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PLENARY ADDRESS (A6)
Saturday, November 22, 11:00am  H-Continental 5 & 6

*Is There a Common American Culture?*
Robert N. Bellah, University of California, Berkeley, and Sheldon Hackney, University of Pennsylvania

Robert N. Bellah is Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Berkeley, where he has taught since 1967. He has long been known as a sociologist of religion interested in cultural memory, religious meaning, and moral implication. He is the author of seminal books tracing the roots and branches of American religious sensibilities. His teaching career began at Harvard University. He has undertaken research at McGill and Stanford Universities and in Tokyo, and he has served as Chairman of the Center for Japanese and Korean Studies, University of California, Berkeley. His award-winning stream of books includes *Beyond Belief* (1970), *The Broken Covenant* (1975), and, more recently, the collaboratively written *Habits of the Heart* (1985) and *The Good Society* (1991).

Sheldon Hackney served as Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities from 1993 to 1997. He is a historian whose first book, *Populism to Progressivism in Alabama* (1969), received the Albert J. Beveridge Prize for Best Book on American History and the 1970 Charles Sydnor Award. He joined the Princeton University faculty in 1965 and served as provost from 1972 to 1975. He has been president of Tulane University and the University of Pennsylvania. He has compiled *Populism: The Critical Issues* (1971) and co-edited *Understanding the American Experience* (1973). As Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), he is known for many accomplishments, but early on and most vividly for having introduced the idea of the “National Conversation on American Pluralism and Identity.”
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (A64)
Saturday, November 22, 7:00pm    N-Grand Ballroom

*Literary Echoes of Postmodernism*

Robert Detweiler, Emory University

Robert Detweiler is Professor of Comparative Literature in the Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts (ILA) at Emory University and formerly served as its director for eight years. A graduate of the University of Florida (M.A., 1960; Ph.D., 1962), he has taught at the University of Florida, Hunter College (CUNY), and Florida Presbyterian College (Eckerd College). Detweiler has held numerous visiting appointments, including three Fulbrights (University of Salzburg, University of Regensburg, and University of Copenhagen) and two appointments at the University of Hamburg. He held the American National Bank Chair Professor of Excellence at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Detweiler has published extensively on the intersection of religion, literature and culture. Among his many books are *John Updike* (1972, 1979, 1984), *Story, Sign and Self: Phenomenology and Structuralism as Literary Critical Methods* (1978, 1984), *Breaking the Fall: Religious Readings of Contemporary Fiction* (1989), and *Uncivil Rites: American Fiction, Religion, and the Public Sphere* (1996). *Breaking the Fall* (reissued 1995) was honored with a 1990 AAR Award for Excellence in Religious Studies, and Detweiler’s life and work were celebrated in a 1994 festschrift, *In Good Company*. Along with co-author David Jasper, University of Glasgow, Detweiler is currently working on an introductory textbook/anthology on religion and literature.

PLENARY ADDRESS (A148)
Sunday, November 23, 7:00pm    H-Continental 5 & 6

*Forgetting Foucault: Acts, Identities, and the History of Sexuality*

David M. Halperin, University of New South Wales, Australia

David M. Halperin is Lecturer in Sociology at University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia. From 1979 to 1996 he was a professor of literature at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is the author of *Before Pastoral: Theocritus and the Ancient Tradition of Bucolic Poetry* (1983), *One Hundred Years of Homosexuality and Other Essays on Greek Love* (1990), and *Saint Foucault: Towards a Gay Hagiography* (1995). He is also an editor of *The Construction of Erotic Experience in the Ancient Greek World* (1990), *The Lesbian and Gay Studies Reader* (1993), and *GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies*. In addition, he edits two book series: *Ideologies of Desire* at Oxford University Press (New York) and *The New Classical Canon* at Routledge (New York). He has been a Fellow of the American Academy in Rome, the National Humanities Center, the Stanford University Humanities Center, the Humanities Research Centre at Australian National University, and the Society for the Humanities at Cornell University. In 1990 he established the John J. Winkler Memorial Trust, which offers a yearly prize to the author of the best undergraduate or graduate essay in a risky or marginal field of classical studies. In 1993 he was given the Michael Lynch Service Award by the Gay and Lesbian Caucus of the Modern Language Association in recognition of his contributions to lesbian/gay politics and culture both inside and outside the academy.
James T. Laney served as United States Ambassador to the Republic of Korea from 1993 to 1997. As ambassador, Laney helped avert a nuclear crisis on the Korean peninsula, articulated a policy of engagement with North Korea that became the basis of U.S. policy, and participated in the Four Party Initiatives announced in April 1996 by Presidents Kim and Clinton. Upon his resignation, he was awarded the highest medal given to a civilian by the President of Korea and the medal of highest distinction by the United States Secretary of Defense.

During his sixteen years as President of Emory University, he oversaw its development into a major research university with the sixth largest endowment among all American universities. Earlier he served as Dean of the Candler School of Theology at Emory and on the faculty of Vanderbilt University Divinity School. He has also been a visiting professor at Harvard University. Laney is an honors graduate in economics from Yale University, is a graduate of Yale Divinity School, and also holds the Ph.D. from Yale. He has received fourteen honorary degrees and is a recipient of the Wilbur Cross Award from the Yale Graduate School.

A documentary film of his years at Emory was produced in 1994 by the Lilly Endowment Inc. He has written and spoken widely on ethics and the professions and on higher education. A volume of his addresses, entitled The Education of the Heart, was published in 1994. He is chair of the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia and a trustee of The Henry Luce Foundation, the National Humanities Center, and the Harvard Yenching Foundation.

Dr. Laney's address is sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada. The Academy is grateful to ATS Executive Director James L. Waits for making it possible.
SPECIAL TOPICS FORUMS

AAR/SBL/ATS Forum: Funding Opportunities for Teaching with the New Technologies (A5)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
Saturday, 9:00am–10:45am H-Continental 4
Pamela Couture, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Presiding

Faculty and university administrations are seeking partners for the enormous projects underway in technology. The types of partners range from foundations to commercial technology companies. The needs range in software, hardware, personnel, research, and pedagogy. This forum will focus on funding for the pedagogical use of technology. Many other places in the Annual Meeting program focus on several other dimensions of using technology in the academic setting, but this forum will discuss the use of technology with students and in the classroom. The panelists include Elizabeth A. Duffy, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation; Janet Edwards, the National Endowment for the Humanities; Susan Hockey, Center for Electronic Texts in the Humanities; and Raymond B. Williams, Wabash Center.

Internationalizing the Study of Religion: Methodological Issues (A7)
Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections
Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm P-Parc Ballroom I
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding

The Committee on International Connections invites a diverse group of international scholars to discuss methodological issues involved in internationalizing the study of religion. Special emphasis will be placed on historic events that have shaped the study of religion in the present cultural arena; the heuristic value of the study of religion with the methods developed in the modern West; and the interplay of inside participants and outside observers in the presenters' work as scholars of religion. The panelists include Amila Buturovic, York University; Sophie B. Oluwole, Goethe Institute, Lagos; Juba Pentikainen, University of California, Santa Barbara; Abdulkarim Soroush, Teheran, Iran; and Yen-zen Tsai, National Chengchi University, Taiwan.

AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair (A35)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
Saturday, 2:00pm–5:00pm H-East Lounge

Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to answer questions and distribute materials. This session is an extraordinary opportunity to learn more about the funding process and the many different kinds of resources that are available to scholars in religion. It is designed to be helpful for first-time applicants, as well as those who have received grants in the past. There will be representatives from organizations that provide a wide variety of types of funding, including dissertation support, faculty leave grants, and project-level grants.

Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm N-Grey Pearl
William Grassie, Temple University, Presiding

We find ourselves in a remarkable moment in the natural history of our planet and in the cultural evolution of our species. Science, technology, and the social economy are at a threshold, reaching deeply to transform our ecological and cultural legacies. All of this raises profound questions about the nature of technology, the nature of humans, the nature of nature, and present manifestations of the divine. Kevin Kelly, the executive editor of WIRED Magazine, and cosmologist Brian Swimme, California Institute of Integral Studies, will be joined by David Barstone, University of San Francisco, and Shannon Duval, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, to discuss biocultural adaptation in the late twentieth century at the end of the Cenozoic era. The respondent will be Michael E. Zimmerman, Tulane University.

Islamic Modernism Reconsidered (A38)
Sponsored by the AAR, the Carolina/Duke/Emory Consortium for the Study of Islam (CDESI), and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm P-Parc Ballroom III
Richard C. Martin, Emory University, Presiding

Two influential thinkers will offer critical assessments of Islamic thought and the challenges of modernity at the close of the century. Nurcilel Madjid received a Ph.D. from University of Chicago. He is director of the Paramadina Foundation in Jakarta, a group established to assess the relationship between Islam and Indonesian culture and politics. Prof. Madjid has written and lectured widely on the use of traditional Islamic texts in the construction of an Islamic modernism. Abdulkarim Soroush was educated in science and philosophy in Tehran and later at the University of London. He was influential in persuading the late Ayatollah Khomeini to reopen Iranian universities following the 1979 Revolution. He has lectured widely in postrevolutionary Iran and more recently in North America on philosophy, theology, and the nature of religious knowledge. The respondents will be Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University. Reception to follow.

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The Meaning and Ends of Teaching Religion (A39)
Sponsored by the AAR and the Journal for Teaching Theology and Religion
Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Taylor
Judith A. Berling, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

Blackwell Publishers inaugurates a new journal, Teaching Theology and Religion, sponsored by the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, in affiliation with the American Academy of Religion. Raymond B. Williams and Judith A. Berling are co-editors, with Ian Markham as associate editor. In this session, members of the editorial board will engage in a discussion on “The Meaning and Ends of Teaching Religion,” addressing issues such as these: How is teaching a form of scholarship? Is learning a theological discipline? What is the end to which students are being shaped? Is teaching religion different from teaching other subjects, and how?

In celebration of the journal’s inauguration, a brief presentation and reception will follow.

Feminism Lashes Back: Responses to the Backlash (A40)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom I
Emilie M. Townes, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

The backlash against feminism has prompted numerous efforts to counter hegemonic responses to feminist analyses, methodologies, strategies, and theoretical reflections. This session will emphasize the ways in which feminist thought develops new paradigms and scholarly reflections that push beyond reactive responses. Beverly Wildung Harrison, Union Theological Seminary, New York, will provide an analysis of the backlash. Kenneth B. Smith, Chicago Theological Seminary, will discuss the ways in which administrators can address and provide substantive support to faculty members. Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit Mercy, and Amina Wadud-Muhsin, Virginia Commonwealth University, will reflect on the personal and scholarly impact of backlash. Time will be left for questions and discussion.

Grantseeking: How to Identify, Cultivate, and Approach a Granting Organization for Funding (A72)
Sponsored by the Committee on Research and Scholarship
Sunday, 9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 3
Cheryl A. Tupper, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding

This program will address the various aspects of seeking funding for a project, from the beginning planning to receiving notice of results from a grantor. Frank Reynolds, University of Chicago, and Cheryl A. Tupper, Union Theological Seminary, New York, will discuss examples of what contributes to success and what doesn’t. The basic process of grantseeking will be covered.

Reversing the Direction: How Teaching Affects Scholarship (A102)
Sponsored by the AAR Committees on Research and Scholarship and on Teaching and Learning, and Spotlight on Teaching
Sunday, 1:00pm–3:00pm  P-Parc Ballroom I
Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

When the relationship between scholarship and teaching is discussed, it is usual to consider how the latest research should inform our classrooms (e.g., What textbooks contain the latest scholarship in the field? How can our courses reflect women’s and minorities’ religious experiences? How can we present significant theoretical frameworks to our classes?) While such questions are critical to good teaching, there is another side to the issue. Our students and our courses frequently affect our intellectual questioning, our style of scholarship, and even our research interests. Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara; Diana L. Eck, Harvard University; Mark C. Taylor, Williams College; and Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary, New York, will discuss their intellectual journeys, highlighting how teaching has affected their academic careers. Rebecca S. Chopp, Emory University, will explore some broader implications of the unacknowledged “secret” that teaching affects the academic study of religion.

Frontiers in Biblical Scholarship: The Endowment for Biblical Research Lecture Series (A131)
Sponsored by the AAR, ASOR, and SBL
Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom III
Lance Carden, Endowment for Biblical Research, Presiding

Supported by the Endowment for Biblical Research, AAR, ASOR, and SBL, the “Frontiers in Biblical Scholarship” lecture series is designed to communicate the results of biblical scholarship to the general public. At this Annual Meeting Meeting the lecture will be the third installment of a three-year series addressing the theme “Ancient Voices, Modern Meanings: The Prophetic Tradition.” Wyatt MacGaffey, Haverford College, will deliver a lecture entitled “Prophecy in a Spiral Universe: Central African Translations of the Bible.” Robert R. Wilson, Yale University, and James Ross, Virginia Theological Seminary, will be the respondents.

Beverly Wildung Harrison
African Americans and the Bible: An Interdisciplinary Research Project (A150)
Sponsored by the AAR and SBL
Sunday, 8:30pm–10:30pm N-Grand Ballroom I
Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

This special session announces and begins critical discussion of an interdisciplinary and collaborative research project that seeks to fathom the historical and perduing complexity of the interaction between African Americans and the Bible. The project aims to draw upon a wide range of methods in order to account for the dynamics in this specific instance of the textualization or biblical formation of a people, and the more explicit ethnicization of the construal and engagement of sacred texts. The project will provide challenges for the (historical, comparative, and social scientific) study of culture formation, for American, especially African American, history, religion, and culture; for the comparative and phenomenological study of religions, especially the study of holy books; and for biblical studies. The project is directed by Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University, New York City, in conjunction with an Advisory Group, and is supported by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. The other panelists are Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College; Charles H. Long, Durham, NC; Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara; Patrick Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary; and Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College.

Glimpses of Our Digital Future (A155)
Sponsored by the AAR Publications Committee
Monday, 9:00am–11:30am N-Grey Pearl I
Susan Brooks Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Development of electronic resources is important not only to the immediate future of scholarly publishing but to research and teaching in our field. In this session, pioneering projects are demonstrated and discussed. Michael Keller, Stanford University, reviews High Wire Press, a website for scholarly journals. Cynthia Edenburg, Open University, Israel, demonstrates the use of electronic imaging technology to reveal local cultural histories. Edward Malatesta, University of San Francisco, demonstrates how online databases can be used to compile and disseminate huge amounts of information. Lewis Lancaster, University of California, Berkeley (editor of the AAR’s electronic publications), discusses some tools for developing electronic resources for the field.

Religion and AIDS Prevention: The Faith Initiative of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (A183)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Public Understanding of Religion
Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm P-Parc Ballroom II
Mark Silk, Trinity College, Hartford, Presiding

More than half the organizations involved in caring for persons with AIDS are religiously based, but for theological and moral reasons, many religious institutions have been reluctant to undertake efforts to prevent the spread of the disease. Recognizing that religious communities could play a significant role in AIDS prevention, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the federal government’s public health agency, has for nearly a decade sponsored faith-based prevention programs. This session discusses the agency’s efforts so far, its plans for the future, impediments to faith-based AIDS prevention, and church-state issues raised by faith-based programs. The panelists are Qairo Ali, CDC’s “Faith Initiative”; Marc Blumenthal, AIDS National Interfaith Network; Rodney J. DeMartini, National Catholic AIDS Network; and, as respondent, Marie J. Giblin, Xavier University.

Mentoring Racial/Ethnic Graduate Students (A209)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
Monday, 3:45pm–6:15pm H-Continental I
Jace Weaver, Yale University, Presiding

Recruitment and retention of racial and ethnic minority students has been a chronic problem at all levels of higher education, especially at the graduate level. Often these students drop out of the education process because they have failed to find a mentor who understands their needs and takes an interest in them and their success. This panel will examine ways of mentoring these students and providing a supportive environment for them. Panelists include Rita Nakashima Brock, Bunting Institute, Radcliffe College; James H. Cone, Union Theological Seminary, New York; Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Drew University; and Homer Noley, School of Theology at Claremont.

The Sons of Noah in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions (A233)
Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
Monday, 4:00pm–6:00pm Session will convene at the MESA Conference in the Hyatt Regency at the Embarcadero, Ballroom B
William Brinner, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Scholars often presume that the identities of Ham, Shem, and Japhet have long been fixed in the Judaean-Christian-Muslim tradition. Ham is cursed as the African slave, Shem is blessed as the father of Jews and Arabs, and Japhet is associated with the Christianized northern races. Such assumptions have played a major role in understanding the history of racism. Applying the lessons of new research that demolishes much of this “conventional wisdom,” this panel will explore the extent to which the racialized identities of the three Sons and the meaning of Noah’s curse of Canaan were far more unstable and complex than has been previously thought. A second issue to be addressed is the relationship among Jewish, Christian, and Muslim scriptural traditions. Presenters include Benjamin Braude, Boston College; Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College; Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America; and Gordon D. Newby, Emory University. Mahmoud M. Ayoub, Temple University, is the respondent.

* AAR Special Sessions *
Asian American Women: Their Art and Spirituality (A36)

Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Grand Ballroom II

Sharon Fuh, Korean Art Museum, Los Angeles; Harvard University, Presiding

The motivation and process of artmaking emerges out of life experiences within a specific cultural context. Asian American women live at the confluence of Asian and American cultures, and their art manifests their experience of being bi-cultural. Does the sense of spirituality emerge from the process itself, or are the cultures a catalyst for the art? The panelists (Lucy Arai, San Francisco, CA; Bernice Bing, South of Market Cultural Center Gallery, San Francisco, CA; Dawn Nakanishi, San Francisco State University; and Flo Oy Wong, Women's Caucus for the Arts, San Francisco, CA) will address their individual motivations as artists and their process of artmaking as it relates to their sense of spirituality.

Art without Heroes: Giving Form to the Formless (A130-A)

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 6

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Kyogai, a Japanese aesthetic and spiritual expression, refers to the fullness of life that comes from long years of experience in living. A person's kyogai, or spiritual maturity, determines how one responds to life's challenges and how one uses those opportunities to discover new insights. The artist's task is to give form to the formless kyogai. Three artists (Lucy Arai, San Francisco, CA; Martha Matsuda, Headland Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA; and Ronald Y. Nakasone, Graduate Theological Union) will give a lecture demonstration of their kyogai as it is manifested in their art. Ms. Arai will demonstrate the art of sashiko, a running-stitch embroidery of Northern Japan, as a disciplined and mindful practice. Ms. Matsuda will lead participants into the world of butoh, a postmodern dance form aimed at challenging one's notions of self and society. Mr. Nakasone will demonstrate the art of sho, or calligraphy, and will preface the demonstrations with a lecture on Buddhist aesthetics.

Fragile Jazz by Micheal O'Siadhail (A130-B)

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Powell

Daniel Hardy, Cambridge University, Presiding

Micheal O'Siadhail is one of Ireland's preeminent contemporary poets. His lyrical, romantic works celebrate love and other themes of everyday experience. Drawing from his nine published collections, O'Siadhail has given poetry readings and broadcast extensively in Ireland, Britain, and North America. In 1982 he was awarded an Irish American Cultural Institute prize for poetry. He has served as editor of the Poetry Ireland Review and as a member of the Arts Council of the Republic of Ireland. His latest collection is Fragile City (1995). O'Siadhail has been a lecturer at Trinity College, Dublin, and a professor at the Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies.

TOURS

For information on preregistering for these tours see page 328.

Sacred Sites Bus Tour (A3)

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group

Saturday, 8:00am–12:15pm  Gather at the globe in the main lobby of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers

Brett Greider, Sweet Briar College, Presiding

The San Francisco bioregion, as a spectacular landscape surrounding San Francisco Bay, is home to sacred sites for many indigenous and world religions. This bus and walking tour will take participants over the Golden Gate Bridge, past Sausalito and the sacred Mount Tamalpais (revered by the Ohlone and other tribes), and over to the Pacific Coast. The tour will visit the Muir Woods National Monument. The second stop will be Green Gulch Farm and Zen Center. For more detailed information see page 328.
Walking Tour of Chinatown Religious Sites (A4)
Sponsored by the Asian American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
Saturday, 9:00am—12:00 noon Gather at the globe in the main lobby of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers
Rudy V. Busto, Stanford University, Presiding
As one of the oldest Asian American ethnic areas in the U.S., San Francisco's Chinatown provides a microcosm of cultural adaptations of Asian Buddhism to American society and a profile of the history of Christian missions to Chinese immigrants, including the Chinese Baptist Church featured in The Joy Luck Club. This tour, led by the Chinese Historical Society, will visit selected sites that are of particular historical, architectural, and artistic value. For more detailed information about the tour and an optional dim sum lunch, see page 328.

Asian Art Museum of San Francisco Tour: Religious Aspects of Hindu and Buddhist Art (A32)
Saturday, 1:30pm—2:30pm (50 persons, $9.00 entry & tour fee)
This special tour of one of the premiere collections of Asian art will highlight Hindu and Buddhist iconography and ritual.

M. H. DeYoung Museum Tour: Ceremonial Aspects of Religious Art in Africa, Meso America, and Oceania (A33)
Saturday, 1:30pm—2:30pm (50 persons, $9.00 entry & tour fee)
This tour specially designed for AAR members provides a unique view of the ritual and ceremonial aspects of the African, Meso American, and Oceanic art in the permanent collection of the M. H. DeYoung Museum.

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Tour: Highlights of the Collection (A34)
Saturday, 1:30pm—2:30pm (50 persons, $9.00 entry & tour fee)
This special tour of international modern art and design includes a discussion of its critically acclaimed new building by Mario Botta, renowned for his designs of modern church architecture.

San Francisco Craft and Folk Art Museum Tour: Highlights of the Collection including the Special Exhibits of Navajo Folk Art and the Straw Trail (A128)
Sunday, 1:30pm—2:30pm (50 persons, $2.00 entry & tour fee)
This special tour of San Francisco's international center for craft and folk art includes a discussion of the special exhibitions of Navajo folk arts and fine international examples of straw art.

San Francisco Jewish Museum Tour: Highlights of the Collection (A129)
Sunday, 1:30pm—2:30pm (40 persons, no entry or tour fee)
This special presentation of the permanent collection of the San Francisco Jewish Museum will include both a view of Jewish art and cultural history, and the special exhibition L'Chaim: A Kiddush Cup Invitational.

Walking Tour of San Francisco Houses of Worship (A182)
Sponsored by the North American Religions Section
Monday, 1:00pm—3:30pm Gather at the globe in the main lobby of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers
Alan L. Miller, Miami University, Ohio; and Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding
The tour will focus on Japantown and on the city's two cathedrals, Grace (Episcopal) and St. Mary's (Roman Catholic). Be sure to dress comfortably for a sometimes strenuous walk. To sign up fill out the form on page 328.

Films

Breaking the Waves
(A232) Monday, 3:45pm—6:15pm  H-Continental 7
The film is set in a religious community in the north of Scotland, where a naive young woman named Bess McNeill (Emily Watson) meets and falls in love with Danish oil-rig worker Jan (Stellan Skarsgaard). Bess and Jan are deeply in love, but after Jan returns to his rig, Bess prays to God that he will come home for good. Jan does return, his neck broken in an accident aboard the rig. Because of his condition, Jan and Bess are now unable to enjoy a sexual relationship, and Jan urges Bess to take another lover and tell him the details. As Bess becomes more and more deviant in her sexual behavior, she comes to believe that her actions are guided by God and are helping Jan recover.
Directed by Lars von Trier, 1996, 156 minutes.

Half Sister
(A98) Sunday, 9:00am—11:30am  H-Continental 9
(A236) Monday, 8:30pm—10:30pm  H-Continental 7
Half Sister is a personal film about the Holocaust and the loss of Ravett's half sister. In order to explore these issues, Ravett calls attention to the visuality of film. In trying to recapture loss, he asks us to consider the repetition and juxtaposition of images as well as the sounds, rhythm, and feel of projection. He asks viewers to notice the seams of production specifically in relation to memory and desire. The film demands that viewers notice the pictures, the still photographs that make up but cannot ultimately reanimate memory or give life to ongoing desires.
Directed by Abraham Ravett, 1985, 22 minutes.

Punch Me in the Stomach
(A65) Saturday, 8:30pm—10:30pm  N-Pink Pearl
(A149) Sunday, 8:30pm—10:30pm  H-Continental 9
Adapted from the successful 36-character off-Broadway play, Punch Me in the Stomach is the triumph of one man, a Polish-born concentration camp survivor, as told by his comedienne daughter, Deb Filler. "Jackie Mason meets Tracey Ullman... She has the comedienne's flair for mimicry and the Lower East-Sider's ascerbic wit"—Montreal Gazette.
Directed by Abraham Ravett, 1996, 22 minutes.
SPECIAL SESSIONS

SESSIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL INTEREST

Throughout the program are many sessions with international aspects and several presentations by international scholars. A few are highlighted here.

Internationalizing the Study of Religion: Methodological Issues
Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections
(A7) Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Parc Ballroom I

The panelists include Amila Buturovic, York University; Sophie B. Oluwolé, Goethe Institute, Nigeria; Abdulkarim Soroush, Teheran, Iran; and Yen-zen Tsai, National Chengchi University, Taiwan.

See page 7 for a description.

International Guests and Members Orientation and Reception
(A67) Saturday, 8:30pm–9:30pm  H-Vista Room

All AAR international attendees and guests are invited to a reception sponsored by the Committee on International Connections.

Islamic Modernism Reconsidered
Sponsored by the AAR, the Carolina/Duke/Emory Consortium for the Study of Islam (CDESI), and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
(A38) Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom III

Richard C. Martin, Emory University, Presiding

Panelists will be Nurcolish Madjid, Jakarta, Indonesia; and Abdulkarim Soroush, Teheran, Iran. Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University will be the respondents. Reception to follow.

See page 7 for description.

The Sons of Noah in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions
Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
(A233) Monday, 4:00pm–6:00pm  Session will convene at the MESA Conference in the Hyatt Regency at the Embarcadero Ballroom B

William Brinner, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Presenters include Benjamin Braude, Boston College; Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College; Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America; Gordon D. Newby, Emory University.

Mahmoud M. Ayoub, Temple University, is the respondent. See page 9 for a description.

RECEPTIONS

Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Reception
(A63) Saturday, 5:45pm–6:45pm  H-Vista Room

There will be a reception at 5:45pm held conjointly with the SBL’s Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession.

A Conversation and Reception for Religion Scholars in Part-time, Administrative, and Nonacademic Positions
(A66) Saturday, 8:30pm–9:30pm  H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)

The AAR Board of Directors sponsors this conversation and reception to explore ways in which the AAR might better support members employed in part-time, administrative, or nonacademic positions.

International Guests and Members Orientation and Reception
(A67) Saturday, 8:30pm–9:30pm  H-Vista Room

All AAR international attendees and guests are invited to a reception sponsored by the Committee on International Connections.

AAR/SBL Reception
(A68) Saturday, 9:15pm–10:00pm  H-Continental

All persons registered for the Annual Meeting are invited. Admission is by ticket and name badge only.

AAR/SBL Student Members Reception
(A69) Saturday, 10:00pm–11:30pm  H-Union Square 23 & 24

The student members of AAR and SBL are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR and SBL executive staffs.

New Members Continental Breakfast
(A70) Sunday, 7:30am–8:45am  H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)

The Board of Directors welcomes new (first-time) AAR members to join them for a continental breakfast.

Retired Members Reception
(A146) Sunday, 5:30pm–6:30pm  H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)

All AAR members who are retired from full-time employment are invited to a reception in their honor.

Lilly Teaching Fellows Reception
(A151) Sunday, 8:45pm–10:00pm  H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)

All participants in the AAR’s Lilly Teaching Workshops are invited to a reception.
JAAR Editorial Board Reception
(A152) Sunday, 9:00pm–11:00pm  H-Lombard
Members of the JAAR Editorial Board are invited to a reception in their honor.

Reception for Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Members
(A237) Monday, 9:00pm–11:00pm  H-State Suite
(Building 3, 19th floor)
AAR program unit chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception in their honor hosted by the Program Committee.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS ON FUNDING RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

Funding Opportunities for Teaching with the New Technologies
(A5) Saturday, 9:00am–10:45am  H-Continental 4
Major funders of projects in teaching and learning describe the goals and procedures associated with their programs and answer questions from scholars interested in applying for support.

Research Grants Fair
(A35) Saturday, 2:00pm–5:00pm  H-East Lounge
Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to speak with members and distribute application materials.

Grantseeking: How to Identify, Cultivate, and Approach a Granting Organization for Funding
(A72) Sunday, 9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 3
This program will address the various aspects of seeking funding for a project, from the beginning planning to receiving notice of results from a grantor. The leaders will discuss examples of what contributes to success and what doesn’t. The basic process of grantseeking will be covered.

ESPECIALLY FOR STUDENTS

AAR Student Liaison Group Meeting
(AE7) Saturday, 8:00am–10:45am  H-Taylor
Appointed Student Liaison Group members will gather to discuss business.

Introduction to the AAR
(A62) Saturday, 5:00pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 5
This session provides an orientation to AAR structures, publication programs, and services. Brief presentations will be given by various AAR leaders, and ample opportunity for questions and general discussion will follow.

AAR/SBL Student Members Reception
(A69) Saturday, 10:00pm–11:30pm  H-Union Square 23 & 24
The student members of AAR and SBL are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR and SBL executive staffs.

AAR Student Planning Session
(A99) Sunday, 11:45am–12:45pm  H-Continental 6
This session explores ways the AAR can better serve its student members. All students are invited to participate.

AAR AWARDS

To be presented prior to the Presidential Address (A64),
Saturday, 7:00pm  N-Grand Ballroom

Excellence in the Study of Religion
The AAR is pleased to announce the 1997 award recipients for outstanding books in religion.

**Analytical-Descriptive Studies:**

**Constructive-Reflective Studies:**

**Historical Studies:**


The AAR thanks Richard B. Miller, Indiana University, Bloomington, Coordinator of Juries, and the jurors for their contributions to this awards program:

**Analytical-Descriptive Panel:**
Bruce Lincoln, University of Chicago
Dale B. Martin, Duke University
Carole A. Myescofski, Illinois Wesleyan University

**Constructive-Reflective Panel:**
Larry Bouchard, University of Virginia
Rebecca S. Chopp, Emory University
Francis Schussler Fiorenza, Harvard University

**Historical Panel:**
Roger Brooks, Connecticut College
Terry H. Foreman, Murray State University
Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University of Chicago
Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University

Best First Book in the History of Religions
The AAR is pleased to announce the award recipient for the best first book in the history of religions for 1996.


The AAR thanks the members of the Committee on the History of Religions for their contributions to this award.
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (S55)
Saturday, November 22, 8:00pm  P-Parc Ballroom

Antiquity and Christianity
Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago Divinity School

Hans Dieter Betz is the Shailer Mathews Professor of New Testament at the University of Chicago. Professor Betz has distinguished himself as a pastor in his native Germany, a professor at the Claremont Graduate School and School of Theology prior to coming to Chicago, and as a prolific, creative author and editor of numerous books and articles. The extensive list of his lectureships, published works, visiting professorships, and leadership roles in scholarly guilds throughout the world are exceeded only by the extraordinary list of personal attributes students and colleagues bring to mind when one asks, “How would you describe Professor Betz?” He exemplifies for us a delightful mixture of the giver of wisdom and the seeker of understanding, the penetratingly insightful critic and the caring thoughtful friend, the engaged listener and the engaging speaker.

Patrick D. Miller, SBL President-Elect, Princeton Theological Seminary, will preside.
Publishing Biblical Scholarship for the Public Arena (S120)
Cosponsored by SBL and Publisher's Weekly
Sunday, November 23, 4:30pm–6:00pm   H-Continental 5
Jack A. Miles, *Bearings and Barings, or the Difference between an Academic and an Intellectual*

This lecture is the first in a series of events that will address the importance of creating scholarship for the public. An interest in contributing to the wider culture and awareness of the financial realities of academic publishing, along with other factors, have engendered a greater willingness on the part of scholars to write books for nonspecialists. Still, a number of thorny issues thwart bringing the work of biblical scholars to general readers. Publisher's Weekly and the Society of Biblical Literature hope to begin to address these and related issues by sponsoring this lecture. In addition, they plan to sponsor a forum on more practical matters related to publishing biblical and religious studies in the general book market at the 1998 annual meeting.

Jack A. Miles is author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning volume, *God: A Biography*. He is the Mellon Visiting Professor of Humanities, California Institute of Technology, and Professor of Humanities, Claremont Graduate University. Lynn Garrett, religion editor of *Publisher's Weekly*, and David L. Petersen, Iliff School of Theology, will preside.

Fireside Chat between Bruce Metzger and Beverly Gaventa (S189)
Monday, November 24, 7:30pm–9:00pm   N-Grand Ballroom II
Bruce Metzger, Emeritus, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Beverly Gaventa, Princeton Theological Seminary

One of the world’s best known scholars on the text of the New Testament, Bruce Metzger is author or editor of thirty-five books, several of which have been translated into German, Italian, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Malagasy. He is the general editor of the Reader’s Digest Bible and serves as chair of the New RSV Bible Committee. Metzger is past president of the Society of Biblical Literature, the International Society of New Testament Studies, the North American Patristic Society, and the Society for Textual Scholarship. Having taught for forty-six years at Princeton Theological Seminary, Metzger has also given academic lectures at more than one hundred colleges, universities, and seminaries in North and South America, Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Korea, Japan, and South Africa.

Professor Metzger’s interviewer will be Beverly Gaventa, who succeeded him in the Bible Department at Princeton and who is the Helen H. P. Manson Professor of New Testament Literature and Exegesis.
SPECIAL SESSIONS

Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

(S13) Saturday, 10:00am–12:00pm  Mini-recruitment Conference
(S54) Saturday, 5:45pm–7:00pm  Joint Reception with AAR
(S150) Monday, 11:30am–1:00pm  Luncheon
(S156) Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  Session on Mentoring

SBL's Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession (CUREMPP) has planned a series of occasions geared especially to engage so-called minority students. Preliminary to the meeting will be a mini-recruitment conference and within the context of the meeting there will be a reception, a luncheon/discussion, and session on mentoring. We list them here in summary fashion. Refer to the sessions as outlined in the Annual Meeting Program section of this book.

Law as Literature: Recent Literary Theory and Biblical Law (S37)

Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Grand Ballroom III

Milner S. Ball, University of Georgia School of Law, Adele Berlin, University of Maryland, David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield, and Geoffrey Miller, New York University Law School, will form an interdisciplinary panel of experts in legal hermeneutics, literary theory, and biblical exegesis for this special session organized by the Biblical Law Section. The presenters will provide a range of readings of the narrative of the Golden Calf and the Covenant Renewal (Exodus 32–34) and then discuss the intersections of the various methodologies at play. Martha T. Roth, University of Chicago, will preside.

