)

Todd Penner, Independent Scholar

*Bodies of Evidence: Rhetoric of Movement in Acts* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

David Lincicum, University of Notre Dame  
*Josephus and the Physiognomic Tradition* (25 min)

Responding:

Anthony Corbeill, University of Kansas (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## P21-246

### Society for Pentecostal Studies

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **Pentecostal Readings of Old Testament Texts**

Rebecca Idestrom, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario), Presiding

Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College  
*A Pentecostal Hearing of Psalmic Voices* (40 min)

David Hymes, Northwest University (Washington)  
*The Message of Qobeleth and Pentecostal-Charismatic Spirituality* (40 min)

Break (15 min)

Dongsoo Kim, Pyongtaek University  
*The Jewish Origin of Glossolalia* (40 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## S21-247/A21-200

### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Conquering Qualifying Exams**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

## S21-248

### SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **The Synoptic Problem, Literary Relationships, and Women in the Synoptic Tradition**

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College, Presiding

Kathy Barrett Dawson, Duke University  
*Making a Greek, Syro-Phoenician Woman a Canaanite: Matthean Alterations of Mark 7:24–30 and Deuteronomistic History* (30 min)

Kara J. Lyons-Pardue, Point Loma Nazarene University  
*A Syrophoenician Becomes a Canaanite: The Narrative Functions of Two Portrayals of One Woman* (30 min)

Natalie K. Houghtby-Haddon, George Washington University  
*Seeing Double: John's Gospel and the Women of Mark and Matthew* (30 min)

Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College  
*You Shall Die on the Mountain? On Moses' Presence in the Synoptic Transfiguration Narratives* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-249

### SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Trinity in/and the Bible**

All papers will be read in their entirety.

Brent Laytham, Saint Mary's Seminary and University, Presiding

Murray Rae, University of Otago  
*Biblical Foundations of a Trinitarian Hermeneutic* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark S. Gignilliat, Beeson Divinity School, Samford University  
*Wish Fulfillment or Real Presence? The Old Testament's Trinity* (20 min)

Andrea D. Saner, Eastern Mennonite University  
*Trinitarian Judgments in/and the Book of Exodus* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Matthew Bates, Quincy University  
*Christology of Divine Identity? Septuagintal Dialogues in the New Testament as Trinitarian Critique* (20 min)

Wesley Hill, Trinity School for Ministry  
*Paul and the Narratable Divine Identity* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S21-250

### SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Andrew Mein, Westcott House, Presiding

Eric Covington, University of St. Andrews  
*Scholasticism and the Form of Medieval Biblical Commentary: Divisio Textus in Thomas Aquinas' ad Ephesios* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, University of San Diego  
*The Chalcedonian and Non-Chalcedonian Divide: Fighting for Orthodoxy Through Apocalypse Interpretation as the Empire Faced Annihilation* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James E. Harding, University of Otago  
*Masculine Domination and the Anthropology of Biblical Commentary: The Case of Philo of Alexandria* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Matthew A. Collins, University of Chester  
*Professors of Religion and their Strange Wives: Diluvian Discord in Matthew Henry's Bible Commentary* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Hilde Brekke Moller, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
*Strack-Billerbeck and Anti-Semitism* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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## S21-251/A21-218

### SBL Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Children, Violence, and Religion**

Joint session with Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence (AAR). This co-sponsored session explores violence by and toward children as represented in biblical poetry, Latin poetry, narratives describing the first Crusade and describing medieval English targeting of Jews for “blood libel,” and finally in child-rearing literature from Focus on the Family, which advocates spanking and other forms of corporal punishment. Whether real or imagined, the violence in these explorations evokes a number of themes which extend beyond conceptions of childhood to the interlacing of religion with violence more broadly. The panel is jointly sponsored by the AAR unit on Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence and by the SBL unit on Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians.

Philip Tite, University of Washington, Presiding

Joel M. LeMon, Emory University  
*Violence Against Children and Girls in the Reception History of Psalm 137* (25 min)

Diane Shane Fruchtmann, DePaul University  
*Instructive Violence: Educated Children as Victims and Aggressors in Late Antique Latin Martyr Poetry* (25 min)

Paul Middleton, University of Chester  
*“Suffer Little Children”: Child-sacrifice, Martyrdom, and Jewish and Christian Identity Formation* (25 min)

Michael Heyes, Rice University  
*“Like an Innocent Lamb”: Accusations of Ritual Murder in English Martyrological Narratives* (25 min)

Susan Ridgely, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh  
*When Pain Becomes Symbolic of Commitment: The Practice of Spanking among Adults and Children who Use Focus on the Family Childrearing Literature* (25 min)

Responding:

Sarah Johnston, Ohio State University (25 min)

## S21-252

### SBL Women in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **Intersections of Gender, Race, and Class in Biblical Literature**

Kimberly Russaw, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University  
*What is a Virgin? Gender and Genocide in the Holy War of Numbers 31* (30 min)

Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU)  
*Saved By the Blood: A Womanist Reading of Zipporah* (30 min)

Erin Fleming, Johns Hopkins University  
*Rethinking Abigail of Carmel: From Woman of Valor to Shrewd Diplomat* (30 min)

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet  
*Male and Female Impurities in the Late Second Temple Period* (30 min)

Caryn Tammer-Rosenau, Vanderbilt University  
*Un-gendering Texts: A Queer Critique of Looking for “Male” and “Female” Voices* (30 min)

## S21-253

### SBL Methods of Historiography in the Study of Ancient Israel and the Levant

2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Offsite - Offsite

Theme: **Special Joint-Session with ASOR**

Please especially note that the American Schools of Oriental Research (ASOR) is hosting this session. It is located offsite in Windsor A at The InterContinental Buckhead-Atlanta.

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University, Welcome (5 min)

Matthew Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park,  
Introduction (5 min)

Jacob Lauinger, Johns Hopkins University  
*Esarhaddon's Succession Treaty as Literary Model for Deuteronomy: Some Thoughts on Method* (15 min)

Sara Milstein, University of British Columbia  
*Nothing but the Truth? Near Eastern Scribes and the Production of Legal “Opinions”* (15 min)

Seth Sanders, Trinity College - Hartford  
*Bondage as Liberation: The Political Theology of Slavery in Late Iron Age Law* (15 min)

Responding:

Peter Machinist, Harvard University (10 min)

Bernard Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities (10 min)

Saturday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

## S21-301

### SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section / Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Teaching the Bible with Technology**

The world of technology continues to advance. We are seeking 10 minute presentations in which presenters demonstrate the use of how a technology could be used in the classroom. The emphasis is on the demonstration aspect of the presentation so that participants can visualize how to implement the technology being showcased. Whether it relates to Twitter, blogs, webcams, Oculus Rift, software, audience response systems, or other technologies, we welcome actual cases of specific technologies that improve student learning. After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.

Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College, Presiding

Oliver Glanz, Andrews University  
*SHEBANQ in the Exegesis Classroom: Teaching Exegetical Research with the Receiver of the Digital Humanities Awards 2014 (10 min)*

Erica L. Martin, Seattle University  
*Empowering the Exegete with Open Educational Resources (10 min)*

Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma  
*Using 'Genius' to Teach Close Reading in Collaborative Learning Contexts (10 min)*

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug International University  
College Denmark  
*Prototyping Learning Technology in Word: the Hebrew Verb Cruncher (10 min)*

Tyler J. Griffin, Brigham Young University  
*Bringing Ancient Texts to Life for Tech-Savvy Students (10 min)*

Break (10 min)

Matthew Anstey, Charles Sturt University  
*"Write them on the tablet": Using Pen Tablets for Online Hebrew Teaching (10 min)*

C. Jason Borders, Huntingdon College  
*Skype in the Biblical Studies Classroom: Using Social Media Platforms to Construct Practical Contexts for Biblical Interpretation (10 min)*

Benjamin K. Forrest, Liberty University  
*"Unite the Pair So Long Disjoined": Theological Instruction and Qualitative Research (10 min)*

Sean Boisen, Logos Bible Software  
*Teaching the Cultural Background of the Bible (10 min)*

Bryan Bibb, Furman University  
*Using Bible Software to Teach Translation Theory (10 min)*

Discussion (40 min)

## P21-302

### African Association for the Study of Religions

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Issues in African Initiated Churches and African Diaspora Christianity**

Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University, Presiding

Bernard Appiah, University of Birmingham  
*Integration Strategies of Pentecostal Churches in the African Diaspora (30 min)*

Sana Mmolai, University of Botswana, Obed Ndeya Kealotswe, University of Botswana and Lovemore Togarasei, University of Botswana

*Quinine, Ditaola, and the Bible: Investigating Botswana Health Seeking Practices (30 min)*

Janice McLean-Farrell, City Seminary of New York  
*Singleness, Marriage, and the Second-Generation: Charting the Future of African and African Diasporan Immigrant Families in the West (30 min)*

JoAnn D'Alisera, University of Arkansas  
*Afterlife Exiles: Death and Dying in the Sierra Leonian Diaspora (30 min)*

Responding:

Jehu J. Hanciles, Emory University (30 min)

## S21-304

### SBL Bible, Myth, and Myth Theory Section / Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton - 405 (Level 4)

Theme: **The Significance of Dennis MacDonald's Scholarship to Interpreting the Bible as Myth**

co-sponsored by Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative

Debra Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

Richard Pervo, Saint Paul, Minnesota  
*Degrees of Separation: A Mythic Sub-Structure (20 min)*

Austin Busch, SUNY Brockport  
*Revisionary Interpretation of Homeric and Biblical Myth (20 min)*

Paul Robertson, Colby-Sawyer College  
*Construction of Mythical Founders in the Ancient Mediterranean: Paul's Jesus and Greco-Roman Philosophical Schools (20 min)*

Kevin McGinnis, Springfield College  
*Reading Reception: Dennis MacDonald and the "End" of Historical Criticism (20 min)*

Responding:

Dennis MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

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## S21-305

### SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Artifacts as Interpretation: Biblical Images and Material Culture**

Steven Friesen, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Mark D. Ellison, Vanderbilt University  
*Adam and Eve's Labors and Marriage Ideals in Early Christian Relief Sculpture (30 min)*

Lynn R. Huber, Elon University  
*Making Men in Revelation 2–3: Reading the Seven Messages in the Bath-Gymnasium of Asia Minor (30 min)*

Jenn Strawbridge, University of Oxford  
*"If God Is For Us": The Apotropaic Function of Rom 8:31 in Early Christian Epigraphy (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-306

### SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Art and Magic**

Michael Peppard, Fordham University, Presiding

Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
*Modeling "Magic": Evaluating Archaeological Approaches to the Ritual Functions of Near Eastern Terracottas (30 min)*

Nils H. Korsvoll, MF Norwegian School of Theology  
*What's in a Cross? The Role and Function of Cruciform Decorations in Syriac Incantation Bowls (30 min)*

Amy E. Meverden, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
*Imperial Greenery: Biblical Text Counter-Images of the Sacred Tree as an Eco-Critical Re-Imagination (30 min)*

Sean V. Leatherbury, Getty Research Institute  
*Votive Offerings in Late Antique Christianity: Contexts, Rituals, Meanings (30 min)*

Naama Vilozy, University of Haifa  
*Does it Look Threatening as Well? On the Relations between Drawings and Texts in the Babylonian Incantation Bowls (30 min)*

## S21-307

### SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

Theme: **Contextual Biblical Methodologies**

Papers MAY be available ahead of time at <https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/>.

Nicole Duran, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Panelists:

Jione Havea, Charles Sturt University (30 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College (30 min)

Yak-Hwee Tan, Taiwan Theological College and Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-308

### SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section / Bible and Film Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Celebrating the Work of George Aichele: Bible, Film, Theory**

The presenters, each a contributor to a Festschrift celebrating the work and influence of George Aichele, will be summarizing their contributions. Full papers will not be read. Dr. Aichele will respond.

Melissa Stewart, Adrian College, Presiding

Gary Phillips, Wabash College, Presiding (20 min)

Panelists:

Fred Burnett, Anderson University (IN) (15 min)

Scott Elliott, Adrian College (15 min)

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College (15 min)

Jennifer Koosed, Albright College (7 min)

Robert Seesengood, Albright College (7 min)

Richard Walsh, Methodist University (15 min)

Responding:

George Aichele, Independent Scholar (20 min)

## S21-309

### SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Bible and Biblical Interpretation in Ancient and Modern Media**

BAMM invites papers related to the ancient and modern media contexts of biblical transmission and interpretation. We invite especially papers that address issues of literacy, textuality, scribality, and orality in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament research, New Testament and early Christianity research, and modern translation and pedagogy.

Ruth Ebach, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen  
*"The Mountain Was Burning with Fire": The Burning Horeb in Illustrations of Late Antiquity and the Biblical Exodus Story (30 min)*

Werner Kelber, Rice University  
*Orality, Scribality, and the Concept of the Early Jesus Tradition (30 min)*

Break (5 min)

Emmanuel Nathan, Australian Catholic University  
*His Story: The Characterization of Paul in Acts from the Perspective of Reputational Entrepreneurship (30 min)*

Chris Porter, Ridley College  
*Reputation and Christology: A Corinthian Case Study (30 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-310

### SBL Biblia Arabica: The Bible in Arabic among Jews, Christians, and Muslims Consultation / The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - L508 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **"The Bible is at the same time nowhere and everywhere in the Arabic Qur'an"** (Sidney H. Griffith)

Meira Polliack, Tel Aviv University, Presiding

Josey Bridges Snyder, Emory University  
*Selective Memory: Lot's Wife in the Qur'an and Later Islamic Interpretation (30 min)*

Andrew Geist, University of Notre Dame  
*A Loan to God: Wealth, Charity, and Usury in the Qur'an (30 min)*

Ilana Sasson, Sacred Heart University  
*Who Wrote the Book of Proverbs? A Medieval Karaite Approach (30 min)*

Yousef Casewit, American University of Sharjah  
*Biblical Proof-Texts in the Qur'anic Exegesis of Ibn Barrajan of Seville (d. 536/1141) (30 min)*

Roy Michael McCoy III, University of Oxford  
*'Do not trust the people of the Book, but do not disbelieve them': Suspending Judgment on the Four Canonical Gospels in al-Biqā'i's Tafsir (30 min)*

## S21-311

### SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Coptic Biblical Lexicography**

Coptic Biblical Lexicography which will cover a range of key topics and issues in the field.

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Presiding

Ewa Zakrzewska, University of Amsterdam  
*What's in a Lexeme? The Case of Coptic (30 min)*

Sebastian Richter, Universität Leipzig  
*The Project Database and Dictionary of Greek Loanwords in Coptic (30 min)*

Frank Feder, Universität Göttingen  
*The Coptic Lexicon of the Coptic Biblical Texts (30 min)*

Stéphane Polis, Université de Liège  
*Diachronic Lexical Semantics in Ancient Egyptian–Coptic The 'Egyptian' Side of Coptic Lexicography (30 min)*

Sofia Torallas Tovar, University of Chicago  
*The Context of Greek Loanwords in Coptic: Greek in Coptic School Texts (30 min)*

## S21-312

### SBL Book of Daniel Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Issues in the Study of Daniel**

David Valeta, University of Colorado at Boulder, Presiding

Amanda Davis Bledsoe, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

*A Patchwork Quilt: Pieces of Daniel among the Dead Sea Scrolls (20 min)*

Melanie Lange, Universität Rostock  
*Translation as Theological Update: The Old Greek Version of the Book of Daniel Exemplified by Daniel 6–7 (20 min)*

Justin L. Pannkuk, Emory University  
*The Preface of Old Greek Daniel 5: A Formal Approach (20 min)*

Break (10 min)

David J. Fuller, McMaster Divinity College  
*From Prophet to Waiter: Habakkuk's Cameo Appearance in the Apocryphal Additions to Daniel (20 min)*

Andrew B. Perrin, Trinity Western University  
*Dream-Vision Discourse in the Book of Daniel and Ancient Jewish Aramaic Literature among the Qumran Library (20 min)*

Discussion (40 min)

## S21-313

### SBL Book of Psalms Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Christine Jones, Carson-Newman University, Presiding

Matthias Millard, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel  
*The Hallel—Psalms in the Context of Worship (25 min)*

Meghan D. Musy, McMaster Divinity College  
*Hearing Voices: Exploring Psalmic Multivocality as Lyric Poetry (25 min)*

Beat Weber, Theologisches Seminar Bienenberg (Switzerland)  
*From the David of the Books of Samuel to the David in the Psalms and Back Again (2 Sam 22 // Ps 18): Some Canon-Hermeneutical Reflections (25 min)*

Klaus-Peter Adam, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago  
*The Terminology for Enemies in the Psalms: A Lexicographic Conundrum Revisited (25 min)*

Kyle P. Padden, Westminster Theological Seminary  
*Penitential Prayer, Psalms 104–106 and the Shape and Shaping of Book IV of the Psalter (25 min)*

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary  
*Ambiguities within Psalms 47 and 72: Women's Voices as Intertextual Clues (25 min)*

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## S21-314

### SBL Children in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Book Session on Children in the Biblical World: Research Shaping a New Field**

In this session six scholars will present their recent works on children in the Biblical world, with respondents reflecting on the books, followed by panel and general discussions. The session aims at showing the breadth of topics, variety of approaches, and future prospects of this growing field of research.

John W. Martens, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Reidar Aasgaard, University of Oslo, Introduction (8 min)

Presentation of bibliographical resources for research on ancient childhood.

Panelist:

Kristine Henriksen Garroway, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (12 min)

Children in the Ancient Near Eastern Household, Eisenbrauns, 2014.

Panelist:

Laurel Koepf Taylor, Eden Theological Seminary (12 min)

Give Me Children or I Shall Die: Children and Communal Survival in Biblical Literature, Fortress, 2013.

Panelist:

Julie Faith Parker, Colby College (12 min)

Valuable and Vulnerable: Children in the Hebrew Bible, Especially the Elisha Cycle, Brown University Press, 2013.

Responding:

Jon L. Berquist, Disciples Seminary Foundation (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Panelist:

A. James Murphy, South Dakota State University (12 min)

Kids and Kingdom: The Precarious Presence of Children in The Synoptic Gospels, Pickwick, 2013.

Panelist:

Margaret Y. MacDonald, Saint Mary's University (Halifax) (12 min)

The Power of Children: The Construction of Christian Families in the Greco-Roman World, Baylor University Press, 2014.

Panelist:

Sharon Betsworth, Oklahoma City University (12 min)

Children in Early Christian Narratives, T&T Clark, 2015.

Responding:

Kathleen Gallagher Elkins, Saint Norbert College (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S21-315

### SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Monastic Production and Use of Christian Apocrypha**

Brent Landau, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding (5 min)

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin  
*What Do We Know About the "Sitz im Leben" of Ancient Christian Apocalypses?* (25 min)

Hugo Lundhaug, Universitetet i Oslo  
*The Nag Hammadi Texts as Monastic Literature* (25 min)

Geoffrey Smith, University of Texas at Austin  
*A Body Pure and Innocent: Anthropology and Anti-Origenism in the Sentences of Sextus (NHC XII,1)* (25 min)

Brad F. King, University of Texas at Austin  
*The Garden a Prison: Sex, Gender, and Power in Eden* (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

## S21-315a

### SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 408 (Level 4)

Theme: **Apostolic Fathers**

This session addresses the Martyrdom of Polycarp, 1-2 Clement, and the Ignatian corpus.

Troy Martin, Saint Xavier University, Presiding

Clare K. Rothschild, Lewis University  
*Travelers as Christ-mongers in Did. 12:1-5* (30 min)

Hermut Loehr, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster  
*The Moral Thought of 1 Clement and the Hellenistic Philosophers* (30 min)

David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University  
*"Ignatius" on Ignatius and the Construction of the New Paul* (30 min)

Michael W. Holmes, Bethel University (Minnesota)  
*Dating the Martyrdom of Polycarp* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S21-316

### SBL Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

Theme: **The Historian's Craft**

Daniel Pioske, Georgia Southern University, Presiding (5 min)

Seth Richardson, Oriental Institute - University of Chicago  
*Clio and Eros in Babylon: Historical Method and Theory for Cuneiform Antiquity* (60 min)

Responding:

Daniel Fleming, New York University (20 min)

Diana Edelman, University of Oslo (20 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-317

### SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **New Perspectives on the Cappadocian Fathers**

Mark DelCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN),  
Presiding

Seumas Macdonald, Macquarie University

*Is Basil a pro-Nicene exegete? Patterns of Scriptural Usage in Basil's  
Against Eunomius (30 min)*

Volker Henning Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen  
*Basil's Origenism: Education by the Scripture (30 min)*

Justin A. Mihoc, University of Durham

*Returning to Paradise: A Cosmological Interpretation of the Church in  
Basil of Caesarea and Gregory of Nyssa (30 min)*

Taylor Ross, Duke University

*Reconsidering the Virtue of Diastema in Gregory of Nyssa: An 'Iconic'  
Approach (30 min)*

Eric Lopez, Life Pacific College

*A Paradigm for Trinity & the Incarnation: Basil of Caesarea's Ep.  
214.4.6–9 and Gregory of Nazianzus' Ep. 101.18–21 in the Post-  
Chalcedonian Era (30 min)*

## S21-318

### SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Material Culture and Early Jewish Christian Relations**

Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College, Presiding

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki

*Judaism, anti-Judaism, and anti-Judeanism in Apocryphal Accounts of  
Jesus' Passion (25 min)*

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University

*A New Jewish (?)/Christian (?) Inscription from Egypt (25 min)*

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology

*Through a Gold Glass Darkly: Reading Hybridity in Jewish and  
Christian Realia (25 min)*

Joseph Sanzo, Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Ra'anana

Boustan, University of California-Los Angeles

*Christian Magicians, Jewish Magical Idioms, and the Shared Magical  
Culture of Late Antiquity (25 min)*

Responding:

Shira Lander, Southern Methodist University (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-319/A21-303

### SBL Employment Workshops

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton - Valdosta (Level 2)

Theme: **Envisioning Academic Alternatives**

## S21-320

### SBL Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Encyclopaedia Aethiopica**

marking the completion of this monumental work with an open session inviting papers that discuss the contribution of this work, we invite papers that draw on this tremendous resource, that map out new research directions that are now possible, and that assess and develop this work's contribution to Ethiopian Studies. In line with the encyclopaedia, papers are welcomed that deal with historical developments, places and geographical history, ethnology and sociology, religion and art, trade and economy, politics and important personalities, with a particular emphasis on the unit's of critical studies seeking to understand the ideology, sociology and the process of literary formation, of the Ethiopic tradition.

Jeremy Brown, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Alessandro Bausi, University of Hamburg

*The Question of Ethiopian Late Antique, Medieval, and Later  
Literary Heritage with a Look at the TraCES Project (20 min)*

Jacques van Ruiten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen

*The Use and Interpretation of the Book of Jubilees in the Ma??afa  
Berhan and the Ma??afa Milad (25 min)*

James Prather, Abilene Christian University

*Optical Character Recognition for Ethiopic Manuscripts (25 min)*

Steve Delamarter, George Fox University, Ashlee Benson, George  
Fox Evangelical Seminary and Jonah Sandford, George Fox  
Evangelical Seminary

*Further Research on the Recensions of the Ethiopic Song of Songs (25  
min)*

Yonatan Binyam, Florida State University

*An Introductory Survey of the Ethiopic Books of Maccabees (25 min)*

Alessandro Bausi, University of Hamburg

*Late Antique Relics from the Ethiopian Highlands: The Ethiopic  
Version of the History of the "Episcopate" of Alexandria and Other  
Texts (30 min)*

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### S21-321

#### SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Book Review: David M. Carr, *Holy Resilience: The Bible's Traumatic Origins* (Yale University Press, 2014).**

In *Holy Resilience*, David Carr argues that human trauma gave birth to the Bible and, further, that central tenets of biblical religion, including monotheism and the idea of suffering as God's retribution, are factors that provided Judaism and Christianity with the strength and flexibility to endure in the face of disaster. This panel will review Carr's important book and consider the contribution of trauma studies to the study of the Bible, Judaism, and Christianity.

Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Cynthia Chapman, Oberlin College (15 min)

Christopher Frechette, Saint Mary's University (San Antonio) (15 min)

Martien Halvorson-Taylor, University of Virginia (15 min)

Shelly Rambo, Boston University School of Theology (15 min)

Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University (15 min)

Responding:

David Carr, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (20 min)

Discussion (50 min)

### S21-322

#### SBL Paul and Politics Seminar / Rhetoric and the New Testament Section / Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **(Corinthian) Women Prophets: Past, Present, and Future**

On the 25th Anniversary of the publication of *The Corinthian Women Prophets: A Reconstruction through Rhetoric* (1990), this panel reflects -- both retrospectively and prospectively -- on the innovations, impacts, and the remaining possibilities of Antoinette Clark Wire's work.

Todd Penner, Independent Scholar, Presiding (3 min)

Panelists:

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College (18 min)

Adela Collins, Yale University (18 min)

Yii-Jan Lin, Pacific School of Religion (18 min)

Joseph Marchal, Ball State University (18 min)

Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary (18 min)

Sze-kar Wan, Southern Methodist University (18 min)

Responding:

Antoinette Wire, San Francisco Theological Seminary (25 min)

Discussion (14 min)

### S21-323

#### SBL Formation of Luke and Acts Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **New Research on the Synoptic Problem and Other Conundra**

The session aims to clarify issues in the formation of Luke as it relates to the Synoptic Problem, including work on the minor agreements and other features of demonstrable formative influence.

Patricia Walters, Rockford University, Presiding

Jeffrey Peterson, Austin Graduate School Of Theology  
*Luke's Transformation of Matthean Motifs* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jordash Kiffiak, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*"And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these words...": Evaluating the Case for Luke's Direct Use of Matthew* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hugo Mendez, Yale University

*Did God "Speak Forever"? Reconsidering the Sources and Formation of the Lukan Infancy Hymns* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chang Wook Jung, Chongshin University

*Minor Agreements in Luke 8:9-10 and Luke's Source for the Verses* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### S21-324

#### SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section / Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Male Prophetic Body**

This session examines depictions of male/masculine embodiment in prophetic literature, in particular the body of male prophets. Papers will highlight and inspect portrayals of masculinity using a broad range of theoretical insights to draw attention to the undertheorized and unexamined representations of the male body in prophetic texts. Focus will also be paid to how masculinity advances/deters the prophetic message, as well as its significance for gender and/or sexuality.

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College, Presiding

Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union

*"In His Manhood He Strove with God": Masculine Embodiment in Hosea* (25 min)

Eric Wagner, Catholic University of America

*The Servant and God Are Comparable: A Result of Reading the Body as Space in Second Isaiah* (25 min)

Brian Charles DiPalma, Emory University  
*Doing Gender Differently: Scribal Masculinity and the Court Tales of Daniel* (25 min)

Andrew Montanaro, The Catholic University of America  
*The Subversive Masculinity of the Suffering Servants* (25 min)

Ryan Stephen Higgins, The Jewish Theological Seminary  
*Do Not Look at His Appearance, For I Have Rejected Him: Bodily Language and Reversal in 1 Samuel* (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-326

### SBL History of Interpretation Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **Apocalyptic Themes in Modern Interpretation**

Laura Lieber, Duke University, Presiding

Ana Valdez, University of Lisbon  
*Gog and Magog and the New Jerusalem: The Defeat of Habsburg Spain by the Portuguese in the 17th Century* (25 min)

Rebecca K. Esterson, Boston University  
*The Gospel According to William Blake: On the Use of Biblical Apocalyptic Imagery in "The Everlasting Gospel"* (25 min)

Tucker Samson Ferda, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
*The Enlightenment, Deism, and the "Painful Prick" of the Second Advent Expectation* (25 min)

Stephen Lawson, Saint Louis University  
*Franz Overbeck and the Invention of Apocalyptic Metaphysics* (25 min)

Jonathan Downing, University of Bristol  
*Southcottians and Shiloh: Genesis 49:10 and the Morphology of a Messianic Hope* (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S21-327

### SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Preaching of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

This session will examine the theological, hermeneutical and rhetorical impact of the preaching Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Although remembered primarily as a civil rights leader, Dr. King left published and recorded sermons. This session will appreciate and interpret the contribution of Dr. King's preaching.

David Jacobsen, Boston University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Dale P. Andrews, Vanderbilt University (20 min)

Dallas Gingles, Southern Methodist University (20 min)

Joy Moore, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) (20 min)

Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary (20 min)

## S21-328

### SBL Ideological Criticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Review of Roland Boer, *The Sacred Economy of Ancient Israel* (Westminster John Knox, 2015)**

Davis Hankins, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary (15 min)

Walter Brueggemann, Columbia Theological Seminary (15 min)

Marvin Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary (15 min)

Amy Erickson, Iliff School of Theology (15 min)

Alice Keefe, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (15 min)

Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School (15 min)

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury (15 min)

Responding:

Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Australia (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## P21-329

### Institute for Biblical Research

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Doctrine Seminar (SADS)**

This new session focuses on the intersection of Scripture and Doctrine. It explores how Scripture leads to the formulation of doctrine and how doctrine illuminates our reading of the Bible. The SADS committee consists of Kevin Vanhoozer, Scott Hahn and Craig Bartholomew. For further information contact Craig Bartholomew ([cbartholomew@redeemer.ca](mailto:cbartholomew@redeemer.ca)) and see <http://www.paideiacentre.ca/what-we-do/scripture-and-doctrine-seminar> as well as the Institute of Biblical Research website: <http://www.ibr-bbr.org/> (click on Research Groups). The Seminar is a cooperative venture between The Paideia Centre for Public Theology and the St. Paul Centre for Biblical Theology <http://www.salvationhistory.com/>.

Topic: Divine Fatherhood and Sonship

Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College, Welcome (5 min)

Panelists:

Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College (20 min)

Scott Hahn, Franciscan University of Steubenville (20 min)

Daniel Keating, Sacred Heart Major Seminary (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (70 min)

Break (15 min)

SAHS/SADS Dinner to follow at 7:15 PM.

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## P21-330

### International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Septuagint: Laws and Histories**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Barbara Schmitz, Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg  
*The Characterization of God in the Table Talk Section in the Book of Aristaeas (25 min)*

Robert J. V. Hiebert, Trinity Western University and David J. Sigrist, Trinity Western University  
*Some Noteworthy Linguistic Features in Septuagint Genesis (25 min)*

James R. Covington, University of Chicago  
*Telling the Flood Stories in LXX-Genesis (25 min)*

Jean Maurais, McGill University  
*Righteousness or Mercy: Rationale for Obeying the Torah in LXX Deuteronomy (25 min)*

William A. Ross, University of Cambridge  
*Vocabulary and Recension: Lexical Features of Greek Judges (25 min)*

Jan W. van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam  
*Space, Body, and Meaning in 2 Maccabees (25 min)*

## S21-331

### SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Intertextuality and the Gospel of John**

Erik Waaler, NLA Høgskolen, Presiding

William M. Wright IV, Duquesne University  
*Illuminating John's Use of Multivalent Biblical Images through Patristic Reception History (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Sheldon Steen, Florida State University  
*Him Whom My Soul Loves: Song 3:1–5 as Narrative Framework for John's Resurrection Account (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Andrew Byers, St John's College, University of Durham  
*Jesus Prays the Shema as Ezekiel's Prophesied King: A Reassessment of Johannine Oneness (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Chan Sok Park, College of Wooster  
*The Sapiential Traditions in the Fourth Gospel: Johannine Jesus as an Imitable Wisdom Incarnate (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Paul Korchin, Briar Cliff University  
*Pontius Pilate as Anti-Moses in the Gospel of John (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting

## S21-332

### SBL Johannine Literature Section / Mark Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **A Comparison of Johannine and Markan Characterization**

Chris Keith, St Mary's University, Presiding

Susan Miller, University of Glasgow  
*The Characterization of Women in the Gospel of Mark and the Gospel of John (30 min)*

Adesola Akala, University of Durham  
*Symbolic Conversations and Characterizations: A Comparison and Contrast of the Samaritan Woman in John 4:1–42 with the Syrophenician Woman in Mark 5:25–30 (30 min)*

Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University  
*Finding Lazarus in a Demoniac's Tomb (30 min)*

Tyler Smith, Yale University  
*Cognition and Character Building: Constructing the Mind of Jesus in Mark and John (30 min)*

Responding:

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## S21-333

### SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Theme: **Letters of James, Peter, and Jude in the Context of Second Temple Jewish Literature**

Peter Davids, Houston Baptist University, Presiding

Matthew Ketterling, University of St. Andrews  
*Gaining a Hearing: Prayer, Purity, and the Reconceived Temple in 1 Peter (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin J. Lappenga, Dordt College  
*James 3:13–4:10 and the Language of Envy in Prov 3:21–35 (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Bryan R. Dyer, McMaster Divinity College  
*The Maccabean Martyr Tradition and The Epistle of James (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jeremiah Bailey, Baylor University  
*A Diptych of Destruction: Watchers and Sodomites in Second Temple Literature (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ryan E. Stokes, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*What Is Wrong with Moses' Body? Jude and the Supposed "Assumption" of Moses (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

**S21-333a****SBL Levites and Priests in History and Tradition Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The High Priesthood**

Jacob Rennaker, Brigham Young University

*The High Priest's New Clothes: Adam as Priest in Genesis 2–3 (30 min)*

Daniel Wang, University of Texas at Austin

*The Role and Status of the High Priest in Persian Period Yehud (30 min)*

Claudia Losekam, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

*Priests on Hold – or Redefining the Image of Priests in Pseudo-Philo (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

**S21-334****SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Dietary Laws in the Bible and Their Ancient Reception**

This session, which includes an open call for papers, will focus on early Jewish and Christian reception of the laws concerning animals proper to eat, and those not. While the text of Leviticus 11 offers proscriptions that appear definitive, even ancient readers who accepted it as authoritative faced significant choices about how to interpret them. Papers are invited that address whether and how particular meats and other foods were included or excluded from diet (especially with reference to Lev 11), controversies about proper interpretation of this and related texts, and how these relate to other questions of identity and belief.

Meredith Warren, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Peter Wick, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

*Rejection of Dietary Laws in the New Testament (25 min)*

Andrew McGowan, Yale Divinity School

*Books for Cooks: Leviticus 11, Diet, and Exegesis in Early Christianity (25 min)*

Jordan Rosenblum, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*'The following you shall abominate among the birds': Ancient Debates About Eating Fowl (25 min)*

Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands

*Desert Dining: Dietary Restrictions in Early Monasticism (25 min)*

Responding:

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

**S21-335****SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Theme: **Metacriticism of “the New Testament”**

Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University, Presiding

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University

*On The Bad Jesus (Sheffield Phoenix, 2015) (30 min)*

Responding:

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University (30 min)

Randall Reed, Appalachian State University (30 min)

Charles Miller, University of North Dakota

*On the Teaching of Irrelevant Texts: Biblical Studies in the Public University (30 min)*

Anne Moore, University of Calgary

*To Boldly Go Beyond the New Testament to the Study of Christianity (30 min)***S21-336****SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / Religious Experience in Antiquity Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Revisiting Shamanism**

Celia Deutsch, Barnard College, Presiding

April D. DeConick, Rice University

*Shamanism and Gnostic Ritual (25 min)*

James R. Davila, University of St. Andrews

*Hekhalot Mysticism and Jewish Shamanism: Where Do We Stand Now? (25 min)*

Jeffrey Pettis, Fordham University

*Shamans in the Desert: Mark 1:12–13 Jesus and the Spirit World (25 min)*

Pieter F. Craffert, University of South Africa

*Shamanism as a Cross-Cultural Interpretive Tool: Jesus, Paul, and Early Christianity (25 min)*

Responding:

Dan Merkur, Independent Scholar (20 min)

Michael Winkelman, Arizona State University (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

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## S21-337

### SBL Paul Within Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Dieter Mitternacht, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, Presiding (5 min)

Jeremy Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

*Paul the Jew, Power of Evil and Rome (25 min)*

Thomas Dixon, Princeton Theological Seminary

*God of Wrath and Mercy: Is Paul's God the 'Old Testament God'? (25 min)*

John Kincaid, John Paul the Great Catholic University and Michael Patrick Barber, John Paul the Great Catholic University

*Where the Juridical and Participatory Unite: Christ as a Hilasterion and the Cultic Dimension of Pauline Justification (25 min)*

Genevive Dibley, Rockford University

*Why Bother with Redeeming Gentiles? The Project of Justifying the Oppression of the Righteous in the Second Age (25 min)*

Break (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

## S21-338

### SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Theme: **Theory and Practice of Performance Criticism**

Lee Johnson, East Carolina University, Presiding

Marvin Lloyd Miller, University of Manchester

*Performances of Jeremiah 29: An Ethnopoetic Presentation (30 min)*

Zvi Septimus, Cornell University

*Musical Score Theory and the Performance of Ancient Texts (30 min)*

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University

*The Media Matrix of Mark and Matthew: From Gospel to Book (30 min)*

Michael Whitenton, Baylor University

*The Curious Case of the Teetotalling Jesus and Audience Inference in Mark 15:36 (30 min)*

William D. Shiell, First Baptist Church of Tallahassee, Florida  
*"I Will Give You a Mouth and Wisdom": Prudent Speech in Luke 21:15 (30 min)*

## S21-339

### SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **Bilingualism and Translation in Antiquity**

Philology studies textual and linguistic communication; as part of the core procedures of the discipline, the boundaries between languages must be transgressed. But this linguistic "border-crossing" is not solely the project of modern philologists—it was already a common problem facing the peoples of antiquity, and was overcome in diverse and effective ways. We invite proposals that consider issues raised by the complications of inter-linguistic interaction, and that analyze the methods and contexts of translation in antiquity. Topics to be addressed potentially include: product- vs. process-oriented approaches in translation studies; bilingualism and/or translation in co-texts; and methods of assessing the translator's technique in biblical and non-biblical translations. This long session combines papers on translation and bilingualism in antiquity with papers submitted for an open session.

Charles Otte, University of Chicago, Presiding

Translation and Bilingualism in Antiquity

Alice Mandell, University of California-Los Angeles

*At the Crossroads of Cuneiform Culture: Multilingualism and Translation in the Canaanite Amarna Letters—A Reassessment (21 min)*

Jeremy M. Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Tracking Optimality in Translation at Tell Fekheriyeh (21 min)*

Catherine E. Bonesho, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*The Whole Theatre: An Analysis of the Latin (IRT 321) and Neo-Punic (IPT 24a) Inscriptions of the Theatre at Lepcis Magna (21 min)*

Charles Huff, University of Chicago

*Translating the Sacred (21 min)*

Philological Studies in Northwest Semitic

Aren M. Wilson-Wright, The University of Texas at Austin

*A Star is Born: On the Etymology of \*Athtar- and \*Athtart- (21 min)*

Na'ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin

*Dialects of Biblical Hebrew: A Re-examination (21 min)*

Sigrid K. Kjær, University of Texas at Austin

*Jeremiah the Skillful Scribe: Root Variation in Tautological Infinitives (21 min)*

## S21-340

### SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Cities of the Lycus Valley: Colossae, Hierapolis, and Laodicea**

Laurence Welborn, Fordham University, Presiding

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg

*A City with a Message: Colossae and Colossians (25 min)*

Peter Arzt-Grabner, Universität Salzburg

*Everyday Life in a Roman Town Like Colossae: The Papyrological Evidence (25 min)*

Michael Trainor, Australian Catholic University  
*Rome's Market Economy in the Lycus Valley: Soundings from Laodicea and Colossae* (25 min)

Clinton E. Arnold, Talbot School of Theology (Biola University)  
*Initiation, Vision, and Spiritual Power: The Hellenistic Dimensions of the Problem at Colossae* (25 min)

Allen Brent, King's College - London  
*Has the Vita Abercii Mislead Epigraphists in the Reconstruction of the Inscription?* (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## P21-341

### Qur'anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **The Current State of Qur'anic Studies and Its Future**

A roundtable discussion on the state of the field of Qur'anic studies consisting of two sets of questions posed to the panellists. After their initial responses, we encourage an open debate and audience participation. The questions are:

1. Can you provide a definition of Qur'anic Studies? In your area of specialisation, what are the most significant strides that you think this field has made in the last two decades? Is there a difference between the study of the Qur'an and the study of its interpretation?
2. What are the presumptions of, and methods used in, different scholarly approaches to the Qur'an, and how have these changed in the past twenty years? Are there methodological differences between descriptive and normative approaches to the text, between 'revisionism' and 'confessionalism'; or are these categorisations simplistic and/or ill-defined? Are contemporary and progressive methods of studying the text less rigorous than 'Orientalist'-style text- and language- based study, traditional methods, and historical-critical methods? What do you say to the allegation that the field is increasingly burdened by the baggage of an attempt to be politically correct?

Farid Esack, University of Johannesburg, Presiding

Panelists:

Kecia Ali, Boston University  
 Herbert Berg, University of North Carolina at Wilmington  
 Joseph Lombard, Brandeis University  
 Yusuf Rahman, Ushuluddin and Graduate School UIN Jakarta  
 Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford  
 Devin Stewart, Emory University  
 Shawkat Toorawa, Cornell University

## S21-342

### SBL Recovering Female Interpreters of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Women Interpreters through the Ages**

Christiana de Groot, Calvin College, Presiding

Joy Schroeder, Trinity Lutheran Seminary and Capital University  
*Retrieving the Voices of Female Biblical Interpreters in Early Christianity: Methodologies, Possibilities, and Limits* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Catherine Sider Hamilton, University of Toronto  
*Scripture Embodied: Perpetua's Passion and the Pauline Story of Salvation* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion  
*Women's Speaking Justified: Margaret Fell & Quaker Biblical Interpretation in the 17th Century* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Amanda Russell-Jones, Independent Scholar  
*Josephine Butler and the Woman's Bible: Opposition to 'the Sex-Bias' of Commentaries Written by Only One Sex* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marion Taylor, Wycliffe College  
*Biblical Criticism à la Femme* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

## S21-343

### SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar / Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: **Beyond Sight: The Role of Non-Visual Senses in Rhetoric**

RRA Group Track 1: New Horizons in Sociorhetorical Interpretation

Robert von Thaden, Mercyhurst College, Presiding (5 min)

Yael Avrahami, Oranim Academic College  
*The Rhetorics of Smell in the Words of Isaiah and Its Socio-Moral Background* (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Roy R. Jeal, Booth University College  
*Sounds That Arouse Perception: The Rhetoric of Hearing in Colossians* (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University  
*Sensing Belief in the Gospel of John* (30 min)

Discussion (35 min)

## S21-344

### SBL The Art of Journal Selection and Publishing

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

Ellen White, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding

Panelists:

Leslie Hoppe, Catholic Theological Union  
 Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross  
 Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Saturday, 7:00 PM and Later

### P21-344a

#### Westar Institute

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Translating the Jewish Wars (Young Leaders in Religion Forum)**

What do the Westar Seminar findings on the Jewish Wars mean for faith communities? How does it affect Jewish-Christian relations? Three Young Leaders in Religion Forum respondents will join scholars in offering responses to these and other questions emerging from Friday's Christianity Seminar sessions.

This forum, led by the Young Leaders in Religion, is open to all SBL-AAR and Westar national meeting attendees.

### S21-345

#### SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **The Letter of James**

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers University, Presiding

Benjamin Wold, Trinity College - Dublin

*Sin and Evil in James: Sapiential and Apocalyptic (25 min)*

Helen Cashell-Moran, Trinity College - Dublin

*The Significance of the Eschatological Restorative Imagery of James 1:1: Wisdom, Eschatology, and Apocalypticism in James (25 min)*

Andrew Guffey, Virginia Theological Seminary

*Faith without Works Is...Apocalyptic? Apocalyptic Wisdom between James and Paul (25 min)*

Break (5 min)

Timothy A. Gabrielson, Marquette University

*In Search of Common Ground: The Overlapping Ethics of Wisdom and Apocalypticism, with James and 2 Enoch as a Test Case (25 min)*

Responding:

Matthew Goff, Florida State University (10 min)

Lawrence Wills, Episcopal Divinity School (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

### P21-401a

#### International Qur'anic Studies Association

6:30 PM–8:00 PM

Hilton - Crystal A-F (Level 1)

Theme: **Graduate Student Reception**

All graduate students in Quranic/Islamic Studies attending the IQSA sessions are welcome to join. Food/drink will be served. A number of senior professors in Quranic Studies will be in attendance for informal conversation/mentorship.

### S21-401

#### SBL Presidential Address

7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam/Tel Aviv University, will deliver the 2015 SBL Presidential Address.

Beverly Gaventa, Baylor University, Introduction (10 min)

Athalya Brenner, Universiteit van Amsterdam

*On Scholarship and Related Animals: A Personal View from and for the Here and Now (50 min)*

### P21-401b

#### Westar Institute

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Translating God (Young Leaders in Religion Forum)**

Is "strategic atheism" possible? How might it be employed effectively in community? What is Paul Tillich's legacy for pastors and other leaders in their daily work? Three YRLF respondents will join scholars to respond to these and other questions emerging from Saturday's God Seminar sessions.

This forum, led by the Young Leaders in Religion, is open to all AAR/SBL and Westar national meeting attendees.

### P21-402

#### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott - Skyline North (Level 10)

Theme: **Reception**

Everyone is welcome. Come and learn about our programs and opportunities. Celebrate teaching with past and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants. In addition, sign up for an appointment during the conference to discuss your ideas for a Wabash Center grant, or stop by our booth in the Exhibit Hall.

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### S22-101a

#### SBL Emory Studies in Early Christianity and Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Editorial Boards

7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

### P22-101

#### National Association of Professors of Hebrew

7:00 AM–8:45 AM

Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Annual Breakfast and Business Meeting**

Gilead Morahg, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding

### S22-102

#### SBL Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

7:15 AM–8:45 AM

Marriott - International C (International Level)

### S22-103

#### SBL Annual Business Meeting

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

### P22-104

#### Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Worship Service**

This worship service is sponsored by the Institute of Biblical Research. For further information go to <http://www.ibr-bbr.org>.

Tremper Longman, Westmont College, Presiding

Wendy Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Worship

Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures: Leviticus 19:30-37

Lesson from the New Testament: Hebrews 13:1-6

Cynthia Westfall, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction

M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary, "Welcoming the Stranger and Our Vocation"

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

### S22-105

#### SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Letters in/as/with Narrative**

Scott Elliott, Adrian College, Presiding

Patricia Duncan, Texas Christian University

*The Epistolary Narrative Preface of the Pseudo-Clementine "Homilies"* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Troy M. Troftgruben, Wartburg Theological Seminary

*The Gravitas of Letters: Intra-diegetic Epistles in Jewish, Greek, and Christian Narratives* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Meira Z. Kensky, Coe College

*Timothy in Ephesus? First Timothy, the Acts of the Apostles, and the Acts of Timothy Reconsidered* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Anthony Mena, Phillips Theological Seminary

*The Lives of Letters* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

### S22-106

#### SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

Theme: **Animals in/and Iconography**

Brent Strawn, Emory University, Presiding

Thomas Staubli, Université de Fribourg - Universität Freiburg  
*"The gazelle, that feeds among the lotus": Life, Dissemination, and Meaning of a Metaphor* (30 min)

Regine Hunziker-Rodewald, Université de Strasbourg  
*Mounted Riders in Ancient Ammon: A Reappraisal* (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Sanna Saari, University of Helsinki

*The Lion Scene in 1 Kings 13: A Case Study with Literary-Iconographic Approach* (30 min)

Woo Min Lee, Drew University

*A Lion Hunter and a Caged Bird: A Case of Text-Image Interface in the Assyrian Inscriptions and Reliefs Regarding Sennacherib's Siege against Hezekiah* (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## S22-107

### SBL Aramaic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **Targum and Translation Techniques**

Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Leeor Gottlieb, Bar-Ilan University

*A New Project in Targum Digitization (25 min)*

Samuel Boyd, University of Chicago/University of Colorado  
*Abraham and the Rhetoric against Titus in an Expansion of Tg. Isa. 10:32 (25 min)*

Adam Stewart Brown, McMaster Divinity College  
*The "Messiah" According to the Aramaic Meturgeman of the Isaiah Targum (25 min)*

David L. Everson, Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy  
*A Comparative Vocubular Analysis of the Pentateuch Targums (25 min)*

Iosif Zhakevich, Harvard University  
*Apparent Contradictions between Pseudo-Jonathan and Its Hebrew Vorlage (25 min)*

Andrew W. Litke, Catholic University of America  
*Late Jewish Literary Aramaic and the Lexicon of Targum Song of Songs (25 min)*

## S22-108

### SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **Religious Dimensions of Late Ancient Domestic and Funerary Artifacts**

Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba, Presiding

Gregg E. Gardner, University of British Columbia  
*Domesticating the Holy: Ancient Israelite Artefacts in Late-Antique Judaism (30 min)*

Alan Cadwallader, Australian Catholic University  
*One Grave, Two Women, One Man: Complicating Family Life at Colossae (30 min)*

Eric C. Smith, Iliff School of Theology and Amy Erickson, Iliff School of Theology  
*Jonah and His Ninevehs: Margin and Center in Canon, Material, and Narrative (30 min)*

Discussion (60 min)

## S22-109

### SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Ancient Commentaries and "the Stream of Tradition"**

K. Lawson Younger, Jr., Trinity International University, Presiding (5 min)

Peter Machinist, Harvard University

*Commentaries in the Mesopotamian Tradition and Some Biblical Reflections (30 min)*

JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College

*From SA.GIG to Ovid's Metamorphosis: Commentaries in the Stream of Tradition (30 min)*

Jeffrey Cooley, Boston College

*Epistemic Novelty and Philological Elasticity: The Problem of New Knowledge and the Stream of Tradition (30 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

## S22-110

### SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Disability Studies and the Bible**

Eric Thomas, Drew University, Presiding

SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union

*A Cross-cultural Reading of Disability and Illness in Sacred Texts: A Subversive Vision in Job and in Zhuangzi (20 min)*

David Pettit, Iliff School of Theology

*Mapping God's Movement on Eli's Disabled Body in I Samuel 1–4 (20 min)*

Myrick C. Shinall, Jr., Vanderbilt University

*Were the Lepers Outcasts in the Synoptic Gospels? (20 min)*

Nancy Tan, Chinese University of Hong Kong

*Negotiating Interpretations of the "Image of God" in the Hebrew Bible for the Disabled and Special Needs (20 min)*

William John Lyons, University of Bristol and Mike Gulliver, University of Bristol

*An Eternity of Silence or Merely Half an Hour (Rev 8:1)? Spatial Conflict, the Radical Jesus, and Deaf Liberation (20 min)*

**S22-111****SBL Bible and Visual Art Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Death and Destruction in Biblical Art**

Christine Joynes, University of Oxford, Presiding

Ruth Clements, Orion Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls

*"Your Son is Dead and my Son Lives!" (1 Kgs 3:22): Painting, Poetry, and Polemic in the North French Hebrew Miscellany (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Avron Kulak, York University

*What Do We Look at When We Look at Art? Biblical Thought and the Redemption of the Finite (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield

*Judith and Sexual Violence: The Bible in Art (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Linda A. Dietch, Drew University

*Forbidden Vistas: Henry Ossawa Tanner's "Destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah" (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain

*The Paradoxical Characterization of God in the Gospel of Mark and The Table of Silence of Constantin Brâncuși (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

**S22-112****SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Difficult Reputations in Media and Memory: The Work of Gary Fine**

Gary Alan Fine (Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University) has drawn attention to "difficult reputations," the dynamics of and debates over the memory of figures such as Joseph McCarthy and Warren Harding. The social dynamics of remembering and invoking ambiguous and/or villainous figures differ from the use of heroic reputations. Sometimes the differences are striking. In this invited panel, Ray Person and Michelle Weedman apply Fine's social theory of reputation-making to King David in Hebrew biblical historiography (Person) and Ephrem the Syrian's memory of Mary and Eve (Weedman), followed by responses from Gary Alan Fine and Barry Schwartz. This discussion advances the recent interest in social memory research and its potential for historical questions pertaining to ancient Judaism and Christian origins.

Raymond F. Person, Jr., Ohio Northern University

*The Deuteronomist and the Chronicler as Reputational Entrepreneurs of King David (30 min)*

Michelle Weedman, Maryville College

*Eve's Reputation in Ephrem the Syrian (30 min)*

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Gary A. Fine, Northwestern University (20 min)

Barry Schwartz, University of Georgia (20 min)

**S22-113****SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section / Book of the Twelve Prophets Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **The Role of Poetry in the Book of the Twelve**

This joint session between the Biblical Hebrew Poetry Group and the Book of the Twelve Prophets Group explores poetic, rhetorical and other artistic uses of language in the book of the Twelve Prophets. Attention will be given to the role of poetry within the rhetoric of an individual book or the corpus as a whole as well as the role of poetic devices within particular passages or sections of the corpus.

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Elie Assis, Bar-Ilan University

*Jonah's Prayer (2:3–10): An Integral Part of the Book of Jonah (25 min)*

Helmut Utzschneider, Augustana-Hochschule

*Performance and Poetry in Prophetic Texts: Joel 1–2 as Performative Text (25 min)*

Break (5 min)

Beth M. Stovell, Ambrose University

*Poetry of Presence: Divine Presence and Divine Spirit in the Book of the Twelve (25 min)*

Jutta Krispenz, Philipps-Universität Marburg

*Poetic Structure and Polyphony in Hosea 7 (25 min)*

Responding:

Michael Floyd, Independent Scholar (15 min)

Barry Jones, Campbell University (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**S22-114****SBL Blogger and Online Publication Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Blogging Comes of Age**

This session will feature two papers, followed by a panel of blogging scholars who will share their thoughts about the benefits and challenges, rewards and hardships, of academic blogging. The panelists will then participate in a Q&A with the audience.

James McGrath, Butler University, Presiding

Rick Brannan, Faithlife

*From Blog, to Book, to the Larger Scholarly Discussion (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Christian Brady, Pennsylvania State University

*The Life of a Blog from Cradle to Maturity (?) (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Panel Discussion

Panelists:

Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (10 min)

Wil Gafney, Brite Divinity School (TCU) (10 min)

Lawrence Schiffman, New York University (10 min)

Discussion (60 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## S22-115

### SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **Gospels and Overtures**

Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland, Presiding

Stanley P. Saunders, Columbia Theological Seminary  
*On Earth as in Heaven: The Story of Creation in Matthew's Gospel* (30 min)

Elizabeth Dowling, Australian Catholic University  
*Offering All The Life They Have: Reading Luke 21:1–4 In Dialogue With Earth's Impoverishment* (30 min)

Nicholas Bott, Stanford University; Palo Alto University  
*Invention and Impoverishment: John Muir, Technology, and "Godful" Ecology* (30 min)

Anna Rebecca Solevag, School of Mission & Theology and  
Tina Dykesteen Nilsen, School of Mission & Theology  
(Misjonshøgskolen i Stavanger) (Norway)  
*Arctic Ecolonialism: The Bible, Ecology, and Colonialism in The Kautokeino Rebellion* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-116

### SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **The Song of Songs and Egyptian Love Poetry**

The session discusses the Song of Songs in light of Egyptian Love Poetry 30 years after the groundbreaking study of Michael Fox "The Song of Song and the Ancient Egyptian Love Songs" (1985).

Bernd Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

Bernd U. Schipper, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin  
*Introduction: Michael V. Fox, "The Song of Song and the Ancient Egyptian Love Songs" (1985) Thirty Years Later* (5 min)

Michael Fox, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Rereading My Song of Songs and the Ancient Egyptian Love* (30 min)

John C. Darnell, Yale University  
*Love Aquatic in the Time of Pestilence* (30 min)

Joachim Friedrich Quack, University of Heidelberg  
*"Where once was love, love is no more?" What Happens to Expressions of Love in Late Period Egypt?* (30 min)

Anselm Hagedorn, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin  
*What Kind of Love Is It? Egyptian, Hebrew, or Greek?* (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S22-117

### SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Theme: **Feminist Hermeneutics and Families**

Feminist hermeneutics looks at biblical interpretation in relation to created families, families of choice, and other family dynamics.

Margaret Aymer, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Erin M. Heim, Denver Seminary  
*The Inward Groaning of Adoption (Rom 8:12–25): Reimagining the Pauline Adoption Metaphor for Women in the Adoption Triad* (30 min)

Jina Kang, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*The "Law of Jealousy" in Num 5:11–31: The Issue of Jealousy and Presumed Guilt* (30 min)

Funlola Olojede, University of South Africa  
*Miriam and Moses Wife: Sisterhood in Jeopardy?* (30 min)

Kyong-Sook Seo, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University  
*A Woman's Right to Choose? Ruth and Naomi – A Family of Choice* (30 min)

Taylor G. Petrey, Kalamazoo College  
*Kinship, Sexual Difference, and the Angelic Resurrection* (30 min)

## S22-118

### SBL Genesis Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Ancestral Narratives**

Gerald Klingbeil, Andrews University, Presiding

Doris Eneide, Kogi State University  
*African Women in the Book of Genesis: The Wife of Abraham, Hagar (16), the Wife of Joseph, Asenath (41 & 46), and the Wife of Potiphar (49)* (25 min)

Michaela Geiger, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal-Bethel  
*The Development of the Mal'ak Yhwh and the Composition of the Ancestral Narratives* (25 min)

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College  
*Unbinding the Aqedah from the Straightjacket of Tradition: How Abraham Lost His Son* (25 min)

Dustin Nash, Muhlenberg College  
*Good Fences Make Good Neighbors: Judah, Edom, and Converse Constructions of Israeliteness in Genesis 36* (25 min)

David Tuesday Adamo, Kogi State University  
*The African Joseph: His Contribution to Ancient Israel and Africa (Gen 41:41–45)* (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

**S22-119****SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Corpus-based Computing/Linguistics for Ancient Greek**

This year's emphasis will be on "growing the corpus" of open data, including primary texts, metadata for morphology and syntax, semantic metadata, and other resources needed to consume them intelligently. After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.

Jonathan Robie, [biblicalhumanities.org](http://biblicalhumanities.org), Presiding

Bruce Robertson, Mount Allison University

*Biblical Greek OCR: Achievements, Opportunities, and Challenges (30 min)*

Alan Bunning, Purdue University

*Early New Testament Manuscripts and the Implications for Textual Criticism (30 min)*

Robert J. Gorman, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

*Syntactic Stylometry on the Basis of Ancient Greek Treebanks (30 min)*

J. K. Tauber, MorphGNT

*A Morphological Lexicon of New Testament Greek (30 min)*

Josh Westbury, Logos Bible Software and Scott Fleischman, Logos Bible Software

*Modeling the Morphophonology of Ancient Greek: A Human-directed Computational Approach (30 min)***S22-120****SBL Gospel of Luke Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Aspects of Ethnic Portrayal in Luke**

The session will conclude with open conversation about issues relating to ethnicity in the interpretation of Luke's Gospel (note the Luke Section's joint session with Book of Acts Section and the joint session with Early Christianity and Ancient Economy Section which also address these issues).