The New Novum Testamentum Graecum, Editio Critica Maior (S113)

Sponsored by the New Testament Textual Criticism Section

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom I


Film: The Gospel according to Saint Matthew (S124)

Sunday, 7:30pm–10:30pm  H-Continental 7

Pier Paolo Pasolini's 1964 film, The Gospel according to Saint Matthew, chronicles the life of Jesus using only the words of the gospel as text because Pasolini felt his "own words and images could never reach the poetic heights of the text." The film was made without professional actors (a Spanish student, Pasolini's friends, and mother all appear) and was shot in Italy with a handheld camera, creating a documentary effect. This showing has been coordinated by the Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Section, which will provide a panel discussion of it at their second session, S179 (Monday, November 24, 3:45pm–6:15pm). Carol Latturd, University of St. Thomas, will preside at the showing of the film.

The Theological and Historical Stakes in Synoptic Problem Scholarship (S185)

Monday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 6

Panelists David L. Dungan, University of Tennessee, Caine Hope Felder, Howard University School of Divinity, John S. Kloppenborg, University of St. Michael's College, Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt Divinity School, David B. Peabody, Nebraska Wesleyan University, and Leif Vaage, Emmanuel College, Toronto, will come together to address the meta-question of what difference acceptance of one or other of the hypotheses concerning the synoptic problem makes to the understanding of primitive Christianity and its theological development. Sean McEvenue, Concordia University, will preside.

Bible in Africa, Asia, and Latin America (S188)

Monday, November 24, 7:00pm–9:00pm  P-Parc Ballroom III

J. Severino Croatto, Instituto Superior Evangélico de Estudios Teológicos, Buenos Aires, Argentina
The "Nations" in the Salvific Oracles of Isaiah

José Severino Croatto comes to the 1997 annual meeting from Instituto Superior Evangélico de Estudios Teológicos (ISEDET) in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where he is Professor of Old Testament, Hebrew Language, and Religious Studies. He has distinguished himself as the first editor of the Bibliografía Teológica Comentada (issued by ISEDET since 1973) and as a contributor to the Latin American Movement for the Popular Reading of the Bible. He has written some 150 articles in the areas of exegesis, semitic philology, hermeneutics, and rhetorical analysis of texts. Among his fifteen books are titles in both English and Spanish, including volumes in the areas of hermeneutics, biblical theology, ancient near Eastern studies, and phenomenology of religion. He has also authored two commentaries in three volumes—one on Genesis 1–11 and another on Isaiah. His lecture grows out of his work on this latter
commentary, addressing our meeting on the matter of social location in readings of the text. Sharon H. Ringe, Wesley Theological Seminary, will preside.

**AAR/SBL/ATS Forum: Funding Opportunities for Teaching with the New Technologies (S12)**
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada

**Saturday, 9:00am–10:45am**  H-Continental 4
Pamela Couture, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Presiding

Panelists for this year's forum include Elizabeth A. Duffy, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Janet Edwards, the National Endowment for the Humanities, Susan Hockey, University of Alberta, and Raymond B. Williams, Wabash Center.

Faculty and university administrations are seeking partners for the enormous projects underway in technology. The types of partners range from foundations to commercial technology companies. The needs come in software, hardware, personnel, research, and pedagogy. This forum will focus on funding for the pedagogical use of technology.

**AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair (S34)**
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada

**Saturday, 2:00pm–5:00pm**  H-East Lounge
Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to answer questions and distribute materials. This session is an extraordinary opportunity to learn more about the funding process and the many different kinds of resources that are available to scholars in religion. It is designed to be helpful for first-time applicants, as well as those who have received grants in the past. There will be representatives from organizations that provide a wide variety of types of funding, including dissertation support, faculty leave grants, and project-level grants.

Frontiers in Biblical Scholarship: The Endowment for Biblical Research Lecture Series (S106)
Sponsored by AAR, ASOR, SBL
**Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm**  P-Parc Ballroom III
Wyatt MacGaffey, Haverford College
*Prophecy in a Spiral Universe: Central African Translations of the Bible*

Robert Wilson, Yale University, and James Ross, Virginia Theological Seminary, will be the respondents to this lecture, the final one in a three-year series addressing the theme, "Ancient Voices, Modern Meanings: The Prophetic Tradition." Supported by the Endowment for Biblical Research, AAR, ASOR, and SBL, this lecture series is designed to communicate the results of biblical scholarship to the general public. Lance Carden, Endowment for Biblical Research, will preside.

African Americans and the Bible: An Interdisciplinary Research Project (S125)
Sponsored by the AAR and SBL
**Sunday, 8:30pm–10:30pm**  N-Grand Ballroom I

This special session announces and begins critical discussion of an interdisciplinary and collaborative research project that seeks to fathom the historical and perduring complexity of the interaction between African Americans and the Bible. The project aims to draw upon a wide range of the methods in order to account for the dynamics in this specific instance of the text(u)ralization or biblical formation of a people and the more explicit ethnicization of the construal and engagement of sacred texts. The project will provide challenges for the (historical, comparative, and social scientific) study of culture formation; for American, especially African American, history, religion, and culture; for the comparative and phenomenological study of religions, especially the study of holy books; and for biblical studies. The project is directed by Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University, New York City, in conjunction with an Advisory Group, and is supported by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. The other panelists are Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College; Charles H. Long, Durham, NC; Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara; Patrick Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary; and Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College. Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School, will preside.

The Sons of Noah in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions (S187)
Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
**Monday, 4:00pm–6:00pm**  Session will convene at the MESA Conference in the Hyatt Regency at the Embarcadero, Ballroom B

Scholars often presume that the identities of Ham, Shem and Japhet have long been fixed in the Jewish-Christian-Muslim tradition. Ham is cursed as the African slave. Shem is blessed as the father of Jews and Arabs. While Japhet is associated with the Christianized northern races. Such assumptions have played a major role in understanding the history of racism. Applying the lessons of new research that demolishes much of this "conventional wisdom," this panel will explore the extent to which the racialized identities of the three Sons and the meaning of Noah's curse of Canaan were far more unstable and complex than has been previously thought. A second issue to be addressed is the relationship between Jewish, Christian and Muslim scriptural traditions. Presenters include Benjamin Braude, Boston College; Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College; Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America; Gordon D. Newby, Emory University. Mahmoud M. Ayoub, Temple University, is the respondent. William Brinner, University of California, Berkeley, will preside.
**Program Highlights**

The Program Committee invites your attention to the following program highlights: the celebration of the Dead Sea Scrolls discoveries, archaeological finds, the new voices that are expanding the horizons of biblical scholarship, and the numerous monographs that will generate discussion and debate at the meeting. These highlights in no way diminish portions of the program not mentioned here.

The special recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls was given extraordinary leadership by the co-chairs of the Qumran Section, Robert A. Kugler and Eileen Schuller. Numerous colleagues have assisted in helping us take the first steps toward developing new archaeological sessions in the absence of the American Schools of Oriental Research program elements. Hershel Shanks was instrumental in drawing several sessions to our attention. The Program Committee is actively pursuing archaeological program units in order to provide programs that meet the needs of members in archaeological research. The highlighting of sessions related to the expanding voices of biblical scholarship is just one of the many ways the Society is actively pursuing a goal of greater inclusion. Last year when we highlighted, for the first time, the books that would be discussed in various program areas, numerous members commented that this listing was not only a convenience but also was illustrative of the vitality of biblical studies.

**Fiftieth Anniversary of the Discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls**

On this the fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of the manuscripts in the caves at Qumran, the Society of Biblical Literature offers a special session on Monday night featuring the work of scholars George Brooke, Lawrence H. Schiffman, Emanuel Tov, Eugene Ulrich, and Deverah Dimant ($190).

The list below includes this special session as well as others that are related to the numerous textual and artificial finds from the Judean desert. Undoubtedly, other sessions will reference the various issues and debates that have emerged over the last fifty years. We apologize to those who may have sessions that have been overlooked accidentally. For more information on these sessions, please refer to the program listing itself.

Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section (S30)
Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Group (S53)
Prayer in the Greco-Roman World Group (S75)
Pseudepigrapha Group (S93)
Qumran Section (S115, S144)
Sociology of the Literature of the Second Temple Period Group (S168)
Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section (S169, S184)
Special Session to Commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls (S190)

Computational Research Group (S198)
History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section (S201)

The following have one or more papers whose topic includes Qumran:
Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section (S67)
Rethinking Roman Period Judaism (S95)
Composition of the Book of Jeremiah Group (S103)
Johannine Literature Section (S178)
Reading the Apocalypse: The Intersection of Literary and Social Methods Seminar (S182)
Pseudepigrapha Group (S206)
**ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS**

The partnerships between biblical studies and archaeology are long and storied. Some of the classic debates at the annual meetings have come in sessions where these two areas of study converge. The following is a list of sessions that the Society of Biblical Literature brings to the attention of members with archaeological interests. Some are program units; others are special programs for the 1997 annual meeting. Contact the Program Committee (see page 34) with your ideas for 1998 sessions so that we can further enrich this area of our annual meeting. For more information on these sessions, please refer to the program listing itself.

*Where Is the Tenth Century? (S33, S52)*
Archaeology of the New Testament World Group (S36, S193)
The Archaeology of the New Testament in the Rabbinic and Patristic Periods (S96)
Ekron—The Rise and Fall of a Philistine City: Excavations at Tel Migne (S105)
Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section (S109, S137)
Q Section (S114)
From Dan to Megiddo (S123)

**EXPANDING THE CIRCLE OF VOICES IN BIBLICAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession has developed a number of program related events that provide leadership for the Society of Biblical Literature initiatives regarding the fresh voices in biblical studies (see page 16). In addition to sessions planned by the committee, there are several program units and two special sessions that, though focused on traditionally excluded voices, will be of interest to persons of all racial and ethnic heritages who have participated in this lively enhancement of our research and teaching. For more information on these sessions, please refer to the program listing itself.

African-American Theology and Biblical Hermeneutics Group (S13, S130)
Bible in Africa, Asia, and Latin America Section (S17, S62)
Bible in Caribbean Culture and Tradition Consultation (S83)
Asian and Asian-American Biblical Studies Consultation (S101)
African-Americans and the Bible (S125)
The “Nations” in the Salvific Oracles of Isaiah, J. Severino Croatto, Instituto Superior Evangélico de Estudios Teológicos, Buenos Aires, Argentina (S188)

**BOOKS UNDER DISCUSSION**

Books are central to the life and success of the Society. The annual meeting is a place of creative ferment, a time for the dissemination and development of ideas. One such occasion is the discussion of the ideas presented in books, the lifeblood of scholarship. Annual meeting sessions have stimulated diverse publications not only within the Society's publications but across the entire publishing industry. Making special note of these books that are recognized for discussion is a small way to highlight and honor authors and editors who are so essential to every aspect of teaching and research. The following books are being discussed in the program. We apologize for titles that we may have inadvertently missed. For more information on these sessions, please refer to the program listing itself.

*Apocalypse Now and Then* by Catherine Keller (S194)
Beyond the Impasse: The Promise of a Process Hermeneutic by Ronald L. Farmer (S194)
Ecclesiastes: A New Translation with Introduction and Commentary by C. L. Seow (S98)
Exploring the Texture of the Texts: A Guide to Socio-Rhetorical Interpretation by Vernon K. Robbins (S145)
A Feminist Companion to Biblical Methodologies, Approaches, and Strategies edited by Athalya Brenner and Carole R. Fontaine (S80)
Fiction as History: Nero to Julian by Glen W. Bowerstock (S16)
Jesus the Healer: Possession, Trance, and the Origins of Christianity by Steven L. Davies (S49)
Jesus at Thirty: A Psychological and Historical Portrait by John W. Miller (S49)
Love between Women: Early Christian Responses to Female Homoeosexuality by Bernadette J. Brooten (S176)
Magic in the Ancient World by Fritz Graf (S158)
The Mystery of Romans by Mark Nanos (S199)
New Testament Introduction by Raymond E. Brown (S14)
A New English Translation of the Septuagint (S70)
Novum Testamentum Graecum, Editio Critica Maior edited by Barbara Aland (S113)
Religion and Power: Pagans, Jews, and Christians in the Greek East by Douglas E. Edwards (S16)
Saint Foucault by David M. Halperin (S152)
“Taking It Personally: Autobiographical Criticism” (Semeia 72 [1995]) edited by Janice Capel Anderson and Jeffrey Staley (S64)
The Tapestry of Early Christian Discourse: Rhetoric, Society and Ideology by Vernon K. Robbins (S145)
The Task of Old Testament Theology: Method and Cases by Rolf P. Knierim (S149)
Two Powers in Heaven: Early Rabbinic Reports about Christianity and Gnosticism by Alan F. Segal (S22)
A number of papers to be discussed at the Annual Meeting are available in advance of the meeting. Some may be obtained by writing to addresses given in the program; most have been published in the SBL 1997 Seminar Papers. Members who wish to participate in sessions for which papers have been prepublished should order the papers without delay. (The order form below may be photocopied.) The volume will be mailed around the first of October. The SBL 1997 Seminar Papers contains articles related to the following program units:

African-American Theology and Biblical Hermeneutics Group (S15, S130)
Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Group (S18)
Christian Apocrypha Section (S197)
Divine Mediator Figures in Antiquity Group (S41)
Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group (S43)
Formation of the Book of Twelve Seminar (S88)
Gnosticism and Later Platonism Seminar (S25)
History of the Reception of Romans and Exegesis Consultation (S69)
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Much of the work of the Academy outside the Annual Meeting is accomplished through its board and committees. These groups are comprised of individuals who contribute their time and talents to the AAR’s mission of fostering excellence in teaching and scholarship in religion. For the ongoing vitality of the Academy’s work, it is important continually to welcome new voices into the conversation and to achieve a broad and diverse range of membership participation in these leadership positions.

Nominations for Elective Office

Each year the Nominations Committee nominates persons for election by the membership as a whole. These generally elected offices include the president, president-elect, vice president, secretary, and student director. The vice president goes on to serve as president-elect and then president. Because terms of office vary, not every position is open every year. The Nominations Committee seeks the participation of the membership in their processes. Please send your suggestions for members to be nominated for elective office (along with a rationale) to the Nominations Committee in care of the AAR executive offices.

Nominations for Committee Appointments

Appointments to committees are made by the president in consultation with the executive director. We welcome letters of nomination, including self-nomination. Please include a curriculum vitae or résumé.

Calls for nominations to elective office and committee appointments are published regularly in the Call for Papers and Religious Studies News.
**Program Unit Proposals**

The AAR accepts program unit proposals from any of its members. The proposals are evaluated for approval by the Program Committee. In response to many requests for guidance in preparing proposals, the following is provided.

**HOW TO PROPOSE A NEW PROGRAM UNIT**

Before undertaking the process of establishing a new program unit, members should ask: Are there existing program units capable of including the conversations which this new unit is designed to engender? Often, members can save a great deal of time by attending a program unit’s business meeting and asking that specific topics be included in the next Call for Papers. We encourage this because program units reach their full potential when there is a continual inflow of new ideas and themes. If, however, the questions you want to raise warrant an independent place on the program, the following procedures should assist you in proposing a new program unit.

A proposal is your opportunity to “make a case” for the new program unit with the Program Committee. While writing the proposal, it is important to realize that the Program Committee expects a well-developed document that presents the argument for a new unit. Proposals should also include discussion of methodology and scope. Typical proposals run two to five pages and include appendices with information on steering committee members, persons interested in the new unit, and previous Annual Meeting sessions (if any) held by those who are making the proposal.

**Program Unit Chair’s Responsibilities**

It is important that those members interested in establishing a new program unit be aware of a program unit chair’s responsibilities before submitting a proposal. A handbook describing these responsibilities in full can be obtained from the AAR executive offices upon request. In sum, the responsibilities include:

**Starting a program unit.**

A proposal to institute a new program unit is typically submitted by the prospective program unit chair(s). Preparing a proposal usually entails conversations with members interested in the topic, the formation of a proposed steering committee, and the writing of the proposal, twelve copies of which are submitted to the Program Committee.

**Organizing program unit sessions.**

The program unit chair oversees the whole process from call to evaluation, including the final selection of presenters. Program unit chairs and steering committees also play a leadership role by highlighting special topics, setting up sessions of invited guests, or experimenting with the format of sessions at the Annual Meeting. Program unit chairs receive proposals, coordinate reviews by steering committee members, and submit final copy to the executive offices within a five- to six-week period each spring.

**Reporting on program unit activities.**

The program unit chair is responsible for reporting immediately after the Annual Meeting to the Program Committee about the program unit’s activities.

**Application for renewal or change of status of a program unit.**

Groups or sections seeking renewal or change of status must undergo a rigorous review process. It is the program unit chair’s responsibility to see that all of the forms, procedures, and deadlines in this process are met so that the Program Committee can respond to the request during its regular meeting.

**Consultations seeking a change to group, section, or seminar status must submit with their Annual Meeting program unit report a proposal that follows the guidelines listed below.**

**Program Unit Types**

There are five different types of program units. The role for each type of unit is defined relative to the others, so that taken together they provide a coherent framework. For this reason, program unit chairs ought always to view their unit and its activities in relation to the other program units and activities that take place at the Annual Meeting.

**Roundtable sessions**

Roundtable sessions consist of simultaneous conversations about papers distributed to a small number of members at the beginning of the Annual Meeting. Discussants are limited to the number of seats at a single table, and reservations are required. Papers are selected by the executive director from proposals submitted to regular program units. Typically, a program unit chair recommends high-quality proposals which do not fit into that year’s program. Roundtable sessions meet for one hour.

**Consultations**

Consultations are places where nascent discourses establish a constituency and create a framework for thinking about a specific set of questions or issues. With a life span of no more than three years, such units often lay the groundwork for more detailed reflection if the questions and issues
warrant continued discussion. There is, therefore, a direct developmental link between consultation and group that is not assumed about other program units. Consultations meet for one two-and-a-half-hour session and are approved on an annual basis for up to three years.

Seminars
Seminars are highly specific projects driven by a collaborative research agenda. The main role of this unit is to foster such collaborations and to do so in a public setting that allows auditors to gain insight into the project, process, and people involved. Seminars are expected to eventuate in publications. Seminars continue working throughout the year and meet for one two-and-a-half-hour session at each Annual Meeting for a period of five years.

Groups
Groups are the places where emergent and/or focused areas of study and methodologies are explored and developed. In general, they focus on a specific set of questions, themes, methodologies, individuals, or regions. Groups are approved for five-year terms. Renewals are contingent on making the case for the group's ongoing work and why it needs the protection of group status to continue. Some groups may complete their work in five years; others will continue indefinitely. Groups meet for two two-and-a-half-hour sessions at the Annual Meeting.

Sections
Sections are the most inclusive unit of the AAR program, encompassing various research projects within a broadly defined, enduring area of study within the field of religion. The purpose of sections is twofold: to provide a forum for dialogue and exchange among differing approaches and projects in the field and to provide opportunities for the discussion of work that does not fall within the agendas that find other expressions in the Annual Meeting program. Sections are evaluated every six years and are judged for their inclusiveness of the breadth of discussions within the overall field and for their success in achieving critical encounters. Sections meet for five two-and-a-half-hour sessions at each Annual Meeting.

Procedures for Submitting a Proposal
With these distinctions in mind, anyone petitioning to establish a new consultation, seminar, group, or section must submit the following information to the executive office well in advance of the regular meeting of the Program Committee, which typically occurs within two to three weeks after the Annual Meeting. In 1997 proposals received after December 4, 1997 cannot be considered.

Proposals to establish a new program unit should
1. Give name and type of proposed unit.
2. State themes and/or topics to be included in the first year.
3. If a seminar is proposed, include a projection of the publication aspirations of the unit and a schedule of publication plans.
4. Include a list of the names of members who are committed to participation.
5. Include a well-developed statement that makes an intellectual argument for the new unit. The Program Committee is especially attentive to the persuasiveness of the case for authorization, considering whether the proposal presents a clear rationale, defined analytical focus, articulated methodologies, and set of goals to be achieved.
6. Include the names of an appropriate number of persons (up to five) who are willing to accept leadership responsibilities for the unit as members of its steering committee. Indicate clearly the name(s) of members willing to be designated as the chair(s) of the new unit and include a curriculum vitae for each.
7. Include copy for the proposed unit's Call for Papers (up to 150 words).
8. Submit twelve (12) copies of the proposal and Call for Papers and one copy of the other materials. The mailing address is American Academy of Religion, 1703 Clifton Rd. NE, Suite G5, Atlanta, GA 30329-4075.

In preparing any and 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.
AAR Publishing Program

Founded on the premise that scholars know best what books are needed in the field of religion, the AAR publishing program produces quality scholarship at reasonable prices for religion scholars and their students. This program, an integral expression of the AAR's mission as a learned society, has been in operation for over twenty years. In that time the AAR has published hundreds of titles, many of which have become essential tools in the development of our field and in the training of new scholars.

HOW TO PROPOSE A BOOK FOR PUBLICATION IN AN AAR SERIES

AAR books are selected through careful evaluation by reviewers who contribute their services to this program. Our editors are all scholars who know the field and the relevant scholarship covered by their series. In addition, each series has an editorial board whose members play a vital role in identifying, evaluating, and selecting works for publication.

Scholarly publishing for a highly select audience is possible and is financially viable due to the AAR's participation in Scholars Press, a consortium of sponsors of publication programs. Begun with a vision of affordable publishing by and for scholars, Scholars Press flourishes today and enjoys an international distribution network.

The AAR is currently expanding its publications program and is actively seeking quality manuscripts in five different series. The information below describes the mission of each series and provides the information needed to contact a series editor should you have a project or manuscript that you would like to submit for consideration.

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The Academy Series is the preeminent dissertation series in the field of religion. It publishes recent dissertations in all fields in the academic study of religion. Professors wishing to nominate dissertations for consideration in the Academy Series should submit a copy of the dissertation with a detailed letter of support to Carole A. Mysovolski, Department of Religion, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL 61702

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The Religions Series publishes books in textual and historical studies, especially, though not exclusively, those about religions other than Christianity. It is designed to highlight the many religions studied by members of the AAR. Correspondence regarding publication in this series should be submitted to Paul B. Courtright, Editor, The Religions Series, Department of Religion, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia 30322.

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The AAR's Committee on Publications oversees the publications program. Susan Brooks Thistlethwaite chairs the committee. Comments and inquiries regarding the general publications program may be directed to her at Chicago Theological Seminary, 1164 E. 58th Street, Chicago, IL 60637.
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Texts and Translations: This series makes available in convenient format ancient texts that are important for scholars and students of religion in late antiquity and not otherwise readily accessible. Volumes normally include the original text and English translation on facing pages, an introduction with bibliography, and short notes of explanation where text and translation are otherwise incomprehensible. The notes are not as extensive as those in a commentary. The volumes include appropriate indices.

Christian Apocrypha: This subtitle in the series publishes early Christian, non-biblical texts purportedly written by or about biblical characters. Many of the texts fall into the category of New Testament Apocrypha, but texts allegedly by or about characters of the Hebrew Bible will also be considered. Correspondence and submissions may be sent to the attention of Julian V. Hills, Department of Theology, Marquette University, PO Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881 (e-mail: hillsjyV@vms.csdl.mu.edu).

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Pseudepigrapha: This subtitle in the series publishes early Jewish or Jewish-Christian texts that (1) relate to heresy, incidents, or sections of the Hebrew Bible, but (2) are not included in major collections such as the Hebrew Bible, the Apocrypha, or the New Testament. Later versions of these extra-biblical documents are also appropriate for the series. Correspondence or submissions may be sent to the attention of Martha Himmelfarb, Department of Religion, Seventy-Ninth Hall, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08544 (e-mail: himmelfa@princeton.edu).

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University of Portland
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Mark Given
UNC-Chapel Hill
Southeast Region
The Unknown Paul: Philosophers and Sophists in Acts 17

Jean-Pierre Ruiz
St. John's University
Mid-Atlantic Region
The Politics of Praise: A Reading of Revelation 19:1–10

Carol Sellán
Florida State University
Pacific Coast Region
The Development of Immersion as an Ancient Jewish Purity Rite

Diana Swancutt
Duke University
Southeast Region
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Central States Region: March 29–30, Springfield, MO
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Midwest Region: February 15–17, Milwaukee, WI
New England Region: April 17, Newton Centre, MA
Pacific Coast Region: March 15–17, Claremont, CA
Pacific Northwest Region: May 8–10, Portland, OR
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Southwest Region: March 14–15, Dallas, TX
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SBL RESEARCH GRANT AWARDS

Each year the SBL Research and Publications Committee funds direct expenses for research projects consistent with the Society's objectives. The Committee looks favorably on proposals for which the Society's award would be seed money for other grants or for which the SBL grant would be part of matching funds for another award. These awards are made directly to scholars who are members of SBL. The amount of each award varies, but most are less than $2,000. In 1997, the Committee approved a total of $16,700 in funding for six research grant proposals.

1997 Recipients:

John Thomas Fitzgerald, University of Miami, Project Coordinator, for a project entitled, *Handbook on the Literary Genres of the New Testament*

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David Winston Suter, Saint Martins College, for a project entitled, *The Book of the Watchers in Light of the Galilee in the Third Century BCE*

Andrew G. Vaughn, Gustavus Adolphus College, for a project entitled, *The Paleography of Hebrew Seals—A Digital Corpus*

An announcement of the Committee's Research Grant Policies and an invitation to apply for the 1998 grants will appear in the November issue of RSN. Proposals are due by February 15 each year. For more information about the SBL grant program, contact Greg Glover, Society of Biblical Literature, 1201 Clairmont Road, Suite 300, Decatur, GA 30030-1228; E-MAIL: <gglover@emory.edu>.
1998 SBL INTERNATIONAL MEETING

Cracow, Poland • 18–22 July 1998

Jagiellonian University, the city of Cracow, and a number of related institutions including the Pontifical Academy of Theology in Cracow, Judaica Foundation—The Center for Jewish Culture, have invited the Society of Biblical Literature to hold the 1998 International Meeting at the university. Cracow has been the crossroads of trade routes from east to west and north to south. It has a long intellectual tradition that includes such names as Copernicus who was at the university, Józef Konrad Korzeniowski—known to most English speakers as Joseph Conrad, as well as the twentieth century Nobel prize winner, Czeslaw Milosz. Some European jazz enthusiasts have called Cracow their New Orleans. The city is filled with museums as well as galleries of modern art. From the main market square—one of the largest of medieval Europe—to the Wawel Castle and the Blonia Common and along the banks of the Vistula River, one will find sites to stimulate every sense. Cracow is a city with links not only to Warsaw, but also to the Lviv, Ukraine in the east and Budapest and Vienna in the south. Accommodations will be available at hotels within walking distance of the university.

The deadline for paper proposals is 15 October 1997. A paper proposal form appears on page 49 and may also be found on the SBL website: <http://sbl-site.org> (click on Congresses, then on International Meeting Call for Papers).
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MAIL TO: SBL International Meeting, 1201 Clairmont Road, Suite 300, Decatur, GA 30030, USA.

FAX (for credit card payments only): 01-404-248-0815

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CALL FOR PAPERS

INTERNATIONAL MEETING
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An open invitation is extended to scholars in any area of biblical and related studies. Papers may be proposed in any of the topics listed on the form below. Papers are normally placed in 2.5 hour sessions with each paper being 20–25 minutes with 5–10 minutes of discussion. Opportunities for Reports, discussing work in progress, will be begun at the 1998 International Meeting. These reports will be limited to 20 minutes and be scheduled in late afternoon sessions. Special sessions with diverse formats (e.g., series of papers, a major paper with panel, discussion of a book) may be proposed. All proposals are due by 15 October, but early submissions are encouraged because of the large number of proposals. Information on poster sessions is forthcoming.

ALL PROPOSALS ARE DUE BY 15 OCTOBER 1997
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☐ Johannine Literature
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SPECIAL SESSIONS: Proposals for special sessions must include topic, possible presenters, presider, and a rationale for the proposal.

ALL PROPOSALS ARE DUE 15 OCTOBER: Paper Proposals/Abstracts, Report Proposals, and Special Session Proposals may be sent in the following ways: FAX: USA 404 248-0815; E-MAIL: <sblexec@emory.edu>; WWW: <http://sbl-site.org> (click on Congresses, then on International Meeting Call for Papers); MAIL: 1201 Clairmont Ave. Suite 300, Decatur, GA 30030 USA
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

**AE1** Breakfast for New Regional Secretaries  
7:30am–8:30am H-State Suite  
(Building 3, 19th Floor)  
Sheila Greeve Davaney, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

**AE2** Board of Directors  
9:00am–5:00pm H-Continental 1  
Judith E. Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

**AE3** Committee on International Connections  
7:00am–9:00am H-Sunset  
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding

**AE4** Committee on Nominations  
7:45am–10:00am H-State Suite  
(Building 3, 19th Floor)  
Raymond B. Williams, Wabash Center, Presiding

**AE5** Regional Secretaries (Continental Breakfast)  
8:00am–9:30am H-Union 22  
Sheila Greeve Davaney, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

**AE6** Publications Committee  
8:00am–10:45am H-Seacliff  
Susan Brooks Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

**AE7** Student Liaison Group Meeting  
8:00am–10:45am H-Taylor  
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding

**AE8** Committee Teaching and Learning  
9:00am–10:45am H-Sunset  
Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

**AE9** Regional Officers and Regions Committee  
9:30am–10:45am H-Union 22  
Sheila Greeve Davaney, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

**AE10** AAR/SBL Critical Review Editorial Board (=S81)  
11:45am–12:45pm H-Continental 4  
Charles S. Prebish, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

A1 Women's Caucus: Religious Studies
Pre-conference Workshop (=S5)
2:00pm–5:30pm  H-Continental 2
Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Linda A. Moody, Mills College. Presiding
Theme: Professional Enhancement and Development for Women in Religious Studies
2:00 Welcome and Introduction to the Women's Caucus
2:30 National Issues for Women in Religious Studies
Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University
3:00 Regional Resources: Women's Caucus Regional Conferences and Programs
3:30 Mentoring Networks
Donna Maeda, Occidental College
4:00 Break
4:10 A Discussion of Jobs and Gender: What Women Need to Know
5:00 Surviving the AAR/SBL Annual Meeting: A Session for Graduate Students and Those New to the Meeting
5:30 Break-outs for Dinner in Local Restaurants
(Sign-ups by Interest Groups)

A2 AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Center Orientation (=S10)
7:00pm–8:30pm  H-Continental 7 & 8
Miki McBride-Sala, AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Manager, Presiding
Laurie Patton, Emory University
Interviewing: Methods and Madnesses
Robert A. Ratcliffe, Abingdon Press, Nashville, TN
Graduate Religious Study and Opportunities in Theological Publishing
Miki McBride-Sala, AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Manager
EIS Center Procedures and Policies

SIXTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
5077 AAR/SBL
5077 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
5077 PRE-CONFERENCE MEETINGS
5077 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22
5077 A3 Religion and Ecology Group
5077 8:00am–12:15pm
5077 Gather at the globe in the main lobby of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers
5077 Theme: Sacred Sites Bus Tour
5077 See page 10 for a description. There will be a ten dollar charge for the bus tour. An optional lunch at the Green Gulch Zen Center will cost five dollars. A registration form can be found on page 328.

A4 Asian American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
9:00am–12:00noon
Gather at the globe in the main lobby of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers
Rudy V. Busto, Stanford University, Presiding
Theme: Walking Tour of Chinatown Religious Sites
See page 11 for a description. There is no charge for the tour. An optional dim sum lunch will cost approximately fifteen dollars. A registration form can be found on page 328.

A5 Special Topics Forum (=S12)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
9:00am–10:45am  H-Continental 4
Pamela Couture, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Presiding
Theme: Funding Opportunities for Teaching with the New Technologies
Panelists:
Elizabeth A. Duffy, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, New York, NY
Janet Edwards, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, DC
Susan Hockey, University of Alberta
Raymond B. Williams, Wabash Center
See page 7 for a description of this session.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

S1 SBL Executive Committee
9:00am–2:00pm H-Sunset
Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago, Presiding

S2 SBL Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
9:00am–5:00pm H-Union 7
Gale A. Yee, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

S3 SBL Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
9:00am–5:00pm H-Union 3
Peggy L. Day, University of Winnipeg, and Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Presiding

S4 SBL Conference of Regional Secretaries
9:00am–5:00pm H-Seacliff
Victor H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding

S5 Women's Caucus: Religious Studies Pre-conference Workshop (=A1)
2:00pm–5:30pm H-Continental 2
Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Linda A. Moody, Mills College, Presiding
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S6 SBL Development Committee
3:30pm–5:30pm H-Sunset
Harold W. Attridge, Yale University, Presiding

S7 SBL Research and Publications Committee
3:30pm–5:30pm H-Union 1
David L. Petersen, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

S8 SBL Semeia Editorial Board Business Meeting and Dinner
4:00pm–9:30pm H-Van Ness
Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

S9 SBL Conference of Regional Secretaries Business Dinner
5:45pm–8:00pm H-Union 2
Victor H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding

S10 EIS Center Orientation (=A2)
7:00pm–8:30pm H-Continental 7 & 8
Miki McBride-Sala, AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Manager, Presiding
Laurie Patton, Emory University
Interviewing: Methods and Madnesses
Robert Ratcliffe
Graduate Religious Study and Opportunities in Theological Publishing
Miki McBride-Sala, AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Manager
EIS Center Procedures and Policies

A6 Plenary Address
11:00am–12:45pm  H-Continental 5 & 6
William D. Dean, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Is There a Common American Culture?
Robert N. Bellah, University of California, Berkeley
Sheldon Hackney, University of Pennsylvania
Respondent:
Sheila Greeve Davaney, Iliff School of Theology

A7 Special Topics Forum
Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Parc Ballroom 1
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding
Theme: Internationalizing the Study of Religion: Methodological Issues
Panelists:
Amila Buturovic, York University
Sophie B. Oluwole, Goethe Institute, Nigeria
Juba Pentikäinen, University of California, Santa Barbara
Abdulkarim Soroush, Teheran, Iran
Yen-zen Tsai, National Chengchi University, Taiwan
See page 7 for a description of this session.

A8 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Da Vinci II
Alfred Benney, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: Offering Our Apology: Religious Studies Belongs among the Liberal Arts
Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Clair
The World Religions Course as Liberal Arts Training: Empathy and the Values That Promote Appreciation of Religious Pluralism

A9 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Powell
Deborah J. Haynes, Washington State University, Presiding
Theme: The Arts and Theological Methods
Jennifer G. Jesse, University of Chicago
Art as Theology: Blake’s Contribution to Theological Method
Christopher Wilkins, Boston University
Nature as Anamnesis: The Allusive Theology of the Poetry of David Jones
Deborah Ann Scerbicke, Archdiocese of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Ironic Hell: The Disconnected Self in Coupland’s Life after God
John H. Lardas, University of California, Santa Barbara
Art is Shapely, Mind is Shapely, Community is Shapely: Allen Ginsberg’s Howl Revisited
John David Ramsey, Duke University
Toward an Iconography of Bodiliness

Richard M. Carp, Northern Illinois University
Academic Unconsciousness and the Academic Study and Teaching of Religion
John Lyden, Dana College
Religion and the Liberal Arts Senior Seminar
Edward B. St. Clair, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Teaching Religious Studies Explicitly as a Liberal Art
Jeffrey D. Carlson, DePaul University
From Site Unseen to Experiential Learning: Religious Studies in the “Discover Chicago” Model
Mark Allen Berkson, Stanford University
The Promises and Risks of Comparative Religious Studies
MEETING PROGRAM

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 22

$11 SBL Council
7:30am–1:00pm H-Franciscan A
Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago, Presiding

$12 AAR/SBL Grants Forum (=A5)
9:00am–10:45am H-Continental 4
Pamela Couture, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Presiding
Theme: Funding Opportunities for Teaching with New Technologies
Panelists:
Elizabeth A. Duffy, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, New York, NY
Janet Edwards, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, DC
Susan Hockey, University of Alberta
Raymond B. Williams, Wabash Center
See page 17 for a description of this session.

$13 Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession
10:00am–12:00pm N-Grey Pearl II
Abraham Smith, Boston University School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: “Come and See”: An Invitation to the World of Biblical Studies for Racial and Ethnic Minority Students in the Bay Area
10:00 Registration and Reception
10:30 Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St. John's University
A Tour through the SBL Program Book
Abraham Smith, Boston University School of Theology
SBL Welcome and Introductory Remarks
General Discussion

$14 Academic Teaching of Biblical Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Lombard
Beverly R. Gaventa, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
1:00 Panelists:
Alexandra R. Brown, Washington and Lee University
John R. Donahue, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley
Karl P. Donfried, Smith College
Marion L. Soards, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary
2:40 Recess
2:45 Respondent:
Raymond E. Brown, Union Theological Seminary, New York (Emeritus)
3:15 General Discussion

Buddhism Section and Japanese Religions Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Sienna

Janine Anderson Sawada, University of Iowa, Presiding
Theme: Buddhism and Japanese Imperialism
Jacqueline L. Stone, Princeton University
The Lotus and the Sword: Nichiren Buddhism and Militant Nationalism in Modern Imperial Japan
Brian Daizen A. Victoria, University of Auckland
God of War Lieutenant Colonel Sugimoto Goroo—Man of Zen?
Nam-lin Hur, University of British Columbia
The Sôd Sect and Japanese Military Imperialism in Korea
Christopher Ives, University of Puget Sound
The Mobilization of Doctrine: Buddhist Contributions to Imperialist Discourse in Modern Japan
Respondent:
John C. Maraldo, University of North Florida

Comparative Studies in Religion Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 9

Linda L. Barnes, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Religion and/or Healing
Panelists:
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
David Carrasco, Princeton University
John D. Dunne, Harvard University
George Khushf, University of South Carolina
Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College
Pashington Obeng, Wellesley College

History of Christianity Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  N-San Francisco

Lawrence F. Hundersmarck, Pace University, Presiding
Theme: Books and Scribes
Kim Haines-Eitzen, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Scribal Networks: The Case of the Earliest Christian Miscellany
Brian P. Bennett, University of Chicago
Books, Christianity, and the Fate of Rus'-Russia: The Clash of Interpretations
Alison I. Beach, Columbia University
Visible Scribes/Visible Women: New Evidence for the Lives of Medieval Nuns
David A. Salomon, University of Connecticut
Mysticism in the Margins: A New Way of Reading Post-Reformation English Devotional Texts
Respondent:
Mark Vessey, University of British Columbia

Religion in South Asia Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  N-Pink Pearl

Theme: The Indigenous Aryan Debate: Evidence and Evocation
Beatrice Reusch, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
George Thompson, Montserrat College of Art
On the Role of Mantras in the Aryan Migration
Edwin F. Bryant, Columbia University
The Indigenous Aryan School of History
Frederick M. Smith, University of Iowa
The Indus Valley and the Rig Veda: Ideologies of Decipherment in Prâvanaic and Modern Thought
Madhav M. Deshpande, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Clashing Reconstructions of History: Aryan and Non-Aryan in Nineteenth-Century Maharashtra
Respondent:
Laurie L. Patton, Emory University
African-American Theology and Biblical Hermeneutics Group

1:00–3:30pm  H-Union 1 & 2

Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding
Theme: African-American Approaches to the Exodus Text or Theme

1:00 Valerie Bridgeman Davis, Huston-Tillotson College and Baylor University
Leaving Slavery with No Place to Go: The Problematic Appropriation of the Exodus Story in African-American Consciousness

1:30 Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame
Historical Reconstruction as Folklore: An Emic Assessment of Contemporary Research on the Exodus and Conquest Traditions in the Hebrew Bible

2:00 Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union
Let My People Go: Threads of Exodus in African-American Narratives

2:30 Obery M. Hendricks, Drew University
Exit the Exodus: The Problem with Gospel Music Today

3:00 Respondents:
Imani-Sheila Newsome, Boston University School of Theology
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
The paper by Valerie Bridgeman-Davis will be summarized and not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union 25

Mary Ann Tolbert, Pacific School of Religion, Presiding
Theme: New Books about Ancient Fiction

1:00 Panel Review of Fiction as History: Nero to Julian by Glen W. Bowerstock (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1994)
Panelists:
Richard Stoneman, Routledge College
Lawrence M. Wills, Episcopal Divinity School
Respondent:
Glen W. Bowersock, Institute for Advanced Studies


Bible in Africa, Asia, and Latin America Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 3

Hemchand Gossai, Culver-Stockton College, Presiding
Theme: Contending Readings: Disputed Authorities—Colonial and Post-Colonial Encounters

1:00 R. S. Sugirtharajah, Selly Oak Colleges
The Indian Textual Mutiny 1820: The Brahmin, the Baptist, the Bible, and Their Contested Interpretations

1:25 Masenya J. Madipoane, University of South Africa
A Bosadi (Womanhood) Reading of Genesis 16

1:50 Roland T. Boer, United Theological College
The Patriarchal Panopticon: Gazing on the Promised Land

2:15 Marcella Althaus-Reid, University of Edinburgh
On Using Skirts without Underwear: Indecent Theology Contesting the Liberation of Theology of El Pueblo: Poor Women Contesting Christ

2:40 Respondents:
Ivy George, Gordon College
Teresia Hinga, De Paul University
Osvaldo Daniel Vena, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
A16 Black Theology Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Mason
Alton B. Pollard, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: Spiritualities of Black Theology
Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College
Anybody There? Reflections on African American Humanism and the Loci of Praxis
Lee H. Butler, Chicago Theological Seminary
Liberating Our Dignity, Saving Our Souls: Black Theology as a Resource of African American Pastoral Psychology
Donald H. Matthews, St. Louis University
Honoring the Ancestors: A Proposal for a Nonmimetic Black Theological Discourse
Business Meeting
Will Coleman, Columbia Theological Seminary

A17 Church-State Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 23 & 24
Mitchell A. Tyner, General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, Silver Spring, MD, Presiding
Theme: Other Places, Other Times: Historical and International Perspectives on Church and State
Joseph E. Bush, Pacific Theological College
Claiming a Christian State Where None Exists: Church and State in the Republic of Fiji
Richard Busse, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
The Influence of the "Religious Right" on Legislation in Indiana
William R. Casto, Texas Tech University
Oliver Ellsworth: A Fundamentalist Lawmaker in the Early Republic
H. Russel Botman, University of the Western Cape, South Africa
South African Contextual Theologies after Babel: Crisis of Vitality in Church-State Relationships

A14 Study of Islam Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 12
Kathryn M. Kueny, Lawrence University, Presiding
Theme: Islam in Contemporary Southeast Asia
Vivienne S. M. Angeles, La Salle University
The State, the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF), and the Islamic Resurgence in the Philippines
R. Kevin Jaques, Arizona State University
The Importance of Lineage in Contemporary Javanese Islam
Patricia A. Martinez, Temple University
Taking the Ummah into the Twenty-First Century: Malaysia's Symbiosis of Islam and Development
Mark R. Woodward, Arizona State University
From Messac to Tanah Jawa: Indonesian Ulama in Arabia in the Early Twentieth Century
Respondent:
Gordon D. Newby, Emory University

A15 Women and Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 5 & 6
Young Mi Angela Pak, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Issues of Methodology and Research in the Study of the Goddess
Pamela A. Detrixhe, Temple University
Foundations of Religion: Contextualizing the Gospel according to Margaret Murray
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Temple University
Finding the Goddess in the Masses: A Formative Meta-ethnographic Methodology for Women Scholars in Religion
Carol Hepokoski, Graduate Theological Union
Goddess Research: Critical Perspectives from the Feminist Archaeology of Gender
Nancy Ramsey, University of California, Santa Barbara
Remember Who You Are and Whom You Represent: Researching Wicca as a Scholar and a Witch
Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Group

1:00pm–3:30pm    H-Union 15 & 16

Robert M. Fowler, Baldwin-Wallace College, Presiding

Theme: Interpreting Visual Representations of the Bible

1:00 Yvonne M. Sherwood, Sheffield University
Art and Subversion: A Trip Through the Underbelly of the Book of Jonah Accompanied by Various Artists

1:25 Susan L. Ward, Rhode Island School of Design
The Bible in Stone: Reading Narrative in Cathedral Portals

1:50 Fiona Black, University of Sheffield
J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield
Semitics in Stained Glass: Reading and Viewing the Song of Songs

2:15 Christopher C. Fuller, Graduate Theological Union
Not to Abolish the Text, but to Displace It: The Repositioning of the Authorial Audience in Pasolini’s II Vangelo secondo Matteo

2:40 Recess

2:45 Respondents:
Gregor Goethals, Rhode Island School of Design
Doug Adams, Pacific School of Religion, Graduate Theological Union

3:15 General Discussion

The paper by Christopher C. Fuller will be summarized and not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

1:00pm–3:30pm    H-Union 21

Andrew H. Bartel, Concordia Seminary, Presiding

1:00 Daniel Grossberg, The University of Albany
The Poetics of Nature in the Wisdom Tradition

1:30 Bruce K. Walton, Reformed Theological Seminary, Orlando, FL
Is There a Structure to Proverbs 10:1-16?

2:00 Leann Snow Flesher, American Baptist Seminary of the West
"Change of Mood" or Rhetorical Device?

2:30 Frank Yamada, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Rhetorical Use of Contrast in the Song of Deborah (Judges 5)

3:00 Yehoshua Gitay, University of Cape Town
Why Poetry?

3:30 Business Meeting

Composition of the Book of Jeremiah Group

1:00pm–3:30pm    P-Barcelona I

Kathleen Mary O’Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding

1:00 John Barton, University of Oxford
Jeremiah in the Later Books of the Hebrew Bible and Apocrypha

1:40 Panel Discussion:
Robert Peter Carroll, University of Glasgow
James A. Sanders, Ancient Biblical Manuscript Center
Walter Brueggemann, Columbia Theological Seminary

2:25 Respondent:
John Barton, University of Oxford

2:35 General Discussion
A18 Confucian Traditions Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Corintia

John Berthrong, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Feminism and Confucianism

Jinlen Yan, McGill University
Rethinking Confucian Feminism

Ann Mongoven, Indiana University, Bloomington
Is It Not a Delight When Good Friends Come from Afar?
Friendship in the Confucian Classics and Contemporary
Western Feminism

Jordan Paper, York University
Sex/Gender and Religion in the Confucian Tradition over
Time and Space

Ellen Ying Zhang, University of Texas, Dallas
Flesh and Soul: The Incarnate Rhetoric of Female Virtue in
Ming/Qing Confucianism

Respondent:
Edward Y. J. Chung, University of Prince Edward Island

A19 Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity Group (=S21)
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 22

James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve
University, Presiding

Theme 1: The Consequences of Electronic Publishing
for Constructs Studies

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
Publishers? Who Needs Them?

Respondents:
James A. Barker, Case Western Reserve University
Jon L. Berquist, Westminster John Knox Press,
Lawrenceburg, KY

Theme 2: The Consequences of Online Discussion for
Constructs Studies

Panelists:
Susan A. Brayford, Iliff School of Theology,
University of Denver
Mary R. Huie-Jolly, Knox College
Terence Paige, Houghton College
Michael Penn, Duke University

A20 Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 10

Susan M. St. Ville, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Theme: Bodily Citations I: Feminist Theory and
Religious Retrievals

Denise K. Bueell, Williams College
Can (Should) a Cyborg Study Early Christianity? Why
Feminist Historiography Needs Donna Haraway’s Cyborg
Susanne Mrozek, Harvard University
The Materialization of Morality

Jan William Tarlin, Montana State University, Bozeman
“I Went in Bitterness in the Fury of My Spirit”: Materializing
A Prophetic Body in Ezekiel 1–4

Respondent:
Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College

A21 Hispanic American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 11

Luis G. Pedraja, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: Sacred Space and Sacred Symbols

Timothy M. Matovina, Loyola Marymount
University
Sacred Space, Public Ritual, and Construction of Meaning

Jennifer Reed-Bouley, Chicago, IL
The Liberating Effect of Religious Symbols on Moral Action: A
Case Study of the United Farm Workers’s Use of Our Lady of
Guadalupe and Fasting

Respondent:
Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida

Business Meeting
Luis G. Pedraja, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
S21 Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity Group (=A19)
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Union 22
James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University, Presiding
Theme: The Effects of Digital Technology on Construct Studies
1:00 David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield Publishers? Who Needs Them?
1:15 Panel Discussion: The Consequences of Electronic Publishing for Constructs Studies
James A. Barker, Case Western Reserve University
Jon Berquist
1:45 General Discussion
2:40 Panel Discussion: The Consequences of Online Discussions for Constructs Studies
Susan A. Brayford, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver
Mary R. Hue-Jolly, Theological Hall, Knox College, New Zealand
Terence Paige, Houghton College
Michael Penn, Duke University
John J. Pilch, Georgetown University
3:00 General Discussion
Professor Clines’ paper will be summarized in the session. It and those that form the basis for the second panel's discussion will be available in electronic form before the meeting on the Constructs website. Please visit: <http://www.cwru.edu/orgs/GAIR/gair.html> or contact Paula M. McNutt at <mcnutt@canisius.edu> or James W. Flanagan at <jwf2@po.cwru.edu> for further information.

S22 Divine Mediator Figures in Antiquity Group
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Continental 8
James D. G. Dunn, University of Durham, Presiding
Theme: Twenty Years of “Two Powers”
1:00 Panel Review: Two Powers in Heaven: Early Rabbinic Reports about Christianity and Gnosticism by Alan F. Segal (SJLA 21; Leiden: Brill, 1977)
Panelists:
Adela Yarbro Collins, University of Chicago
Paula Fredriksen, Boston University
Larry W. Hurtado, University of Edinburgh
Donald Juel, Princeton Theological Seminary
2:00 Recess
2:10 Respondent: Alan F. Segal, Barnard College, Columbia University
2:30 General Discussion

S23 Electronic Standards for Biblical Language Texts Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Continental 1 & 2
Richard E. Whitaker, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
1:00 Susan Hockey, University of Alberta
An Overview of Electronic Texts for Scholars
1:30 Lewis M. Barth, Hebrew Union College-Los Angeles
TEI and Hebrew Texts: The Case of Pirque Rabbi Eliezer
2:00 Bernard A. Taylor, Loma Linda University
TEI and the Septuagint
2:30 Peter Robinson, Oxford University
The Future of Critical Texts: Chaucer’s Wife of Bath Prologue
Saturday Afternoon
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History of the Study of Religion Group
A22
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 3 & 4
Daniel L. Pals, University of Miami, Presiding
Theme: Max Weber as a Theorist of Religion
Alan L. Mittleman, Muhlenberg College
Was Weber a Religious Thinker? Leo Strauss’s Critique of Weber’s Social Science
Martin Riesebrodt, University of Chicago
“Charisma” in Max Weber’s Theory of Religion
Roger A. Segal, University of Lancaster
Geertz’s “De-Sociologizing” of Weber’s Sociology of Religion
Respondent:
James Thrower, University of Aberdeen, Scotland
Business Meeting
Abraham H. Khan, University of Toronto, Presiding

Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
A23
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Aragon
Christopher R. Jocks, Dartmouth College, Presiding
Theme: Indigenous Responses to the Human Genome Diversity Project and Bio-colonialism
Panelists:
John Hart, Carroll College
Mariana Jaimez-Guerrero, San Francisco State University
Andrea Smith, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Laurie Anne Whitt, Michigan Technological University
Respondent:
Julian Kunnie, University of Arizona

Mysticism Group
A24
1:00pm–3:30pm  N-Grand Ballroom 1
Jess Hollenback, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse, Presiding
Theme: Psychological Development and Mystical Transformation
B. Alan Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
Psychological Maturation and Spiritual Awakening in Tibetan Buddhism
Michael C. Mitchell, Boston University
Mysticism and Object Relations Theory; Zen, Detachment, and Object Relations
June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Psychological Development and Mystical Transformation: Hindu Saints and the Spiritual Life
Cara Anthony, Boston College
St. Teresa of Avila: Mystic and Model of Psychological Maturity
John J. Shea, Fordham University
Adult Development and Ongoing Mystical Experience
Business Meeting
Janet K. Ruffing, Fordham University, Presiding

Person, Culture, and Religion Group
A25
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 14
Kelly Bulkeley, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: Anthropological Psychology of Religion
Franz Aubrey Metcalf, University of Chicago
Toward a Cultural Psychology Grounded in Object Relations
A. Gregory Schneider, Pacific Union College
Bernard T. Adeney, Berkeley, CA
The Paradox of Suffering in the Spiritual Experience of an Indonesian Muslim Mystic
Peter Yuichi Clark, Emory University
Takeo Doi’s Amae Theory: Implications for the Psychology of Religion through the Lens of a Test Case

Feminist Theological Hermeneutics of the Bible Group
1:00pm-3:30pm  H-Union 19 & 20
Theme: The Ethics of Interpretation: Feminist Perspectives
Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding
1:00 Virginia Wiles, Muhlenberg College
(Re)Claiming Subjectivity: Personal Essay as a Form of Biblical Theology
1:30 Holly J. Toensing, College of Wooster
Speaking No Evil: Negotiating the Politics of Particularity in the Classroom
2:00 A. Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary
Feminist or Faithful?: How Scripture Teaches a Hermeneutic of Suspicion
2:30 Luise Schottroff, University of Kassel
Feminist Hermeneutics of 1 Corinthians
3:00 Respondent:
Angela Bauer, Episcopal Divinity School

Gnosticism and Later Platonism Seminar
1:00pm-3:30pm  H-Franciscan A
Robert M. Berchman, Dowling College, Presiding
1:00 John Peter Kenney, St. Michaels College
Ancient Apophatic Theology
1:20 Respondent:
Frederic M. Schroeder, Queens University, Canada
1:30 Michael A. Williams, University of Washington
Negative Theologies and Demiurgical Myths in Late Antiquity
1:50 Respondent:
John F. Finamore, University of Iowa
2:00 General Discussion
3:00 Business Meeting
Ruth Majercik, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
The paper by John Peter Kenney will be summarized, not read. For the cost of duplication and mailing, an advance copy of this paper may be obtained by contacting Ruth Majercik; Department of Religious Studies; University of California; Santa Barbara, CA 93106-3130; FAX: 805-893-2059. The paper by Michael Williams will likewise be summarized and not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

S26 Hellenistic Judaism Section and Luke-Acts Group
1:00pm-3:30pm  P-Parc Ballroom II
Gregory E. Sterling, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Theme: The Hellenistic Jewish Fragments
1:00 Nicholas Walter, Friedrich Schiller University
The History of European Scholarship on the Hellenistic Jewish Fragments in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries
1:20 Erich S. Gruen, University of California, Berkeley
Caprice and Creativity in Artapanus
1:35 Ben Zion Wacholder, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati
Eupolemus in Greco-Jewish Historiography
1:50 Pieter W. Van Der Horst, University of Utrecht
Jewish and Christian Prayers in the Apostolic Constitutions
2:05 Harold W. Attridge, Yale Divinity School
Aristobulus and the Jewish Appropriation of Hellenistic Philosophy
2:20 Recess
2:25 Respondent:
Carl R. Holladay, Candler School of Theology, Emory University
2:45 General Discussion
A26 Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Dante

Rochelle L. Millen, Wittenberg University, Presiding
Theme: New Directions in Post-Holocaust Theological Reflection

Gershon Greenberg, American University
Prager's 1947 Orthodox Jewish View of Christianity and the Holocaust

Marc Krell, Graduate Theological Union
From Dialectic to Dialogue: Irving Greenberg’s Post-Holocaust Reconstruction of Jewish Identity in Relation to Christianity

Susan E. Nowak, Nazareth College of Rochester
Confront the Rupture: Feminist Post-Holocaust Theological Reflection and the Act of Tikkun Olam

Alan L. Berger, Florida Atlantic University
The Second-Generation Holocaust Witness: An American Theology of Testimony

Respondent:
Michael B. Lukens, St. Norbert College

A27 Roman Catholic Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  N-White Pearl

Phyllis Zagano, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Continuing the Dialogue: Archbishop John R. Quinn and “The Exercise of the Primacy”

Panelists:
Scott Appleby, University of Notre Dame
Elizabeth A. Johnson, Fordham University
John F. Kane, Regis University
Thomas P. Rausch, Loyola Marymount University
Wendy M. Wright, Creighton University

Respondent:
John R. Quinn, Archdiocese of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

A28 Schleiermacher Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Taylor

David E. Klemm, University of Iowa, Presiding
Theme: Schleiermacher's Hermeneutics

Jack C. Verheyden, Claremont School of Theology
The Basic Features of Schleiermacher's Hermeneutics

Andrew Bowie, Anglia Polytechnic University
The Ethics of Interpretation: Schleiermacher

Julia A. Lam, Georgetown University
Schleiermacher’s Plato Translation and the Philological Foundation of Hermeneutics

John F. Hoffmeyer, St. Mark Lutheran Church, Fairfield, CA
Dialectical Hermeneutics and the Temporal Constitution of Meaning: Schleiermacher and Biblical Interpretation

A29 Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Van Ness

Jeff B. Pool, Southwestern Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Derrida, Gift, and Sacrifice

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Bonds That Tie the Ethical and the Religious: Philosophy of Religion after Derrida

Dennis King Keenan, Fairfield University
Eucharist as Mourning the Death of God and Call to Responsibility

Respondent:
Catherine H. Pickstock, Cambridge University
Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Sutter
L. Michael White, University of Texas at Austin, Presiding
Theme: The Passion of Anger in the Moralist Tradition
1:00  William Harris, Columbia University
Seneca's De Ira between Philosophy and Politics
1:30  David E. Armstrong, University of Texas at Austin
"Be Angry and Sin Not": Philodemus' De Ira and the Epicurean Tradition
2:10  Christopher P. Jones, Harvard University
Plutarch and Political Anger
2:40  Respondent:
Heinrich von Staden, Yale University
3:00  General Discussion

Historical Jesus Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  N-Grand Ballroom II
Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: Method in Historical Jesus Research
1:00  Individual Presentations
Dale C. Allison, Friends University
John Dominic Crossan, DePaul University, Emeritus
Gerd Lüdemann, University of Göttingen, Vanderbilt University
2:00  Panel Discussion
Dale C. Allison, Friends University
John Dominic Crossan, DePaul University, Emeritus
Gerd Lüdemann, University of Göttingen, Vanderbilt University
3:00  General Discussion

Pentateuch Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Parc Ballroom III
James W. Watts, Hastings College, Presiding
Theme: Connections Spanning the Moses Story
1:00  David McLain Carr, Methodist Theological School
Types and Uses of Connections Spanning the Moses Story
1:25  Rolf Rendtorff, University of Heidelberg
Tensions and Unity in the Image of Moses
1:50  Thomas B. Dozeman, United Theological Seminary
The Cultic Context of Moses' Shining Face
2:15  Tikva Simone Frymer-Kensky, University of Chicago
Moses and the People: The Nature of Leadership
2:40  Respondent:
Dennis T. Olson, Princeton Theological Seminary

Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-DaVinci I
Christiana Van Houten, Calvin College, Presiding
Theme: Biblical Interpretation in Qumran Literature
1:00  Diana M. Swancutt, Duke University
"As a Fountain of Streams": Teacher of Righteousness or Holy Yahad as Focus in 1QH 8:4–26
1:35  Kenneth R. Atkinson, Temple University
On the Use of Scripture in the Development of Militant David Messianism at Qumran: New Light from Psalms of Solomon 17
2:10  Robert Eisenman, California State University, Long Beach
"MMT" as a Jamesian Letter to "the Great King of the Peoples Beyond the Euphrates" (or Izates)
2:45  Michael Daise, Princeton Theological Seminary
The Epic of Theodotus and Samaritan Politics: Genesis 34 as Anti-Seleucid Sentiment
3:20  Business Meeting

Theology and Science Group
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Continental 7
Ernest L. Simmons, Concordia College, Moorhead, Presiding

Theme: Critical Responses to Nancy Murphy and George Ellis’s On the Moral Nature of the Universe

Robert John Russell, Graduate Theological Union
Cosmology and Hierarchy in On the Moral Nature of the Universe

Christoph Lameter, Fuller Theological Seminary
Issues of Cosmology in Murphy and Ellis’s On the Moral Nature of the Universe

Richard O. Randolph, Graduate Theological Union
Enviromental Ethics and its Implications for a Hierarchy of Sciences

Kirk Wegter-McNelly, Graduate Theological Union
He Descended into Hell: a Liberation Response to the Use of Kenosis in Nancy Murphy and George Ellis’s On the Moral Nature of the Universe

Respondent: Nancy Murphy, Fuller Theological Seminary

A30

Issues in Interreligious Interchange Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm P-Cervantes
Chester Gillis, Georgetown University, Presiding

Theme: Models of Truth among the Religions

Jeffrey D. Long, University of Chicago
Complex Ultimates: The Three-Bodied Buddha, the Two-Natured Brahman, and the Bipolar God

Rachel R. Adler, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, and Susan Marie Maloney, Immaculate Heart College Center
Holding the Mirror for Your Sister

Akintunde Ebunolu Akinade, High Point University
Religious Diversity and the Question of Truth: An African Perspective

Dirk J. Louw, University of the North, South Africa
Ubuntu/Botho and the Decolonization of the Religious Other in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Respondent: Harry L. Wells, Humboldt State University

A31

A32

Arts Series Tour: Asian Art Museum of San Francisco
1:30pm–2:30pm
Theme: Religious Aspects of Hindu and Buddhist Art
See page 11 for a description of the tour.

A33

Arts Series Tour: M. H. DeYoung Museum
1:30pm–2:30pm
Theme: Ceremonial Aspects of Religious Art in Africa, Meso America, and Oceania
See page 11 for a description of the tour.

A34

Arts Series Tour: San Francisco Museum of Modern Art
1:30pm–2:30pm
Theme: Highlights of the Collection
See page 11 for a description of the tour.

A35

Special Topics Forum (=S34)
Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
2:00pm–5:00pm H-East Lounge
Theme: AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair
Cheryl A. Tupper, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding

Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to answer questions and distribute materials. This session is an extraordinary opportunity to learn more about the funding process and the many different kinds of resources that are available to scholars in religion. It is designed to be helpful for first-time applicants as well as those who have received grants in the past. There will be representatives from organizations that provide a wide variety of types of funding, including dissertation support, faculty leave grants, and project-level grants.
**Synoptic Gospels Section**

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union 17 & 18

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College, Presiding

1:00  Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder, Vanderbilt University

Simon of Cyrene: A Case of Roman Conscription

1:30  Kyle Keefer, Emory University

Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University

Mirror Images in Luke 7:1–9

2:00  Charles W. Hedrick, Southwest Missouri State University

Prolegomena to Reading Parables: Luke 13:6–9 as a Case Study

2:30  John A. Darr, Boston College


3:00  William H. Malas, Union Theological Seminary, Virginia


**Thomasine Working Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 4

Shawn Carruth, Concordia College, Presiding

Theme: The Compositional History of the Gospel of Thomas from a Rhetorical and Sociological Perspective

1:00  Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University

Rhetorical Composition and Sources in the Gospel of Thomas

1:15  Jon Ma. Asgeirsson, Institute for Antiquity and Christianity

Arguments and Audience(s) in the Gospel of Thomas

1:30  Respondents:

April De Conick, Illinois Wesleyan University

Ron Cameron, Wesleyan University

Lee Zachary Maxey, Claremont Graduate University

Philip H. Sellew, University of Minnesota

2:30  General Discussion

3:20  Business Meeting

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**Saturday Afternoon**

**S33 Where Is the Tenth Century?**

1:00pm–3:30pm  N-Grand Ballroom III

Hershel Shanks, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding

Theme: Of Pottery and Stratigraphy

1:00  David Ussishkin, Tel Aviv University

The View from Megiddo, Jezreel and Lachish

1:30  Israel Finklestein, Tel Aviv University

The View from Megiddo, Jezreel and Lachish

2:00  Amnon Ben-Tor, Hebrew University

The View from Hazor

2:30  William Dever, University of Arizona

The View from Gezer (and the U.S.)

3:00  Rebuttals from each presenter

3:20  General Discussion

**S34 AAR/SBL Grants Fair (=A35)**

Sponsored by the AAR Committee on Research and Scholarship, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada

2:00pm–5:00pm  H-East Lounge

Cheryl A. Tupper, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding

See page 17 for a description of this session.
AAR Arts Series
3:45pm–6:15pm   N-Grand Ballroom II
Sharon Fuh, Korean Art Museum, Los Angeles; Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Asian American Women: Their Art and Spirituality
Lucy Arai, San Francisco, CA
Bernice Bing, South of Market Cultural Center Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Dawn Nakanishi, San Francisco State University
Flo Oy Wong, Women’s Caucus for the Arts, San Francisco, CA
See page 10 for a description of this session.

Special Topics Forum
3:45pm–6:15pm   N-Grey Pearl
William Grassie, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Deep Ecology, Deep Technology, Deep Science
Kevin Kelly, WIRED Magazine, San Francisco, CA
Brian Swimme, California Institute of Integral Studies
David Batstone, University of San Francisco
Shannon Duval, Pennsylvania State University
Respondent:
Michael E. Zimmerman, Tulane University
See page 7 for a description of this session.

Special Topics Forum
3:45pm–6:15pm   N-Grand Ballroom II
Sponsored by the AAR and the Journal of Teaching Theology and Religion
Judith A. Berling, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: The Meaning and Ends of Teaching Religion
Panelists:
Mary C. Boys, Union Theological Seminary, New York
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Special Topics Forum
3:45pm–6:15pm   P-Parc Ballroom I
Sponsored by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
Emilie M. Townes, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Feminism Lashes Back: Responses to the Backlash
Panelists:
Beverly Wildung Harrison, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit Mercy
Kenneth B. Smith, Chicago Theological Seminary
See page 8 for a description of this session.
Ancient Myths and Modern Theories of Christian Origins Consultation
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 4
Dennis E. Smith, Phillips Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Mythmaking and Social Formation in the Jesus Schools
3:45  William E. Arnal, University of Toronto
Why Q Failed: From Ideological Project to Group Formation
3:53  Willi Braun, Bishops University, Quebec
Greco-Roman “Schools” and the Sayings Gospel Q
4:01  Wendy J. Cotter, Loyola University Chicago
The Q Community in the Context of Popular First-Century Religious Trends: Locating the Appeal of a Prophetic Community
Respondents:
4:09  Barry Crawford, Washburn University
4:29  Christopher R. Matthews, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
4:39  General discussion by presenters, respondents, and consultation members
5:39  Recess
5:49  General Discussion
The papers in this session will be summarized, not read, and will be available in advance of the meeting by contacting the chair of the consultation, Ron Cameron, Dept. of Religion, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT 06459.

Archaeology of the New Testament World Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Powell
Steve Friesen, University of Missouri, Presiding
Theme: Living and Dying in Asia Minor
3:45  Bruno Blumenfeld, Columbia University
Roman and Christian: The Epitaph of Marcus Iulianus Eugenius
4:10  Christine M. Thomas, University of California, Santa Barbara
Religious Innovation and Freedpersons in the First Century CE: The Case of the Ossuaries at Ephesos
4:35  General Discussion
4:55  Recess
5:05  Ulrike Outschar, Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften
Living in the Past: Aspects of the Private Life of the Inhabitants of Roman Ephesos

Biblical Law Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Grand Ballroom III
Martha T. Roth, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Law as Literature: Recent Literary Theory and Biblical Law
3:45  Introductions
3:50  Milner S. Ball, University of Georgia School of Law
A Lawyer’s Reading of Exodus 32–34
4:10  Adele Berlin, University of Maryland
Numinous Nomos: The Setting of the Revelation of the Law
4:30  David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
Dancing and Shining at Sinai: Playing the Man in Exodus 32–34
4:50  Geoffrey Miller, New York University Law School
Golden Calves, Stone Tablets, and Fundamental Law
5:50  Recess
5:20  Panel Discussion
5:50  General Discussion
See page 16 for a description of this session.
Saturday Afternoon
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**Buddhism Section**
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Dante

Daniel Boucher, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding
Theme: *Buddhism and the Interaction of Traditions*

- James R. Egge, University of Chicago
  *Buddhist Appropriation of Vedic Sacrifice and the Karma of Ritual in the Pali Canon*

- Clair W. Huntington, Hartwick College
  *Bhāvaviveka, Bhartrhari, and the Creation of Madhyamaka*

- Jacob Kinnard, Northwestern University
  *When is the Buddha Not the Buddha? The Hindu/Buddhist Battle over Bodhgaya and the Buddha Image*

- Natasha Heller, Harvard University
  *Social Change and Women's Roles in a Modern Chinese Buddhist Organization*

**Comparative Studies in Religion Section**
3:45pm–6:15pm  N-White Pearl

Georges Dreyfus, Williams College, Presiding
Theme: *Pop Goes the Text! A Comparative Look at the Phenomenon of Scriptural Distillation*

Panelists:
- José Ignacio Cabezón, Iliff School of Theology
- Francis X. Clooney, Boston College
- William R. Darrow, Williams College
- John B. Henderson, Louisiana State University
- Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University

Respondent:
Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara

**Ethics Section**
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 9

Diane M. Yeager, Georgetown University, Presiding
Theme: *How Not to Be a Blue-Nosed Preacher: The Interplay of Ethics and Literature*

Panelists:
- Maria Antonaccio, Bucknell University
- Katie Geneva Cannon, Temple University
- Charles Hallisey, Harvard University
- Geoffrey G. Harpham, Tulane University
- Stanley M. Hauerwas, Duke University
- William A. Schweiker, University of Chicago
- Lee H. Yearley, Stanford University

Papers for this session are available for purchase from Diane Yeager, Box 571135, Georgetown University, Washington, DC 20057-1135 for a cost of twelve dollars.