John Carroll, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Justin R. Howell, University of Chicago

*Naaman the Syrian and Ethnic Perspective in Luke-Acts (35 min)*

Jeremy D. Otten, Wheaton College Graduate School

*The Bad Samaritans: The Elijah Motif in Luke 9:51–56 (35 min)*

Monique Cuany, University of Cambridge

*Parochialism or Scepticism in Nazareth? Reconsidering Jesus' Conflict with His Own People (Luke 4:16–30) (35 min)*

Responding:

Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S22-121****SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

Theme: **Book Review Panel: Cambridge Companion to Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

Nancy Evans, Wheaton College (Massachusetts), Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University - Sacramento (15 min)

Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound (15 min)

Daniel Ullucci, Rhodes College (15 min)

Heidi Wendt, Wright State University Main Campus (15 min)

Responding:

Barbette Spaeth, College of William and Mary (15 min)

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

**S22-122****SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Transforming Ancient Scribes: Review of Seth L. Sanders, From Adapa to Enoch: Scribal Culture and Religious Vision in Judea and Babylonia**

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa, Presiding

Panelists:

Naomi Janowitz, University of California-Davis (25 min)

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki (25 min)

Francesca Rochberg, University of California, Berkeley (25 min)

Benjamin Sommer, Jewish Theological Seminary of America (25 min)

Responding:

Seth Sanders, Trinity College - Hartford (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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### S22-123

#### SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **The Feminist Commentary on the Babylonian Talmud**

Alyssa Gray, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Cecilia Biondi, Freie Universität Berlin (25 min)

Tanja Hidde, Freie Universität Berlin (25 min)

Tal Ilan, Freie Universität Berlin (25 min)

Gail Labovitz, American Jewish University (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### S22-124

#### SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Review of John by Karoline Lewis and Mark by David Schnasa Jacobsen in the Fortress Preaching Commentaries Series**

This session will review two contributions to the Fortress Preaching Commentaries series. It will present reviews of John by Karoline M. Lewis and Mark by David Schnasa Jacobsen. Both commentaries offer exegetical, theological and rhetorical exposition of these Second Testament writings. Both commentaries attend to the concerns of the lectionary.

Charles Aaron, United Methodist Church, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Craig Koester, Luther Seminary (20 min)

Gail O'Day, Wake Forest University (20 min)

Responding:

Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary (10 min)

Panelists:

O. Wesley Allen, Lexington Theological Seminary (20 min)

Dawn Ottoni-Wilhelm, Bethany Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:

David Jacobsen, Boston University (10 min)

### S22-125

#### SBL Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **Biblical Coastlands, Coastal Readings**

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University, Presiding (5 min)

Izaak J. de Hulster, University of Helsinki

*The Iconography of 'Coastlands': A Historical Perspective (30 min)*

Camilla Belfon, University of Denver

*Islandspacing in Acts 2: Identity and Mimicry in the Diasporic Ingathering at the Feast of Weeks (30 min)*

Emmanuel Nathan, Australian Catholic University

*From Coast to Coast in Acts 10: A Journey Turned Seawards (30 min)*

Responding:

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew University (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S22-126

#### SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

Theme: **A Review of Amy-Jill Levine's Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi**

Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Presiding

Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Introduction (5 min)

Panelists:

Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph's University (25 min)

Luke Timothy Johnson, Emory University (25 min)

Annette Merz, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam (25 min)

David Sandmel, Anti-Defamation League (25 min)

Responding:

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S22-127

#### SBL John, Jesus, and History Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Jesus Remembered in the Johannine Situation—Jewish-Johannine and Roman Johannine Dialogues**

Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University, Presiding (5 min)

Meredith J. C. Warren, University of Sheffield

*History, Memory, and Transculturality in the Gospel of John (25 min)*

Sherri Brown, Creighton University

*The Memory of Jesus through the Sabbath: Exploring Jewish-Johannine Dialogues in the Diaspora (25 min)*

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)  
*John, Jesus, and the Roman Empire (25 min)*

Travis Trost, Independent Scholar  
*Jesus, Moses, and the Johannine Community after the Jewish Revolt (25 min)*

Responding:

David Rensberger, Decatur, GA (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-128

### SBL Josephus Seminar

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **Josephus and Political Thought**

Jan van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding (5 min)

Sören Swoboda, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena  
*Josephus' Political Vision: Policy and Career Ambitions (30 min)*

Nathan Thiel, Marquette University  
*Josephus and the Galileans: Imperialist Ambition and Ethnic Prejudice (30 min)*

Jacob Feeley, University of Pennsylvania  
*Reassessing Josephus' View of Kingship (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

## S22-129

### SBL Joshua-Judges Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Ed Noort, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Presiding

Ville Mäkipelto, University of Helsinki  
*The Four Deaths of Joshua: A Lesson in the Necessity of the Septuagint in Redaction Criticism (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Mary L. Conway, McMaster Divinity College  
*Caleb Reproved, Achsah Approved: The Function of the Caleb-Achsah Vignette in the Structure of Judges 1:1–2:5 (25 min)*

Break (5 min)

Rachelle Gilmour, University of Sydney  
*Juxtaposition and Reinterpretation in the Book of Joshua (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Lee Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong  
*Dialogue and Unfinalizability of Ideologies on Monarchy in the Gideon-Abimelech Narrative: An Interpretation of Judges 6–9 in light of Bakhtinian Dialogism (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Marla Porter, Graduate Theological Union  
*Storytelling Technique in the Song of Deborah (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

## S22-130

### SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **Book Panel on Intersex, Theology, and the Bible: Troubling Bodies in Church, Text, and Society**

This session will use the publication of Susannah Cornwall's *Intersex, Theology, and the Bible: Troubling Bodies in Church, Text, and Society* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015) as an occasion to assess and suggest different critical, constructive, and prospective approaches to examining the relations between intersex bodies, the Bible, and biblical interpretations.

Joseph Marchal, Ball State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Sean Burke, Luther College (20 min)

Megan DeFranza, Boston University School of Theology (20 min)

Teresa Hornsby, Drury University (20 min)

Candida Moss, University of Notre Dame (20 min)

Max Strassfeld, University of Arizona (20 min)

Responding:

Susannah Cornwall, University of Exeter (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S22-131

### SBL Maria, Mariamne, Miriam: Rediscovering the Marys Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: **Recovering Receptions of Mary of Nazareth**

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California, Presiding

Jo-Ann Badley, Ambrose University  
*What is Mary Doing in Acts? Reception History within the Synoptic Tradition (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen J Shoemaker, University of Oregon  
*Devotion to the Virgin Mary in Pre-Ephesian Hymnography (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Richard Freund, University of Hartford  
*Mary of Nazareth and Nazareth Archaeological Excavations 1997–2015 (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ally Kateusz, University of Missouri - Kansas City  
*Dormition Urtext? Earliest Dormition Wall Painting Combines the Great Angel and Women with Censers (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Kristina Zammit Endrich, C3 Saskatoon  
*The Virgin Annunciate and Public Devotion in Renaissance Siena: The Devotional Function and Significance of Images of the Annunciation (20 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

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### S22-132

#### SBL Mark Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Hiddenness and Secrecy in Mark: From Wrede to Juel and Beyond**

The session will examine the function of hiddenness and secrecy in Mark. Papers may engage with Wrede, Juel, or others, but are not required to do so. Presentations consist of a short summary followed by extended discussion among seminar members, and finally a general discussion among all present. Papers are sent to formal members to be read in advance. If you are not a member but wish to obtain copies of papers in advance, contact the seminar chair, Kelli O'Brien, after November 1.

James Voelz, Concordia Seminary, Presiding

Earl S. Johnson, Jr., Siena College

*The Meaning of Mark: Messianic Secret or Pastoral Exhortation?* (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Laura C. S. Holmes, Seattle Pacific University

*Surprising Secrets and Hidden Proclamations: Gethsemane and the Empty Tomb* (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Jocelyn McWhirter, Albion College

*Messianic Exegesis of Mark 4:12* (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

General Discussion, Open to All

Discussion (30 min)

### S22-133

#### SBL Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Just Desserts: Meals and Justice**

Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University, Presiding

Gale A. Yee, Episcopal Divinity School

*'He Will Take the Best of Your Fields': Royal Feasts and Rural Extraction* (25 min)

Cheryl Strimple, Southern Methodist University

*"They will eat until they are satisfied": Widows, Orphans, and Aliens and the Subversion of Justice in Deuteronomy* (25 min)

Roger S. Nam, George Fox University

*Food Fight: The Role of Meals in Warfare as Reflected in the Eliashib Archive* (25 min)

Johnny Miles, Texas Christian University

*The Purim Feast, Justice, and a Better World* (25 min)

Responding:

Peter Altmann, Universität Zürich (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

### S22-134

#### SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 405 (Level 4)

Theme: **Workshop for Graduate Students Working on Dissertations on Metaphors in the Hebrew Bible**

Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding

Tina Sherman, Brandeis University

*Metaphor Makers and Takers: Studies in Prophetic Oracles of Judgment* (20 min)

Responding:

Ryan Bonfiglio, Columbia Theological Seminary (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Danilo Verde, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

*Warlike Imagery in the Song of Songs: A Cognitive Linguistic Inquiry* (20 min)

Responding:

Marc Brettler, Brandeis University (10 min)

Jeremy Morrison, Brandeis University

*Renovating a Deity: Biblical Craftsmanship, House Building, and the Emergence of Monotheism* (20 min)

Responding:

Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (New York Branch) (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

### S22-135

#### SBL Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Jutta Jokiranta, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki

*A Socio-Cognitive Approach to Early Christian Rituals* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rikard Roitto, Stockholm School of Theology

*The Importance of Embodied Cognition for Cultural Evolution of Baptismal Theology* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Brett E. Maiden, Emory University

*Psychological Essentialism in the Serek ha-Yahad and the Two Spirits Treatise* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Vojtech Kaše, University of Helsinki - Masaryk University

*Quantifying Christianization of the Roman Empire: A Computational Replication and Extension* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

**S22-136****SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section / Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **Hermeticism**

John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding

Jared C. Calaway, Illinois College

*To See the Invisible One: Moses and Hermes in the Greek and Demotic Magical Papyri (20 min)*

Dylan M. Burns, Freie Universität Berlin

*Alchemical Metaphor in the Paraphrase of Shem (NHC VII,1) (20 min)*

Marla Segol, University at Buffalo, State University of New York

*Mystical Medicine: The Esoteric Genealogies of Hebrew Medical Texts (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

M. David Litwa, University of Virginia

*Self-knowledge in Monoimos and the Hermetic Corpus (20 min)*

Christian H. Bull, University of Oslo

*Poimandres, Kmeeph, and the Laughing God: A Hermetic Scheme of Creation (20 min)*

Christian Wildberg, Princeton University

*The Stars of Hermes (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**P22-137****National Association of Professors of Hebrew**

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **Minding Letters: Current Approaches to Ancient Hebrew Palaeography in the United States, France, and Israel**

Avi Hurvitz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University, Presiding

Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University

*"Readin', Writin', and 'Rithmatic" in Ancient Hebrew Palaeography (10 min)*

Anat Mendel, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Screenshots from a Young Epigrapher's Laptop: Israeli Palaeography Today (40 min)*

Michael Langlois, Université de Strasbourg

*Ancient Hebrew Palaeography in France in the Digital Era (30 min)*

Christopher Rollston, George Washington University

*An Albrightian Approach to Script Typology: The Nuts and Bolts of Palaeographic Methodology in the Johns Hopkins University Tradition (40 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**S22-138****SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Presiding

Hans Foerster, Universität Wien

*Is Influence of Versions on the Greek Text of the NT Possible? (25 min)*

Matti Myllykoski, Helsinki University Library

*Jesus Baptizatus: A Textual History of Jesus' Baptism to the End of the Second Century (25 min)*

Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University

*What Kind of Text Critic Was Origen? (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Matthew Solomon, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

*The Subordination of Apphia: An Orthoprax Corruption of Scripture (25 min)*

Karin Neutel, VU University Amsterdam

*Silencing Women, Raising the Dead: The Curious Origins of a Controversial Conjectural Emendation (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

**S22-139a****SBL Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship**

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Honoring the 2015 Award Winner: Andrew W. Pitts**

We are pleased to announce that the 2015 Paul J. Achtemeier Award for New Testament Scholarship has been awarded to Andrew W. Pitts, Arizona Christian University, "The Genre of the Third Gospel and Greco-Roman Historiography: A Reconsideration." Andrew, a member of SBL since 2005, received his Ph.D. from McMaster Divinity College in 2014. He serves as an editor for *Early Christianity in its Hellenistic Context* (Brill, 2013-present), an ongoing series of edited volumes devoted to advancing understanding of Christian origins. For more information about the award, please visit <http://www.sbl-site.org/membership/AchtemeierAward.aspx>.

Adela Yarbro Collins, Yale University, Presiding

Andrew Pitts, Arizona Christian University

*The Genre of the Third Gospel and Greco-Roman Historiography: A Reconsideration (30 min)*

Responding:

Gregory E. Sterling, Yale Divinity School (15 min)

Richard Burridge, King's College - London (15 min)

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### S22-140

#### SBL Pauline Epistles Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Caroline Johnson Hodge, College of the Holy Cross, Presiding

Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College

*Reading Galatians in Late Antiquity: An Ethno-History* (25 min)

Sonja Anderson, Yale University

*Are Idols Real? Demons, Christians, and Rabbis* (25 min)

Mark A. Ellis, Faculdade Teológica Batista do Paraná, Brazil

*The Augustinian Captivity of Rom 5:12* (25 min)

James Starr, Johannelund Theological Seminary

*Second-Century Reception of Pauline Paraenesis* (25 min)

Will Deming, University of Portland

*Similarities between Paul and the Stoics on Ethics* (25 min)

### S22-139

#### SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies; Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section / Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **Theory and Practice in Textual Criticism: The HBCE Project**

Ronald Hendel, University of California–Berkeley, Presiding

Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

*Deuteronomy in the Temple Scroll and Its Use in a Critical Edition* (25 min)

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University and Thomas Ferlic, Creighton University

*Stumbling through the Book of Joshua: Is a Roadmap Possible?* (25 min)

Ronald Troxel, University of Wisconsin–Madison

*What Is the ‘Text’ in Textual Criticism?* (25 min)

Ingrid E. Lilly, Pacific School of Religion

*Comparative Genre in Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible: Reflections on Ezekiel and Modern Literature* (25 min)

### S22-141/A22-123

#### SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L401–L403 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Class, Religion, and the Bible**

Joint session with Class, Religion, and Theology Group (AAR)

Ken Estey, Brooklyn College, City University of New York, Presiding

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

*Why We Cannot Afford to Study Religion and Theology (or Anything Else) without Class* (30 min)

Keri Day, Brite Divinity School

*From Atlanta to Africa: Class, Globalized Gospels of Success, and the New Black South* (30 min)

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity

*‘Tapping’ the Hebrew Bible for Life in Just Social Relations – the Subaltern Way* (30 min)

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston

*Class Conflict: What the Gospels Are All About* (30 min)

Responding:

Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Australia (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S22-142

#### SBL Pseudepigrapha Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

John Levison, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Katell Berthelot, CNRS (National Center for Scientific Research)

*A New Perspective on the Kinship between Jews and Spartans in 1 and 2 Maccabees: The Issue of Ancestral Territory* (30 min)

Veronika Hirschberger, University of Regensburg

*Jeremiah 7 and 5 Ezra — An Underrated Connection?* (30 min)

Jackie Wyse-Rhodes, Emory University

*The Natural World as Sign in Early Jewish Apocalyptic Literature* (30 min)

Ryan E. Stokes, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

*Reading the Book of Watchers on the Origin of Evil* (30 min)

John W. Fadden, Saint John Fisher College

*God, the Lord, and Angels in the Sahidic Testament of Isaac* (30 min)

### S22-142a

#### SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section / The Qur’an and Late Antiquity (IQSA)

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Violence and Belief in the Qur’anic Milieu**

This is the first of two planned panels commemorating the work of Thomas Sizgorich; the second will be held in 2017.

Ra’anan Boustán, University of California–Los Angeles, Presiding (5 min)

Christine Luckritz Marquis, Union Presbyterian Seminary

*Violence and Community in Yemen: Narrativizing Religious Identity through Himyarite History* (25 min)

Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford

*Militancy in the Medinan Qur’an* (25 min)

Michael Pregill, Boston University

*Scriptural Virtuosity and the Qur’an’s Imperial Context* (25 min)

Discussion (70 min)

**S22-143****SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **Methodological Musings on Rhetoric and the New Testament**

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Presiding

Mark D. Given, Missouri State University

*Does the Study of Rhetoric Still Matter for the Integrity of 2 Corinthians?* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Amanda Furiase, Florida State University

*Smoke and Mirrors: Paul and the Politics of Class Conflict in 1 Corinthians* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew R Malcolm, Trinity Theological College (Perth)

*Paul and Plato: Rhetorically Astute Apologists* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Trevor Thompson, University of Chicago

*Intentional Ambiguity: The Rhetoric of 2 Thessalonians* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nina E. Livesey, University of Oklahoma

*Avoiding a Hebdonian Reaction: Why the Study of the New Testament and Rhetoric Matters* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

**S22-144****SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **Writing a Commentary on Leviticus: Cult Aspects in the Holiness Code (Leviticus 17–27)**

This session follows up last year's highly successful panel on writing commentary on the book of Leviticus in general.

Christian Eberhart, University of Houston, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Hannah Harrington, Patten University (25 min)

Naphtali S. Meshel, Princeton University (25 min)

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne (25 min)

Baruch J. Schwartz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (25 min)

Responding:

Nicole J. Ruane, University of New Hampshire (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

**S22-145****SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Alicia Batten, Conrad Grebel University College, Presiding

Douglas E. Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University

*The Political Meaning of a Cipher — John 21:11* (25 min)

Zeba A. Crook, Carleton University

*Economy Scales, Honorific Inscriptions, and Paul's Corinthian Patrons* (25 min)

Ernest van Eck, University of Pretoria

*An Unexpected Patron: A Social-Scientific and Realistic Reading of the Parable of the Vineyard Labourers (Matt 20:1–15)* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University

*Early Christianity in light of New Religious Movements* (25 min)

Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary

*Social-Scientific Criticism and the Postmodern Turn* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**P22-146****Society for Pentecostal Studies**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **John Goldingay, The Theology of the Book of Isaiah**A Round Table Discussion of John Goldingay's *The Theology of the Book of Isaiah* (IVP, 2014)

John Christopher Thomas, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Andrew Davies, University of Birmingham (15 min)

Chris E. W. Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary (15 min)

Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis (15 min)

Rickie Moore, Lee University (15 min)

Break (15 min)

Responding:

John Goldingay, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) (30 min)

Discussion (45 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## S22-146a

### SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - Grand Salon B (Level 2)

Theme: **Interpreting Texts, Producing and Performing Interpretations**

Cynthia Villagomez, Winston-Salem State University, Presiding

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University  
*Rescuing God: Late Antique Exegetical Cultures in Alexandria and Antioch (20 min)*

Erin Galgay Walsh, Duke University  
*The Elusive Esther: The Relationship of Esther and Mordecai within Syriac Biblical Interpretation (20 min)*

Dina Boero, University of Southern California  
*Punctuated Progress: Narrative Organization in a Sixth-Century Version of the Syriac Life of Symeon the Stylite and Pilgrimage Performance at Symeon's Cult Site (20 min)*

Philip Michael Forness, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Homilies in Circulation: Producers and Readers of Syriac Homily Collections in Late Antiquity (20 min)*

David A. Michelson, Vanderbilt University  
*Syriac Monastic Reading: The Material Role of Texts in the Syriac Evagrian Tradition from John the Solitary to Isaac of Nineveh (20 min)*

Responding:

Tina Shepardson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## S22-147/A22-121

### SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Bonhoeffer as Theological Interpreter**

This session is co-sponsored with the Bonhoeffer: Theology and Social Analysis Group (AAR). Papers will be read in their entirety. This session investigates aspects of Bonhoeffer as a theological interpreter of Christian scripture. Papers explore Bonhoeffer's own exegetical practice and its application in particular cases, examine the role of exegesis in the construction of Bonhoeffer's own distinctive theological positions, and consider Bonhoeffer's understanding of scripture and its consequences for contemporary debates about theological exegesis.

Myk Habets, Carey Baptist College, Presiding (5 min)

R. Walter Moberly, University of Durham  
*Bonhoeffer's "Creation and Fall" Revisited (25 min)*

Tyler Atkinson, Bethany College (KS)  
*Bonhoeffer, Qobeleth, and the "Natural Joy of Bodily Life" (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Chris Dodson, University of Aberdeen  
*"The Person Who Receives Blessing... Must Also Suffer Much": Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Wilhelm Herrmann, and a Hermeneutic of Suffering (25 min)*

Derek W. Taylor, Duke University  
*Nonreligious and yet Theological: Bonhoeffer's Interpretation in a World Come of Age (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S22-148

### SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Heaven, Earth, and the Underworld: Spatial Conceptions in Ezekiel**

This session is the first of a three years program on "Perspectives on Land, Landscape, and Cosmic Geography in Ezekiel"

Electronic copies of the papers may be requested from Madhavi Nevader at [mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk).

Margaret Odell, Saint Olaf College, Presiding

Christopher B. Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena) and Sara Wells, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Gradations of Unholiness: The 'Circles' of Ezekiel's Underworld (30 min)*

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN)  
*Ezekiel's Sandbox: The Creation of Virtual Worlds in Ezekiel and Video Games (30 min)*

Break (5 min)

Julia Rhyder, Université de Lausanne  
*Gates and Entrances in Ezekiel 40–48: The Mapping of Social Space (30 min)*

Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary  
*The Shocking Severance from Sheol of Ezekiel's Utopia (30 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

## P22-148a

### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Centennial Ballroom Booth #1311 (Ballroom Level)

Theme: **Grant Writing Conversations**

Do you have a grant idea for a project on teaching and learning? Have you ever thought about applying for a Wabash Center grant? Do you have questions about our grant procedures and protocols, whether your project would qualify, or how your ideas might be shaped into an appropriate Wabash Center proposal? Come see us at our booth in the exhibit area on Sunday, Nov. 22 from 9:00 AM–11:30 AM to meet with one of the Wabash Center Staff. We are scheduling appointments ahead of time. Please write Trish Overpeck ([overpeck@wabash.edu](mailto:overpeck@wabash.edu)) to schedule a time to meet with us.

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**S22-149/A22-107****SBL What Next? Institutional Changes in Work/Life Balance**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the SBL Committee on Status of Women in the Profession and the AAR Committee on Status of Women in the Profession**

This panel is a part of a multi-year work/life balance project of the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession. The conversation will center around the possibilities and challenges of changing institutional culture and practices. As leaders of academic institutions, panelists will examine structural issues that prohibit and enhance work/life balance at the workplace and the academy.

In 2014, the Committee on Status of Women in the Profession hosted a conversation on navigating “relationships” in academic life. Papers from this session are published in the Religious Studies News “Not for Women Only” section. For more information on this project, go to: <https://www.aarweb.org/worklife-balance-project>.

Panelists:

Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School

Denise Buell, Williams College

Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, Esperanza College

April DeConick, Rice University

Serene Jones, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York

Emilie Townes, Vanderbilt Divinity School

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**S22-150****SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Body and Embodiment in Jeremiah**

Louis Stulman, University of Findlay, Presiding

Georg Fischer, Leopold-Franzens-Universität Innsbruck  
*The ‘Truth’ of the Body: Jeremiah’s Authentication as a Prophet by His Suffering (30 min)*

Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America  
*Gender-Bending Jeremiah (30 min)*

Mary Mills, Liverpool Hope University  
*Locating the Prophet: Political Geography in Jeremiah 26–28 (30 min)*

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College  
*When Bodies Meet: Fraught Companionship and Entangled Embodiment in Jeremiah (30 min)*

Responding:

Yvonne Sherwood, University of Kent at Canterbury (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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**S22-151****SBL Review of Biblical Literature Editorial Board**

9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

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**S22-152/A22-147****SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

9:30 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Making Grading and Assessment Work for You**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

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**P22-152a****Westar Institute**

10:30 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **How to Read the Bible (Harvey Cox)**

Please note that there is a \$20 entry fee for this lecture. Many intelligent people do not know how to read the collection of songs, prayers, history, legend, annals, parables, poetry, and other genres we call the Bible. Though the Bible remains the world’s bestseller—frequently quoted, misquoted, interpreted and misinterpreted—it’s hard to know how many people actually read it. What is clear is that many who do find it frustrating and bewildering. And they often revert to an unreflective literal reading. Harvey Cox observes that the more educated one becomes, the less likely that is. He will explore the primary lenses—literary, historical, and practical—commonly used to bring the Bible into focus, revealing its rich diversity and meaning, and offering a contemporary activist version that wrestles with issues of feminism, war, homosexuality, and race.

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**S22-153/A22-148****SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

11:00 AM–12:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Double-Dipping: Or, Maximizing Your Time**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

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**S22-201****SBL Bible Odyssey Editorial Board**

12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Hilton - 314 (Level 3)

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Sunday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

### S22-202

#### SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Teaching Apocalyptic Literature**

Apocalyptic literature is found in the Hebrew Bible, 2nd Temple Jewish Literature, the Christian New Testament, and in the writings of a variety of other religious and cultural groups both ancient and modern. Propose to present for 20 minutes on some aspect of teaching Apocalyptic literature. How do you help others learn in this topic area? Proposals should identify how pedagogical principles will be modeled and how audience members will be engaged in learning during the presentation experience. Please avoid simply reading a paper about pedagogy. Help the audience see and do how they can help others better learn with and about Apocalyptic literature.

Adam Porter, Illinois College, Presiding

Renate Hood, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor  
*Journeying through Heaven, Hail, and Hell with Jimmy Hendrix and Hollywood: Engaging Students in Apocalyptic Texts with Music and Movies* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shayna Sheinfeld, Colgate University  
*Performing Apocalyptic Texts: A Case Study of the Eschatological Banquet from the Dead Sea Scrolls* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anthony R. Petterson, Morling College  
*Teaching Apocalyptic Literature: Lessons from Zechariah* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeff Cate, California Baptist University  
*Learning from the Scribes: Using Variant Readings and Marginal Comments as Interpretive Tools for John's Apocalypse* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gerald Stevens, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Cognitive Dissonance as Pedagogical Strategy for John's Apocalypse* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Genevive Dibley, Rockford University  
*Using the Graphic Novel to Surface Students Latent Midrash* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

### S22-203

#### SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Shively Smith, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Olugbenga Olagunju, Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Jesus' Healing in Mark 8:22-26 in African Context* (35 min)

Stacy Davis, Saint Mary's College (Notre Dame)  
*Beyond Male and Female: Same-Sex Imagery in Malachi 2* (35 min)

Love L. Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Knowing and Being Known: Hierarchy, Epistemic Injustice, and Paul's First Letter to Corinth* (35 min)

Break (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

### S22-204

#### SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **Exile, Alienation, and Travel**

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Presiding

Matt Baldwin, Mars Hill University  
*Alienation and Exile in the Ascension of Isaiah* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason S. Sturdevant, North Carolina State University  
*Going Places? Itineraries in the Apocryphal Acts* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer Barry, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
*Exilic Afterlives* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jennifer A. Glancy, Le Moyne College  
*Alienated Identity in Acts of Thomas* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Knight-Messenger, McMaster University  
*Early Jewish Court Tale Narratives in light of the Dead Sea Scrolls* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

### S22-205

#### SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Broader Issues and Themes**

Martin Klingbeil, Southern Adventist University, Presiding

Brent A. Strawn, Emory University  
*The Historical Psalms Iconographically Considered* (30 min)

Christina Bosserman, Catholic University of America  
*Iconographic Illiteracy in the Hebrew Bible* (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Henry M. Huberty, Emory University and Joel M. LeMon, Emory University  
*The Iconography of Divine Empowerment and the Israelite King* (30 min)

Ryan Thomas, Harvard University  
*The Standing Figures on Pithos A from Kuntillet Ajrud: Their Sexual Identity and Relationship* (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**S22-206****SBL Applied Linguistics for Biblical Languages Seminar / Global Education and Research Technology Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Computer-Aided Language Acquisition for Greek and Hebrew**

After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal &amp; further discussion.

Helene Dallaire, Denver Seminary, Presiding

Daniel Streett, Houston Baptist University  
*Survey of Language Learning Software in the Acquisition of Ancient Languages (Greek & Hebrew) (30 min)*Oliver Glanz, Andrews University and Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug Internasjonale Høgskole  
*The Bible Online Learner as an Effective and Open Source Biblical Language Learning Environment for Seminaries and Faculties of Theology (30 min)*Jonathan Robie, B-Greek: The Biblical Greek Forum and Michael Palmer, *Greek-Language.com*  
*Systematically Generating Examples from a Syntactic Treebank for Internalizing Language (30 min)*David Joseph Sigrist, Trinity Western University  
*Overcoming Obstacles: Exploring Proposed Technological Solutions for Perceived Problems with Ancient Language Learning through Communicative Methods (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

**S22-207****SBL Aramaic Studies Section / Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **Interpretations in the Jewish and Christian Traditions**

Ute Possek, Harvard University, Presiding

James D. Moore, Brandeis University  
*"Pure and Peshitta": Leviticus and a Possible Proto-Syriac Dead Sea Scroll Manuscript (25 min)*Jonathan Loopstra, Capital University  
*Between a 'Hard Rock' and 'Leviathan': Syriac Writers Wrestle with the Peshitta of Job (25 min)*Miriam-Simma Walfish, Harvard University  
*The Eclipsing of Abraham in Syriac and Jewish Late Antique Liturgical Poetry (25 min)*Kristian Heal, Brigham Young University  
*"As it is Written": The Text of the Bible in the Syriac Narrative Poems on Joseph (25 min)*Jonathan Henry, Princeton University  
*Shubbalmaran's Missing Apocalypses (25 min)***S22-208****SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Book Review Panel Honoring Lee I. Levine's, Visual Judaism in Late Antiquity: Historical Contexts of Jewish Art**

Lee Jefferson, Centre College, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Marc Bregman, University of North Carolina at Greensboro (20 min)

Robin Jensen, Vanderbilt University (20 min)

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (20 min)

Tom McCollough, Centre College (20 min)

Zeev Weiss, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)

Responding:

Lee Levine, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

**S22-209****SBL Bible and Popular Culture Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Judgment, Castration, and Dying: Pop Goes Public**

Linda Schearing, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Sara M. Koenig, Seattle Pacific University  
*SERIAL: How the Story of Balaam Resembles That of Adnan Syed (30 min)*Spencer L. Allen, University of Pennsylvania  
*Logos and LEGOs: Everything's Not Awesome — The Brick Bible Controversy (30 min)*Charles M. Rix, Oklahoma Christian University  
*Deviance and Deliverance: Reading Rahab through Alan Turing's Imitation "Game" (30 min)*Marvin Williams, Independent Scholar  
*Beyond Interpretive Boundaries: The Bible and Popular Music (30 min)*Phil Quanbeck, Augsburg College  
*The Closest Thing to a Bible: The Fault in Our Stars As Biblical Interpretation without a Bible (30 min)***S22-210****SBL Bible in Secondary Schools Advisory Board**

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

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## S22-211

### SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Special Session on C.S. Lewis and the Bible**

This session concentrates upon the relationship between biblical scholarship and the figure of C. S. Lewis. Lewis himself was a specialist in medieval and Renaissance English literature, yet he was well known even before his death (on the same day as John F. Kennedy) as an apologist for Christianity, an author of semi-popular theological studies, and a writer of fiction informed by the Bible. His work on the Bible and academic biblical scholarship appears mainly in essays and letters, in passing throughout his fiction and monographs, and in biblical imagery and allusions in various works. Of particular interest is his use of polyvalence and narrative to explore debated or complex questions, his reactionary dismissal of quests for the historical Jesus and much of the historical-critical method, and his integration of biblical themes with symbols and concepts from various diverse contexts. Lewis is a writer whose continuing impact upon various readerships is undeniable, though he is less celebrated among biblical scholars and theologians than among those outside these guilds. Investigation into how he both confirms and challenges the assumptions of standard biblical scholarship provides a helpful bridge between biblical scholars and the broader constituency that continues to appreciate his work.

Michael J. Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University, Presiding

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University  
*Lewis vs. Bultmann: Myth as Fact or Fiction? (30 min)*

Patrick Gray, Rhodes College  
*C.S. Lewis and the Historical Jesus in the Screwtape Letters (30 min)*

Myk Habets, Carey Baptist College  
*Mere Christianity for Mere Gods: C.S. Lewis and Theosis (30 min)*

Edith M. Humphrey, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
*Checking the Demon and Saying What's to Be Said (30 min)*

Responding:

Kevin Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## S22-212

### SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section / Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **Postcolonial Perspectives on Ezra-Nehemiah**

Sean Burt, North Dakota State University Main Campus, Presiding (5 min)

Mark Brett, Whitley College  
*Imperial Authority and Exclusive Politics (15 min)*

Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University  
*Ezra, Mixed Marriage, and Contemporary Readings (15 min)*

Tamara Cohn Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch)  
*Ezra-Nehemiah and the Construction of Community (15 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

Andrea E. Allgood, Brown University  
*"Thus I Purified Them from Everything Foreign": Purity Traditions and Postcolonial Perspectives in Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Christopher M. Jones, Augustana College (IL)  
*Embedded Written Documents as Colonial Mimicry in Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

## S22-213

### SBL Cognitive Linguistics in Biblical Interpretation Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Bonnie Howe, Dominican University of California, Presiding

Richard A. Rhodes, University of California-Berkeley  
*Metaphor, Collocation, and the Problem of ORTHOTOMEW (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Fredrick J. Long, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Vital Relations and Major Structural Relationships: A Heuristic Approach to Observe and Explore Biblical and Other Discourse (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Elizabeth Currier, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*More than Words: A Conceptual Approach to Wealth and Poverty and the Rich and the Poor in the Book of Proverbs (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Frederick S. Tappenden, McGill University  
*Embodying Resurrection: The Realism of Metaphor in Paul's Somatic Ideals (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

## S22-214

### SBL Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Ian Wilson, University of Alberta, Presiding

Andrew B. Tobolowsky, Brown University  
*"Knowledge Problems" and the Future of the Biblical Past (30 min)*

Erin Fleming, Johns Hopkins University  
*Accusations of Sexual Misconduct in the David Narrative (30 min)*

Ellen Lerner, Vanderbilt University  
*East Manasseh as a Historiographical Category (30 min)*

William Luther Martin, Jr., University Presbyterian Church, Austin, TX  
*Reaction against Imperial Epistemological Influence as an Explanation of the Indictment of David (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

**S22-215****SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Hebrew Bible and Themes**

Peter Trudinger, Flinders University, Presiding

Lubunga W'Ehusha, University of KwaZulu-Natal  
*Moving at the Pace of the Cattle: A Pastoralist Way of Relating to Nature in Genesis (30 min)*

Brad Crowell, Drake University  
*King Solomon and the Biocolonialism of the Ancient Empires (30 min)*

Daniel J. Stulac, Duke University  
*"Land, land, land!" Hearing Jeremiah's Agrarian Lament in the Critique of Kings (30 min)*

Laurie J. Braaten, Judson University (Elgin, Illinois)  
*Violence to Earth: Oppression and Impoverishment of Earth Community in Habakkuk (30 min)*

Johannes Kleiner, Emory University  
*Resilience Thinking and the Hebrew Bible: A Pragmatic Dialogue in Times of Ecological Crises (30 min)*

**S22-216****SBL Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Orthodoxy and Heresy Reconsidered**

A panel and group discussion of two books relevant to the interests of this group: Robert M. Royalty, *The Origin of Heresy: A History of Discourse in Second Temple Judaism and Early Christianity* (Routledge, 2012) and Paul Hartog, ed. *Orthodoxy and Heresy in Early Christian Contexts: Reconsidering the Bauer Thesis* (Wipf & Stock, 2015).

James Ware, University of Evansville, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Robert Royalty, Wabash College (20 min)

Paul Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:

Judith Lieu, University of Cambridge (15 min)

Jeffrey Peterson, Austin Graduate School of Theology (15 min)

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

**S22-217****SBL Formation of Isaiah Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Making of the Book of Isaiah**

Jacob Stromberg, Duke University, Presiding

Hugh G. M. Williamson, University of Oxford  
*The Josianic Edition of Isaiah: A Critical Examination (30 min)*

Reinhard G. Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen  
*Too Many Hands? Isaiah 65–66 and the Formation of the Book of Isaiah (30 min)*

Ronnie Goldstein, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*On Some Small Collections within Isaiah 1–39 and Their Composition (30 min)*

Judith Gaertner, Universität Rostock  
*The Kabod YHWHs as a Key Concept of the Book of Isaiah (30 min)*

Ulrich Berges, Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn  
*Trito-Isaiah and the Reforms of Ezra-Nehemiah: Coordination or Conflict? (30 min)*

**S22-218****SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Harold Short, Florida State University  
*'O Mother, Where Art Thou?' On the Disappearance of the Mother from Julian's Hymn to the Mother of the Gods (25 min)*

Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington  
*Why Be an Angel When You Can Be a Goddess? Jewess Magic in Antiquity (25 min)*

Ilona Rashkow, Stony Brook University  
*The Biblical Phallus... Who Wants It, Who Has It, Who Gets It, and How (25 min)*

Abigail Rine, George Fox University  
*Genesis and Gender in the Work of Luce Irigaray (25 min)*

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield  
*The Scandal of a Male Bible (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

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### S22-219/P22-219

#### SBL Greco-Roman Religions Section / Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **New Approaches in Social Sciences and the Study of Ancient Religion**

Jeffrey Brodd, California State University - Sacramento, Presiding (5 min)

Megan Daniels, Stanford University  
*Religion, Cultural Evolution, and Axial Age Transitions: Investigating the Queen of Heaven in the Iron Age Mediterranean* (20 min)

Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas at Austin  
*A Hybrid Agency in the Making of Hellenistic Judaism: 2 Maccabees as a Test Case* (20 min)

Carmen Palmer, University of Toronto  
*The Language of "Brotherhood" in Ancient Mediterranean Groups: A Sign of Shared Kinship* (20 min)

David W. Jorgensen, Colby College  
*Methodological Approaches to Orthodoxy and Heresy in Recent Scholarship* (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

### S22-220

#### SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Corpus Papyrorum Judaicarum, Part IV: Discussing Work in Progress on a New Volume of an Important Edition**

Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Panelists:

Tal Ilan, Freie Universität Berlin (15 min)  
Sofia Torallas Tovar, University of Chicago (20 min)  
Peter van Minnen, University of Cincinnati (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Panelists:

Robert Kraft, University of Pennsylvania (20 min)  
Robert Kugler, Lewis & Clark College (20 min)

Responding:

Noah Hacham, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

### S22-221

#### SBL International Meeting Program Committee

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

### S22-222

#### SBL Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Consultation / Megilloth Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Review of Michael Fishbane's Commentary on the Song of Songs**

This is a joint session of the Megilloth consultation and Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible consultation hosting a Book Review Panel on Michael Fishbane's JPS Commentary on Song of Songs.

Paul Kim, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Jonathan Kaplan, University of Texas at Austin (20 min)  
Laura Lieber, Duke University (20 min)  
Annette Schellenberg, Universität Wien (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Panelists:

Hava Samuelson, Arizona State University (20 min)  
Barry Walfish, University of Toronto (20 min)

Responding:

Michael Fishbane, University of Chicago (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S22-223

#### SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **Intertextuality in Mark, Matthew and Galatians**

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Julie M. Smith, Independent Scholar  
*A Double Portion: An Intertextual Reading of Hannah (1 Samuel 1–2) and Mark's Greek Woman (Mark 7:24–30)* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mateus de Campos, University of Cambridge  
*The 'Sign from Heaven' and the 'Bread from Heaven': Echoes of the Manna Tradition in Mark 8:10–13* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gary A. Phillips, Wabash College  
*Eye for an I: Intertextuality, Lex Talionis, and the Call of Justice* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gary Michael, University of Aberdeen  
*Divorce and Remarriage in Deut 24:1–4 and Matt 19:3–9* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gregory M. Barnhill, Baylor University  
*Reading Isaiah with Paul: Who Are Mother Zion's Children?* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S22-224

### SBL Israelite Religion in Its West Asian Environment Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Simeon Chavel, University of Chicago, Presiding

Jessie DeGrado, University of Chicago  
*The qdeshot in Hos 4:14 and the Myth of the Sacred Prostitute* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Helen Dixon, North Carolina State University  
*Cakes for the Queen(s) of Heaven: Women's Worship in Phoenicia and Israel* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Adam Strich, Harvard University  
*Recasting the Sea: The Weaponization of Water in Exodus 15* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Brian R. Doak, George Fox University  
*Aniconic Non-Images in Iron Age Phoenicia and Israel: Theoretical Considerations and Comparative Avenues* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S22-225

### SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **Resistance and Accommodation to Roman Rule**

Elizabeth Arnold, Emory University  
*Humanity's Native Son: A Postcolonial Reading of Luke 8:26–39* (30 min)

Nicholas Perrin, Wheaton Graduate School (Illinois)  
*What Caesar Has Coming to Him: Another Look at Mark 12:13–17* (30 min)

Gilberto A. Ruiz, Loyola University New Orleans  
*What Is Pilate So Afraid of in John 19:8?* (30 min)

Robert D. Heaton, University of Denver / Iliff School of Theology  
*Christian Heresiology in Context: Religio, Superstitio, and Roman Rhetoric of Difference* (30 min)

John Rogers, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
*Persecuted Healers: The Letter of Peter to Philip and Its Roman Imperial Context* (30 min)

## S22-226

### SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Annette Reed, University of Pennsylvania, and Matt Jackson-McCabe, Cleveland State University, Presiding

Edwin K. Broadhead, Berea College  
*Competing Jewish Traditions and the Formation of the Gospel of Matthew* (25 min)

Responding:

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Karin Zetterholm, Lund University/Linnaeus University  
*Prophecy-Oriented Jesus-Judaism versus Rabbinic Judaism* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Brent Landau, University of Texas at Austin  
*The Epistle of James to Quadratus: An Apocryphon with Jewish-Christian Traditions?* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## P22-228

### Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur'anic Corpus (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Surat al-Baqara (Q2)**

Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, Sorbonne Universités (Paris), Presiding

Shawkat M. Toorawa, Cornell University  
*Rhyme and Soundscape in Q Baqarah 2* (20 min)

Marianna Klar, SOAS University of London  
*Structural Seams in Surat al-Baqarah* (20 min)

Joseph E. Lowry, University of Pennsylvania  
*Law and Literary Form in Sura 2/al-Baqara, Considered with Reference to Other Long Medinan Suras* (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida  
*The Gnat and the Elephant* (20 min)

Hamza M. Zafer, University of Washington  
*The Ummah Pericope (Q2:104–123)* (20 min)

Responding:

Mehdi Azaiez, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (30 min)

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## S22-229

### SBL Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Cooperation, Manipulation, and Violence: Evolutionary Perspectives on Ancient Texts**

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Yitzhaq Feder, University of Haifa  
*Defilement and Moral Discourse in the Hebrew Bible: An Evolutionary Framework* (40 min)

Istvan Czachesz, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg  
*Morality after Empathy? Current Trends in the Cognitive and Neuroscientific Study of Empathy and Their Implications for Biblical Interpretation* (40 min)

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology (20 min)

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S22-230

### SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **Eros and Ascent**

John Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding

Harold Attridge, Yale University  
*Seeing the Invisible, Knowing the Unknowable: Philo's Assent to God* (30 min)

Zeke Mazur, Université Laval  
*The Orphic Eros—Phanes, Platonizing Sethian Ascent Tractates, and the Mysterious Figure of Amelius Gentilianus* (30 min)

Mark Edwards, University of Oxford  
*Solomon's Kiss from Origen to the Later Middle Ages* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## P22-231

### National Association of Professors of Hebrew

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Prophetic Literature**

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Matthew Hamilton, Carson-Newman College in Tennessee  
*The Role of the Divine Warrior: Isaiah 42:13–17 in light of the Comparative Literature* (25 min)

Emmanuel Ukaegbu-Onuoha, Claremont Graduate University  
*Coping with Multi-Roles in Prophetic Traditions: The Case of Jeremiah Literature* (25 min)

Soo J. Kim, Claremont School of Theology  
*Was Ezekiel a Messenger? A Manager? Or a Moving Sanctuary? A Beckettian Reading in the Inquiry of the Divine Presence* (25 min)

Penelope Barter, University of St. Andrews  
*Inquiring of YHWH in the Book of Ezekiel* (25 min)

Kyung Sik Park, Claremont School of Theology  
*Assyria Cannot Save Us: Socio-Political Reading of Hosea's Metaphors and Proclamations* (25 min)

Jeffery M. Leonard, Samford University  
*The Prophets and Israel's Early Historical Traditions* (25 min)

## S22-232

### SBL Navigating the Alternative Academic Job Market

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

Hilary Lipka, University of New Mexico, Presiding

Panelists:

Dan Alig, Upper School Principal, The Lovett School

Joanne Brzinski, Senior Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, College of Arts and Sciences, Emory University

Sarah Peterson, Program Coordinator for Academic & Student Affairs, Laney Graduate School, Emory University

## S22-233

### SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

1:00 PM–3:45 PM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Miscellanea Papyrologica**

Lincoln Blumell, Brigham Young University, Presiding

Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University  
*Marginalia in New Testament Greek Papyri: Implications for Scribal Practice and Textual Transmission* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

AnneMarie Luijendijk, Princeton University  
*Demography, Onomastics, and the Christian Population of Oxyrhynchus in the Third and Fourth Centuries* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Hans Foerster, Universität Wien  
*The Semantic Web of sêmeion and Papyrology* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Wally V. Cirafesi, McMaster University  
*Rethinking P.Hev/Se 13 and P.Yadin 18 and the Social and Legal Contexts of Mark 10:12* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthias H. O. Schulz, Universität Wien  
*Where Past and Present Meet: Papyri and Parchments Illuminating Coptic-Orthodox Liturgical Traditions* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

**S22-234****SBL Pauline Epistles Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Emma Wasserman, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Presiding

Torsten Jantsch, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*A Cynic Background of Romans 1–2: Ps.-Diogenes, Epistula 28, and Rom 1:19–32; 2:14–15, 17–29 in Comparison* (25 min)

Katy E. Valentine, First Christian Church (Chico, CA)  
*Marriage of Self-Control? Rereading 1 Corinthians 7* (25 min)

Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University  
*Creation and Head Coverings: Another Look at 1 Corinthians 11:15* (25 min)

Brian J. Robinson, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*"Be a [subordinate] man": Paul's Subordinate Masculinity in 1 Corinthians within a Hellenistic Jewish Milieu* (25 min)

Michael Flexsenhar III, The University of Texas at Austin  
*Echoes in the Praetorium: Place, People, and Prospects in Phlm 1:13* (25 min)

**S22-235****SBL Pauline Soteriology Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Paul, Poverty, and the Powers**

Richard Hays, Duke University, Presiding

Bruce W. Longenecker, Baylor University  
*Malignant Forces, Perpetual Poverty, and the Body of Christ: Theologizing toward an Eschatological Reality* (30 min)

Robert Moses, High Point University  
*Paul, Poverty, and the Powers: The Body of Christ as Response* (30 min)

Break (10 min)

Responding:

A. Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary (15 min)

Luke Bretherton, Duke University (15 min)

Discussion (50 min)

**S22-236****SBL Pentateuch Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Perspectives on the Hagar and Ishmael Stories**

Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding

Yairah Amit, Tel Aviv University  
*Hagar and Ishmael: The Importance and the Meaning of Their Stories* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ernst Axel Knauf, Universität Bern - Université de Berne  
*Hagar, Ishmael, Israel* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Shalom M. Paul, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*The Legal Dossier of the Ishmael Periscopes* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Yael Shemesh, Bar-Ilan University  
*The Stories about Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar (Genesis 16 and 21) from a Gender Perspective* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Carol Bakhos, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Reinventing Hagar and Ishmael in the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

**S22-237****SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Philo & the History of Interpretation**Seminar papers will be available on-line at [http://torreys.org/philo\\_seminar\\_papers/](http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/).

Sarah Pearce, University of Southampton, Presiding

Nelida Naveros Cordova, Loyola University of Chicago  
*The Greek Philosophical Tradition in Philo's Ethical Teaching: Eusebeia for the Service of God and Human Beings* (25 min)

Frank Shaw, Ashland University  
*An Onomastic History: What Can Philo Provide?* (25 min)

Michael Francis, University of Notre Dame  
*Voluntary and Involuntary Sin and the Allegory of the Soul in Philo* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Ludovica De Luca, Università degli studi Roma Tre  
*The Bronze Snake according to Philo of Alexandria in Legum allegoriae II, 79–81* (25 min)

Justin M. Rogers, Freed-Hardeman University  
*The Reception of Philonic Arithmological Exegesis in Didymus the Blind's Commentary on Genesis* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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## S22-238

### SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **Biblical Law Codes: Aiding or Manipulating the Poor?**

This is a round table “working session” to enable a more critical discussion of key HB texts on issues of poverty, such as Deuteronomy 15:1-11 and Leviticus 25 in literary and historical context. The session is open. Speakers are invited.

Katharine Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Douglas A. Knight, Vanderbilt University  
*“There will never cease to be poor in the land”: The Politics of Poverty in Ancient Israel (30 min)*

Jack M. Sasson, Vanderbilt University  
*Reflections on Royal Economic Interventions in the Mari Age (15 min)*

Stephen Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary  
*Reflections on Deuteronomy, Dearth, and Debt (15 min)*

Responding:

Harold V. Bennett, Morehouse College (5 min)

Marvin Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary (5 min)

Kelly Jean Murphy, Central Michigan University (5 min)

Discussion (70 min)

## S22-239

### SBL Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Prophecy and Ritual Dimensions**

Hanna Tervanotko, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

Mark Leuchter, Temple University  
*Ritualising Levitical Prophets (15 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Marian Broida, Gustavus Adolphus College  
*Prophetic Intercession: What Do We Think the Prophets Were Doing? (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Jonathan Stökl, King's College London  
*Ready or Not, Here I Come: Triggering Prophecy in the Hebrew Bible (15 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

John Hilber, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary  
*Prophetic Ritual in the Egyptian Royal Cult (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Zohar Hadromi-Allouche, University of Aberdeen  
*Perennial Ritual: The Prophet Adam, Founder of Islam (15 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

## S22-240

### SBL Pseudepigrapha Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Pseudepigrapha and Method**

Randall Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Uta Heil, Universität Wien

*A Mixture of Error and Purpose: Pseudepigrapha among the Writings of the Church Fathers (25 min)*

Nicholas A. Elder, Marquette University

*On Transcription and Oral Transmission in Aseneth: A Study of the Narrative's Conception (25 min)*

Gavin McDowell, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes

*A New Perspective on the Pseudepigrapha: The “Matter of Israel” (25 min)*

Benjamin Wright III, Lehigh University

*Old Testament Pseudepigrapha, the Scrolls, and Early Judaism as a Scholarly Category (25 min)*

Eva Mroczek, Indiana University (Bloomington)

*How the Forger Became an Exegete: Value Judgments and Publishing the Pseudepigrapha (25 min)*

Matthias Henze, Rice University

*How Do the Pseudepigrapha Change the Way We Read Early Jewish Literature? (25 min)*

## S22-241

### SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Theme: **Trauma, Sovereignty and the Political Body**

Jason Coker, Albertus Magnus College, Presiding (3 min)

Sarah Emanuel, Drew University

*Trauma and Counter Trauma in the Book of Esther: Reading the Megillah in the Face of the Post-Shoah Sabra (25 min)*

Lindsey M. Guy, Drew University

*Walled City, Waning Sovereignty: The New Jerusalem and the Process of Unbelonging (25 min)*

Robert J. Myles, University of Auckland

*The Rhetorical Quest of “Subversion” in New Testament Studies (25 min)*

Matthew James Ketchum, Rutgers

*Haunting Empty Tombs: Specters of Empire and Jesus in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)*

Karen Langton, Brite Divinity School/Texas Christian University

*Contours of the pregnant female body in the childbirth metaphor (25 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

**S22-242****SBL Redefining Early Christianity Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **The Concept of Time in the Study of Early Christianity**Please contact Barry Crawford ([barry.crawford@washburn.edu](mailto:barry.crawford@washburn.edu)) to receive papers before the meeting.

Barry Crawford, Washburn University, Presiding

Erin Roberts, University of South Carolina

*Social Theory, the Concept of Time, and Early Christian Discourse (10 min)*Patrick G. McCullough, University of California, Los Angeles  
*Origins and Eschaton: Theological Problems of "the End" in Christian Beginnings among New Testament Scholars (10 min)*

Robyn Walsh, University of Miami

*Jesus and the Anachronistic Origins of Christianity (10 min)*

Responding:

William Arnal, University of Regina (30 min)

Break (15 min)

Discussion (75 min)

**S22-243****SBL Sabbath in Text and Tradition Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **Sabbath, Rest, and Holiness**

Denis Fortin, Andrews University, Presiding

Mathilde Frey, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies

*The Sabbath as Revelation of God (20 min)*

Responding:

Ginger Hanks Harwood, La Sierra University (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Moon Kwon Chae, Baylor University

*The Elevation of the Sabbath by the Holiness Writers: The Juxtaposition of the Sabbath with the Sanctuary and Its Further Development in relation to the Holy Land and People (20 min)*

Responding:

Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Erhard H. Gallos, Andrews University

*What "Rest" Remains? A Close Reading of Hebrews 4 (20 min)*

Responding:

Carl Mosser, University of Notre Dame (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S22-244****SBL Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **Land, Promise, and Apocalypse**

Mark Reasoner, Marian University (Indianapolis)

*The Boundary around Samaria in Luke-Acts: Porous or Firm? (30 min)*

Michael T. Graham Jr., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

*An Examination of Paul's Use of Ps 51:4 in Rom 3:4 and Its Implications on Rom 3:1–8 (30 min)*

Scott C. Ryan, Baylor University

*Apocalyptic Conflict and the Divine Warrior in the Letter to the Romans: An Inquiry into Paul's Use of a Motif (30 min)*

Carla Swafford Works, Wesley Theological Seminary

*The Galatian Heirs: "Children of the Promise" (30 min)*

Christine Landau, University of Virginia

*Scripture and Agriculture in Early Rabbinic and Christian Monastic Communities (30 min)***S22-245****SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section / Religious World of Late Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

Theme: **Book Review Session for Robert C. Gregg's Shared Stories, Rival Tellings: Early Encounters of Jews, Christians and Muslims (Oxford, 2015)**

Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Shahzad Bashir, Stanford University (25 min)

Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Haverford College (25 min)

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley (25 min)

Elaine Pagels, Princeton University (25 min)

Responding:

Robert Gregg, Stanford University (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

**S22-246/A22-201****SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Balancing Graduate School with Life: Work, Life, Identity, and Family**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

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## S22-247

### SBL Texts and Traditions in the Second Century Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Texts and People in the Second Century**

Benjamin White, Clemson University, Presiding

Chris Keith, St Mary's University (Twickenham)  
*Early Christian Identity and Public Reading of the Gospels (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

H. Clifton Ward, Durham University  
*'The Scriptures Are Not Insignificant': Reading Techniques in the Epistle to Diognetus and Alexandrian Textual Culture (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Stephanie Cobb, University of Richmond  
*Funny Martyrs: Examining the Function of Humor in Early Christian Martyr Texts (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

B. Diane Lipsett, Salem College  
*Subverting Households to Form Them: Ignatius and Tertullian on Consent to Marry (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Julia Konstantinovskiy, University of Oxford  
*Justin Martyr in Modern Historiography: A Case of Patristic Retrieval in the 21st Century (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

## S22-247a

### SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Biblical Quotations and Allusions in the War Scroll**

Ingrid Lilly, Pacific School of Religion  
*The Book of Ezekiel in the War Scroll (15 min)*

Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego  
*Quotations of the Minor Prophets in the War Scroll (15 min)*

Bennie Reynolds, Millsaps College  
*The Text of Torah Books in the War Scroll (15 min)*

Donald Parry, Brigham Young University  
*The Book of Isaiah in the War Scroll (15 min)*

Brian Schultz, Fresno Pacific University  
*Redaction and Quotation in the War Scroll (15 min)*

Armin Lange, Universität Wien  
*Quotations and Allusions to the Book of Jeremiah in the War Scroll (15 min)*

## S22-248

### SBL Textual Growth: What Variant Editions Tell Us About Scribal Activity Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Bernard Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Presiding

Brandon Bruning, University of Notre Dame  
*Neither Women Nor Mirrors: A Masoretic Miscue, an Alexandrian Error, and the Formation of the Tabernacle Account (30 min)*

Jason Bembry, Milligan College  
*Judges 19:2 in Hebrew and Greek Traditions: How the Woman's Departure Illustrates a Tradition's Tendency (30 min)*

Julio Trebolle, Universidad Complutense de Madrid  
*The Editorial Function of Vacats and Intervals in the Manuscript Textual Tradition as Indications of Transpositions, Duplicates, or Literary Additions (30 min)*

Urmas Nömmik, University of Tartu  
*The Old Greek Text of Job and the Literary History of the Hebrew Job (30 min)*

James S. Adcock, University of St. Andrews  
*Growth to a Hymn or Editing to a Sermon against Idols? What Can LXX Jer 10:11 Tell Us about the Two Editions of Jeremiah? (30 min)*

## P22-249

### The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)

Cornelia Horn, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Presiding

Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham, Presiding

Gabriel Said Reynolds, University of Notre Dame  
*Noah's Lost Son (30 min)*

George Archer, Georgetown University  
*And on the Seventh Day, He Sat Down: The Qur'an, the Sabbath, and the Throne of God (30 min)*

Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham  
*Repetition, Structure, and Meaning in the Talmud and in the Quran (30 min)*

Thomas Hoffman, Københavns Universitet  
*"In God's Way": A Path-breaking Metaphor in the Qur'an and Its Biblical Genealogies (30 min)*

**P22-249a****Westar Institute**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **If Jesus is God, what God is he? (Jack Miles)**

Please note that there is a \$40 entry fee for this event. After 9/11/2001, certain fundamentalist Christians denied that the Allah of the Qur'an could be equated with the God of the Bible. Nineteen hundred years earlier, as the biblical canons were coming into being, Marcion of Sinope denied that the God of the Jewish Scriptures could be equated with the God of Jesus Christ. The nascent church rejected Marcion's own rejection of what became the Old Testament as well as much of what became the New Testament. Later Christianity, however, has never come to terms with his reasoning—namely, that the character of the deity is so different in these two scriptures as to be incompatible. Jack Miles will explore how we might address that disparity today, though doing so, he warns, must entail a kind of farewell to the Jesus of history.

**S22-250****SBL Women in the Biblical World Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Yolanda Norton, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Doris Enede, Kogi State University

*The Nameless African Wife of Potiphar: An African Reading of Genesis 39 (30 min)*

Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University

*Understanding Athaliah (30 min)*

Rachel Adelman, Hebrew College

*"The Distaff of Silence": A Gender Reading of the Esther and Joseph Narratives in the Hebrew Bible (30 min)*

Kerry M. Sonia, Brown University

*The Exclusion of Women from Israelite Ancestor Cult: Some Considerations (30 min)*

Dorothea Bertschmann, University of Durham

*Hosting Jesus: Revisiting Luke's 'Sinful Woman' (Luke 7:36–50) (30 min)***S22-250a****SBL Educational Resources and Review Committee**

2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

**S22-251****SBL Writings from the Ancient World Editorial Board**

2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

**S22-252/A22-238****SBL Student Lounge Roundtable**

2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Writing in Community: How a Writing Group Can Enhance Your Thesis or Dissertation**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

**S22-253/A22-252****SBL Employment Workshops**

3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton - Valdosta (Level 2)

Theme: **Developing a Public Voice and Making a Living from It****S22-254/A22-265****SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section**

3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **Religion, Emotion, and Cognition**

Joint session with Cognitive Science of Religion Group (AAR) and Religion, Affect, and Emotion Group (AAR) and Science, Technology, and Religion Group (AAR). How can recent approaches from the natural and social sciences help scholars of religion to better understand the crossing of emotion, belief, and experience? How do cultural forces interact with the cognitive and emotive dimensions of religion to shape it? How do religions use emotion to cultivate the believing religious subject? Is there room for a model of self and subjectivity that goes beyond self-cultivation? What are the distinct benefits and limitations to conceptualizing religious belief in these ways? The papers in this session explore interactions between religion, cognition, and emotion from a variety of perspectives rooted in the empirical sciences.