**North American Religions Section**
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 5 & 6

Colleen McDannell, University of Utah, Presiding
Theme: *Beyond Salem: Narratives of the Angelic and Demonic in Early America*

- Elizabeth Reis, University of Oregon
  *Devils, Angels, and Women's Confessions of Sin in Early America*

- Matthew Dennis, University of Oregon
  *Seneca Possessed: Witch-Hunting, Revitalization, and Genii in Early Nineteenth-Century New York*

- Kenneth P. Minkema, Yale University
  *“The Devil Will Roar in Me Anon”: The Possession of Mary Roberson, Boston 1741*

Respondent:
Ann Braude, Macalester College

**Philosophy of Religion Section**
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 25

William J. Wainwright, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Presiding
Theme: *Alvin Plantinga's Warranted Christian Beliefs*

Panelists:
- Paul J. Griffiths, University of Chicago
- Michael Czapakay Sudduth, Calvin College
- Merold Westphal, Fordham University

Respondent:
Alvin Plantinga, University of Notre Dame
Biblical Lexicography Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Sienna
Theme: Comparative Semitic Philology and Hebrew Lexicography
Richard E. Whitaker, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
3:45 James M. Lindenberger, Vancouver School of Theology
Revisiting an Old Acquaintance: Uses of Aramaic in Biblical Hebrew
4:10 John Kaltner, Rhodes College
The Contribution of Arabic to Hebrew Lexicography
4:35 Jack M. Sasson, University of North Carolina
“Mari” Documents and Hebrew Lexicography
5:10 Respondents:
David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary
James Barr, Vanderbilt Divinity School

Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 1 & 2
Theme: Ezra-Nehemiah
M. Patrick Graham, Emory University, Presiding
3:45 Lisbeth S. Fried, New York University
The Political Struggle in Fifth Century Judah
4:20 Yehoshua Gitay, University of Cape Town
The Foreign Marriage Crisis: Ezra’s Anti-Rhetorical Speech
4:55 Recess
5:05 Christiane Karrer, Christian-Albrechts University, Kiel
Ezra-Nehemiah: Different Concepts of Constitution for Postexilic Judah
5:40 Wouter C. Van Wyk, Rand Afrikaans University, Johannesburg
Ezra-Nehemiah: Reading the Text and Writing the Theology

Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity Group (=A49)
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 3 & 4
Paula M. McNutt, Canisius College, Presiding
Theme: Constructs of the Social and Cultural Boundaries of Individual and Group Self-Identities
3:45 Claudia V. Camp, Texas Christian University
On Lineages and Levites, Sisters and Strangers: Constructing Priestly Boundaries in the Post-Exilic Period
3:55 Jonathan Dyck, Trinity College, Dublin
Exile, Identity, and Legitimacy: On the Use of the Lists in Ezra-Nehemiah
4:05 Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland, College Park
Locating Jewish Ethnicity in Greco-Roman Antiquity
4:15 Daniel Boyarin, University of California
Sexuality and Sociality: The Rabbis Among Romans and Christians
4:25 Eric Meyers, Duke University
A Zooarchological Model for the Study of Ethnic Complexity at Sepphoris
(paper written in conjunction with Billy J. Grantham, Troy State University)
4:35 Respondents:
4:50 General Discussion
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**Saturday Afternoon**

**November 22**

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**A46**

**Religion and the Social Sciences Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
**H-Continental 8**

Jacob A. Belzen, University of Amsterdam, Presiding

Theme: The Self: Modern, Postmodern, and Beyond

Kathleen G. Bishop, Drew University  
*Translation and Transmigration: Subjective Experience in Julia Kristeva and Classical Buddhist Psychology*

Marian Ronan, Temple University  
*Reconfiguring U.S. Catholicism: A Butlerian Reading of Mary Gordon’s The Shadow Man*

Nancy McCann Hostetter, University of Chicago  
*Mourning and Empowerment in a Mormon Autobiography*

Emma J. Anderson, Harvard University  
*Self, Suffering, and Religious Experience: Lisa’s Story*

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**A47**

**Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
**P-Barcelona I**

Peter C. Hodgson, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Theme: Crossing the Religious Difference

Rita Sherma, Claremont Graduate School  
*widening the Net: The Application of Methodologies of Constructive Ecological Theology to a Non-Christian Context*

Heup Young Kim, Kang Nam University, Korea  
*Toward a Christo-Tao: Jesus as the Theanthropocosmic Tao*

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Clair  
*Goddesses in Historical, Comparative, and Theological Perspectives*

G. John Renard, Saint Louis University  
*Comparative Theology: Definition and Method*

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**A48**

**Afro-American Religious History Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
**H-Union Square 17 & 18**

Stephen Ward Angell, Florida A & M University, Presiding

Theme: The Crucible of Culture: The Early Life and Thought of Howard Thurman, 1899–1936

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**A49**

**Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity Group (=S40)**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
**P-Cervantes**

Paula M. McNutt, Canisius College, Presiding

Theme: *Constructs of the Social and Cultural Boundaries of Individual and Group Self-Identities*

Claudia V. Camp, Texas Christian University  
*Of Lineages and Levites, Sisters, and Strangers: Constructing Priestly Boundaries in the Post-Exilic Period*

Jonathan Dyck, Trinity College, Dublin  
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Eric Meyers, Duke University  
*A Zooarchaeological Model for the Study of Ethnic Complexity at Sepphoris*

Respondents:  
Bruce J. Malina, Creighton University  
James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University

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S41 Divine Mediator Figures in Antiquity Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Lombard

Larry W. Hurtado, University of Edinburgh, Presiding

3:45 Darrell L. Bock, Dallas Theological Seminary
Blasphemy and Exaltation in Judaism and the Jewish Examination of Jesus
Respondent:
David Capes, Houston Baptist University

4:05 General Discussion

4:55 Recess

5:05 Mara Schiffren, Harvard University
Jewish Hypostases from the Bible into the Rabbinic Age
Crispin Fletcher-Louis, Oxford University
The High Priest as Divine Mediator in the Hebrew Bible: Dan 7:13 as a Test Case

Respondent:
Carey C. Newman, Southern Seminary

5:25 General Discussion

The papers by the presenters in this session will be summarized and not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

S42 Egyptology and Ancient Israel Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  N-San Francisco

James K. Hoffmeier, Wheaton College, Presiding
Theme: Egyptian Symbolism in Hebrew Scriptures

3:45 Greg Glazov, Exeter College, University of Oxford and Plater College
Egyptian and Other ANE Mouth-Opening Rituals and the Opening of the Mouth in Biblical Prophecy, Wisdom and Prayer

4:15 Nili S. Fox, University of Pennsylvania
The "Israelization" of a Foreign System: Egyptian Hieratic Numerals and Other Symbols in Hebrew Inscriptions

4:45 James K. Hoffmeier, Wheaton College
The Plumb Line Vision of Amos: An Egyptian Motif?

5:15 Yiyi Chen, Cornell University
Common Motifs in Pss 75–76 and Sinuhe

5:45 Susan T. Hollis, Empire State College
Shared Descriptors in the Ancient Egyptian "Tale of Two Brothers" and the Hebrew Bible

S43 Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 23 & 24

Patricia K. Willey, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Isaiah 56–66

3:45 Gregory John Polan, Conception Seminary College
Still More Signs of Unity in the Book of Isaiah: The Significance of Third Isaiah

Respondent:
Edwin C. Webster, Diocese of Western Louisiana

4:45 Dwight W. Van Winkle, Seattle Pacific University
Isaiah 56:1–8: The Relationship of the Nations to Yahweh and Israel

Respondent:
Chris A. Franke, College of St. Catherine

5:45 Business Meeting

Roy F. Melugin, Austin College, Presiding
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S44 Ideological Criticism Section

3:45pm–6:15pm  P-DaVinci 1

Erin Runions, McGill University, Presiding
Theme: What Counts as "Theory" in Post-colonial and Ideological Criticisms of the Bible?

What's the Difference Between Theory and Experience? Philosophy, Justice, and the Job of Biblical Interpretation

4:10 Alice Bach, Stanford University
Whatever Happened to Dionysius?

4:30 Johannes A. Loubser, University of Zululand
Neo-Colonialism and the Mystery of the Elusive Pauline Center

4:50 Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology
Gender and Judaism in Paul: The Reign of the Circumcised Phallus

5:10 Respondents:
Beverly J. Stratton, Augsburg College
Craig A. Phillips, Temple University

5:40 General Discussion
A50 Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 3
Randall C. Morris, William Jewell College, Presiding
Theme: John Zizioulas
Ralph Del Colle, Marquette University
"Person" and "Being" in John Zizioulas’s Trinitarian Theology: Conversations with Thomas Aquinas and Thomas Terrance
Aristotle Papanikolaou, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
Ontology and Trinitarian Theology in the Thought of John Zizioulas
Nonna Verna Harrison, St. Joseph of Arimathea College
Zizioulas and Current Issues in Orthodox Theological Anthropology
Elizabeth Groppe, University of Notre Dame
Western Appropriation and Response to the Theology of John Zizioulas

A51 Gay Men’s Religious Issues Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Pink Pearl
Daniel T. Spencer, Drake University, Presiding
Theme: The Religious Construction of Homosexuality and the Homosexual Construction of Religion
Patrick Welage, University of Denver
Breaking the Silence: Gay Issues in the Rhetoric of Human Rights
Horace L. Griffin, University of Missouri, Columbia
Their Own Received Them Not: African American Lesbians and Gays in the Black Church
Donald L. Boisvert, Concordia University, Montreal
Queering the Sacred: Typology of Gay Spirituality
Edward R. Gray, Emory University
Harvey Milk, Mayor of Castro Street—Christ-Like Martyr
Respondent:
Ronald E. Long, Hunter College

A52 Native Traditions in the Americas Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 15 & 16
Christopher R. Jocks, Dartmouth College, Presiding
Theme: Hemispheric Native Perspectives on Religious Knowledge
Tirso A. Gonzales, University of California, Davis
Land, Religiosity, and Cosmovision: The Chacra and the Ayllu in the Andes
Victor D. Montejo, University of California, Davis
The Awakening of the Ancestors: Mayan Religious Revitalization Movements in Guatemala
Inés Hernandez-Avila, University of California, Davis
The Mexican Conchero Dance Tradition and the White Roots of Peace
George P. Charles, University of California, Santa Barbara
"Yugaraq," the Way of the Human Being: Genres of Yup’ik Verbal Art in the Transmission of Knowledge
Respondent:
Tod D. Swanson, Arizona State University
Business Meeting
Inés M. Talamanetz, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

A53 Reformed Theology and History Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Da Vinci II
Philip W. Butin, Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church, Albuquerque, NM, Presiding
Theme: Issues in Reformed Ecclesiology
Robert K. Martin, Yale University
The Ecclesial Ministry of Communion
William J. Danaher, Yale University
By Sensible Signs Represented: Jonathan Edwards’s Unpublished Sermons on the Lord’s Supper
Scott Bader-Saye, University of Scranton
Election as Ecclesiology
Mark J. Ellingsen, Interdenominational Theological Center
Calvin and the Presbyterian Confessions on the Episcopacy: An Ecumenical Perspective
S45 Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Barcelona II
Robert L. Brawley, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Matthew, Culture, and Reading
3:45 Andrew K. M. Adam, Princeton Theological Seminary
On Reading Matthew as Cultural Criticism
3:55 Respondent:
Richard W. Swanson
4:15 General Discussion
4:45 Recess
4:55 Mark Allan Powell, Trinity Lutheran Seminary
Neither Wise Nor Powerful: Matthew's Magi in Reception History
5:00 Respondent:
Kathleen Weber, Catholic University of America
5:25 General Discussion
5:55 Business Meeting
The papers in this session will be summarized, not read. To obtain Powell's paper, write the author at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, 2199 E. Main St., Columbus, OH 43209-2334 or e-mail <mapowell@trinity.capital.edu>. Adam's paper will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

S46 New Testament Textual Criticism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 7
Kim Haines-Eitzen, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding
3:45 Philip B. Payne, Linguist's Software
Ms. 88 as Evidence for a Text without 1 Cor. 14:34-35
4:15 Tjitze Baarda, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
The NOMIKOS in the Syriac Gospels
4:45 Jeffrey W. Childers, Abilene Christian University
Patristic Citations and Versonal Evidence: The Syriac Chrysostom
5:15 Stanley E. Porter, Roehampton Institute London
Editing the Greek New Testament Payyry of the Austrian National Library: Issues of Method
5:45 John J. Brogan, Calvin College
Athanasius, the Corrections of Codex Sinaiticus, and the Nameless Shapers of the Alexandrian Text

S47 Pauline Epistles Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 21
Steven J. Krafichick, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Paul and Traditions
3:45 Andrew T. Lincoln, Wycliffe College, University of Toronto
The Function of the Household Code in Colossians
4:15 Robert M. Royalty, Stanford University
Dwelling on Visions: The Nature of the So-called Colossians Heresy
4:45 J. Louis Martyn, Union Theological Seminary, New York
A Tale of Two Churches: Galatians 4:21-5:1
5:15 Thomas Schmeller, Technische Universitat Dresden
Paul the Colleague: A New Approach to his Use of the Jesus Tradition
5:45 Alan C. Mitchell, Georgetown University
Friends Do Not Wrong Friends: An Unnoticed Friendship Motif in 1 Corinthians 6:8

S48 Philo of Alexandria Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 19 & 20
Ellen Birnbaum, Harvard University, Presiding
3:45 William D. Barry, University of Puget Sound
Greeks, Jews, and Romans: Ethnic Violence in Roman Alexandria and Beyond
4:05 Dorothy Sly, University of Windsor, Ontario
Philo's Alexandria
4:25 Birger A. Pearson, University of California, Santa Barbara
Ancient Alexandria in the Acts of Mark
4:45 Christopher Haas, Villanova University
Late Antique Alexandria in the Passio of Peter I
5:05 Recess
5:10 Diana Delia, Rhode Island College, Providence, RI
Alexandria in Recent Scholarship
5:30 General Discussion
6:15 Recess
6:30 Festschrift Presentation
### Religion and Popular Culture Group

**A54**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**  
**H-Sutter**

Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding  
Theme: *Music from the Margins*

- Roland T. Boer, United Theological College, New South Wales  
  *Ezekiel’s Axl, or Anarchism and Ecstasy*
- David Fillingim, Chowan College  
  *Redneck Liberation: Country Music as Theology*
- Juan M. Thomas, University of Pennsylvania  
  *Heaven Ain’t Hard to Find: Prophets of Rage in the Last Days of Gangsta Rap*
- Lawrence E. Zbach, Salem-Teikyo University  
  *Why is this Fussing and Fighting? Perspectives on Violence and Spirituality in Some Genres of Popular Music*
- Respondent: Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College

### Religion in Eastern Europe and the Former USSR Group

**A55**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**  
**H-Union Square 11**

Leslie A. Muray, Lansing Community College, Presiding  
Theme: *Genocide as Religious Ritual: An Author Meets Critics—Michael A. Sells’s A Bridge Betrayed: Religion and Genocide in Bosnia*

- Panelists: Michael A. Sells, Haverford College  
  J. Shawn Landres, University of California, Santa Barbara  
  Miroslav Volf, Fuller Theological Seminary  
  Peter Kuzmic, Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary  
  Krystyna Gorniak-Kockikowska, Southern Connecticut State University
- Respondent: Ivan Stremski, University of California, Riverside

### Roman Catholic Modernism Seminar

**A56**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**  
**H-Union Square 22**

Lawrence Barmann, St. Louis University, Presiding  
Theme: *Modernist and Antimodernist Autobiography*

- Ellen M. Leonard, University of St. Michael’s College  
  *Telling the Story: Maude Petré as Autobiographer/Biographer*
- Respondent: John D. Root, Illinois Institute of Technology
- Charles J. T. Talar, Alvernia College  
  *Identity Formation, Identity Reconstruction, and Identity Transformation: Albert Houtsin (1867–1926)*
- Respondent: John D. Barbour, St. Olaf College
- David G. Schultenover, Creighton University  
  *Luis Martin García, Superior General of the Society of Jesus, 1892–1906: A Biographical Essay with a View to His Involvement in the Modernist Crisis*
- Respondent: Jeffery Von Arx, Georgetown University

### Swedenborg Issues and Influence Seminar

**A57**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**  
**H-Union Square 12**

Bernhard Lang, University of Paderborn, Presiding  
Theme: *Swedenborg’s Vision and Its Legacy: New Perspectives in Comparative Religion*

- Jeanne S. Hopper, Unity-Progressive Theological Seminary  
  *Medieval and Contemporary Correspondences: Emanuel Swedenborg’s Approach to Biblical Interpretation*
- Phillip H. Wiebe, Trinity Western University  
  *Christic Visions in the Swedenborgian Tradition*
- Jane Williams-Hogan, Bryn Athyn College of the New Church  
  *Moving beyond Weber’s Concept of Charisma: The Role of Written Text in the Founding of the Swedenborgian Church*
- Tore Ahlbäck, Donner Institute, Finland  
  *The Swedenborgian Church in Contemporary Sweden*
- Respondent: Antoine Faire, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes
Psychology and Biblical Studies Group
3:45pm-6:15pm N-Grand Ballroom I
Wayne G. Rollins, Assumption College, Presiding
3:45
Stevan L. Davies, College Misericordia
Respondents:
3:45 John J. Pilch, Georgetown University
4:10 Walter Wink, Auburn Theological Seminary
4:25 Stevan L. Davies, College Misericordia, Replying
4:45 General Discussion
5:00 John W. Miller, Conrad Grebel College and University of Waterloo
John W. Miller, Jesus at Thirty: A Psychological and Historical Portrait (Minneapolis: Fortress, 1997)
Respondents:
5:10 Marcus J. Borg, Oregon State University
5:25 D. Andrew Kille, Graduate Theological Union

Q Section
3:45pm-6:15pm H-Mason
Shawn Carruth, Concordia College, Presiding
Theme: Historical, Compositional, and Sociological Studies of Q
3:45 Edwin K. Broadhead, Berea College
The Extent of the Sayings Tradition
4:10 Jens Schroeter, Humbolt-University, Berlin
Between John the Baptist and the Coming Son of Man: A Perspective on Time in Q
4:35 Alan Kirk, University of Calgary
A Socio-historical Location for Q: Second Temple Jewish Sectarianism
5:00 Daniel E. Goodman, Palm Beach Atlantic College
Renewing the Bodies of Israel: "Kingdom of God" as a Symbolic Form in Q
5:25 Kathleen E. Corley, University of Wisconsin
Mourners in the Marketplace: Q 7:31-32
5:50 Sterling Bjornsdahl, Augustana University College
The Divorce that Spawned a War and the Reconstruction of Q 16:16-18

Saturday Afternoon
November 22

Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section
3:45pm-6:15pm H-Continental 1 & 2
Timothy Beal, Eckerd College, Presiding
Theme: Violence in and around Scripture
3:45 Yvonne M. Sherwood, Sheffield University
Of Fruit and Corpses and "Wordplay Visions": Picturing Amos 8:1-3
4:15 Linda M. Day, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Rhetoric and Sexual Abuse in Ezekiel
4:45 Nina Rulon-Miller, Drew University
Woman as Other in Ezekiel 16, Exeunt Book 12, and Virginia Woolf's A Room of One's Own
5:15 Deborah Krause, Eden Theological Seminary
School's in Session: The Making of Docile Disciple Bodies in Markan Interpretation
5:45 Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College
Apocalyptic Fear: Terror at the End of the World

Where Is the Tenth Century?
3:45pm-6:15pm P-Parc Ballroom II
Hershel Shanks, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding
Theme: Have David and Solomon Vanished?
3:45 Thomas Lawrence Thompson, University of Copenhagen
Should We Leave History to the Archaeologists?
4:15 Nadav Na'aman, Institute of Archaeology, Tel Aviv University
Bringing the United Monarchy Down to Earth
4:45 Lawrence Stager, Harvard University
The "State" of David and Solomon
5:15 Neil Asher Silberman, Branford, Connecticut
Do Modern Political Ideologies Affect Both Sides?
5:45 Rebuttals from each presenter
6:05 General Discussion
A58 Comparative Studies in “Hinduisms” and “Judaisms” Consultation 3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Coritnia

Ellen Posman, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Religious Nationalisms in India and Israel

Brian K. Smith, University of California, Riverside
“Hinduism,” “India,” and the Scholar: Contested Views of Religion, the Nation-State, and History

Paul Morris, Victoria University of Wellington
Hinduva: Religious Nationalism in India

Roger Friedland, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Bodies of Nations: A Comparative Study of Religious Violence in Jerusalem and Ayodhya, Part 1

Richard Hecht, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Bodies of Nations: A Comparative Study of Religious Violence in Jerusalem and Ayodhya, Part 2

Respondent:
Nathan Katz, Florida International University
Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia

A60 Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Consultation 3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Aragon

David B. Brakke, Indiana University, Bloomington
Presiding
Theme: Contested Spaces

Harry O. Maier, Vancouver School of Theology
The Remembrance of Spaces Past: The Contest for Topography and History in Early Christian Conflict

Rebecca Krawiec, Harvard University
Gender and Separation in Egyptian Monasticism: Shenute and the Women of the White Monastery

David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire
Contesting Powers, Rites, and Places in Late Antique Panopolis

Cynthia M. Baker, Cornell University
Jewish Turf Battles in Roman Palestine?

Erin H. Addison, Hollins College
Placing Prophecy: 'Abd-al-Malik and the Dome of the Rock

Respondent:
Virginia Burrus, Drew University

A59 East Asian Religions Consultation 3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 14

Steven Heine, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding
Theme: Methodological Approaches in the Study of East Asian Religions

A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University, Japan
Ti-yung (Essence and Function): The Pivot of East Asian Religious Views of Practice and Transformation

Michael H. Carter, Graduate Theological Union
Tibetan Buddhism and Western Measures of Experiential Religion: Toward a Dimensional and Methodological Convergence

Jordan Paper, York University
Shamanism, Mediumism, and Sex/Gender in East Asia

Jin Young Park, State University of New York, Stony Brook
Religious Conflict or Religious Anxiety? New Buddhist Movements in Korea and Japan

A61 Religion and Disability Studies Consultation 3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 10

Barbara J. Metzger, Luther Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Hidden Brilliance: Spiritual Challenges of Children with Cognitive Disabilities

Panelists:
Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Bill J. Leonard, Wake Forest University
Linda Naef, Episcopal Diocese of Jackson, MS

Respondent:
Martha L. Edwards, Truman State University

Business Meeting
Adèle B. McCollum, Montclair State University, Presiding
Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Group

3:45pm–6:15pm    H-Franciscan A

Randal A. Argall, Iowa City, Iowa, Presiding

Theme: Rewards and Punishments in Some Early Jewish Texts

3:45 Carol Ann Newsom, Candler School of Theology, Emory University
You May Already Be a Winner: Rewards and Punishments in the Serek ha-Yahad

4:00 Sarah J. Tanzer, McCormick Theological Seminary
Rewards and Punishments in the Hodayot

4:15 John J. Collins, University of Chicago
The Reward of Piety: Retribution in the Wisdom of Solomon

3:45 John Kampen, Payne Seminary

4:00 Respondent:

4:55 Recess

5:00 General Discussion

Papers will be distributed prior to the meeting. Contact George Nickelsburg by e-mail at <george-nickelsburg@uiowa.edu>.

Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession Reception (=A63)

Sponsored by the SBL Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession and the AAR Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

3:45pm–7:00pm    H-Vista Room

Saturday Evening November 23

Presidential Address

8:00pm–9:00pm    P-Parc Ballroom

Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago

Antiquity and Christianity

See page 14 for a description of this session.

AAR/SBL Reception (=A68)

9:15pm–10:00pm    H-Continental Ballroom

AAR/SBL Student Reception (=A69)

10:00pm–11:30pm    H-Union 23 & 24
A62  Student Session: Introduction to the AAR
5:00pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 3
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding
This session provides an orientation to the publication program, structures, and services of the AAR. There will be brief presentations by Teresia Hinga from the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession; Sheila Greeve Davaney, chair of the Committee on Regions; Margaret R. Miles, vice president of the AAR; Carole A. Myscofski, editor of the Academy Series (dissertation); Peter J. Paris, chair of the Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession; Glenn E. Yocum, editor of the Journal of the American Academy of Religion; and Barbara DeConcini, executive director of the AAR. Ample opportunity for questions and general discussion will follow.

A63  Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Reception (=S54)
3:45pm–6:45pm  H-Vista Room
Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago, Presiding
A reception will be held in conjunction with the SBL Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession.

A64  Plenary: Presidential Address
7:00pm–8:30pm  N-Grand Ballroom
Judith E. Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding
Robert Detweiler, Emory University
Literary Echoes of Postmodernism
The awards for Excellence in the Study of Religion and for Best First Book in the History of Religions will be presented prior to the Presidential Address.

A65  AAR Arts Series Film: Punch Me in the Stomach
8:30pm–10:30pm  N-Pink Pearl
Panelists:
Deb Filler, Punch Productions
Paul Flesher, University of Wyoming
Laura S. Levit, Temple University
Francine Zuckerman, Punch Productions
Conrad E. Ostwalt, Appalachian State University
See page 11 for a description of this film.

A66  A Conversation and Reception for Religion Scholars in Part-Time, Administrative, and Nonacademic Positions
8:30pm–9:30pm  H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)
The AAR Board of Directors sponsors this conversation and reception to explore ways in which the AAR might better support members employed in part-time, administrative, or non-academic positions.

A67  International Guests and Members Orientation and Reception
Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections
8:30pm–9:30pm  H-Vista Room
All AAR international attendees are invited to an information session and reception hosted by the Committee on International Connections.

A68  AAR/SBL Reception (S=56)
9:15pm–10:00pm  H-Continental
All registered participants in the Annual Meeting are invited. Admission is by ticket and name badge only.

A69  AAR/SBL Reception for Student Members (S=57)
10:00pm–11:30pm  H-Union Square 23 & 24
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding
AAR and SBL student members are invited to drop by an open house hosted by the AAR and SBL executive staffs.
SBL Annual Business Meeting
7:30am–8:45am    H-Mason
Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago, Presiding

National Association of Professors of Hebrew
9:00am–10:30am    H-Union 10
Mishael Maswari Caspi, Bates College, Presiding
Business Meeting

AAR/SBL/ATS Workshop: Grantseeking: How to Identify, Cultivate, and Approach a Granting Organization for Funding (=A72)
9:00am–11:30am    H-Continental 3
Frank Reynolds, University of Chicago
Cheryl A. Tupper, Union Theological Seminary, New York
See page 8 for a description of this session.

Ascetic Impulse in Religious Life and Culture Group
9:00am–11:30am    H-Sutter
Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona, and Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding
Theme: Hidden Agendas: The Ascetic Impulse in Women’s Spirituality
Panelists:
9:00    Paula K. R. Arai, Vanderbilt University
9:25    Linda Bennett Elder, Valdosta State University
9:50    Lorine M. Getz, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
10:15   Tazim R. Kassam, Colorado College
10:40   M. Whitney Kelting, Waltham, MA
11:05   Mary McGee, Columbia University
11:25   Business Meeting
Gail Corrington Streeter, Rhodes College, Presiding

Bible in Africa, Asia, and Latin America Section
9:00am–11:30am    P-Parc Ballroom II
Sharon H. Ringe, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Contending Readings: Disputed Authorities—Colonial and Post-Colonial Encounters
9:00    Mark McEntire, McKane Yesus Seminary, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Cain and Abel: Will the Real African Please Stand Up?
9:25    Marcos Paulo Montiero da Cruz Bailao, Independent Presbyterian Theological Seminary, São Paulo, Brazil
“Yet I Have Never Seen Righteousness Forsaken” (Ps 37:25b): A Study on Justice and Poverty
9:50    David Tuesday Adamo, Delta State University, Abraka, Nigeria
The Distinctive Use of Psalms in African Indigenous Churches in Nigeria
10:15   Miguel A. de la Torre, Temple University
Reading the Babylonian Captivity Narrative with Cuban Eyes
10:40   Solomon K. Avotri, Payne Theological Seminary
11:05   General Discussion
AAR SUNDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 23

A70 AAR New Members Continental Breakfast
7:30am–8:45am H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)
New (first-time) AAR members in 1997 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast with members of the Board of Directors.

A71 JAAR Editorial Board Meeting (Continental Breakfast)
7:30am–8:45am H-Union Square 13
Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College, Presiding

A72 AAR/SBL/ATS Workshop: Grantseeking: How to Identify, Cultivate, and Approach a Granting Organization for Funding (=S60)
9:00am–11:30am H-Continental 3
Frank Reynolds, University of Chicago
Cheryl A. Tupper, Union Theological Seminary, New York
See page 8 for a description of this session.

A73 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am N-Grey Pearl 1
Rosemary D. Gooden, DePaul University, Presiding
Theme: “Technological Advance” and “Pedagogical Progress”: Equivalent, Antithetical, or Compatible?
Briane K. Turley, West Virginia University
Teaching American Religious History on the World Wide Web
Alfred Benney, Fairfield University
How to “ZAP” the Classroom Myth without Becoming a Legend
Paul Custodio Bube, Kansas Wesleyan University

Ira H. Peak, University of Louisville, Presiding
Theme: Boldly Going Where Religious Studies Has Never Gone Before
Mary Jo Weaver, Indiana University, Bloomington
and Jason C. Bivins, Indiana University, Bloomington
Star Trek and Religion: Theory and Practice

A74 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section and Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 8
Inés M. Talamantez, University of California, San Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Literatures and Arts of Indigenous Peoples: Resistance
William C. James, Queens University
Seal-Hunters and Fishers of Men: Resistance and Accommodation in Inuit Art
Sheila Hassell Hughes, Emory University
Bearing Witness in and to Louise Erdrich’s Tracks
Jace Weaver, Yale University
That the People Might Live: Native American Literature, Resistance, and Community
Respondent:
Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder

A75 Buddhism Section
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 21
John S. Strong, Bates College, Presiding
Theme: Fresh Perspectives in the Study of Earlier Indian Buddhism
Paul M. Harrison, University of Canterbury, New Zealand
The Doctrinal Standpoint of the Lokamurti Sutra and the Development of Prajñāpāramitā Thought
Satoshi Hiraoka, Kyoto Bunkyo University, Japan
A Comparative Study of the Concept of the Buddha in Avadāna Literature
Shizuka Sasaki, Hanazono University, Japan
Upahijaya and Aciary
Jonathan Silk, Western Michigan University
The Problem of Slavery in Indian Buddhism
Respondent:
Gregory Schopen, University of Texas, Austin
### Bible Translation Section

9:00am–11:30am  H-Taylor

Andrew Steinmann, Ashland University, Presiding

Theme: *Ideology and Bible Translation*

9:00 Paul R. Raabe, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis
Disguising Difficulties with Facile Translations

9:30 Jack P. Lewis, Harding University, Graduate School of Religion

The Minor Prophets and the New Living Translation

#### Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism Section

9:00am–11:30am  P-Barcelona I

Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Theme: "Taking It Personally": Autobiographical Criticism (Semeia 72 [1995]) edited by Janice Capel Anderson and Jeffrey Staley

9:00 Panel Discussion:

Jeffrey Staley, Pacific Lutheran University

Robert D. Maldonado, California State University, Fresno

Valerie Davis Bridgeman, Huston-Tillotson College and Baylor University

Respondents:

9:20 Alice Bach, Stanford University

9:35 Gary A. Phillips, College of the Holy Cross

9:50 Roberta Bondi, Candler School of Theology, Emory University

10:05 Panel Discussion

10:30 General Discussion

### Book of Psalms Section

9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 8

James Limburg, Luther Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *The Shape and Shaping of the Psalter: Problems and Possibilities*

9:00 Erhard S. Gerstenberger, Philipps University, Marburg, Germany
The Psalms: Liturgy or Literature?