Whitney Bauman, Florida International University, Presiding

Michael Spezio, Scripps College, Andrea Beckum, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Warren Brown, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Mark Graves, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Kevin Reimer, University of California-Irvine and Shaina Smith, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

*Religion, Emotion & Belief in Self-Identity Narratives of L'Arche Caring Exemplars (15 min)*

Niki Clements, Rice University

*Ritual Reading and Affective Shaping: John Cassian and Late Antique Technologies of the Self (15 min)*

Zaid Adhami, Duke University

*Reflexive Self-Awareness in Religious Belief? American Muslim Responses to Cognitive Dissonance (15 min)*

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*Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM*

## S22-301

### **SBL “A Wild Patience Has Taken Me this Far”: Future Avenues of Feminist Scholarship**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

Scholars employing a feminist hermeneutic have advanced the fields of Jewish Studies and Early Christianity while pioneering the new field of Late Antiquity. This session hopes to foster a conversation about the various ways that the feminist lens has been applied to Jewish and Christian texts of Late Antiquity while keeping an eye to what future avenues lie still unexplored. What questions have not been answered? What challenges remain for female scholars in these fields? How can our scholarship speak to Feminist political causes today and in the future? It is our hope that this panel can provide graduate students and young scholars with an opportunity to engage established scholars from a variety of backgrounds to engage these pressing concerns.

Erin G. Walsh, Duke University, and Krista Dalton, Columbia University in the City of New York, Presiding

Panelists:

- Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
- Kate Cooper, University of Manchester
- Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University
- Marjorie S. Lehman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
- Caroline Schroeder, University of the Pacific
- Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University

Responding:

- Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University
- Charlotte Fonrobert, Stanford University

## S22-302

### **SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Celebrating the Scholarship of Late Professor Justin Ukpong**

Kenneth Ngwa, Drew Theological School, Presiding

- Madiipoane Masenya (ngwan’a Mphahlele), University of South Africa  
*Ruminating on Ukpong’s Inculturation Hermeneutics and Its Implications for the Study of African Biblical Hermeneutics (30 min)*
- R.S. Wafula, Luther College  
*What Will Justin S. Ukpong Say Today? Contemporizing African Contextual Hermeneutics (30 min)*
- Andrew M. Mbuvi, Shaw University  
*African Biblical Hermeneutics: Retrospect and Prospect (30 min)*

Responding:

Knut Holter, School of Mission & Theology (Misjonshøgskolen i Stavanger) (Norway) (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-302a

### **SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section / Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **The Bible, Immigration Detention and Mass Incarceration in the New South**

Horacio Vela, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Gregory Cuellar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary  
*Art Therapy and the Biblical Exile: Detained Refugee Central American Children and Youth Draw Their Homeland and Journey Experiences (20 min)*

Arminta Fox, Drew University  
*Decentering Paul, Contextualizing Crimes (20 min)*

Stephen Breck Reid, Baylor University  
*The Trouble with Remembering Zion: A Look at Psalm 137 (20 min)*

Erin Runions, Pomona College  
*In Whose Interest? Biblical Christianity and the Prison Industrial Complex (20 min)*

Asante Todd, Vanderbilt University  
*The Bible in the Regime of Mass Incarceration: Reflections on the Bible from a Christian Ethicist (20 min)*

## S22-303

### **SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar**

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Postcolonial Discipleship of Embodiment: An Asian and Asian American Feminist Reading of the Gospel of Mark**

Monica Melanchthon, University of Divinity, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

- Maia Kotrosits, Denison University (20 min)
- Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross (20 min)
- Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary (20 min)
- Seung-Ai Yang, Chicago Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (20 min)

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**S22-304****SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Mesopotamian Literature and the Bible I**

JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College, Presiding (5 min)

Bronson Brown-deVost, Brandeis University  
*the Use of Reference Works in Mesopotamian and Qumran Commentaries (20 min)*Zackary Wainer, Brown University  
*Canonization and the Cuneiform Commentary Tradition Reconsidered (20 min)*Ryan Conrad Davis, University of Texas at Austin  
*Dangerous Audience Scenes in the Hebrew Bible and Mesopotamia as Background to Dingiršadibba Prayers (20 min)*Amy L. Balogh, University of Denver & Iliff School of Theology  
*Circumcising the Mouth of Moses: A New Comparative Method for the Fields of Assyriology and Biblical Studies (20 min)*J. N. Reid, New York University  
*Sumerian Love Poetry: A New Manuscript of Šu-Suen B (20 min)*Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Akkadian Names in Aramaic Documents from Ancient Egypt (20 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

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**S22-305****SBL Bible and Emotion Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A706 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Toward a Biblical Theology of Joy**

Matthew Croasmun, Yale University, Presiding

Panelists:

Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame (25 min)

Samuel Balentine, Union Presbyterian Seminary (25 min)

Stephen Barton, University of Durham (25 min)

Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale Divinity School (25 min)

Responding:

Miroslav Volf, Yale University (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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**S22-306****SBL Bible and Film Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **From Genesis to Revelation: Rethinking the Field of Bible and Film**

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Anne Moore, University of Calgary  
*How to Define the Bible within the Study of Bible and Film? (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Richard Walsh, Methodist University  
*Rethinking the Biblical Epic: Aronofsky's Noab (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Michelle Fletcher, King's College - London  
*Neo-Apocalypse-Noir: Using Film Noir to Reapproach the Book of Revelation's Genre (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

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**S22-307****SBL Biblical Ethics Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **Law and Love - Justice and Mercy**

Mariam Kamell, Regent College, Presiding

Erbele-Kuester Dorothea, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz

*Love by Order? The Concept of Love in Law Texts in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Jens-Christian Maschmeier, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
*Love and Justice/Judgement in Paul and in Matthew (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State  
*Love and Law in the Letter to the Romans (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Peter Wick, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
*Between Partiality and Grace (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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**S22-308****SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: **A Preposition You Can't Refuse**

This session is dedicated to Greek prepositions. The history of preposition scholarship, linguistic theories, and issues of exegesis will be addressed.

Jonathan M. Watt, Geneva College  
*From Adams (1885) to Zimmerman (2003): In, With, and Under the Elements of Prepositions (15 min)*Stanley E. Porter, McMaster Divinity College  
*Greek Prepositions, Processes, and Cases in an SFL Framework (30 min)*Steven E. Runge, Logos Bible Software  
*The Contribution of Prototype Theory and Diachrony to a Synchronic Understanding of Prepositions (30 min)*Constantine R. Campbell, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School  
*Greek Prepositions and New Testament Exegesis (30 min)*

Discussion (45 min)

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## S22-309

### SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Carol Dempsey, University of Portland, Presiding

May Young, Trinity International University  
*The Function of Lamentations 5: A New Proposal* (30 min)

Elaine James, Saint Catherine University  
*The Loud World: Silence and Speech in Psalm 65* (30 min)

Nicholas R. Werse, Baylor University  
*Polysemy and Hidden Nuances in the opening of Obadiah's Oracle Against Edom* (30 min)

Jeffery M. Leonard, Samford University  
*Prosaic Poetry: Considering the Poetic Styles of Israel's Historical Psalms* (30 min)

Aaron Demsky, Bar-Ilan University  
*The Abecedary as a Literary Device in Biblical Poetry* (30 min)

## S22-310

### SBL Book of Acts Section / Gospel of Luke Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Luke-Acts and Ethnicity**

Ethnic discourses have recently provided a helpful lens in the interpretation of the New Testament. Questions of ethnicity have long concerned scholars of Luke-Acts in particular, for the question of Luke's perspective on Jews/Judaeans has been a critical site of contestation for some time. In addition, narratives like the Ethiopian eunuch and Paul's Areopagus speech have prompted questions of ethnic encounters and their theological and historical import. This session is a collaboration between the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts units to ask questions of ethnicity in the interpretation of Luke-Acts anew. What is the status of these complex questions at the moment? What new work must we pursue? In what ways can ethnicity shed new light on Luke's perspective on Jews/Judaeans? How might ethnic discourse clarify Luke's theological perspectives? What historical insight might we gain with an ethnic lens of inquiry?

Brittany Wilson, Duke University, Presiding

Gay Byron, Howard University  
*More than Symbolic Blackness: Some Hermeneutical Reflections on Ethnicity and the Interpretation of Luke-Acts* (25 min)

Carl Holladay, Emory University  
*Acts, Christians, and the Third Race: Harnack Revisited* (25 min)

Matthew Thiessen, Saint Louis University  
*Indices of Ethnicity in Modern Constructions of 'Luke'* (25 min)

Responding:

Eric Barreto, Luther Seminary (15 min)

Jonathan Tran, Baylor University (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

## S22-311

### SBL Book of Deuteronomy Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Rhetorical Strategies in the Framework of Deuteronomy**

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel, Presiding

Carly Crouch, University of Nottingham  
*The Rhetoric of Identity in the Deuteronomistic Framework of Deuteronomy* (25 min)

Jean-Pierre Sonnet, Pontificia Università Gregoriana  
*"It was in that time that...": The Rhetorical Use of the Formula b't hbw' in Deuteronomy* (25 min)

Dominik Markl, Pontificio Istituto Biblico  
*Chosen Place Versus Missing Temple: Reconsidering the Historical Implications of the Centralization Formula in Deuteronomy* (25 min)

Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Reexamining the 'Fathers' in Deuteronomy's Framework* (25 min)

Responding:

Reinhard Achenbach, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität  
Münster (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-312

### SBL Construction of Christian Identities Seminar

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Sandra Hübenthal, Universität Passau, Presiding

Stephan Witetschek, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg  
*Local Subcultures: Or, Why Date and Place Matter* (25 min)

David Creech, Concordia College - Moorhead  
*What Religion? Whose Identity? Methodological Considerations in Constructing Christian Identities* (25 min)

Break (15 min)

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire  
*The Birth of the Maccabean Ethnic State: Ethnic Groups Not "Empire" in the Meaning of 1 Maccabees* (45 min)

Bas van Os, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
*Probability and Preservation of Early 'Christian' Identity Formation* (25 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

## S22-313

### SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Ancient Greek Sexuality**

This session focuses on masculine themes including the death of beautiful boys, male prostitution, and circumcision.

Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Presiding

Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University  
*Christianity and Conflicting Cultural Conceptions Concerning Circumcision* (30 min)

Radcliffe G. Edmonds III, Bryn Mawr College  
*Putting Him on a Pedestal: (Re)collection and the Use of Images in Plato's Phaedrus* (30 min)

Holt N. Parker, University of Cincinnati  
*Death and the Boy or Teen Angel* (30 min)

James Robson, The Open University  
*Male Prostitution in Classical Athens* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-314

### SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Scholarly Tools and Aids for Exegesis in Early and Late-Antique Christianity**

Mark DelCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Matthew R Crawford, Australian Catholic University  
*Reading the Gospels Canonically in Late Antiquity: Eusebius of Caesarea's Canon Tables as a Hermeneutical Key to the Fourfold Gospel* (30 min)

Alden Lee Bass, Saint Louis University  
*Biblical Study Aids in the Donatist Tradition* (30 min)

Joseph K. Gordon, Marquette University  
*"Rule(s)" as Tools: The Functions and Features of the Rule of Faith as Hermeneutical Criterion in Patristic Exegesis* (30 min)

T.J. Lang, Durham University  
*The Origins of Pauline Theology: Priscillian of Avila's Canons on the Letters of Paul* (30 min)

## S22-315

### SBL Disputed Paulines Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Gail Streete, Rhodes College, Presiding (5 min)

Rony Kozman, University of Toronto  
*The Sapientialization of Creation: Adam's Wisdom in Sirach, the Dead Sea Scrolls, and Colossians* (27 min)

Stephen Fowl, Loyola University Maryland  
*Greed Is Idolatry: A Proposal for Reading Eph 5:3 and Col 3:5* (27 min)

Break (5 min)

James Ware, University of Evansville  
*Intertextual Christology: Biblical Echoes and Incarnational Christology in 2 Thess 1:7–10* (27 min)

David Trobisch, Museum of the Bible (Green Collection)  
*Listening to Paul: A Literary Approach to Pseudepigraphy* (27 min)

## S22-316

### SBL Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Change**

Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Guy Nave, Luther College  
*Clamoring for Change* (25 min)

Carl N. Toney, Hope International University  
*A Spirit of Change: Ethics and the Love Command in Gal 5:13–26* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Chandra Wim, Wycliffe College  
*Hermeneutics of Love and Conversion: Augustine on the Character of the Interpreter* (25 min)

Responding:

Willis Jenkins, University of Virginia (30 min)

Discussion (35 min)

## S22-317

### SBL Genesis Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Forthcoming Commentaries on Genesis**

A preview from the authors of several forthcoming Genesis commentaries discussing method, early insights, and the future of interpreting Genesis.

Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Panelists:

Richard Clifford, Boston College (30 min)

Ronald Hendel, University of California–Berkeley (30 min)

Kathleen O'Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary (30 min)

Discussion (60 min)

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### P22-318

#### GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Review Panel Discussion of Michael J. Gorman's book, *Becoming the Gospel: Paul, Participation, and Mission* (Eerdmans, 2015)**

As a leading voice among Pauline scholars, Michael J. Gorman has written a number of significant books and articles on Paul's theology in recent years, including *Cruciformity: Paul's Narrative Theology of the Cross* (2001) and *Inhabiting the Cruciform God* (2009). His most recent contribution, *Becoming the Gospel: Paul, Participation, and Mission* (Eerdmans, 2015), extends and develops some of the themes highlighted initially in earlier works, and places particular emphasis on mission as an interpretive rubric for the Pauline epistles—an outgrowth, in part, of his work with the GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics. In the introduction to *Becoming the Gospel*, Gorman calls his “affiliation with the Forum” “one of the most important professional developments for me in recent years,” noting that “learning to read Paul missionally—not merely as the quintessential ‘missionary’ but as a formator of missional communities—has been an exhilarating experience” (p. 10). Specifically, Gorman argues that “theosis—Spirit-enabled transformative participation in the life and character of God revealed in the crucified and resurrected Messiah Jesus—is the starting point of mission and is, in fact, its proper theological framework” (p. 4). Please join us for what promises to be a fascinating panel discussion—including responses by a fellow Pauline scholar, a congregational pastor, a missiologist, and a theologian—followed by an open-ended conversation about the missiological dimensions of Paul's theology as illuminated in Gorman's work.

Sylvia Keesmaat, Trinity College, University of Toronto, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Michael J. Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University (20 min)

J. Ross Wagner, Duke University (15 min)

Eunice McGarahan, First Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Panelists:

George Hunsberger, Western Theological Seminary (15 min)

John Franke, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit, Leuven (15 min)

Michael Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### S22-319

#### SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Special Joint-Session with ASOR: Historiography and Identity between Text and Artifact**

A special joint-session held with the American Schools of Oriental Research.

Jeremy Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Historiography and Identity* (10 min)

Christoph Uehlinger, Universität Zürich  
*Should Historians of Ancient Levantine Societies Play the Identity Game, and to What End?* (20 min)

Stefania Mazzoni, Università degli studi di Firenze  
*Artifacts, Artisans, and Patrons: Questioning Identity in the Iron Age Arts of Northern Levant* (20 min)

Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University  
*On Pots and (Sea-)Peoples: Colonial Encounters in Iron Age I Southwestern Canaan* (20 min)

Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne  
*The Creation of a Collective Identity and the Composition of Foundation Stories in the Ancient Israel and Judah* (20 min)

Omer Sergi, Tel Aviv University  
*State Formation and Identity: The Chicken and the Egg* (15 min)

### S22-320

#### SBL Hebrews Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Theology and Ethics in Hebrews**

Harold Attridge, Yale University, Presiding (5 min)

Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest  
*Feminist Interpretation of Hebrews and Feminist Theology* (30 min)

Amy Peeler, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
*“Leading Many Sons to Glory”: Implications of Exclusive Language in the Epistle to the Hebrews* (30 min)

Douglas Farrow, McGill University  
*The Gift of Fear* (30 min)

D. Stephen Long, Marquette University  
*The Political Theology of the Priest-King in Hebrews* (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

**S22-321****SBL Pseudepigrapha Section / Hellenistic Judaism Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **The Letter of Aristeas and Its Interpretation**

We will pay particular attention to the new commentary on the Letter of Aristeas by Benjamin Wright (CEJL 2015).

René Bloch, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Presiding

Panelists:

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong (25 min)

Sylvie Honigman, Tel Aviv University (25 min)

Timothy Michael Law (25 min)

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (25 min)

Responding:

Benjamin Wright, Lehigh University (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

**S22-322****SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section**

4:00 PM–6:15 PM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Theme: **Rabbis and Their Natural and Cultural Surroundings**

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College, Presiding

John Mandsager, University of South Carolina - Columbia  
*The Sabbatical Year in Tannaitic Literature: Halakha, the Borders of Rabbinic Identity, and Ecological Principle?* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Richard Kalmin, Jewish Theological Seminary of America  
*Observation in Rabbinic Literature of Late Antiquity* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Natalie C. Polzer, University of Louisville  
*Bathing in Babylonia: Jewish Ritual Immersion and Bathing Practice as Represented in the Bavli* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

**P22-323****International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **The Septuagint: Poetical Books and Prophecies**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

Claude E. Cox, McMaster Divinity College  
*Translator as Author: The Old Greek Translator of Job* (25 min)Rodrigo F. de Sousa, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie  
*The Righteous King in LXX Isa 32:1–8: Hope and Ideology in Translation* (25 min)

Anna Angelini, Lausanne University

*Ruins, Zion, and the Animal Imagery in the Septuagint of Isaiah 34* (25 min)

James S. Adcock, University of St. Andrews

*The Words of Jeremiah or the Words of God? Attempting to Make Sense of the Divine Name Variation in the Septuagint and Masoretic Texts of Jeremiah* (25 min)

Miika Tucker, University of Helsinki

*What Can Doublets Tell Us About the Septuagint Translation of Jeremiah?* (25 min)

Kevin J. Youngblood, Harding University Main Campus

*Addition, Subtraction, and Equivalency: The Significance of Expansions and Omissions in LXX Lamentations* (25 min)**S22-324****SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

This session features papers on a broad range of topics dealing with prophetic literature. Papers that fall within the scope of other thematic sessions may also be presented here.

Corrine Carvalho, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Nathan Hays, Baylor University

*What Hath Babylon to Do with Jerusalem? Isaiah 54:13 in light of the Contrast between Lady Babylon and Lady Zion* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah Lynn Baker, University of Texas at Austin

*"What Do You See?": Zechariah 4:1–5:4 through the Lens of Conversation Analysis* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ekaterina Kozlova, University of Oxford

*Grave-Marking and Wailing: Mortuary Responses to the Babylonian Crisis in Jeremiah's Poetry (Jer 31:21)* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Libby Ballard, Baylor University

*Choosing between Moses and Abraham: A Rhetorical Analysis of Mic 7:14–20* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Diandra E. Chretain, Graduate Theological Union

*External and Internal Displacement: Reframing Notions of Exile, Space, and Place in Jeremiah 29 and 42* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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### S22-325

#### SBL John's Apocalypse and Cultural Contexts Ancient and Modern Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Review Session, Fortress Commentary on the Bible, Apocalypses**

The Fortress Commentary on the Bible (2 volumes, 2014) gives significant attention to biblical and apocryphal apocalyptic writings and their multilayered interpretive history over the centuries. The most distinctive feature of the commentary is the three-level organizational approach followed for each text: The Text in Its Ancient Context, The Text in Interpretive Tradition, and The Text in Contemporary Discussion. This panel will review essays or commentaries by Anatheia Portier-Young ("Daniel," Volume 1), Robin Darling Young ("2 Esdras," Volume 1), David Sanchez ("The Apocalyptic Legacy of Early Christianity," Volume 2), and Barbara Rossing ("Revelation," Volume 2).

Leslie Baynes, Missouri State University, Presiding

Neil Elliott, Fortress Press, Welcome (10 min)

Scott Tunseth, Fortress Press, Welcome (10 min)

Daniel and the Apocalyptic Legacy of Early Christianity

Panelist:

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston (25 min)

Responding:

Anatheia Portier-Young, Duke University (10 min)

David Sánchez, Loyola Marymount University (10 min)

2 Esdras and Revelation

Panelist:

Jean-Pierre Ruiz, Saint John's University (25 min)

Responding:

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America (10 min)

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### P22-326

#### Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Sacred Scriptures and Violence Against Women**

The Sacred Scriptures of all 3 monotheistic religions: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam inscribe not only violence against wo/men and the culture of feminine subordination but also values of self-affirmation, justice, and well-being. Feminist scholars in religion are well versed in analyzing and interpreting sacred texts in critical, historical, literary, religious and cultural terms. However, we also need to develop methods of religious consciousness-raising and empowerment which seek to enable religious wo/men who have experienced violence and abuse both to critically name the rhetoric of violence inscribed in sacred texts and to identify resources for well-being and for resisting the culture of feminine subordination, objectification, and dehumanization. The panel will continue our conversation, across religious interpretive boundaries, about the search for methods of Scriptural interpretation that foster wo/men's religious agency and the ability to reject violence and subordination on religious grounds.

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Mika Ahuvia, University of Washington (20 min)

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University (20 min)

Juliane Hammer, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (20 min)

Angela Parker, Chicago Theological Seminary (20 min)

Jerusha Tanner, Union Theological Seminary (20 min)

Karri Whipple, Drew University (20 min)

### P22-327

#### Korean Biblical Colloquium

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Immediately following the papers, we will have a brief business meeting. Afterwards, we invite members (and guests) to dinner at a nearby restaurant (TBA).

John Ahn, Howard University, Presiding

Sok-Chung Chang, Catholic Kwandong University  
*The Korean Translation of "Two Stones" in Exod 1:16 (30 min)*

Baek Hee Kim, Brite Divinity School (TCU)  
*Whose Offspring Are Worthy of Honor? Ben Sira's Honor and Shame Matrix as a Counter-Colonial Discourse (30 min)*

Donald Kim, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Faith(fulness) of Christ within Paul's Judaism (30 min)*

Hyun Ho Park, Graduate Theological Union  
*Minjung in the Sinking of the Sewol Ferry: A Reading of Luke 10:25–42 from Minjung Theology's Perspective (30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

**S22-328****SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **Topics on Verb Phrase Argument Structure**

John A. Cook, Asbury Theological Seminary, Presiding

Peter Bekins, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion

*The Difficulty with Diagnosing Lamed Objecti (20 min)*

Frank H. Polak, Tel Aviv University

*Object Suffix and 'et with Suffix: Toward a Typology (20 min)*

Reinoud Oosting, Eep Talstra Centre for Bible and Computer, VU University Amsterdam

*Variation in Valence Patterns of Motion Verbs in Biblical Hebrew (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

John C. Beckman, Harvard University

*Is the Hebrew D-Stem Facitive/Resultative? An Examination of Virtually Every D-Stem Occurrence and Corresponding G-Stem in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)*

Ken M. Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University

*Biblical Hebrew Verb Form Semantics (20 min)*

Bo Isaksson, Uppsala Universitet

*The Importance of Word Order for the Biblical Hebrew Verbal System (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**S22-329****SBL Pentateuch Section / Literature and History of the Persian Period Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **The Ancestors in the Persian Period**

Mark Leuchter, Temple University, Presiding

Megan Warner, King's College - London

*Abraham — The Prequel (20 min)*

Konrad Schmid, University of Zurich

*The Religious History and Politics of the Levant according to the Priestly Ancestor Tradition (20 min)*

Mark Brett, Whitley College

*The Politics of Divine Naming in the Ancestral Traditions (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg

*Being Good Neighbors: Coexistence with Foreigners according to the Priestly and Post-Priestly Passages of the Ancestors' Narratives (20 min)*

Diana Edelman, University of Oslo

*Two Likely Instances of Hidden Ancestor Polemics in Genesis Reflecting Persian-Era Religious Debate (20 min)*

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta

*Chronicles' Reshaping of Memories of the Ancestors Populating Genesis Among (late) Persian-Period Literati (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**S22-330****SBL Maria, Mariamne, Miriam: Rediscovering the Marys Consultation**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Which Mary Revisited**

Holly Hearon, Christian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Anna Cwikla, University of Toronto

*Magdalene, Mother, Martha's Sister, or None of the Above? The Mary in the Dialogue of the Savior (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Kara J. Lyons-Pardue, Point Loma Nazarene University

*Two Mary Magdalenes: Eusebius and the Questionable Reliability of Gospels' Female Witnesses (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Judith Hartenstein, Universität Koblenz - Landau

*Why Mary? The Gospel of Mary and Its Heroine (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Mary Stromer Hanson, Denver Seminary

*Mary of Bethany: Her Leadership Uncovered (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Mary Ann Beavis, St. Thomas More College

*From Holy Grail to The Lost Gospel: Margaret Starbird and the Mary Magdalene Romance (20 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

**S22-331****SBL Markan Literary Sources Seminar**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International C (International Level)

Theme: **General Studies**

Matthew Hauge, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

E. Bruce Brooks, University of Massachusetts Amherst

*Mark as a Source for Mark (10 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

Craig E. Anderson, Azusa Pacific University

*Jericho on the Road to Regime Change in Jesus' Encounter with Bartimaeus (10 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

Kenneth Cardwell, Saint Mary's College of California

*Doubling Claimants (10 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

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### S22-332

#### SBL Masoretic Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Daniel Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding

Robert Vanhoff, TorahResource Institute

*Qere or Ketiv: Did the Talmud Reject Scribal "Oral Tradition"? (30 min)*

David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

*Using the Masorah to Appreciate a Hebrew Text (30 min)*

Samuel Blapp, University of Cambridge

*Non-Standard Features in Codex Leningradensis B19a and Other So-Called Standard Tiberian Manuscripts (30 min)*

Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary

*Christian David Ginsburg in Moab (30 min)*

Business Meeting (15 min)

### S22-333

#### SBL Metacriticism of Biblical Scholarship Section / North American Association for the Study of Religion

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **When Is the Big Tent Too Big?**

James Linville, University of Lethbridge, Presiding

Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama

*Tents and Canopies: When the "Big Tent" Becomes a "Sacred Canopy" in Biblical Studies (30 min)*

Stephen L. Young, Brown University

*Is the Tent So Big that it Hides Ideology? (30 min)*

Patrick McCullough, University of California-Los Angeles

*On Not Letting Confessions Tell Us What to Do: Reading New Testament Texts without "Origins" (30 min)*

Ipsita Chatterjea, Independent Scholar

*Big Tent, Smaller Tents, Blue Tent, and the Specter of the Red Tent: What Do We Do and Does Anyone Outside of the Tent Know We Are Doing It? (30 min)*

Responding:

Edward Silver, Wellesley College (30 min)

### S22-334

#### SBL Midrash Section

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, and W. David Nelson, Groton School, Presiding

Katie J. Woolstenhulme, University of Durham

*Leah: The "Lost Matriarch" in Genesis Rabbah (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Katharina Keim, University of Manchester

*The Thematic Exposition of Bible in Pirkei deRabbi Eliezer (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Johanna Erzberger, Institut Catholique de Paris

*"At that time Jerusalem shall be called the throne of the LORD": Jeremiah 3:17 and the Relation between Israel and the Nations in Aggadic Midrashim (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Jacobs, Bar-Ilan University

*The "Anticipation Principle" in the Biblical Commentary of R. Joseph Bekhor Shor (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Hass, Harvard University

*The Aqedah in the Bavli: An Analysis of Sanhedrin 89b (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin Williams, University of Manchester

*Why the Camel Has the Hump: Studying the Reception of Genesis Rabba (20 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

### P22-335

#### National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **Post-Missionary Messianic Judaism (Brazos 2005) 10 Years Later: Assessing the Value and Viability of Mark Kinzer's Proposal for the Role of Jewish Followers of Jesus in the Jewish-Christian Relations**

In his 2005 volume, Mark Kinzer argued that the New Testament, read canonically and in light of the last two thousand years of history, warranted a bilateral ecclesiology in which the church is constituted as a twofold reality composed of a multinational community joined to a corporate Jesus-believing expression of Jewish life. The Jewish ekklesia (i.e., the body of "Messianic Jews") would endeavor to observe the Torah, honor Jewish tradition, and live as a faithful branch of the Jewish people. This would enable the multinational ekklesia (i.e., the Christian church) to develop a natural affinity for Judaism and a closer attachment to the Jewish people. Kinzer argued that such an ecclesiology was necessary if the church was determined to affirm both the universal mediation of Jesus and the enduring validity of the election of the Jewish people.

While Postmissionary Messianic Judaism had a major impact on the Messianic Jewish world and received positive reviews in a number of religious journals, the volume's thesis has not been seriously engaged by many in the world of academic theology. Ten years after its publication, the conveners of this session believe that it is time to reflect constructively and critically upon this provocative proposal.

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Presiding

David J. Rudolph, Messianic Jewish Theological Institute  
*The Impact of Post-Missionary Messianic Judaism on the Messianic Jewish Movement* (20 min)

Peter Ochs, University of Virginia  
*Patterns of Scriptural Interpretation in Postmissionary Messianic Judaism* (20 min)

R. Kendall Soulen, Wesley Theological Seminary  
*"Mostly dead is slightly alive" (Miracle Max)* (20 min)

Zev Farber, Project TABS - *The Torah*.com  
*Messianic Judaism: Jewish and/or Christian?* (20 min)

Responding:

Mark Kinzer, Congregation Zera Avraham (20 min)

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-336

### SBL Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior Seminar

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster,  
Presiding (8 min)

Michael Clark, University of Birmingham  
*Constructing a Stemma for Nicetas of Heraclea's Johannine Catena* (28 min)

Georg Gäbel, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster  
*Versional and Patristic Evidence in the Apparatus of ECM Acts* (28 min)

Gunnar Büsch, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster  
*The Western Text of Acts Evidenced by Chrysostom?* (28 min)

Garrick Allen, University of St. Andrews  
*Textual History and/as Reception History: Textual Variation in the Greek Manuscript Tradition of Revelation 4–5* (28 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

## S22-337

### SBL Polis and Ekklesia: Investigations of Urban Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Cities of the Lycus Valley: Colossae, Hierapolis, and Laodicea**

James Harrison, Sydney College of Divinity, Presiding

Ulrich Huttner, University of Siegen  
*Early Christianity in the Lycus Valley* (30 min)

Panel Discussion of Ulrich Huttner, Early Christianity in the Lycus Valley (Brill, 2014)

Panelists:

Alan Cadwallader, Australian Catholic University (30 min)

Rosemary Canavan, Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity (30 min)

Harry Maier, Vancouver School of Theology (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S22-338

### SBL Qumran Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Theme: **The Hellenistic Context of the Dead Sea Scrolls**

Hindy Najman, University of Oxford, Presiding

Benedikt Eckhardt, Universität Bremen  
*The "Semitic thiasos": Reconsidering a Model* (30 min)

Kimberley Czajkowski, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster

*Literacy and Law in the Documentary Finds from the Judean Desert* (30 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa  
*Jerusalem and Alexandria: Greek Text Criticism and Judean Biblical Texts* (30 min)

Armin Lange, Universität Wien  
*The Textual Standardization of the Hebrew Bible and Alexandrian Scholarship* (30 min)

Pieter B. Hartog, KU Leuven  
*Peshar and Hypomnema: The Dead Sea Scrolls Commentaries in Their Hellenistic-Roman Context* (30 min)

## S22-339

### SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Demons and Demonology in Late Antiquity**

David Brakke, Ohio State University, Presiding (5 min)

Heidi Marx-Wolf, University of Manitoba  
*Evil Assemblages: Demonology in Porphyry of Tyre* (25 min)

Jonathan Young, Lenoir-Rhyne University  
*Jesus as Daimon: An Exploration of Celsus's Understanding of "Daimones" in Origen's Contra Celsum* (25 min)

Travis W. Proctor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*Demons in the "Flesh": Christian Conflict and Demonic Bodies in Late Antiquity* (25 min)

Sara Ronis, Harvard University  
*Demonic Dangers and Religious Responses in the Sasanian East* (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### S22-340

#### SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **Sacrificial Themes in Biblical Narrative**

Achitha John, University of Aberdeen

*The Struggle and the Sacrifice: Exploring Exod 4:24–26 through Liminality* (25 min)

Yonatan Miller, Harvard University

*Sacred Slaughter: A Sacrificial Understanding of Narrative Priestly Violence* (25 min)

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews

*The Body Matters: Atonement in Mark's Gospel in light of Leviticus 12–15* (25 min)

David M. Moffitt, University of St. Andrews

*Ascension and Atonement: Rethinking the Ascension Narratives of Luke-Acts in light of the Ritual Process of Sacrifice* (25 min)

Shawn J. Wilhite, Southern Seminary

*Atonement in the Heavenly Holy of Holies: Early Reception of Atonement in Origen of Alexandria's Reading of Hebrews* (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S22-341

#### SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

Theme: **Book Review Session for Mira Balberg's Purity, Body, and Self in Early Rabbinic Literature** (Berkeley: UC Press, 2014)

Gil Klein, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding (5 min)

Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University

*Purity and Self with and without the Temple* (25 min)

Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College

*Whose Body? The Subject of Conversion in Late Antiquity* (25 min)

Ellen Muehlberger, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor

*The Third Person: Finding the Self in Ancient Regulation* (25 min)

Moulie Vidas, Princeton University

*Between Literature, Law, and the Function of the Mishnah: On Mira Balberg's Interpretation of the Order of Purities* (25 min)

Responding:

Mira Balberg, Northwestern University (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

### S22-342/A22-300

#### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Networking Like the Job Is in Hand**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

### S22-343

#### SBL Teaching Biblical Studies in an Undergraduate Liberal Arts Context Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **Addressing the Needs and Goals of Liberal Arts Institutions**

Glenn Holland, Allegheny College, Presiding

Susan E. Haddox, University of Mount Union

*Taking the LEAP: Biblical Studies across an Integrative General Education Curriculum* (25 min)

Gary A. Herion, Hartwick College

*Bible Literacy, Public Discourse, and the Challenge to the Liberal Arts* (25 min)

Robin Gallaher Branch, North-West University (South Africa)

*Garden Variety: Genesis 3 as a Dramatic Teaching Tool* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Benjamin Laugelli, University of Virginia

*Teaching at the Intersection of Biblical Studies and Monster Theory* (25 min)

Sylvie Raquel, Trinity International University

*Acts and the Amazing Race: Developing Academic Responsibility in a Freshman Course* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

### S22-344

#### SBL Texts and Traditions in the Second Century Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Paul in the Second Century**

Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding

John Kincaid, John Paul the Great Catholic University

*The Saving Righteousness of God at Philippi: Paul, Polycarp, and the Question of Dikaioyne* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ben Edsall, Australian Catholic University

*(Not) Baptizing Thecla: Early Interpretive Efforts on 1 Cor 1:17* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ben C. Blackwell, Houston Baptist University

*Paul and Rome: The Thematic Relationship between the Acts of Paul and Luke's Acts Reconsidered* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jenn Strawbridge, University of Oxford

*'A Preacher of the Truth': The Apostle Paul and Irenaeus* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Thomas McGlothlin, Duke University

*Resurrection as Conformity to Christ through the Spirit: Second-Century Struggles with a Pauline Motif* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

**S22-344a****SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section**

4:00 PM–6:15 PM

Hyatt - Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Kaige: What Is It? How to Recognize It and Where to Find It**

Andres Piquer Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid  
*Smoky Mirrors: Kai ge and Its Boundaries in the Secondary Versions of Kingdoms* (30 min)

Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki  
*Diagnosing Kaige* (30 min)

Break (15 min)

Pablo Torijano, Universidad Complutense de Madrid  
*A Possible New Witness of the Antioquean Text: The Ms. 460* (30 min)

Julio Treballe, Universidad Complutense de Madrid  
*Antiochean Readings in 3–4 Reigns Witnessed by the Manuscript 158: Their Pre-Lucianic/Old Greek Character* (30 min)

**P22-345****The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)

Cornelia Horn, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, and Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham, Presiding

Zohar Hadromi-Allouche, University of Aberdeen  
*Eve and Sons: Ambivalent Motherhood* (30 min)

Andrew O'Connor, University of Notre Dame  
*Qur'anic Covenant Reconsidered: Mithaq and 'Ahd in Polemical Context* (30 min)

Maria Enid Rodriguez, Catholic University of America  
*What's in a "Word"? Kalam/Kalima and Rhema/Logos as Expressions of God's Word in Q. 3 and the Gospel of Luke* (30 min)

Shari Lowin, Stonehill College  
*The Son of Noah and the Daughter Who Flew Away: Did the Qur'an Inspire a Midrash?* (30 min)

**S22-346****SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding

Penelope Barter, University of St. Andrews  
*The Novelist and the Chronicler: The Reception of Issachar in Literature* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Elisabeth Birnbaum, Catholic Private University Linz  
*Rebuffing Solomon: The Intertwinement of Culture, Exegesis, and Art in the Drama Theory of the Song of Songs* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Susanne Gillmayr-Bucher, Catholic Private University Linz  
*Solomon – A Mirror of Political Criticism* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Katherine Low, Mary Baldwin College  
*A Devilishly Inspired Dream: Pilate's Wife, Sex, and Reception* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Adekunle Dada, University of Ibadan  
*Cultural Influences on the Representation of Bible Characters in Selected Christian Nollywood Films* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

**P22-347****Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Thinking about Writing and Teaching**

Participants in this interactive and hands-on session will think together about how and why various types of writing about teaching become valuable for authors as well as readers who are reflecting on their teaching and student learning. Participants will be led through a hands-on, small group interactive process to reflect on their teaching practice and begin to "workshop" an idea for a writing project about teaching. How can writing and reading about teaching support your reflective teaching practice?

Eugene Gallagher, Connecticut College, Thomas Pearson, Wabash College, and Martha Stortz, Augsburg College, Presiding

**S22-348****SBL Warfare in Ancient Israel Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Responses to Warfare and Violence in Iron Age Israel and Hellenistic Judea**

Brad Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University  
*Moral Injury as a New Lens for Reading Biblical Warfare Texts* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason A. Riley, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Views of Violence: The Use of Visually Displayed Violence in the Lachish Reliefs and Iron Age Warfare* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*The Effect of the Conquering of Laish on Future Generations* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

M. Tong, Fordham University  
*A Maccabean Red Wedding: The Massacre of the Family of Jambri in 1 Macc 9:37–42* (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## P22-348a

### Westar Institute

4:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hyatt - Embassy (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **New Interpretations of Paul**

Scholars have chipped away at the conventional construct of Paul for the past generation. This session is a panel discussion of Bernard Brandon Scott, *The Real Paul: Recovering His Radical Challenge* (Polebridge Press, 2015) in which Scott offers his synthesis of the new interpretations of Paul that have emerged since Krister Stendahl first challenged the conventional construct in 1963.

## S22-349

### SBL Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

## P22-350

### African Association for the Study of Religions

5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Religion, Social Space, and Development**

To be followed by dinner at an African restaurant.

Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Presiding

Franz Kogelmann, Universität Bayreuth and Magnus Echter, Universität Bayreuth  
*Religion(s) and Sacred Space(s) in Africa and Beyond (20 min)*

Komi Ahiatoga Hiagbe, Global Theological Seminary, Ghana  
*An Investigation into Some African Endogamous Models of Development (20 min)*

Maaraidzo Mutambara, Africa University  
*African Ethics and Disability: Case Study of the Shona of Zimbabwe (20 min)*

Responding:

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## S22-351/A22-301

### SBL Employment Services Advisory Committee

5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - L501 (Lobby Level)

## S22-352/A22-314

### SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section

5:00 PM–7:30 PM

Hilton - Crystal C-D (Level 1)

Theme: **Inter-Religious Dialogue in Our Times: The Legacy of "Nostra Aetate"**

The Second Vatican Council (1962–1965) represents a shift in the attitude of the Catholic Church towards non-Christian religions both at the theological and existential level. This was manifest especially in the declaration *Nostra Aetate*, approved and promulgated fifty years ago, on October 28, 1965: "The Catholic Church rejects nothing that is true and holy in these religions" (Vatican II, *Nostra Aetate*, par. 2). The Vatican II Studies Group (AAR), the Ecclesiological Investigations Group (AAR), the Interfaith and Interreligious Studies Group (AAR) and the Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Group SBL discuss the legacy of "*Nostra Aetate*" on the theology of non-Christian religions and on interreligious studies.

Homayra Ziad, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, MD, Presiding

Therese Andreon Gottstein, Institut Catholique Paris  
*To What Extent Did the Shoah Really Influence the Redaction of Nostra Aetate §4? (30 min)*

Adam Gregerman, Saint Joseph's University  
*Not All Blessings Are Equal: Post-Nostra Aetate Catholic Interpretations of the Biblical Blessings to the Jews and to the Nations (30 min)*

Katharina von Kellenbach, St. Marys College of Maryland  
*Nostra Aetate's Urgent Call to Forget the Past (30 min)*

Christopher Denny, Saint John's University  
*Religiones Antiquae: Reviving Nostra Aetate to Expand the Scope of Salvation History (30 min)*

Responding:

John T. Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union (30 min)

## P22-353

### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Dinner for New Teachers (Invitation-Only Event)**

Each year the Wabash Center invites a group of new faculty for an elegant dinner and directed table conversations about the first years of teaching. If you know of someone whom we should invite or you are in your first year of teaching, please send us a name and email address. Include the academic discipline, graduate program and the number of years teaching full-time. Send nominations by October 1st to: Paul Myhre, Associate Director of the Wabash Center, [myhrep@wabash.edu](mailto:myhrep@wabash.edu) or 800-655-7117.

*Sunday, 7:00 PM and Later*

## S22-354

### SBL Qumran Section

8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **Film Screening: Shapira & I**

Join us for a viewing and brief discussion of this 57-minute documentary produced in 2014 by Yoram Sabo. From the film's distributor: "70 years before the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls, Jerusalem antiques dealer Moses Shapira traveled to London with what he hoped to present to the British Museum as the original version of the Book of Deuteronomy. But the assessment that the scrolls were fake devastated him, and Moses Shapira put an end to his life. For more than 30 years, filmmaker Yoram Sabo has been obsessed with clearing Shapira's name and finding out the fate of the scrolls. The labyrinth of this baffling affair makes for a fascinating detective documentary."

Charlotte Hempel, University of Birmingham, Presiding

Fred N. Reiner, Wesley Theological Seminary, Introduction (10 min)

Film Screening (57 min)

Responding:

Reinhard Kratz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (10 min)

Alison Schofield, University of Denver (10 min)

Eibert Tigchelaar, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

## S23-101

### SBL Women Members Breakfast

7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Hilton - Grand Salon C (Level 2)

## S23-102

### SBL Press Book Series Editors

7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott - International C (International Level)

*Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

## S23-103

### SBL Ancient Israel and Its Literature Editorial Board

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

## S23-104

### SBL Aramaic Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 403 (Level 4)

Theme: **Aramaic Dialects**

Leeor Gottlieb, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding

Devorah Dimant, University of Haifa  
*Aramaic Tobit at Qumran* (25 min)

William Fullilove, Reformed Theological Seminary  
*The Representation of Definiteness in Qumran Aramaic: Unsolving the Son of Man Problem* (25 min)

Seth A. Bledsoe, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*Make Heavy the Heart: An Egyptian Idiom in Aramaic* (25 min)

Vincent Skemp, St. Catherine University  
*Jerome as Secondary Witness to JPA, CPA, and Syriac* (25 min)

Binyamin Y. Goldstein, Yeshiva University  
*Aramaic Dialectal Awareness in Late Antiquity* (25 min)

Willem Smelik, University College London  
*Why Aramaic in the Yerushalmi?* (25 min)

## S23-105

### SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **Religion in Jordan**

Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

Joel S. Burnett, Baylor University  
*Religion in Iron Age Jordan* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Douglas R. Clark, La Sierra University  
*The Gods Must Be Crazy: Iron Age Religion at Tall al-Umayri, Jordan* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michele Daviau, Wilfrid Laurier University  
*Bulls, Horses, Gods, and Goddesses: The Religious Iconography of Israel's Neighbors* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chang-Ho Ji, La Sierra University  
*The Khirbat Ataruz Temple: Architecture, Cultic Objects, and Interpretation* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeremy M. Hutton, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
*Textual Data for the Study of Religion in the Transjordanian Kingdoms* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Responding:

Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

### S23-106

#### SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section / Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Arts of Violence**

Christine Luckritz Marquis, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Sarah Madole, Borough of Manhattan Community College (CUNY)

*A New View of the Rape of Persephone on Roman Sarcophagi (25 min)*

Christina Harker, Yale University

*Tattooing as a Violent Art in the Ancient Mediterranean (25 min)*

Felicity Harley-McGowan, Yale University

*The Iconography of Beheading in Roman Imperial Art: Some Ramifications for Christianity in Its Representation of Suffering (25 min)*

John J. Herrmann, Jr., Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and

Annewies van den Hoek, Harvard University

*Mythical Parody and Gruesome Death: Representations of Executions in Late Antiquity (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

### S23-107

#### SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

9:00 AM–11:15 AM

Hilton - Crystal A-F (Level 1)

Julius-Kei Kato, King's University College, Presiding (5 min)

Young Ra Rhee, Harvard University

*"By what authority?": An Egalitarian Imagination of Mark 11:27-33 from Asian Feminist Perspective – A Critical Analysis of Maria Arul Raja's Dualistic Interpretation (20 min)*

Clement Tong, Carey Theological College

*The Roman Connection: The Latin Vulgate's Influence on the Chinese Bible (20 min)*

Hye Kyung Park, Chang Jung Christian University

*The Encounter between Hosea's YHWH (Hosea 11) and Taiwanese Matsu (20 min)*

Hyun Ho Park, Graduate Theological Union

*Stigmatization, Violence, and the Symbolic World: Death of Stephen, Khmer Rouge Genocide, and April 3rd Jeju Massacre (20 min)*

Responding:

Henry Rietz, Grinnell College (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S23-108

#### SBL Bible and Visual Art Section / Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Politics of Biblical Art**

Andrew Mein, Westcott House, Presiding

Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University

*The Apocalypse and Ecological Imagination: A Visual Investigation (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Christine Joynes, University of Oxford

*A Gender Agenda? Exploring the Politics of Biblical Art (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Amanda Russell-Jones, Independent Scholar

*'The Light of the World' and the Levite's Concubine: Josephine Butler's Feminist Reading of Art and Scripture (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jan W. van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam

*Hannah and Her Sons Re-Interpreted (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Robert M. Royalty Jr., Wabash College

*An American New Jerusalem: Biblical Art at the Holy Land Experience (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

### S23-109

#### SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Biblical Hebrew Lexicography**

Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg, Presiding

Reinier de Blois, United Bible Societies

*Biblical Lexicography and the Semantic Structure of the Target Language: The Case of Akh (30 min)*

Daniel Rodriguez, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

*How Are the Noun, Verb, and Adverb/Preposition Usages of pn̄ Related? (30 min)*

Jeremy Thompson, Logos Bible Software and Kris Lyle,

Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

*Word Sense Disambiguation Aided by Frame Analysis: A Case Study on Qadash (30 min)*

David E. S. Stein, Freelance Editorial Services

*Agency: Making Sense of Anomalous Usages of the Hebrew Noun "ish" (30 min)*

Albert Wolters, Redeemer University College

*The Meaning of BD( (30 min)*

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**S23-110****SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Consultation**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Contextual Approaches to Reading Biblical Literature through a Hermeneutics of Trauma**

Elizabeth Boase, Flinders University, Presiding

William A. Andrews Jr., Chicago Theological Seminary  
*How to Survive an Execution: The Trauma of Crucifixion, Incarceration, and Contemporary State-Sanctioned Killing (30 min)*

Gary A. Phillips, Wabash College and Henry F. Knight, Keene State College

*Fraught with Responsibility: Trauma-Informed Pedagogy, Teaching the Holocaust, and Biblical Texts of Terror in the Religious Studies and Theology Classroom (30 min)*Jennifer Koosed, Albright College  
*Echoes of How: Lamentations in Jewish Liturgy (30 min)*Michael Trainor, Australian Catholic University  
*Trauma's Unfathomability in the Markan Household and the Story of Jesus' Passion (Mark 14–16) (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

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**S23-111****SBL Book of Deuteronomy Consultation**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

Theme: **Rhetoric and the Art of Persuasion in Deuteronom(ist)ic Law**

Richard Nelson, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Dale Patrik, Drake University  
*The Mosaic Voicing of Divine Law (25 min)*Assnat Bartor, Tel Aviv University  
*Lawgiver-Response and Rhetorical Stratagems in the Deuteronomistic Legislation (25 min)*Jeffrey Stackert, University of Chicago  
*The Impact of Narrative Claims in Deuteronomistic Legal Composition (25 min)*Harald Samuel, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen  
*Fragmented Rhetoric: Diachronic Challenges to a Synchronic Concept (25 min)*

Responding:

Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster  
(20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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**S23-112****SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Fresh Approaches to the Book of the Twelve**Jason Radine, Moravian College & Theological Seminary, Presiding  
(5 min)Catherine M. Murphy, Santa Clara University  
*New Evidence for and a New Critical Edition of 4QXIIg (4Q82) (29 min)*Roy E. Garton, Baylor University  
*'The Odd Man In': Reassessing Jonah's Entry into the Twelve (29 min)*Steven Tuell, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
*The Psalm in Habakkuk 3 (29 min)*Michaela Geiger, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal-Bethel  
*Mediation for the Mediator: The Encounter of Mal'ak and Prophet in Zechariah's Night Visions (29 min)*

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**S23-113****SBL Children in the Biblical World Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Perils of Childhood and Children in the Epistles**

John W. Martens, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Heath D. Dewrell, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*Children at the Intersection of Sacrifice, Prophecy, and Inner-Biblical Interpretation (25 min)*Maria E. Doerfler, Duke University  
*Good Grief: Parental Bereavement in Biblical Literature and Its Late Ancient Reception (25 min)*David A. Bosworth, Catholic University of America  
*Ignoring Infant Cries: Religious and Medical Influence on Infant Neglect (25 min)*Jennifer Houston McNeel, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*Paul as Orphan: Exploring Metaphor and Rhetoric in 1 Thess 2:17 (25 min)*Sean Winter, University of Divinity, Melbourne  
*Children, Fathers, Sons and Daughters: Exploring Familial Imagery in 2 Cor 6:11–7:4 (25 min)*Amy Lindeman Allen, Vanderbilt University  
*Babies and Building Blocks: A Re-Constructive Reading of God's Household in 1 Peter (25 min)*

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## S23-114

### SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Consultation / Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Papyrology and Digital Humanities**

Caroline T. Schroeder, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Stephen J. Davis, Yale University  
*Manuscripts, Monks, and Mufattishin: Digital Access and Concerns of Cultural Heritage in the Yale Monastic Archaeology Project (30 min)*

Roger T. Macfarlane, Brigham Young University  
*Damaged Papyri Rendered Accessible Through MultiSpectral Imaging: An Update and Prospectus (30 min)*

Rodney Ast, University of Heidelberg  
*A Digital Corpus of Literary Papyri (30 min)*

Claire Clivaz, Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics  
*Does Any Fragment Count? Considering the Digital Culture from a Papyrological Point of View (30 min)*

Laurie E. Pearce, University of California-Berkeley  
*Digital Tools Supporting Prosopographical Research in Texts and Manuscripts (30 min)*

## S23-115

### SBL Gospel of Luke Section / Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Contested Ethnicities and Images: Studies in Acts and Arts**

Panel review of David L. Balch, *Contested Ethnicities and Images: Studies in Acts and Arts* (WUNT; Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2015): joint session sponsored by Gospel of Luke and Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy sections.

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Jasper Gaunt, Emory University (15 min)

Erich Gruen, University of California-Berkeley (15 min)

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College (15 min)

Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School (15 min)

L. Michael White, University of Texas at Austin (15 min)

Responding:

David Balch, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary (25 min)

Discussion (45 min)

## S23-116

### SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section / Ethiopic Bible and Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **Ascetic Traditions**

David A. Skelton, Florida State University  
*Angels among Us? The Watchers Myth and Ephrem's Angelology in his Commentary on Genesis (25 min)*

Robert Kitchen, Knox-Metropolitan United Church  
*Abba Bsoy: The Ge'ez Life of a Desert Father (25 min)*

Ralph Lee, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich  
*Mar Isaac in the Ethiopian Tradition: Reception and Appropriation (25 min)*

Antonella Brita, Universität Hamburg  
*Syrian Models of Ascetic Practices in Ethiopian Monasticism (25 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-117

### SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Chris L. de Wet, University of South Africa  
*The Preacher's Diet: Regimen, Sexuality, and Masculinity in the Homilies of John Chrysostom (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Katy E. Valentine, First Christian Church (Chico, CA)  
*Disrupting the Binary: Creating a GNC and Transgender Hermeneutic (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary  
*Women's Bodies and the Interrogation of National Liberation: Reading Judges with Beloved in light of a Black Nationalist Liberation Discourse (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Beatrice Lawrence, Seattle University  
*Rape Culture: Witnessing and Teaching (25 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## P23-118

### GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Biblical Formation of the Congregation for Missional Witness**

This session of the GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics includes papers on the theology and practice of biblical formation in the faith community: that is, the role of the Bible and its interpretation in the process of forming "Scripture-shaped communities" (Richard Hays) for mission in the world, in concrete contexts.

Darrell Guder, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Laura R. Levens, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky  
*Many Voices, Many Contexts, One Faith: Engaging the Breadth of Scripture to Form Discerning, Missional Congregations* (25 min)

Luke Ben Tallon, LeTourneau University and Aaron Kuecker, LeTourneau University  
*A Liturgy of Ascent and a Life of Ascent: Conforming Congregations to Christian Scripture* (25 min)

Derek W. Taylor, Duke University  
*Forming Faithful Readers: Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Missional Hermeneutic* (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Benjamin T. Conner, Western Theological Seminary (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

## S23-119

### SBL Hebrew Bible and Philosophy Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Philosophical Criticism as a Form of Biblical Criticism**

Jaco Gericke, North-West University (South Africa)  
*Analytic vs. Continental Varieties of Philosophical Criticism* (30 min)

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University  
*A Response to Jaco Gericke's Thesis in The Hebrew Bible and Philosophy of Religion* (30 min)

Oliver Crisp, Fuller Theological Seminary  
*An Analytic Theologian's Response to Jaco Gericke's Thesis* (30 min)

Craig Bartholomew, Redeemer University College  
*A Biblical Theologian's Response to Philosophical Criticism* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S23-120

### SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, Presiding

Rodrigo F. de Sousa, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie  
*"Betray Not the Fugitive": Isaiah 15–16 and the Plight of Refugees* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mark K. George, Iliff School of Theology  
*Watch Your Step! Excrement and Self-Regulation in Deuteronomy* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew W. Higginbotham, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion  
*Expansionism and Endogamy in the Entry to the Promised Land* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Paavo Tucker, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Why Love Matters for Justice: Political Emotions between Narrative and Law in the Holiness Code* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S23-121

### SBL Homiletics and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Karoline Lewis, Luther Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Amanda Brobst-Renaud, Baylor University  
*Preaching the Epistle of Straw: Luther's Homiletical Hermeneutics and James* (20 min)

Frank Dicken, Lincoln Christian University  
*New Testament Narrative Criticism and the Preacher: The Beginning of a Discussion* (20 min)

Sonya Shetty Cronin, Florida State University  
*Potential Anti-Judaism in Gospel of John: How Biblical Interpretation Affects Homiletics* (20 min)

Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, East Texas Baptist University  
*Preaching Paul's Letters as Narrative: Philippians and Empathetic Imagination* (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

## P23-122

### International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Septuagint: Across the Corpus**

Jan Joosten, University of Oxford, Presiding

John Lee, Macquarie University  
*The Puzzle of τίς δόξ: Solved* (25 min)

James A. E. Mulrone, The University of Edinburgh  
*Interpretative Translational Choices for Conditional Sentences in the Septuagint* (25 min)

Martin Rösel, Universität Rostock  
*A Theology of the Septuagint?* (25 min)

Patrick Pouchelle, Centre Sèvres  
*Neologisms in the Septuagint, Case Studies, and Criteria* (25 min)

James Aitken, University of Cambridge and Sigfried Kreuzer, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel  
*Two New Handbooks of the Septuagint: Purposes and Future Prospects* (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

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## P23-123

### International Syriac Language Project

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Lexicography: Selected Issues and Improved Tools (1)**

Richard A. Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

George A. Kiraz, Gorgias Press

*SEDRA IV: Online Lexical Tools for Syriac (30 min)*

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield

*The Holy and the Clean: Category Confusion in Semitic? (30 min)*

Jesús Peláez, Universidad de Córdoba

*The Lexeme alêtheia in the Pauline Letters: Definition and Translation in Context (30 min)*

Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University

*The Numismatic Background of "charakter" in Heb 1:3 (30 min)*

Kristian S. Heal, Brigham Young University and David M.

Calabro, Brigham Young University

*The Digitization of Jesse Payne Smith's Compendious Syriac Dictionary and the Development of JPS 2.0 (30 min)*

## S23-124

### SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Intertextuality, Rhetorical Criticism, and the Pauline Letters**

Max Lee, North Park Theological Seminary, Presiding

A. Andrew Das, Elmhurst College

*An Audience-Oriented Approach to Paul's Use of Scripture in Galatians: Reader Competence and Differing Target Audiences (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Raymond Morehouse, University of St. Andrews

*Diatribes and Deuteronomy: Romans 3:1–6 as Guided Reflection on Deut 32:4 (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Douglas C. Mohrman, Cornerstone University

*Paul's Use of Scripture in Romans 9–11 as Palimpsest: Literature in the Second Degree (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Jason A. Myers, Asbury Theological Seminary

*Paul and the Rhetoric of Obedience: A Rhetorical Reading of Obedience (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

G. Brooke Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

*No, Seriously: A Unifying Theory of Allusion (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

## S23-125

### SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M303–M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Martyrdom and Persecution: Frend at 50**

In honor of the 50th anniversary of William Frend's Martyrdom and Persecution, this session will explore the legacy of Frend and the current state of scholarship on the issue of martyrdom in early Christianity.

Paul Middleton, University of Chester, Presiding

Judith Perkins, University of Saint Joseph

*What a Difference Fifty Years Make: Frend's Martyrdom and Persecution (30 min)*

William Horbury, University of Cambridge

*W.H.C. Frend on Jewish Martyrdom and Persecution? (30 min)*

David L. Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University

*The Innovation of Death: The Rhetoric of Martyrdom and Christian Identity (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

Responding:

Michael Holmes, Bethel University (Minnesota) (30 min)

## S23-126

### SBL Johannine Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Urban Von Wahlde, Loyola University of Chicago, Presiding

Ronald Charles, St. Francis Xavier University

*Aseneth, the Samaritan Woman, and the Trope of Travel (30 min)*

Lori Baron, Duke University

*The Shema in John and Jewish Restoration Eschatology (30 min)*

Elizabeth Schrader, General Theological Seminary

*Was Martha of Bethany Added to the Fourth Gospel in the Second Century? (30 min)*

Seungwoo Shim, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

*Reading Gender Ideology in the Johannine Shepherd Discourse (John 10:1–21) (30 min)*

Hugo Mendez, Yale University

*Revisiting the Origins and Underlying Genre of John 21 (30 min)*

## S23-127

### SBL Josephus Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **Brill Project Commentary**

James McLaren, Australian Catholic University, Presiding (5 min)

Chris Seeman, Walsh University

*Romancing the Past: Josephus' Bagoses Reconsidered (40 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

David Levenson, Florida State University  
*Consulting and Evaluating the Latin Translations of Josephus' Antiquities and War: A Report on the Manuscript Tradition* (40 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

## S23-128

### SBL Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Theme: **Race and Class Conflict (Struggle) in Biblical Interpretation**

Alejandro Botta, Boston University, Presiding

Panelists:

Pablo Andinach, Instituto Universitario ISEDET (20 min)

Eric Barreto, Luther Seminary (20 min)

Julián Andrés González, Southern Methodist University  
*Questioning God: Cain and Abel as Hominis Sacri – An Agambenian Reading of Gen 4:1–16* (20 min)

Corinna Guerrero, Graduate Theological Union  
*A Mujerista Reading of Judges 19* (20 min)

Panelist:

Gilberto Ruiz, Loyola University New Orleans (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S23-129

### SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section / National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Editing the Hebrew Bible and Historical Linguistics**

Jacobus A. Naude, University of the Free State, Presiding

Jared S. Klein, University of Georgia  
*Historical Linguistics and Ancient Religious Texts* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

A. Dean Forbes, University of the Free State  
*The Diachrony Debate: A Tutorial on Methods* (20 min)

Martijn Naaijer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and Dirk Roorda, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences  
*Measuring Syntax: New Ways of Researching Linguistic Variation in relation to "Historical Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew"* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ian Young, University of Sydney  
*Ancient Hebrew without Authors* (20 min)

Aaron D. Hornkohl, University of Cambridge  
*Historical Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew: Observations from the Perspective of 4QRevised Pentateuch* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Nili Samet, Bar-Ilan University  
*The Question of LBH Syntax: The Case of Ecclesiastes 1–2* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

## S23-130

### SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Migration-Economics, Ecology, Militarization**

Janette Ok, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Panelists:

Diane Chen, Palmer Theological Seminary (Eastern University) (20 min)

Gregory Cuellar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary (20 min)

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University (20 min)

Van Thanh Nguyen, Catholic Theological Union (20 min)

Aliou Niang, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York (20 min)

M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S23-131

### SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Juan Hernandez, Bethel University (Minnesota), Presiding

Matthew David Larsen, Yale University  
*Accidental Publication, Post-Publication Revision, Textual Fluidity and the Implications for the Traditional Tools of Textual Criticism* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elijah Hixson, University of Edinburgh  
*Real or Perceived Scribal Habits? Assessing the 'Singular Readings Method' with Codex Sinopensis (O 023)* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Darius Müller, Protestant University Wuppertal/Bethel  
*The Text of Revelation in GA 2329 and 2351* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jessica Shao, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities  
*Family 1 in Mark: New Evidence on the Stemma of the Venice Group* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

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### P23-131a

#### Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott - L401-L403 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Translating Alterity, Translating Silence**

Roy E. Ciampa, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society, Presiding

Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School

*Translating Alterity: Conflict, Undecidability, and Complicity (40 min)*

Responding:

Philip H. Towner, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship (12 min)

Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal (12 min)

Deborah Shadd, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society (12 min)

David Gunn, Texas Christian University (10 min)

### S23-132

#### SBL Paul Within Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - Marquis C (Marquis Level)

Theme: **For Paul, Do Jews Have to Become Christians to be Saved?**

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding (5 min)

John Marshall, University of Toronto

*Deixis and Scope: Reading Romans in Time and Place (25 min)*

Mark D. Nanos, University of Kansas - Lawrence

*Are Jews Outside of the Covenants if Not Confessing Jesus as Messiah?: Questioning the Questions, the Options for the Answers Too (25 min)*

Jason Staples, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*Who is Israel? Understanding Paul's Restoration Eschatological Hopes (25 min)*

Responding:

Larry Hurtado, University of Edinburgh (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### S23-133

#### SBL Pauline Soteriology Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Review of John Barclay, Paul and the Gift (Eerdmans 2015)**

Alexandra Brown, Washington and Lee University, Presiding

Panelists:

Joel Marcus, Duke University (20 min)

Margaret Mitchell, University of Chicago (20 min)

Miroslav Volf, Yale University (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Responding:

John Barclay, University of Durham (40 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### S23-134

#### SBL Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Angela Roskop Erisman, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Presiding

Juerg Hutzli, Université de Lausanne

*The Distinct Literary Profile of P's Abraham Narrative (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa

*Scribal Scholarship in the Formation of Patriarchal Narrative(s) and Holiness Code in the Post-exilic Period: The Re-Conceptualization of the Promised Land (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Aron Freidenreich, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York

*Reconceptualizing the Development of Genesis 17 within the Priestly Work (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Hanne Loeland Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

*Are Children Worth Dying For? (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Omer Sergi, Tel Aviv University

*The Jacob Cycle and the Aramaean Identity of Ancient Israel (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

### S23-135

#### SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Performance and Performativity of Patristic and Other Texts**

Jin Han, New York Theological Seminary, Presiding

C. Rebecca Rine, Catholic University of America

*Performing Scripture: Biblical Quotation in Patristic Commentary (30 min)*

Mark Randall James, University of Virginia

*Ancient Antecedents to Performance Criticism: Origen, Stoic Logic, and the Bible as Utterance (30 min)*

Jared W. Ludlow, Brigham Young University

*Eusebius and the Performances of the Gospel Stories (30 min)*

Bogdan G. Bucur, Duquesne University

*Performative Exegesis in Anastasius the Sinaite's Homily on The Transfiguration (30 min)*

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T. Michael W. Halcomb, Conversational Koine Institute  
*Sound Matters: The Role and Function of Pronunciation in Ancient Performance* (30 min)

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## S23-136

### SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Historical and Intellectual Traditions in Philo**

Seminar papers will be available on-line at [http://torreys.org/philo\\_seminar\\_papers/](http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/).

Ellen Birnbaum, Cambridge, Massachusetts, Presiding

Miriam Ben Zeev, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Philo as Historian: His Testimony on the Beginning of the Jewish Settlement at Rome as a Case Study* (25 min)

Michael Pope, Brigham Young University  
*Opportunistic Stoicism: Philo's Quod Omnis Probus Liber Sit and Cicero's Tusculan Disputations Book 2* (25 min)

Courtney Friesen, University of Oxford  
*Dying Like a Woman: Philo on the Tragic Death of Polyxena* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg  
*Philo in Ethnographic Discourse: Some Observations to the Literary Context of De Vita Contemplativa* (25 min)

Joan E. Taylor, King's College - London  
*The Women Therapeutae and the Divided Space of the 'Synagogue'* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

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## S23-137

### SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation

9:00 AM–10:45 AM

Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

Theme: **Panel Discussion of David Lambert, How Repentance Became Biblical: Judaism, Christianity, and the Interpretation of Scripture (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015)**

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame (15 min)

Bart Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (15 min)

James Kugel, Bar Ilan University (15 min)

Responding:

David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (15 min)

Panelists:

Carol Newsom, Emory University (15 min)

Baruch Schwartz, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (15 min)

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## S23-138

### SBL Prayer in Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Rethinking Ancient Prayer: Cross Cultural Perspectives**

Mark J. Boda, McMaster Divinity College, Presiding

Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific  
*Ancient Mesopotamian Prayer: Evidence and Methodological Issues* (30 min)

Daniel K. Falk, Penn State University  
*Reading Material Culture of Ancient Prayer* (30 min)

Judith H. Newman, University of Toronto  
*Prayer Practices and the Transformation of Early Jewish Texts* (30 min)

Rodney A. Werline, Barton College  
*Foregrounding the Jewish Context of New Testament Prayers* (30 min)

Angela Kim Harkins, University of Birmingham  
*Thinking about Prayers and the Practice of Prayer from the Past to the Present* (30 min)

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## S23-140

### SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Rhetoric of Foreign**

Saul Olyan, Brown University, Presiding (5 min)

Debra Scoggins Ballentine, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
*The (Mis)Foreignization Problem in Hebrew Bible Studies* (20 min)

Nathaniel Levto, University of Montana  
*'Making the Foreign Native and the Native Foreign': Ritual Violence in Levantine Imperial and Civil War Contexts* (20 min)

Tim Wardle, Furman University  
*The Rhetoric of Boundary Making: The Case of Jews and Samaritans* (20 min)

Responding:

Brian Rainey, Princeton Theological Seminary (15 min)

Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound  
*Sacra Peregrina: "Foreignness" in Roman Rites* (20 min)

Paul Robertson, Colby-Sawyer College  
*Individualized Appellation as Polemic in Late Antiquity* (20 min)

Responding:

Daniel Ullucci, Rhodes College (15 min)

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### S23-141

#### SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

John Levison, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Job Y. Jindo, The Tikvah Fund

*On the Phenomenology of Hearing and Experience in Biblical Literature (30 min)*

Sarah Berns, Brown University

*How and Why Does Cedar Purify? An Inhabited Approach to Ancient Ritual Texts (30 min)*

Brigidda Bell, University of Toronto

*Affect and Embodiment in the Body of the Pythia (30 min)*

Aldo Carlo Fernando Tagliabue, Heidelberg University

*Embodied Religious Experience in Aelius Aristides' Sacred Tales (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

### S23-142

#### SBL Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **Sensory Encounters and Encountering the Sensory in the Song of Songs and Its Reception**

Arguably the most sensual book in the Hebrew Bible, the Song of Songs calls for sensory analyses to make sense of this enigmatic love poem. The papers in this panel explore sensory elements in the Song of Songs itself or in instances of its reception history.

Greg Schmidt Goering, University of Virginia, Presiding (5 min)

Barat Ellman, Fordham University

*The Sensation of Love: Song of Songs 4:9–16 and the Simulation of Emotion (25 min)*

Ellen van Wolde, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

*Uncertainty Management in the Song of Songs (25 min)*

Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University

*The King's Fragrance and the Spiritual Sense of Smell: Reading Song 1:12 with Origen and Gregory of Nyssa (25 min)*

Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University

*Affecting Pink: Chagall, the Song of Songs, and the Senses (25 min)*

Responding:

Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

### S23-142a

#### SBL Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 301 (Level 3)

Theme: **Ritual in the City: Imperial Spaces of Conflict**

Philippa Townsend, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

Mary R. D'Angelo, University of Notre Dame

*Material Gods (25 min)*

Todd Berzon, Bowdoin College

*Spatializing Heresy in Late Antiquity (25 min)*

Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University

*"Lead Me Forth in Peace": Rabbinic Rituals of Travel in the Roman World (25 min)*

Gil Klein, Loyola Marymount University

*Purity and Politics: The Roman Landscape of Intra-Rabbinic Conflict (25 min)*

Cavan Concannon, University of Southern California

*In the Great City of the Ephesians: Contestations over Apostolic Memory and Ecclesial Power in the Acts of Timothy (25 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

### P23-143

#### Society for Pentecostal Studies

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 405 (Level 4)

Theme: **Pentecostal Readings of New Testament Texts**

Melissa Archer, Southeastern University, Presiding

Blaine Charette, Northwest University (Washington)

*The Whence and Whither of Those Born of the Spirit: John 3:8 and the Correlation between Son of God and Children of God (30 min)*

Chris E. W. Green, Pentecostal Theological Seminary

*'Does Not Nature Itself Teach You?' Theological Meditations on a Troubled/Troubling Text (30 min)*

Break (15 min)

Daniel I. Morrison, McMaster Divinity College

*Presentations of Parance and Performance as Seen by Thyatira (30 min)*

David R. Johnson, Bangor University (UK)

*The Mark of the Beast or the Seal of God: Pneumatic Discernment, Effective History, and Early Pentecostal Periodical Literature (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

## S23-144/A23-100

### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Humility, Solidarity, and Mutuality: Three Holistic Methodological Goals for Comparative Religious Study**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

## S23-145

### SBL Synoptic Gospels Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Rethinking Familiar Motifs through Narrative Function, Literary Arrangement, and Audience Inference**

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

David A. Burnett, Criswell College

*The Sword and the Servant: Reframing the function of the “two swords” of Luke 22:35–38 in Narrative Context (30 min)*

Tobias Ålöw, Göteborgs Universitet

*The Kingdom of Heaven in the Gospel of Matthew and Tannaitic Tradition (30 min)*

Geert Van Oyen, Université Catholique de Louvain

*The “Messianic Mystery” as Part of the Paradoxical Characterization of God in the Gospel of Mark (30 min)*

Andrew J. Kelley, University of Edinburgh

*Jesus as an Autonomous Miracle-Worker in Mark (30 min)*

Michael Patrick Barber, John Paul the Great Catholic University

*Jesus’ Vow at the Last Supper in the Synoptic Gospels: A Study in Divergent Narrative Strategies (30 min)*

## S23-147

### SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Textual Criticism of the Pentateuch and Daniel**

Russell E. Fuller, University of San Diego, Presiding

Drew Longacre, University of Helsinki

*The Collective Transmission of the Pentateuch: Documentary Evidence from the Judean Desert (35 min)*

David Rothstein, Ariel University Center of Samaria

*The Textual History of Deut 11:4a and Its Role in Biblical and Post-Biblical Traditions of the Reed Sea Crossing (35 min)*

Break (10 min)

Dan McClellan, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
*The Textual Utility of the Mal’ak YHWH in Biblical Narrative (35 min)*

J. Amanda McGuire, Andrews University

*A Text-Critical Look at Dan 9:27 in the Masoretic Text and the Septuagint (35 min)*

## S23-148

### SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Divine Hiddenness in the Hebrew Bible**

Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Dexter Callender, University of Miami (20 min)

Steven Kepnes, Colgate University (20 min)

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology (20 min)

Beth Tanner, New Brunswick Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:

Kathleen O’Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

## P23-149/A23-113

### Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Demonstrating a Teaching Tactic: Engaging Students in Learning**

Joint session with the Teaching Religion Section (AAR). The session will be present teaching tactics in a timed format on engaging students in active learning. Each tactic will be distributed and the author will clarify its content. There will be time for discussion for each tactic as well as time for general discussion.

David B. Howell, Ferrum College, Presiding

Brent Hege, Butler University

*Crafting a “Big Picture” Assignment: Interviews as Teaching Tool (20 min)*

Umesh Patel, University at Buffalo, State University of New York  
*Speed Dating (20 min)*

Kristy Slominski, University of California-Santa Barbara  
*Using Clickers to Start Discussions in the Religious Studies Classroom (20 min)*

Kyle Schiefelbein, Graduate Theological Union  
*Reading Primary Source Documents as History and Theology (20 min)*

Rose Aslan, California Lutheran University  
*Drama in the Classroom (20 min)*

David Jorgensen, Colby College  
*Coffee-Hour Role Play (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

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### S23-150

#### SBL Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Theme: **Concepts of Time and History in Sapiential and Apocalyptic Texts**

Karina Martin Hogan, Fordham University, Presiding

Matthew Neujahr, Marquette University  
*Historical Time in Late Babylonian and Early Jewish Ex Eventu Texts* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa  
*Competing Temporalities in Early Jewish Apocalypses* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University  
*Apocalyptic Times in Motion: Spatial and Other Metaphors for Time in Daniel, 2 Baruch, and 4 Ezra* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*Protology and the Apocalypse of John in the Context of Second Temple Notions of Time* (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### S23-151/A23-146

#### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

10:30 AM–12:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Alt-Ac Employment: Hiring from an HR Perspective**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

### S23-152

#### SBL What I'm Telling My Graduate Students

11:00 AM–12:45 PM

Hyatt - International North (International Tower Level LL1)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

Preregistration is required for this luncheon because of limited space. This session provides graduate students with an opportunity to learn from the academic experiences of established scholars through short presentations of their academic autobiographies and smaller group discussions. Each panelist will have 5-7 minutes to talk about their graduate school experience and discuss what they are telling their current students about navigating the field of biblical and religious studies. These presentations will be followed by smaller group discussions over lunch.

### S23-152a

#### SBL Brown Judaic Studies Editorial Board

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

### S23-153

#### SBL Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Committee Luncheon

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Hilton - Grand Salon C (Level 2)

*Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM*

### S23-201

#### SBL Qumran Section / Aramaic Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Theme: **Aramaic Language and Literature in the Dead Sea Scrolls**

Tawny Holm, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

Edward Cook, Catholic University of America  
*Ambiguity, Polysemy, and Contextual Variation in the Qumran Aramaic Lexicon* (30 min)

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*Form and Vocabulary in Dead Sea Aramaic Texts and Their Translation into Greek* (30 min)

Jan Joosten, University of Oxford  
*Remarks on the Language of the Genesis Apocryphon* (30 min)

Daniel Machiela, McMaster University  
*Wisdom Motifs in the Compositional Strategy of the Genesis Apocryphon and Other Aramaic Texts from Qumran* (30 min)

Michael Segal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Rewriting 'in' and 'of' Daniel* (30 min)

### S23-202

#### SBL Art and Religions of Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

Theme: **Art and Empire**

Zsuzsanna Gulacsi, Northern Arizona University, Presiding

Uta Heil, Universität Wien  
*Imperial or Christological Art? Constantine's Churches in the Holy Land* (30 min)

Richard Freund, University of Hartford  
*Imperial Herod? The Temple of Apollo in Rhodes and the Temple of Jerusalem's Herodian Stones* (30 min)

Jacob A. Latham, University of Tennessee  
*Parading the Imperial Cult* (30 min)

Douglas Boin, Saint Louis University  
*The Memory of "Peter" in Fourth-Century Rome: Church, Mausoleum, and Jupiter on the Via Praenestina* (30 min)

Lee M. Jefferson, Centre College  
*Revisiting the Emperor Mystique: The Traditio Legis as an Anti-Imperial Image (30 min)*

## S23-203

### SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Mesopotamian Literature and the Bible II**

Jeffrey Cooley, Boston College, Presiding (5 min)

Kathleen McCaffrey, Independent Scholar  
*The Bird Bridegroom Story (Gilg. VI: 48–50): Wordplay and Ancient Commentary (20 min)*

Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University  
*The Bible and the Enuma Elish: The Case of Rigmu (20 min)*

Ryan N. Roberts, Cornerstone University  
*Storm Imagery and Environmental Descriptions of the Divine (20 min)*

Jordan Jones, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion  
*The Image of the Ideal King in the Psalm of David: An Analysis of 2 Sam 23:1–7 in light of Ancient Near Eastern Parallels (20 min)*

Andrew Geist, University of Notre Dame  
*Wealth in the Šamaš Hymn and Psalms (20 min)*

Samuel Greengus, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion  
*A New Appraisal of Abigail's Brave Actions in 1 Sam 25:2–42 (20 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

## S23-204

### SBL Bible and Film Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M301-M302 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Hebrew Bible and Film: Death, Ecology, and Evil in Noah, Slasher Films, and 2012**

Rhonda Burnette-Bletsch, Eastern University, Presiding

Jeffrey S. Lamp, Oral Roberts University  
*Noah (2014) as Paradigm for Reading the Bible Ecologically (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Laura Copier, Universiteit Utrecht and Caroline Vander Stichele, Universiteit van Amsterdam  
*Death and Disaster: 2012 Meets Noah (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

J. Blair Wilgus, Hope International University  
*Jason Voorhees – Slasher Villain or Zealous Priest? Analyzing Responses to Purging Evil in the Hebrew Bible and Friday the 13th (40 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

## S23-205

### SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section / Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Intersemiotic Translation: a new media approach**

Our present new media age (mobile technologies in particular) is enacting an intersemiotic translation of the book as a material cultural phenomenon. Bible and book are inextricably bound, so how is this intersemiotic translation of book shaping the way bible is imagined and practiced? This session is not looking primarily at how the content of the bible is translated from one language to another but how the material media translation of the bible as book shapes the way we make meaning of its stories.

Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

James Maxey, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society, Presiding

Panelists:

Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology

Holly Hearon, Christian Theological Seminary

Yancy Smith, Bible League International

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal

## S23-206

### SBL Biblical Ethics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Justice and Mercy**

Jacqueline Grey, Alphacrucis, Presiding

Luke Ben Tallon, LeTourneau University  
*Forgiveness as the Image of the Merciful and Just God (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Glenn Pemberton, Abilene Christian University  
*Justice and Mercy in Proverbs: Can It Be? (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Dorothea H. Bertschmann, University of Durham  
*'Revenge Is Mine, I Will Pay Back': Has Mercy Not the Last Word, after All? Reading Rom 12:19 as a Hidden Discourse of Justice and Mercy (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena  
*Justice and Mercy in 1 Peter (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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### S23-207

#### SBL Biblical Law Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Andrew Gross, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Shalom E. Holtz, Yeshiva University  
*Psalm 109 and the Legal Meaning of Prayer (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Elaine Goodfriend, California State University - Northridge  
*Leviticus 22:24: A Prohibition on Gelding for the Land of Israel? (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Yael Landman, Yeshiva University  
*"... He Laid a Hand to the Other's Property": The Suspected Wrongdoing in Exod 22:7, 10 (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Yonder Moynihan Gillihan, Boston College  
*Gerim as gōyim in 4QOrdinances A: Restoring Lacunae in the Slave Law of 4Q159 fr. 2-4 and 8 1-3a (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Vos, Boston College  
*Moving the Boundary: The Metaphorical Use of a Literal Prohibition in the Second Temple Period (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

### S23-208

#### SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

Theme: **Biblical Greek Lexicography**

Michael Theophilos, Australian Catholic University, Presiding

Chris Fresch, University of Cambridge  
*Discourse Markers in Lexica and the Benefit of Functional Descriptions: A Case Study of De (30 min)*

Christoph Heilig, Universität Zürich  
*The Lexical Semantics of thriambeuein in Greek Literature: Building the Interpretation of 2 Cor 2:14 and Col 2:15 on a Firm Foundation (30 min)*

Damaris Romero Gonzalez, Universidad de Córdoba (España)  
*Anger in the New Testament (30 min)*

Stephen C. Carlson, Australian Catholic University  
*The Polysemy of Pálin (30 min)*

Israel Muñoz Gallarte, Universidad de Córdoba (España)  
*The Meaning of "pistis" in the Framework of the Greek-Spanish Dictionary of the New Testament (30 min)*

### S23-209

#### SBL Book of Acts Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Acts in the Discourses of Ethnicity**

Steve Walton, St Mary's University, Twickenham (London), Presiding

Aaron Kuecker, LeTourneau University  
*A Lukan House of Prayer (for All Nations?): Ethnicity, Spirit, and Temple in Acts (30 min)*

Susan Wendel, Briarcrest College and Seminary  
*Whose Promises Are They? An Exploration of Script (30 min)*

David A. Smith, Duke University  
*Jewish Attitudes toward Gentile (Im)purity and the Evidence for a Jewish-Christian Sitz im Leben in Acts (30 min)*

Christopher Stroup, Boston College  
*Ethnic Rhetoric in Jerusalem and Ephesus: the Jerusalem Council, the Salutaris Foundation, and the "Religious" Legitimation of Ethnic Identity in the Roman Era Polis (30 min)*

Joshua W. Jipp, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School  
*Superstitious and Hospitable Barbarians: Luke's Ethnic Reasoning in Acts 28:1-10 (30 min)*

### S23-210

#### SBL Book of Daniel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Review of Carol A. Newsom and Brennan W. Breed, Daniel: A Commentary (Westminster/John Knox, 2014)**

Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College, Presiding

Panelists:

Anathea Portier-Young, Duke University (20 min)

Shalom Paul, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (20 min)

C. L. Seow, Princeton Theological Seminary (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Responding:

Carol Newsom, Emory University (20 min)

Brennan Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### S23-211

#### SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **"Lived Contexts" of Christian Apocrypha**

Eric Vanden Eykel, Ferrum College, Presiding (5 min)

Alexander Kocar, Princeton University  
*Saints, Sinners, and Apostates: Moral, Salvific, and Anthropological Difference in the Shepherd of Hermas and the Apocryphon of John (25 min)*

Meghan Henning, University of Dayton  
*Substitutes in Hell: Schemes of Atonement in the Ezra Apocalypses* (25 min)

Andrew Mark Henry, Boston University  
*Apotropaic Autographs: Evaluating the Epigraphical and Magical Tradition of the Abgar Correspondence* (25 min)

Mark Glen Bilby, Claremont School of Theology  
*Holy Places, Holy Fragrances: The Narrative of Joseph of Arimathea as Sensory Pilgrimage Map* (25 min)

Responding:

Tony Burke, York University (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Georges Massinelli, University of Notre Dame  
*Nekrosis in the Pauline Corpus: A Reconsideration of the Pauline Uses in light of Ancient Medical Treatises* (30 min)

Courtney Friesen, University of Oxford  
*Paulus Tragicus: Staging Apostolic Adversity in First Corinthians* (30 min)

Michael Cover, Marquette University  
*The Death of Tragedy: The Form of God in Euripides' Bacchae and Paul's Carmen Christi* (30 min)

Brandon Cline, Brite Divinity School  
*Petition and Performance: Justin Martyr's Apologies and Second Century Greek Literary Culture* (30 min)

## S23-212

### SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International C (International Level)

Theme: **Revelation**

Papers will be summarized and discussed in roundtable format. Papers will be available online ahead of time at <https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/>.

Jennifer McNeel, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Tiffany Webster, University of Sheffield  
*'The Devil, the Lake of Fire and the Beast', Otherwise Known as, 'Our Employing Company, Spontaneous Combustion, and the Mine Itself': An Explosive Interpretation of Rev 20:1–15 by South Derbyshire* (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Marsha A. Thrall, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
*To Whore or Not to Whore? The Question of Gender-Specific Moral Identity Within the Language of Revelation* (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Kent Jackson, Brigham Young University  
*Joseph Smith Reading the Apocalypse: God, Man, Angels, and Eternity* (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Responding:

James Grimshaw, Carroll University (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

## S23-213

### SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **The New Testament in the Greco-Roman World**

This session investigates the relationships among several early Christian writings and the Greco-Roman world.

Donald Walker, University of Chicago, Presiding

John Granger Cook, LaGrange College  
*Resurrections of Greco-Roman Figures and the Resurrection of Jesus* (30 min)

## S23-214

### SBL Early Judaism and Its Literature Editorial Board

1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

## S23-216

### SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **Book Review: Laurie E. Pearce and Cornelia Wunsch, Documents of Judean Exiles and West Semites in Babylonia in the Collection of David Sofer (CUSAS 28; CDL Press, University Press of Maryland, 2014).**

In this important volume, Pearce and Wunsch provide translation, transliteration, commentary, copies and photographs of 103 cuneiform documents of the exiled Jews and others in Babylonia, mostly from the 6th century BCE. This panel will review Pearce and Wunsch's important book and consider what these texts, individually and collectively, reveal about the Judean community in Babylonia.

Mark Leuchter, Temple University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

Pamela Barmash, Washington University (15 min)

Peter Bedford, Union College (15 min)

Dalit Rom-Shiloni, Tel Aviv University (15 min)

Katherine Southwood, University of Oxford (15 min)

David Vanderhooft, Boston College (15 min)

Responding:

Laurie Pearce, University of California-Berkeley (15 min)

Cornelia Wunsch, University of London (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

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## S23-217

### SBL Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Karina Martin Hogan, Fordham University  
*Mother Zion or Mother Church? The Use of Baruch in 5 Ezra* (25 min)

James H. Charlesworth, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*God as Nursing Father: Tracing an Image from Isaiah through the Hodayoth and Odes of Solomon to Patristic Writings* (25 min)

Dongshin Chang, Univ. of Manchester  
*Phinehas: A Source for High Priests in the Second Temple Judaism* (25 min)

Ted M. Erho, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
*De facto Canoncity in Ethiopia* (25 min)

D. Jeffrey Bingham, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
*Conceptions of Scripture in the Second Century: Irenaeus and Non-Canonical Christian Texts* (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

## S23-218

### SBL Gospel of Luke Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **Literary Features in Luke's Gospel**

Mark Matson, Milligan College, Presiding

John Vonder Bruegge, Northwestern College  
*The Quest for the Geographical Luke: How Luke's Narrative Construction of Palestine Makes Him a Better Geographer than You Might Think* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University  
*Reading Ezekiel on the Way to Jerusalem* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Robyn J. Whitaker, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York  
*Jesus' Death as Failed Spectacle in Luke 23* (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James C. Henriques, University of Texas at Austin  
*Behind Every Holy Man Is a Narrator: The Narrator's Role in Shaping the Reader's Opinion in the Gospel of Luke and Lucian's Alexander the False Prophet* (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-219

### SBL Hebrew Bible and Philosophy Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theodore A. Perry, University of Connecticut  
*Always Already: Philosophical Exegesis and the Beat of Time Primordial in Job 38* (30 min)

Ying Zhang, East China Normal University  
*Biblical Exegesis as Way of Philosophizing: The Beginning and the End of Maimonides' Guide of the Perplexed* (30 min)

Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary  
*Lyrical Slippages, Meaning-Making and Proximity in Song 2:10–13* (30 min)

Dru Johnson, The King's College (New York) and Allen Jones, Corban University  
*Response: Methodological Considerations in Pursuing Bible and Philosophy* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S23-220

### SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Piedmont (Atlanta Conference Level)

Shani Tzoref, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Presiding

Tim Langille, University of Pittsburgh  
*Imagined Genocide in Joshua* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kyong-Jin Lee, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*"Our Flesh Is the Same as That of Our Kindred": Political-Economic Perspectives on Equality and Property* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ekaputra Tupamahu, Vanderbilt University  
*Nehemiah 5, Biopolitics, and the State of Exception* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Pioske, Georgia Southern University  
*Saul and the Problem of Sovereignty* (30 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S23-221

### SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Alexandria and the Jews in the Ptolemaic and Roman Periods**

Sandra Gambetti, The College of Staten Island - CUNY, Presiding  
Alexandrian-Jewish Literature

Jonathan Numada, McMaster Divinity College  
*Legends of the Septuagint: Alexandria as Date with Jewish Destiny* (20 min)

Ashley Bacchi, Graduate Theological Union  
*The Muses' Birdcage: Book III of the Sibylline Oracles and  
 Alexandrian Intellectual Competition (20 min)*

Patrick O'Kernick, Marquette University  
*Stelae, Elephants, and Irony: The Battle of Raphia and Its Import as  
 Historical Context for 3 Maccabees (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Alexandrian-Jewish Politics and Society

Tyler A. Stewart, Marquette University  
*Jewish Paideia: Greek Education and Torah in Alexandria (20 min)*

Patrick Pouchelle, Centre Sèvres  
*Was the Greek Pentateuch Intended to Be Used by Non-Jewish Greek  
 Courts? (20 min)*

Julia Wilker, University of Pennsylvania  
*Networks to the Top: The Alabarch's Family and the Restructuring of  
 the Jewish Elite in Alexandria (20 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

## S23-222

### SBL Historical Jesus Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **The Future for Historical Jesus Studies**

This session on historiography, method, and criteria in historical Jesus research includes one invited main paper, three offered papers, and a response

Robert Webb, McMaster University, Presiding

Main Paper

Paul Foster, University of Edinburgh  
*Recent Trends and Future Prospects: Will We Get Any Further? (40 min)*

Short Offered Papers

Stephen D. Black, Vancouver School of Theology  
*The Meta-Historical Jesus: Or, What Has the Historical Jesus Done for Me Lately (and How Did He Do It?) (20 min)*

Jordan Ryan, McMaster University  
*Imagining Jesus: R.G. Collingwood's Philosophy of History and Method in Historical Jesus Research (20 min)*

Brant Pitre, Notre Dame Seminary, Graduate School of Theology  
*Beyond the Criteria of Authenticity: Where Do We Go From Here? (20 min)*

Responding:

Annette Merz, Protestant Theological University Amsterdam  
 Groningen (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-223

### SBL Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Intertextuality and Hebrew Bible: Whence and Whither?**

This consultation's inaugurating theme is "Intertextuality and Hebrew Bible: Whence and Whither?" in which panelists will discuss where the field of Intertextuality and the Hebrew Bible has been and what potentials/pitfalls it holds for the future of biblical studies.

Carleen Mandolfo, Colby College, Presiding

Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology  
*The Literary-Historical Dimensions of Intertextuality in Exodus—Numbers (30 min)*

Patricia K. Tull, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary  
*Bakhtin, Dialogue, and Biblical Interpretation (30 min)*

Lawrence Schiffman, New York University  
*Intertextuality in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)*

Marianne Grohmann, Universität Wien  
*Intertextuality and Canonical Criticism (30 min)*

Benjamin D. Sommer, Jewish Theological Seminary of America  
*The Study of Inner-Biblical Exegesis and Allusion: Genealogies and Implications (30 min)*

## S23-224

### SBL Johannine Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Characterization and Genre**

Kasper B. Larsen, Aarhus Universitet, Presiding

Characterization

Mitchell Alexander Esswein, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*The New Isaac: The Characterization of Jesus as the Fulfillment of the Patriarch Isaac (30 min)*

Mary L. Coloe, Yarra Theological Union  
*The Identity and Significance of the Hellenes John 12:12–43 (30 min)*

Genre

Lindsey M. Trozzo, Baylor University (Institution) and Texas Christian University (Employer)  
*Genre and Moral Utility: A Rhetorical Approach to Johannine Ethics in light of Genre Participation (30 min)*

Jason J. Ripley, Saint Olaf College  
*'Bend It Like Socrates': Genre Bending and Jesus' Death in the Gospel of John (30 min)*

Jill Hicks-Keeton, University of Oklahoma  
*Seeing and Believing: The Genre of Anagnorisis and the Johannine Signs (30 min)*

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## S23-225

### SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **What Is LDS Biblical Studies?**

Jared Ludlow, Brigham Young University, Presiding

Taylor G. Petrey, Kalamazoo College  
*After Historical Criticism: Mormon Biblical Studies in Post-Modernity* (25 min)

David Rolph Seely, Brigham Young University  
*The Book of Deuteronomy and the Book of Mormon* (25 min)

Joseph M. Spencer, University of New Mexico  
*The Book of Mormon as Biblical Interpretation* (25 min)

Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University  
*Some Thoughts on LDS Scholarship from the Perspective of a Religious Educator* (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

## S23-226

### SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Contribution of Modern Methodologies and Heuristics to the Study of the Letters of Peter, James, and Jude**

Duane Watson, Malone University, Presiding

Troy W. Martin, Saint Xavier University  
*Emotional and Consolatory Arguments for Future Rejoicing in 1 Pet 1:6* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Travis B. Williams, Tusculum College  
*Reading Charis in Its Ancient Social Context: The Language of Reciprocity in 1 Pet 2:19–20* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David M. Shaw, University of Exeter  
*Isaiah 53 and Social Creativity in 1 Pet 2:18–25* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

George van Kooten, University of Groningen  
*Greek Philosophical Anthropology and Ethics in the Letter of James* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Natalie Webb, Baylor University  
*A Historically Bankrupt Epistle? Rhetoric and History in the Epistle of Jude* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

## P23-226a

### Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur'anic Corpus (IQSA)

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Themes and Rhetorical Tools in the Qur'an**

This panel deals with any other aspects of the linguistic, literary, and thematic approaches of the Qur'an.

Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, Sorbonne Universités (Paris), Presiding

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida, Presiding

Jessica Sylvan Mutter, University of Chicago  
*Iltilfat and Narrative Voice in the Qur'an* (25 min)

Mohsen Goudarzi, Harvard University  
*A Tale of Two Kitabs* (25 min)

Leyla Ozgur, University of California Los Angeles  
*Ibrahim Seeking Forgiveness for His Father: Faith and Family in the Qur'an* (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Devin Stewart, Emory University  
*Challenges and Taunts: Notes on the Functions of Cognate Paronomasia in the Qur'an* (25 min)

Khalid Yahya Blankinship, Temple University  
*The Rhetorical Theory of Tafsir of Najm al-Din al-Tufi (657–716/1259–1316)* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## S23-227

### SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **The Syntax of "Edge" Constructions**

Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Adina Moshavi, Bar-Ilan University  
*Is There an Exclamative ek and eka in Biblical Hebrew?* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Scott Redd, Reformed Theological Seminary  
*Subject–Postponement and Information Structure in Biblical Hebrew Verse* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Josh Westbury, Logos Bible Software  
*Left-Dislocation in Biblical Hebrew: Towards a Unified Syntactico-Semantic and Discourse-Pragmatic Profile* (25 min)

Phillip Marshall, Houston Baptist University  
*(Case-)Marked Left-Dislocations: The Case of Qobeleth* (25 min)

Cynthia L. Miller-Naude, University of the Free State and  
Jacobus A. Naude, University of the Free State  
*Negation and Edge Constructions* (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**S23-228****SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section**

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt - Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew's College - Saskatoon, Presiding

Marcus Ziemann, Ohio State University

*Floods and Kings: Reconciling Herodotus' Babylonian Logos with Near Eastern Accounts of the Fall of Babylon to Cyrus the Great (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Daniel Bodi, Université Paris 8 Vincennes à Saint-Denis - University of Paris 8

*The Builders in Nehemiah 3 and the Craftsmen's Charter in a Cuneiform Tablet from Persian Times (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Gard Granerød, MF Norwegian School of Theology

*The Orientation of the Temple of YHWH in Elephantine: Reflecting the Concept of Sacred Direction? (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Louis Jonker, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

*Chronicles in an (Un)changing World: The "Persian Context" in Biblical Studies (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

**S23-229****SBL Masoretic Studies Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Theme: **Electronic Resources for the Study of the Masorah**

This session is a workshop for non-specialists. The presenters will demonstrate how to use various electronic and web-based tools for the study of the Masorah.

Daniel Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding (5 min)

Tim Hegg, TorahResource Institute

*How to Use the Dotan/Reich Thesaurus of the Leningrad Codex (30 min)*

Elvira Martin-Contreras, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas

*Web Resources for the Masorah (30 min)*

David Delauro, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

*Using Computer Search Tools in Masorah Research (30 min)*

Christopher Dost, Alliance Theological Seminary

*The Electronic Version of the Keter (30 min)***S23-230****SBL Matthew Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **A Dialogue with Francis Watson's Gospel Writing: A Canonical Perspective**

Joel Willitts, North Park University, Presiding

Mark Goodacre, Duke University

*What Does Thomas Have to Do with Q? The Afterlife of a Sayings Gospel (20 min)*

Richard A. Burridge, King's College - London

*Ancient Biography, Matthew's Genre and the Development of the Canonical Collection (20 min)*

Jonathan Pennington, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

*Theological Epistemology in the Gospel according to Matthew: A Watsonian "Canonical Perspective" (20 min)*

Jens Schroeter, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

*The Place of Matthew's Gospel among the (Canonical and Apocryphal) Gospels in the Second Century (20 min)*

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Francis Watson, University of Durham (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S23-231****SBL Midrash Section**

1:00 PM–3:45 PM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Senses in Midrashic Interpretation**

W. David Nelson, Groton School, and Rivka Ulmer, Bucknell University, Presiding

Kris Lindbeck, Florida Atlantic University

*Weeping at the Aqedah: The Tears of Abraham and the Angels (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Rebecca Scharbach Wollenberg, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

*Visual Midrash or the Bible as Image: Gematria, Notikaron and other Forms of "Textual" Wordplay as Visual Interpretation (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Yonatan Feintuch, Bar-Ilan University

*Redefining Affliction (inuy): The Role of the Senses of Taste, Sight, and Touch and the Relationship between Them in a Babylonian Talmud Aggadic Midrash (20 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Nicholas Schaser, Vanderbilt University

*Exile in Eden: A Reappraisal of Midrashic Atomization Based on Gen. Rab. 19:9 (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Pomeranz, Yale University

*The Humility of God in Rabbinic Judaism: A Rabbinic Myth in Context (20 min)*

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Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Kraus, University of Cincinnati  
*Trumpets and Brothels: Rabbinic Traditions in Jerome's Translation of the Book of Numbers* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

### S23-232

#### SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 405 (Level 4)

Theme: **Reading in These Times: The Critical Task**

Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Panelists:

- Hector Avalos, Iowa State University (15 min)
- Leticia Guardiola-Sáenz, Seattle University (15 min)
- Yii-Jan Lin, Pacific School of Religion (15 min)
- Vanessa Lovelace, Interdenominational Theological Center (15 min)
- Roger Nam, George Fox University (15 min)
- Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame (15 min)
- Shanell Smith, Hartford Seminary (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (40 min)

### S23-233

#### SBL Mysticism, Esotericism, and Gnosticism in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Theme: **General Open Session**

Catherine Playoust, Catholic Theological College, Presiding

- Kevin Sullivan, Illinois Wesleyan University  
*Angelic Bodies and the Body of Christ* (25 min)
- William Babcock, Duke University  
*'Loud Snap... Blackness Dumped on Thetan': Scientology and the Western Esoteric Tradition as a Comparative Model for Enochic Literature* (25 min)
- Paul M. Pasquesi, Marquette University  
*Visual and Verbal Expressions of Transformation: Olmec Were-Jaguars and Angelification in Ascension of Isaiah Compared* (25 min)
- Eduard Iricinschi, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
*"It is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly" (Eph 12:5): The Function of Secrecy in Epiphanius' Depiction of the Nicolaitans and the Gnostics* (25 min)
- Rebecca Lesses, Ithaca College  
*Esterah and Lilith: Mythical Women and Ascent* (25 min)
- Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State  
*A Mystical Perspective on the Christophany in Revelation 1* (25 min)

### S23-234

#### SBL Paul and Politics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Queer Approaches to Pauline Epistles and Interpretations**

Jeremia Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding

- Ben Dunning, Fordham University  
*Romans 1, Queer Theory, and the History of Sexuality* (20 min)
- Robert Paul Seesengood, Albright College  
*Queers, Jews, and Paul: Struggling with a Pauline "Universal Subjectivity"* (20 min)
- Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati  
*Stranger in a Strange Pauline World* (20 min)
- Tyler M. Schwaller, Harvard University  
*"A Slave to All": First Corinthians 9 and Paul's Performance in Slave Drag* (20 min)
- Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian Theological Seminary  
*Dionysus, Disidentifications, and Wandering Pauline Epiphanies* (20 min)

Responding:

- Lynn Huber, Elon University (15 min)
- Will Stockton, Clemson University (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

### S23-236

#### SBL Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Evangelicals and Postcolonial Studies**

Christopher Stanley, Saint Bonaventure University, Presiding (5 min)

- Kay Higuera Smith, Azusa Pacific University  
*The Postcolonial Roundtable: Evangelicals Engaging Postcoloniality* (30 min)
- L. Daniel Hawk, Ashland Theological Seminary  
*Contrapuntal Reading and the Grammatical-Historical Method: Provocations and Possibilities* (30 min)
- Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary  
*The Nations Marching to the Mount of Zion: A Postcolonial Reading Beyond Imperialism and Universalism* (30 min)

Responding:

- Steed Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary (15 min)
- Todd Penner, Independent Scholar (15 min)

Discussion (25 min)

**S23-236a****SBL Provenance in an eBay World: Does the Provenance of Ancient Artifacts Matter?**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

From Gospel of John papyrus fragments appearing on eBay to debates surrounding the origins of modern fragments (e.g., the Gospel of Jesus's Wife, or the new Sappho fragments), the provenance of antiquities has emerged as a challenging issue for scholars and students who work with material culture. This session aims to illuminate some of the stakes around the debate for graduate students. The panel will examine issues of working on materials kept in public and private collections, and highlight the individuals and institutions who are working to create policies and practices that address the issue of provenance. As of now, SBL has no formal policy on the provenance of antiquities, but is actively formulating one. It is the hope of the panel that graduate students will find this panel to be a networking opportunity and source of support for their future academic work.

Ross P. Ponder, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding

Panelists:

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University

Brice C. Jones, Concordia University - Université Concordia

Robert Kraft, University of Pennsylvania

Christine M. Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara

Sofia Torallas Tovar, University of Chicago

**S23-237/A23-229****SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section / Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 315 (Level 3)

Theme: **Wisdom Literature**

Joint session with Middle Eastern Christianity Group (AAR)

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Sacred Heart Major Seminary  
*Bardaisan of Edessa's Wisdom Christology: Roots, Parallels, Meanings* (20 min)

Jacob Lollar, Florida State University  
*"Listen, My Son, and Understand Me": The Translation and Arrangement of the Proverbs of the Syriac Legend of Abiqar* (20 min)

Hans Moscicke, Marquette University  
*Prodigal Reunion: Tatianic Developments in the Syriac Hymn of the Soul* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Mourad Takawi, University of Notre Dame  
*Asceticism as Resistance: The Ishmaelites, Monastic Practice, and Orthopraxy in the Virtues of St. Macarius of Egypt* (20 min)

Jason Zaborowski, Bradley University  
*The Arabic Renditions of the Sayings of the Desert Fathers: Greek and Syriac Wisdom and Arabic Culture* (20 min)

Mark Swanson, Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago  
*Edifying Anecdotes of Alexander the Great in Medieval Copto-Arabic Literature* (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

**S23-238/A23-237****SBL Religious World of Late Antiquity Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - A702 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Christianization and Islamization: Terminologies, Categories, Case Studies**

Joint session with Traditions of Eastern Late Antiquity Group (AAR)

Wendy Mayer, Australian Catholic University, Presiding (5 min)

Nathan Schumer, Columbia University in the City of New York  
*Disaster and Christianization: The Earthquake of 363 CE and the Christianization of the Cities of Roman Palestine* (20 min)

Adam Bursi, Cornell University  
*"Sprinkle the Place with This Water": Christianization and Islamification of Religious Space in Late Antiquity* (20 min)

Rebecca Stephens Falcasantos, Brown University  
*By the World Forgot: Sabbatians and the Manipulation of Memory in Fifth Century Constantinople* (20 min)

John Zaleski, Harvard University  
*Forming a Muslim Understanding of Celibacy: The Case of al-Junayd Baghdadi* (20 min)

Jessica Lee Ehinger, University of Oxford  
*Living and Dying a Christian under Islam: Martyrologies and the Islamification of Late Antiquity* (20 min)

Discussion (45 min)

**S23-239****SBL Rhetoric and the New Testament Section / Speech and Talk in the Ancient Mediterranean World Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **Speech, Sight, and Space**

Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Lillian Larsen, University of Redlands  
*Monastic Rhetorics of Speech, Sight, and Space* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Inbar Graiver, Tel Aviv University  
*"I Think" vs. "The Thought Tells Me": What Grammar Teaches Us about the Monastic Self* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel Schriever, Yale University  
*When Eyes Fail: The Invisible Curse and the Legible Body* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Cavan Concannon, University of Southern California  
*"Honor Flits Away as Though It Were a Dream": Statues, Honor, and Favorinus' Corinthian Oration* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Erin K. Vearncombe, Princeton University  
*Language, Leakiness, and Loose Lips in the Gospel of Mark* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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### S23-240

#### SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section / Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Social-Scientific Approaches to Ritual**

Jonathan Schwiebert, Lenoir-Rhyne University, Presiding

Jason T. Lamoreaux, Texas A&M University  
*Ritual and Media in Philippi and Corinth: The Case of the Acropoleis* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jade Weimer, University of Toronto  
*Women Singing Psalms: The Paradox of a Unifying and Divisive Ritual Practice in the Early Church* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Finny Abrahams, Graduate Theological Union  
*The Ritual Process in 1 Corinthians 5* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gisela Kreglinger, University of St. Andrews  
*The Role of Wine in the Ritual of the Eucharist and Everyday Life* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Hagstrom, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*Ignatius of Antioch and the Drug of Immortality* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

### P23-241

#### Society for Comparative Research on Iconographic and Performative Texts

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Sensing Books, Sensing Scriptures**

SCRIPT fosters academic discourse about the social functions of books and texts that exceed their semantic meaning and interpretation, such as their display as cultural artifacts, their ritual use in religious and political ceremonies, their performance by recitation and theater, and their depiction in art.

Dorina Miller Parmenter, Spalding University, Presiding

Natalia Suit, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
*How Printing Created Manuscripts: Aesthetic and Historical Approaches to Quranic Manuscripts* (30 min)

Anne Clark, University of Vermont  
*Sensing Scripture in a Medieval Illustrated Prayer Book* (30 min)

Yohan Yoo, Seoul National University  
*Sensory Readings of Classics: A Neo-Confucian Form of Spiritual Cultivation* (30 min)

Richard Newton, Elizabethtown College  
*Sculpting "Source-Places": Alex Haley "Wroughts" a Scripture* (30 min)

Steve A. Wiggins, Independent Scholar  
*Sensing the Bible in the TV Series, Sleepy Hollow* (30 min)

### S23-242

#### SBL Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Space, Place, and Lived Experience in Antiquity: Retrospect and Prospect**

This panel will discuss the edited volumes produced by this unit over the last decade in order to provide a retrospective and prospective review of the study of space, place, and lived religion in antiquity.

Christl Maier, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Presiding (10 min)

Panelists:

Mark George, Iliff School of Theology (25 min)

Eric Stewart, Augustana College (IL) (25 min)

Jacob Kinnard, Iliff School of Theology (25 min)

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

### S23-243/A23-200

#### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **The Dissertation Distance Dilemma**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

### S23-244

#### SBL Systematic Transformation and Interweaving of Scripture in 1 Corinthians Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Theme: **Scripture and Eschatology in 1 Corinthians**

Erik Waaler, NLA University College, Presiding

Panelist:

Raymond Collins, Brown University (15 min)

Responding:

Matthew Malcolm, Trinity Theological College (Perth) (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (2 min)

Panelist:

Ben Witherington, Asbury Theological Seminary (15 min)

Responding:

Roy Ciampa, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society (10 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Break (2 min)

Panelist:

Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary (15 min)

Responding:

Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary (10 min)

Discussion (21 min)

**S23-244a****SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hyatt - Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Kaige in Sam and Kings**

Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki

*Kaige Readings in a Non-Kaige Section in 1 Samuel (30 min)*

Raimund Wirth, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

*The Kaige Section of 2 Samuel (30 min)*

Break (15 min)

Frank Ueberschaer, Universität Zürich

*What's Up with 1Reigns 12:24a-z? (30 min)*

Katja Kujanpää, University of Helsinki

*Kaige and Paul: Romans 11 as a Witness for Hebraizing Readings in 3 Kgdms 19:10 and 18? (30 min)*

Business Meeting (15 min)

**P23-246****The Qur'an: Manuscripts and Material Culture (IQSA)**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Marriott - M104 (Marquis Level)

Nicolai Sinai, University of Oxford, Presiding

Keith Small, London School of Theology

*A Parchment Discovery From the Stacks: A 10th Century Qur'an Fragment with a Pious Attribution (25 min)*

Alba Fedeli, University of Birmingham

*Traces of Reading in the Writing of Early Qur'anic Manuscripts (25 min)*

Luke Treadwell, Oxford University

*Quranic Usage on Coins in the Early Islamic World: Basic Truths and Polemical Declarations (25 min)*

Ghali Adi, University of Edinburgh

*The Qur'an in light of Prosopography (25 min)***S23-247****SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Electronic copies of the papers may be requested from Madhavi Nevader at [mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk](mailto:mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk).

Stephen Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Friedrich-Emanuel Focken, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

*Oral or Written? The Concept of Ezekiel's Prophecy in the Call Narrative (30 min)*

Inchol Yang, Claremont School of Theology

*The Interpretation of the Women's Lament for Tammuz (Ezek 8:14): The Influence of the Sumerian Laments for Dumuzi (30 min)*

Break (5 min)

Joel B. Kemp, Boston College

*A Case for Identity: Ezekiel 16, Juridical Diction, and Judahite Identity (30 min)*

Georg Fischer, Leopold-Franzens-Universität Innsbruck

*Binoculars or Microscope: The Different Perspectives of Ezekiel and Jeremiah on the Fall of Jerusalem (30 min)*

Business Meeting (25 min)

**S23-248****SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section**

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Theme: **Epigraphic and Philological Studies**

Eric Reymond, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

Andrew R. Burlingame, University of Chicago

*A New Interpretation of Line Five of the Amman Citadel Inscription (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jan Dušek, Univerzita Karlova v Praze

*Aramaic Inscription Sefire III: What Kind of Treaty Is It? (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*The Adaptation of the Alphabetic Cuneiform Script to Write Hurrian at Ugarit (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Matthieu Richelle, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (Sorbonne)

*The Qeiyafa Ostrakon as a List of Names (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

**S23-249****SBL Warfare in Ancient Israel Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Theme: **Warfare in Early Israel: The State of the Question**

Brad Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding (5 min)

Panelists:

T. M. Lemos, Huron University College, University of Western Ontario (15 min)

Christoph Levin, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (15 min)

Aren Maeir, Bar-Ilan University (15 min)

Mark Smith, New York University (15 min)

Jacob Wright, Emory University (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

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## S23-250

### SBL What is a Philosophy of Teaching and How Do You Develop One?

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Bruce C. Birch, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Panelists:

Nancy Bowen, Earlham School of Religion

Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Nadine Pence, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

## S23-251

### SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **Wisdom and Revelation**

This session is devoted to the relationship between the concept of wisdom and revelation, which are often viewed as incompatible media of knowledge, the former being natural and attained through observation and the other being supernatural and attained through visions and oracles. This session will attempt to problematize the consensus view, either by nuancing it, or more radically by suggesting alternative ways to conceptualize the relationship. In other words, this topic essentially engages the question of the epistemology of wisdom and revelatory literature (e.g., the prophetic literature) and whether they represent distinct epistemologies or not.

Stuart Weeks, University of Durham, Presiding

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University

*The Relationship between Wisdom and Revelation: The Doctrine of Retribution as a Divinatory (15 min)*

Annette Schellenberg, Universität Wien

*Wisdom and Revelation (15 min)*

Raymond C. Van Leeuwen, Eastern University

*Wisdom, Farming, and Revelation in the Ancient Near East and Israel (15 min)*

Break (10 min)

Michael V. Fox, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Wisdom and Revelation (15 min)*

Richard J. Clifford, Boston College

*Wisdom and Revelation (15 min)*

Break (5 min)

Discussion (60 min)

## S23-252

### SBL Wisdom of the Ages

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Book Discussion: Zev Garber, ed., Teaching the Historical Jesus: Issues and Exegesis (Routledge Press 2015)**

We welcome you to a discussion of the myriad professional issues represented among SBL members. With the hope of establishing recurring sessions, this group will focus on the academic and professional wisdom of SBL's elders and provide opportunities for transferring such wisdom, cultivating mentoring relationships, and engaging the generational gamut in the processes of reflection and preparation. Our hope is that scholars and teachers "wise in years" would join us to discuss the current state of the profession, sharing information and techniques across generations, and mentoring scholars and teachers as they shape their own insights and felt-needs.

Teaching the Historical Jesus in his Jewish context to students of varied religious backgrounds presents instructors with not only challenges, but also opportunities to sustain interfaith dialogue and foster mutual understanding and respect. A diverse group of seasoned Jewish and Christian scholars reflects on their own classroom experiences and explicates crucial issues for teaching Jesus, providing practical case studies for scholars working on Jewish-Christian relations.

Isaac W. Oliver, Bradley University, Presiding (10 min)

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University

*Teaching the Historical Jesus: One Text, Many Contexts (20 min)*

Peter Zaas, Siena College

*Teaching the Teacher in the Gospel of Mark: Jesus as Sadducee and Pharisee (20 min)*

John Pawlikowski, Catholic Theological Union

*Why the Pharisees Are Important for Christian Self-Understanding (20 min)*

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College

*Teaching Jesus in the Context of Jewish Studies Taught at a Two-Year Public College (20 min)*

## S23-253/A23-241

### SBL Student Lounge Roundtable

2:30 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Kickstarter and Pinterest? Creating a Web of Support for Dissertation Writing Through Popular Social Media Technology**

Hosted by the AAR Graduate Student Committee

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Monday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

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## S23-301

### SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

#### Theme: Addressing the Affective Domain in Teaching Biblical Studies

Papers for this session will demonstrate what quests for individual and corporate development look like in the context of a religion course. Personal formation encompasses longitudinal growth in students of which our classrooms are microcosms. It involves both affective competencies and academic learning. In this session we will focus on how students learn best to develop relational capacities, aiming at affective maturity in terms of social, spiritual, and civic responsibilities. How might one best facilitate the learning process of studying the biblical texts in terms of, but not limited to, human dignity, social justice emphases, global citizen matters, environmental concerns, servitude, empathy, and community thinking? Successful submissions will propose to present for 20 minutes and include a description of specific audience takeaways for application and course design.

Renate Hood, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Presiding

Stephan Taeger, Brigham Young University  
*Using Fred Craddock's "Overhearing" Homiletic in Biblical Studies Classrooms to Invite Affective Change in Students (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

John Hilton III, Brigham Young University, Tyler Griffin,  
Brigham Young University and Anthony Sweat, Brigham Young University  
*Teaching with Spiritual Impact: An Analysis of Student Comments Regarding the Spiritual Influence of Religion Classes (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Seth Heringer, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Using the Stanley Parable to Teach Narrative Reading of the Gospels (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Laura C. S. Holmes, Seattle Pacific University  
*Questioning the Status Quo: Freedom to Debate in the Gospel of John (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Viktor Roudkovski, LeTourneau University  
*Travelocity, Biblical Literature, and Personal Formation: Study Tours Abroad as Part of Affective Domain Teaching in Bible Courses (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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## P23-302/A23-315

### African Association for the Study of Religions

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover D (Exhibit Level)

#### Theme: Ebola, Africa, and Beyond: An Epidemic in Religious and Public Health Perspectives

Epidemics always highlight or exaggerate the power relations and inequalities that characterize everyday life--no less so in the case of the West African Ebola epidemic. The epidemic has revealed the inadequacy of medical infrastructures in Africa, the influence that international institutions have over African public health crises, and the prejudices that inform popular understandings of the continent. Religion has played a key role in these dynamics. Not only have ritual practices allegedly contributed to the epidemic's spread, but religious leaders have tried to educate their followers in collaboration with public health authorities to stem the epidemic. This roundtable brings together public health experts and religion scholars to ask what we can learn from the epidemic in relation to the potential of religion to help or hinder effective responses to threats like Ebola, both in and beyond Africa, and how religious studies can nuance public health understandings of African realities. Joint session with African Religions Group (AAR).

Joseph Hellweg, Florida State University, Presiding

Panelists:

John Blevins, Emory University

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University

Ellen Idler, Emory University

Scott Santibañez, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA

John Kpahun Yambasu, Religious Leaders Task Force on Ebola in Sierra Leone

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## S23-303

### SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

#### Theme: Narratology and Orality in African Biblical Hermeneutics

Gilbert Ojwang, Oakwood University, Presiding

Berekiah Olugbemiro, University of Ibadan  
*Cross-Cultural Intertextuality, Orality, and an Indigenous African Provenance of Gen 8:6-17 (25 min)*

Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa  
*Narratology and Orality in African Biblical Hermeneutics: Reading the story of Naboth's Vineyard and Jehu's Revolution in light of Intsoni yamaXhosa (25 min)*

Funlola O. Olojede, University of South Africa  
*Oral Tradition and the Fusion of Prose and Poetry in the Sea Event: An African Feminist Reading (25 min)*

Huli Ramantswana, University of South Africa  
*Beware of the (Westernized) African Eyes: Decolonizing Biblical Hermeneutics in Africa (35 min)*

Discussion (25 min)

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## S23-304

### SBL Annual Meeting Program Committee

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Marriott - L502 (Lobby Level)

## S23-305

### SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Graffiti at Smyrna, Informal Writing, and the Social Location of the Early Christians**

Christine Thomas, University of California-Santa Barbara, Presiding

Akin Ersoy, Dokuz Eylül Üniversitesi

*Recent Excavations at Ancient Smyrna (40 min)*

Cumhur Tanriver, Aegean University, Turkey

*The Graffiti of the Smyrna Agora (30 min)*

Carrie Duncan, University of Missouri - Columbia

*Christ in the Bathhouse: A Chi-Rho Graffito at the Roman Fort of Ayn Gharandal (30 min)*

Thomas A. Wayment, Brigham Young University and Matthew J. Grey, Brigham Young University

*Jesus Followers in Pompeii: The "Hotel of the Christians" and the Christianos Graffito Reconsidered (30 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-306

### SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 404 (Level 4)

Theme: **Archaeology, the Ancient Near East, and the Hebrew Bible**

Margaret Cohen, W. F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Presiding

Chris McKinny, Bar-Ilan University and Itzhaq Shai, Ariel University Center of Samaria

*Late Bronze Age Cultic Activity in Ancient Canaan: A View from Tel Burna (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Cynthia Shafer-Elliott, William Jessup University

*Religious Feasting in the Hebrew Bible: A View from Tell Halif (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Avraham Faust, Bar-Ilan University

*The Bounded Landscape: Israelite Perceptions of Space in Bible and Archaeology (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Norma Franklin, University of Haifa

*An Ancient Winery Complex at Jezreel (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

## S23-307

### SBL Babel: The Role of Primary Languages in Graduate Programs

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton - 204 (Level 2)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

This session seeks to address the issue of languages as a part of graduate education in Bible-related programs. Many Bible-related programs have reduced requirements for primary language study. Reasons for this include the increased use of Bible software, cost, the rising importance of "practical" ministry courses, and a greater emphasis on methodology. This raises the question, "What will be the role of primary languages in Bible related graduate programs in the future?" In fact, in a recent book review, Na'ama Pat-El stated, "If [the author] wishes to restore Semitic Philology to its glory days, he is fighting a valiant but ultimately hopeless battle... Very few Bible programs in the U.S. require their students to study more than Hebrew and a semester of Aramaic, not because they fail to see the significance of a broad and thorough education, but because they cannot afford it... It is high time we recognize that traditional philology is not coming back and seek to address our students' education accordingly, without compromising their knowledge of primary sources." How, then, do graduate programs address students' education accordingly, without compromising their knowledge of primary sources? What level of mastery should graduate students be expected to achieve? How many languages should graduate students take? How should graduate students balance knowledge of primary source languages with that of modern research languages (e.g., German, French, Modern Hebrew)? And what about marketability: Are students who possess research knowledge in many languages more marketable than those who have less? The invited speakers will attempt to address the issue of the future of primary language study in Bible related grad programs, and will offer graduate students their perspectives on how to best prepare themselves for future research and marketability, navigate the current constraints of graduate education, and ensure that they can access primary sources.