9:30 Respondents:

J. Clinton McCann, Eden Theological Seminary

Gerald H. Wilson, Western Evangelical Seminary

10:00 General Discussion

10:30 W. Dennis Tucker, Ouachita Baptist University
The Reign of Yahweh and the Theology of the Poor in the Final Shape of the Psalter

11:00 Julia M. Baum, Anderson University School of Theology
The Editing and Structure of the LXX Psalter: Books IV and V

### Character Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Consultation

9:00am–11:30am  P-Parc Ballroom III

Beverly J. Stratton, Augsburg College, Presiding

9:00 Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary
Character Ethics and Moral Education for Liberation

9:25 Luke Timothy Johnson, Candler School of Theology, Emory University
The Work of the Spirit and the Formation of Character

9:50 Ellen T. Charry, Perkins School of Theology
Character Ethics in the Sermon on the Mount

10:15 L. Gregory Jones, Loyola College in Maryland
The Word That Journeys with Us: Bible, Character Formation, and Christian Community

10:40 Recess

10:45 Respondent:

Stephen E. Fowl, Loyola College, Maryland

11:00 General Discussion

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A76 Ethics Section
9:00am–11:30am  P-Sienna
Frederick E. Glennon, Le Moyne College, Presiding
Theme: The Social Ethics of Rights
Kent Reames, University of Chicago
Moral Agency and the Right to Abortion: Some Theoretical and Political Considerations
Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Lesbian and Gay Theology as Public Theology
Joseph Prabhu, California State University, Los Angeles
Globalization and the Universality of Rights Discourse
Hak Joon Lee, Princeton Theological Seminary
A Critique of Contemporary Human Rights Theory: A Communicative Ethics Perspective

A77 History of Christianity Section
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 3 & 4
David Harrington Watt, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Eating Our Way to Eternity: Religion and Food in American Christianity
Rebecca Kneale Gould, Harvard University
Eating Right: Vegetarianism, Meat Eating, and the Spiritual Imperatives of Natural Living
Courtney Bender, Princeton University
Food is Love? The Hazards of Calling Cooking for People with AIDS a Religious Practice
Daniel Sack, Columbia Theological Seminary
Coffee Hours and Family Nights: Food-Centered Social Events
Ruth Marie Griffith, Princeton University
"Praise the Lord and Pass the Celery": Food and Fitness in Twentieth-Century Evangelical Culture
Respondent:
Robert A. Orsi, Indiana University, Bloomington

A78 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
9:00am–11:30am  N-Grand Ballroom III
Janet R. Jakobsen, University of Arizona, Presiding
Theme: Building Bodies: Transgressive Performance in Religion
Panelists:
Roland T. Boer, United Theological College
Tania Oldenhage, Temple University
Ann Pellegrini, Harvard University
Claudia Schippert, Temple University
Respondents:
Angela Zito, Barnard College
James McBride, Fordham University

A79 Religion in South Asia Section
9:00am–11:30am  N-White Pearl
Paul Younger, McMaster University, Presiding
Theme: Popular Christianity in India and the Elusiveness of Identity
Selva J. Raj, Albion College
The Ganges, the Jordan, and the Mountain: The Three Strands of Santal Popular
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Chariots of the Gods: Riding the Line between Hindu and Christian
M. Thomas Thangaraj, Emory University
The Dynamics of Difference in Tamil Protestant Christianity
Corinne Dempsey, Syracuse University
Snakes, Colonizers, and the Study of Christianity in Kerala: St. George to the Rescue!
Respondent:
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida
**Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section**

9:00am–11:30am  H-Mason

Gary Knoppers, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

9:00 Melody D. Knowles, Princeton Theological Seminary
*The Demise of Sacrifice at Elephantine*

10:00 Armin Siedlecki, Emory University
*Foreigners, Warfare, and Judahite Identity in Chronicles*

10:30 Andrew G. Vaughn, Gustavus Adolphus College
*The Chronicler as an Ideological Author and Historian: A Case Study of the Chronicler’s Account of Hezekiah*

11:00 Isaac Kalimi, University of Oldenburg
*The Book of Chronicles in Dead Sea Discoveries and Rabbinic Literature*

**Electronic Standards for Biblical Language Texts Seminar**

9:00am–11:30am  N-Pink Pearl II

Patrick Durusau, Scholars Press, Presiding

9:00 Working Session of the Seminar: Review of Ongoing Work on Writing System Declarations and Entity Sets

Participants:
- James R. Adair, Scholars Press
- Lewis M. Barth, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles
- David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield
- James D. Ernest, Boston College
- Erik Eynikel, Katholische Universitat
- Alan Groves, Westminster Theological Seminary
- Steven Kaufman, Comprehensive Aramaic Lexicon Project, Hebrew Union College (Cincinnati)
- Robert A. Kraft, University of Pennsylvania
- John A. Lee, University of Sydney
- Kirk E. Lowery, Baptist Theological Seminary
- Cynthia L. Miller, University of Wisconsin
- Bruce Morrill, International Greek New Testament Project
- John H. Sailhamer, Northwestern College
- Bernard A. Taylor, Loma Linda University
- Dale Wheeler, Multinomah Bible College
- Richard E. Whitaker, Princeton Theological Seminary

9:45 Recess

10:00 Organization of working groups to formulate proposed standards for encoding primary and secondary materials and critical apparatus for biblical language texts

11:00 Business Meeting

**History of the Reception of Romans and Exegesis Consultation**

9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 5 & 6

Eugene TeSelle, Vanderbilt University, and Laurence L. Welborn, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

9:00 Thomas D. Parker, McCormick Theological Seminary
*The Reception of Romans 4 in Aquinas, Luther, Calvin, and Barth*

9:25 Robert L. Brawley, McCormick Theological Seminary
*Multivocality in Romans 4*

9:50 Joseph Sievers, Pontifical Biblical Institute
*“God’s Gifts and Call are Irrevocable”: The Interpretation of Rom. 11:29 and Its Uses*

10:15 William S. Campbell, Westhill College, University of Birmingham
*Favouritism and Egalitarianism: Irreconcilable Emphases in Romans and Some of Its Recent Interpretations*

10:40 Cristina Grenholm, Uppsala University
*The Process of the Interpretation of Romans in Selected Critical Commentaries*

11:05 Respondent:
- Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University
- Diversity of Receptions of Romans and the Critical Study of This Text

The papers by the presenters in this session will be summarized and not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information. They are also available through Daniel Patte by e-mail (PATTED@CTRVAUX.VANDERBILT.EDU) or through the U.S. Postal Service—for the cost of duplication and mailing (Vanderbilt University, Dept. of Religious Studies, Box 1704, St. B., Nashville, TN 37235).
Study of Judaism Section
9:00am–11:30am  P-Michelangelo

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University, Presiding
Theme: Suffering in Jewish and Christian Theology

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University
Divine Suffering and the Hermeneutics of Reading

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto
Unjustifiable Suffering

Cleo McNelly Kearns, Rutgers University
Suffering in Theory: Some Problems in Contemporary Theology and Cultural Criticism

Joshua Saltzman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
With an Outstretched Hand: The Pedagogy of Suffering

Respondent:
Graham Ward, Cambridge University

Theology and Religious Reflection Section
9:00am–11:30am  H-Franciscan A

Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Presiding
Theme: Race, Sexuality, and Theology

Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Construction of Race in Theology: Its Moral Necessity and Limits, an African American Perspective

Barbara O'Neill, Chicago Theological Seminary
Postcards from a Ledge: Postmodern Views in Lesbian Theological Territory

Robert E. Goss, Webster University
Queer Theologies as Transgressive Metaphors: New Paradigms for Hybrid Sexual Theologies

Jane Grovijahn, Graduate Theological Union
Doing Theology from a Sexually Abused Body

Ascetic Impulse in Religious Life and Culture Group (=S61)
9:00am–11:30am  H-Powell

Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona, and Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Presiding
Theme: Hidden Agendas: The Ascetic Impulse in Women's Spirituality

Panelists:
Paula K. R. Arai, Vanderbilt University
Linda Bennett Elder, Valdosta State University
Lorine M. Getz, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Tazim Kassam, Colorado College
Mary Whitney Kelting, Boston, MA
Mary McGee, Columbia University
Business Meeting
Gail P. Corrington-Sreete, Rhodes College

Asian American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 7

Rita Nakashima Brock, Bunting Institute, Radcliffe College, Presiding
Theme: Asian American Narrative Self-Depictions: A Viewing and Discussion of Renee Tajima's My America...Or Honk If You Love Buddha

Renee Tajima, Los Angeles, CA
Respondent:
Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley

Church-State Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 1 & 2

Catherine Cookson, University of Indiana, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: Current Flash Points in Church and State

Linda L. Ammons, Cleveland-Marshall School of Law
Women, Religion, and Domestic Violence

Daniel G. Gibbens, University of Oklahoma
The U.S. Supreme Court's Neutrality Principle—The Missing Linchpin

Kelly J. Jarrett, Duke University
Strange Bedfellows: Fundamentalism and the Politics of Satanic Ritual Abuse
International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 22
Leonard J. Greenspoon, Creighton University, Presiding

9:00  Timothy H. Lim, University of Edinburgh
     Isaiahic Quotations in Romans

9:30  Kristin De Troyer, Peeters Publishers
     The End of the Alpha-Text of Esther

10:00  Frederick W. Knobloch, University of Maryland
      "Transcript Technique" and the Text of the Greek Genesis

10:30  Julio Trebolle, Universidad Complutense
      Parallel Editions and Parabiblical Texts: 1 Kings 3–10
            (MT-LXX-Chron)

11:00  Discussion of a New English Translation of the Septuagint

S71  Transjordan in Iron I
9:00am–11:30am  P-Parc Ballroom I
Steven Feldman, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding

9:00  Larry G. Herr, Canadian Union College
     Tell al-Umeiri—Tribes Settling Down

9:30  Eveline Van Der Steen, Leiden University
     Migrations from the East into the Central Jordan Valley

10:00  Timothy Harrison, University of Toronto
      The Central Highlands in the Early Iron Age and the Question of Moabite Origins

10:30  Khair Yassine, Jordon University
      When Was Iron I in Transjordan?

11:00  Shlomo Bunimovitz, Tel Aviv University
      The View from Cis-Jordan

S72  Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section
9:00am–11:30am  N-San Francisco
Douglas M. Gropp, Catholic University of America, Presiding

9:00  Christo H. J. van der Merwe, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa
      The Elusive Biblical Hebrew Term "TIT": A Perspective in Terms of its Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics

9:25  Gary Alan Long, Jerusalem University College
      Past-Time Narrative and Stative Preterites

9:50  Andries Willem Coetzee, Potchefstroom University
      Hebrew (and Aramaic) Segholation and the Generality and Ordering of Phonological Rules

10:15  Recess

10:20  Jacobus A. Naude, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa
      The Syntactic Status of the Ethical Dative in Biblical Hebrew

10:45  Peter J. Gentry, Toronto Baptist Seminary
      The System of Hebrew Volitives

11:05  Ellen J. van Wolde, Tilburg Faculty of Theology
      Step by Step: A Semantic Study of Biblical Hebrew

S73  Matthew Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 15 & 16
Scot McKnight, North Park College, Presiding
Theme: Matthew 23

9:00  Panelists:
      Daniel J. Harrington, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
      Asher Finkel, Seton Hall University
      Kenneth G. C. Newport, Liverpool Hope University College
      Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College

10:05  Recess

10:20  Panel Discussion

11:00  General Discussion
A85 Hispanic American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Wesleyan Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Rubens
Edwin David Aponte, North Park University, and Ted A. Campbell, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Hispanic/Latina(o) Experiences in Wesleyan, Methodist, and Holiness Traditions
Panelists:
Paul Barton, Southern Methodist University
Justo L. González, Emory University
Harold Joseph Recinos, Wesley Theological Seminary

A86 History of the Study of Religion Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 19 & 20
Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, Presiding
Theme: Weberian Categories in the Study of Religion: Appraisals and Applications
Michael J. McClymond, University of California, San Diego
Prophet or Loss? Assessing Max Weber’s Theory of Religious Leadership
David G. Weintinger, Boston University
Rationalization and the Mystical Messiah: Toward a Weberian Analysis of Sabbatianism
Winston Davis, Washington and Lee University
Religion and Political Responsibility in the Thought of Max Weber
Respondent:
Hans G. Kippenberg, University of Bremen, Germany

A87 Japanese Religions Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 25
Ruben L. F. Habito, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Theme: Revisiting Nichiren
William E. Deal, Case Western Reserve University
The Lotus Sutra and Canon Formation in Nichiren Buddhism
Yukio Matsudo, University of Heidelberg
Nichiren’s Approach to the Lotus Sutra
Lucia Dolce, Leiden University
Unacknowledged Inspirations: Ambiguities in Nichiren’s Appreciation of Taimitsu
Hiroo Sato, Tohoku University, Japan
Nichiren’s View of Tensho
Respondent:
Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University

A88 Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Corintia
Marcia C. Robinson, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Kierkegaard’s Without Authority
Andrew J. Burgess, University of New Mexico
The Genre of Kierkegaard’s Communion Discourses
Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University
Hidden by Christ’s Holy Body: Kierkegaard’s Other Writing 1849–1851
George Pattison, Kings College
“Out There...”: Spatial Representation and the Religious Critique of Culture
Business Meeting
Wanda Warren Berry, Colgate University, and Stephen Crites, Wesleyan University, Presiding
Pentateuch Section
9:00am–11:30am  N–Grand Ballroom II
Benjamin D. Sommer, Northwestern University, Presiding
Theme: Connections Spanning the Pentateuch
9:00  Yani Yoo, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Rereading Rebekah and Her Narratives: Genesis 24 and Other Stories
9:30  Dean Andrew Nicholas, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati
The Great Escape: Deception in the Exodus
10:00 Bernard M. Levinson, Indiana University
Renewing the Covenant (Exod 34:10–26) in European Perspective: Old (?) Text, New Questions
10:30 Hans Ausloos, Faculty of Theology, Belgium
The Need of a ‘Controlling Framework’ in Determining the Nature of the Relationship between the Tetrateuch and Deuteronomistic History
11:00 Ronald S. Hendel, Southern Methodist University
Historical Linguistics and Source Criticism: What Do We Know?

Prayer in the Greco-Roman World Group
9:00am–11:30am  N–Pink Pearl 1
Mark C. Kiley, St. John’s University, Presiding
Theme 1: Dialogue among Sub-fields of Prayer from Alexander to Constantine
9:00  John J. Clabeaux, St. John’s Seminary College
Reuven Kimelman, Brandeis University
The Prayers of Didache 8–10 and Rabbinical Prayers (the Shema’ and ‘Amidah)
9:25  Barbara E. Bowe, Catholic Theological Union
Daniel Schwalter, Carthage College
In the World of God and Caesar: Praying to and Praying for the Emperor
9:50  Frederick W. Weidmann, Union Theological Seminary in New York
The Martyr as Sacrifice: Polycarp’s Final Prayer (Mart.Pol. 14) in light of 4 Maccabees and the Prayer of Azariah and the Famine of the Three Youths
10:10  Respondent:
Judith H. Newman, Harvard University
10:15  Recess
A90 Nineteenth-Century Theology Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 17 & 18
Hans Schwarz, University of Regensburg, Presiding
Theme: Theology and Theologians during World War I
Stuart Mews, Cheltenham and Gloucester College
British Theologies of War in Peacetime and of Peace in Wartime
Patrick J. Russell, Marquette University
American Militant Catholicity: The Theology of Walter Drum, S.J.
Wolhart Pentz, Free University, Berlin
The Meaning of Religion in the Politics of F. Haumann
Ronald MacLennan, Bethany College, Lindsborg
World War I and the Deconstruction and Reconstruction of Theology
Garrett E. Paul, Gustavus Adolphus College
Ernst Troeltsch in the War of Words, 1914–1918
Auditors are welcome. Printed papers for this session are available in advance for fifteen dollars from Joseph W. Pickle, Jr., Religion Department, Colorado College, 14 E. Cache La Poudre Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80907.

A91 Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 14
Jerome P. Soneson, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
Theme: Naturalist and Pragmatic Perspectives on Religion
Willem B. Drees, Bezinningscentrum Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
Religious Naturalism and Ultimate Questions: Theism, Pantheism, or Agnosticism?
Wayne Proudfoot, Columbia University
William James and the Idea of a Moral Order
G. Scott Davis, University of Richmond
Conceptual Schemes Redivivus
Kevin Schilbrack, Wesleyan College
Davidson, Pragmatism, and Metaphysics
For group papers send six dollars to Michael Raposa, Religious Studies Department, Lehigh University, 9 West Packer Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18015.

A89 New Religious Movements Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Cervantes
Mary F. Bednarowski, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Theme: Theoretical Issues and the Study of New Religious Movements
Bron R. Taylor, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Pagan Environmentalism and Green Apocalypticism—From Global Bricolage to the Question of Violence
Judith Coney, University of London
Falling in Love and Learning to Love: Two Types of Charismatic Attraction in New Religious Movements
Respondent:
J. Gordon Melton, Institute for the Study of American Religion, Santa Barbara, CA

Timothy Miller, University of Kansas, Presiding
Theme: Spiritualiities of the 1960’s and New Religious Movements
Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Jeffrey Kaplan, Ilisagvik College
The Manson Legend: The Creation of a Soteriological Icon Three Decades On
Robin Sylvan, University of California, Santa Barbara
Business Meeting
William M. Ashcraft, Truman State University, Presiding

**Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section**

9:00am–11:30am   H-Continental 1

Dale B. Martin, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Speech and Superstition: Divination, Prophecy, Incantation*

9:10 Lisa Maurizio, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

*The Social and Linguistic Conditions of Female Prophetic Authority in Ancient Greece*

9:35 Kristen H. Lindbeck, Jewish Theological Seminary

*The Bat Kol as Means of Divination and as Heavenly Voice*

10:00 David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire

*Priests, Stereotype Appropriation, and the Hellenization of Egyptian Incantation*

10:25 Peter T. Struck, University of Chicago

*Speech Acts and the Stakes of Hellenism in Iamblichus' De mysteriis 7*

10:50 Respondent:

Dale B. Martin, Duke University

11:00 Panel Discussion

General Discussion

**Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar**

9:00am–11:30am   P-Raphael

Kathe Pfisterer Darr, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: *The Absence of God in the Book of Ezekiel*

9:00 Daniel I. Block, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

*The Absence of God in the Book of Ezekiel*

Respondents:

John F. Kutsko, Harvard University
Robert C. Neville, Boston University

General Discussion

9:55 Recess

10:05 John T. Strong, Southwest Missouri State University

*God’s ‘Kabod’: The Presence of God in the Book of Ezekiel*

Respondents:

John F. Kutsko, Harvard University
Robert C. Neville, Boston University

General Discussion

**Thomasine Working Group**

9:00am–11:30am   P-Barcelona II

Marvin W. Meyer, Chapman University, Presiding

Theme: *Thomas Traditions in the Context of Syrian Christianity*

9:00 Elaine H. Pagels, Princeton University

*The Genesis Background of the Gospel of Thomas*

9:20 P. J. Hartin, Gonzaga University

*The Search for the True Self in the Gospel of Thomas: Viewed in the Context of the Hymn of the Pearl and the Book of Thomas*

9:40 Donna Wallace, Claremont Graduate School

*Male, Female, and Paradise: An Anthropological Analysis of the Thomas Tradition*

10:00 Recess

10:05 Tjitze Baarda, The Free University, Amsterdam

*The Dating of the Gospel of Thomas*

10:25 Marianne Aagaard Skovmand, University of Aarhus

*Wise People and the Kingdom in the Coptic Gospel of Thomas and Related Syriac Literature*

10:45 Respondent:

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki

11:05 General Discussion
SUNDAY MORNING
NOVEMBER 23

**A92** Religion and Ecology Group
9:00am–11:30am   H-Continental 2
Leslie D. Alldritt, Northland College, Presiding
Theme: American Nature and Science Writers: Affinities with the Natural World
Steven J. Holmes, Harvard University
John Muir and the Religious Vision of Nature as Home
Russell A. Butkus, University of Portland
John Muir, A Theological Portrait
Charles R. Strain, DePaul University
The Pacific Buddha’s Wild Practice: Gary Snyder’s Environmental Ethic
Kimberly Whitney, Graduate Theological Union
Pariah’s Voice? Eco-religious Implications of Barbara McClintock’s Scientific Affect
Douglas Burton-Christie, Loyola Marymount University
The Palpable Holy: Pattiann Rogers’s Theopoetics

**A93** Roman Catholic Studies Group and Systematic Theology Group
9:00am–11:30am   H-Union Square 23 & 24
Carl E. Braaten, Center for Catholic and Evangelical Theology, Northfield, MN, Presiding
Theme: Community, Sacrament and Church
Susan A. Ross, Loyola University of Chicago
Women, Sacramentality, and Community in Roman Catholicism
Daniel P. Thompson, Calumet College of Saint Joseph
The Church as Sacrament: Schillebeeckx’s Contributions to the Construction of a Critical Ecclesiology
Jule DeJager Ward, DePaul University
Small Christian Communities and the Future of the Roman Catholic Family
Nancy A. Dallavalle, Fairfield University
Feminist Theology as Catholic Theology: The Spousal Metaphor and the Church as an Eloquent Thing

**A94** Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
9:00am–11:30am   H-Union Square 9
Elisabeth Benard, University of Puget Sound, Presiding
Theme: Non-Buddhist Traditions in Tibetan Religion
Michael L. Walter, Indiana University, Bloomington
The Scapula in Tibetan Divination and Religion
Nathan S. Cutler, California Institute of Integral Studies
The Ge-khad Cycle and Mt. Kailash
Jensine Andresen, Harvard University
Tibetan “Buddhification” of the Kalacakra Tantra
Bradford Phillips, University of Virginia
Avalokita (Isvara)?
Kurt R. Schaeffer, Harvard University
The Attainment of Immortality: A Nāṭhā Teaching in India
A Buddhist Teaching in Tibet

**A95** Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
9:00am–11:30am   N-Grand Ballroom 1
Katie Geneva Cannon, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Exposing the Contingency of Womanist Alliances: An Ethic of Care, Friendship, Embodiment and Environmental Justice
Emilie M. Townes, Saint Paul School of Theology
Breathing the Rain of Death: Toward a Womanist Ethic of Care
Lisa Ann Anderson, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Desiring to Be Together: Friendships between Black Lesbians and Gay Men—A Theological Reflection
Chandra Taylor Smith, Vanderbilt University
Earthing Embodiment: The Ecological Dimensions of the Spirituality of Alice Walker
Karen Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology
Environmental Justice and Womanist Spirituality
Business Meeting
Katie Geneva Cannon, Temple University, Presiding
Women in the Biblical World Section
9:00am–11:30am    H-Continental 5

Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit Mercy, Presiding


9:00 Panelists:
Claudia V. Camp, Texas Christian University
Alicia Ostriker, Rutgers University
Gale A. Yee, University of St. Thomas
Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
Miriam Peskowitz, University of Florida
Katharina von Kellenbach, St. Mary's College of Maryland

10:30 Respondents:
Athalya Brenner, University of Amsterdam
Carole R. Fontaine, Andover Newton Theological School

AAR/SBL Critical Review Editorial Board (=AE10)
11:45am–12:45pm H-Continental 4

Charles S. Prebisch, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

AAR/SBL Department Chairs (=A100)
11:45am–12:45pm H-Continental 1

Harry Y. Gamble, University of Virginia, Presiding

Bible in Caribbean Culture and Tradition Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm    N-San Francisco

Nathaniel S. Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and Hemchand Gossai, Culver-Stockton College, Presiding

Theme: Scripture and Political Rhetoric

1:00 Marla J. Selvidge, Central Missouri State University
George Fox and Women in Barbados

1:30 Leslie R. James, DePauw University
Text and the Rhetoric of Change: Bible and Decolonization in Post-WWI Caribbean Political Discourse

2:00 General Discussion
Recess

2:10 J. Richard Middleton, Colgate Rochester Divinity School
Identity and Subversion in Babylon: A Sociopolitical Reading of the Imago Dei in Genes 1:26–27 with Special Reference to the Music of Bob Marley and the Wailers

2:40 Ennis B. Edmonds, Barnard College/Columbia University
Rastafarian Hermeneutics and the Politics of Liberation

3:10 General Discussion

3:20 Business Meeting

Sunday Morning
November 23

Theosophy and Theosophic Thought Seminar
9:00am–11:30am  P-Dante
Robert S. Ellwood, University of Southern California, Presiding
Theme: Theosophical Themes, Personalities, and History
James A. Santucci, California State University, Fullerton
Charles Sotheran’s Description of Theosophy: The 1876 Article in the Spiritual Scientist
Tore Ahlback, Donner Institute, Finland
The Origin of the Theosophical Society in Finland
Respondent: John Patrick Deveney, New York, NY
Donald S. Lopez, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
The Reincarnation of the Tibetan Book of the Dead
Respondent: James Burnell Robinson, University of Northern Iowa
Wouter Flanegraaff, University of Utrecht
Theosophy and Magia Naturalis
Jerry Hejka-Ekins, California State University, Stanislaus
William Butler Yeats and the Esoteric Section of the Theosophical Society
Massimo Introvigne, Center for Studies on New Religions, Italy
Post-Theosophical Groups: Ex-Members of New Acropolis in France
Respondents: Stephen Prothero, Boston University
James Burnell Robinson, University of Northern Iowa
Theme: Reports from Members of the Book Project: The Theosophical Phenomenon: 1575–Present
Panelists: Jean-Pierre Labarant, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes
James A. Santucci, California State University, Fullerton
Michael Gomes, New York, NY

Palestinian Theology and Interreligious Dialogue in the Middle East Consultation
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 6
Rosemary Radford Ruether, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Palestinian Theology and Interreligious Dialogue
Panelists:
Mahmoud M. Ayoub, Temple University
Marc H. Ellis, Croton-on-Hudson, NY
Mitri Raheb, Incarnation Center of Bethlehem, Palestine
Donald E. Wagner, North Park University
Respondents:
Kathy Bergen, American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, PA
Aminah Beverly McCloud, DePaul University

AAR Arts Series Film: Half Sister
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 9
Ronald Burke, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding
See page 11 for a description of this film.

AAR Student Planning Session
11:45am–12:45pm  H-Continental 6
Deanna A. Thompson, Hamline University, Presiding
This session explores ways the AAR can better serve its student members. All students are invited to participate.

AAR/SBL Association of Department Chairs: Brown Bag Lunch (=S82)
11:45am–12:45pm  H-Continental 1
Harry Y. Gamble, University of Virginia, Presiding
Biblical Lexicography Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   P-Michelangelo
Bernard A. Taylor, Loma Linda University, Presiding
Theme: Reference, Meaning, and Translation of Proper Names in the Bible
1:00 Richard S. Hess, Roehampton Institute
Issues in the Study of Personal Names in the Hebrew Bible
1:30 Anson F. Rainey, Tel-Aviv University
Toponymic Problems in Biblical and other Canaanite Sources
2:00 Albert Pietersma, University of Toronto
Septuagint Names in English Translation
2:30 Stanley E. Porter, Southlands College
Proper Names in the New Testament
3:00 General Discussion

Computer Assisted Research Group
1:00pm–3:30pm   N-Grey Pearl
Joel Herbert Hunt, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Theme: Tools and Resources for Biblical Studies
1:00 Kirk E. Lowery, Baptist Theological Seminary
Introducing the Hebrew Syntax and Encoding Initiative
1:25 Vincent DeCaen, University of Toronto
The Theory behind the Hebrew Syntax Encoding Initiative
2:25 Recess
2:30 Dale Wheeler, Multnomah Bible College
Headaches, Nausea and MorphGNT/MorphLXX
3:10 Business Meeting

Deuteronomistic History Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   P-Barcelona I
Thomas C. Römer, University of Lausanne, Presiding
Theme: “David Narratives” and Deuteronomistic History
1:00 John Van Seters, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Subverting the Story of Good King David: Reading in the Right Direction
1:30 Diana V. Edelman, James Madison University
David’s Aramean Wars in 2 Sam 8:3–12 and 10:6–19: Function and Historicity
2:00 Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center
A Cushite in David’s Army: An Example of Deuteronomic Treatment of Africans
2:30 Marti Steussy, Christian Theological Seminary
Looking for a Friend
3:00 Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University
In Defense of Doeg and Saul: Loyalty and Information Management in 1 Samuel 18–23
### A101 Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities: Brown Bag Lunch

**11:45am–12:45pm H-Continental 3**

Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago, Presiding

Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University

*Three-Ring Circus at a Combustible Crossroads: My Life as the Introduction to Moral Issues*

Gary David Comstock, Wesleyan University, and Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

*Working at the Intersection: Bringing Lesbian and Gay Studies into the Religious Studies Curriculum*

### A102 Special Topics Forum

**Sponsored by the Committee on Research and Scholarship, the Committee on Teaching and Learning, and Spotlight on Teaching**

**1:00pm–3:30pm P-Parc Ballroom I**

Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

**Theme: Reversing the Direction: How Teaching Affects Scholarship**

Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara

Diana L. Eck, Harvard University

Mark C. Taylor, Williams College

Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary, New York

Respondent: Rebecca S. Chopp, Emory University

See page 8 for a description of this session.

### A103 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm H-Continental 2**

Martha J. Reineke, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

**Theme: Deconstructing and Reconstructing Introductory Courses**

Elizabeth Lofgren Nutting, Temple University

*Conflicts between Religious Faith and Academic Discourse: Some Strategies for Mentoring Students*

Joel Dubois, Harvard University

*Teaching Religion in Real Time: The Calendrical Approach to Introducing Religious Traditions*

Jeffrey C. Pugh, Elon College

*A Case Study Approach to Teaching the Introduction to Religious Studies Course*

### A104 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm H-Mason**

Barbara DeConcini, AAR, Emory University, Presiding

**Theme: Reflections on the Work of Robert Detweiler**

Panelists:

- Thomas J. J. Altizer, State University of New York, Stony Brook
- David Jasper, University of Glasgow
- Carolyn M. Jones, Louisiana State University
- T. Mark Ledbetter, Auburn University
- Ann-Janine Morey, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
- Gregory Salyer, Huntingdon College

### A105 Comparative Studies in Religion Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm H-Continental 9**

Paul J. Griffiths, University of Chicago, Presiding

**Theme: The Experience of Light in Mystical Traditions**

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University

*Light within Light: Disclosures of Secrets and the Illuminate Metaphysics of Medieval Kabbalah*

Paul E. Muller-Ortega, Michigan State University

*The Emanation of Light in the Tantric Mysticism of Abhinavagupta*

Hossein Ziai, University of California, Los Angeles

*“Knowledge by Presence” in the Philosophy of Suhrawardi*

Respondent: Matthew T. Kapstein, University of Chicago

*Into the Darkness? The Category of “Light” in the Comparative Mystical Traditions*
Early Jewish and Christian Mysticism
Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Sutter
Rebecca Lesses, Columbia University, Presiding
Theme: Four More Entered Paradise: A Panel Discussion on the Problem of "Rabbinic Mysticism"
Panelists:
James R. Davila, University of St. Andrews, Scotland
David J. Halperin, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Christopher R. A. Morray-Jones, University of California, Berkeley
Alon Goshen-Gottstein, Tel-Aviv University

1:00 Question: Is "Rabbinic Mysticism" an oxymoron? If not, what do we mean by "mysticism" in this context? More specifically: What are the forms of mysticism within rabbinic literature and what are the relationships between these forms and the visionary activity we find in the Hekhalot?

1:20 General Discussion

1:30 Question: What does Mishnah Hagigah 2.1 mean?

1:50 General Discussion

2:00 Question: In what ways do the Talmudic sources differ in their presentations of Ma'aseh Merkabah, and what do these differences tell us about the redactors' understanding of the Merkabah tradition and/or their attitudes to it?

2:20 General Discussion

2:30 Recess

2:40 Question: Who wrote the Hekhalot literature? What was their relationship to the authors of the "mainstream" rabbinic sources?

3:00 General Discussion

3:05 Question: Can rabbinic values accommodate the experience of "unio mystica," or belief in the possibility of such experience? Is there anything corresponding to this experience in Merkabah Mysticism?

3:25 General Discussion

Formation of the Book of the Twelve Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm P-Corintia
James D. Nogalski, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding

1:00 Rolf Rendtorff, University of Heidelberg
How to Read the Book of the Twelve as a Theological Unity
Respondent:
Paul R. House, Southern Seminary

1:35 Paul L. Redditt, Georgetown College
The Production and Reading of the Book of the Twelve
Respondent:
Margaret S. Odell, St. Olaf College

2:10 John D. W. Watts, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Hosea 1–3 and Malachi: The Outerframe of the Love of God
Respondent:
James D. Nogalski, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

2:45 Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
A Deuteronomistic Redaction in/among "The Twelve"? A Contribution from the Standpoint of the Books of Micah, Zephaniah, and Obadiah
Respondent:
Raymond C. Van Leeuwen, Eastern College

3:20 Business Meeting
The papers by Rolf Rendtorff, Paul L. Redditt, and Ehud Ben Zvi will be summarized and not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.
North American Religions Section and Eastern Orthodox Studies Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Cervantes

Valerie A. Karras, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Religious Insiders, Cultural Outsiders: Orthodox Christian Identity Negotiations in Twentieth-Century America

Margaret J. Gillespie, Harvard University
Ecumenism and Orthodoxy: Russian Orthodox and Protestant Relations in Early Twentieth America

Matthew A. Jendian, University of Southern California
The Roles of Women: Assessing the Situation of the Armenian Church in America

Theophus H. Smith, Emory University
"African Heritage Christianity": Transhistorical Breakthrough via Eastern Orthodoxy

Phillip C. Lucas, Stetson University
An Interpretation of Sectarian Conversions to Eastern Orthodoxy in Late Twentieth-Century American Religion: Variations on a Primitivist Theme

Respondent:
John R. Erickson, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary

Philosophy of Religion Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 1

Lance Ashdown, Claremont Graduate School, Presiding

Theme: The Philosophy of Religion of D. Z. Phillips

Panelists:
Van A. Harvey, Stanford University
Dan R. Stiver, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Terrence W. Tilley, University of Dayton
John H. Whittaker, Louisiana State University

Respondent:
D. Z. Phillips, Claremont Graduate School

Study of Judaism Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 10

Norbert Samuelson, Temple University, Presiding

Theme: Universalism and Particularism in Modern Jewish Philosophy

Leah Hochman, Boston University
Mendelssohn’s Modernity: Language in the History of Religion

Richard A. Cohen, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Jewish Universalism: Mendelssohn, Benamozegh, and Levinas

Ernest Rubinstein, The Interchurch Center, New York, NY
Liminality and the Jewish People: A Reading of Rosenzweig’s Theology of Judaism through Victor Turner’s Concept of Liminality

Oona Ajzenstat, McMaster University
Emmanuel Levinas and the End of History

Women and Religion Section and Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 8

Joan M. Martin, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: Speaking to the Expansiveness of Womanist Discourse

Panelists:
M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University
Ada Maria Isasi-Díaz, Drew University
Mariana Jaimez-Guerrero, San Francisco State University
Mercy Amba Oduyoye, University of Ghana
Judith E. Plaskow, Manhattan College

Respondents:
Jualynne E. Dodson, University of Colorado, Boulder
Delores S. Williams, Union Theological Seminary, New York

### Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  
**N-White Pearl**

Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section

**Theme:** Linguistic Features of Prose and Verse

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### Luke-Acts Group

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**H-Franciscan A**


**Theme:** Fragmentary Hellenistic Jewish Historians and Luke-Acts

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### National Association of Professors of Hebrew

1:00pm–3:30pm  
**N-Pink Pearl II**

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

**Theme:** David: The Man, the King, the Psalmist

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### Pauline Epistles Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  
**H-Union 15 & 16**

Pauline Epistles Section

**Theme:** Fragmentary Hellenistic Jewish Historians and Luke-Acts

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Room Locator Code: **H=Hilton, N=Nikko, P=Parc Fifty-Five. See floor plans, pp. 359–363.**
**A110**  **African Religions Group**  
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Continental 3  
Joseph M. Murphy, Georgetown University, Presiding  
Theme: Toward a Socially Engaged Scholarship of African Religions  
Teresa M. Hinga, DePaul University: Concerned and Engaged: African Feminist Theology and the Case for a Socially Engaged Scholarship in Africa  
James R. Cochrane, University of Cape Town: Instruments or Inhibitors of Civil Society? The Role of Christians in the Formation of Public Society  
Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University: War Crimes in Africa’s Recent Wars: A Religious and Ethical Analysis  
Linda E. Thomas, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary: Toward a Critical Assessment of the Outsider’s Role in Socially Engaged Scholarship in African Religions  
Respondent: Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary  
Business Meeting  
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding  

**A111**  **Bonhoeffer Group**  
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Powell  
Elias K. Bongombo, Rice University, Presiding  
Theme: Bonhoeffer’s Theology in the Context of Germany in the 1930s  
Hans D. Van Hoogstraten, University of Nijmegen, Netherlands: Political Theology: Comparing Carl Schmitt and Dietrich Bonhoeffer  
Respondent: Joerg Rieger, Southern Methodist University  
Andreas Pangritz, Free University of Berlin: Mystery and Commandment in Leo Baeck’s and Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s Thinking  
Respondent: Peter Ochs, Drew University  

**A112**  **Christian Spirituality Group**  
1:00pm–3:30pm P-Sienna  
Elizabeth Liebert, San Francisco Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: Christian Spirituality and Academic Disciplines  
Cristina L. H. Traina, Northwestern University: Set Afire: Images of Maternity in Medieval “Theoreticism”  
Keith Haartman, University of Toronto: On Sanctification: A Psychoanalytic View of Long-Term Personality Change in Eighteenth-Century Methodism  
Belden C. Lane, Saint Louis University: Spider as Metaphor: Attending to the Symbol-Making Process in the Academic Discipline of Spirituality  
Anita Houck, University of Chicago: Laughter, Suffering, and the Happy Ending: A Spirituality of Comedy  
Michael Downey, Saint John’s Seminary: Identifying a Field of Examination in the Study of Christian Spirituality  

**A113**  **Confucian Traditions Group**  
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Union Square 21  
Mary Evelyn Tucker, Bucknell University, Presiding  
Theme: New Perspectives on Confucian Spirituality  
Thomas W. Selower, University of Saskatchewan: Savouring Sagely Words: Re-creating the Dialogical Encounter in Neo-Confucian Spiritual Discourse  
Joseph Adler, Kenyon College: Spirit and Spirituality: Shen in Neo-Confucian Discourse  
Deborah A. Sommer, Butler University: Ritual and Sacrifice in Early Confucianism: Contacts with the Spirit World  
Philip J. Ivanhoe, Stanford University: Early Confucian Views of Death (in Analects)  
Vivian-Lee Nyitray, University of California, Riverside: Treacherous Terrain: Mapping Feminine Spirituality in Confucian Worlds  
Respondent: Tu Wei-ming, Harvard University
**S93** Pseudepigrapha Group  
1:00pm-3:30pm  H-Union 25  
Theodore A. Bergren, University of Richmond, Presiding  
Theme: The Pseudepigrapha and Qumran  
1:00 Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska  
The Rewritten Bible at Qumran  
1:15 James L. Kugel, Bar-Ilan University  
The "Prayer of Enoch" and Ancient Biblical Interpretation  
1:30 James C. VanderKam, University of Notre Dame  
Authoritative Literature in the Qumran Texts  
1:45 John C. Reeves, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
The Afterlife of Jewish Pseudepigrapha: Some Reflections  
2:00 Recess  
2:15 Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University  
2:30 George W. E. Nickelsburg, University of Iowa  
2:45 General Discussion  
3:15 Business Meeting  
Papers will be summarized, not read. Papers either  
will be circulated beforehand on IOUDAIOS-L, an  
electronic news group, or will be available from the  
presider (Dept. of Religion; University of  
Richmond; Richmond, VA 23173).  