Jason Riley, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Na'ama Pat-El, University of Texas at Austin

*Philology and the Study of the Bible: Shifting Foci (20 min)*

Ronald Hendel, University of California-Berkeley

*Future Philology (20 min)*

J. Ross Wagner, Duke University

*The End of Philology (20 min)*

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University

*Teaching Philology: Its Ideals and Its Practice (20 min)*

## S23-308

### SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 303 (Level 3)

Theme: **Review of F.W. Dobbs-Allsopp, On Biblical Poetry (Oxford, OUP 2015).**

Kevin Chau, University of the Free State, Presiding

Panelists:

Alan Cooper, Jewish Theological Seminary of America (20 min)

Chip Dobbs-Allsopp, Princeton Theological Seminary (20 min)

Emmylou Grosser, University of Wisconsin-Madison (20 min)  
 John Hobbins, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh (20 min)  
 Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University (20 min)  
 Mark Smith, New York University (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-309

### SBL Biblical Law Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Michael Hundley, Syracuse University, Presiding

Robert Kawashima, University of Florida  
*Sacrifice in the Pentateuch: Four Views (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Melissa Ramos, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Making the Cut: Covenant, Curse, and Oath in Deuteronomy 29–30 and the Incantation Plaques of Arslan Tash (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

David P. Wright, Brandeis University  
*The Hermeneutics of Ritual Innovation: Hand Placement in Leviticus 24 (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Erin Villareal, The Johns Hopkins University  
*"Jealousy" and the Juridical: A Reexamination of the Hebrew Root QN' (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Stewart Moore, Fairfield University  
*An Oath of Things Undone: An Example of an Appropriation of Biblical Law in Hellenistic Egypt (20 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

## S23-310

### SBL Biblical Literature and the Hermeneutics of Trauma Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

Theme: **Ethical and Moral Dimensions of Reading Texts from the Perspective of Trauma**

Christopher Frechette, Saint Mary's University (San Antonio), Presiding

Meira Polliack, Tel Aviv University  
*Esther's Trauma and the Annihilating Experience of the Exploitation of Her 'True' Self (30 min)*

Mary Jo Iozzio, Boston College School of Theology and Ministry  
*Hospitality for Legion: A Disability Interpretation of Mark 5:1–20 (30 min)*

Christl M. Maier, Philipps-Universität Marburg  
*Jeremiah, the Traumatized Prophet (30 min)*

David Tombs, University of Otago  
*Trauma, Denial, and Memory: Reading Crucifixion as Sexual Violence (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

## S23-311

### SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Paratexts**

Eva Mroczek, University of California-Davis, Presiding

Liv I. Lied, Det Teologiske Menighetsfakultet  
*Do Paratexts Matter? Transmission, Re-Identification, and New Philology (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong  
*The Prologue to Sirach and the "Book" of Sirach in a Chain of Text Traditions (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Eric Scherbenske, Independent Scholar  
*"In Other Copies": Transmitting and Negotiating Textual Variation on the Margins (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Gregory Fewster, University of Toronto  
*From Paul's Letter Collection to the Euthalian Apparatus: An Archival Perspective on Pauline Paratexts (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University  
*Text and Paratext in Documentary Papyri from Roman Egypt (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

## S23-312

### SBL Book of Daniel Section / Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - Marquis A-B (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Theology/Theologies of the Book of Daniel**

Donald Polaski, Randolph-Macon College, Presiding

Frances Flannery, James Madison University  
*Commitment Mechanisms in the Book of Daniel: Fostering Loyalty in Antiquity and the Terrorist Present (25 min)*

Michael Chan, Luther Seminary  
*Poetry as Commentary in the Danielic Court Tales (25 min)*

Break (10 min)

Uta Schmidt, Universität Osnabrück  
*Theology in the Visions of Daniel 8–12 (25 min)*

Responding:

Lawrence Wills, Episcopal Divinity School (25 min)

Discussion (40 min)

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## S23-313

### SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Theme: **The Book of Haggai: Theological, Historical and Literary Perspectives**

Review of: Martin Leuenberger, Haggai, HThKAT, Freiburg: Herder 2015

James Nogalski, Baylor University, Presiding

James Nogalski, Baylor University, Introduction (5 min)

Jakob Wöhrle, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg  
*The Formation of the Book of Haggai* (25 min)

Rainer Kessler, Philipps-Universität Marburg  
*The Historical Background of the Book of Haggai* (25 min)

John Kessler, Tyndale Seminary, Toronto  
*The "Theology" of the Book of Haggai* (25 min)

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College/McMaster University  
*The Book of Haggai and the Twelve* (25 min)

Responding:

Martin Leuenberger, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-314

### SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Spiritual Interpretation of Scripture**

This panel will consider the relationship between spirituality and the Bible. Each panelist will respond briefly to the question, "What are the hallmarks of the spiritual interpretation of Scripture?" There will be time for discussion among the panelists as well as substantial time for Q&A and discussion between the panelists and those attending the session.

Pieter De Villiers, University of the Free State, Presiding (15 min)

Panelists:

Gordon McConville, University of Gloucestershire (15 min)

Bo Karen Lee, Princeton Theological Seminary (15 min)

Andrew Lincoln, University of Gloucestershire (15 min)

Kathryn Greene-McCreight (15 min)

Discussion (75 min)

## S23-315

### SBL Deuteronomistic History Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Second Samuel 7:11-16 and Its Place within the Wider Composition**

Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Sonja Ammann, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin

*Multiple Narratives of God, King and People in 2 Samuel 7: On More and Less "Deuteronomistic" Versions of the History of Israel* (25 min)

William Schniedewind, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Inner-Biblical Exegesis in 2 Sam 7:12-13 and the Deuteronomistic History* (25 min)

Michael Pietsch, Augustana-Hochschule  
*King and Temple: The Nathan Oracle in the Deuteronomistic Historiography* (25 min)

Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki  
*Yahweh's Promise to David and Textual Criticism* (25 min)

Responding:

Reinhard Müller, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S23-316

### SBL Development of Early Christian Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 210 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Practical Christology of Philoxenos of Mabbug by David A. Michelson (Review Discussion)**

Mark DeCogliano, University of Saint Thomas (Saint Paul, MN), Presiding

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University, Introduction (10 min)

Panelists:

Robin Darling Young, Catholic University of America (20 min)

Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, University of Notre Dame (20 min)

Ute Possek, Harvard University (20 min)

Robert Kitchen, Knox-Metropolitan United Church, Regina, SK (20 min)

Responding:

David Michelson, Vanderbilt University (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S23-317****SBL Disputed Paulines Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Intersection of Politics & Religion**

J. Ayodeji Adewuya, Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Presiding (3 min)

Lisa Marie Belz, Ursuline College

*Proper Household Relations in Whose Basileia? Examining Ephesians' Subtle Revisions to the Household Code of Colossians (30 min)*

Douglas Campbell, The Divinity School, Duke University

*Reframing 2 Thessalonians: Paul's Response to the Gaian Crisis (30 min)*

Chris Hoklotubbe, Harvard University

*The Rhetoric of PIETAS: First Timothy and the Negotiation of Roman Imperial Pietas (30 min)*

Edward Pillar, University of Wales, Trinity Saint David

*Insisting on a Gospel of Resurrection in the Face of Suffering: An Initial Exploration of the Intersection of Religion and Politics in the Context in 2 Tim 2:8 (30 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

**S23-318****SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 209 (Level 2)

Theme: **The Ancient Church and the Ancient Economy**

David Hollander, Iowa State University, Presiding

Michelle Christian, University of Toronto

*Spotting the Bronze under the Silver: The Art of Money Changing and Early Christian Interpretation (30 min)*

D. Jeffrey Bingham, Wheaton College (Illinois)

*Heresy and Catholicity in Economic Perspective: Irenaeus on Money (30 min)*

Andrew M. Harmon, Marquette University

*Rhetorical Renunciations of Extravagance: Ambrose's Educated Simplicity (30 min)*

Sue Russell, Asbury Theological Seminary

*Follow the Money: Realignment of Authority in Christian Communities through Constantine's Patronage (30 min)*

Coleman M. Ford, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

*Eschatology and Ethics: Basil of Caesarea's Use of Matthew in His Homilies on Wealth and Poverty (30 min)***S23-319****SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1 Consultation**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 313 (Level 3)

Theme: **Genesis 1 in Philo and Apocryphal Writings**

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding

Michaela Bauks, Universität Koblenz - Landau

*The Rising of a Disembodiment of Creation by the doctrine of creatio ex nihilo. Alternative Readings of Gen 1,1–3(, 21) in Ancient Jewish Texts of the Second Temple Period (30 min)*

Beatrice Wyss, Universität Bern - Université de Berne

*Philo of Alexandria and the fifth day of creation (De opificio mundi 62–68) (30 min)*

Ekaterina Matusova, Moscow, Russia

*Gen 1 in Philo of Alexandria and Related Literature (30 min)***S23-320****SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **Blood and Early Jewish Christian Relations**

Marcie Lenk, Shalom Hartman Institute, Presiding

Eyal Regev, Bar-Ilan University

*Early Christian Baptism in light of Qumranic Purification Liturgies: From Washing to Atonement (30 min)*

Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College

*Sinai, Covenant, and Innocent Blood Traditions in Matthew's Blood Curse (25:27) (30 min)*

Shlomo Wadler, University of Notre Dame

*The Comparative Martyrdom of R. Hanina b. Teradion (30 min)*

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College

*Bloody Branches and Divine Voices: Female Virginity, Interpretation, and the Assertion of Difference (30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

**S23-320a/A23-334****SBL Employment Workshops**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Sheraton - Valdosta (Level 2)

Theme: **PhD Transitions over 40**

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## S23-321

### SBL Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Interactive Diversity**

A discussion of "Interactive Diversity: A Proposed Model of Christian Origins" by Larry Hurtado (The Journal of Theological Studies, 64 [October 2013]: 445–462). Hurtado critiques the "trajectories" model proposed by J. Robinson and H. Koester and proffers another model which he thinks accounts more adequately for the diversity and complex nature of the interactions evident in early Christian sources.

David Capes, Houston Baptist University, Presiding (5 min)

Larry Hurtado, University of Edinburgh, Introduction (25 min)

Responding:

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (15 min)

Carl Holladay, Emory University (15 min)

PHEME PERKINS, Boston College (15 min)

Larry Hurtado, University of Edinburgh (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

## S23-322

### SBL Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Ken Olson, Duke University

*The Anti-Canonical Gospel of Thomas* (25 min)

Shaily Shashikant Patel, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*Vanishing Magic: Corrective Discourses of the Supernatural in the 'Acts of Peter'* (25 min)

Amy Marie Fisher, University of Toronto

*Mythic Cartography: The Righteous Loci of the Latin Apocalypse of Paul* (25 min)

John Rogers, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York

*The Fight Against the Inner Person: Soteriology, Suffering, and The Letter of Peter to Philip* (25 min)

Bill Warren, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Allyson Presswood Nance, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Katie Unsworth, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

*Canon and Scripture Development in light of the Infancy Gospels* (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

## S23-323

### SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Evaluating the Tiberias Project: A Web Application for the Stylistic Analysis of the Hebrew Scriptures**

Utilizing cutting edge technologies in the field of computational linguistics, Joshua Berman (Hebrew Bible) and Moshe Koppel (Computer Science) of Bar-Ilan University are in the beta stage of creating a tool that will enable scholars to conduct their own experiments in fields such as linguistic dating and authorship of the biblical texts. Berman and Koppel will demonstrate Tiberias's capacities and an invited panel will dialogue with them about the applicability of their work to biblical research. After the session those interested are invited to join a group from GERT for a working meal & further discussion.

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Fjellhaug International University College Denmark, Presiding

Joshua Berman, Bar-Ilan University and Moshe Koppel, Bar-Ilan University

*Introducing: The Tiberias Project - A Web Tool for the Text Categorization and Analysis of Hebrew Scriptures* (60 min)

Responding:

Edward Greenstein, Bar-Ilan University (20 min)

Dirk Roorda, Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (10 min)

Martijn Naaijer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (10 min)

Discussion (50 min)

## S23-324

### SBL Greek Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 405 (Level 4)

This year's open session will address a wide range of issues in the reception history of the Hebrew-Greek translations of antiquity, including their use within Hellenistic Judaism, the New Testament and Patristic Christianity.

Siegfried Kreuzer, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel, Presiding

Jeremiah Coogan, University of Oxford

*The Greek Biblical Odes: Origins and Second-Temple Background* (25 min)

F. Stanley Jones, California State University - Long Beach

*How Far Can We Go? Versions of the Greek Bible and the Matthean Fulfilment Citations* (25 min)

Marika Pulkkinen, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet  
*Scriptural Quotations Catena in Rom 3:10–18 and Its Influence to the Septuagint Textual Transmission* (25 min)

William A. Ross, University of Cambridge

*Hostiles & Hospitality: The Reception of LXX Gen 19:4–11 in OG Judg 19:22–25* (25 min)

James R. Covington, University of Chicago

*Why Does Paul Think Hagar = Sinai (Gal 4:24–25)?* (25 min)

Jason M. Zurawski, University of Michigan

*The Use of Elegchos / Elegcho in LXX Proverbs and Its Reception in the Hellenistic Diaspora* (25 min)

**S23-325/A23-300****SBL Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A707 (Atrium Level)

**Theme: Narrating Disability and Illness in Christian and Jewish Literature, Bioethics, and Theology**

Joint session with Arts, Literature, and Religion Section (AAR) and Bioethics and Religion Group (AAR) and Religion and Disability Studies Group (AAR). This session examines illness and disability narratives in Jewish and Christian literature, focusing on narrations of disability in late antiquity and considering their implications for contemporary bioethics and interreligious theology. From Gregory of Nyssa's accounts of lepers and virgins, Symeon the New Theologian's approach to monasticism and rabbinic narratives of illness and disability, narratives of bodily difference, disability, and corporeality play a critical role in shaping religiosity in late antiquity. Recognizing that the stories we tell about health, illness, and disability profoundly shape the meaning of embodied experience, this session probes the way ancient writers, contemporary bioethicists, and ordinary practitioners understand the spiritual dimensions of health, illness, and disability through narrative.

George D. Randels, University of the Pacific, Presiding

Brent Cline, Spring Arbor University  
*Monasticism and the Disabled Body (30 min)*

Mark Lambert, University of Chicago  
*Majestic and Macabre Mirrors: Virginity and Leprosy in the Thought of Gregory of Nyssa (30 min)*

Jonathan Crane, Emory University  
*Please be Patient: Jewish Narratives of Embracing Pain and Finitude (30 min)*

John Berkman, University of Toronto  
*Redemptive vs. Non-Redemptive Suffering: Christian Theological Narratives as Spiritual Boot Camp (30 min)*

Responding:

Candida Moss, University of Notre Dame (30 min)

**S23-326****SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 305 (Level 3)

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Presiding

Will Briggs, Baylor University  
*The Textualization of Prophecy: The Lachish Letters in light of Evidence from Mari, Nineveh, and Literacy in Judah (30 min)*

Daniel Fleming, New York University  
*Prophet Books in House-Based Scribal Schools (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, University of Scranton  
*Proverbs or Prophets? A Scribal Light on the Dangerous Woman in Prophet Writing (30 min)*

Hanna Tervanotko, University of Helsinki  
*Seeing What Others Cannot See: Tragic Prophets in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Greek Literature (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

**S23-327****SBL Hebrews Section / Wisdom and Apocalypticism Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

**Theme: Time and Space in Hebrews: Sapiential and Apocalyptic Perspectives**

Matthew Goff, Florida State University, Presiding (5 min)

Jared C. Calaway, Illinois College  
*Spatiotemporality in Hebrews, 4 Ezra, and Revelation (25 min)*

Catherine Playoust, University of Divinity  
*The Location of the Cloud of Witnesses: Complexities of Time and Space in Hebrews (25 min)*

Kevin B. McCrudden, Gonzaga University  
*Heavenly Realities and Habits of the Heart: Apocalyptic and the Cultivation of Common Life in the Epistle to the Hebrews (25 min)*

Madison N. Pierce, Durham University  
*The Wilderness Space in Hebrews and Wisdom of Solomon (25 min)*

Eric F. Mason, Judson University (Elgin, Illinois)  
*Hebrews 1 as Apocalyptic Revelation (25 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

**S23-328****SBL History of Interpretation Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 207 (Level 2)

**Theme: Apocalyptic Texts and the Psalter in Early and Medieval Interpretation**

Shawn Wilhite, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

Kyle R. Hughes, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen  
*The Eschatology of Barnabas: Transforming Biblical Apocalyptic (25 min)*

Stephen Presley, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Advent and Apocalypse: Reading Zechariah in Early Christian Reflection (25 min)*

Robert G. T. Edwards, Wycliffe College  
*The First Advent of Christ in Victorinus of Pettau's Commentary on Revelation (25 min)*

Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois)  
*Jerome's Epistle 106: Text-Critical and Exegetical Studies in the Psalter (25 min)*

Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou, University of San Diego  
*The Triumph of Orthodoxy: Andrew of Caesarea's Commentary and the Standardization of Eastern Apocalypse Interpretation (25 min)*

Andrew Mein, Westcott House  
*Trajectories in the Interpretation of Ezekiel's Gog Prophecy (25 min)*

Business Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

## S23-329

### SBL Human Trafficking and the Bible: Linking the Past to the Present

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 406 (Level 4)

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

The aims of this session is to connect the past to the present about an important and current topic - human trafficking. While this has elements that relate to other areas of scholarship within the academy (i.e. culture, Hebrew Scripture, forced exile, liberation, enslavement, redemption etc), there is no direct relationship to any other panel or session. This panel's focus is unique, timely, and important. In fact, the presenters and other people either invited or consulted with are in support of this panel and quite excited about the prospect of this topic being introduced and presented at the annual meeting.

Because of the huge issue and attention of human trafficking and the narratives as well as traditions that existed in the Ancient Near East, are we able to make a connection to the present day?

This session will focus on the connection of the Biblical Narratives (or text) to modern day human trafficking and forced migration through the lens of current theological implications, focusing on that of the victim and/or survivor. The panel will explore whether biblical narratives in books such as Genesis, Numbers, Judges, among others, as well as other writings and traditions from the Ancient Near East and elsewhere, can be used to better understand the plight of the victims. Ultimately, the question explored is whether the texts and related traditions, by linking the past to the present, provide any promise of redemption or hope theologically?

Michele Stopera Freyhauf, University of Durham, Presiding

Panelists:

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University  
Carole R. Fontaine, Andover Newton Theological School  
Shelley Long, North Central College  
Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University  
Diana M. Swancutt, Boston University

Responding:

Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University

## P23-330

### International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt - Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Review of Frank Shaw's, The Earliest Non-Mystical Jewish Use of IAO**

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University, Introduction (20 min)

Panelists:

Kristin De Troyer, University of St. Andrews (20 min)  
Robert Kraft, University of Pennsylvania (20 min)  
Martin Rösel, Universität Rostock (20 min)  
Ronald Troxel, University of Wisconsin-Madison (20 min)

Responding:

Frank Shaw, Ashland University (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-331

### SBL Inventing Christianity: Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and Martyrs Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **The Acts of Paul and the Reception of the Pauline Tradition**

Stephanie Cobb, University of Richmond, Presiding

Benjamin L. White, Clemson University  
*Tertullian on the Author of the Acts of Paul: Paul's Reputational Entrepreneurs at the Turn of the Third Century* (30 min)

Richard Pervo, Saint Paul, Minnesota  
*From the Lion's Mouth (2 Tim 4:17): Paul Plays Defense* (30 min)

Diane Lipsett, Salem College  
*Household Piety in the Acts of Paul* (30 min)

Glenn E. Snyder, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis  
*Acts of Paul in the 'We' Materials of Acts* (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

## S23-332

### SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 202 (Level 2)

Barat Ellman, Fordham University, Presiding

James W. Barker, Western Kentucky University  
*Christians and Torah Observance in Second-Century Perspective* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chris Seeman, Walsh University  
*Who Is the Suffering Servant? Second Isaiah as a Resource for Jewish-Christian Dialogue* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Deborah Forger, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor  
*Employing the Pseudo-Clementine Homilies to Better Define Ancient Jewish Christianity* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael Meerson, Princeton University  
*Illegitimate Jesus: Family Matters with Toledot Yeshe (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Erica L. Martin, Seattle University  
*"Other-ing" Jesus: The Dregs of Anti-Judaism* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

**S23-333****SBL Johannine Literature Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - Marquis C (Marquis Level)

Theme: **The Gospel of John as Genre Mosaic**Presentation and discussion of Kasper Bro Larsen (ed.), *The Gospel of John as Genre Mosaic*, Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht 2015.

Jo-Ann A. Brant, Goshen College, Presiding

Kasper B. Larsen, Aarhus Universitet  
*Genre Criticism and the Gospel of John: Status and Goals (20 min)*Harold Attridge, Yale University  
*The Fourth Gospel: Genre Matters? (20 min)*Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University  
*John, Gender, and Genre: Revisiting the Woman Question after Masculinity Studies (20 min)*

Break (10 min)

Jörg Frey, Universität Zürich  
*Miracle Stories, Semeia Narratives, and the Gospel as a Significant Story: Genre Bending and Epistemology in John (20 min)*

Responding:

Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

**S23-334****SBL Latter-day Saints and the Bible Section**

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Approaches of LDS Biblical Studies**

Jennifer Lane, Brigham Young University Hawaii Campus, Presiding

Julie M. Smith, Independent Scholar  
*Five Impulses of the Joseph Smith Translation of Mark and Their Implications for LDS Hermeneutics (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Dana M. Pike, Brigham Young University  
*Interpretation / Application of the Biblical 'Breath of Life' in the Latter-day Saint Religious Tradition (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Noel B. Reynolds, Brigham Young University  
*Biblical Merism in Book of Mormon Gospel References (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

**S23-336****SBL Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M301-M302 (Marquis Level)

Adina Moshavi, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding

Matthew Anstey, Charles Sturt University  
*Augments in Biblical Hebrew: A Neglected Area of Study (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Øyvind Bjørn, University of Texas at Austin  
*Loss of Initial /n/ in Biblical Hebrew in Its Northwest-Semitic Context (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

JoAnna Hoyt, Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics  
*Pondering Micah's Structure: A Syntactical Discourse Approach to Micah's Problems (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jarod T. Jacobs, Warner Pacific College  
*The Balance of Probability: Applying Corpus Linguistics and Inferential Statistics to Hebrew Language Studies (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Randall Garr, University of California-Santa Barbara  
*The Infinitive Absolute in light of African Linguistic Phenomena (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

**S23-337****SBL Markan Literary Sources Seminar**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International C (International Level)

Theme: **Literary Sources for Mark 14–16**

Adam Winn, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Dennis MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology  
*Iliad 22 and 24 (the Death and Burial of Hector) as Mark's Model for the Death and Burial of Jesus (10 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

Justin M. Smith, Azusa Pacific University  
*Famous (or Not So Famous) Last Words: Mark 15:34 and the Tradition of Dying (Last) Words in Greco-Roman Biography (10 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

Andrew Pitts, Arizona Christian University  
*Papias, Peter, and Mark, Yet Again: A Reevaluation of Petrine Speech Material as a Source for Mark's Gospel (10 min)*

Discussion (35 min)

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### P23-339

#### National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Biblical Hebrew Narrative**

Serge Frolov, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Yisca Zimran, Bar-Ilan University

*Divine-Human Relations in Exod 3:1–4:17 (30 min)*

Hanne Loeland Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

*"If This is the Way You are Going to Treat Me, Then Kill Me Now" (Num 11:4–34) (30 min)*

Sok-Chung Chang, Catholic Kwandong University

*Israel's YHWH Worship in Judges (30 min)*

Sonya Cronin, Florida State University

*Childbearing as Reward and Punishment for Women in Hebrew Bible (30 min)*

Peter Boeckel, Southern Methodist University

*The Book of Which Covenant? Intertextuality, Josiah's Reform, and the Enneateuch (30 min)*

### P23-338

#### National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Methods for Teaching Particular Types of Content or Skills**

Pamela Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary (Northwest), Presiding

Pamela Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary

*Methods for Teaching Particular Types of Content or Skills (5 min)*

Dennis R. Magary, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

*Engaging the Text of the Hebrew Bible—How Prezi Can "Take You There" (35 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Robert Stallman, Northwest University (Washington)

*When Less Is More: Applying 'Focus on Form Instruction' in the Biblical Hebrew Classroom (35 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Paul Overland, Ashland Theological Seminary

*'As Was the Custom in Those Days': Teaching Language through Culture (35 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

### S23-340

#### SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Marriott - International 9 (International Level)

Theme: **Biblical and Early Christian Manuscripts**

Peter Arzt-Grabner, Universität Salzburg, Presiding

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University

*A New New Testament Papyrus in the J. Rendel Harris Collection (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Brent Nongbri, Macquarie University

*A Lost Leaf of P.Bodmer XIII and the Construction of the Bodmer "Composite" or "Miscellaneous" Codex (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Peter Malik, University of Cambridge

*A Fresh Look at P.Beatty III (P47): Towards an Integrative Study of an Early Christian Codex (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Charles E. Hill, Reformed Theological Seminary

*Textual Division in Early Gospel Manuscripts Part II: Matthew, Mark, and Luke, with Some Further Reflections on the Numbering System in Vaticanus (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Don Barker, Macquarie University

*P.Oxy. 7.1007 Christian or Jewish? (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

### S23-341

#### SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Philo's De Plantatione**

Seminar papers will be available on-line at [http://torreys.org/philo\\_seminar\\_papers/](http://torreys.org/philo_seminar_papers/).

Thomas Tobin, Loyola University of Chicago, Presiding

Albert C. Geljon, Christelijk Gymnasium Utrecht

*Sample Translation and Commentary on Philo De Plantatione (10 min)*

Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Writing a Commentary on a Pilonic Allegorical Treatise (20 min)*

David Runia, Queen's College University of Melbourne

*The Place of the Treatise De plantatione in Philo's Allegorical Commentary (20 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

James R. Royse, Claremont, California

*The Text of Philo's De plantatione (20 min)*

Sami Yli-Karjanmaa, University of Helsinki

*Plant. 1–27: The Significance of Reading Pilonic Parallels (20 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (10 min)

**S23-342****SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Was There an Ancient 'Safety Net'?**

Francisco Lozada, Jr., Brite Divinity School (TCU), Presiding

Ronald A. Simkins, Creighton University  
*Social Security, Insurance, and Bankruptcy: Is There a Safety-Net in Ancient Israel?* (20 min)

David Pleins, Santa Clara University  
*Lamentations as Howl: Biblical Poetry as Safety Net* (20 min)

Gregg E. Gardner, University of British Columbia  
*Knitting the Safety Net: The Evolution of the Soup Kitchen (tambui) in Rabbinic Judaism* (20 min)

Scott Bartchy, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Having All Things in Common—Only In Your Dreams?* (20 min)

Responding:

LeAnn Snow Flesher, Graduate Theological Union (15 min)

Discussion (55 min)

**S23-343****SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Biblical Selves in Public and Private**

Barbara Leung Lai, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario), Presiding (5 min)

Mette Bundvad, University of Copenhagen  
*At Play in Potential Space: Reading King Qohelet's Building Experiment with Winnicott* (25 min)

Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University  
*Jonah's Complexes and Our Own: The Roles of Character and Situation in Judging Biblical Personages* (25 min)

Jim Wilson, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Dualing Daniels: Evidence Favoring the Unity of the Book of Daniel* (25 min)

Ilon Rashkow, Stony Brook University  
*Inclusion, Exclusion, and Group Stability in Jewish Rituals: Biblical and Contemporary* (25 min)

Kamila Blessing, Blessing Transitions Consulting and Mediation Services  
*Femininity in the Gospel of John* (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

**S23-344****SBL Q Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 212 (Level 2)

Theme: **Q and Violence**

This session addresses the topic of the rhetorical use of tropes of violence within Q, as well as the way that violence contributes to identity formation for the authors, while avoiding simplistic questions such as whether Jesus/early Christians promoted or resisted violent acts.

Daniel Smith, Huron University College, Presiding

Peter J. Judge, Winthrop University  
*The Beatitude for the Persecuted (Q 6:22-23): Hate Speech, Threats of Violence, and Response* (20 min)

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University  
*The Violence of the Kingdom in Q* (20 min)

Dieter T. Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz  
*Violent Masters in Q: Parables or Anti-Parables of God?* (20 min)

Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama  
*Identity, Violence, and the Body in Q* (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Responding:

Philip Tite, University of Washington (20 min)

Discussion (40 min)

**S23-345****SBL Qumran Section**

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Esther Chazon, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Jutta Jokiranta, University of Helsinki  
*Paratextuality of Pesher Habakkuk: Case with the Prophet and the Teacher* (30 min)

Yonder Moynihan Gillihan, Boston College  
*Inspired Interpretation of Inspired Texts: The Habbakuk Pesher's Doctrine of Exegesis (1QpHab 7:1-5a) in Hellenistic-Roman Context* (30 min)

Molly Zahn, University of Kansas  
*Exegesis, Ideology, and Literary History in the Temple Scroll: The Case of the Temple Plan* (30 min)

Joseph Angel, Yeshiva University  
*Probing the Jewish Setting of Matt 11:25-30* (30 min)

Alison Schofield, University of Denver  
*Literary Units in Dialogue: Knowledge, Materiality, and the Intertextual Function of Lists in The Community Rule* (30 min)

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## S23-346

### SBL Sabbath in Text and Tradition Seminar

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Hilton - 312 (Level 3)

Theme: **The Sabbath in Second Temple Judaism and the Greco-Roman World**

Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University, Presiding

Dulcinea Boesenberg, Creighton University  
*The Construction of Jewish Identity in Philo's Defense of Sabbath Observance* (20 min)

Responding:

Robert Johnston, Andrews University (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Malka Z. Simkovich, Catholic Theological Union  
*The Role of the Sabbath in Jewish Universalist and Particularist Literature of the Second Temple Period* (20 min)

Responding:

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Joshua Ezra Burns, Marquette University  
*Fasting on the Sabbath: An Ancient Jewish Stereotype Deconstructed* (20 min)

Responding:

Shaye Cohen, Harvard University (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gerbern Oegema, McGill University  
*The Sabbath During and After the Maccabean Revolt* (20 min)

Responding:

Sarit Kattan Gribetz, Fordham University (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

## S23-347

### SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton - 306 (Level 3)

Theme: **(Ig)Noble Death Traditions and Paradigms**

Benjamin J.M. Johnson, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford  
*A Bloody Sacrifice: The Atoning Death of Joab in 1 Kings 2* (25 min)

Claudia Losekam, Ruhr-Universität Bochum  
*Noble Death Traditions in the Writings of Josephus* (25 min)

Jarvis J. Williams, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Rarely Will Someone Die for a Righteous Man: The Means and The Significance of Atonement in Rom 5:6–11 and the (Ig)Noble Jewish Martyrological Background* (25 min)

Justin Buol, University of Notre Dame  
*Effective Death Traditions, Imitation of Christ, and the Suffering of Christians in the New Testament* (25 min)

William Rogan, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*The Death of Ignatius of Antioch as Participation in Christ* (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

## S23-348

### SBL Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

4:00 PM–6:45 PM

Hilton - 214 (Level 2)

Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University, Presiding

Vanessa Avery, Sacred Heart University  
*Humans Left Alone: The Book of Esther and the Vicious Cycle of Scapegoating* (22 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Ahn, Howard University  
*A Luhmannian Perspective: Communicating Damascus* (22 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Line Søgaard Christensen, Aarhus Universitet  
*The Axial Age and Cult Criticism in the Hebrew Bible* (22 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire  
*"All That You Have Done...Has Been Fully Told Me": The Power of Gossip and the Story of Ruth* (22 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Terry Smith, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
*Roots of Resistance: Re-Imaging the Distribution of Power in the Book of Daniel* (22 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

## S23-349

### SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Hilton - 311 (Level 3)

Theme: **Linguistic Approaches**

Robert Holmstedt, University of Toronto, Presiding

Bryan Estelle, Westminster Seminary California  
*Weapons for War* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*Participle Phrase in the Language of Ugaritic Poetry* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andres Piquer Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid  
*Narrative Infinitives: Discursive and Literary Dimensions — From Ugaritic Poetry to Phoenician and Biblical Hebrew?* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John Gee, Brigham Young University and Aaron Schade, Brigham Young University  
*The Phoenician/Luwian Bilingual Inscription of Azatiwada: The Use of the Optative Form* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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## S23-350

### SBL Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Marriott - A705 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Violence and Representations of Violence Section at 10: Retrospect & Prospect**

Chris Frilingos, Michigan State University, Presiding

Panelists:

Shelly Matthews, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College

David Frankfurter, Boston University

Shira Lander, Southern Methodist University

Laura Nasrallah, Harvard University

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## S23-351

### SBL Research and Publications Committee

4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

*Monday, 6:30 PM and Later*

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## S23-352

### SBL Press Authors and Editors Reception

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

Marriott - L503 (Lobby Level)

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## P23-401

### Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium

7:00 PM–9:15 PM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Theme: **New Tools and Pedagogy for the Biblical Languages**

Two new publications this year by our members have inspired our theme for 2015. One is a review tool for students of biblical Hebrew but also a pedagogical tool for teachers. The other is an entirely new lexicon of biblical Greek for the Chinese language. Our third presenter will discuss the dynamics of teaching biblical Hebrew in a cross-cultural, cross-linguistic and trans-continental setting. All are invited and welcome.

Milton Eng, William Paterson University, Presiding

Kevin Chau, University of the Free State

*Teaching Biblical Hebrew in an International Setting: An Approach through Language Typology (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary

*A Review of Eng and Fields, "Devotions on the Hebrew Bible" and Some Further Thoughts (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Eric Kun-chun Wong, Chinese University of Hong Kong

*A New Greek-Chinese Lexicon of the Greek New Testament (Hong Kong Bible Society): Principles and Examples (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (15 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

(Business Meeting is for ECBC members only)

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## S23-402

### SBL Former Presidents Forum

7:30 PM–8:30 PM

Hyatt - 223 (Level 2)

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## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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## S24-101

### SBL Program Unit Chairs Meeting

7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Marriott - Atrium C (Atrium Level)

Both Annual Meeting and International Meeting program unit chairs for the current year are invited to attend.

*Tuesday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM*

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## S24-102

### SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M101 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Redesigning Survey Courses**

This workshop-style session promotes conversation about reimagining how we teach the Bible. We invite proposals especially from those who have redesigned a traditional introductory course (in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament, New Testament, or Bible). Each presenter will offer a brief, 5–10 minute overview of some aspect of the new course (outcomes, assessments, structure, coverage, etc.). Attendees will then spend about 20 minutes responding.

G. Lester, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding

Ryan Korstange, Western Kentucky University

*Problem Based Learning as a Method of Revitalizing Introductory Courses (10 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Melinda Cousins, Tabor Adelaide

*Re-Structuring for Engagement: An Experiment in Changing How Class Time Is Allocated in Old Testament Survey (10 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Carl N. Toney, Hope International University

*A Great Books Approach to New Testament Survey (10 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Jennifer M. Shepherd, Engage Consulting, Masters College and Seminary

*Bible 101: Getting to Know the Story and the Story You Will Tell (10 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

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Taylor Halverson, Brigham Young University  
*Co-Designing a Survey Course with Learners to Achieve Learning Transformation (10 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

### S24-103

#### SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L506-L507 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Healing and Wellness in African Biblical Hermeneutics**

Robert Wafawanaka, Virginia Union University, Presiding

Helen Nambalirwa, Makerere University  
*Healing and Wellness in Acholi-Land after Decades of War: Dining with Returning Lord's Resistance Army Combatants (25 min)*

Lovemore Togarasei, University of Botswana  
*'Quinine,' 'Ditaola,' and the 'Bible': Investigating Botswana Christians' Health Seeking Practices (25 min)*

Ruth Oluwakemi Oke, Federal College of Education, Abeokuta  
*The Healing of the Haemorrhaging Woman as a Model to Checkmate Stigmatization of People Living with HIV (PLH) in Nigeria (25 min)*

Olugbenga Olagunju, Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Jesus' Healing in Mark 8:22-26 in African Context (25 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

### S24-104

#### SBL Archaeology of the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy A (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Archaeology, Early Judaism, and Early Christianity**

Byron McCane, Wofford College, Presiding

G. Anthony Keddie, University of Texas at Austin  
*A Classless Sect? Q's Woes against the Pharisees and the Material Imprint of Jewish Elites (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Aaron M. Gale, West Virginia University  
*Reconstructing Ancient Borders: Galilean Archaeology and the Jewish Nature of Matthew's Gospel (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Tom Davis, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and Mark Wilson, Regent University  
*The Destination of Paul's First Journey: Asia Minor or Africa? (30 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Luke Drake, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*The Role of Ambiguous Inscriptional Evidences in the Historical Reconstruction of Jewish Diaspora Communities (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

### S24-105

#### SBL Bible and Cultural Studies Section / Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy B (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Critical Race Theory and the Bible**

Gilberto Ruiz, Loyola University New Orleans, Presiding

K. Jason Coker, Albertus Magnus College  
*Trashing the Bible: Using Critical White Studies to Re-evaluate James and Paul and Vice Versa (25 min)*

Bridgett Green, Vanderbilt University  
*Whose Justice Is It Anyway? Analyzing a Matrix of Identity Geopolitics in the Parable of the Widow and the Judge (Luke 18:1-8) (25 min)*

Jione Havea, Charles Sturt University  
*Midianites, Melanesians, and Myths of Superiority: Numbers' Game and Polynesian Arrogance (25 min)*

Ron Serino, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University  
*Samuel Purchas and the Scripturalization of Whiteness in Colonial Virginia (25 min)*

Responding:

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (20 min)

### S24-106

#### SBL Bible and Emotion Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M108 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Fear and Fire, Weeping and Joy**

Deena Grant, Barry University, Presiding

Phillip Michael Lasater, Universität Zürich  
*The Snark Hunt for "Emotions" in Biblical Anthropology (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Juliana Claassens, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch  
*From Fear's Narcissism to Participatory Imagination: Martha Nussbaum on Religion, Law, and Justice (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Aaron's "Silence" Upon Hearing of His Sons' Death by Fire (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Sébastien Doane, Université Laval  
*Rachel Weeping: Intertextuality as a Means of Transformation of the Reader's Worldview (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Sigrid Eder, Catholic-Theological Private University Linz  
*"... And clothed me with joy" (Ps 30:12): Emotions in Psalm 30 (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

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## S24-107

### SBL Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International A (International Level)

Michael E. Hayes, St. John's Lutheran/Concordia Seminary  
*An Analysis of the Attributive Participle and the Relative Clause in the Greek New Testament (30 min)*

Hughson T. Ong, McMaster Divinity College  
*Ethnography of Communication: Linking Text and Context in 1 Pet 2:11–3:12 (30 min)*

Jimmy Parks, Logos Bible Software  
*Internally Headed Relative Clauses in the Greek New Testament (30 min)*

Laurentiu Florentin Mot, Institutul Teologic Adventist  
*Semitic Influence in the Use of NT Greek Prepositions: The Case of the Book of Revelation (30 min)*

Phillip Marshall, Houston Baptist University  
*An Analysis of the Function of Greek Anarthrous Participles in Oblique Cases (30 min)*

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## S24-108

### SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy C (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Parallelism in the Hebrew Bible**

Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Susanne Gillmayr-Bucher, Catholic Private University Linz  
*Two Sides of the Same Coin: Blending Distinct Perspectives through Parallelism (25 min)*

Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary  
*Interrupting an Established Parallelism (25 min)*

Simon P. Stocks, South East Institute for Theological Education  
*Parallelism, Enjambment, and Tricola in Book V of the Psalter (25 min)*

Jason M. H. Gaines, College of the Holy Cross  
*Epic Law? Parallelism and Other Poetic Constructions in the Holiness Legislation (Leviticus 17–26) (25 min)*

Responding:

James Kugel (10 min)

Knut Heim, Trinity College - Bristol (10 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

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## S24-109

### SBL Book History and Biblical Literatures Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 10 (International Level)

Theme: **Paratexts**

Eva Mroczek, Indiana University (Bloomington), Presiding

Jacqueline Vayntrub, Harvard University  
*The Titles of Proverbs and the Shaping of a Tradition (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

David Willgren, Lund University  
*Gathering Psalms: Paratexts and Poetics in the 'Book' of Psalms (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

AJ Berkovitz, Princeton University  
*Paratextuality and the Aramaic Psalm Titles (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Mark McEntire, Belmont University, Tim Crawford, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and Danny Mynatt, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor  
*A Book that Controls Itself: The Masorah of Hebrew Bible Manuscripts (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jeffrey S. Siker, Loyola Marymount University  
*From Paratext to Hypertext: Liquid Boundaries in Digital Bibles (20 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (25 min)

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## S24-110

### SBL Book of Psalms Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A701 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Differences in the Numbering and Ordering of the Psalter: The Fluidity through the 16<sup>th</sup> Century AD**

Karl Jacobson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Presiding

William Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University  
*The Shaping of the Biblical Psalter: Reconsidering the Status Quaestionis in light of Medieval Manuscript Evidence (45 min)*

Responding:

Rolf Jacobson, Luther Seminary (25 min)

Stephen Breck Reid, Baylor University  
*Recognizing the Plasticity of the Psalter: A Response to William Yarchin (25 min)*

Responding:

Nancy deClaissé-Walford, Mercer University (25 min)

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## S24-111

### SBL Christian Apocrypha Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 4 (International Level)

Theme: **Ancient Texts, New Questions: New Directions in Christian Apocrypha Studies**

Lily Vuong, Valdosta State University, Presiding (5 min)

Bradley Rice, McGill University  
*Collecting Christian Apocrypha in Eastern Europe (25 min)*

Jörg Röder, Universität Basel  
*Miracle Stories in the Acts of Pilate (25 min)*

Cambry Pardee, Loyola University Chicago  
*The Levi Defender Tradition: From Joseph and Aseneth to the Gospel of Mary (25 min)*

Justin M. Glessner, DePauw University  
*Joseph of Nazareth in the Protevangelium of James (25 min)*

Discussion (45 min)

## S24-112

### SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **The Analogical Interpretation of Scripture**

This session will focus on the analogical interpretation of Scripture; it is the fourth and final session in our series exploring the traditional four senses of Scripture (literal, allegorical, tropological, analogical). In brief, analogical sense of Scripture is the exegesis of Scripture in relation to eschatological hope and the life to come. Each of the invited panelists will respond to the following questions: respond to the following questions: "What is the role of the analogical sense of Scripture in the figure or area that you study? And, why is the analogical sense a significant and important way to read Scripture?"

Arthur M. Sutherland, Loyola University Maryland, Presiding

Hans Boersma, Regent College  
*Purity, Perfection, and Beatific Vision: The Upward Journey to Christ in Gregory of Nyssa (30 min)*

Kevin L. Hughes, Villanova University  
*Ecclesia contemplativa: On the Relationship between the Mystical and Eschatological in St. Bonaventure's Analogia (30 min)*

Eboni Marshall Turman, Duke University  
*Black. Life. Matter. Toward A Black Feminist/Womanist Eschatology (30 min)*

Francesca Murphy, University of Notre Dame  
*The Bible and the Analogical Imagination (30 min)*

Discussion (30 min)

## S24-113

### SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International B (International Level)

Matthew Lynch, Westminster Theological Centre, Presiding

David A. Glatt-Gilad, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev  
*Genealogy Lists as a Window to Historiographic Periodization in the Book of Chronicles (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

J.H. Price, The Ohio State University  
*The Crime and Punishment of the Chronicler's Uziah: Antecedents, Contrasts, Correlations, and Critique (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

David Janzen, Durham University  
*The Death of Josiah and Prophecy in Chronicles (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Laura Carlson, Yale University  
*Archive, Imitation, and the Search for Identity in Ezra 1–6 (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Aubrey E. Buster, Emory University  
*"Chaining Out" on Deuteronomy: Fantasy Theme Analysis of Prayers in Ezra-Nehemiah (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

## S24-114

### SBL Contextual Biblical Interpretation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International C (International Level)

Theme: **Paul's Undisputed Letters**

Papers will be summarized and discussed in roundtable format. Papers will be available online ahead of time at <https://thefemalebiblescholar.wordpress.com/sbl-2015-contextual-biblical-interpretation/>.

Tiffany Webster, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary  
*Was Paul Happy? A Contextual Reading of Phil 3:1–4:1 in Conversation with North American Psychology and Its Limitations (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Menghun Goh, Vanderbilt University  
*The Cruciform Faith and Freedom in Galatians: A Dialogue with Chinese Churches (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Sung Uk Lim, Vanderbilt University  
*An Ecofeminist Reading of Rom 8:18–25 in an Asian American Context (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Matt O'Reilly, University of Gloucestershire  
*Resurrecting the Body: Paul, Social Identity, and Racial Reconciliation in First Century Rome and Twenty-first Century Alabama (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

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Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies  
*Paul's Appeal for a Would-be Maroon Slave: Reading and Translating Philemon from the Perspective of Caribbean Maroon Societies (15 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

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## S24-115

### SBL Deuteronomistic History Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L403 (Lobby Level)

Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, University of Scranton, Presiding

Rachel Toombs, Baylor University  
*A Closer Kinship? David's Prayer in 2 Samuel 7 and 1 Chronicles 17 (30 min)*

Stephen Germany, Emory University  
*The Compositional Horizon of the Verb "yarash" (Qal and Hiphil) in Deuteronomy and Joshua: A Re-Evaluation (30 min)*

Flemming A.J. Nielsen, University of Greenland  
*Prophecy in Deuteronomy and the Former Prophets with Special Emphasis on the Elijah-Elisha Narrative (30 min)*

Daniel Oden, Harding University Main Campus  
*Northern Exposures: Huldah's Oracle and the Dynastic Doom Oracles of Kings (30 min)*

Kyle Greenwood, Colorado Christian University  
*Ahab's Death Twice Told: The Identity of the "King of Israel" in 1 Kings 22 (30 min)*

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## S24-116

### SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L404 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Data Visualization, Digital Paleography and Images**

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Presiding

Liv Ingeborg Lied, Det Teologiske Menighetsfakultet  
*Digitization and Manuscripts as Visual Objects: Reflections from a Media Studies Perspective (30 min)*

Heather Dana Davis Parker, Johns Hopkins University and  
Christopher A. Rollston, George Washington University  
*Teaching Epigraphy in the 21st Century: The Epigraphic Digital Lab (30 min)*

Peter M. Phillips, University of Durham  
*Is "Millennial Christianity" Changing the Public Face of the Bible through Online Searching and Social Media Messaging (30 min)*

Drayton C. Benner, University of Chicago  
*A Novel Visualization of Biblical Texts Aligned at the Word-Level (30 min)*

Joshua L. Mann, University of Durham  
*(Re)Presenting Biblical Texts Online: Luke 19 as Test Case (30 min)*

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## S24-117

### SBL Disputed Paulines Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover C (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Pastoral Epistles**

Christopher Hutson, Abilene Christian University, Presiding (3 min)

Derek Brown, Lexham Press  
*Satan: The Author of False Teaching in the Pastoral Epistles (30 min)*

Daniel K. Darko, Gordon College  
*Kinship and Leadership in 1 Timothy: A Study of Filial Framework and Model for Early Christian Communities in Asia Minor (30 min)*

Isaiah Luke Allen, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*The Cretan Quote of Titus 1:12: Why Paul Appears to Be Such a Bigot (30 min)*

Mark Harding, Australian College of Theology  
*"Apocalyptic Rhetoric" in the Pastoral Epistles (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

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## S24-118

### SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Vinings (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **The Ancient Economy**

Thomas Blanton, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Presiding

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame  
*Early Greek Economic Thought (30 min)*

David Wheeler-Reed, Yale University  
*Women, Medicine, and the Economy in Late Antiquity (30 min)*

Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg  
*Reading the Parable of the Wise Slave (Q 12:42–46) against the Background of Agricultural Slavery in Antiquity (30 min)*

Richard Last, York University  
*An Economic Scale of Greco-Roman Associations (30 min)*

David Hollander, Iowa State University  
*Debt in the Early Roman Empire (30 min)*

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## S24-119

### SBL Early Exegesis of Genesis 1 Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy E (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Genesis 1 in Christian Theology of the Second Century**

Volker Drecoll, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Presiding

James VanderKam, University of Notre Dame  
*Genesis 1 in the Book of Jubilees (30 min)*

Christoph Marksches, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin -  
Humboldt University of Berlin  
*Genesis 1 and the Beginnings of Gnosticism (30 min)*

Anders-Christian Jacobsen, Aarhus Universitet  
*The Interpretation of Genesis 1 in Theophilus and other Early Apologetic Texts (30 min)*

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## S24-120

### SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M303-M304 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Review of Susan E. Hylen, *A Modest Apostle: Thecla and the History of Women in the Early Church* (OUP, 2015)**

Through interaction with the new book by Susan E. Hylen, *A Modest Apostle: Thecla and the History of Women in the Early Church*, this session engages the current state of our understanding of women's roles in the church in the context of the Greco-Roman world.

Joseph Kozar, University of Dayton, Presiding

Panelists:

Stephen Davis, Yale University (20 min)

Deirdre Good, General Theological Seminary (20 min)

Responding:

Susan Hylen, Emory University (20 min)

Panelists:

Cynthia Kittredge, Seminary of the Southwest (20 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University (20 min)

Margaret Oget, Interdenominational Theological Center (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

## S24-121

### SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section / Formation of Luke and Acts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Courtland (Atlanta Conference Level)

This session with the Formation of Luke and Acts Section addresses Marcion's Evangelion, the "Western Non-Interpolations," and the transmission of Luke.

Patricia Walters, Rockford University, Presiding

Dieter Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz  
*Marcion's Gospel: Reconstructions and Their Implications* (30 min)

Jason BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University  
*Marcion's Evangelion and the Two Source Hypothesis* (30 min)

Ronald van der Bergh, University of Pretoria  
*Marcion's Legacy and the Old Testament Quotations in Codex Bezae's Luke* (30 min)

Judith Lieu, University of Cambridge  
*Marcion's Gospel and the Question of Theological Tendency* (30 min)

Responding:

Markus Vinzent, King's College - London (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S24-122

### SBL Greek Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M109 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **The Afterlives of Greek Isaiah**

This year's special session will explore the reception history of the Old Greek version of the book of Isaiah, with reference to topics such as intertextuality, exegesis, scholarly approaches and social cultural issues.

Tony Michael, York University, Presiding

Joshua Coutts, University of Edinburgh  
*Name and Glory: Associative Concepts in the LXX of Deutero-Isaiah* (30 min)

Wilson de A. Cunha, LeTourneau University  
*Eusebius of Caesarea and the "Drink of Immortality": The Reception of LXX Isaiah 25 in Eusebius' Commentary on Isaiah* (30 min)

Charles Lee Irons, Charles R. Drew University  
*Israel's Justification in Greek Isaiah and Paul's Doctrine of Justification in Romans* (30 min)

Ken M. Penner, Saint Francis Xavier University  
*Faith in Greek Isaiah* (30 min)

David Rothstein, Ariel University Center of Samaria  
*LXX Isa 27:12 and Intertextuality: Literary and Historical Implications* (30 min)

## S24-123

### SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

Peter Feinman, Institute of History, Archaeology, and Education  
*Egypt and Israel: From Ramses II to Ramses VI* (25 min)

Jody Washburn, University of California-Los Angeles  
*Inscriptions in the Family Tomb—Commemorating Identity in the Face of Crisis* (25 min)

Erin Hall, Tel Aviv University  
*Benjaminite-Judahite Tensions in Persian Period Yehud* (25 min)

Eric L. Welch, University of Kansas  
*"Ornamentation from Afar": The Social and Symbolic Function of Achaemenid Imperial Imports in the Book of Esther* (25 min)

## S24-124

### SBL Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover A (Exhibit Level)

Sara Milstein, University of British Columbia, Presiding

John Tracy Thames, Jr., The Johns Hopkins University  
*The Character of Dagan in Emar's Zukru Festival and the Biblical Ritual of First Fruits* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Joshua Berman, Bar-Ilan University  
*Juxtaposed Conflicting Compositions (Genesis 1–2, 4a–2, 4b–2, 24; Exodus 14–15; Judges 4–5): A New Kingdom Egyptian Parallel* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Anthony Meyer, McMaster University  
*The Use and Non-Use of the Divine Name in Aramaic Texts of Early Judaism* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew Knapp, Eisenbrauns Inc.  
*Why I Rule: The Justification of Usurpation in the Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Benjamin Kantor, University of Texas at Austin  
*ʿaraba Mathal ("He Propounded a Proverb"): The Ideology of Arabic Proverbs and the Biblical Book of Proverbs* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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## S24-125

### SBL Historical Jesus Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 8 (International Level)

Theme: **Jesus and Purity**

James Crossley, University of Sheffield, Presiding (5 min)

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*"They Shall See the Glory of the Lord" (Isa 35:2): Eschatological Purity at Qumran and in Jesus' Movement* (25 min)

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet  
*Jesus' Table Fellowship with Sinners and Purity Halakhah* (25 min)

Thomas Kazen, Stockholm School of Theology  
*A Perhaps Less Halakic Jesus and Purity: On Prophetic Criticism, Halakic Innovation and Rabbinic Anachronism* (25 min)

Responding:

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University (15 min)

Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster (15 min)

Panel Discussion

Discussion (20 min)

General Discussion

Discussion (20 min)

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## P24-126

### International Syriac Language Project

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy H (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Lexicography: Selected Issues and Improved Tools (2)**

Richard Taylor, Dallas Theological Seminary, Presiding

David M. Calabro, Brigham Young University  
*'The Word That Was from the Beginning': Syriac Etymology in a Digital Age* (30 min)

George A. Kiraz, Gorgias Press  
*The Origins of Syriac Dottedness* (30 min)

Jonathan Loopstra, Capital University  
*Interpretations of Syriac Dottedness, Reclaiming the Past* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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## S24-127

### SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Representations and Metaphors of Otherness**

This session concentrates on how prophetic literature represents otherness in material and metaphoric ways. Attention will be drawn to otherness in terms of space, race, ethnicity, gender, and other forms of identity markers, singularly or collectively. These papers analyze metaphoric and other representations of otherness in prophetic literature from various theoretical perspectives with the aim of understanding the meaning of these metaphors and representations for early readers/hearers, their reception at various points in history, or their impact for contemporary readers.

Steed Vernyl Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

David L. Sobey, The University of Texas at Austin  
*Putting the "Dog" in Dogmatism: The Use of Canine Metaphors to "Other" in Isaiah 56* (30 min)

Brittany Kim, Northeastern Seminary  
*A Dragon, a Reed Staff, and a Towering Cedar in Eden: Egypt in Ezekiel 29–32* (30 min)

Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury  
*The Construction and Deconstruction of Ethnic/National Othering in the Book of the Twelve* (30 min)

Jeremiah Cataldo, Grand Valley State University  
*Zechariah's Joshua as an Archetypal Figure of Collective Prejudice* (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

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## S24-128

### SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott - A704 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Empire, Violence, and Race/Ethnicity**

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)  
*Gospels, Synagogue Conflicts, and Horizontal Violence* (30 min)

John Christianson, Brite Divinity School (TCU)  
*The Aggareion and Non-violent Resistance: Matthew 5:41 as a Subaltern Strategy for Social Change* (30 min)

Timothy Luckritz Marquis, Moravian Theological Seminary  
*The Blood of the Prophets Beyond Jerusalem and Rome* (30 min)

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## S24-129

### SBL Levites and Priests in History and Tradition Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

Michael Biggerstaff, Ohio State University  
*Road Work Ahead: Does mille yad Really Refer to Priestly Ordination?* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kurt Backlund, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion  
*Priestly Mourning Prohibitions in Leviticus 10* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Yigal Levin, Bar-Ilan University  
*The Role of the Levites in Chronicles: Past, Present, or Utopia?* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Brandon Bruning, University of Notre Dame  
*"Make me a sanctuary, that I may appear in your midst": The Structure of Leviticus 8–9 in light of the Vorlage of LXX Exodus* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Matthew Grey, Brigham Young University  
*The Role of Jewish Priests in Early Synagogue Leadership and Liturgy* (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

## S24-130

### SBL LGBTI/Queer Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - University (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Queering Christ in Controversial Art: The stagings, effects and subversive potential of the Other Jesus**

This session investigates the staging, effects and subversive potential of recent cases of controversial art in which iconic Christian imagery is deliberately queered: e.g., the so-called Christas or female crucifixions, and the winning act "Rise Like a Phoenix" at the 2014 Eurovision Song Contest interpreted as a transgender Jesus imitation.

David Stewart, California State University - Long Beach,  
Welcome (3 min)

Anne-Marie Korte, Universiteit Utrecht  
*Queer Iconoclasm and Queer Iconoclasm: From the Christas to Madonna* (25 min)

Mariecke van den Berg, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
*Setting the Table for a Queer Jesus: Ecce Homo in Sweden and Serbia* (25 min)

Srdjan Sremac, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
*Conchita Wurst: A "Jesus-like Figure" Between Blasphemy and Religious Innovation* (25 min)

Responding:

Susannah Cornwall, University of Exeter (25 min)

Discussion (22 min)

## S24-131

### SBL Matthew Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - Imperial B (Marquis Level)

Daniel Gurtner, Bethel Seminary (St. Paul, MN), Presiding

Woojin Chung, McMaster Divinity College  
*The Vorlage of the Formula Quotations in Matthew's Infancy Narrative* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

George van Kooten, University of Groningen  
*Matthew's Magoi: An Exploration of Matthew's Antiochene Gospel between Roman West and Parthian East* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Dallas Flippin, Marquette University  
*Charging Abel: A Reworking of Dale Allison's Allusion in Matt 5:21–24* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael P. Theophilos, Australian Catholic University  
*New Light from the Papyri: The Legal Background of "kathos gegraptoi" in Matt 26:24* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Wongi Park, Vanderbilt University  
*The Politics of Racialization in the Matthean Passion Narrative* (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

## S24-132

### SBL Megilloth Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Theory and Themes in the Megilloth**

This session will highlight work on the Megilloth as it pertains to how these texts may function as a distinct corpus.