**S94** Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section  
1:00pm-3:30pm  H-Union 25  
Mary F. Foskett, Wake Forest University, Presiding  
1:00 Ilona N. Rashkow, State University of New York  
Daddy-Dearest and the "Invisible Spirit of Wine"  
1:30 Jennifer L. Koosed, Vanderbilt Divinity School  
Joseph and His Brothers: Quarreling after the Holocaust  
2:00 Brian M. Britt, Virginia Tech  
Ideology and the Representation of Moses  
2:30 Charles William Miller, Pacific Theological College  
Reading Voices: Personification, Dialogism, and the Reader of  
Lamentations 1  
3:00 Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary  
"How Long, O God?": Reading Biblical Laments in the Age of AIDS  

**S95** Rethinking Roman Period Judaism  
1:00pm-3:30pm  H-Union 22  
Eric Meyers, Duke University, and Leonard V. Rutgers, University of Utrecht, Presiding  
Theme: New Perspectives on Ritual Purity  
1:00 Introductions  
1:05 Jonathan Reed, University of La Verne  
The Stone Vessel Assemblage from Sepphoris and Questions of Ritual Purity  
1:25 Melissa Aubin, Duke University  
Two Sepphoris Mikvaot: Questions of Purity  
1:45 Rachel Urowitz, University of Toronto  
Purity Ritual Practices in the Galilee in the Late-Second Temple Period: Lessons from the Excavations at Yodefat  
2:05 Carol B. Selkin, Florida State University  
Mikvaot and Second Temple Sectarianism  
2:25 Jonathan Klawans, Columbia University  
Impurity, Sin, and Exile in the Literature from Qumran  
2:45 General Discussion  

**S96** The Archaeology of the New Testament  
in the Rabbinic and Patristic Periods  
1:00pm-3:30pm  P-Barcelona II  
Steven Feldman, Biblical Archaeological Society, Presiding  
1:00 Howard C. Kee, Boston University  
Rethinking Christian Origins in Light of Archaeological Evidence from Israel  
1:30 Claudine Dauphine, Centre d'Histoire et  
Civilisation de Byzance, C.N.R.S. - College de France (Paris)  
From Aesclptius to Christ: the Episcopal Basilica at Dor  
2:00 Mordechai Aviam, Israel Antiquities Authority,  
University of Rochester  
Christian and Jewish Demography from a Galilee Survey  
2:30 Angelos Chaniotis, New York University  
Jews and Christians in Pagan Aphrodisias  
3:00 Lee Levine, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
Archaeology and Rabbinic Sources: Conflict or Confluence?
**A114** Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  
H-Union Square 23 & 24

Jay Geller, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

**Theme:** The (R)uses of “Judeo-Christian”

Stephanie Green, Yale University

*Medieval Struggles for Exegetical Legitimacy in Chrétien de Troyes’s Story of the Grail*

Jesse T. Todd, Colgate University

*Producing the Judeo-Christian Tradition at the New York World’s Fair, 1939–1940*

Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University

*From the Ends of the Judeo-Christian Tradition to the Ends of the Jewish Tradition*

Respondents:

Mark Silk, Trinity College, Hartford

Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley

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**A115** Issues in the Thought of Paul Tillich Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  
H-Union Square 19 & 20

Elaine A. Robinson, Emory University, Presiding

**Theme:** Selected Themes in Tillich’s Thought

Ronald MacLennan, Bethany College, Lindsborg

*Paul Tillich: Biblical Theologian*

Maria T. Davila, Boston University

*From Evil Temptress to the First Act of Courage: How Paul Tillich Saves Eve in the Genesis Account of the Fall*

Marcia MacLennan, Kansas Wesleyan University

*The Tillichian Praxis of Prayer: A Second-Generation Perspective*

Lee W. Gibbs, Cleveland State University

*The “Demonic” in the Systematic Theology of Paul Tillich*

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**A116** Men's Studies in Religion Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  
H-Continental 6

Merle Longwood, Siena College, Presiding

**Theme:** Men and Women: Religious Visions for Partnership

David Gentry-Akin, St. Mary’s College

**Patriarchy: Just Say NO**

Leslie D. Hall, University of Oregon

*A Theology of Mutual Respect: Gender, Family, and the Case of Housework*

Respondent:

Mary E. Hobgood, College of the Holy Cross

Lois K. Daly, Siena College, Presiding

**Theme:** Men’s Anger: Transforming Sexist and Racist Violence

James W. Perkinson, University of Chicago

*Male Anger, White Anger: On the Religious Responsibility of Not Rooting for This Race in the Men’s Movement*

Marvin M. Ellison, Bangor Theological Seminary

*Can Men Be Ethical? The Moral Challenge of Ending Men’s Violence against Women*

Respondent:

Marie M. Fortune, Center for the Prevention of Sexual and Domestic Violence, Seattle, WA

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**A117** Mysticism Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  
N-Grand Ballroom II

Janet Ruffing, Fordham University, Presiding

**Theme:** Embodied Mysticism

Joel Hecker, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College

*The Blessing in the Belly: Eating Experiences in Medieval Jewish Mysticism*

Neil Douglas-Klotz, Dorset, United Kingdom

*The Natural Breath: Toward Further Dialogue between Western Somatic and Eastern Mystical Approaches to the Body Awareness of Breathing*

Douglas Burton-Christie, Loyola Marymount University

*Into the Body of Another: Eros, Embodiment, and Mysticism in Contemporary Nature Poetry*

Alice A. Keefe, University of Wisconsin, Steven’s Point

*When God Says “Go”: Active Mysticism and the Practice of Discernment*

Phyllis H. Kaminski, St. Mary’s College

*Mysticism Embodied Differently (Luce Irigaray and the Subject of Incarnate Love)*

Wendy M. Wright, Creighton University

*Inside My Body is the Body of God: Margaret Mary Alacoque and the Exchange of Divine and Human Hearts*
Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section (=A63)

1:00pm–3:30pm N-Pink Pearl 1

Alice Ogden Bellis, Howard University Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: Biblical Theology and Homosexuality

1:00 Brian Doyle, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
How Can the Unjust Presume to 'Know' God?

1:25 James E. Miller, Madison, WI
Incest before Moses

1:50 Respondent:
Vesta Kowalski, Jewish Theological Seminary

2:00 Thomas D. Hanks, Latin American Biblical Seminary, Costa Rica; Samaritan College, Argentina
Oppression: The Place of Sexual Minorities

2:25 Mona West, Samaritan Institute for Religious Studies
Reading the Bible as Queer Americans: Social Location and Theology

2:50 Respondent:
David T. Stewart, University of California, Berkeley

3:00 General Discussion
Business Meeting

Wisdom in Biblical and Cognate Traditions Section

1:00pm–3:30pm H-Union 17 & 18

Harold C. Washington, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

1:00 Panelists:
Richard J. Clifford, Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Michael V. Fox, University of Wisconsin
Leo G. Perdue, Brite Divinity School

2:00 Respondent:
Choon-Leong Seow, Princeton Theological Seminary

2:20 General Discussion
2:45 Recess
2:55 Business Meeting

All those interested in renewing the Wisdom in Biblical and Cognate Traditions Section are encouraged to attend.
**A118 Platonism and Neoplatonism Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  
H-Taylor

Jay Bregman, University of Maine, Presiding

Theme: *Neoplatonism and the Neopythagorean Tradition*

Roy T. Zyla, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Cosmology and Neopythagorean and Neoplatonic Thought: The Impact of Free Action and Determinism in Late Antiquity*

John Bussanich, University of New Mexico  
*Philosophy as Revelation: A Neopythagorean Theme in Later Neoplatonism*

Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College  
*Eros and Arithmoi: Iamblichus’s Pythagorean Theurgy*

Dan Merkur, University of Toronto  
*Neopythagorean Arithmology in Sefer Yezirah*

Respondent:  
Sara Rappe, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

**A119 Religion and Ethics in Health Care Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  
H-Union Square 1 & 2

Gerald S. Vigna, Alvernia College, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Constructions of Wellness, Illness, Suffering, and Healing*

Ralph L. Underwood, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary  
*Wellness and Suffering in Mainline Church Liturgies*

Gerald P. McKenny, Rice University  
*The Intractable Other: Ailcerty and the Meaning of Illness*

James K. A. Smith, Villanova University  
*Curse and Construction: A Pentecostal Phenomenology of Disease and Health*

Gisela Webb, Seton Hall University  
*Intimations of the Great Unknowing: Interreligious Spirituality and the Demise of the Consciousness Which is Alzheimer’s*

**A120 Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  
N-Grand Ballroom III

Oren Baruch Stier, University of Cape Town, Presiding

Theme: *The Power of Images*

Michael L. Gillespie, University of Nebraska, Omaha, and Gary Day, University of Nebraska, Omaha  
*The Power of Images? Visual "Mind Control" in Cults and Society*

Gilya G. Schmidt, University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
*The Significance of Jewish Visual Art in Jewish Spiritual Renewal*

Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa  
*The Power of the Internet as a Tool for Projecting Worldviews*

Daniel C. Noel, Vermont College, Norwich University  
*Is Seeing Believing? Millennial Credulity in Christ Carter’s Video Apocalypse*

**A121 Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  
P-Dante

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College, Presiding

Theme: *Genocides and Their Religious Meaning*

Flora A. Keshgegian, Brown University  
*Listening through Silence and Whirlwind: Toward a Theology of Redemptive Memory*

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
*Holocaust and Ecocide: Theology, Ethics, Despair, and Resistance*

Pamela Payne, Vanderbilt University  
*The Christic World Unfolding: A Feminist/Post-Shoah Christological Vision*

Pamela A. Detrixhe, Temple University  
*Leveraging Recognition: Holocaust Metaphors*

Respondent:  
John Kelsay, Florida State University
S101
Asian and Asian-American Biblical Studies Consultation
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Mason
Devadasan Premnath, St. Bernard’s Institute, Presiding
Theme: History and Issues in Asian and Asian-American Biblical Interpretation
3:45 Archie C.C. Lee, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Biblical Interpretation in the Post-Colonial Hong Kong
4:25 Respondents:
Philip P. Chia, Alliance Biblical Seminary, Hong Kong
Katharine Doob Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary
Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University
Pui-Lan Kwok, Episcopal Divinity School
5:25 General Discussion
5:30 Business Meeting

S102
Christian Apocrypha Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 23 & 24
Dennis Ronald MacDonald, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Constructing Gender in Early Christianity: The Apocryphal Files
Part I: Tertium datum est: The Emergence of a Third Gender in Early Christian Rhetorical and Pictorial Art
3:45 Richard Valantasis, Hartford Seminary
“No Longer is One Male and Female”—The Evidence for the Construction of Christianity as a Third Gender in Formative Christian Literature
4:10 David R. Cartlidge, Maryville College
Real Emperors Do not Ride Side-Saddle and Real Men Wear Beards: A Presentation with Slides
4:35 General Discussion
4:55 Recess
Part II: Gender Roles and the Construction of Texts
5:00 Jan N. Bremmer, Rijks Universiteit Groningen, Holland
Women Readers of the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles
5:25 Judith B. Perkins, Saint Joseph College
Sex and the Social in Greek Romance, the Apocryphal Acts, and Apuleius
5:50 Caroline Vander Stichele, University of Amsterdam
A Disciple of the Lord and Her Friends: Women in the Gospel of Peter

S103
Composition of the Book of Jeremiah Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Dante
Louis-Stulman, Winebrenner Theological Seminary, Presiding
3:45 Monica L. W. Brady, University of Notre Dame
Jeremiah Traditions at Qumran
4:15 Rannfrid Irene Thelle, University of Oslo
יהוה והלך. The Prophetic Act of Consulting Yhwh in the Book of Jeremiah
4:45 Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Word Pair shuv-yashav in Jeremiah and the Mesha Inscription
5:15 Dominic Rudman, University of St. Andrews
Idol and Idolator in Jeremiah 10:12–16
5:45 Danny Mathews, Abilene Christian University
Return to Yahweh for Restoration! Analysis of Jeremiah 3:16–18

S104
Deuteronomistic History Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 22
Marc Brettler, Brandeis University, Presiding
Theme: “David Narratives” and Deuteronomistic History
3:45 Cynthia Edenburg, The Open University of Israel, Tel-Aviv
The Composition of the Book of Samuel Reconsidered in the Light of “Biographic” Psalm Headings
4:15 Paul S. Ash, Emory University
Saving the Integrity of the Deuteronomistic Historian: The Case of 2 Samuel 7:1–17
4:45 Susan M. Pigott, Hardin-Simmons University
5:15 H. B. Slikker, University of Sheffield
David and the Making of Ahab
5:45 Iain William Provan, University of Edinburgh
On “Seeing” the Trees While Missing the Forest: The Wisdom of Characters and Readers in 2 Samuel and 1 Kings
A122 Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

1:00pm–3:30pm H-Union Square 9

Kay A. Read, DePaul University, Presiding

Theme: The Future of Catholic-Protestant Relations in Latin America: Case Studies from Central America

John A. Donaghy, St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Ames, IA

The Challenge of Catholic-Protestant Relations in El Salvador

David L. Parkyn, Messiah College

Todos Santos: Household Wooden Saints of Guatemala

Dana Sawchuk, University of Toronto

Costa Rica’s Escuela Social Juan XXIII: A Rejection or Reaffirmation of Contemporary Catholic Teaching?

Respondent:
Jaime R. Vidal, Iowa State University

Business Meeting
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University, Presiding

A123 Systematic Theology Group

1:00pm–3:30pm P-Parc Ballroom II

Philip Clayton, California State University, Sonoma, Presiding

Theme: Theologies of the Church and their Implications

John David Ramsey, Duke University

The Dialogical Modality of the Communion of Saints

Matthias Gockel, Princeton Theological Seminary

Who is Who? Israel and the “Jewish Roots” of the Christian Church

Jeffrey T. VanderWilt, Monastery of Saint Benedict Center, Madison, WI

Communion Ecclesiology and the Acceptable Limits of Diversity

Respondent:
L. Serene Jones, Yale University

A124 Theology and Science Group

1:00pm–3:30pm P-Parc Ballroom III

Duane H. Larson, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Presiding

Theme: Postmodern Pedagogical Approaches to Teaching Science and Religion Impacted by Social Context

Nancy Howell, Pacific Lutheran University

The Importance of Difference in Science-Religion Course Pedagogy

Ann Milliken Pederson, Augustana College, and Mary M. Solberg, Gustavus Adolphus College

CyberFlesh: An Embodied Feminist Pedagogy for Science and Religion

Daniel P. Veldsman, University of Pretoria, University of South Africa

Imagining Substituting Leptons and Quarks for Gods and Spirits

Respondents:
Philip Hefner, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Karl E. Peters, Rollins College

Business Meeting
Ernest L. Simmons, Concordia College, Moorhead and Ann Milliken Pederson, Augustana College, Presiding

A125 Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group

1:00pm–3:30pm H-Union Square 8

David Germano, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: Magical Warfare among Tibetans?

Panelists:
Lawrence Epstein, University of Washington

Amy Heller, University of Virginia

Donald S. Lopez, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Business Meeting
Georges Dreyfus, Williams College
Ekron—The Rise and Fall of a Philistine City: Excavations at Tel Miqne
3:45pm-6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom II
Ernest S. Frerichs, Brown University, Presiding
3:45  Trude Dothan, Institute of Archaeology and Berman Center for Biblical Archaeology, Jerusalem
Iron Age I
4:45  Seymour Gitin, W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Jerusalem
Iron Age II
5:45  General Discussion

Feminist Theological Hermeneutics of the Bible Group
3:45pm-6:15pm  P-Barcelona I
Richard D. Weis, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Unfinished Agenda in Feminist Hermeneutics
3:45  Panelists:
Susan Lochrie Graham, University of Sheffield, Notre Dame
The Dangerous Supplement: Women in/and History
Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion
Blessings and Wounds: A Feminist Wrestles with Canon
Mark K. George, Iliff School of Theology
Jouissance: Feminism and Post-Modernism
Jean K. Kim, Vanderbilt University
A Korean Feminist Reading of Matthew 15:21–28
Leticia A. Guardiola-Saenz, Vanderbilt University
Irreverence and Hybridity: Feminist Hermeneutics
Challenging Biblical Translation
5:25  Recess
5:30  Panel Discussion: Growing Edges in Feminist Hermeneutics

AAR/SBL Frontiers in Biblical Scholarship: The Endowment for Biblical Research Lecture Series (=A131)
3:45pm-6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom III
Lance Carden, Endowment for Biblical Research, Presiding
Wyatt MacGaffey, Haverford College
Prophecy in a Spiral Universe: Central African Translations of the Bible
Respondent:
Robert R. Wilson, Yale University
See page 17 for a description of this session.
AAR SUNDAY AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 23

A126 Wesleyan Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 7
Rebekah Miles, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Theme: The Character of Wesleyan Ethics
Duane Stephen Long, St. Joseph’s University
Thomism: The Shape of Wesley’s Ethics
Tobias L. Winright, University of Notre Dame
Toward Connecting the General and the Concrete: Virtue, Obligation, and Wesley’s Third Use of the Law
T. Scott Daniels, Southern Nazarene University
Wesleyan Sanctification and the Character of Constancy
Respondent: Robin W. Lovin, Southern Methodist University

A127 Tokugawa Religion Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 4
Elizabeth G. Harrison, University of Arizona, Presiding
Theme: Revealing Tokugawa Religion
Mark L. Blum, Florida Atlantic University
Sectarian Rationalization: Tokugawa Scholars of the Jodo-shu
Duncan Williams, Harvard University
Local History and Tokugawa Religions: Tamamuro Fumio’s Jittai-ron and the Study of the Shimpen Sagami no Kuni Fudoki Ko
Business Meeting
Dennis E. Lishka, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

A128 Arts Series Tour: San Francisco Craft and Folk Art Museum
1:30pm–2:30pm
Theme: Highlights of the Collection including the Special Exhibits of Navajo Folk Art and the Straw Trail
See page 11 for a description of the tour.

A129 Arts Series Tour: San Francisco Jewish Museum
1:30pm–2:30pm
Theme: Highlights of the Collection
See page 11 for a description of the tour.

A130-A AAR Arts Series
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 6
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding
Theme: Art without Heroes: Giving Form to the Formless
Lucy Arai, San Francisco, CA
Martha Matsuda, Headlands Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA
Ronald Y. Nakasone, Graduate Theological Union
See page 10 for a description of this session.

A130-B AAR Arts Series
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Powell
Daniel Hardy, Cambridge University, Presiding
Micheal O’ Siadhail, Dublin, Ireland
Fragile Jazz
See page 10 for a description of this session.

A131 Special Topics Forum (=S106)
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom III
Lance Carden, Endowment for Biblical Research, Presiding
Theme: Prophecy in a Spiral Universe: Central African Translations of the Bible
Wyatt MacGaffey, Haverford College
Respondent: Robert R. Wilson, Yale University
James Ross, Virginia Theological Seminary
See page 8 for a description of this session.
**Greco-Roman Religions Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm   N-White Pearl 1

William J. Cassidy, Alfred University, Presiding

Theme: Retrofitting Syncretism

3:45  Luther H. Martin, University of Vermont

To Use "Syncretism," or Not to Use "Syncretism": That is the Question

4:00  Arthur J. Droge, University of Chicago

Retrofitting Syncretism

4:15  Hans G. Kippenberg, University of Bremen

Legal Contexts of Ancient Syncretism

4:30  Recess

4:35  Anita Maria Leopold, University of Aarhus

The Architecture of Syncretism: A Methodological Illustration of the Dynamics of Syncretism

4:50  Gregory D. Alles, Western Maryland College

Syncretism and Syncretization: The Greeks in the Caribbean

5:05  Peter J. Braunlein, University of Bremen

Philippine Passion Rituals and the Debate on Syncretism

5:20  Recess

5:25  Respondent: Bruce Lincoln, University of Chicago

5:50  General Discussion

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**Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm   H-Union 15 & 16

J. Andrew Dearman, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

3:45  Ryan Byrne, Johns Hopkins University

Tamar Reconsidered: Historical Geography and the Deuteronomistic History

4:10  General Discussion

4:15  Chang-ho C. Ji, La Sierra University

Archaeology of the Tobiads Revisited: Some Preliminary Thoughts

4:40  General Discussion

4:45  Elizabeth R. Ann Willett, University of Arizona

Women and Household Shrines in Ancient Israel

5:10  General Discussion

5:15  Ulrike Schorn, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität, Germany

Reuben and Transjordan in the Hebrew Bible

5:40  General Discussion

5:45  J. P. J. Olivier, University of Stellenbosch

Business as Usual: Reflections on Business Matters in Ninth Century 'Israel'

6:10  General Discussion

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A132 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Grey Pearl
Christine M. Bochen, Nazareth College, Presiding
Theme: Teaching Religious Studies and Civil Order: What Hath Either to Do with the Other?
Steven H. Schroeder, Capital University
A Laboratory for Civil Discourse
Stephen M. Johnson, Montclair State University
Pedagogical and Civic Response-Abilities
William Madges, Xavier University
Experiential Learning and Theological Reflection on Violence in the Context of Liberal Arts Education
Solomon Schimmel, Hebrew College
Peace and Reconciliation in Judaic, Christian, and Islamic Thought: A World Wide Web-Based Distance-Education Course
Business Meeting
Ira H. Peak, Doane College, Presiding

A133 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Grand Ballroom I
Christopher P. Parr, Webster University, Presiding
Theme: Confronting the Otherness within Ourselves/Our Borders in Contemporary Film and Television
Daniel C. Noel, Vermont College
The Truth is Out There—The Aliens are in Here: Epistemologies of Millennial Otherness in The X-Files and Millennium
Shannon Craig-Snell, Yale University, and Madhuri M. Yadlapati, Yale University
"Resistance is Futile"—The Borg (Star Trek: First Contact): The Consumption of Otherness in the Computer Era
Helen Benet-Goodman, University of Virginia
Greater Love than This No Woman Hath: Cultural Anxieties about Motherhood in the Alien Films
Respondent:
Susan G. Cumings, Emory University
Business Meeting
Carolyn M. Jones, Louisiana State University, and T. Mark Ledbetter, Auburn University, Presiding

A134 Buddhism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 7
William S. Waldron, Middlebury College, Presiding
Theme: External Objects in Yogācāra Buddhism
C. John Powers, Australian National University
The Three Characters (Trilabasana) in Indian Yogācāra Literature
John D. Dunne, Harvard University
Overcoming Confusion: An Interpretation of Dharmakīrti's View of External Objects
Dan Lusthaus, Florida State University
What Is Denied in the Statement "External Objects Do Not Exist"?
Joe B. Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
The Rhetoric of Nonduality in Later Tibetan Interpretations of Indian Yogācāra
Respondent:
Jeffrey Hopkins, University of Virginia
Business Meeting
Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University, and John S. Strong, Bates College, Presiding

A135 Comparative Studies in Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 7
Larry J. Alderink, Concordia College, Moorhead, Presiding
Theme: On Walter Burkert and the Natural History of Religion
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
A Natural History of Religion
Russell T. McCutcheon, Southwest Missouri State University
Explaining the Sacred: Theorizing on Religion in the Late Twentieth Century
Tomoko Masuzawa, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Tracking Nature
Robert A. Segal, Lancaster University
Making the Myth-Ritualist Theory Scientific: Burkert's Appropriation of Ethology and Sociobiology
Respondent:
Steven Wasserstrom, Reed College
Business Meeting
William R. Darrow, Williams College, Presiding
Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union 5 & 6
John T. Fitzgerald, University of Miami, Presiding
Theme: Controlling the Passions: Reflections in the New Testament and Early Christian Literature
3:45  David Fredrickson, Luther Seminary
Passionless Sex in Paul’s Epistles
4:15 Sara C. Winter, New School for Social Research
4:45 Recess
4:55 L. Michael White, University of Texas, Austin
Moral Pathology: Cure of the Passions in Clement of Alexandria and his Contemporaries
5:25 Respondent:
Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago
5:45 General Discussion

History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Michelangelo
Richard Kalmin, Jewish Theological Seminary, Presiding
3:45 Brigitte Rivka Kern Ulmer, Center for Jewish Studies, Harvard University
Can the “Ideal” Properties of Midrash Assist in the Definition or Emendation of Texts?
4:15 Jeffrey Rubenstein, New York University
Observations on the Narrative Art of the Babylonian and Palestinian Talmuds
4:45 James R. Davila, University of St. Andrews, Scotland
4QMess ar and Merkavah Mysticism
5:15 Jonathan Seidel, Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona
Magic and Impurity: Historical Perspectives on Rabbinic Literature
5:45 Judith Hauptman, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York
Mishnah as a Condensation of Tosefta

New Testament Textual Criticism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom I
Michael W. Holmes, Bethel College, St. Paul, Presiding
Theme: The New Novum Testamentum Graecum, Editio Critica Maior
3:45 Barbara Aland, Institut für Neutestamentliche Textforschung, Editor of Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior
4:20 Respondents:
Barr D. Ehrman, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
David C. Parker, University of Birmingham, England
Peter H. Davids, Schloss Mittersill Study Center
William L. Petersen, Pennsylvania State University
5:15 General Discussion
See page 16 for a description of this session.
A136 Ethics Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Continental 9
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding
Theme: Empirical and Theoretical Issues in Feminist and Womanist Ethics
Frances S. Adeney, University of Southern California
Making Onself Strange: The Development of Moral Agency among Indonesian Women
Stacey M. Floyd-Thomas, Temple University
Racial Bodies and Forsaken Souls: A Womanist Ethical Investigation of Black Women at Seven Sister Colleges
Lucinda Joy Peach, University of Baltimore
Behind the Front Lines: Feminist Battles over Women in Combat
Sandra F. Gines, University of Iowa
Siblinghood as Metaphor, Model, and Experience
Business Meeting
Frida Kerner Furman, DePaul University, and Roger D. Hatch, Central Michigan University, Presiding

A137 History of Christianity Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Union Square 8
Andrew B. McGowan, University of Notre Dame, Australia, Presiding
Theme: Travel Narratives/Colonial Contacts
Craig A. Phillips, Temple University
Missions to the Nestorians: Colonialist Discourses in the “Contact Zone”
Lisa J. M. Poirier, Syracuse University
The Value of Words: The Rhetoric of Paul Lejeune and the Currency of a Colonial Mission
Brian K. Pennington, Emory University
Bogeymen and Bhogi Men: Pandits and Missionaries in Bengal, 1807–1817
Mary Beth Lamb, Graduate Theological Union
“Schwester, was ist hinter ihnen?” Power Struggles and Perilous Religious Negotiations at Standing Rock Reservations: Swiss Benedictines and Sioux in 1880 Travel Narratives
Judith C. Fagan, Winthrop University
Double Ironic Inversion: Zora Neale Hurston and the Native Other
Business Meeting
Rosemary Drage Hale, Concordia University, Montreal, and Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

A138 North American Religions Section and Afro-American Religious History Group
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Franciscan A
Albert G. Miller, Oberlin College, Presiding
Panelists:
Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College
Paula M. Kane, University of Pittsburgh
James W. Lewis, Louisville Institute, Louisville, KY
Respondent:
John T. McGreevy, Harvard University
Business Meeting
Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology, and Thomas A. Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

**Q Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  N- Grand Ballroom III

M. Eugene Boring, Brite Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *Archaeological Studies and Q*

3:45  Douglas R. Edwards, University of Puget Sound

*Archaeology and the Quest for "Q"*

4:15  Jonathan L. Reed, University of La Verne

*"Israelite Village Communities" and the Sayings Gospel Q*

4:45  Milton Moreland, University of La Verne

*The Pharisees in the Market Places: The Archaeology of Roman Galilee and the Woes*

Respondents:

5:15  Richard A. Freund, University of Nebraska, Omaha

5:35  Wendy Cotter, Loyola University Chicago

5:55  General Discussion

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**Qumran Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 1

Robert A. Kugler, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Theme: *Assessing the Cave 4 Fragments of the Damascus Document: Reflections on Discoveries in the Judean Desert XVIII*

3:45  Robert A. Kugler, Gonzaga University

*Introduction*

3:50  Joseph M. Baumgarten, Baltimore Hebrew University

*Damascus Document (4Q266–4Q273): Reconsiderations*

4:20  Philip R. Davies, University of Sheffield

*Reflections on DJD XVIII*

4:45  John Kampen, Payne Theological Seminary

*The Significance of the Temple in the Manuscripts of the Damascus Document*

5:10  Menahem Kister, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Joining the Sect and Abraham’s Circumcision According to CD 16:4–6*

5:35  Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University

*Reviewing DJD XVIII*

6:00  General Discussion

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**Rhetoric and the New Testament Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Pink Pearl I

L. Gregory Bloomquist, Saint Paul University, Presiding

3:45  William F. Brosend, Colgate Rochester Divinity School

*Jesus and the Rhetoric of Proclamation*

4:15  Anders Eriksson, University of Lund, Sweden

*Women Tongue Speakers, Be Silent: A Reconstruction through Paul’s Rhetoric*

4:45  Russell B. Sisson, Union College

*Voices of Authority in the Sermon on the Mount*

5:00  Mark D. Given, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

*True Rhetoric: Ambiguity, Cunning and Deception in Pauline Discourse*

5:15  Mary R. Huie-Jolly, Theological Hall, Knox College, New Zealand

*Like Father, Like Son, Absolute Case, Mythic Authority: Constructing Ideology in John 5:17–23*

5:30  Scott B. Andrews, Duke University

*Enslaving, Devouring, Exploiting, Exalting, and Striking: 2 Corinthians 11:19–20 and the Tyranny of Paul’s Opponents*

5:45  David A. De Silva, Emory University

*Investigating Honor Discourse: Guidelines from Classical Rhetoricians*

6:00  Robert M. Royalty, Stanford University

*The Rhetoric of Revelation*

The papers by Scott B. Andrews, David de Silva, Mark Given, Mary R. Huie-Jolly, Russell B. Sisson, and Robert M. Royalty will be summarized and not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

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Sunday Afternoon
November 23

A139 Philosophy of Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Union Square 1 & 2
John van den Hengel, St. Paul University, Ottawa, Presiding
Theme: From Phenomenology to Scripture: Ricoeur and Levinas
Mark I. Wallace, Swarthmore College
From Phenomenology to Scripture: Ricoeur’s Hermeneutical Philosophy of Religion
Glenn Whitehouse, University of Iowa
Ricoeur on Religious Selfhood: A Response to Mark Wallace
Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto
Enigmatic Authority: Levinas and the Phenomenal Effacement
William W. Young, University of Virginia
Ritual as First Phenomenology: A Response to Robert Gibbs
Respondent:
Peter Ochs, Drew University
Business Meeting
Thomas J. Dean, Temple University, Presiding

A141 Religion in South Asia Section
3:45pm–6:15pm P-Sienna
David L. Haberman, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: Recent Theory Wars in the Study of South Asian Religions: An Open Discussion
Panelists:
Aditya Behl, University of California, Berkeley
Kavurukottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia
Andrew O. Fort, Texas Christian University
Laurie L. Patton, Emory University
Business Meeting
Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University, Presiding

A139 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Union Square 17 & 18
Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Politics, Economy, and Religion in a Global Capitalist World
Robert M. Baum, Wesleyan College
Profits and Prophecy: A Senegalese Woman’s Critique of French Development Schemes
Marie Friedmann Marquart, Emory University
Blitzing Central America: An Exploration of Transnational Religious Broadcasting and the Negotiation of Meanings
Douglas A. Hicks, Harvard University
Solidarity in National and Global Contexts: Insights from Economic Theory
Business Meeting
James W. Jones, Rutgers University, Presiding

A142 Study of Islam Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Union Square 3 & 4
Michael Sells, Haverford College, Presiding
Theme: Authority in Sufism: Historical and Theoretical Perspectives
Devin DeWeese, Indiana University, Bloomington
Authority, Succession, and Islamization in Fourteenth-Century Mawarannahr: The Case of the Khojagan
Shahzad Bashir, College of the Holy Cross
Revelation and Interpretation: The Image of Fazlallah Astarabadi in Early Hurufi Thought
Barbara R. von Schlegell, University of Pennsylvania
The Two Worlds Are One: Uwaysi Transmission in the Sufism of ‘Abd al-Ghani al-Nabulusi (d. 1731)
Jamal J. Elias, Amherst College
Robing and Symbols of Investiture in Islamic Spirituality
Respondent:
Ahmet T. Karamustafa, Washington University, St. Louis
Business Meeting
Marcia K. Hermansen, San Diego State University, and Tazim Kassam, Colorado College, Presiding
Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section
3:45pm–6:15pm   H-Continental 3
Richard L. Rohrbaugh, Lewis and Clark College, Presiding
3:45 Jonathan A. Draper, University of Natal
Ritual Process and Ritual Symbol in Didache 9–10
4:15 Richard A. Jordan, Ocheyedan, IA
The Ascription of Honor in the Epistle to the Hebrews
4:45 John Eric Hurgen, Campbellsville College
Foolish Pharisees and Waterless Clouds: Stereotypic Language in the New Testament
5:15 F. Scott Spencer, Wingate University
5:45 Richard E. DeMaris, Valparaiso University
Baptisms and Funerals, Ordinary and Otherwise: Toward Ritual Criticism of Baptism at Corinth

Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar
3:45pm–6:15pm   P-Rubens
Margaret S. Odell, St. Olaf College, Presiding
Theme: The Absence of God in the Book of Ezekiel
3:45 Leslie C. Allen, Fuller Theological Seminary
God's Absence in the Book of Ezekiel
Respondents:
Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate School
Terence E. Fretheim, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
4:40 Steven S. Tuell, Randolph-Macon College
Deus absconditus in Ezekiel's Prophecy
Respondents:
Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate School
Terence E. Fretheim, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary
5:35 Business Meeting

Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Group
3:45pm–6:15pm   P-Barcelona II
J. Glen Taylor, Wycliffe College, Presiding
Theme: New Discoveries, New Interpretations
3:45 Steven A. Kaufman, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati
A Major New Phoenician Text for the 8th Century BCE—The Incirli Trilingual Inscription
4:05 Dennis Pardee, Oriental Institute, University of Chicago
A New Ugaritic Contract (RS 94.2168)
4:25 Wayne T. Pitard, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Presenting
The Binding of Tamin/Tamm: A New Edition of KTU 1.83
4:50 Michael Thomas Davis, Princeton Theological Seminary, Dead Sea Project/New York Theological Seminary
What Did Anat Do to the "Dragon" (KTU I.3 III line 40): A Reevaluation on the Basis of Lexical, Epigraphic and Iconographical Considerations
5:10 Steve A. Wiggins, Nashotah House Episcopal Seminary
A Paradigm for Suspended Rulers: Absalom and Athtar
5:30 Eric Raymond, University of Chicago
The Unembedded VII:U Clauses of the Mesad Hashavyahu Ostracon Compared with Those of the Hebrew Bible
5:55 Kevin Massey-Gillespie, Elmwood Park, IL
Byblos and Crete: Exploring Orthographic Connections

Scholarship in the Public Arena
4:30pm–6:00pm   H-Continental 5
Lynn Garrett, Publishers Weekly, and David L. Petersen, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
4:30 Jack Miles, Claremont Graduate School
Bearings or Barings, or the Difference between an Academic and an Intellectual
See page 15 for a description of this session.
A143  Study of Judaism Section  
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 4  
Alan L. Berger, Florida Atlantic University, Presiding  
Theme: Engendering Space and Time in Rabbinic Perspective  
Robert Goldenberg, State University of New York, Stony Brook  
Toward a Typology of Jewish Eschatological Vision  
Natalie B. Dohrmann, University of Chicago  
Journey to the Law: Reading the Wilderness in the Mekhilta de-Rabbi Ishmael  
Aryeh Cohen, University of Judaism  
“Do the Dead Know...?” The Representation of Death in the Babylonian Talmud  
Bonna Devora Haberman, Harvard University  
A Territorial Study of Texts of the Sotah, The Suspected Adulteress  
Business Meeting  
Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University

A144  Theology and Religious Reflection Section  
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Da Vinci  
Dwight N. Hopkins, University of Chicago, Presiding  
Theme: The Apocalyptic Mind in History: A Discussion of Catherine Keller’s Apocalypse Now and Then  
Panelists:  
Rebecca S. Chopp, Emory University  
Peter C. Hodgson, Vanderbilt University  
Marjorie Hewitt Suchocki, Claremont School of Theology  
Respondent:  
Catherine E. Keller, Drew University  
Business Meeting  
Anselm Kyongsuk Min, Claremont Graduate School, Presiding

A145  Women and Religion Section  
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 8  
Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa, Presiding  
Theme: Rebirth of the Goddess: Thea-ology, Autobiography, and Embodied Thinking  
Carol P. Christ, Ariadne Institute for Myth and Ritual, Athens, Greece  
Respondents:  
Judith E. Plaskow, Manhattan College  
Christine Downing, San Diego State University  
Kwok Pui-Lan, Episcopal Divinity School  
Gordon D. Kaufman, Harvard University  
Business Meeting  
Joan M. Martin, Episcopal Divinity School, and Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Presiding

A146  Retired Members Reception  
5:30pm–6:30pm  H-State Suite  
(Building 3, 19th floor)  
All members of the AAR who are retired from full-time employment are cordially invited to an open house in their honor hosted by Barbara DeConcini, AAR executive director.

A147  Women’s Caucus: Religious Studies Business Meeting (=S122)  
6:15pm–6:45pm  P-Barcelona II  
Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Linda A. Moody, Mills College, Presiding
S121 Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession Graduate Student Reception
6:00pm–7:00pm  H-Lombard

S122 Women's Caucus: Religious Studies (=A147)
6:15pm–7:30pm  P-Barcelona II
Business Meeting
Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California, R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University, Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley, and Linda A. Moody, Mills College, Presiding

S123 From Dan to Megiddo
7:30pm–9:00pm  P-Parc Ballroom I
Suzanne F. Singer, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding
7:30 Avraham Biran, Hebrew Union College, Jewish Institute of Religion, Jerusalem
The Shrines of Dan
7:55 General Discussion
8:00 Israel Finklestein, Tel Aviv University, Israel
The Early Bronze Temples—Forerunners of Canaanite Cult
8:25 General Discussion
8:30 David Ussishkin, Tel Aviv University
New Light on the Size and Fortifications of the Canaanite Metropolis
8:55 General Discussion

S124 Film: The Gospel According to Saint Matthew
7:30pm–10:30pm  H-Continental 7
Carol Schersten LaHurd, University of St. Thomas, Presiding
See page 16 for a description of this session.

S125 African-Americans and the Bible (=A150)
8:30pm–10:30pm  N-Grand Ballroom I
Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding
Kimberleigh Jordan, Union Theological Seminary, New York, Assisting
Theme: Announcing and Discussing Some Implications of an Interdisciplinary Research Project
8:30 Panelists:
Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Barbara A. Holdridge, University of California, Santa Barbara
Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary
Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College
Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
Hugh R. Page, University of Notre Dame
10:00 General Discussion
See page 17 for a description of this session.

S126 Women's Caucus: Religious Studies Reception (=A153)
9:00pm–11:00pm  P-Barcelona II
A148 Plenary Address
7:00pm–8:00pm  H-Continental 5 & 6
Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University, Presiding
David M. Halperin, University of New South Wales, Australia
Forgetting Foucault: Acts, Identities, and the History of Sexuality

A149 AAR Arts Series Film: Punch Me in the Stomach
8:30pm–10:30pm  H-Continental 9
Oren Baruch Stier, University of Cape Town, Presiding
Panelists:
Deb Filler, Punch Productions
Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa
Laura S. Levitt, Temple University
Francine Zuckerman, Punch Productions
See page 11 for a description of this film.

A150 Special Topics Forum (=S125)
Sponsored by the AAR and SBL
8:30pm–10:30pm  N-Grand Ballroom I
Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding
Theme: African Americans and the Bible: An Interdisciplinary Research Project
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Barbara A. Holdrege, Union Theological Seminary, Santa Barbara
Kimberleigh Jordan, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Charles H. Long, Durham, NC
Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary
Hugh R. Page, University of Notre Dame
Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College
See page 9 for a description of this session.

A151 Lilly Teaching Fellows Reception
8:45pm–10:00pm  H-State Suite
Faculty and participants in the AAR Lilly Teaching Workshops are invited.

A152 JAAR Editorial Board Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm  H-Lombard
JAAR Editorial Board members are invited to a reception in their honor.

A153 Women's Caucus: Religious Studies Reception (S126)
9:00pm–11:00pm  P-Barcelona II
Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Linda A. Moody, Mills College, Presiding
Monday Morning
November 24

African-American Theology and Biblical Hermeneutics Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Franciscan A
Stephen Breck Reid, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Bondage and Freedom in African-American Literature, Music, and Art Forms
9:00 Allan Callahan, Harvard Divinity School
The Apostle of Freedom: The Emancipation of Paul in African American Theology
9:30 Abraham Smith, Boston University School of Theology
"There's No More in the Text than That": William Wells Brown's Clotel, Slave Ideology, and Pauline Hermeneutics
Respondents:
10:00 Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California School of Religion
10:30 Ronald N. Liburd, Florida A & M University
11:00 Business Meeting
The paper by Abraham Smith will be summarized and not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

Aramaic Studies Section
9:00am–11:30am  P-Michelangelo
Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University, Presiding
9:00 John Pairman Brown, Graduate Theological Union
Foreign Words in Aramaic and the Original of Jesus' Sayings
9:30 Randall Buth, Jerusalem University College
Distinguishing Hebrew from Aramaic Sources Behind Greek Documents
10:00 Panel Discussion
10:20 Recess
10:30 Chulhyun Bae, Harvard University
Linguistic Peculiarities of the Aramaic Version of the Behistun Inscription
11:00 W. Randall Garr, University of California, Santa Barbara
Nasalization in Imperial Aramaic
11:25 Business Meeting

Program Unit Chairs Breakfast with Program Committee (Continental Breakfast)

7:30am–8:45am  H-Plaza A

Barbara DeConcini, AAR, Emory University, Presiding

All program unit chairs should attend this important informational session with the members of the Program Committee.

Special Topics Forum

Sponsored by the Publications Committee

9:00am–11:30am  N-Grey Pearl 1

Susan Brooks Thistlethwaite, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Glimpses of Our Digital Future

Michael Keller, Stanford University

Cynthia Edenburg, Open University, Israel
Ancient Palestine: The Electronic Cultural Atlas Project

Edward Malatesta, University of San Francisco
Christianity in China: The Construction of an Online Database

Lewis Lancaster, University of California, Berkeley
Electronic Resource Development: Aids for Developers

See page 9 for a description of this session.

Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section

9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 17 & 18

John T. Hatfield, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, Presiding

Theme: How Pluralism and Difference Meet Pedagogy in Religious Studies

Randi R. Warne, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Just Lip Service? Gender and Teaching Religious Studies in Canada

Frederick E. Detwiler, Adrian College
Using the Dialogical Journal to Assess Awareness of the "Other"

Paul Mundschenk, Western Illinois University
Classroom Conundrum: Bring the Bhagavad Gita to American Students in a Situation of Religious Pluralism

Ken Kramer, San Jose State University
Dialogized Spirituality: Seminar as Pedagogy and Seminar Pedagogies

Aryana Bates, Drew University
From Student to Teacher: Transformations in Knowledge

Terry C. Muck, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Contemplation as Pedagogy: Bridging the Theology–Religious Studies Gap

Ethics Section and Religion and Ethics in Health Care Group

9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 6

Theodore Peters, Pacific Lutheran Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Born Again: Faith, Yearning, Redemption, and the Cloning Controversy

Panelists:

Ronald S. Cole-Turner, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Ronald M. Green, Dartmouth College
Stanley M. Hauerwas, Duke University
Karen Lebacqz, Pacific School of Religion
Thomas A. Shannon, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Laurie Zoloth-Dorfman, San Francisco State University

Respondents:

Richard O. Randolph, Graduate Theological Union
Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound
Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Group
9:00am–11:30am N-Pink Pearl II
Arthur J. Dewey, Xavier University, Presiding
Theme: Composition of Mark
9:00 Thomas E. Boomershine, United Theological Seminary, Dayton
The Episode: The Foundational Form of New Testament Narrative
9:30 Bernard Brandon Scott, Phillips Theological Seminary
Composition and Memory in Mark
Respondents:
10:00 Joanna Dewey, Episcopal Divinity School
10:20 Robert M. Fowler, Baldwin-Wallace College
10:40 General Discussion

Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section
9:00am–11:30am H-Union 22
George H. Guthrie, Union University, Presiding
Theme: Semantics and Patterns of Argumentation in Romans
9:00 Panelists:
Bruce Corley, Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary
Douglas A. Campbell, King's College London
Grant R. Osborne, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
10:30 Respondent:
Douglas Moo, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
10:50 General Discussion

Christian Theology and the Bible Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Da Vinci
Ben C. Ollenburger, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Monotheism and Trinitarian Thought
9:00 Ulrich W. Mauser, Princeton Theological Seminary
One God and Trinitarian Language in the Letters of Paul
9:30 David R. Blumenthal, Emory University
Limits to Trinity: Jewish Reflections
10:00 Willie James Jennings, Duke Divinity School
Overhearing the Shema: The Christological Foundations of Christian Monotheism
10:30 Recess
**Monday Morning
November 24**

**A158 History of Christianity Section**
9:00am–11:30am  P-Cervantes
Rosemary Drage Hale, Concordia University, Montreal, Presiding

*Theme: Jews and Christians: Questioning the Boundaries of Identity*

Charlotte Fonrobert, University of Judaism
“The Concept of Jewish Christianity as Retrospective Fallacy: The Case of the Didascalia”

Stephen J. Shoemaker, Duke University
“Mary, the Jews, and the Cult of the Saints: Jews and Christians in the Ancient Dormition Legends”

David B. Brakke, Indiana University, Bloomington
“Passover and Particularity: Athanasius of Alexandria and the Jews”

Thomas F. Ryan, St. Thomas University
“Contested Identity: Mendicant as Jew in Medieval Christian Pedagogy”

Carol Harris-Shapiro, St. Joseph’s University

**A160 Philosophy of Religion Section**
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 3 & 4

Thomas J. Dean, Temple University, Presiding

*Theme: What Has Western Philosophy of Religion to Learn from the Kyoto School?*

Panelists:
James W. Heisig, Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture, Nagoya, Japan
Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University
Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University
John C. Maraldo, University of North Florida

Respondents:
Fred R. Dallmayr, University of Notre Dame
Shizuteru Ueda, Kyoto University

**A161 Religion and the Social Sciences Section and Person, Culture, and Religion Group**
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 5 & 6

William Parsons, Rice University, Presiding

*Theme: The Future of Religion and Psychological Studies*

Panelists:
Sandra Lee Dixon, University Of Denver
G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University
Ian S. Evison, Meadville Lombard Theological School
Susan E. Henking, Hobart and William Smith College
Diane Jonte-Pace, Santa Clara University

Felipe Emmanuel Agredano-Lozano, Harvard University
“Power on Her Head: Chicana Resistance at the Borders of Theology”

Arlene M. Sanchez-Walsh, Claremont Graduate School
“Searching for a Mexican American Pentecostal Identity among Women of Victory Outreach”

Respondent:
Rudy V. Busto, Stanford University

Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group
9:00am–11:30am  P-Sienna
Mark E. Biddle, Baptist Theological Seminary, Richmond, Presiding
9:00 Willem A. M. Beuken, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Women and Spirit, the Ox and the Ass: The First Binders of the Booklet Isaiah Chs. 28–32
Respondent:
Claire R. Mathews, Loyola College, Maryland
10:00 Donald C. Polaski, Duke University
Banquet Hall or Barnyard: Locating the Nations in YHWH’s Empire (Isaiah 24:21–25:12)
10:30 Francis Landy, University of Alberta
Hidden Texts in Isaiah 28–33
11:00 Hyun Chul Paul Kim, Claremont Graduate School
An Intertextual Reading of “a Crushed Reed and a Dim Wick” in Isaiah 42:3

Hellenistic Judaism Section
9:00am–11:05am  N-Pink Pearl 1
Benjamin G. Wright, Lehigh University, Presiding
Theme: Christian Reuse of Jewish Texts
9:00 Daniel C. Harlow, Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co.
The Problem of Identifying Early Jewish Texts from the Old Testament Pesudepigrapha
9:15 General Discussion
9:25 Charles L. Holman, Regent University
Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs and Eschatological Expectation
9:40 General Discussion
9:50 Andrea B. Lieber, Columbia University
“I Set a Table Before You”: The Jewish Mystical Character of Aseneth’s Conversion Meal
10:05 General Discussion
10:15 Randall D. Chesnutt, Pepperdine University
Aseneth’s Latest Conversion
10:30 General Discussion
10:40 Pieter Van Der Horst, Institute for Advanced Study, Jerusalem
Jewish and Christian Prayers in the Apostolic Constitutions
10:55 General Discussion

Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section
9:00am–11:30am  P-Parc Ballroom 1
J. Andrew Dearman, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: State Formation in Tenth and Ninth Centuries in Syria-Palestine
9:00 William G. Dever, University of Arizona
State Formation Processes, Archaeology, and the Rise of the Israelite State
9:25 General Discussion
9:30 Peter Machinist, Harvard University
Neo-Assyrian Contacts with Israel in the Ninth Century BCE in the Context of Assyrian Western Campaigns
9:55 General Discussion
10:00 Helene Sader, American University of Beirut
The Aramaean States: From Tribe to Centralized Monarchy
10:25 General Discussion
10:30 Randall Younger, Institute of Archaeology, Andrews University
Ammon and Moab in the Tenth/Ninth Centuries BCE
10:55 General Discussion
11:00 Baruch Halpern, Pennsylvania State University
Historiographic Issues in Evaluating the Development of Iron-Age States in Syria-Palestine
11:25 General Discussion

A162  Religion in South Asia Section
9:00am–11:30am  P-Dante
Christopher Key Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding
Theme: Recent Studies of the Jains
Thomas Young, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Toward an Appreciation of Jain Views on Indian Philosophy
Kristi L. Wiley, University of California, Berkeley
New Perspectives on Karma in Jainism
Mary Whitney Kelting, Waltham, MA
Jain Devotional Singing and the Reconstruction of Grace in Contemporary Jainism
Steven D. Heim, University of Chicago
Lay Patronage in Jainism: The Medieval Reconfiguration
Respondent:
John Cort, Denison University

A163  Study of Islam Section
9:00am–11:30am  H-Taylor
Jonathan Brockopp, Bard College, Presiding
Theme: Teaching Islam
Carl W. Ernst, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Rethinking the Teaching of Sufism
Zayn R. Kassam, Pomona College
Teaching about Women in Islam
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University
Regional Foci in the Representation of Islam
G. John Renard, St. Louis University
An Integrated Framework for Islamic Spirituality
Brannon M. Wheeler, University of Washington
What Can't Be Left Out? The Fundamentals of Introducing Islam
Respondent:
Arthur F. Buehler, Colgate University

A164  Theology and Religious Reflection Section
9:00am–11:30am  N-Grand Ballroom I
Sheila Greeve Davaney, Iliff School Of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Doing Theology from the Other
Wendy Sue Boring, Yale University, and John A. Geter, Yale University
A Body with AIDS and a Maternal Body: Theological Reflections on Carnal Knowledge
David Jensen, Vanderbilt University
The Emptying Christ: An Experiment in Christology
Walter Lowe, Emory University
Prospects for a Postmodern Christian Theology
Paul Rigby, St. Paul University, Ottawa
The Victim and Ethical Theology

A165  Afro-American Religious History Group
9:00am–11:30am  N-White Pearl
Rosemary D. Gooden, DePaul University, Presiding
Theme: African American Religions and Cultural Agency
John M. Giggie, Princeton University
The Masons, the Market, and the Emergence of the Black Holiness Movement: The Case of William Christian and the Church of the Living God
Judith C. Fagan, Winthrop University
Signifying Religion and Cultural Agency
Juan Thomas, University of Pennsylvania
The Burning of Rebellious Thoughts: MOVE as an Expression of African American Theology, 1970–1996
Respondent:
David Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary
**History of Interpretation Section**

*9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 11*

Mark Granquist, St. Olaf College, Presiding

**Theme:** *The Book of Revelation in Cultural Context*

9:00  D. Jeffrey Bingham, Dallas Theological Seminary

*Irenaeus’ Polemical Interpretation of John’s Apocalypse in Adversus Haereses*

9:35  Kenneth G. C. Newport, Liverpool Hope University College

*Catholic Apocalypse: The Book of Revelation in Recusant Thought*

10:10  Recess

10:20  John Sandys-Wunsch, Thorneloe University

*The Book of Revelation in the Age of Enlightenment*

10:55  Glenn R. Kreider, Criswell College

*Jonathan Edward’s Interpretation of Revelation 4: A Glimpse into His Private Notebooks*

**Israelite and Canaanite Religion Section**

*9:00am–11:30am  P-Barcelona II*

Corrine Patton, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

**Theme:** *Writing the History of Israelite Religion: Problems and Proposals*

9:00  Panelists:

Rainer Albertz, Westfalische Wilhelms-Universitat Münster

P. Kyle McCarter, Johns Hopkins University

Saul M. Olyan, Brown University/University of Pennsylvania

Karel Van Der Toorn, Rijksuniversiteit Leiden

Ziony Zevit, University of Judaism

10:15  Recess

10:30  Respondent:

Brian B. Schmidt, University of Michigan

10:50  General Discussion

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**Manichaen Studies Group**

*9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 10*

John C. Reeves, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

9:00  Iain Gardner, Edith Cowan University

*Mani and India: Toward a Reappraisal of the Question*

9:25  Werner Sundermann, Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Berlin

*A Ritual Instruction Concerning the Offering of the Alms in the Manichaean Service*

9:50  Peter Zieme, Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Berlin

*The Manichaean Tetrad according to Turkish Texts*

10:15  Johannes Van Ort, University of Utrecht

*The Manichaean Secundinus’ Knowledge and Use of Biblical Literature*

10:40  Jason D. Beduhn, Indiana University

*The Use of Paul in Late Manichaeism*

11:05  Paul Mirecki, University of Kansas

*Manichaeans and Magic in Fourth Century Kellis*

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A166 Chinese Religions Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Union Square 14
Vivian-Lee Nyitray, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Matters of Life and Death
Stanley K. Abe, Duke University
Hunping, the Soul, and the Buddha
Mark Allen Berkson, Stanford University
Early Chinese Conception of Death: A Comparative Perspective
Stephen Eskildsen, Baltimore, MD
Denunciations of Heretical Asceticism in the Scripture of the Jade Purity
Peter Nickerson, Duke University
A Place of Our Own: Taiwanese Spirit-Medium Cults and Local Autonomies
Respondent: Christian Jochim, San Jose State University
Business Meeting
Ron-Guey Chu, Academia Sinica, Taiwan, and Thomas W. Selover, University of Saskatchewan, Presiding

A167 Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Aragon
Angela Zito, Barnard College, Presiding
Theme: Concealing the Religious: The Secrecy of Scholarship and the Scholarship of Secrecy
Jorunn Jacobsen Buckley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Scholar in the Field as Malleable Symbol: With Mandaeans and Muslims in Iran
Paul C. Johnson, University of Missouri, Columbia
The Secret and the Scholar’s Whisper in Brazilian Candomblé
Janet L. Jacobs, University of Colorado, Boulder
Gender and Persistence of Culture: Ritual and Secrecy in the Crypto-Jewish Household

A168 Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Continental 3
Stanley S. Harakas, Hellenic College–Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Orthodoxy and Sainthood
James C. Skedros, Graduate Theological Union
“Holy One of God, Intercede for Us”: Toward an Orthodox Hermeneutic of Hagiology
Michael Compton, University of Virginia
Avoiding the Apostles: Sainthood as a Problem in the Preaching of John Chrysostom
Lance D. Laird, Harvard University
Sharing a Saint: Muslims and Christians in Contemporary Bethlehem
J. Eugene Clay, Arizona State University
Sanctity and Heresy in Post-Soviet Russian Orthodoxy: The Case of Innokentii (Ioann Vasil’evich Levitz, 1875–1917)

A169 Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Continental 5
Ellen T. Armour, Rhodes College, Presiding
Theme: Bodily Citations II: Religionists Engage Judith Butler
Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College
Performativity, Citationality, Ritualization
Mark D. Jordan, University of Notre Dame
The Immaterial Bodies of Sodomites
Rebecca Schneider, Cornell University
What’s at Stake in a Distinction between the Ritualized and the Performative? Feminist Performance Art, Sacrality, and the Explicit Body
Respondent: Judith Butler, University of California, Berkeley

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00am-11:30am       N-San Francisco

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Presiding

Theme: Post-Shoah Exegesis

9:00 James F. Moore, Valparaiso University

Post-Shoah Interpretation: Moving Beyond Standard Models

9:25 Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology and Claremont Graduate School

The Question of Theodicy in Isaiah

9:50 Patricia K. Willey, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary

"Isaiah 'Twas Foretold It": Helping the Church Reinterpret Biblical Prophecy

10:15 Esther Fuchs

A Post Holocaust Reading of Jews in the Gospels

10:40 Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College

General Discussion

Psychology and Biblical Studies Group

9:00am-11:30am       H-Continental 4

Charles T. Davis, Appalachian State University, Presiding

Theme: Soul and Psyche in Biblical and Psychological Perspective

9:00 Andre LaCocque, Chicago Theological Seminary

The Soul in the Hebrew Scriptures: A Contemporary Psychological Perspective

9:25 Respondent:

Lyn M. Bechtel, Moravian Theological Seminary

9:35 General Discussion

9:40 Michael Willett Newheart, Howard University School of Divinity

The Soul in the New Testament: A Contemporary Psychological Perspective

10:05 Respondent:

Schuyler Brown, St. Michaels College, Toronto

10:15 General Discussion

10:20 Jeffrey H. Boyd, Waterbury Hospital, Waterbury, CT

Reclaiming the Soul: A Biblical Psychological-Critical Enterprise

10:45 Respondent:

J. Harold Ellens, University of Michigan

10:50 General Discussion

11:00 Business Meeting and Organizational Planning Session

Qumran Section

9:00am-11:30am       N-Grand Ballroom II

James C. VanderKam, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Theme: The Intellectual History of Dead Sea Scrolls Scholarship

9:00 Introduction

9:05 George W. E. Nickelsburg, University of Iowa

Currents in Qumran Research: The Interplay of Data, Agendas, and Methods

Panelists:

9:45 John J. Collins, University of Chicago

10:00 Recess

Panelists:

10:10 James H. Charlesworth, Princeton Theological Seminary

10:25 Carol A. Newsom, Candler School of Theology, Emory University

10:40 Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University

10:55 Julio Trebolle, Complutensian University of Madrid

11:10 General Discussion
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MONDAY MORNING
NOVEMBER 24

A170 Gay Men’s Religious Issues Group
9:00am–11:30am  P-Parc Ballroom II
Robert E. Goss, Webster University, Presiding
Theme: Buddhism from Gay Perspectives
Leonard Zwilling, University of Wisconsin, Madison
To Mock as Unmanly: The Pali Verb Uppandeto and its Senses
Roger J. Corless, Duke University
Buddhist Responses to HIV
Michael J. Sweet, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Pining Away for the Sight of the Handsome Cobra King: A Queer Reading of the Pali Texts about Ananda
José Ignacio Cabezón, Iliff School of Theology
Buddhism and HIV/AIDS: A Theological Response
Roger Dorris, Naropa Institute
Identity as Curse and Catalyst: Musings on the Path from a Gay Buddhist
Business Meeting
Robert E. Goss, Webster University, and Ronald E. Long, Hunter College, Presiding

A171 Korean Religions Group
9:00am–11:30am  P-Raphael
Bockja Kim, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Presiding
Theme: The Implication of Korean Shamanism
Yvonne Y. Lee, Iliff School of Theology
A Theology of Han and Hanpuri
Simon Young-Suck Moon, Sogang University, Korea
An Environmental Perspective on Shamanism
Don-Sik Kim, Drew University
Spirit and Nature in Shamanism
Hak Joon Lee, Princeton Theological Seminary
Shamanism and Ethical Myopia: The Shamanistic Nature of Korean Protestantism

A172 Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 1
Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Negative Anthropology in Historical and Contemporary Perspective
Willemien Otten, Boston College
From Light to Darkness: Negative Anthropology in Augustine, Dionysius, and Eriugena
Denys Turner, University of Birmingham
The Self and Oneness with God: Gerson, Ruusbroec, and the “Free Spirit” Heresy
Hent de Vries, University of Amsterdam
Apophatic Anthropology: The Subject Today

A173 Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Sutter
Diane M. Yeager, Georgetown University, Presiding
Theme: The Development of H. Richard Niebuhr’s American Empirical Theology
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Thomas A. Byrnes, Benedictine University
William C. Spohn, Santa Clara University
Business Meeting
Thomas A. Byrnes, Benedictine University, and Michael Raposa, Lehigh University, Presiding

Respondents:
Robert C. Neville, Boston University
David Suh Kwang-Sun, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Business Meeting
Kang-Nam Oh, University of Regina, and Young Chan Ro, George Mason University, Presiding

Rhetoric and the New Testament
Section
9:00am-11:30am   P-Parc Ballroom III
Sharyn Dowd, Lexington Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Evaluating Socio-Rhetorical Criticism

9:00  Panelists:
R. Alan Culpepper, Mercer School of Theology
Margaret E. Dean, Melbourne College of Divinity
Gordon D. Newby, Emory University
Jerome H. Neyrey, University of Notre Dame

10:20  Respondent:
Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University

11:00  General Discussion

Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism
Section
9:00am-11:30am   N-Grand Ballroom III
Alan F. Segal, Barnard College, Presiding
Theme: Social Construction of the Afterlife in Greco-Roman Antiquity: The Literary Evidence
9:00  Nancy Evans, Smith College
Virgin Death: Antigone, the Afterlife, and the Formation of Civic Identity

9:25  Robert F. Stoops, Western Washington University
Lessons from the Dead: The Social Construction of the Afterlife in Vergil’s Aeneid

9:50  Steven Fine, Baltimore Hebrew University
Ossuary Burial and the Resurrection of the Dead in First Century Jerusalem

10:15  Recess

10:25  Jeffrey A. Trumbower, St. Michaels College
Augustine’s Rejection of Posthumous Salvation: Social Contexts and Implications

10:50  Naomi Koltun-Fromm, Tulane University
Women in the Aterlife: A Syriac-Christian Perspective

11:15  Alan F. Segal, Barnard College
**A174** Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group  
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 2  
Ronald Burke, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding  
Theme: To Commend, Critique, Or? What Do We Want from Film?  
John Lyden, Dana College  
To Commend or Critique? The Question of Religion and Film Studies  
Tony S. L. Michael, University of Toronto  
_Hong Kong Director John Woo’s Ultraviolent Film The Killer (1988) as a Pedagogical Model of René Girard’s Theory on Religion and Violence_  
Robert H. Neuwohner, Iliff School of Theology, University of Denver  
Myths on Film: Uncovering Religious Narratives in the Movies  
Conrad E. Ostwalt, Appalachian State University  
_Visions of the End: Secular Apocalypse in Recent Hollywood Film_  
Susan Swift, California Institute of Integral Studies  
_Film, Feminism, and the Sacred: Initiation in The Secret of Roan Inish_  
Business Meeting  
Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, and William L. Bliztek, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding

**A175** Religion, Peace, and War Group  
9:00am–11:30am  P-Corintia  
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont, Presiding  
Theme: Religious Inspiration in Student Activist Groups  
Ken Butigan, Graduate Theological Union  
_Bearing the Nuclear Cross: Nonviolent Direct Action as Religious Performance_  
Peter R. Gathje, Christian Brothers University  
_The Role of a Spirituality of Nonviolence in a Student Activist Group_  
Patrick F. Gibbons, Duquesne University  
_Redefining the "Enemy" for the American Catholic: The Theory and Practice of Pax Christi, USA_
Synoptic Gospels Section

9:00am-11:30am  H-Continental 7

David Landry, St. Thomas University, Presiding

9:00  Paul Danove, Villanova University
The Rhetorical Development and Implications of Ambiguous Characterization of the Markan Disciples

9:30  Mark Alan Proctor, Baylor University
From Dusk Till Dusk: Day Reckoning in Mark 12:1-15:47 as Evidence of a Pre-Markan Passion Source

10:00  Whitney Shiner, George Mason University
Looking Forward, Looking Back, Never Seeing: John the Baptist in the Gospel of Mark

10:30  Terence L. Donaldson, College of Emmanuel and St. Chad
“For Herod had Arrested John” (Matt 14:3): Making Sense of an Unresolved Flashback

11:00  R. Steven Notley, Jerusalem University College
When the Bridegroom Is Taken Away

Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00am-11:30am  P-Barcelona 1

Wonil Kim, La Sierra University, Presiding

Theme: Panel review of The Task of Old Testament Theology: Method and Cases by Rolf P. Knierim

Panelists:

9:00  Rolf P. Knierim, Claremont Graduate School

9:30  John Goldingay, St. John’s College, Nottingham, UK

Responder:

9:45  Walter Harrelson, Southport, NC,

10:00  Isaac Kalimi, University of Oldenburg

10:15  Joel S. Kaminsky, Smith College

10:30  Leo G. Perdue, Brite Divinity School

10:45  Recess

10:50  General Discussion

Monday Morning
November 24

Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession

11:30am-1:00pm  H-Continental 8

Gale A. Yee, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

Luncheon and Discussion

The SBL Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession hosts a luncheon/discussion. Please RSVP for this event by October 15th to: Gail A. Yee, University of St. Thomas, 2119 Summit Ave., Mail 4362, St. Paul, MN 55105; E-mail: gayee@stthomas.edu; Fax: 612-962-6110.