Andrew R. Davis, Boston College, Presiding

Jeremy Schipper, Temple University  
*Selective Representation and Narrative Ambiguity in the Book of Ruth* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jonathan Kaplan, The University of Texas at Austin and Aren M. Wilson-Wright, University of Texas at Austin  
*How Song of Songs Became a Divine Love Song: A New Proposal* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jacques van Ruiten, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen  
*The Kiss in the Song of Songs* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Orit Avnery, Shalem College and Shalom Hartman Institute  
*Song of Songs and the Garden of Eden* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Chloe Sun, Logos Evangelical Seminary  
*The Inter-Thematic Link of Death and Survival: Ecclesiastes among the Megilloth* (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

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## S24-132a

### SBL Metaphor Theory and the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M202 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Translating Biblical Metaphors**

Andrea Weiss, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (New York Branch), Presiding

David E. S. Stein, Freelance Editorial Services  
*The Biblical Metaphor "God Is a Principal Who Operates through Agents" and Its English Translation (30 min)*

Bryan Bibb, Furman University  
*Yahweh as the Priest of Human Sacrifice in Isaiah 30:27–33 (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

Pierre Van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven  
*Metapherein – Translating Metaphor in the Septuagint: A Cognitive-Linguistic Approach (30 min)*

Benjamin Austin, Providence Christian College  
*Methods of Translating Plant Metaphors in LXX Isaiah (30 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

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## S24-133

### SBL Paul and Politics Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M103 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Paul's Letters and the Rhetorics and Politics of Archaeology**

Arminta Fox, Drew University, Presiding

Ralph Korner, Taylor College and Seminary  
*Paul's Ekklesia Associations: Counter-Imperial or Pro-Demokratia Communities? (25 min)*

Steven J. Friesen, University of Texas at Austin  
*The Customs House Inscription at Ephesos (IvE 1a.20) and Paul's Jerusalem Collection: Exchange, Surplus, Ideology, and the Divine (25 min)*

Daniel Yencich, University of Denver  
*The Roman Ideology of Securitas in Text, Stone, and Coin: Establishing a Roman Political Context for 1 Thess 5:3 (25 min)*

Katherine A. Shaner, Wake Forest University  
*(De)-Constructing Slaves in Stone and Text: Jesus, Epaphroditus, and the Idealization of Enslavement (25 min)*

Responding:

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

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## S24-134

### SBL Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A602 (Atrium Level)

Theme: **Pentateuch Text Workshop: Genesis 15**

The goal of the Pentateuch Text Workshop is to foster direct

discussion between scholars on issues of pentateuchal composition and editing. The workshop allows scholars to discuss specific texts together, considering their history of composition, redaction, and other relevant historical and literary features in a more extended format. With this aim in view, a substantial part of each session will be devoted to discussion, with prepared papers as an initial foray into scholarly engagement over the text.

Sarah Shectman, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Panelists:

Ronald Hendel, University of California–Berkeley

Jan Gertz, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

Jeffrey Stackert, University of Chicago

Responding:

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University of Israel

Discussion (50 min)

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## S24-135

### SBL Prayer in Antiquity Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Hanover E (Exhibit Level)

Theme: **Thematic and Methodological Considerations in the Study of Ancient Prayer**

Rodney Werline, Barton College, Presiding

Michael D. Matlock, Asbury Theological Seminary  
*Shaping the Narrative of 1–2 Chronicles Through Prayer: Rhetoric and Embodiment for Communal Participation (30 min)*

Philip Sellow, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities  
*Coptic Hymns: Poetry, Praise, Petition (30 min)*

Cynthia Villagomez, Winston-Salem State University  
*Sacrifice and the Eucharist in East Syrian Prayers and the Culture of Prayer in Late Antiquity (30 min)*

Jill E. Marshall, Emory University  
*Gender and Prayer in the Ancient Mediterranean World (30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

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## S24-136

### SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy D (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Bible and the Brain**

Jay Ellens, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Presiding (5 min)

Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill University  
*Reading the Bible as Fiction or Soteriological Myth. How the Human Brain Engages with the Bible (25 min)*

Adam Tune, The Catholic University of America  
*A Bodyguard of Lies: Deception in Samuel-Kings (25 min)*

David A. Bosworth, Catholic University of America  
*Deities as Mothers and Fathers: Evolutionary Psychology and the Study of Ancient Texts (25 min)*

Dan Merkur, University of Toronto  
*Review of Rick Strassman's DMT and the Soul of Prophecy (25 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

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## S24-137

### SBL Qumran Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

Maxine Grossman, University of Maryland - College Park, Presiding

Matthew Goff, Florida State University

*The Significance of the "Midrash of Shemhazai and Azazel" for the Study of the Qumran Book of Giants (30 min)*

James S. Adcock, University of St. Andrews

*Jeremiah Dispels Diaspora Demons? Concerning the Possibility That Jer 10:11 Was Interpreted by 4Q71 and LXX as an Aramaic Magical Incantation against Evil Spirits (30 min)*

Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University

*Reading the Genesis Apocryphon: The First Decade (30 min)*

Drew Longacre, University of Helsinki

*Textual Groups and Clusters at Qumran: The Evidence of the Hebrew Dead Sea Scrolls Containing Exodus (30 min)*

Ira Rabin, BAM Federal Institute of Materials Research and Testing

*Did 1QIsaa and IQS Come from the Same Parchment Workshop? (30 min)*

## S24-138

### SBL Qur'an and Biblical Literature Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - L406 (Lobby Level)

Theme: **Methodology and Textual Analysis in Study of the Bible and the Qur'an**

John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding

Ryan Schaffner, Ohio State University

*Qur'anicizing the Gospel: A 9th-Century Muslim Polemicist and A Section from the Gospel of Matthew (30 min)*

Yousef Casewit, American University of Sharjah, UAE

*Filling the Qur'anic Gaps: Citations of Genesis and Matthew in the Works of Ibn Barrajan (d.536/1141) (30 min)*

Michael Graves, Wheaton College (Illinois)

*Stylistic Criteria in Nöldeke's Chronology of Qur'anic Material in the Context of 19th Century Biblical Studies (30 min)*

Andrew C. Smith, Claremont Graduate University

*Moses and Pharaoh's Magicians: A Comparative Method and Approach to Qur'anic Use of Biblical Narratives (30 min)*

Business Meeting (30 min)

## S24-139

### SBL Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Posthumanism: Animals and Angels**

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College, Presiding (3 min)

Dong Hyeon Jeong, Drew University

*All (Human) Together in One Place? Asian American Biblical Hermeneutics and the Posthumanist Challenge (30 min)*

Stephen D. Moore, The Theological School, Drew University

*What a Sometimes Inanimate Divine Animal Has to Teach Us about Being Human: New Materialism, Other Posthumanisms, and the Johannine Jesus (30 min)*

Hannah M. Strømmen, University of Chichester

*Political-Biblical Animals: Deconstructed Sovereignty in Revelation 17 (30 min)*

P.J. Sabo, University of Alberta

*The Mutable Divine: The Lot Story and Karl Ove Knausgaard's A Time for Everything (30 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)

## S24-139a

### SBL Sacred Texts and Public Life Seminar

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt - Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **National and Political Identities**

This session supports the discussion of the way sacred texts, and especially the Bible, play a role in and intersect with public policies. We hope to bring people and institutions together to unravel the past relationships of sacred texts and public policies and envision new ways to shape this lively intersection. Atlanta stands at the heart of civil rights in the U.S. and was called the "Capital of the New South" after Reconstruction. The meeting in Atlanta will play off the city's history with the themes of nationalism and political identity as these themes intersect the Bible and biblical interpretation.

Participants will answer these questions: How would you describe the nexus "sacred texts and public life"? What role have the Bible and other sacred texts played in shaping national identities or other types of politics? What is the status of this conversation both in scholarship and in the public? If you were to explain to a class of incoming freshmen why they should develop critical awareness related to the topic (sacred texts and public life vis-à-vis nationalism and political identity), what would you say?

Panelists:

Jo Carruthers, Lancaster University (20 min)

Seth Perry, Princeton University (20 min)

Emerson Powery, Messiah College (20 min)

## S24-140

### SBL Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M102 (Marquis Level)

Steven Kraftchick, Emory University, Presiding (5 min)

Lisa M. Bowens, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Mapping the Terrain: Tracing Paul's Martial Imagery in 2 Cor 10-13 (25 min)*

David Rensberger, Independent Scholar

*Weapons of the Spirit: Paul's Warfare in 2 Cor 10:1-6 (25 min)*

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Christoph Heilig, University of Zurich  
*The Function of Paul's Triumph Metaphor: Solving the Crux of 2 Cor 2:14* (25 min)

Timothy Wiarda, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary  
(Mill Valley)  
*From Spirit and Gospel to Spirit and Christ* (25 min)

Responding:

Reimund Bieringer, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (10 min)

Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (5 min)

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## P24-141

### Søren Kierkegaard Society

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy F (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Kierkegaard and Biblical Hermeneutics in Conversation**

Kyle Roberts, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities,  
Presiding

Hugh S. Pyper, University of Sheffield  
*"I, Nebuchadnezzar, am no longer Nebuchadnezzar": Decolonizing the  
Mind in Kierkegaard, Fanon, and Glissant* (35 min)

Andrew Torrance, University of St. Andrews  
*When Scripture Gets in the Way: A Kierkegaardian Note of Caution*  
(35 min)

Mari Leesment, University of Toronto  
*Kierkegaard Explains Ecclesiastes: Contradictions as a Reflection of  
the Limits of Wisdom for Describing Life Under God* (35 min)

Silas Morgan, Loyola University of Chicago  
*On the Troubles of Thinking Postcolonially about Kierkegaard* (35  
min)

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## S24-142

### SBL Systematic Transformation and Interweaving of Scripture in 1 Corinthians Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - International 5 (International Level)

Theme: **Tongues, Prophecy, and Paul's Use of Scripture in 1  
Corinthians 14:20-25**

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Panelist:

Florian Wilk, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (20 min)

Responding:

Christopher Stanley, Saint Bonaventure University (12 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Mark Taylor, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (12 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Responding:

Erik Waaler, NLA University College (12 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Audience Q&A (24 min)

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## S24-143

### SBL Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Embassy G (International Tower Level LL2)

Theme: **Textual Criticism in Wider Perspectives**

This session will situate text critical questions among wider critical  
issues: cognitive science, sectarianism, translation styles, formation  
of books, and Qumran texts. Papers will pay special attention to Job,  
Isaiah, and Ezekiel.

Ingrid E. Lilly, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding

C.L. Seow, Vanderbilt University  
*The Text-Critical Value of 4QJob-a* (25 min)

Urmaz Nömmik, University of Tartu  
*The Old Greek Text of Job: Is It of Any Help for Textual Criticism?*  
(25 min)

Break (10 min)

Brian W. Davidson, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*'Warning' or 'Turning' in Isa 8:11 & the Qumran Communities* (25  
min)

John P. Flanagan, Universiteit Leiden  
*Ezekiel 7:3-11: An Oracle of Texts* (25 min)

Jonathan Vroom, University of Toronto  
*A Cognitive Approach to Copying Errors: Two Previously Unknown  
Constraints on Haplography* (25 min)

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## S24-144

### SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - Marquis C (Marquis Level)

Julia O'Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Danny Mathews, Pepperdine University  
*"Come, Let us go up to Bethel!" (Gen 35:3): The Bethel Traditions in  
the Jacob Cycle and Its Contribution to the Theology of Genesis* (30  
min)

Noel Forlini, Drew University  
*Facing the Dark: The Hidden Face of God at the Jabbok River (Gen  
32:22-32)* (30 min)

Justus T. Ghormley, University of Notre Dame  
*To Kill or Not to Kill: The Confluence of Ancient and Modern  
Theological Responses to the Moral Problem of Chereim* (30 min)

Sun Myung Lyu, Baekseok University  
*Sapiential Self-Reservation: Rhetoric of the Numerical Sayings in  
Proverbs 30* (30 min)

Justin Walker, Emory University  
*"Fear God and Keep His Commandments": An Unexpected Friendship  
between Qohaleth and Deuteronomy* (30 min)

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## S24-145

### SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt - Inman (Atlanta Conference Level)

Theme: **Literary-Mythological Studies in Ancient Mediterranean Context**

In memoriam Walter Burkert

Carolina Lopez-Ruiz, Ohio State University, Presiding

Theodore J. Lewis, Johns Hopkins University  
*God [ʾIlu] and King in KTU 1.23 (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Bruce Loudon, University of Texas at El Paso  
*The Aqbat, Prometheus, and Hesiod's Sacrifice at Mekone (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Carolina Lopez-Ruiz, Ohio State University  
*The Greek and North-West Semitic Titles of Aphrodite (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

Guy Darshan, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
*The Search for Priestly Law Genre within Ancient Mediterranean Context (25 min)*

Discussion (20 min)

## S24-146

### SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - A708 (Atrium Level)

Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding

Jason von Ehrenkrook, University of Massachusetts Boston  
*The President's Bible: Inaugural Addresses and the Politics of Scripture (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati  
*The Struggle and Paul (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Jim Linville, University of Lethbridge  
*Creating Genesis in Their Own Image: On Young Earth Creationism's Creative Mythology (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

M. L. Case, The University of Texas at Austin  
*The Myth of the Good Victim: Reading the Hebrew Bible in Rape Culture (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)

## S24-147

### SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott - M105 (Marquis Level)

Theme: **Apocryphal and Extrabiblical Wisdom Books**

Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa, Presiding

Samuel L. Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*Where is Ezra? Ben Sira's Surprising Omission and the Selective Presentation in the Praise of the Ancestors (25 min)*

Tzemah Yoreh, University of Toronto  
*Proposing a New Date for Ben Sira (25 min)*

Reed Carlson, Harvard University  
*Shared Theodicies of Pharaoh's Evil in the Wisdom of Solomon and the Mekhila De-Rabbi Ishmael (25 min)*

Break (10 min)

Alan Lenzi, University of the Pacific  
*Ludlul Bel Nemeqi and/as Revelation (25 min)*

Denise Flanders, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)  
*Why You Should Love Your Enemies: Examining Motive Clauses in 'Counsels of Wisdom' (25 min)*

Discussion (15 min)

## S24-148

### SBL-Westar Institute Public Lecture

9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Hyatt - International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Theme: **Interpreting Divine Violence in the Bible**

The Society of Biblical Literature and Westar Institute are pleased to announce joint sponsorship of a public lecture by world renowned biblical scholar John Dominic Crossan. Professor Crossan's lecture, based on his most recent book, addresses the struggle with divine violence from Genesis through Revelation.

Professor Crossan will describe how the biblical God oscillates between non-violent distributive justice and violent retributive justice, and he will demonstrate how the historical Jesus advocated, practiced, and modeled non-violent resistance to violent oppression.

Crossan is a leader in the field of biblical studies, having served both as the SBL President and as co-chair of Westar's Jesus Seminar. He is the author of twenty-five scholarly books and a frequent lecturer to general audiences.

This lecture, as well as the book Exhibit Hall, is open to the public free of charge.

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

Although the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature provide space for Additional Meetings, the content of these sessions is not reviewed by either the AAR or SBL's Program Units or their Program Committees.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

### M19-100

#### *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting — Main Editors

Thursday, 10:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### M20-3

#### Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education

Theme: **Secondary School Teachers of Religion**

Friday, 8:00 AM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

### M20-100

#### Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Jain Contemplative Praxis: Meditation, Mantra, & Mindfulness**

Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley,  
University of Melbourne, Presiding

Friday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Tillo Detige, Ghent University  
*Calling upon the (Un)responsive? Ritual Veneration as Contemplative Praxis in Digambara Jainism*

Ellen Gough, Emory University  
*Integrating Meditation on Maṇḍalas with the Jain Path to Liberation in the 10<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> Centuries*

Chris Miller, University of California, Davis  
*Contemplating Jīvas: The Ecological Implications of Jainism's Elemental Meditations*

Sherry Fohr, Converse College  
*Jain Narratives and Contemplative Praxis*

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College  
*Yaśovijaya's Thought on Jain Meditation, in Dialogue with Contemporary Preksha Meditation as Established (re-established?) by Acharya Tulsi*

Responding:

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University

### M20-101

#### Forum for Theological Exploration Alumni Consultation

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Marriott-Atrium A (Atrium Level)

### M20-109

#### *Believers Church Bible Commentary* Editorial Council Meeting

Friday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Sheraton-Savannah 2 (Level 2)

### M20-102

#### *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting — Main and Area Editors

Friday, 9:00 AM–3:30 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 4 (Level 1)

### M20-103

#### *Encyclopedia of the Bible and Its Reception* Editorial Board Meeting — Main and Area Editors

Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Sheraton-Augusta (Level 2)

### M20-104

#### Scriptural Reasoning Academic Network Annual Conference 2015

Friday, 8:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hyatt-Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

### M20-111

#### Odyssey Networks The Bible: Digital Media Panel

Friday, 10:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

ON Scripture — The Bible: Bringing scripture alive and making it relevant to the front page issues of the day. A Digital Media Panel on exploring the power of video and digital communities in faith based storytelling that creates a link between the word and the world that speaks to today's audience.



# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### M20-105

#### Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Sadhana: Hindu Contemplative Practice Across Traditions**

Friday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

James Madaio, University of Oxford

*The Saṃnyāsī's Path to Liberation: Sādhana in Medieval Advaita Vedānta*

Gopal Gupta, University of North Carolina

*Kṛṣṇa-smaraṇa: Canon, Charisma and Contemplative Spiritual Practice in the Gaudiya Vaisnava Tradition*

Kusumita P. Pedersen, Saint Francis College

*Sri Chinmoy's Teachings on the Methods of Goals of Spiritual Practice*

Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College

*Musical Maps to Samādhi: Sādhana Steps in the Songs of Mahāpanth Satis of Gujarat*

Loriliai Biernacki, University of Colorado

*Contemplative Studies and Hindu Sādhana*

### M20-106

#### Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Member Council (private)

Friday, 11:00 AM–5:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon E (Level 2)

### M20-107



#### Forum on Religion and Ecology, Yale University Annual Luncheon

Friday, 11:45 AM–1:45 PM

Hilton-208-209 (Level 2)

### M20-108

#### Drew University Pedagogy Workshop: Teaching Sexuality and Religion to a Changing Student Body

Friday, 12:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

Sexuality magnifies the embodied nature of teaching and learning as well as conspicuously silences open dialogue given its taboo status in many religious and theological contexts. This workshop engages participants in a discussion of contextual, affective, and trans/formational aspects of classroom pedagogy, offering constructive pedagogical strategies for teaching about sexuality and embodiment across a variety of institutional contexts (undergraduate, graduate, and seminary) and religious traditions (Christian, Jewish, Muslim). A wide range of faculty will present specific classroom teaching strategies developed during a year-long collaboration.

Participants will be encouraged to articulate their own desired student learning outcomes appropriate to their educational context and be equipped with a range of tested and refined pedagogical strategies. This workshop is sponsored by Drew University and funded by a grant from the Wabash Center. Registration is limited and required. Please register at <https://www.drew.edu/alumni/events/theological-school-alumni/pedagogy-workshop-teaching-sexuality-and-religion-to-a-changing-student-body>.

### M20-200

#### Review and Expositor Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2)

### M20-201

#### Theology and Ethics Colloquy Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Hilton-401 (Level 4)

### M20-206

#### Believers Church Bible Commentary Editorial Council Meeting

Friday, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM

Sheraton-Savannah 2 (Level 2)

### M20-203

#### Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

Theme: **Womanist In-Gathering**

Friday, 1:30 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Baker (Atlanta Conference Level)

### M20-204

#### Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Icons, Imagery, Imagination**

Friday, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott-International 2 (International Level)

Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College, Presiding

Nalini Rao, Soka Gakkai University

*Krishna's Vrindavana: Transformation of Imagery in Vaisnava Literature and Art*

Karma Lekshe Tsomo, University of San Diego

*Imagining Enlightenment: Icons and Ideology in Tibetan Buddhist Practice*

Kamini Gogri, University of Mumbai

*Samvasaran, The Congregation of the Tirthamkaras*

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i

*Icons: Limiting, Representing, or Presenting the Divine?*

Responding:

Dana Waide Sawyer, Maine College of Art

**M20-300****Oxford University Press New Oxford Annotated Bible Editorial Meeting**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM  
Hyatt-Chicago C (Exhibit Level)

**M20-309****Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network**

Friday, 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 1 (Level 1)

Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Presiding

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Presiding

The Network will discuss the arts in conjunction with feminist liberation theologies. Discussion and strategizing will follow their short presentations. All are welcome, so please RSVP to help us plan. Contact Mary at 301-589-2509 and [mbhunt@ber.com](mailto:mbhunt@ber.com) or Elisabeth at [eschussler@hds.harvard.edu](mailto:eschussler@hds.harvard.edu).

Katie G. Cannon, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*Antecedents of Womanist Artistic Expressions*

Cynthia Kittredge, Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest  
*A Lot of the Way Trees Were Walking*

Monica Maher, Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences, Ecuador  
*Feminist Liberation Theologies within the Museums of Quito, Ecuador*

Elizabeth Ursic, Mesa Community College  
*Making Things Rite: The Importance of Ritual in Feminist Liberation Theologies*

**M20-304****Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions Annual Meeting**

Friday, 4:30 PM–6:30 PM

Hyatt-Hanover G (Exhibit Level)

The meeting is open to anyone with an interest in teaching Native American Religious Traditions. The format is an open discussion.

**M20-305****Stone-Campbell Journal**

Theme: **A Conversation about Ancient Inscriptions and Manuscripts with a Reception**

Friday, 5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

SCJ invites friends and colleagues from all streams of life who identify with the Stone-Campbell Restoration Movement tradition for fellowship, light refreshments, and interesting conversation. For additional information contact William Baker at [scjeditor@aol.com](mailto:scjeditor@aol.com).

Chris Rollston, George Washington University  
*Writing and Literacy in the World of Ancient Israel: Epigraphic Evidence from the Iron Age* (Archaeology and Biblical Studies Series. Brill Press and the Society of Biblical Literature, 2010)

Curt Niccum, Abilene Christian University  
*The Bible in Ethiopia: The Book of Acts* (Ethiopic Manuscripts, Texts, and Studies 14; Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2014)

**M20-306****General Board of Higher Education and Ministry**

Theme: **United Methodist Women of Color Scholars Reception**

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

**M20-310****Association of Asian/North American Theological Educators (AANATE) Reception**

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hyatt-Spring (Atlanta Conference Level)

**M20-307****Feminist Studies in Religion Boards Preconference Meeting**

Friday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hyatt-Dunwoody (Atlanta Conference Level)

**M20-308****Mennonite Scholars and Friends**

Theme: **Human Being and/as Creation: Biblical, Theological, and Historical Perspectives**

Friday, 6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-A701 (Atrium Level)

Melanie Howard, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

David Rensberger, Decatur, GA  
*Being Human in Creation: Three Views from the Psalms*

Justin Heinzekehr, Hesston College  
*Shattering Hubmaier's Human: Rethinking Anabaptist Freedom for an Ecological Context*

Ry Siggelkow, Princeton Theological Seminary  
*The Earth is a Battlefield and No One Can Remain Neutral: Theological Anthropology as Apocalyptic Cosmology*

Laura Schmidt Roberts, Fresno Pacific University  
*'In the Beginning is Relation': Re-Forming Understanding of Human Creatureliness*

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### M20-400

#### New Religious Movements Group Mentoring Workshop

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Are you a graduate student or junior scholar whose work relates to the study of new or alternative religions? If so, this mentoring workshop may be for you. Mentees will be paired with more advanced scholars to discuss issues relevant to their particular work and/or academic situation. The workshop is free, but advance registration is required. To register, send an email of inquiry to Marie Dallam no later than Oct. 15, 2015 at [mwdallam@ou.edu](mailto:mwdallam@ou.edu).

### M20-401

#### Grawemeyer Award in Religion

Theme: **Celebrating Willie James Jennings' *The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race***

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-L404 (Lobby Level)

Panelists:

Lewis Brogdon, Clafin University

Jennifer Ho, University of North Carolina

Kathryn Lofton, Yale University

Responding:

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

### M20-405

#### National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion *Perspectives in Religious Studies* Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-International B (International Level)

### M20-406

#### Quaker Theological Discussion Group

Theme: **Review of Wess Daniels' *A Convergent Model of Renewal: Remixing the Quaker Tradition in a Participatory Culture***

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott-L402 (Lobby Level)

### M20-407

#### Word Made Fresh

Theme: **Full Acceptance of LGBTIQ Christians in the Church: Should Evangelicals Change Their Minds?**

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Thomas Oord, Northwest Nazarene University, Presiding

The Word Made Fresh lectures seek to stimulate creative dialogue among evangelical Christian scholars from diverse backgrounds about pressing issues in contemporary theology. Sponsored by Azusa Pacific University and Point Loma Nazarene University.

Panelist:

David P. Gushee, Mercer University

Responding:

Ronald J. Sider, Eastern University

### M20-408

#### *Religious Studies Review (RSR)* Annual Editorial Board Meeting

Friday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

### M20-403

#### Mennonite Scholars and Friends Reception

Friday, 8:30 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

### M20-404

#### Feminist Studies in Religion Reception

Friday, 8:30 PM–10:30 PM

Hyatt-Techwood (Atlanta Conference Level)

### M20-409

#### Friends of Animals and Religion Reception

Friday, 9:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton-Savannah 1 (Level 2)

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## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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### M21-1

#### **Feminist Studies in Religion JFSR Editorial Board Meeting**

Saturday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

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### M21-3

#### **Worldviews: Global Religions, Culture, and Ecology Board Meeting**

Saturday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Hilton-Grand Salon C (Level 2)

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### M21-6

#### **Spiritus Journal Annual Board Meeting**

Saturday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Sheraton-Atlanta 2 (Level 1)

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### M21-9

#### **Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)**

Theme: **Buddhism and Mindfulness: Meditation, Integrative Medicine, and Contemplative Studies**

Saturday, 8:00 AM–9:30 AM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

Ramakrishnan Parameshwaran, Harvard University  
*Towards Reconciliation of Hindu and Buddhist Doctrines of Ātman and Anātman Using Intertextual Studies, Neuro-Psychological Principles of Mindfulness and its Trans-Personal Application*

Rajinder Gandhi, Columbia University  
*Mindfulness: MBSR and Integrative Medicine*

Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University  
*Creating Contemplative Studies in the Southwest: Theory and Practice*

Christopher D. Zeftering, Harvard University  
*Practice for a Holistic Life: How Mindfulness Can Affect the Brain, Body, and Sensory Experiences*

Responding:

Robin Rinehart, Lafayette College

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### M21-4

#### **Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Mentoring Gathering (Private)**

Saturday, 8:30 AM–10:00 AM

Sheraton-Georgia 12 (Level 1)

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### M21-109

#### **SAGE Publications *The Bible Translator* Editorial Board Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Sheraton-Atlanta 4 (Level 1)

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### M21-101

#### **National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion November Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hyatt-Greenbriar (Atlanta Conference Level)

Panelist:

Willie J. Jennings, Yale University

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### M21-104

#### **Presbyterian Church (USA)**

Theme: **Theology for the PC (USA)**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton-310 (Level 3)

“Theology for the PC (USA)” provides a space for PC (USA) Presbyterians (and interested friends) to reflect on theological matters that are playing out in the life of congregations, councils of the church, and across the denomination as we seek faithfully to follow Jesus Christ, together. Reflections on a common theme are offered by a Presbyterians teaching in the theological disciplines, by one serving in one of the councils of the denomination (presbytery, synod, or General Assembly), and by one serving as a pastor. Time is provide for questions and answers, and for general discussion.

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### M21-108

#### **Global Network for Public Theology**

Theme: **Public Theology in a Global Context: Reports From the Field**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Sheraton-Augusta (Level 2)

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### M21-102

#### **Booth University College Salvation Army Scholars and Friends Annual Meeting**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton-308 (Level 3)

Andrew Eason, Booth University College, Presiding

Bruce Power, Booth University College  
*Revisiting the Sociology of Salvationism: Mature (?) Musings of a Participant Observer*

Nathan T. Miller, Asbury University  
*Beneath Two Flags: Music as a Lens for Understanding Salvationist Identity in America during the Age of Nationalism*

Rebecca Carter-Chand, University of Toronto  
*The Politics of Being Apolitical: The Salvation Army in Nazi Germany*

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# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

### M21-103

#### Society for the Study of Anglicanism

Theme: **A Scots Irish Anabaptist at the Court of St Augustine: Reflections on Communion, Conflict and Culture**

Saturday, 9:00 AM–12:30 PM

Hilton-211 (Level 2)

The Center for Anglican Communion Studies at Virginia Theological Seminary and Ripon College Cuddesdon partner each year to host the annual Society for the Study of Anglicanism meeting. The Society is a research-led body that is committed to excellence in promoting the study of Anglicanism. The scholarly presentations inform dynamic discussion on varied topics. Martyn Percy serves as President with Robert Heaney and Mark Chapman serving as co-Conveners of the Society. This year's presenter is Canon David Porter, Archbishop of Canterbury's Director for Reconciliation.

A committed anabaptist originally from Belfast, Northern Ireland, where he was involved in peace building for twenty-five years. His background informs a distinctive approach to addressing the challenges and opportunities within Anglicanism today. His role at Lambeth is to enable the Church to contribute to transforming the often violent conflicts which overshadow the lives of many Anglicans worldwide, while working to support creative ways for renewing conversations and relationships around deeply held differences within the Church of England and wider Anglican Communion.

### M21-100

#### Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Book Review: *The Nay Science: A History of German Indology* by Vishwa Adluri and Joydeep Bagchee**

Saturday, 9:30 AM–11:30 AM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Rita Sherma, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Panelists:

Anant Rambachan, Saint Olaf College  
Robert A. Yelle, University of Munich  
Robert M. Seltzer, Hunter College and the Graduate School of CUNY  
David Cereguas, Hunter College  
Veena Howard, California State University, Fresno  
Douglas T. McGetchin, Florida Atlantic University  
Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College  
James Madaio, University of Oxford  
Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley, University of Melbourne

Responding:

Joydeep Bagchee, Freie Universität Berlin  
Vishwa Adluri, Hunter College, CUNY

### M21-110

#### Wesley Works Board of Directors Luncheon

Saturday, 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott-L503 (Lobby Level)

### M21-105

#### Dharma Academy of North America (DANAM)

Theme: **Methods in Indian Discourse: Comparative Perspectives on Reason, Theology and Tradition**

Saturday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM

Marriott-A704 (Atrium Level)

Graham M. Schweig, Christopher Newport University, Presiding

Jonathan Edelmann, University of Florida  
*Unfolding Experience: Texts in Psychological Contexts*

Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University  
*The Pātañjala Yoga-System: An Interesting Chapter in the History of Indian Theism*

Chakravarthi Ram-Prasad, Lancaster University  
*God without Otherness: 'Non-dual Theology' in Gītā 14.27*

Anand Venkatkrishnan, Columbia University  
*Love in the Time of Scholarship: Theists, Non-Theists, and Intellectual Historians*

Nalini Bhushan, Smith College  
*Līlā vs Māyā: The 19th Century India*

Responding:

Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley,  
University of Melbourne

### M21-106



#### Stanford University Press

Theme: **New Directions in Protestant Social Ethics**

Saturday, 12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Hilton-Grand Salon D (Level 2)

This roundtable discussion will explore new directions in Protestant Social Ethics, broadly construed. Protestant Social Ethics is a diverse tradition comprising a multiplicity of voices, institutions, and practices. Seeking to discern the continuing viability of this tradition, and in order to identify topics for future collaborative inquiry, panelists will respond to the question posed by Ernst Troeltsch's *The Social Teaching of the Christian Churches*: what resources, if any, does Protestantism have for contending with the problems facing our social moment? Afterward, a business meeting will be held to ascertain interest in an ongoing AAR Protestant Social Ethics Group.

**M21-200****Theology Without Walls Group**Theme: **Sources and Resources for Transreligious Theology**

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 10 (Level 1)

Jeanine Diller, University of Toledo, Presiding

Transreligious theology offers the possibility of a more adequate understanding of, and response to, reality. It also addresses the needs of the rising number of those who are “spiritual but not religious.”

For a long time, theology has meant “confessional” theology, and its materials and methods have been confessional. Panelists will explore resources that are available to help us think purposefully outside confessional boundaries.

Panelists:

Kurt Anders Richardson, University of Toronto

Kenneth Cracknell, Brite Divinity School

S. Mark Heim, Andover Newton Theological School

John Thatamanil, Union Theological Seminary

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University

Responding:

Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado

**M21-201****Nazarene Theological College, Manchester**Theme: **The Promise of Robert Jenson’s Theology: Constructive Engagements**

Saturday, 2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 11 (Level 1)

Stephen Holmes, University of St. Andrews

*Radicalising the Communicatio: Jenson’s Theology in Confessional Lutheran Perspective*

Peter J. Leithart, Theopolis Institute

*The Biblical God*

Kristin Graff-Kallevåg, MF - Norwegian School of Theology

*One God—One Story? Engaging the Concept of Metanarrative in Jenson’s Theology of Baptism***M21-202****Colloquy on the Future of Theological Education**Theme: **Theological Education in an Age of Miseducation: The Raveling and Unravelling of our Seminaries?**

Saturday, 2:30 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott-L503 (Lobby Level)

**M21-300****Yale University Press**Theme: **Reception to Celebrate the Publication of Miroslav Volf’s New Book, *Flourishing***

Saturday, 5:30 PM–7:30 PM

Westin-Chastain G (Level 6)

By Invitation Only

**M21-203****Festschrift Presentation to Susan Niditch Meeting**

Saturday, 6:00 PM–7:00 PM

Westin-Chastain A (Level 6)

**M21-204****Forum for Theological Exploration Reception Honoring Fellows and Alumni**

Saturday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Sheraton-Capitol Center-South (Level 1)

**M21-205****John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics Reception**

Saturday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Westin-Chastain E (Level 6)

**M21-301****Religion Dispatches Reception**

Saturday, 6:00 PM–8:00 PM

Westin-Peachtree 2 (Level 8)

**M21-419****Unitarian Universalist Scholars and Friends**Theme: **Discussion and Reception — Liberal Religious Perspectives on Class and Economic Inequality**

Saturday, 6:30 PM–9:30 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 1 (Level 1)

For more than a century, religious liberals have supported popular movements for economic justice, yet Unitarian Universalist congregations continue to be characterized by high levels of educational and economic privilege. In an effort to come to terms with this paradox, the Unitarian Universalist Association has selected “Escalating Inequality” as its Congregational Study Action Issue and the UU Commission on Appraisal has launched a three-year study of class dynamics within Unitarian Universalism. This year’s discussion seeks to make a scholarly contribution to these two conversations, exploring the ways liberal religion is both complicit in structures of economic injustice and an important participant in efforts to build beloved community. Jonathan Rogers, Acting Associate Minister at the UU Congregation of Atlanta, will open the event with a chalice lighting. The discussion will begin at 6:30 PM; a reception will follow at 8:00 PM. Co-sponsored by Harvard Divinity School, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Starr King School for the Ministry, Beacon Press, and the Unitarian Universalist Panel on Theological Education.

Panelists:

Gabriella Lettini, Starr King School for the Ministry

Rosemary Bray McNatt, Starr King School for the Ministry

Myriam Renaud, University of Chicago

Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

### M21-400

#### 2015 Templeton Prize Plenary Lecture : Becoming a Self For Others

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Marriott-Atrium B (Atrium Level)



Jean Vanier

Jean Vanier, the 2015 Templeton Prize Laureate, is the founder of L'Arche, an international network of communities where people with and without intellectual disabilities live and work together as peers. L'Arche encourages people toward mutually transformative relationships, where those who help are transformed by those they encounter. Vanier has extended his advocacy of belonging and social justice, with years of leadership efforts across the globe to nurture dialogue and unity among Christians, Hindus, Jews, Muslims and other faiths.

Following video highlights from the Templeton Prize ceremony, and a video filmed at the original L'Arche community in Trosly-Breuil, France, Prof. Michael Spezio will present results from research that seeks to understand the love shown by the people in the L'Arche community and what makes possible the daily commitments over years of dedication to care for and take joy in one another. The study's methods range from careful listening and understanding of long-form narrative interviews with people in L'Arche, to novel tasks in the laboratory designed to present possibilities for the care of others in need, to cutting edge measures of electrical activity from the brain.

The program also includes L'Arche leaders and caregivers, who live the journey of L'Arche every day.

Panelists:

Michael Spezio, Scripps College

Tina Bovermann, L'Arche USA

Tim Moore, L'Arche Atlanta

### M21-421



#### American Bible Society

Theme: *Hope Rising: Stories of Trauma and Healing*

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:15 PM

Hyatt-Edgewood (Atlanta Conference Level)

*Hope Rising: Stories of Trauma and Healing* reveals the heart-breaking realities of war-torn Congo where "boy soldiers" were kidnapped and recruited to kill, and young women were raped in unprecedented numbers. Those who survived did so with little more than their lives intact. The trauma of violence left a nation of women, men and children largely unable to function, incapable of rebuilding their lives or their devastated communities. In this one-hour documentary, we meet:

- Emmanuel, John and Alice: Children forced to be soldiers
- Melania and Maria: Raped mothers, whose children suffer from the memory of violence
- Riziki: The sole survivor when her church burned to the ground with her family inside
- Pastor Kahiwa: He comforts his shattered congregation while suffering the effects of trauma himself

Developed by psychologists, counselors, missiologists, and Bible translators, the trauma healing program model is founded on biblical texts. The urgent question is: Can principles of healing rooted in faith help those who have been deeply traumatized? Using story-telling techniques and drama, Dr. Harriet Hill of American Bible Society works with the traumatized to help them to discover real hope found in Scripture allowing them to rebuild their lives and to function once again.

### M21-401



#### Brigham Young University Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Westin-Piedmont 2 (Level 12)

### M21-402



#### United Church of Christ Scholars Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 13 (Level 1)

Meet, greet, and a time of brief updates on research, work, and teaching on themes of anti-racism in theology. What is emerging in our work around releasing an investment in whiteness in our common lives and for the common and civic good? What innovations and transformations are afoot? Where is theory meeting practice, contemporary and ancient...congregationally, in worship, in extravagant welcome, in networking and witness for multiethnic life in worship, poetry and the arts, and civic advocacy?

### M21-403



#### William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co. Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin-Augusta 1-3 (Level 7)

### M21-404

#### Zen Reading Group Second Annual Meeting

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott-International 9 (International Level)

Steven Heine, Florida International University

*Introduction to Zen Readings*

Mario Poceski, University of Florida

*Mazu's Texts*

Jiang Wu, University of Arizona

*Seventeenth-Century Chinese Chan*

Gereon Kopf, Luther College

*New Approaches to Dōgen*

Responding:

Jin Y. Park, American University

### M21-405



#### Indiana University Religious Studies Alumni and Friends Reception

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin-Augusta H (Level 7)

**M21-420****College Theology Society**Theme: **Whither the Family? The Year in Review**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 5 (Level 1)

The year 2015 presented many crises and opportunities for Catholic thinking on marriage and family: the Supreme Court ruling in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, the Synod on the Family in Rome, the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, etc. Join our special guests in an open conversation about these developments and their possible consequences in U.S. Catholic life and thought.

**M21-422****Interfaith Youth Core, the Center for Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Studies at Chicago Theological Seminary, CIRCLE, ICJS, KAICIID Dialogue Centre, and The Pluralism Project Studies Group Reception**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin-Savannah C (Level 10)

All are welcome at the reception for the Interreligious and Interfaith Studies group. The reception is hosted as a partnership between Interfaith Youth Core, the Center for Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Studies at Chicago Theological Seminary, the Center for Inter-Religious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE), ICJS, KAICIID Dialogue Centre, and the Pluralism Project.

**M21-423****Critical Research on Religion Reception**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Offsite-Meehan's Public House, 200 Peachtree Street

You are invited to a reception sponsored by *Critical Research on Religion* (<http://crr.sagepub.com>) in conjunction with the following AAR groups: Sociology of Religion, Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion, Cultural History and the Study of Religion, Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence, Critical Approaches to Hip Hop and Religion, and the Religion and the Social Sciences Section.

**M21-407****Theology and Science Reception**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton-Athens (Level 2)

Sponsored by the Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion (IBCSR), Institute on Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS), Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), and Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS)

Please join us for refreshments and conversation at this year's Science and Religion Hospitality Event, sponsored by:

The Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion (IBCSR) sponsors research in the scientific study of religion, supports Boston University's Religion and Science PhD, publishes the journal *Religion, Brain and Behavior* and the monthly IBCSR Research Review. ([www.ibcsr.org](http://www.ibcsr.org))

The Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), offers seminary courses, public lectures, and student symposia and shares offices with *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*. ([www.zygoncenter.org](http://www.zygoncenter.org))

The Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS) supports research, provides MDiv and doctoral courses through the Ian G. Barbour Chair at the Graduate Theological Union, and publishes the peer-reviewed journal *Theology and Science*. ([www.ctns.org](http://www.ctns.org))

The Institute on Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS) is an open membership organization that holds annual summer conferences and co-publishes the peer-reviewed journal, *Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science*. ([www.iras.org](http://www.iras.org))

**M21-408****Graduate Theological Union Reception**

Saturday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin-Savannah A (Level 10)

**M21-409****Fordham University Theology Department Reception**

Saturday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM

Westin-Chastain F (Level 6)

Alumni/ae, friends, colleagues, prospective graduate students, and all comers are invited to join Fordham University's Department of Theology for a festive reception hosted by our faculty and graduate students.

**M21-410****Dallas Theological Seminary Alumni Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:00 PM

Sheraton-Macon (Level 2)

**M21-424****Enoch Seminar Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:00 PM

Westin-Chastain I (Level 6)

**M21-412****Society for Pentecostal Studies and Wesleyan Theological Society Joint Reception**

Saturday, 8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Westin-Chastain D (Level 6)

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

### M21-413



#### Macquarie University and Australian College of Theology Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin-Chastain J (Level 6)

Macquarie University is Australia's premier center for the study of Ancient History, with a long record of integrating early Christianity and the New Testament in its Jewish and Greco-Roman setting. The Australian College of Theology (ACT) is Australia's largest provider of theological education. The ACT enrolls almost 3000 students each year. It is a major center of biblical research, with collaborative research links with Macquarie University. Friends and colleagues of both institutions are very welcome to attend the reception.

### M21-414



#### Baker Academic and Brazos Press Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin-Chastain 1-2 (Level 6)

### M21-415



#### De Gruyter Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin-Augusta A (Level 7)

### M21-416



#### Hispanic Theological Initiative Consortium Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 8-10 (Level 1)

### M21-417



#### New Religious Movements Group and *Nova Religio* Reception

Saturday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Westin-Piedmont 4 (Level 12)

### M21-411



#### Templeton Prize Reception

Saturday, 8:15 PM–10:15 PM

Marriott-Atrium A (Atrium Level)

### M21-418



#### Universities of Zurich, Basel, Bern, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, and Lucerne Swiss Reception

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin-Peachtree 1-2 (Level 8)

The Departments of Theology and Religious Studies of the Swiss Universities (Basel, Bern, Fribourg, Geneva, Lausanne, Lucerne, Zurich) warmly welcome friends, colleagues, alumni/ae, and prospective graduate and doctoral students to a festive, evening gathering.

### M21-425



#### Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University Reception

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin-Chastain G (Level 6)

### M21-426



#### *Journal of Religion and Violence* Reception

Saturday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin-Imperial Suite (69<sup>th</sup> Floor)

Academic Publishing, The AAR Groups on Comparative Approaches to Religion and Violence, Culture History in the Study of Religion, and Critical Theories and Discourses on Religion are proud to sponsor a reception for the *Journal of Religion and Violence*. Please come to meet the new editors and to celebrate the journal's launch.

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### M22-1

#### Church of Christ Professors Meeting

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Marriott-A602 (Atrium Level)

### M22-2



#### Higher Education and Leadership Ministries Disciples of Christ Student and Faculty Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Sheraton-Georgia 7 (Level 1)

### M22-5



#### Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Alumni Connect Breakfast

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Sheraton-Georgia 10 (Level 1)

We welcome Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary alumni to our Annual Breakfast. This will be an occasion for alumni to connect with one another and interact with Gordon-Conwell faculty who will be attending the Annual Meetings.

The event is free and open to alumni and spouses. Registration is required online at: <http://my.gordonconwell.edu/sbl2015> or by calling 978-646-4272. We hope you will join us!

**M22-6****New York Theological Seminary and the *Journal of World Christianity* Breakfast**

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:45 AM  
Sheraton-Georgia 11 (Level 1)

**M22-7****Temple University Breakfast**

Sunday, 7:00 AM–8:45 AM  
Sheraton-Georgia 12 (Level 1)

**M22-8****Green Seminary Initiative**

Theme: **Seminary Environmental Certification Program**  
Sunday, 7:30 AM–8:30 AM  
Sheraton-Georgia 2 (Level 1)

The Green Seminary Initiative, a program of Drew Theological School and GreenFaith, is preparing to launch an environmental certification program for seminaries, divinity schools, and schools of theology. This program will provide a range of resources and forms of support to empower these schools to integrate caring for God's creation into all areas of institutional life, including coursework and research. Join us to learn more about this program, how it is structured, and how your school can become involved.

**M22-3****Center of Theological Inquiry Breakfast Reception**

Sunday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM  
Marriott-A703 (Atrium Level)

**M22-4****Feminist Studies in Religion Web Board Meeting**

Sunday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM  
Hyatt-Auburn (Atlanta Conference Level)

**M22-100****Heart Chakra Society**

Theme: **Dharma and Religious Pluralism**  
Sunday, 10:00 AM–11:30 AM  
Hyatt-Harris (Atlanta Conference Level)

This inaugural meeting of the Heart Chakra Society will address the issue of preserving the distinctiveness of Sanatana Dharma, commonly known as Hinduism, in the face of incursions by Abrahamic traditions, appropriations by commercial interests, and threats of an ecological nature.

Globalization presents an opportunity for the dharmic family of religions in that it spreads these belief systems around the world, and yet the paradox of the diaspora is that going global also re-molds tradition, sometimes to the point of being unrecognizable. The session will explore opportunities for engaged pedagogy, performance, and scholarship to combat the erosion of dharmic belief systems in the twenty-first century. A brief business meeting will follow the program.

Panelist:

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College

Responding:

Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University

David Dillard-Wright, University of South Carolina, Aiken

**M22-101****HUC-JIR School of Graduate Studies Alumni Association Annual Alumni Luncheon 2015**

Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:00 PM  
Hyatt-Hanover F (Exhibit Level)

**M22-104****International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT)**

Theme: **Reflections on Political Islam: Concepts and Contexts**  
Sunday, 11:30 AM–1:30 PM  
Westin-Savannah AB (Level 10)

Panelist:

John L. Esposito, Georgetown University

**M22-102*****Struggling in Good Faith***

Theme: **LGBTQI Inclusion from 13 American Religious Perspectives**

Sunday, 11:45 AM–12:45 PM  
Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

This meeting will be an opportunity to learn about and discuss the new book *Struggling in Good Faith: LGBTQI Inclusion from 13 American Religious Perspectives*. This is a comparative religion sourcebook that highlights how engagement, wrestling, and transformation is occurring across the landscape of American faith traditions. *Struggling in Good Faith* explores how religious communities strive to stay true to their own doctrines while acknowledging the wide range of human sexual and gender identities. LGBTQI and allied experts-scholars, clergy and activists-from a broad range of religious traditions discuss how their traditions' texts and authoritative voices have contributed to the visibility or disenfranchisement of LGBTQI people. Writing from an inside perspective about their communities, they address the ways in which inclusion for LGBTQI community members is being consciously constructed or denied, what textual or authoritative changes have taken place, and how transformation has resulted from creative engagement with the tradition by LGBTQI people and their allies. A light lunch will be offered during this session.

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

## M22-200

### North American Hindu Association of Dharma Studies

Theme: **What is Ghar-Vapasi?**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:00 PM

Marriott-A601 (Atrium Level)

Phyllis Herman, California State University, Northridge, Presiding

For more information contact [Arvind.Sharma@mcgill.ca](mailto:Arvind.Sharma@mcgill.ca).

Panelists:

Ramdas Lamb, University of Hawai'i

Balaji Murli, Hindu American Foundation

Purushottama Bilimoria, University of California, Berkeley,  
University of Melbourne

Responding:

Francis X. Clooney, Harvard University

## M22-201

### Liverpool Hope University and University of Manchester

Theme: **"With Their Own Voice": The Current State and Future Direction of Methodist-Evangelical Primary Text Scholarship**

Sunday, 1:00 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Lenox (Atlanta Conference Level)

David Hart, Methodist Church of Great Britain, Presiding

Panelists:

David Ceri Jones, Aberystwyth University

Andrew Cheatle, Liverpool Hope University

Randy L. Maddox, Duke University

Kenneth Minkema, Yale University

Gareth Lloyd, University of Manchester

## M22-204

### Interfaith Youth Core Faculty Programs

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hilton-406 (Level 4)

Join Interfaith Youth Core for an informal Q&A session to learn about our programs and offerings for faculty, including faculty development seminars, upcoming conferences, online teaching resources, and opportunities for curriculum-development funding. For more information, visit [www.ifyc.org](http://www.ifyc.org) or email Cassie Meyer, [cassie@ifyc.org](mailto:cassie@ifyc.org).

## M22-202

### Analytic Theology Lecture Series Fifth Annual Analytic Theology Lecture

Sunday, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 1-2 (Level 1)

Philosophers, in general, have focused on two ways of coming to know God: by having an experience of some sort of God, and by reading or being told narratives about God's actions.

In this talk I develop the idea that one can also come to know God by participating in liturgical enactments. Sponsored by the Center for Philosophy of Religion at the University of Notre Dame. A reception will follow this lecture at 4:30 PM. Food and drinks will be served.

Nicholas Wolterstorff, Yale University

*The Liturgical Knowledge of God*

## M22-203

### AAR Mid-Atlantic Region

Theme: **Race Relationships in Baltimore and NYC through the Lens of Religious and Theological Scholarship**

Sunday, 3:30 PM–4:30 PM

Hyatt-Marietta (Atlanta Conference Level)

Sabrina MisirHiralall, Montclair State University, Presiding

The MAR-AAR will host a short panel discussion and then facilitate small group discussions about the racially significant events that have occurred in the Mid-Atlantic this year. There will be a fifteen minute presentation by Dr. Douglas, describing the landscape of these events and reflecting on the responses among religious communities to them. Then the respondents will offer remarks, one from an ethics perspective, and one from an activist perspective. Next, the moderator will open it up for 20 minutes of small group discussion among the attendees. At least one question on the table will be how to introduce topics, such as race relations in a fair and helpful way to students.

Panelist:

Kelly Brown Douglas, Goucher College

Responding:

Carl Garrison, Community of Hope Ministries, New York City

Foster Pinkney, University of Chicago

## M22-300

### Tutku Tours

Theme: **The Smyrna Excavations**

Sunday, 4:00 PM–5:00 PM

Marriott-M105 (Marquis Level)

Mark Wilson, Regent University, Presiding

## M22-302

### Analytic Theology Lecture Series Fifth Annual Analytic Theology Reception

Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton-Atlanta 3-4 (Level 1)

Sponsored by the Center for Philosophy of Religion at the University of Notre Dame. This reception follows the Fifth Annual Analytic Theology Lecture, given by Nicholas Wolterstorff, session M22-202. Food and drinks will be served.

## M22-303

### Journal of Religious Ethics Editorial Board Meeting

Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Sheraton-Georgia 2 (Level 1)

**M22-304****HarperOne**

Theme: *The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary*

Sunday, 4:30 PM–6:00 PM

Westin-Peachtree D (Level 8)

This session will introduce *The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary* (HarperOne). At the center of *The Study Quran* is a new translation of the Quran prepared by the editors. Explaining the translation is an extensive 900,000-word verse-by-verse commentary by the editors of the entire Quran, which incorporates and explains a range of views from Islam's vast exegetical tradition. The volume also contains fifteen companion essays about the Quran by leading scholars; specialized maps of Arabia, Makkah and Madinah, and key events of the Prophet's life; and an extensive appendix of the sourcing for all the *hadith* mentioned in the commentary. This session will begin an opening statement by the project's editor-in-chief, Seyyed Hossein Nasr, followed by a moderated panel discussion with leading scholars in the field of religion, and will conclude with an open Q&A with the editors.

Panelists:

Seyyed Hossein Nasr, George Washington University

Caner Dagli, College of the Holy Cross

Maria Massi Dakake, George Mason University

Joseph Lumbard, American University of Sharjah

Mohammed Rustom, Carleton University

Jack Miles, University of California, Irvine

**M22-309****Religion and American Law Discussion Group**

Theme: **Contemporary Issues in Religion and American Law**

Sunday, 5:00 PM–8:00 PM

Hilton-406 (Level 4)

This is the second annual meeting of the Religion and American Law Discussion Group. Panelists have been invited to present papers on issues of contemporary importance at the intersection of religion and American law, with a focus on religious liberty litigation and state and federal legislation and regulation. Meeting is open to all students, faculty, advocates, and those generally interested in the topic.

**M22-306****Paulist Press Celebrating 150 Years: Reception in Honor of Bernard McGinn, Outgoing Editor-in-Chief of the Classics of Western Spirituality Series**

Sunday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Hyatt-International North (International Tower Level LL1)

**M22-308****Loyola University, Maryland**

Theme: **Decreation: A Discussion with Paul Griffiths**

Sunday, 6:00 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott-M301-302 (Marquis Level)

Daniel Wade McClain, Loyola University, Maryland, Presiding

Panelists:

William T. Cavanaugh, DePaul University

Jame Schaefer, Marquette University

Frederick C. Bauerschmidt, Loyola University, Maryland

Paul Griffiths, Duke University

**M22-400****Denver University/Illiff School of Theology Joint PhD Program in the Study of Religion Reception**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Westin-Piedmont 4 (Level 12)

**M22-401****University of North Carolina Chapel Hill Department of Religious Studies Reception**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton-Macon (Level 2)

**M22-420****China Academic Consortium Networking**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Westin-Piedmont 3 (Level 12)

At this reception, CAC would like to gather Christian scholars and seminarians who are committed to academic work in China. Our passion is to partner with the church and seminaries. During this reception there will be opportunity to hear about current developments in China and share personal experiences.

**M22-422****University of Oxford and University of Cambridge Joint Reception**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Sheraton-Capitol Center (Level 1)

The Universities of Oxford and Cambridge are delighted to invite colleagues, friends, alumni and prospective graduate students to a reception at the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings in Atlanta. Come hear an update on developments in Oxford's Faculty of Theology and Religion and Cambridge's Faculty of Divinity, and meet current faculty members. Prospective students are warmly welcome to come and learn about the benefits of studying in Oxford or Cambridge. Further information is available at [www.theology.ox.ac.uk](http://www.theology.ox.ac.uk) and [www.divinity.cam.ac.uk](http://www.divinity.cam.ac.uk).

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### M22-423

#### Yale University Divinity School Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM  
Hilton-Grand Salon A (Level 2)

### M22-307

#### Louisville Institute Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM  
Hilton-Grand Ballroom D (Level 2)

### M22-402

#### Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section Panel and Reception Celebrating the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Nag Hammadi

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM  
Sheraton-Capitol North (Level 1)

Join us for a panel discussion on the production of English, French, and German editions of the Nag Hammadi Codices. We'll have a reception with snacks afterwards.

#### Panelists:

John D. Turner, University of Nebraska  
Paul-Hubert Poirier, Université Laval  
Gesine Schenke-Robinson, Claremont School of Theology

### M22-403

#### Princeton University Department of Religion Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM  
Westin-Savannah C (Level 10)

### M22-404

#### University of Helsinki Nordic Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM  
Marriott-Marquis C (Marquis Level)

### M22-405

#### University of Iowa Alumni and Friends Reception

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:00 PM  
Westin-Piedmont 2 (Level 12)

### M22-421

#### Bahá'í Studies Colloquy 2015 Meeting

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM  
Westin-Piedmont 6 (Level 12)  
Susan Maneck, Jackson State University, Presiding  
Christopher Glen White, Vassar College  
*Theories of Cognition, Attention and Embodiment and Bahá'í Obligatory Prayers*

Loni Bramson, American Public University System  
*American Bahá'í Race Relations Work in the 1920s and 1930s: A Means to Develop the Bahá'í Administrative Order in the United States*

Anthony A. Lee, West Los Angeles College  
*Tahirih: A Theology in Poetry*

Mikhail Sergeev, University of the Arts  
*Life After Death in the Writings of 'Abdu'l-Bahá*

Mike McMullen, University of Houston, Clear Lake  
*A Snapshot of Bahá'í Programs for Youth and Young Adults: Data From the FACT 2015 Survey*

For additional information about the Bahá'í Studies Colloquy, contact Robert Stockman at [rstockman@usbnc.org](mailto:rstockman@usbnc.org) or 847-337-7750 (cell).

### M22-419

#### Liturgical Press

Theme: **Introducing the Wisdom Commentary Series**

Sunday, 7:00 PM–9:30 PM  
Sheraton-Capitol South (Level 1)  
The reception will be 7:00 PM–9:30 PM. Remarks by editors and authors at 7:30 PM.

### M22-424

#### Princeton Theological Seminary Reception with President Craig Barnes

Sunday, 7:00 PM–10:00 PM  
Hilton-Grand Ballroom B (Level 2)

### M22-406

#### Jewish Theological Seminary Reception

Sunday, 7:30 PM–9:00 PM  
Sheraton-Augusta (Level 2)  
The Jewish Theological Seminary and the Gershon Kekst Graduate School invite JTS alumni, faculty, colleagues, and friends to a light kosher reception.

### M22-429

#### NEH California Pluralism Project California State University Systemwide Reception

Sunday, 8:00 PM–9:00 PM  
Westin-Piedmont 5 (Level 12)

**M22-407****Trinity Evangelical Divinity School Alumni and Friends Dessert Reception**

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM  
Westin-Chastain G (Level 6)

**M22-425****Alpha Christianity Project**

Theme: **Two Reconstructions of the Gospel of Mark**

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM

Marriott-International C (International Level)

An open discussion of the contrasting Mark reconstructions of Christopher I. Beckwith and E. Bruce Brooks, both of whom will be present. For the texts, and other details, see <http://www.umass.edu/wsp/alpha/forum/sbl2015/index.html>. The session will conclude with a brief business meeting to plan for the following year, and for the next volume of the journal *Alpha*.

**M22-426****Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture Reception**

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM  
Sheraton-Athens (Level 2)

**M22-427****Concordia Seminary, Concordia Theological Seminary, and Concordia Publishing House Reception**

Sunday, 8:00 PM–10:00 PM  
Westin-Piedmont 1 (Level 12)

**M22-428****Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary PhD Annual Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Atlanta 3-4 (Level 1)

**M22-408****Brite Divinity School Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–10:30 PM  
Westin-Peachtree 1-2 (Level 8)

**M22-409****Brown University Department of Religious Studies and the Program in Judaic Studies Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Savannah A (Level 10)

**M22-410****Columbia University Religion Department Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Savannah B (Level 10)

**M22-411****Emory University Graduate Division of Religion Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Chastain 1-2 (Level 6)

**M22-412****Florida State University Department of Religion Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Georgia 8-9 (Level 1)

**M22-413****Johns Hopkins University Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Chastain E (Level 6)

**M22-414****Southern Methodist University and Perkins School of Theology Alumni/ae and Friends Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Chastain F (Level 6)

**M22-415****Scottish Universities Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Augusta 1-3 (Level 7)

**M22-416****Union Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Georgia 3-4 (Level 1)

**M22-417****University of California, Santa Barbara Religious Studies Reception**

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Savannah 1-3 (Level 2)

# ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

### M22-418

#### University of Chicago Divinity School Reception for Alumni and Friends

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Westin-Peachtree C (Level 8)

### M22-430

#### Boston University Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Georgia 13 (Level 1)

### M22-431

#### Duke University Graduate Program in Religion Alumni Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Offsite-Commerce Club of Atlanta, 191 Peachtree Street NE, 49<sup>th</sup> Floor

### M22-432

#### Syracuse University Department of Religion Reception

Sunday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM  
Sheraton-Georgia 6 (Level 1)

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

### M23-1

#### Restoration Quarterly Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM  
Sheraton-Georgia 7 (Level 1)

### M23-5

#### Oxford University Press Journals' Editors Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM  
Marriott-L503 (Lobby Level)

### M23-6

#### Friends of Regent College Breakfast

Monday, 7:00 AM–8:30 AM  
Hyatt-Hanover B (Exhibit Level)

### M23-2

#### Fuller Theological Seminary Alumni Breakfast hosted by Dean Joel Green, School of Theology

Monday, 7:00 AM–9:00 AM  
Sheraton-Capitol North (Level 1)

### M23-3

#### Union Presbyterian Seminary Alumni/ae Breakfast

Monday, 7:30 AM–8:45 AM

Sheraton-Valdosta (Level 2)

Come enjoy a scrumptious breakfast with your Union Presbyterian Seminary friends and colleagues. Adjunct Professor of Church History Bill Sweetser (M.Div.'89; Th.M.'90; Ph.D.'00) will share reflections on the seminary's history based on his new book. The cost for this breakfast is \$20. Please register by Monday, November 16 here: [www.regonline.com/UnionAlumBreakfast2015](http://www.regonline.com/UnionAlumBreakfast2015). For questions please contact the alumni/ae office: [alum@upsem.edu](mailto:alum@upsem.edu).

Bill Sweetser, Union Presbyterian Seminary  
*A Copious Fountain: Union Presbyterian Seminary, 1812–2012*

### M23-4

#### University of Chicago Divinity School Coffee with the Dean for Prospective Students

Monday, 7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Westin-Peachtree A (Level 8)

### M23-100

#### Council on Foreign Relations Religion and Foreign Policy Initiative Luncheon Discussion

Monday, 11:45 AM–1:00 PM

Hyatt-International South (International Tower Level LL1)

Join CFR's Religion and Foreign Policy Initiative for a buffet lunch followed by a panel discussion. CFR's Religion and Foreign Policy Initiative connects religion scholars and congregational leaders with timely, expert resources on U.S. foreign policy and provides a forum for this community to discuss a broad range of international issues. Visit us in the Exhibit Hall at Booth 313.

### M23-200

#### Theology Without Walls Group

Theme: **Theology From the Ground Up**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Marriott-M103 (Marquis Level)

Jerry L. Martin, University of Colorado, Presiding

Theology, as we live it, is the intellectual articulation of insights and epiphanies gathered in the course of our spiritual lives. In transreligious thinking particularly, we theologize from the ground up, finding insights across traditions and in life experiences, and then working toward theological integration. How is this possible? Panelists whose thinking has been shaped by multiple influences will explain how they have done it.

Panelists:

Christopher Denny, Saint John's University, New York

Jeffery D. Long, Elizabethtown College

Paul Knitter, Union Theological Seminary

Hyo-Dong Lee, Drew University

Jonathan Weidenbaum, Berkeley College

## M23-202

### Society for Mormon Philosophy and Theology

Theme: **Terryl Givens and Mormon Theology**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hyatt-Kennesaw (Atlanta Conference Level)

A discussion of Terryl Givens' contributions to Mormon Theology.

Panelists:

Benjamin Huff, Randolph-Macon College

Adam S. Miller, Collin College

Rosalynde Welch, Ladue, MO

James M. McLachlan, Western Carolina University

Responding:

Terryl Givens, University of Richmond

## M23-203

### KAICIID — International Centre for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue

Theme: **KAICIID Peace Mapping Workshop: Introducing a Tool to Research Interreligious Dialogue Activities Worldwide**

Monday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton-309 (Level 3)

KAICIID Peace Mapping Workshop Introducing a tool to research interreligious dialogue activities worldwide On the International Peace Day (September 21, 2015), the International Dialogue Centre (KAICIID) has been launching the first phase of its Peace Mapping Programme (PMP) that aims to contribute evidence-based research about interreligious dialogue activities worldwide. Although not aiming at being exhaustive about the interreligious dialogue movement as a whole, in this phase, the programme focuses on mapping the organizations that are involved in interreligious dialogue (IRD) activities with an international scope. At the heart of this first phase is a rich directory of around 400 such organizations. It is too early yet to measure their collective impact. Nevertheless, mapping these organizations together and making available publicly a multiple keyword search tool of the carefully selected portions of their websites linked to dialogue also contributes to enhancing understanding of the breath of interreligious dialogue today. In addition, this Peace Mapping website will certainly increase networking and concrete collaborations. This workshop wants to introduce the functionalities of the first phase of the Peace Mapping Program. In doing so, it will focus upon four aspects: (1) It will show, how the PMP helps to put what is frequently described as the 'Interreligious Dialogue Movement' into its socio-cultural context. (2) It will underline the PMP's potential to map the current landscape of the organizations that are involved in interreligious dialogue activities around the world by showing its meaning, focus and types of action. (3) It will discuss the contributions of interreligious dialogue activities to conflict transformation and their role in international peacebuilding efforts. (4) It will ask the question to what an extent interreligious dialogue makes a difference as compared to other types of actions contributing to peacebuilding.

Panelists:

Patrice Brodeur, University of Montreal

Jana Vobecka, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic

Karsten Lehmann, KAICIID Dialogue Centre

## M23-201

### Theology Without Walls Group Planning Meeting

Monday, 3:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott-L504-505 (Lobby Level)

Everyone interested in the Theology Without Walls project is welcome to help plan next year's program and the future of the project.

## M23-402

### Auburn Theological Seminary Reception

Monday, 6:00 PM–7:30 PM

Offsite-National Center for Civil and Human Rights, 100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd NW

Everyone is welcome. Come and learn about Auburn's work troubling the waters and healing the world. We seek to curate a space in support of scholar/activists. We will celebrate the awarding of the inaugural Walter Wink Scholar-Activist Award. The award will be given at 7:00 PM, with a brief talk to follow. Come and enjoy the hospitality of the beautiful Center for Civil and Human Rights, and network with scholar-activist friends old and new.

## M23-400

### King's College London

Theme: **Reception**

Monday, 7:00 PM–8:30 PM

Westin-Peachtree 1-2 (Level 8)

Once again we are delighted to invite King's alumni, prospective students, friends and guests to a reception at the AAR and SBL Annual Meetings, this time in Atlanta. As well as updating on general news from the Department of Theology and Religious Studies, the reception will note recent publications by members of King's. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us. For further information about the Department, see [www.kcl.ac.uk/artshums/depts/trs](http://www.kcl.ac.uk/artshums/depts/trs).

## M23-401

### Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate University Reception

Monday, 9:00 PM–11:00 PM

Westin-Chastain 2 (Level 6)

## M23-403

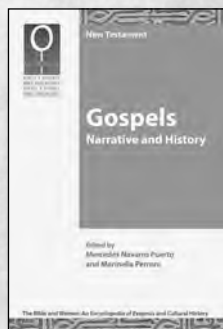
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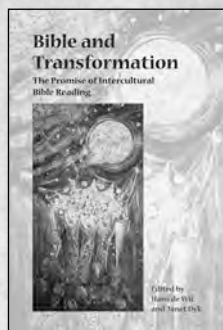
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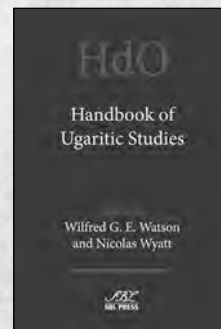
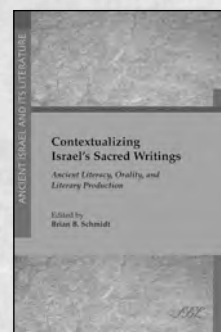
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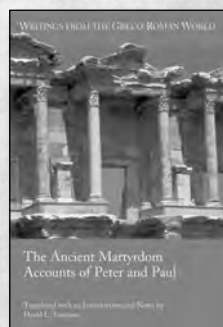
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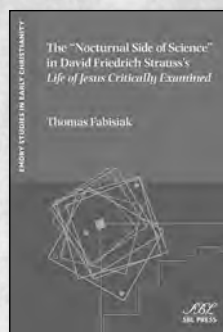
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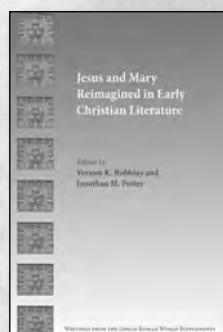
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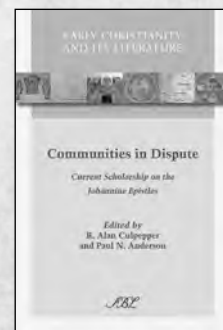
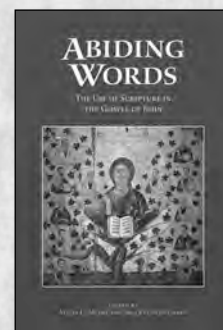
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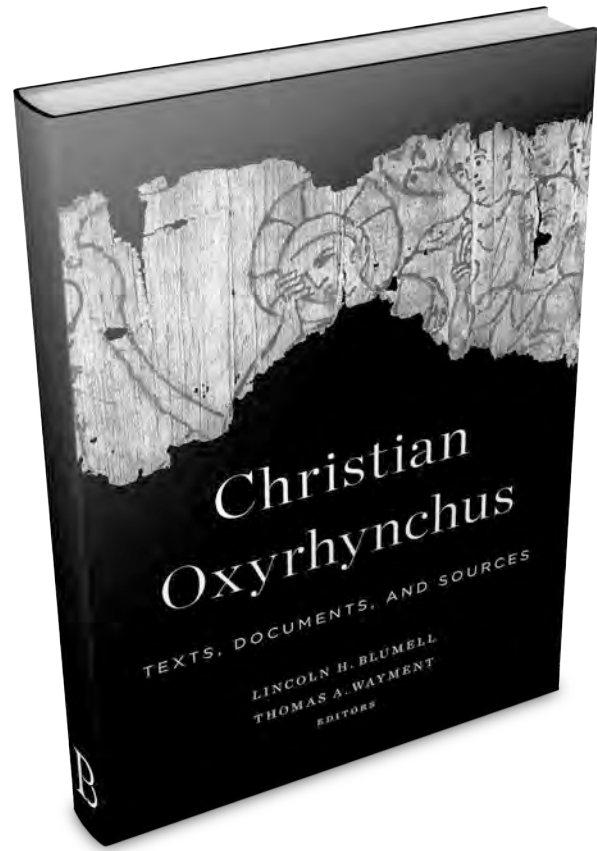
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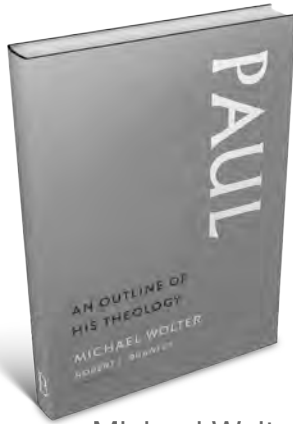
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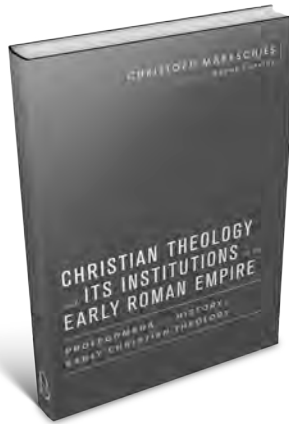


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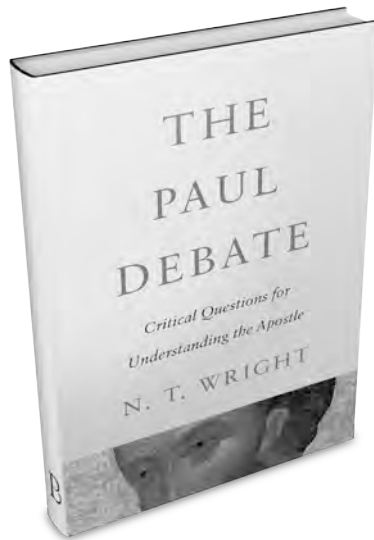
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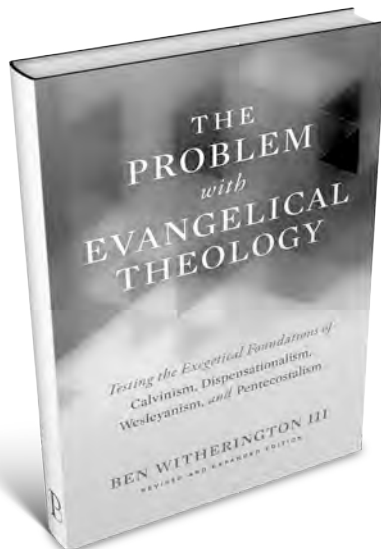
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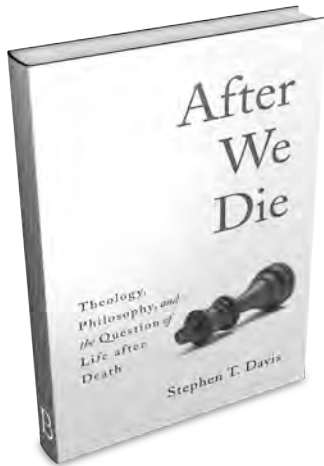
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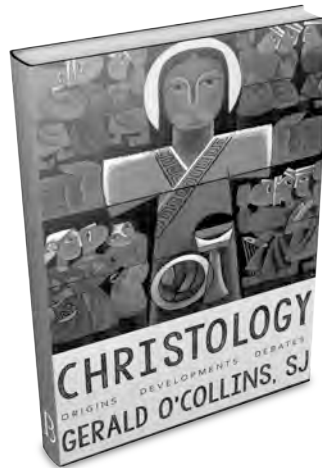


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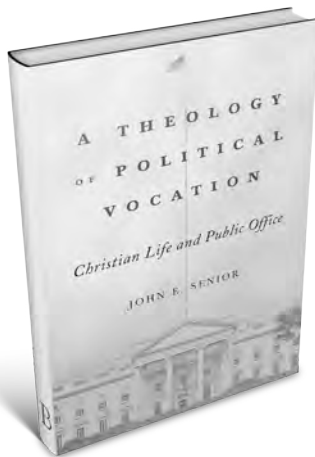


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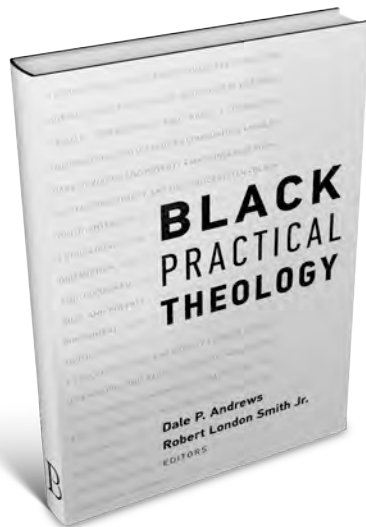
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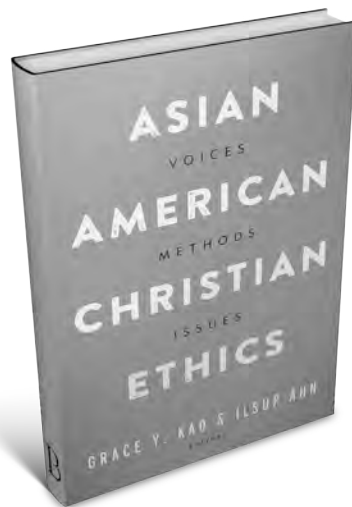
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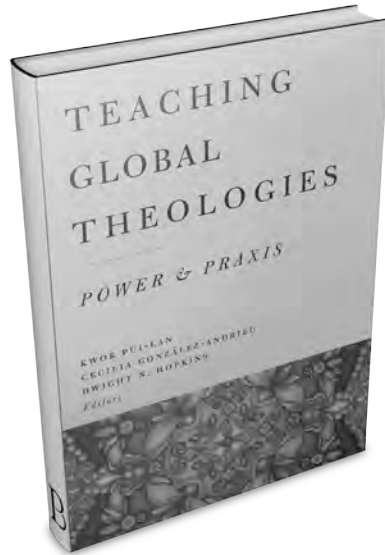
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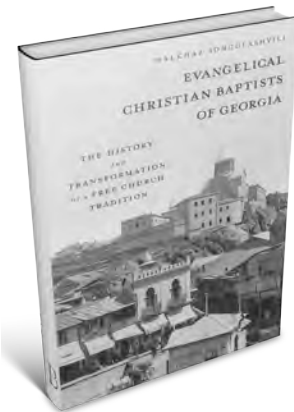


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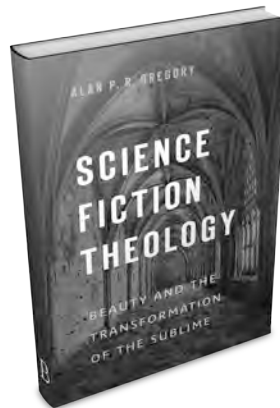
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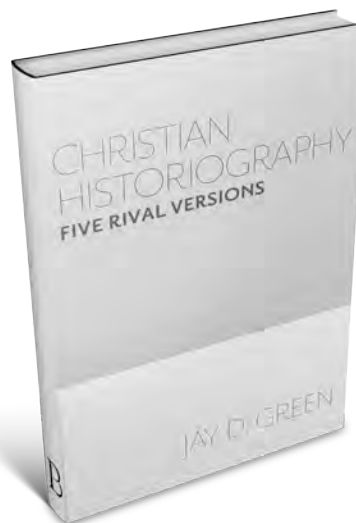
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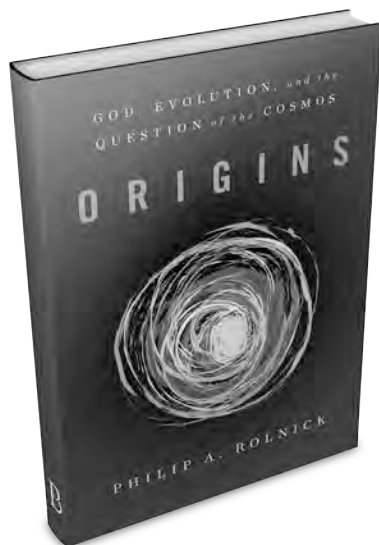
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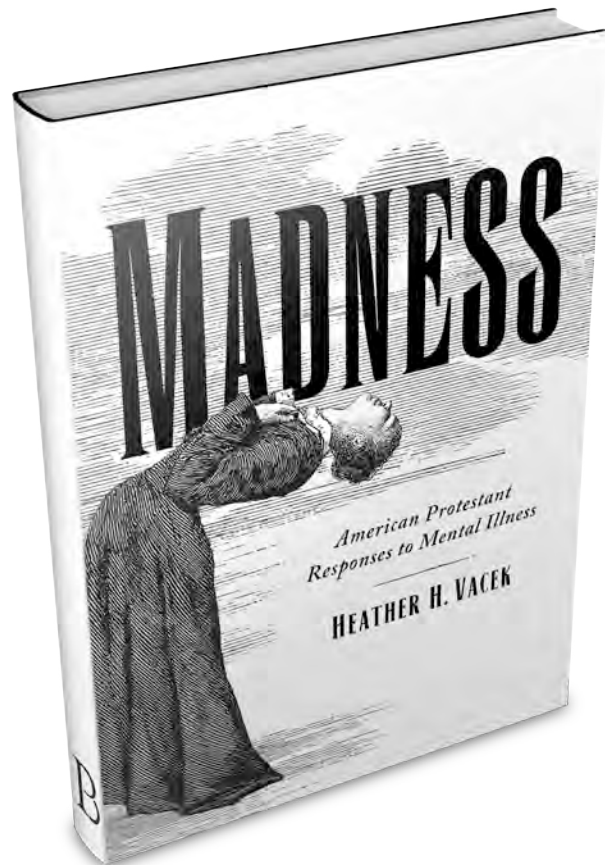
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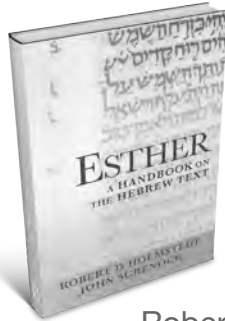
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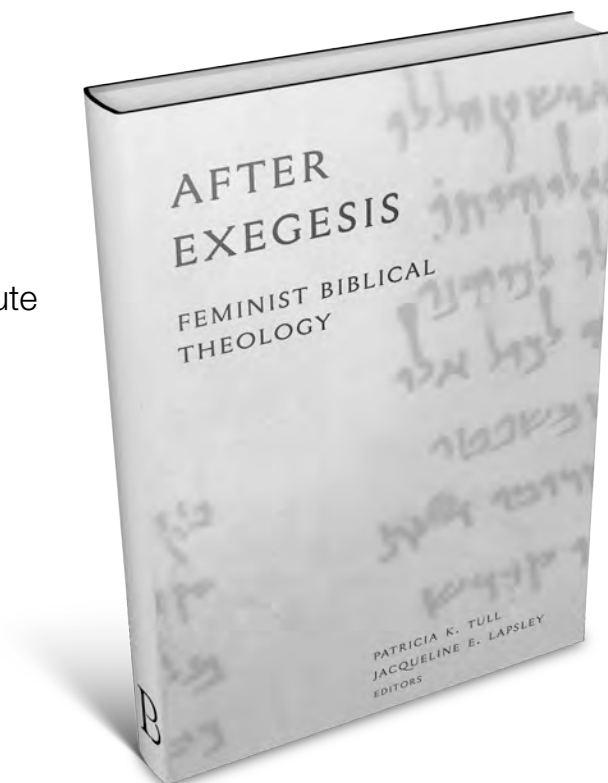
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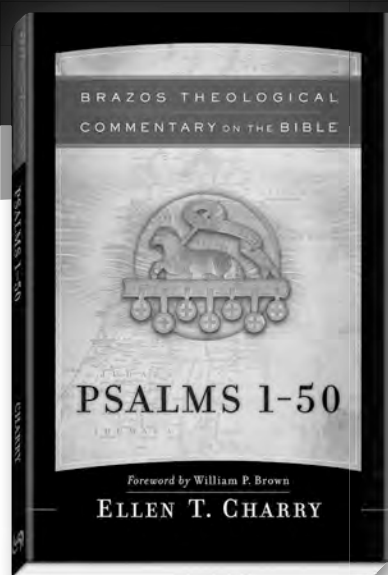
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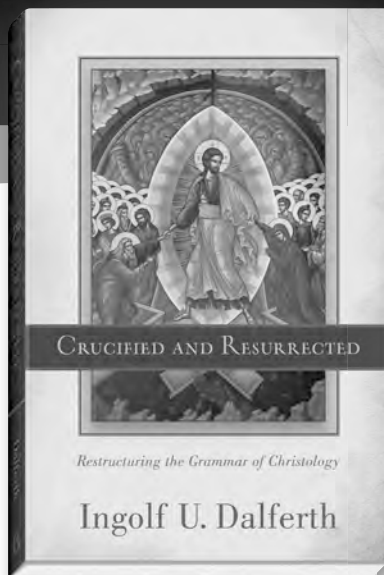
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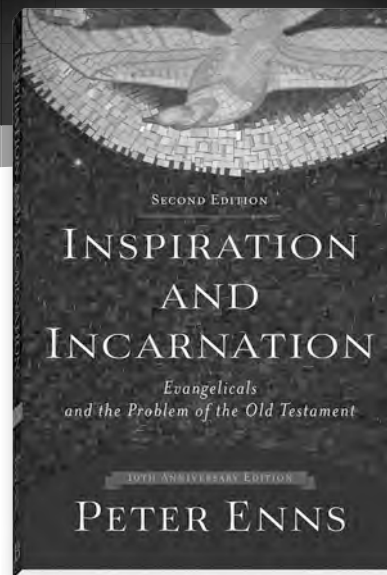
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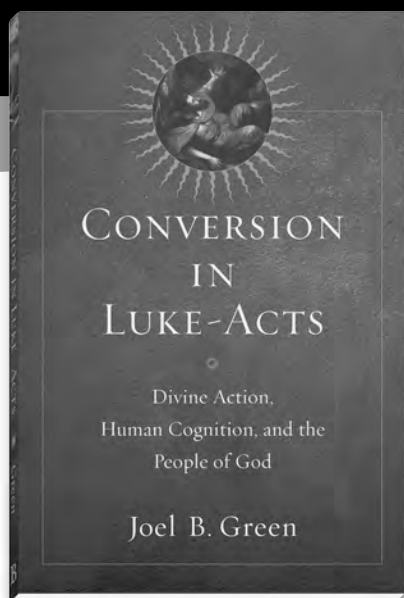
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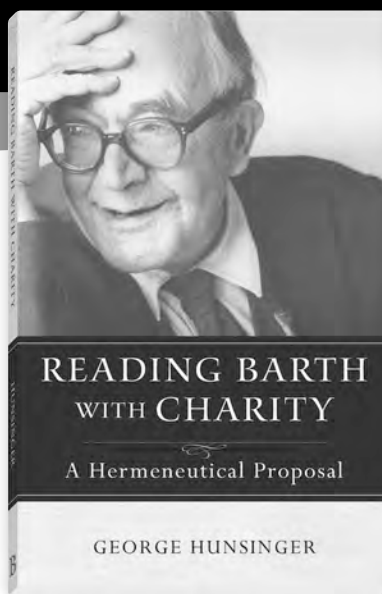
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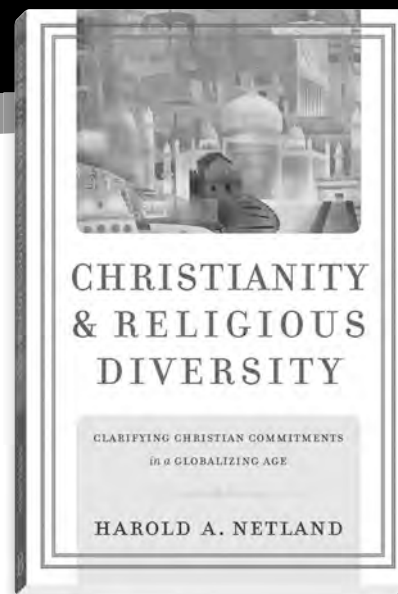
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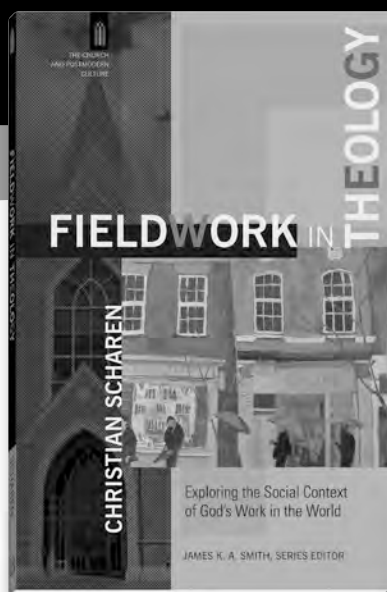
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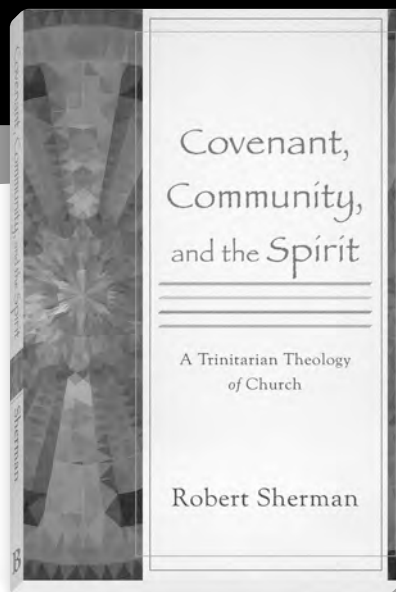
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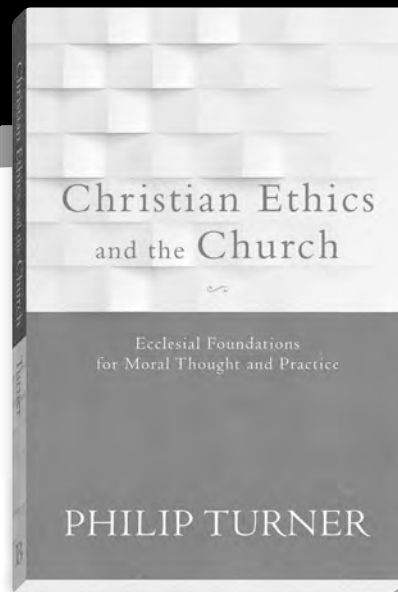
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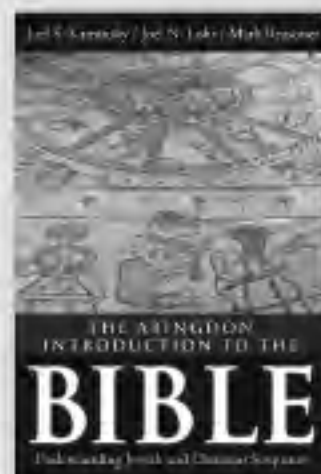
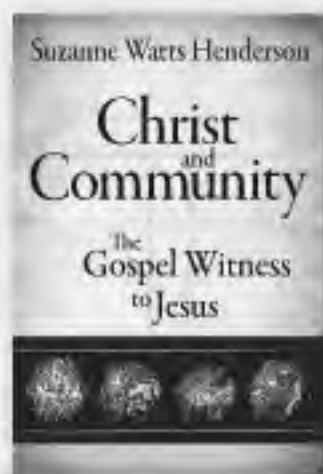
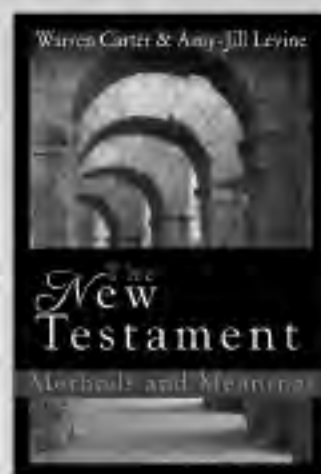
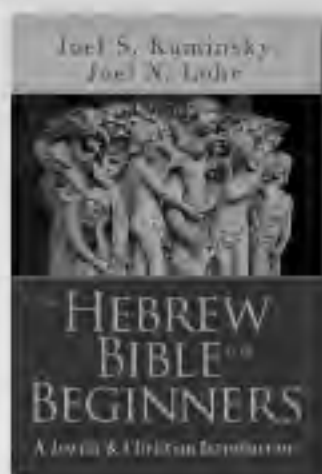
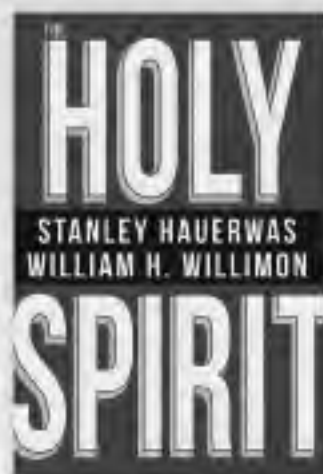


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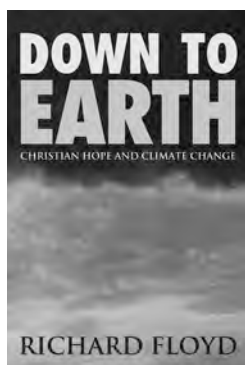
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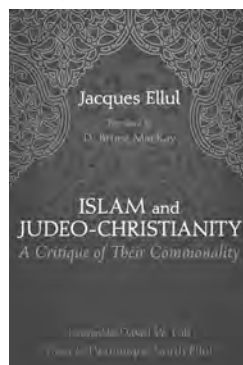
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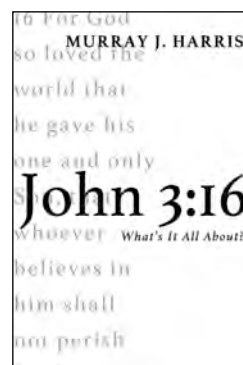
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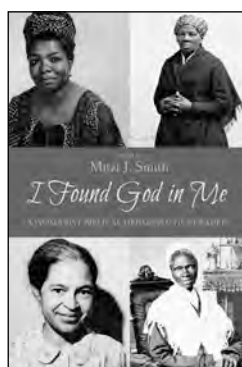
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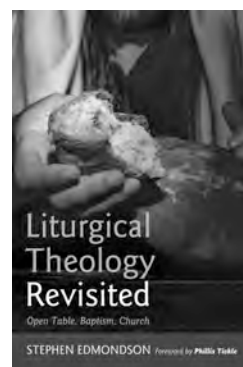
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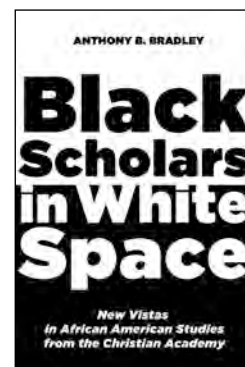
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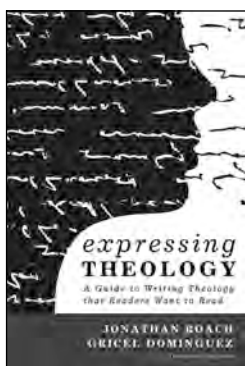
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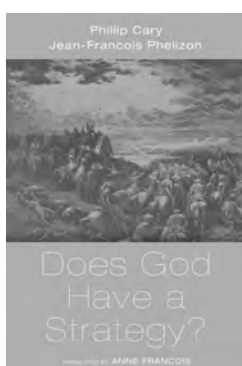
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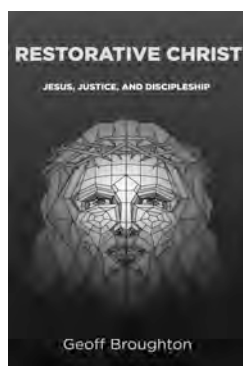
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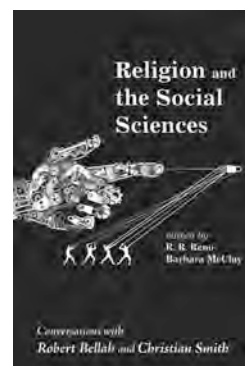
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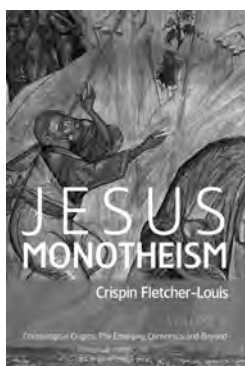
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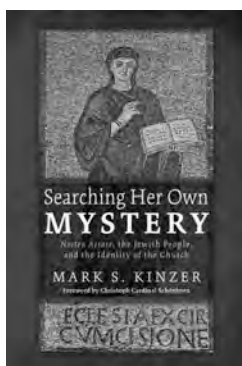
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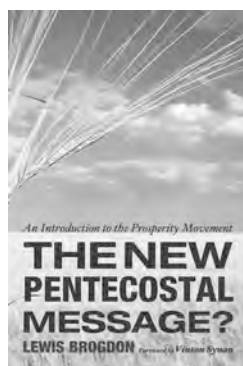
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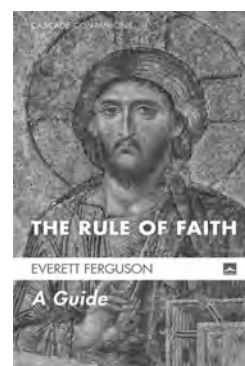
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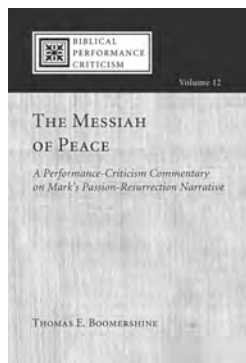
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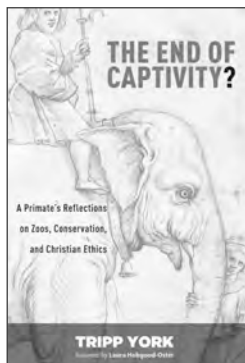
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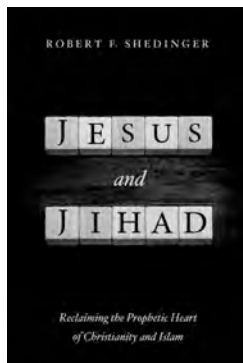
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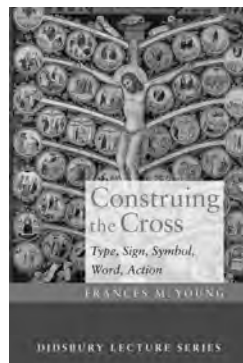
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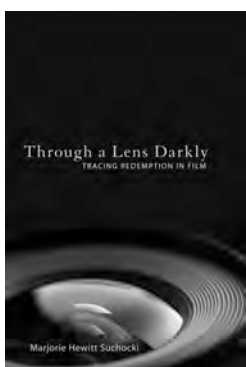
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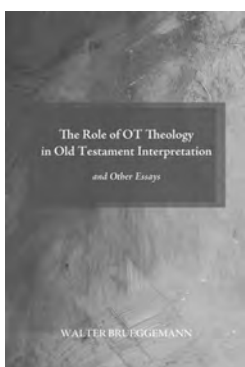
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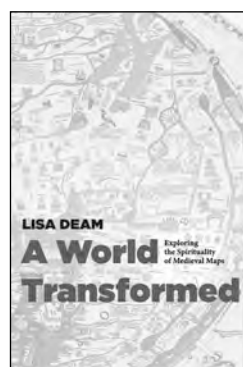
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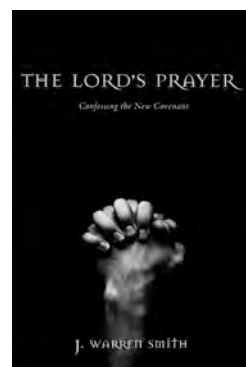
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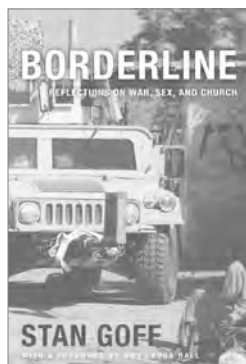
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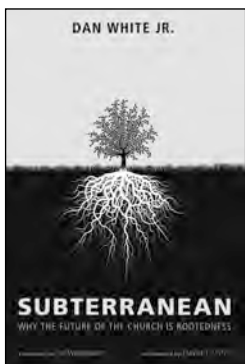
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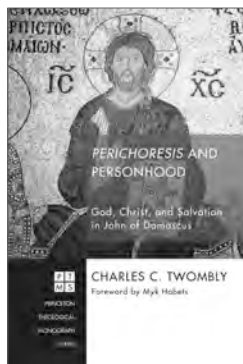
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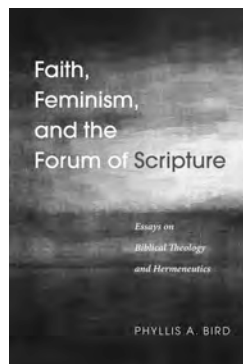
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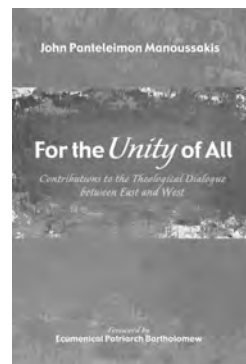
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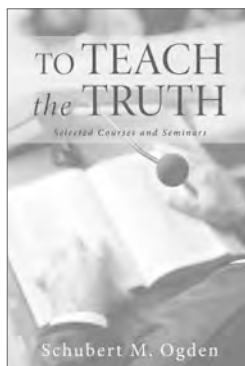
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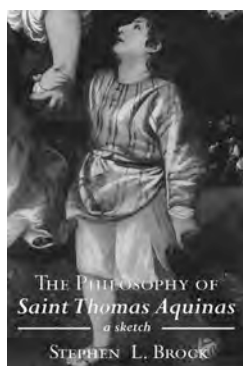
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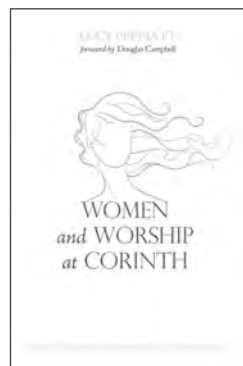
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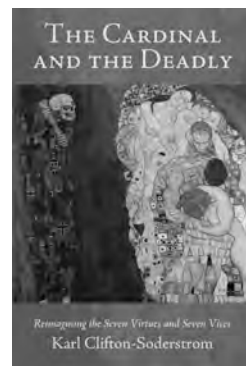
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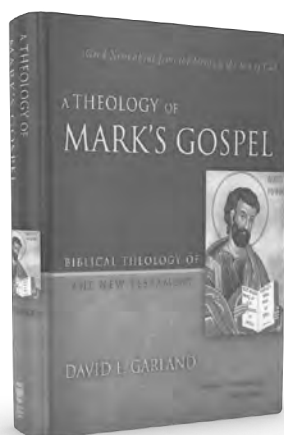
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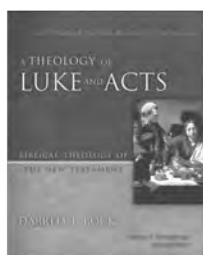


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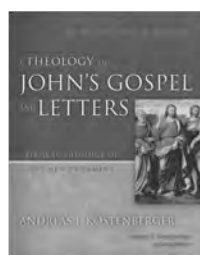
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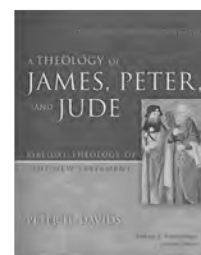
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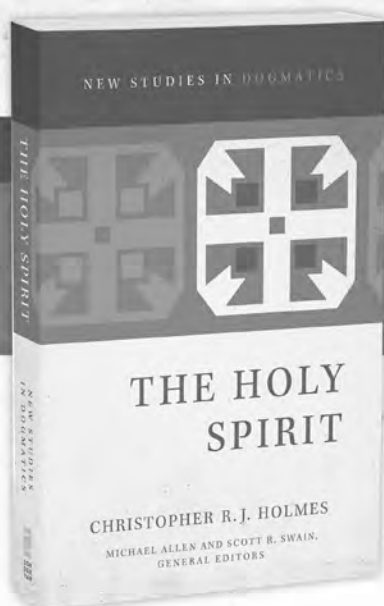
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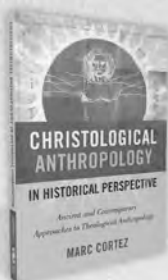
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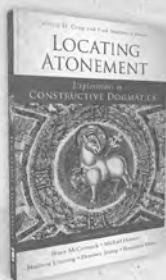
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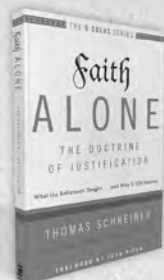
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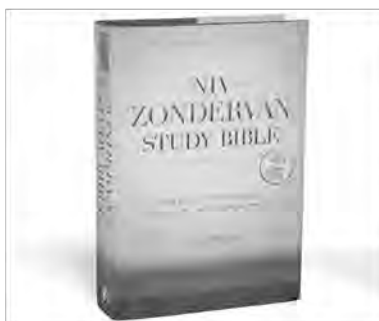
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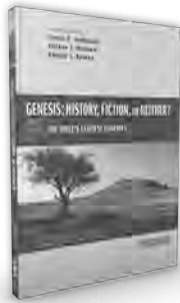
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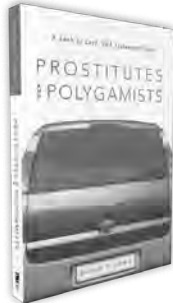
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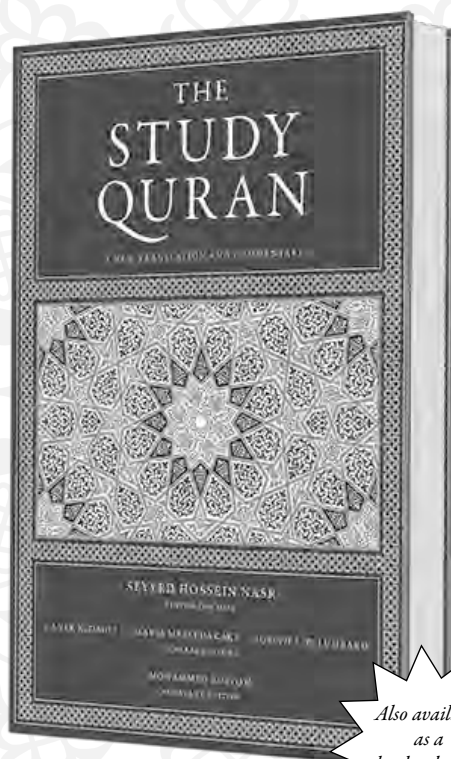


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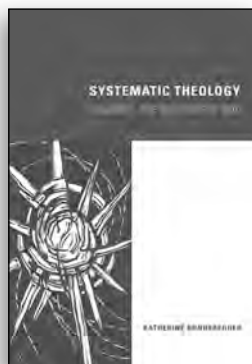
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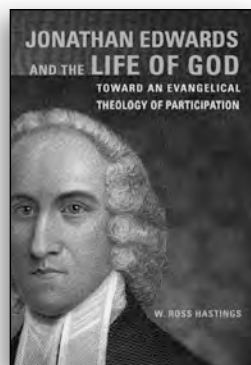
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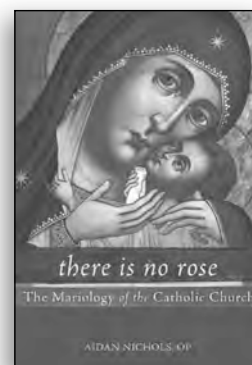
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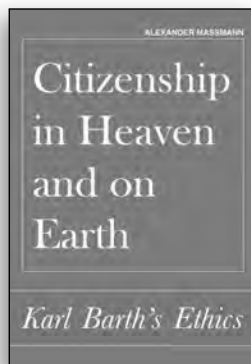
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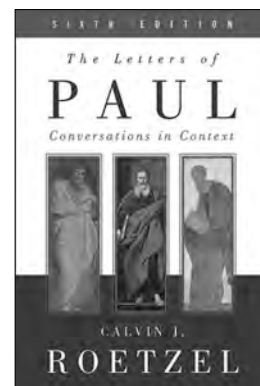
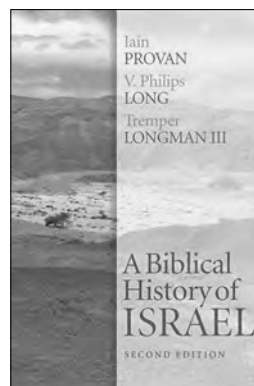
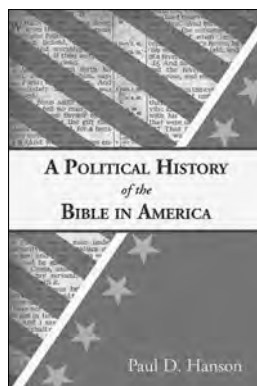
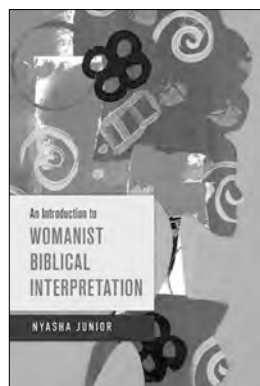
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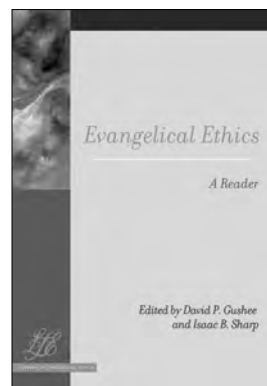
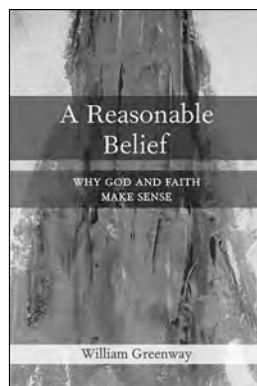
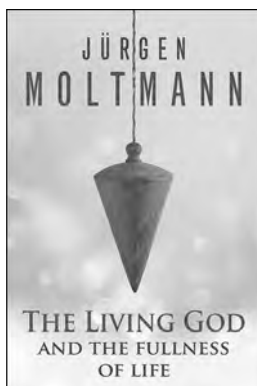
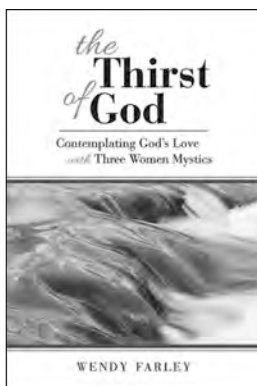
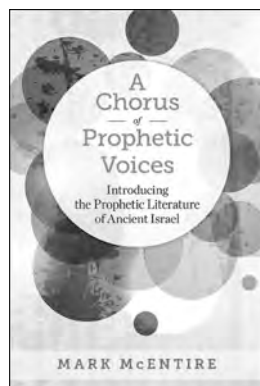
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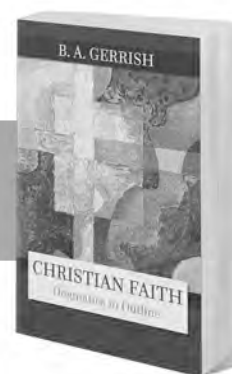
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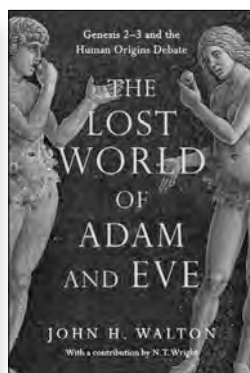
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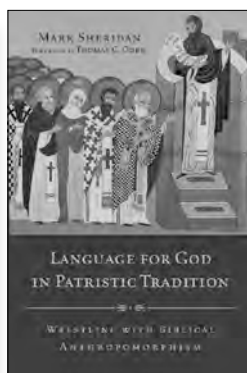
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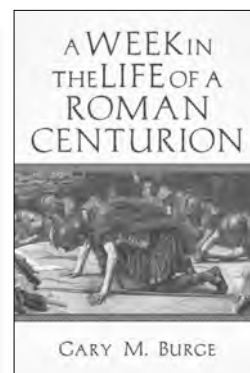
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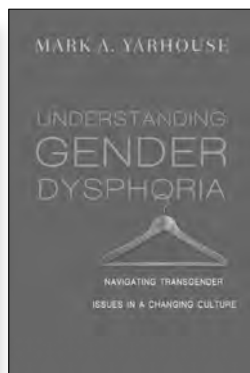
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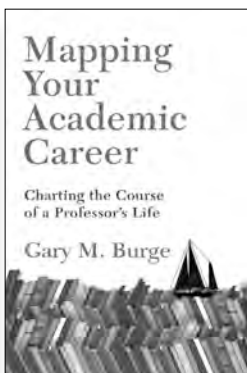
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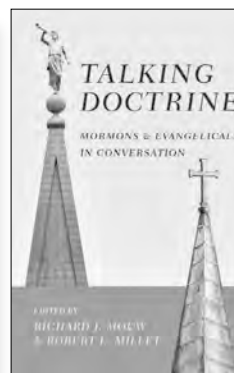
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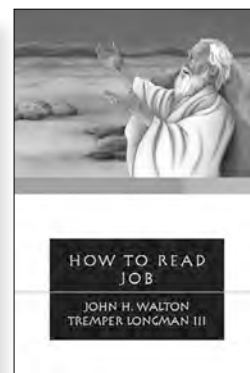
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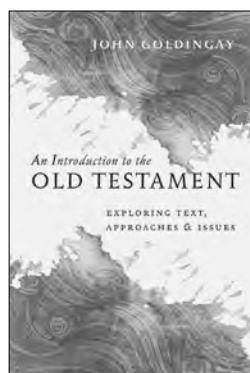
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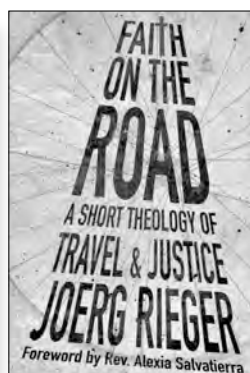
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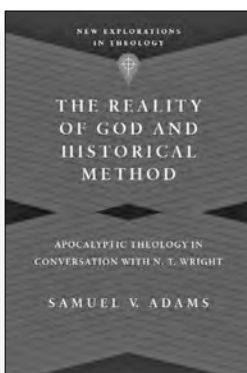
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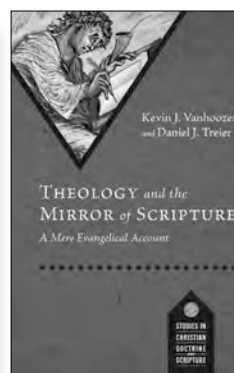
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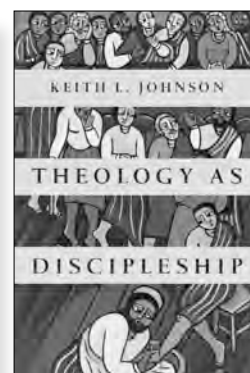
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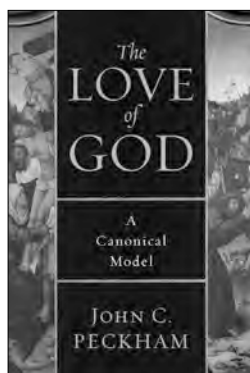
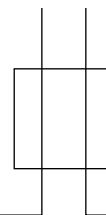


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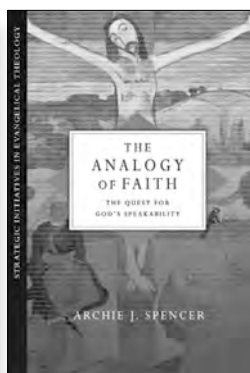


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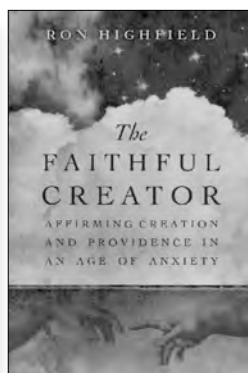
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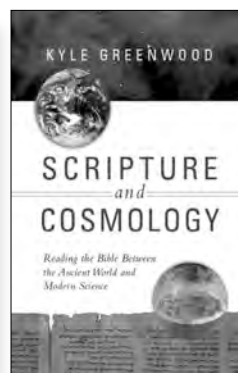
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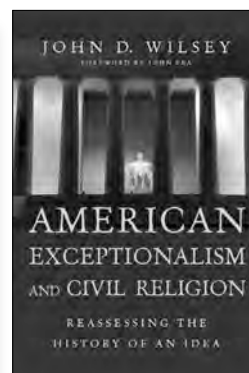
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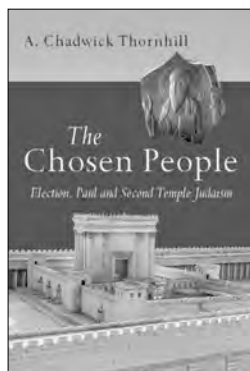
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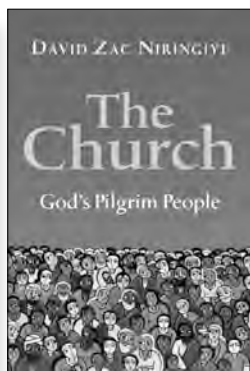
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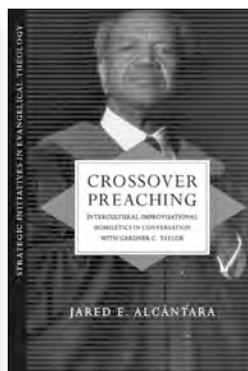
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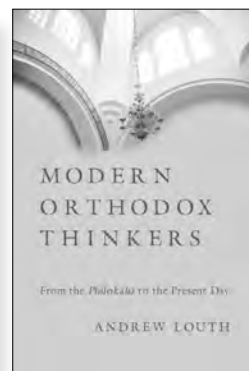
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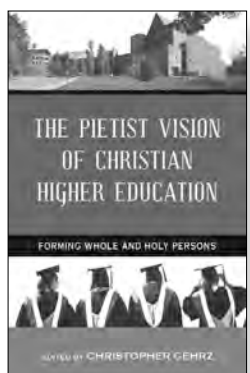
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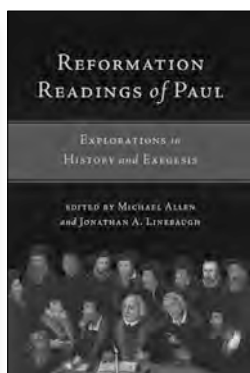
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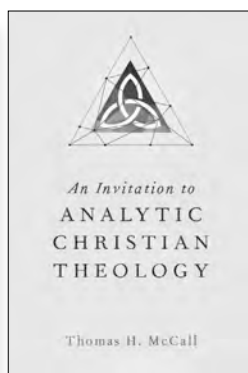
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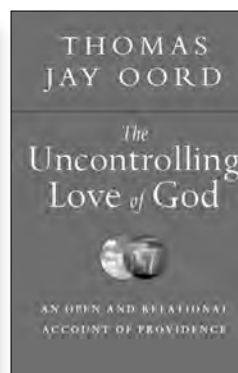
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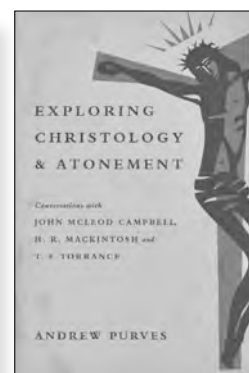
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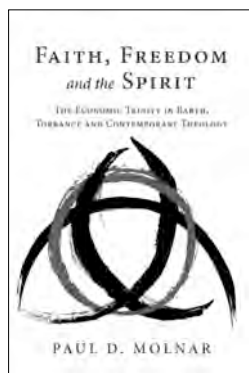
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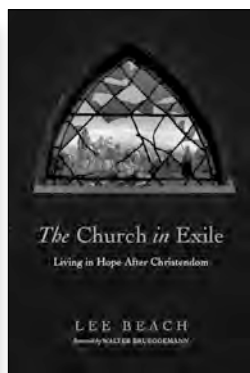
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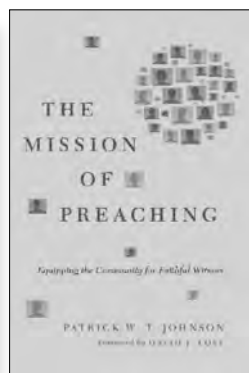
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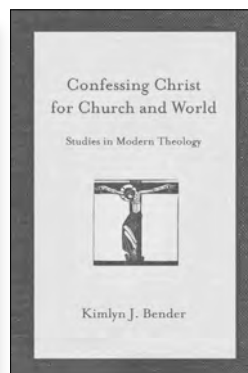
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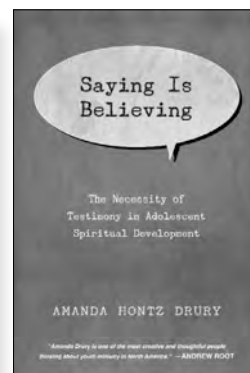
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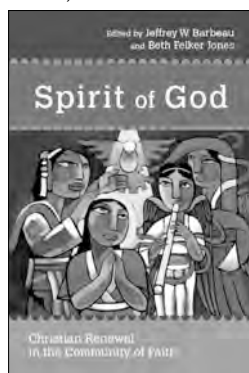
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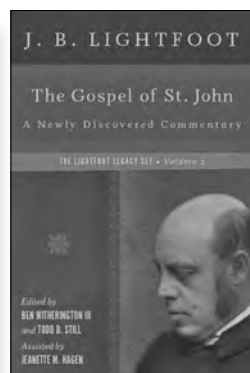
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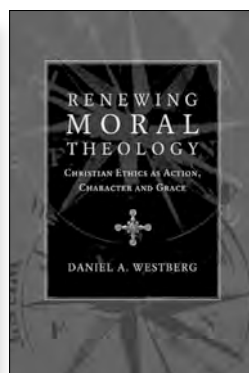
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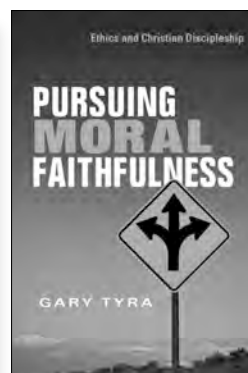
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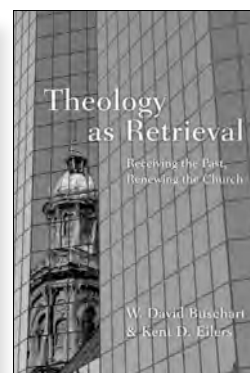
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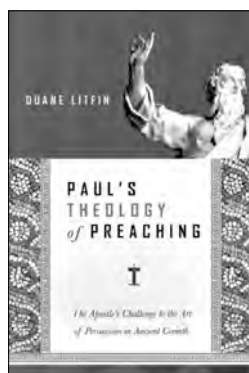
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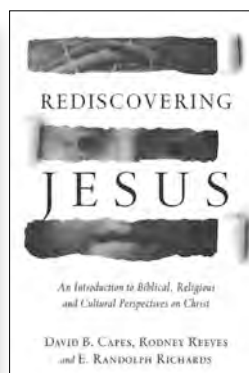
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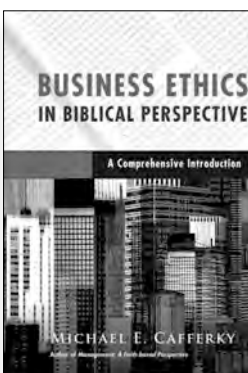
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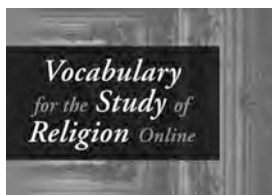
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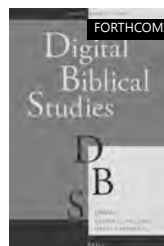


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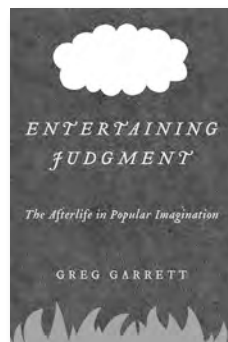
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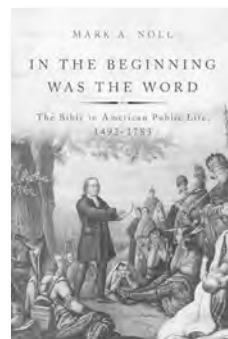
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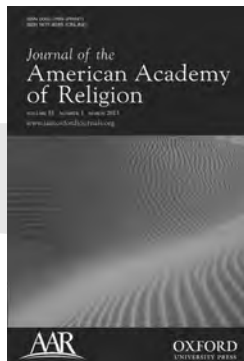
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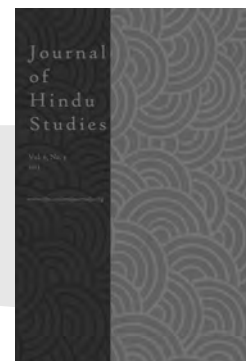
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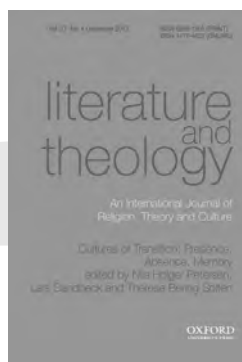
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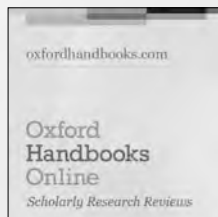
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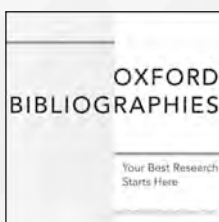
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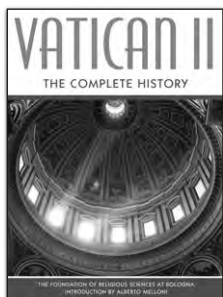
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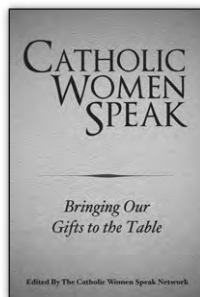
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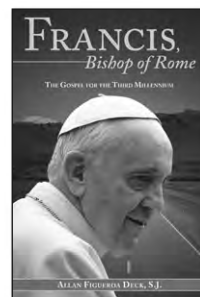
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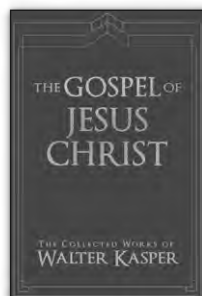


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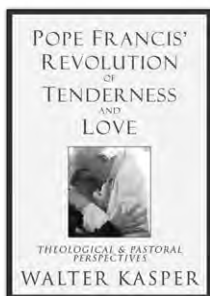
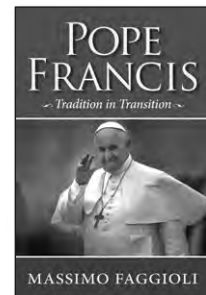
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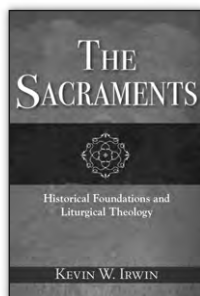
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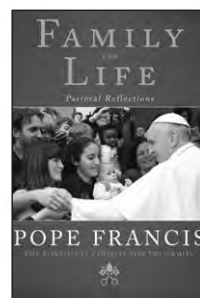
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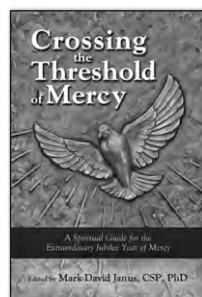


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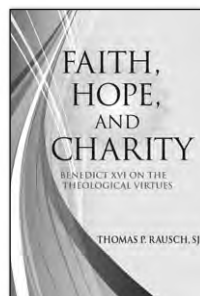


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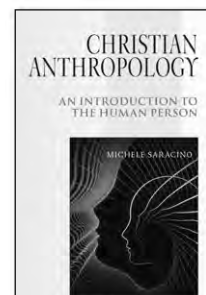
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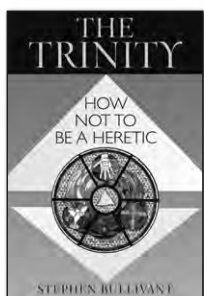
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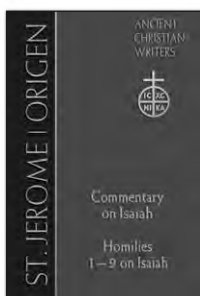
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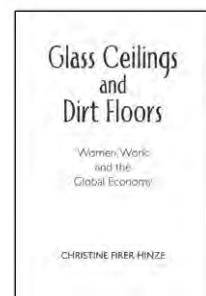


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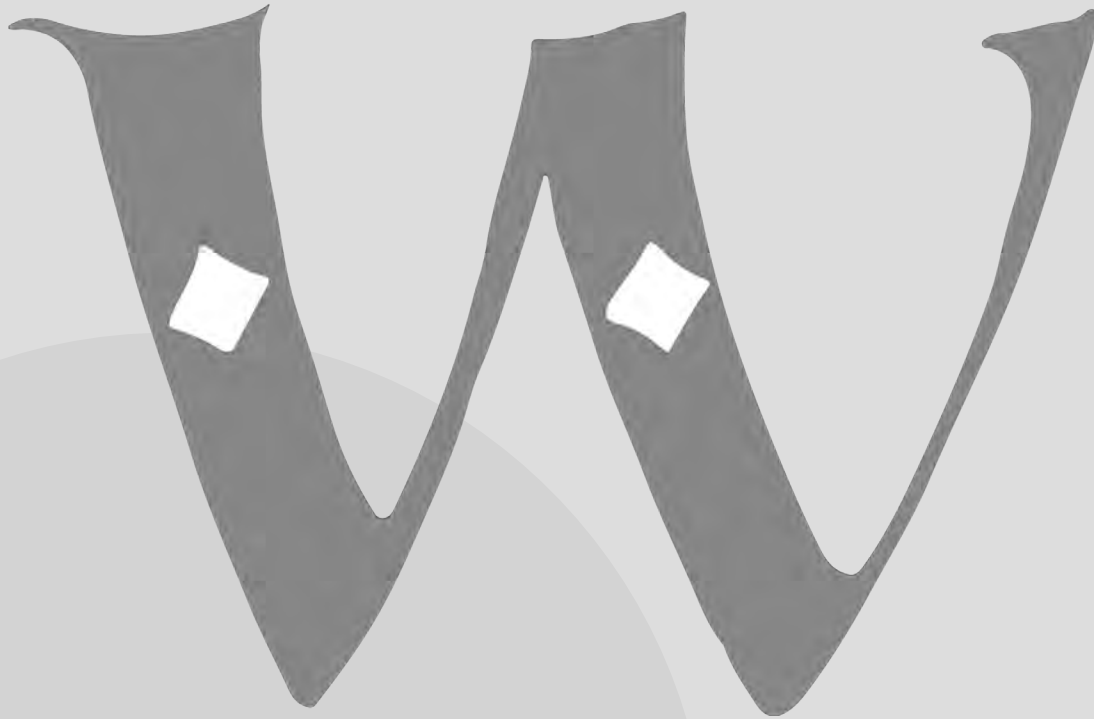
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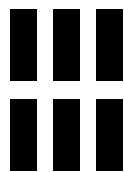
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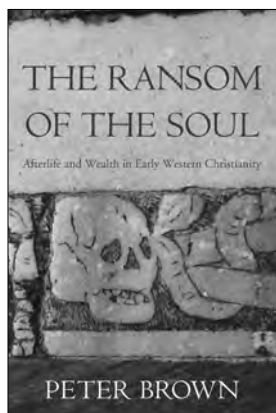
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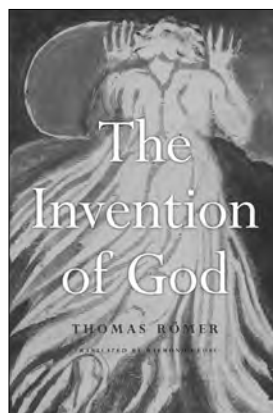


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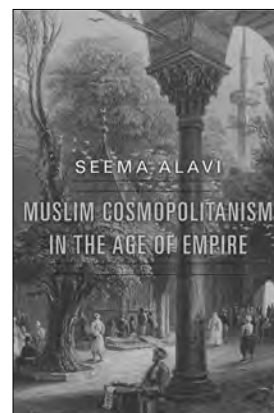


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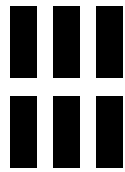
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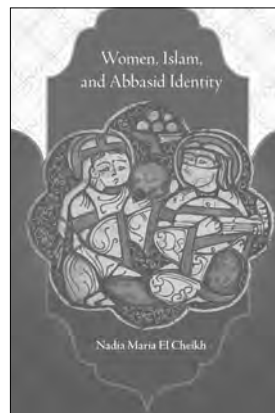
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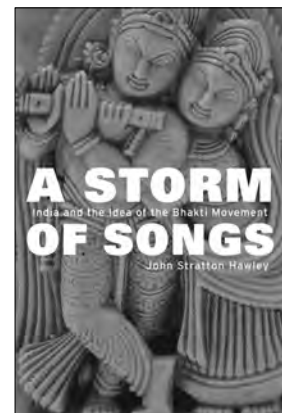
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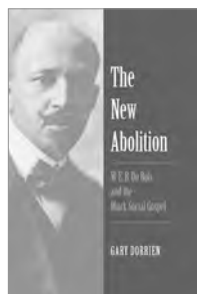
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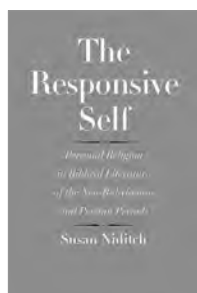
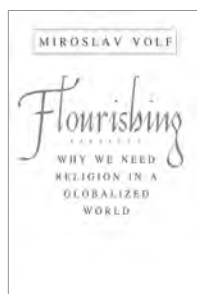
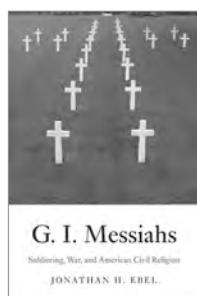
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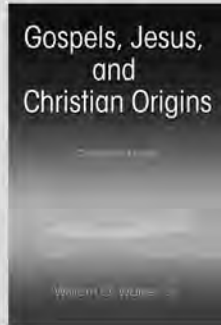
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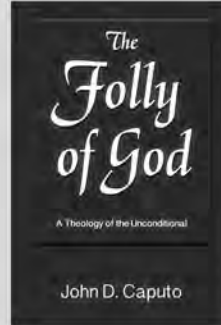


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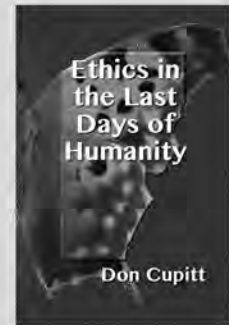
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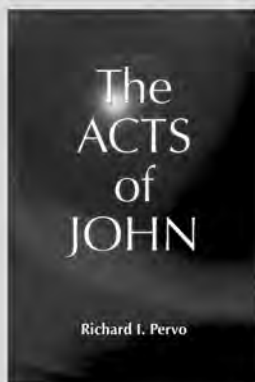
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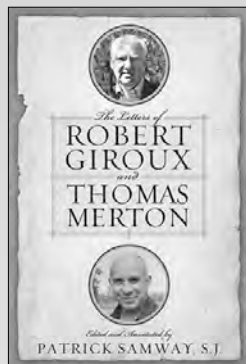


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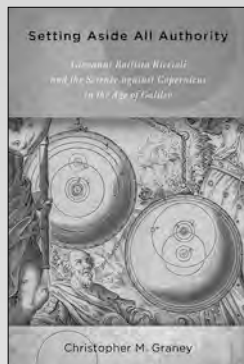
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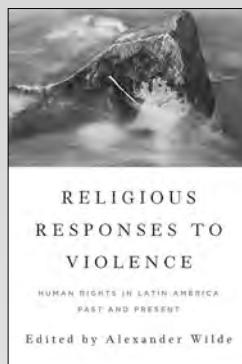


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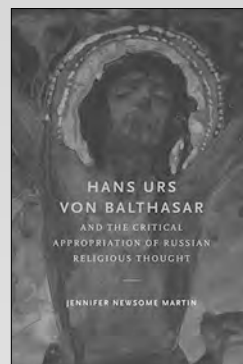
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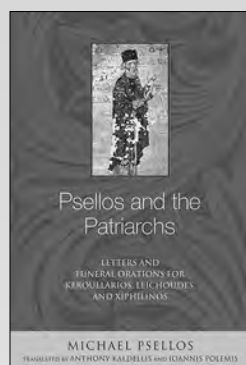
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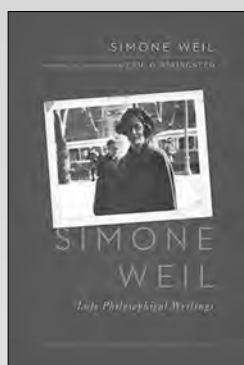
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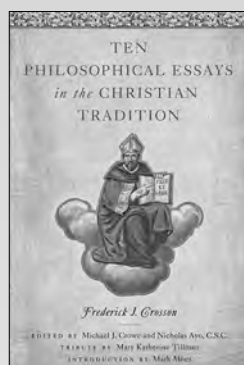
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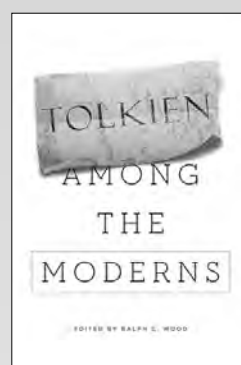
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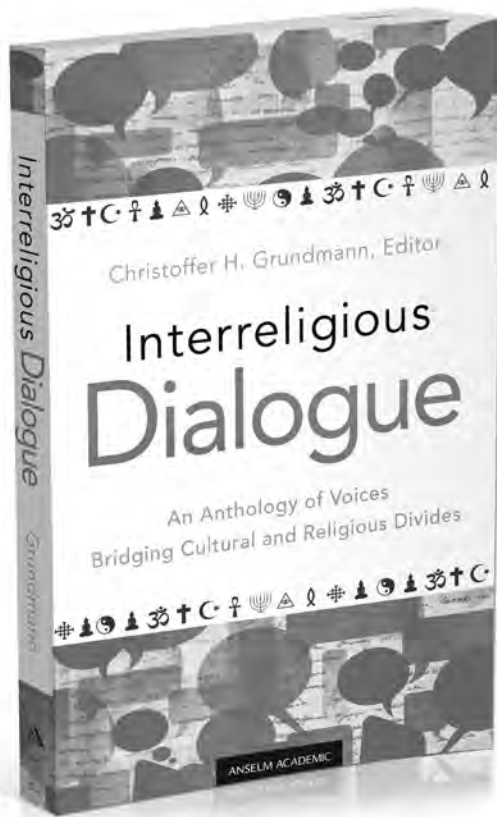
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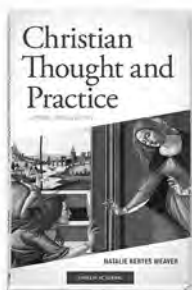
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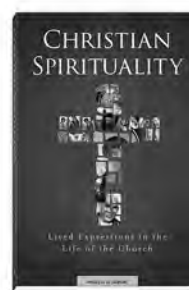
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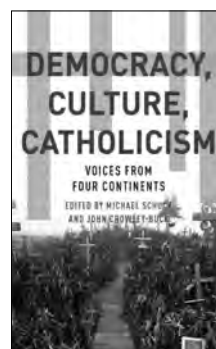
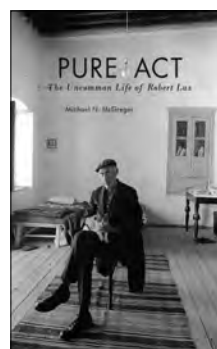
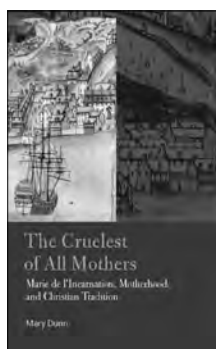
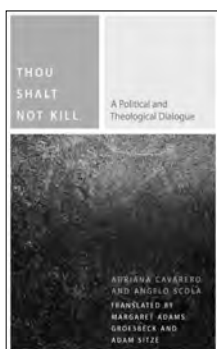
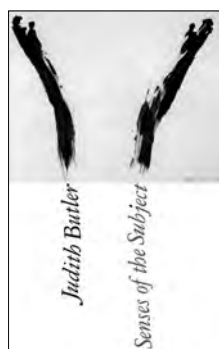
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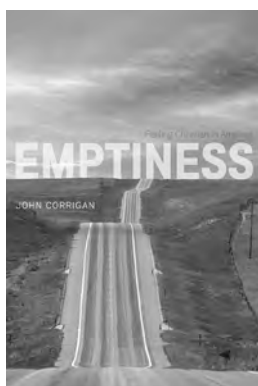
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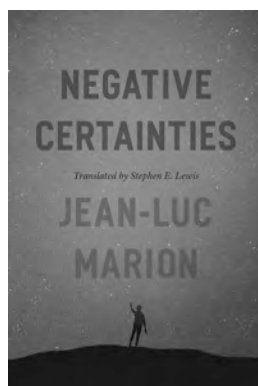
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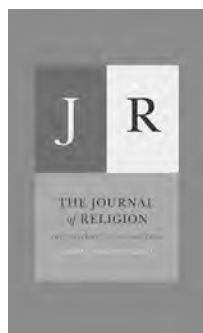
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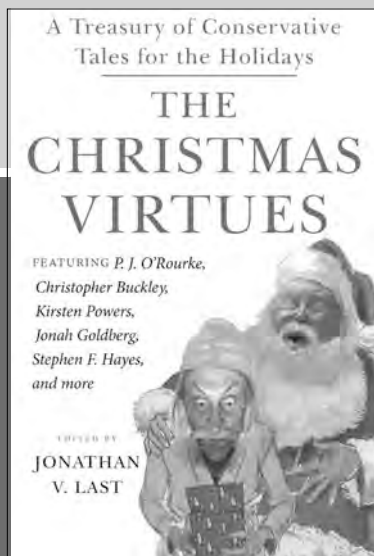
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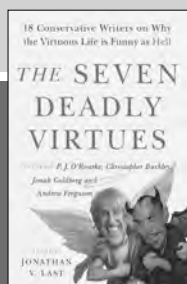
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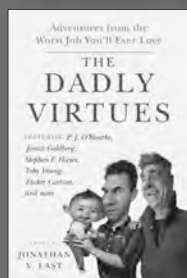
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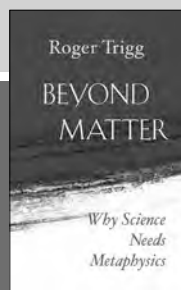
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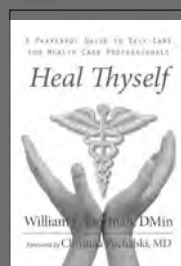
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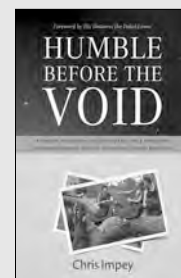


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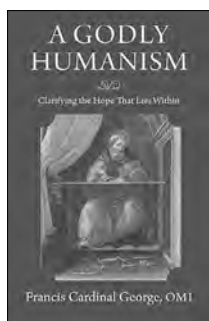


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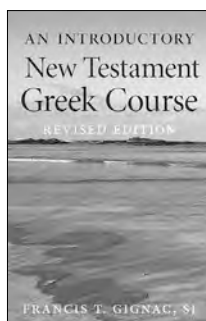
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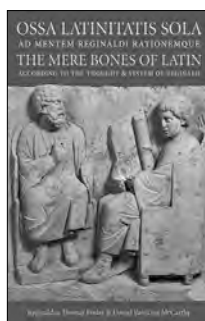
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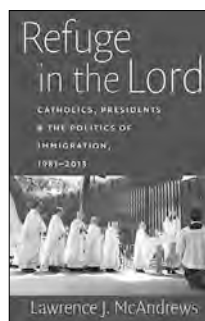
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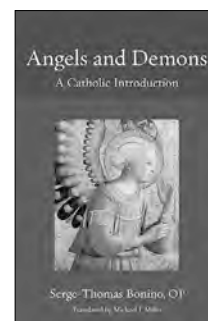


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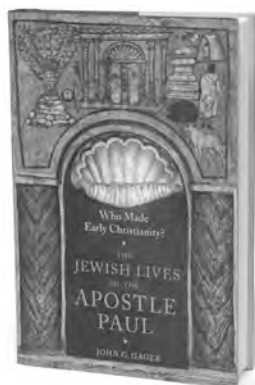
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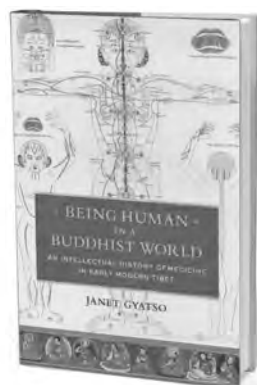
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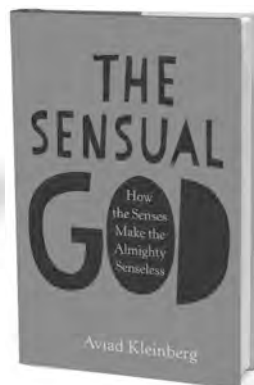
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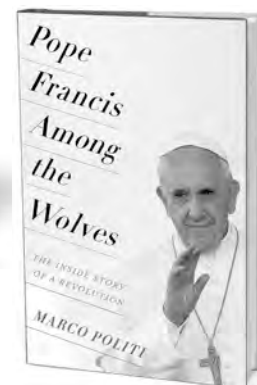
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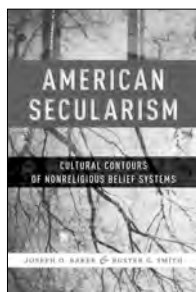
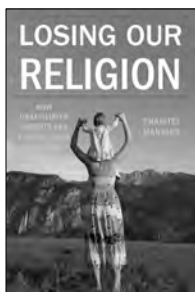
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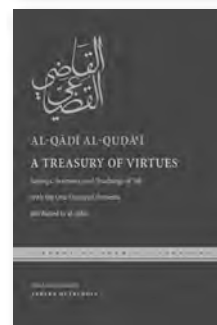
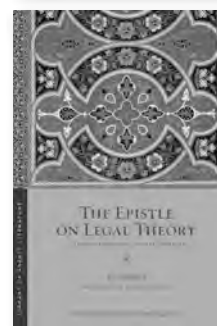
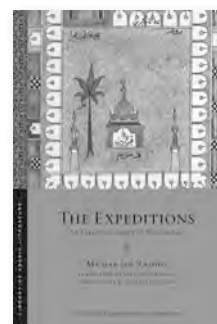
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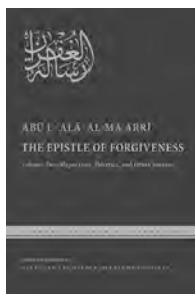
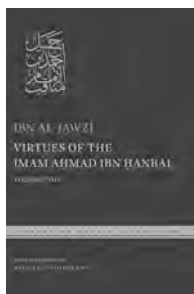
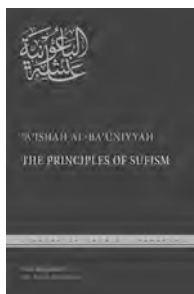
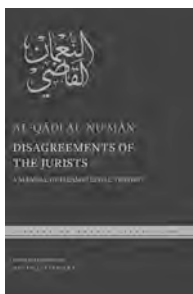
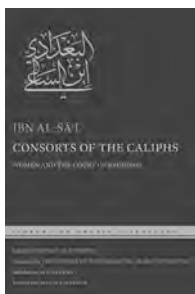
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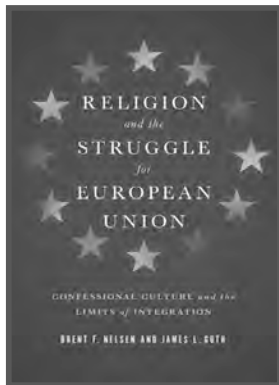


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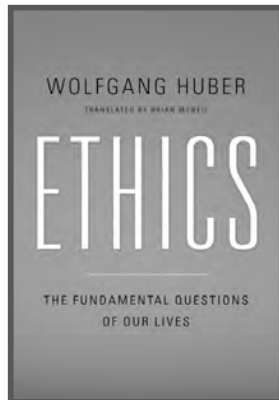
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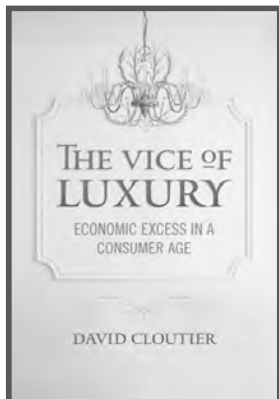
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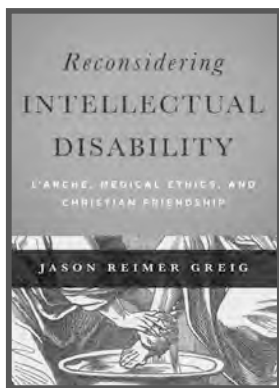
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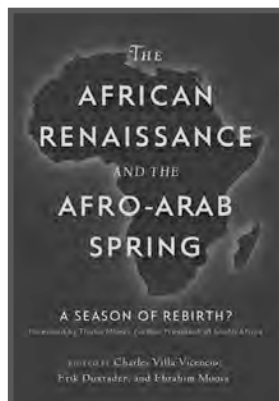
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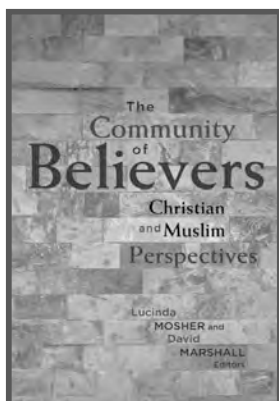
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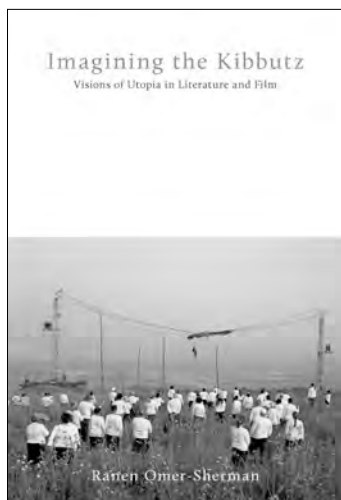


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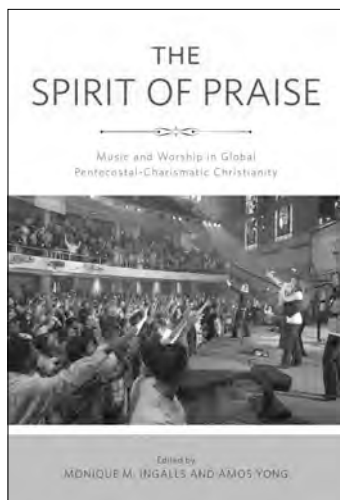
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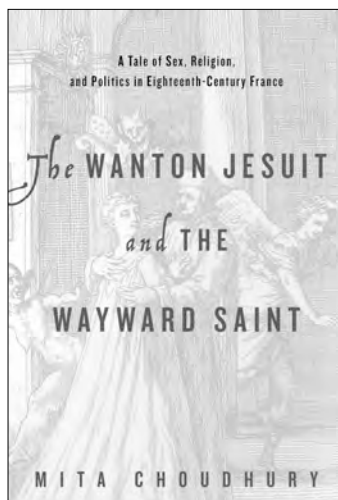
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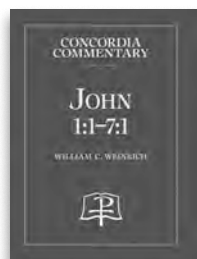
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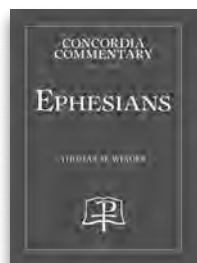
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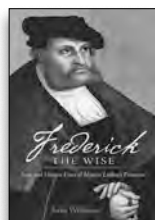
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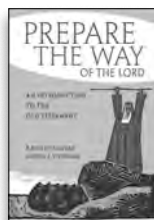
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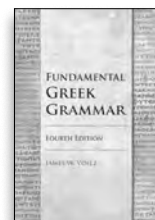
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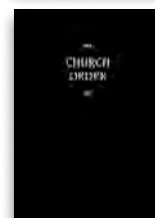
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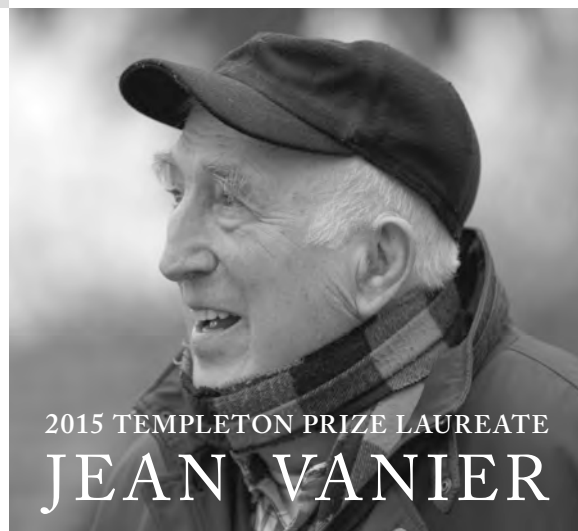
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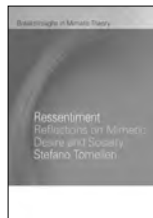
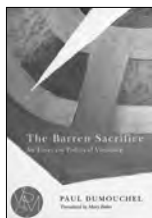


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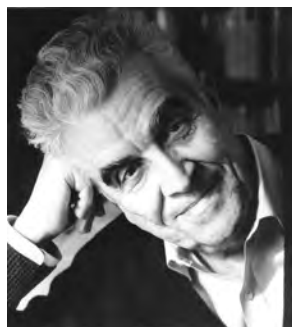
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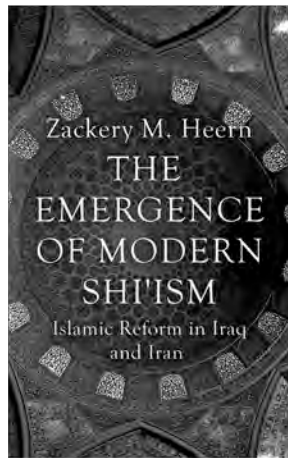


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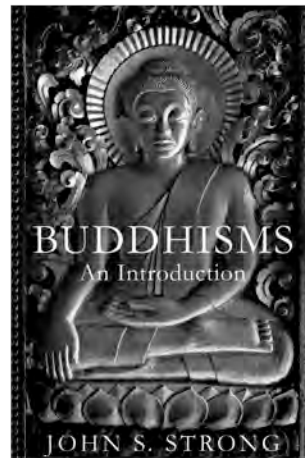
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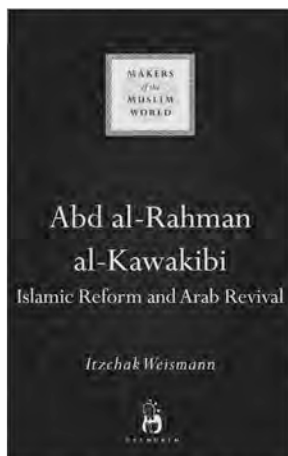
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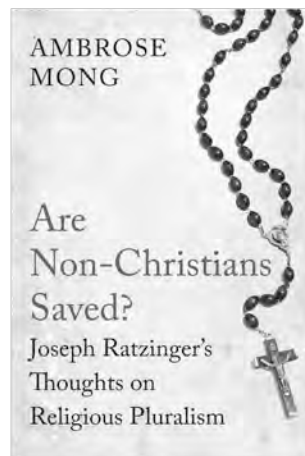
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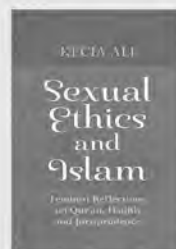


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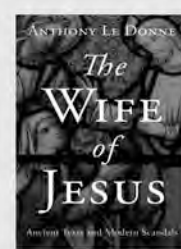


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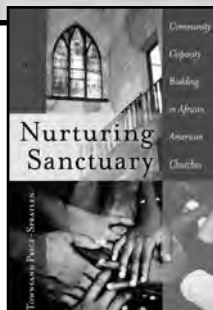
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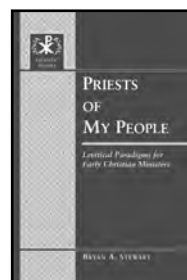
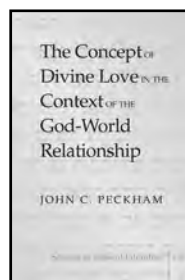
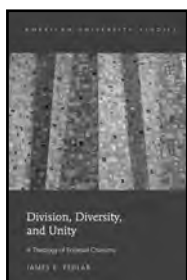
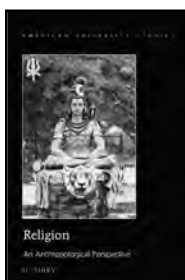
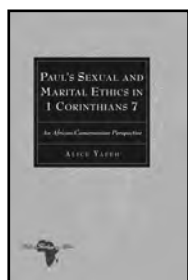
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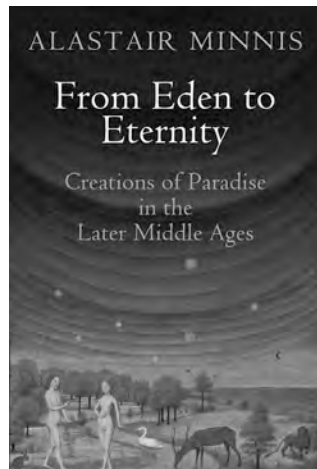
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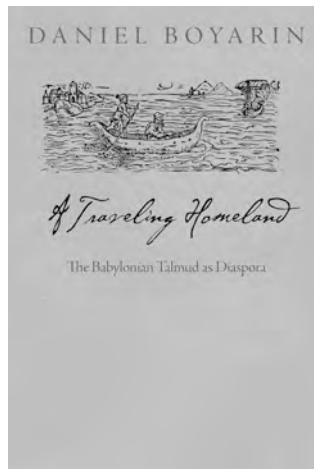
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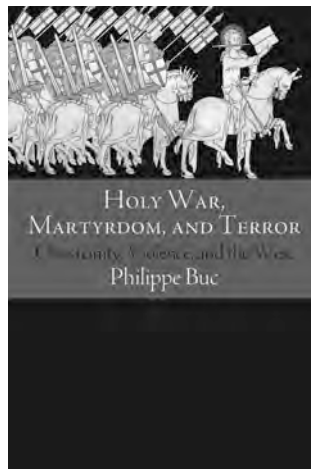
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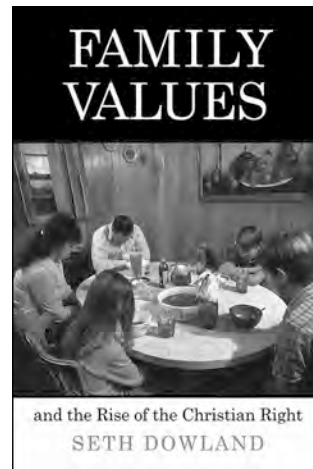
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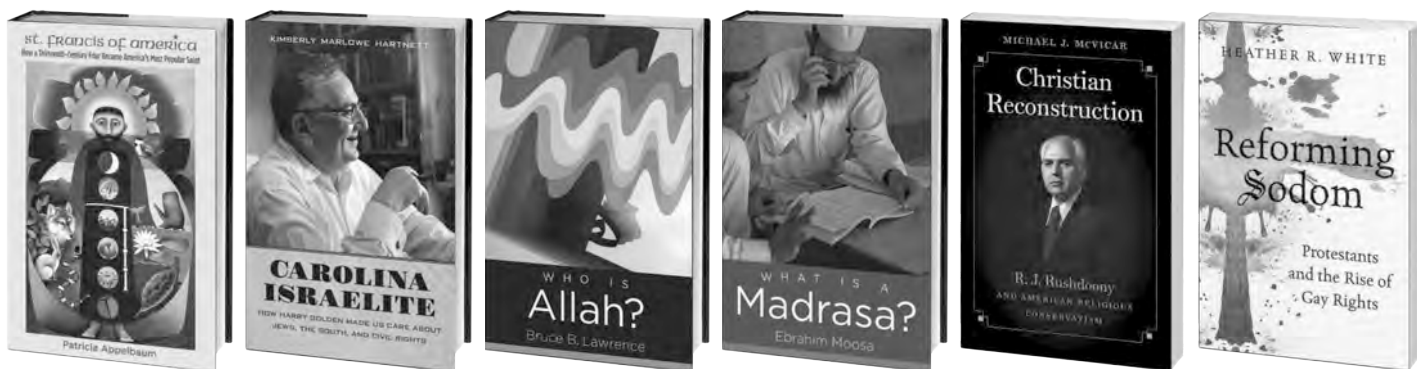
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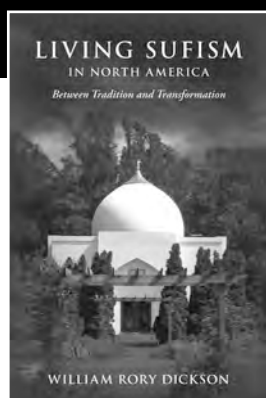
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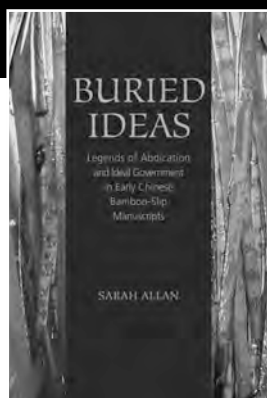
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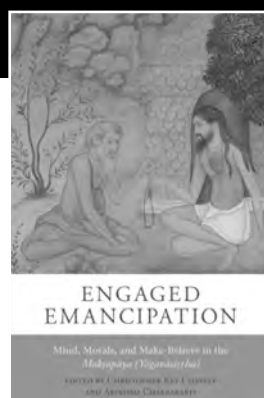
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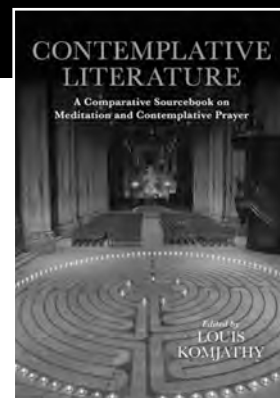
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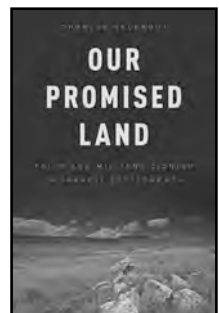
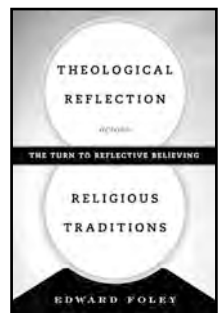
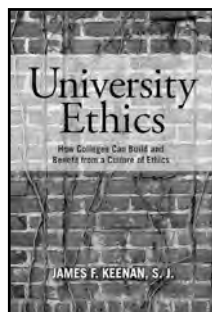
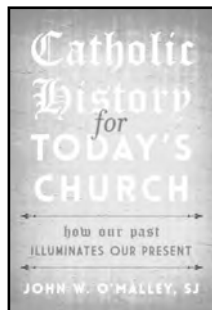
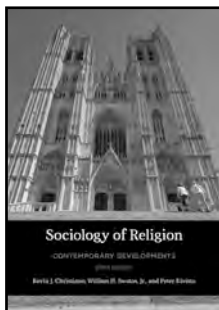
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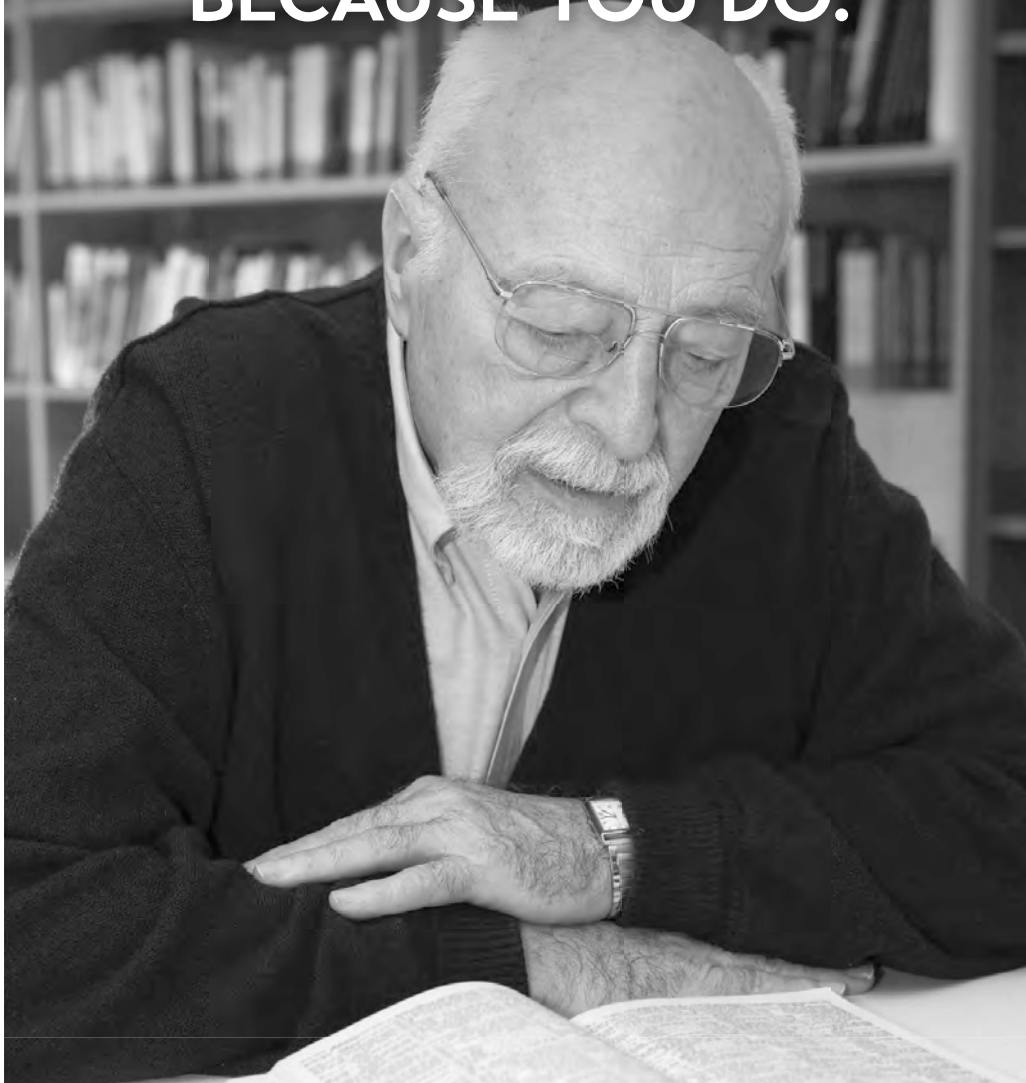
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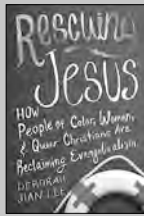
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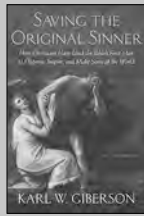
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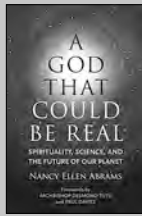
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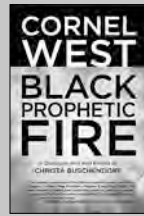
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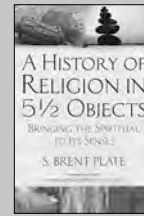


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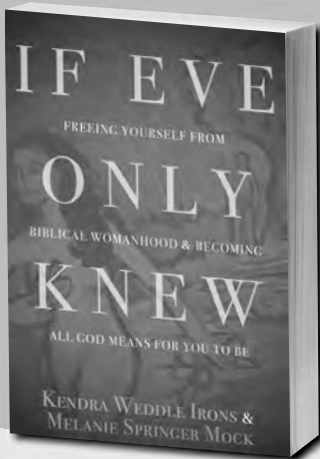
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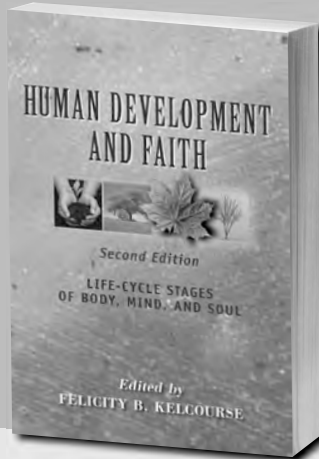
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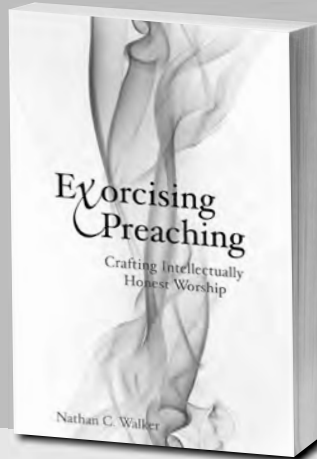
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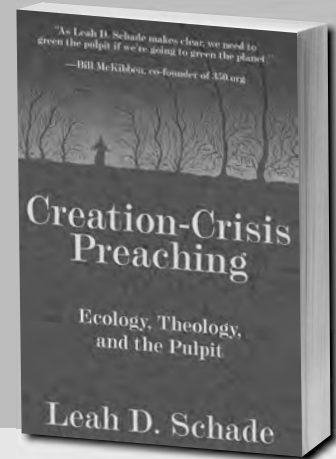
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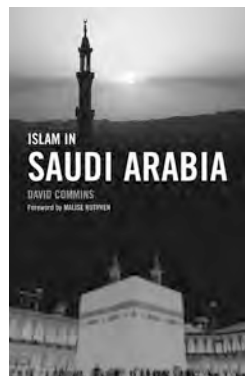
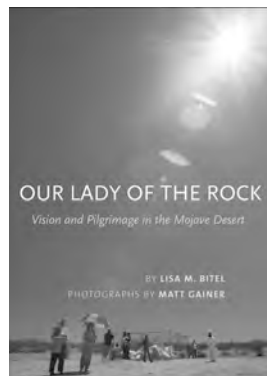
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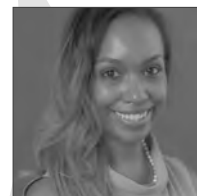
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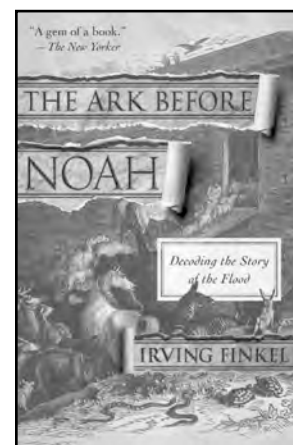
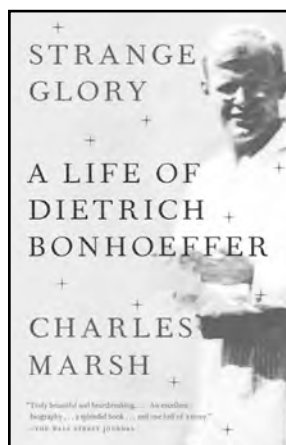
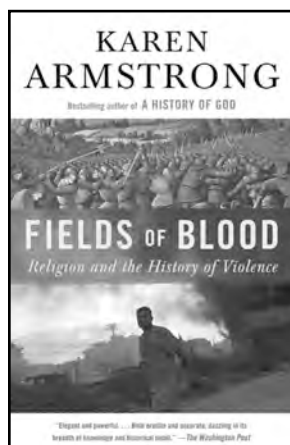
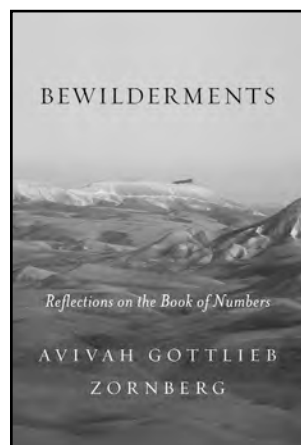
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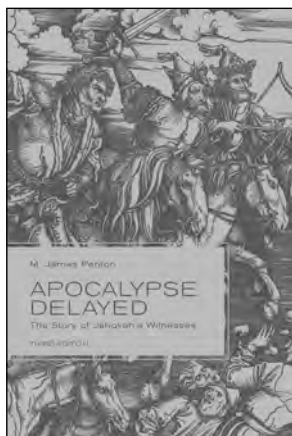
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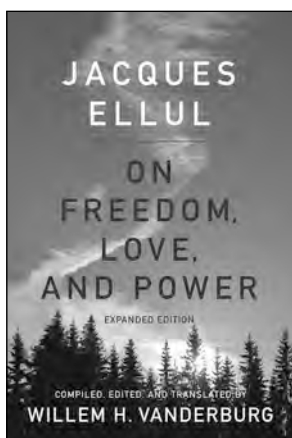


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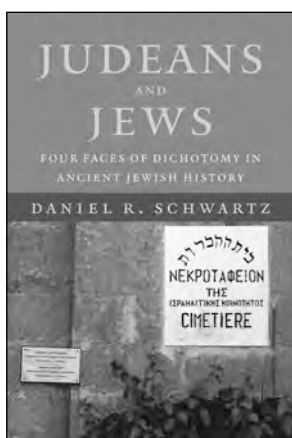


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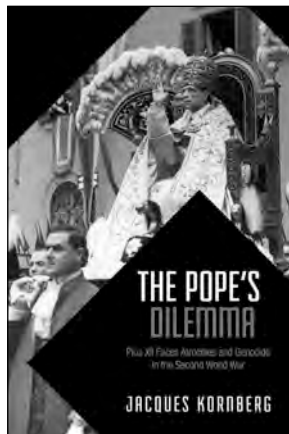


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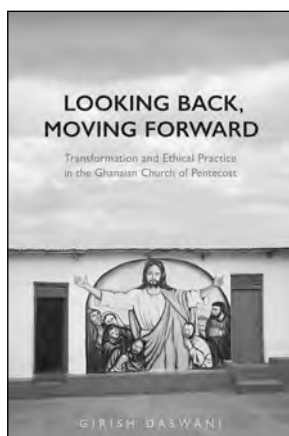
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MM–International 2  
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HR–Roswell

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| A22-212 | Sun 1:00 PM-2:30 PM | MM-A705    |
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**Liberation Theologies**

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**Men, Masculinities, and Religions**

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| A22-315 | Sun 5:00 PM-6:30 PM  | HR-Lenox           |
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**Middle Eastern Christianity**

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| A22-225 | Sun 1:00 PM-2:30 PM  | HD-Grand Salon B   |
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**Moral Injury and Recovery in Religion, Society, and Culture**

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| A21-129 | Sat 9:00 AM-11:30 AM | HR-Roswell          |
| A23-119 | Mon 9:00 AM-11:30 AM | HD-Grand Ballroom C |

**Mormon Studies**

|         |                       |                    |
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| A21-228 | Sat 1:00 PM-3:30 PM   | MM-L506-507        |
| A24-125 | Tue 10:30 AM-12:00 PM | MM-International 6 |

**Music and Religion**

|         |                      |               |
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| A22-131 | Sun 9:00 AM-11:30 AM | HD-401-402    |
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| A23-223 | Mon 1:00 PM-3:30 PM  | SD-Athens     |
| A23-318 | Mon 4:00 PM-6:30 PM  | HD-Crystal CD |

**Mysticism**

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| A24-105 | Tue 8:30 AM-10:00 AM | HR-Harris   |

**Native Traditions in the Americas**

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**Nineteenth Century Theology**

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**North American Hinduism**

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**Open and Relational Theologies**

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| A23-231 | Mon 1:00 PM-3:30 PM | HD-Grand Salon B       |

**Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements**

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| A22-229 | Sun 1:00 PM-2:30 PM  | HD-310        |
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**Platonism and Neoplatonism**

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## *Science, Technology, and Religion*

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| A23-133 | Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM | HD–401-402         |

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## *Secularism and Secularity*

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## *Sikh Studies*

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| A22-325 | Sun 5:00 PM–6:30 PM  | HD–Crystal AF      |
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## *Sociology of Religion*

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| A23-134 | Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM  | MM–A705             |
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## *Space, Place, and Religion*

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| A24-103 | Tue 8:30 AM–10:00 AM | HR–Hanover D |

## *Tantric Studies*

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### **Theology and Continental Philosophy**

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### **Theology of Martin Luther King Jr.**

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### **Transformative Scholarship and Pedagogy**

|         |                     |            |
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### **Transhumanism and Religion**

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### **Vatican II Studies**

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### **Wesleyan Studies**

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| A23-137 | Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM | MM-A706          |

### **Western Esotericism**

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### **Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society (#womanists@aar)**

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### **Yoga in Theory and Practice**

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### **Yogācāra Studies**

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### **Emerging Church, Millennials, and Religion**

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### **Interreligious Reflections on Immigration**

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### Center for Civil and Human Rights Tour

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Warehouse of African American Vernacular Art  
A21-143 Sat 9:30 AM–11:30 AM HR–Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

### Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum

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### Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change Tour

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### Pitts Theology Library Special Collections

A23-145 Mon 9:00 AM–11:30 AM HR–Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

### Ponce de Leon Avenue Houses of Worship Tour

A23-240 Mon 1:00 PM–5:00 PM HR–Meet at corner of Baker Street (Honorary Xernona Clayton Way) and Peachtree Street

### William Breman Jewish Heritage Museum

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A22-281 Sun 3:00 PM–4:30 PM HR–Piedmont

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### Exploring Protestantization

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### From Post-Apartheid Cape Town to Post-Racial Ferguson: Black Death, Public Protests, and the Recasting of White Shamelessness

A22-234 Sun 1:00 PM–2:30 PM HD–Grand Salon E

### From Tolerance to Recognition: Recognition and the Acceptance of Otherness

A21-341 Sat 4:00 PM–6:30 PM HD–Grand Salon E

### God's a White Racist: Ferguson, Black Death, and Racing Religion

A22-103 Sun 9:00 AM–11:00 AM MM–International 1

### How to Do Things with Scripture: Case Studies in Performing the Word

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P22-350 Sun 5:00 PM–6:30 PM HR–Hanover D

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### American Journal of Theology and Philosophy and the Institute for

### American Religious and Philosophical Thought

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### European Society for the Study of Western Esotericism

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### European Society of Women in Theological Research

P21-303 Sat 4:00 PM–6:00 PM HR–Williams

### Evangelical Philosophical Society

P21-205 Sat 1:00 PM–3:30 PM HD–405

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### Institute for American Religious and Philosophical Thought and the

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### International Association for the Cognitive Science of Religion

P22-109 Sun 10:00 AM–12:30 PM MM–M102

### International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies

P22-111 Sun 12:00 PM–2:00 PM HD–409

### International Bonhoeffer Society

P20-213 Fri 1:00 PM–6:00 PM HR–Kennesaw

**Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion**

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**Karl Barth Society of North America**

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**La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars of Religion**

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**Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies**

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**North American Paul Tillich Society**

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**Polanyi Society**

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**Religious Education Association**

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**Société Internationale d'Études sur Alfred Loisy**

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**Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions**

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**Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy**

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**Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**

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**Society for Hindu-Christian Studies**

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**Society for Pentecostal Studies**

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**Theta Alpha Kappa**

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**Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship**

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### *International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies*

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### *International Qur'anic Studies Association*

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### *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*

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### *Korean Biblical Colloquium*

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### *Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society*

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### *North American Association for the Study of Religion*

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### *Qur'an Seminar (IQSA)*

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### *Qur'anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)*

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### *Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions*

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| P21-402  | Sat 8:00 PM–9:30 PM  | MM–Skyline North (Lvl 10)             |
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## Asbury Theological Seminary and Azusa Pacific University

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## Association of Asian/North American Theological Educators (AANATE)

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## Auburn Theological Seminary

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## Bahá'í Studies Colloquy

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## Brown University

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## Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education

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## Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture

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## Concordia Seminary, Concordia Theological Seminary, and Concordia Publishing House

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## Emory University

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## Forum for Theological Exploration

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## Forum on Religion and Ecology, Yale University

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## Fuller Theological Seminary

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## General Board of Higher Education and Ministry

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**Indiana University**

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**Institute for the Bio-Cultural Study of Religion (IBCSR), Institute on Religion in an Age of Science (IRAS), Zygon Center for Religion and Science (ZCRS), and Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences (CTNS)**

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**Interfaith Youth Core**

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**Interfaith Youth Core, the Center for Jewish, Christian, and Islamic Studies at Chicago Theological Seminary, CIRCLE, ICJS, KAICIID Dialogue Centre, and The Pluralism Project**

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**International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT)**

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**John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics**

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**Journal of Religious Ethics**

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**Journal of World Christianity and the New York Theological Seminary**

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**New York Theological Seminary and the Journal of World Christianity**

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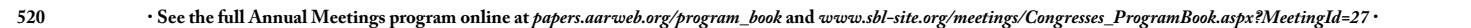
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