Women’s Caucus: Religious Studies

11:45am-12:45pm  H-Continental 1

Business Meeting

Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California, R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University, Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley, and Linda A. Moody, Mills College, Presiding.
Millennialism Studies Consultation
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 15 & 16
Phillip C. Lucas, Stetson University, Presiding
Theme: Jerusalem in Millennial Visions Old and New
Guy Beck, College of Charleston
Celestial Lodge Above: Jerusalem’s Temple of Solomon as Millennial Symbol in Freemasonry
Marsha Mihok, New York University
Jerusalem: The Millennial Vision and the Political Realities
Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The Focus of Messianic Hopes: The Evangelical Premillennialist View of Jerusalem
Bron R. Taylor, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
When is Apocalyptic Millenarian? Reflections Based on the Subcultures of Radical Environmentalism
David W. Damrel, University of Arizona
Islam at 1000 AH: Millennial Expectations in Indian Sufism
Business Meeting
Phillip C. Lucas, Stetson University, Presiding

Religion and Human Rights Consultation
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 23 & 24
Sumner B. Twiss, Brown University, Presiding
Theme: Human Rights as Contested Sites in Religions and Cultures
James W. Gaffney, Loyola University
Theologians and Conquistadores: Defense of Life versus Freedom of Religion
Norma Baumel Joseph, Concordia University, Montreal
Gender Equality and Responses Literature
John Kelsay, Florida State University
Islamic Traditions and Freedom of Religion: Intracommunal Differences and International Human Rights
William A. Barbieri, Catholic University of America
Religious Traditions and Corporate Human Rights
Kathryn Poethig, Graduate Theological Union
Which Asia, Whose West? Dual Citizens in Cambodia’s Human Rights Debate
Business Meeting
Arvind Sharma, McGill University, Presiding

Roundtable Sessions
11:45am–12:45pm  H-Plaza A
Eugene C. Bianchi, Emory University, and Peter McDonough, Arizona State University
Jesus Sexuality: Personal Crisis, Corporate Dilemma
Anna Bonta, Boston College
Spirituality and Suffering: Two Explorations
J. Fatout Burns, Washington University, St. Louis
Marking and Crossing a Social Boundary: Christian Initiation in Roman Africa
Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Stirling
Saint or Mystic? Foucault’s Homosexuality and Religious Imagery
Lynda Clarke, University of Pennsylvania
The Universe Alive: Nature in the Metaphysics of Mauder (Rumi)
Mara Donaldson, Dickinson College
Resacralizing Space: Field of Dreams, Wizard of Oz, Star Trek Voyager
Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University
The Unity of Knowledge and Action: A Pragmatic-Confucian Response to Richard Rorty, Charles Taylor, and Daniel Dennett
Mark Hulsether, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
The 1950s and the Radical Turn in Protestant Social Thought: How Some of the Groundwork Was Laid in Christianity and Crisis Magazine
Gereon Kopf, Luther College
The God Which Is neither Personal nor Impersonal: Teaching Nishida’s Notion of God in a Class on Comparative Philosophy of Religion
Roberto R. Lint-Sagarena, Princeton University
Image and History: Mission Revival Architecture and Cultural Rhetoric in California
Harriet Lutsky, University of Paris
Mourning: Psychoanalytic and Anthropological Views Compared
Anna L. Peterson, University of Florida
Drawing the Line: Ethics and the Definitions of the Human
Samuel C. Porter, Eugene, OR
A Gift from God: Religion in the Public Forests of Oregon
Wendy Hunter Roberts, Immaculate Heart College
The Enuma Elish: Mythological Roots of Imperialism
Miranda Shaw, University of Richmond
Palden Lhamo: Indigenous and Indian Sources for a Tibetan Goddess
Bruce C. Williams, University of California, Berkeley
Medieval Chinese T‘ien-T’ai on Human Nature: The God, the Bad, and the Unconnected
Telford Work, Duke University
Argument as Edification: Understanding Diversity in Biblical Interpretation
Please make reservations in advance. See the form on page 327. Papers may be picked up at the Information Desk near Annual Meeting Registration. Participation is limited to nine at each table.
Ascetic Impulse in Religious Life and Culture Group
1:00pm–3:30pm    H-Continental 9
Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Foucault, Spiritual Exercise, and Practices of the Self: Responses to David M. Halperin's Saint Foucault
Panelists:
Janet R. Jakobsen, University of Arizona
Tyler T. Roberts, Harvard University
Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley
Ann Pellegrini, Harvard University
Respondent:
David M. Halperin, University of New South Wales

Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm    P-Cervantes
Irena Makarushka, Bowdoin College, Presiding
1:00 Kenneth M. Craig, Lees-McRae College
Bargaining in the Land of Tov (Judges 11:4–11) and the Many Directions of Direct Speech
1:30 Pamela Tamarkin Reis, Branford, CT
Spoiled Child: A Fresh Look at Jephthah’s Daughter
2:00 Carol Bakhos, Jewish Theological Seminary
Ishmael and Esau: Marginalized Men of the Bible and Their Rabbinic Interpreters
2:30 Gregory Carey, Winthrop University
Reversible Bandages? Exploring Texture in the Good Samaritan Parable
3:00 Richard G. Walsh, Methodist College
Absence and Presence: The Synoptic God(s)

Biblical Law Section
1:00pm–3:30pm    H-Continental 4
Frank Ritchel Ames, Colorado Christian University, Presiding
1:00 Pamela Barmash, Harvard University
Murder and Vengeance in Biblical Law and Narrative
1:30 David Tabb Stewart, University of California, Berkeley
Leviticus 18:22 and 20:13: An Incest Prohibition?
2:00 Recess
2:05 Calum Carmichael, Cornell University
The Slave Laws in Exodus 21:2–11 and Deuteronomy 15:12–18
2:35 Jacob Milgrom, University of California, Berkeley
Does the Holiness School Advocate the Centralization of Worship?
3:05 Business Meeting
Papers for this session will be summarized, not read. For advance distribution, send $7.50 for a complete set of papers ($10.00 for overseas mailing) to the Secretary: Prof. Victor H. Matthews, Department of Religious Studies, Southwest Missouri State University, Springfield, MO 65804.
A181 Women's Caucus: Religious Studies
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11:45am–12:45pm  H-Continental 1
Theme: Business Meeting
Marilyn Gottschall, University of Southern California; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Linda A. Moody, Mills College, Presiding

A182 Walking Tour of San Francisco Houses of Worship
Sponsored by the North American Religions Section
1:00pm–3:30pm
Gather at the globe in the main lobby of the San Francisco Hilton and Towers
Alan L. Miller, Miami University, Ohio, and Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding
See page 11 for a description. A registration form can be found on page 328.

A183 Special Topics Forum
Sponsored by the Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Parc Ballroom II
Mark Silk, Trinity College, Hartford, Presiding,
Theme: Religion and AIDS Prevention: The Faith Initiative of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Panelists:
Qairo Ali, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA
Marc S. Blumenthal, AIDS National Interfaith Network, Los Angeles, CA
Rodney J. DeMartini, National Catholic AIDS Network, Sebastopol, CA
Respondent:
Marie J. Giblin, Xavier University
See page 9 for a description of this session.

A184 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and Chinese Religions Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Parc Ballroom 1
Catherine M. Bell, Santa Clara University, and Valarie H. Ziegler, DePauw University, Presiding
Theme: Strategies for Teaching Chinese Religion
Keith Knapp, The Citadel
Strategies for Teaching Confucianism
Russell Kirkland, University of Georgia
Strategies for Teaching Taoism
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Strategies for Teaching about Buddhism in the "Chinese Religions" Course
Jonathan Herman, Georgia State University
Roots and Branches: Redirecting Priorities in the Survey Course
Respondent:
Charles D. Orzech, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

A185 Buddhism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Franciscan A
Robert H. Sharf, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding.
Theme: Monks and Their Money
Luis O. Gómez, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
The Benefits of Morality, Meditation, and Wisdom: Imagined and Proposed Hierarchies
Gregory Schopen, University of Texas, Austin
Beauty and the Beast: Art, Aesthetic Values, and the Attraction of Money in Indian Buddhist Monasteries
Robert M. Gimello, University of Arizona
Mantra, Mandalas, and Mammon: Amoghavajra and the Disposition of Wealth in Esoteric Buddhism
Janet Gyan, Amherst College
An Umbrella Above, a Throne Below, and His Lips Ever Dipped in Butter Tea: Conflicting Views on the Religious Merit of Wealth in Tibet
Ian Reader, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, Denmark
At the Heart of Japanese Buddhism: Selling and Promoting This-Worldly Benefits
**S155 Christian Theology and the Bible Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Da Vinci

Ulrich W. Mauser, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: The Trinity and the Fatherhood of God

1:00 Marianne Meye Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary

*Heirs of God, Heirs with Christ: Reflections on the Fatherhood of God in the Bible*

1:30 Cynthia L. Rigby, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

*God Is Not from Mars or Venus: The Trinity as Challenge to Gender Essentialism*

2:00 Stephen L. Stell, Austin College

*The Fatherhood of God: Experienced Traditions and Traditional Experiences*

2:30 Recess

2:35 Panel Discussion

2:50 General Discussion

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**S156 Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession**

1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 5

Gale A. Yee, University of St. Thomas, Presiding

*Mentoring and Racial/Ethnic Minorities*

1:00 Graduate Student Panelists:

Leticia A. Guardiola-Saenz, Vanderbilt University

Sojung Yoon, Graduate Theological Union

Junior Faculty Panelists:

Efrain Agosto, Hartford Seminary

Judy Fentriss-Williams, Hartford Seminary

Senior Faculty Panelists:

Stephen Breck Reid, Austin Theological Seminary

Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School

2:00 Recess

2:05 Small group discussion and strategies session

2:55 Recess

3:00 Reports from small groups

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**S157 Early Jewish/Christian Relations Section**

1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Barcelona II

Jeffrey S. Siker, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

1:00 Edmondo F. Lupieri, University of Udine, Italy

*"The Law and the Prophets Were until John": John the Baptist between Jewish Halakhot and Christian History of Salvation*

1:30 Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki

*The Jewish Character of Baptism in Matthew's Gospel*

2:00 Todd C. Penner, Emory University

*Jews and Christians in James: The Social-Economic Configuration of an Interreligious Conflict*

2:30 Robert F. Shedinger, Temple University

*The Nicolaitans and the Revelation Community: Early Jewish-Christian Conflict in Asia Minor*

3:00 William A. Simmons, Lee College

*Stephen's Speech and the Missionary Strategy of the Hellenists of Acts 6*
Monday Afternoon
November 24

A186 Ethics Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 3
F. Michael McLain, Rhodes College, Presiding
Theme: Rethinking Affirmative Action
Lawrie Balfour, Harvard University
Slavery, Citizenship, and the Affirmative Action Problem
Donald H. Matthews, St. Louis University, and Jonathan D. Matthews, Stanford University
Looking for Freedom in All the Wrong Places: Affirmative Action and Beyond
Diane M. Yeager, Georgetown University
Social Sinfulness and Social Trust: Niebuhr, Luhmann, and Affirmative Action
Donna Maeda, Occidental College
Ruptures in Justice: Affirmative Action and Proliferating Difference

A187 History of Christianity Section and Ascetic Impulse in Religious Life and Culture Group (=S152)
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 3 & 4
Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Foucault, Spiritual Exercise, and Practices of the Self: Responses to David M. Halperin’s Saint Foucault
Panelists:
Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley
Janet R. Jakobsen, University of Arizona
Ann Pellegrini, Harvard University
Tyler T. Roberts, Harvard University
Respondent:
David M. Halperin, University of New South Wales, Australia

A188 North American Religions Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  N-Grey Pearl
Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College, Presiding
Theme: Religion on the Internet: Practice and Pedagogy
Oren Baruch Stier, University of Cape Town
Frontier Jews: Chabad-Lubavitch in Cyberspace
Martha L. Finch, University of California, Santa Barbara
Intangible Bodies: Pursuing Religious Experience on the Internet
Respondent:
Brenda E. Brasher, Mount Union College
Workshop: Teaching American Religious History Using the World Wide Web
Brion K. Turley, West Virginia University
Rodger M. Payne, Louisiana State University

A189 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 1
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding
Theme: Latina/o Religious Movements in the U.S.: Growing Diversity
Manuel A. Vasquez, University of Florida
Religion and Transnationalization: Imaging Community among Salvadoran and Peruvian Pentecostals in the U.S.
Bobby C. Alexander, University of Texas, Dallas
Mexican Immigrant Religion in the Resurgence of Ethnicity in Urban America
Miguel A. De La Torre, Temple University
Afro-Christianty: An Exilic Cuban Sacred Space
Milagro Peña, New Mexico State University
Latinas and the Subversion of Patriarchy: A View of the Importance of Culture in Feminist Theory
Respondent:
Otto A. Maduro, Drew University

Greco-Roman Religions Section
1:00pm–3:30pm P-Barcelona 1
Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University, Presiding

1:00 Introductions
1:05 Panelists:
John G. Gager, Princeton University
Brian B. Schmidt, University of Michigan
Marvin Meyer, Chapman University
2:05 Recess
2:10 Panelists:
Martha Himmelfarb, Princeton University
Lawrence E. Sullivan, Harvard University
2:50 Respondent:
Fritz Graf, University of Basel
3:10 General Discussion

Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Taylor
Theodore J. Lewis, University of Georgia, Presiding
1.00 Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki
Prophets as Viewed by Scholars
1.25 Karel Van Der Toorn, Leiden University
In the Lions' Den: The Babylonian Background of a Biblical Motif
1:30 Paul A. Keim, Hesston College
Damned If You Do: Malediction as Medium in the Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East
2:15 Samuel A. Meier, Ohio State University
"He Caused Israel to Sin": A Semitic Curse Tradition in Deuteronomistic Theology
2:40 Nicolas Wyatt, University of Edinburgh
Ilimiku and his Ilk: The Genre of Royal Propaganda
3:05 David Toshio Tsumura, Japan Bible Seminary
List Formula and Narrative in 1 Sam 6:17–18a in the Light of Ugaritic Economic Texts

Israelite Prophetic Literature Section
1:00pm–3:30pm P-Sienna
Julia M. O'Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding
1:00 Stuart A. Irvine, Louisiana State University
Enmity in the House of God (Hosea 9:7–9)
1:30 James M. Trotter, Murdoch University
Reading within the Lines: The Function of the Superscript and Postscript to the Book of Hosea
2:00 Soren R. Willesen, Aarhus University, Denmark
Happy Days of Yahweh and Israel in Egypt: Reading Implied Text in Hosea and Amos
2:30 Carol J. Dempsey, University of Portland
Micah 2–3: Literary Artistry, Ethical Message, and Some Considerations about the Image of YHWH and Micah
3:00 Hyun Chul Paul Kim, Claremont Graduate School
Multiplicity of the Servant: A Diachronic and Synchronic Analysis

A190  Study of Islam Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Mason
Jeffrey T. Kenney, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Presiding
Theme: Islam and Identity Formation in Local Contexts
Benjamin F. Soares, Northwestern University
Muslims, Christians, and Struggles for Control over the Religious Public Sphere in Mali
Elizabeth Fuller Collins, Ohio University
"The Jihab is the Song of Our Vision": Southeast Asian Muslim Women and the Veil
Mark J. Sedgwick, American University in Cairo
Growth and Decline in Southeast Asian Sufism: The Case of the Tarekat Ahmadiya
Kathleen Malone O'Connor, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
From the Nubian Islamic Hebrews to the Holy Tabernacle
Ministers: Continuity and Change in an African American Judeo-Islamic Community
Liya T. Takim, Vanderbilt University
Duality and Double Minority: Shi'ism in North America

A191  Study of Judaism Section and Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 23 & 24
Marilyn F. Nefsky, University of Lethbridge, Presiding
Theme: The Goldhagen Debate: The Significance of Daniel Jonah Goldhagen's Hitler's Willing
Executioners: Ordinary Germans and the Holocaust
Panelists:
Michael Berenbaum, Survivors of the Shoah Visual History Foundation, Los Angeles, CA
Doris L. Bergen, University of Notre Dame
Richard L. Rubenstein, University of Bridgeport
Martin Rumscheidt, Atlantic School of Theology
Respondents:
Thomas A. Idinopulos, Miami University, Ohio
Katharina von Kellenbach, St. Mary's College of Maryland

A192  Theology and Religious Reflection Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 19 & 20
Mark I. Wallace, Swarthmore College, Presiding
Theme: Theological Naturalism/Theological Anthropology
Charley D. Hardwick, American University
Conditions and Constraints for a Christian Naturalistic Theology
Robert S. Corrington, Drew University
The Unruly Ground of Ecstatic Naturalism
John D. Copenhaver, Shenandoah University
Three-Dimensional Personhood: Toward a Theological "Solution" to the Mind/Body Problem
Daniel E. Patterson, Boston College
The Human System: A Postmodern Anthropology

A193  Women and Religion Section and Mysticism Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 3 & 6
Nancy McCagney, University of Delaware, Presiding
Theme: Women, Literary Imagination, and Mysticism: An Interreligious Dialogue
Margaret M. Toscano, University of Utah
Down and Dirty with God: Sex, Housework, and Mystical Discourse
Sophie Miron, Graduate Theological Union
The Pregnant Nothing: A Feminist Critique of Jewish Mystical and Buddhist Notions of Creation and Nothingness
Clare Fischer, Graduate Theological Union
The Double "Feminine" in Weil and Tagore
Martha Ellen Stortz, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
"To Be Seen Seeing": Practices of Attention in Murdoch and Weil
Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University
The Traditions of Mirabai: Narrative Abundance and Reimagining the Self
Monday Afternoon
November 24

Matthew Group
1:00pm–3:30pm    N-Grand Ballroom III
Karen A. Bara, Seattle University. Presiding
1:00  Elaine Wainwright, Catholic Theological College
     Jesus the Healer and Women the Healed in Matthew’s Gospel
1:30  Warren Carter, Saint Paul School of Theology
     Community Definition, Genre, and Rhetoric in Matthew’s Gospel
2:00  J. A. Draper, University of Natal
     A Narrative Reading of the Sermon on the Mount
2:30  Richard C. Beaton, University of Cambridge
     Justice and Messiah: A Key to Matthew’s Use of Isaiah 42:1–47
3:00  Recess
3:10  Business Meeting
     The paper by Warren Carter in this session will be
     summarized and not read. It will be available in
     advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical
     Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20
     for ordering information.

Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm    H-Continental 7

Michael A. Williams, University of Washington, Presiding
Theme: Vision and Knowledge of the Divine in Gnosticism
1:00  Douglas M. Parrott, University of California, Riverside
     The Hermeneutical Key in the Gospel of Thomas
1:20  Jean-Pierre Mahé, École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris
     Mental Exercises and Mystical Vision in the Hermetica
1:40  Karen L. King, Harvard Divinity School, Panelist
     Hearing, Seeing, and Knowing: The Varying Politics of Ascent
     in Allogenes and the Gospel of Mary
2:00  John D. Turner, University of Nebraska
     Visionary Ascent and Auditory Revelation in the Platonizing
     Sethian Treatises (Cosmianos, Three Steles of Seth, Allogenes,
     and Marsanes)
2:20  Roundtable discussion among authors of papers on
     “Vision and Knowledge of the Divine in Gnosticism
     and Late Antiquity” presented in the Nag Hammadi
     and Gnosticism Section and in the Early Jewish and
     Christian Mysticism Consultation.
     Note: This session is part of a larger discussion on
     the theme “Vision and Knowledge of the Divine in
     Late Antiquity,” which is also being conducted by
     the Early Jewish and Mysticism Consultation
     (S135).

A194 Black Theology Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 17 & 18
F. Douglas Powe, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: The Works of J. Deotis Roberts
Panelists:
Alonzo Johnson, University of South Carolina
Ralph C. Watkins, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Henry James Young, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
Respondent:
G. Kasimu Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology

A195 Christian Spirituality Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union Square 1 & 2
Lauren Artress, Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, CA, Presiding
Theme: Walking the Labyrinth: Critical Reflections on Sacred Place, Space, and Movement
Peter Ellard, Fordham University
The Theology of the School of Chartres and the Labyrinth of Chartres Cathedral
Georgia A. Frank, Colgate University
Literary Labyrinths and Spiritual Progress in Ancient Pilgrims' Narratives
Barbara Laishley, University of Pittsburgh
The Labyrinth as Ritual Action: An Examination of Efficacy, Intent, and Neurological Function
Elyn Aviva, Iliff School of Theology
Seeking the Center: Pilgrimages and Labyrinths as Sacred Journeys
Business Meeting
Steven Chase, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

A196 Evangelical Theology Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Continental 6
Theme: Postmodern Biblical Hermeneutics
Glenn M. Galloway, Palms Baptist Church, Twentynine Palms, CA
Postmodern Evangelical Hermeneutics: Reading between the Lines
Debra Dean Murphy, Mt. Olive College
Postmodern Hermeneutics and the Sensus Literalis: Critiquing the "Nonliteral" Approach to Scripture in Modern Exegesis
Dan R. Stiver, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Continental Hermeneutical Philosophy: A Postmodern Page for Evangelicals
Roger E. Olson, Bethel College, Presiding
Respondent:
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Douglas Gordon Jacobsen, Messiah College
Business Meeting
Roger E. Olson, Bethel College, Presiding

A197 Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Rubens
Jualynne E. Dodson, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding
Theme: Misrepresentations of Indigenous Art and Religio-cultures and Self-Representation
Panelists:
Paul C. Johnson, University of Missouri, Columbia
Mary N. MacDonald, LeMoyne College
Sylvia Marcos, Mount Holyoke College
Catherine McHale, Columbia University
Guérin C. Montilus, Wayne State University
Respondent:
Charles H. Long, University of California, Santa Barbara
National Association of Professors of Hebrew
1:00pm–3:30pm N-Pink Pearl II
Pamela J. Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Chant and Song in the Teaching of Biblical Hebrew*

1:00 Victoria Hoffer, Yale University
*The Contribution of Cantillation and Song to the Teaching of Biblical Hebrew*

Panelists:
J. Gordon Harris, North American Baptist Seminary
Carol Bechtel Reynolds, Western Theological Seminary

2:30 Michael Maswari Caspi, Bates College, Presiding

Paul and Politics Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm P-Parc Ballroom III
Neil Elliott, College of St. Catherine, Presiding
Theme: *Politics of the Assembly in Corinth*

1:00 Cynthia Briggs Kittredge, College of the Holy Cross
*Corinthian Women Prophets and Paul’s Argumentation in 1 Corinthians*

1:20 Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
*Paul on Bondage and Freedom in Imperial Roman Society*

1:40 Richard A. Horsley, University of Massachusetts
*Rhetoric and Empire: 1 Corinthians and Public Culture in Roman Corinth*

Respondent:
2:00 Antoinette C. Wire, San Francisco Theological Seminary, GTU

2:15 Panel Discussion

2:30 General Discussion

Philo of Alexandria Group
1:00pm–3:30pm H-Union 22

1:00 David T. Runia, Leiden University, Presiding
*De vita contemplativa*

1:00 Joan E. Taylor, University of Waikato, New Zealand
*The ‘Therapeuta’; Name, Location and Character*

1:20 Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University
*Philo’s De vita contemplativa as a Philosopher’s Dream*

1:40 Holger Szesnat, University of the North
On Pretty Boys, Female Disease, and Aged Virgins in De vita contemplativa: Some Aspects of a Philonic Chapter in a (Post-Foucauldian) History of ‘Sexuality’

2:00 Abraham Terian, Armenian Theological Seminary
*The Significant Variants in the Armenian De vita contemplativa*

2:20 Respondent:
David M. Hay, Coe College

2:40 General Discussion

3:10 Recess

3:15 Business Meeting
A198 Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Powell
Amy Laura Hall, Yale University. Presiding
Theme: Kierkegaard as Religious Psychologist
Gordon D. Marino, St. Olaf College
On the Distinction between Melancholy and Despair: Shades of Darkness
Eric J. Ziolkowski, Lafayette College
Kierkegaard, Christ, and the Religious Psychology of Children
Brian C. Barlow, Brenau University
Absence and Presence: The Religious-Psychological Meaning of "The Lily in the Field and the Bird of the Air"

A199 Korean Religions Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Raphael
Sungtaek Cho, State University of New York, Stony Brook, Presiding
Theme: The Exploration of Korean Shamanism
Boudewijn Walraven, Leiden University
Opening the Gate of Writing: Literate Shamans in Modern Korea
Michael J. Pettid, University of Hawaii, Manoa
Literary Analysis of the Pari Kongju Muga
Maria K. Seo, University of Washington
Ritual Performance of Musok in Sacred and Secular Contexts
Andrew Sung Park, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
The Essence of Ritual: Mircea Eliade and Taegon Kim
Respondent:
Young Chan Ro, George Mason University
Kang-Nam Oh, University of Regina

A200 Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Van Ness
Eva K. Neumaier-Dargyay, University of Alberta, Presiding
Theme: The Politics of Lesbian Visibility
Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University
Lesbian Rabbis and the Politics of Visibility
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College
In Whose Image? Strategies of Lesbian-Feminist Visibility
Respondent:
Grace G. Burford, Prescott College
Business Meeting
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College, and Eva K. Neumaier-Dargyay, University of Alberta, Presiding

A201 New Religious Movements Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  P-Aragon
Dell de Chant, University of South Florida, Presiding
Theme: Interpretation of Scriptures in New Religious Movements
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College
The Bible and New Religious Movements: An Overview
Richard A. Gardner, Sophia University, Tokyo
Aum Shinrikyo’s Use of “Animated Scriptures” and a “Panic about Popular Culture”
Tamal Krishna Goswami, Southern Methodist University
Transformation versus Continuity. Tensions in Scriptural Transmission, Hermeneutical Strategies in the Commentaries of A. C. Bhaktivinoda Swami Prabhupada
Jeanne S. Hopper, Unity-Progressive Theological Seminary
New Meanings from Old Methods: Contemporary Allegorical Interpretation of Scripture
Judith R. Tafelski, Unity-Progressive Theological Seminary
A Course in Miracles: The Scriptural Manifestations of Revelation in a Postmodern Culture
S166  Semiotics and Exegesis Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  N-Pink Pearl I

Timothy B. Cargal, Western Kentucky University, Presiding
Theme: *Reading the Bible in Contemporary Culture*

1:00  Laura E. Donaldson, University of Iowa
*The Sign of Orpah: Reading Ruth Through Native Eyes*

1:20  Athalya Brenner, University of Amsterdam
*Ruth, Foreign Workers, and the Politics of Exogamy*

1:40  Musa W. Dube Shomanah, Vanderbilt University
*The Unpublished Letters of Orpah to Ruth*

2:00  Judith E. McKinlay, Otago University
*A Son is Born to Naomi: A Harvest for Israel*

2:20  Respondent:
Roland T. Boer, United Theological College, Sydney

2:35  General Discussion

3:00  Business Meeting

S167  Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Sutter

Jacques Berlinerblau, Brooks College, Presiding
Theme: *Approaches to Class in Ancient Israel*

1:00  Mark Sneed, Magnolia Bible College
*A Middle Class in Ancient Israel?*

1:30  Niels Peter Lemche, University of Copenhagen
*The Relevance of Working with the Concept of Class Society in the Study of Israelite Society in the Iron Age?*

1:55  Sara Mandell, University of South Florida
*Primary History as a Social Construct of a Privileged Class*

2:20  Norman K. Gottwald, Pacific School of Religion
*The Expropriated and the Expropriators in Nehemiah 5*

2:45  Philip R. Davies, University of Sheffield
*Is There a Class in This Text?*

3:10  General Discussion

S168  Sociology of the Literature of the Second Temple Period Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  H-Union 15 & 16

John M. Halligan, St. John Fisher College, Presiding

Theme: *Sociology of the Literature of Qumran*

1:00  Robert A. Kugler, Gonzaga University
1QS, 4Q84, 4QMMT, and other Qumran Witnesses: The Challenge of the Scrolls to the Paradigm of Priestly Dominance in the Second Temple Period

1:10  General Discussion

1:20  Catherine M. Murphy, University of Notre Dame
*The Voluntary Offering of Property at Qumran: Rationale and Realities in the Rule of the Community*

1:30  General Discussion

1:40  Robert Eisenman, California State University, Long Beach
"MMT" as a Jamesian Letter to "the Great King of the Peoples Beyond the Euphrates" (or "Izates")

1:50  General Discussion

2:00  Recess

2:10  Panel Discussion: *Social Contexts for the Judaisms at Qumran*

2:40  General Discussion

3:10  Business Meeting
John M. Halligan, St. John Fisher College, Presiding

The papers in this session will be summarized, not read, and will be available in advance of the meeting by e-mail from <halligan@sjfc.edu> after September.
### A202 Person, Culture and Religion Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm**

**H-Union Square 14**

**John McDargh, Boston College, Presiding**  
**Theme: Spirituality in Contexts: Further Explorations**

- **Matthew G. Condon, University of Chicago**  
  *Rousseau's Confessions: The Interplay of Psychosexual Desire and Cultural Discourse in His Spiritual and Secular Conversions*

- **Steven J. Holmes, Harvard University**  
  *Nature Spirituality in Cultural and Psychological Context: Two Moments in John Muir's Relationship with the Wisconsin Landscape*

- **Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont**  
  *American Buddhist Response to the Land: Ecospirituality at Two West Coast Retreat Centers*

**Respondent:** Pamela Cooper-White, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary

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### A203 Religion and Ecology Group and Theology and Science Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm**

**N-Grand Ballroom II**

**Mary Evelyn Tucker, Bucknell University, Presiding**  
**Theme: Brian Swimme's The Hidden Heart of the Cosmos, Review and Response**

**Panelists:**  
- John B. Cobb, Claremont Graduate School  
- Heather Eaton, University of St. Michael's College  
- Philip Hefner, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago  
- Rosemary Radford Ruether, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary

**Respondent:** Brian Swimme, California Institute of Integral Studies

### A204 Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group and Religion and Popular Culture Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm**  

**H-Continental 2**

- **Jeffrey Mahan, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding**  
  **Theme: Breaking the Waves**

- **Kyle Keefer, Emory University, and Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University**  
  *Theologies of Eros in the Song of Songs and Breaking the Waves*

- **Kelly Livingston, Drew University**  
  *Breaking the Waves: A Film of Sexuality, God, and Language*

- **Christine Jones, University of Windsor**  
  *Understanding Desire in Relation to God in Breaking the Waves*

- **Mark Greene, Pacifica Graduate Institute**  
  *An Archetypal Analysis of the Numinosum in Breaking the Waves*

### A205 Religion in Eastern Europe and the Former USSR Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm**  

**P-Corinidia**

**Krystyna Gorniak-Kocikowska, Southern Connecticut State University, Presiding**  
**Theme: Myth-Making: Religion, Nationalism, and the Struggle for Identity**

- **Walter H. Capps, University of California, Santa Barbara**  
  *Post Cold War Processes of Mythological Re-identification*

- **Boguslawa Bednarczyk, Jagellonian University**  
  *The Roman Catholic Church in Poland on Poland's Membership in NATO*

- **Andrii Krawchuk, Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, St. Leonard**  
  *Myth-Making: The Underpinnings of Religious Restoration in Ukraine*

- **Helmut David Baer, University of Notre Dame**  
  *The Religious Significance of Minority Status: Theological and Political Thought of Laszlo Tohes*

- **Halina Grzymala-Moszcynska, Jagellonian University**  

- **J. Eugene Clay, Arizona State University**  
  *Russian Nationalism and the Center of the Mother of God*

**Business Meeting**

- **Leslie A. Muray, Lansing Community College, and Krystyna Gorniak-Kocikowska, Southern Connecticut State University, Presiding**
Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section
1:00pm–2:30pm   N-San Francisco
Melvin K. H. Peters, Duke University, Presiding
1:00  Edward D. Herbert, Glasgow Bible College
A New Text-Critical Method and the Nahash Incident of 4QSam*
1:30  David L. Phillips, Newark, CA
The Paleo-Hebrew Tenth Commandment
2:00  Craig E. Morrison, Pontifical Biblical Institute
The Peshitta Version of First Samuel

Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Group
1:00pm–3:30pm   P-Dante
Patrick A. Tiller, Sharon, MA, Presiding
Theme: Rewards and Punishments in Early Christian Literature
1:00  John S. Kloppenborg, St. Michael’s College
Reward and Punishment in Matthew’s Sermon
1:15  Robert A. Kraft, University of Pennsylvania
Whence and Wherefore? Forms and Functions of the Two Ways Traditions
1:30  Respondent:
Anthony J. Saldañini, Boston College
1:50  Recess
1:55  General Discussion
3:10  Business Meeting
Papers will be predistributed. Contact George Nickelsburg: <george-nickelsburg@uiowa.edu>.

Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Group
3:45pm–5:45pm   H-Van Ness
J. Bradley Chance, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding
3:45  Chris Shea, Ball State University
Setting the Stage for Romances: Ecphrasis, Again
4:15  Richard I. Pervo, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary
Rewriting the Bible Before It Was the Bible: The So-Called Protoevangelium of James in the Windy Cave of Early Christian Fiction
4:45  Tawny L. Holm, Central College, John Hopkins University
Daniel 1–6: A Biblical Story-Collection
5:15  Chaim Milikowsky, Bar Ilan University, Israel
Midrash as Fiction and Midrash as History: What Did the Rabbis Mean?
A206 Wesleyan Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm N-White Pearl
Susie Stanley, Messiah College, Presiding
Theme: True Wesleyans: Apologetics within the Wesleyan Family
Randy L. Maddox, University of Sioux Falls
Respected Founder/Neglected Guide: The Role of Wesley in American Methodist Theology
Stan Ingersol, Nazarene Archives, Kansas City, MO
The Methodist Identity of the Church of the Nazarene
Elaine A. Robinson, Emory University
True Wesleyans: A Postmodern Apologia
Business Meeting
Ted A. Campbell, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

A207 Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
1:00pm–3:30pm N-Grand Ballroom 1
Alison P. Gise Johnson, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Visionary Urgencies in Womanist Ecclesiology
Marcia Y. Riggs, Columbia Theological Seminary
Standing in Yet outside the Gates: A Womanist Reinterpretation of the Black Church Since Frazier
Duane A. Belgrave, Emory University
Womanist Ecclesiology: A Theological Prescription for the Church
Patricia L. Hunter, Ministers' and Missionaries' Benefit Board of the American Baptist Churches, Seattle, WA
Womanist Thought, Womanist Theology: Effective Tools for Evangelism and Discipleship
Maisha Handy, Emory University
Covering Our Shame: The Ritualization of Female Virtue in the Black Church
Rosetta E. Ross, Interdenominational Theological Center
Witnessing and Testifying: Womanism, (Sexual) Difference, and Black Churches
Respondent:
Jamie T. Phelps, Catholic Theological Union

A208 Practice of Christianity in Roman Africa Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm N-Union Square 9
Graeme W. Clarke, Australian National University, Presiding
Theme: The Practice and Interpretation of the Rite of Baptism
William Tabbernee, Phillips Theological Seminary
Was Montanist Baptism in North Africa Heretical as well as Schismatic?
Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College
Tertullian's Theology and "Jewish Baptism"
Susan T. Stevens, Randolph-Macon Woman's College
Eloquent Water: The Sources, Distribution, and Uses of Water in North African Churches
Maureen A. Tilley, Florida State University
The Sign Value of Donatist Baptismal Architecture
Robin M. Jensen, Andover Newton Theological School
Womb, Tomb, and Garden: The Symbolism of the North African Baptismal Fonts
Jane E. Merdinger, Portland, OR
"Do You Renounce Satan and All His Works?" Success and Failure amongst Catechumens in Late Roman Africa

A209 Special Topics Forum
Sponsored by the Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Continental 1
Jace Weaver, Yale University, Presiding
Theme: Mentoring Racial/Ethnic Graduate Students
Panelists:
Rita Nakashima Brock, Bunting Institute, Radcliffe College
James H. Cone, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Drew University
Homer Noley, Claremont School of Theology
See page 9 for a description of this session.
Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Union 5 & 6
Chris Franke, College of St. Catherine, Presiding
Theme: Poetic Features of the Genre of Lament in the Bible

Panelists:
William L. Holladay, Andover Newton Theological Seminary
Scott B. Noegel, University of Washington
Corrine L. Patton, University of St. Thomas

Respondents:
David W. Cotter, St. John’s University
David M. Howard, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

General Discussion

Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Powell
Judith M. Hadley, Villanova University, Presiding

Jacques Berlinerblau, Brooklyn College
Northwest Semites in the Bronze-Age Aegean? Evaluating Martin Bernal’s Black Athena and the Gordon/Astour School

John Pairman Brown, Graduate Theological Union
Greek Words and Images Illustrating the Hebrew Bible

Anne Marie Kitz, The Ecumenical Institute of Theology, St. Mary’s Seminary and University, Baltimore
Hebrew Lot-casting Terminology and Ancient Near Eastern Parallels

Ktziah Spanier, New York University
Intra-Familial Adoption in the Bible and the Ancient Near East

Michael V. Fox, University of Wisconsin
A Debate in Ancient Pedagogy

Raymond C. Van Leeuwen, Eastern College
The Ancient Near Eastern Background of Prov 30:4a

History of Interpretation Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Union 14
Maureen A. Tilley, Florida State University, Presiding
Theme: Interpretation in Cultural Context

Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College
Original Dishonor: The Curse of Ham and the Southern Defense of Slavery

Lynn Poland, Davidson College
Lectures on The Sacred Poetry of the Hebrews (1753): Robert Lowth’s Sublime

Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University
Political and Millenarian Themes in Twentieth-Century Scholarship of the Book of Revelation

Business Meeting
A210 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 3
Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College, Presiding
Theme: Popular Culture as Theology: Explorations into Television, Music Videos, Comic Books, and Popular Songs
Thomas M. Beaudoin, Boston College
"Looking for a Savior": Jesus and Music Video
Peter Bebergal, Cambridge, MA
Comic Books and Religion: Sequential Art, Dialogue, and the Religious Imagination
Brenda E. Brasher, Mount Union College
From Revelation to the X-Files: An Autopsy of Millennial Themes in Postmodern Culture
Theodore Trost, Harvard University
"What if God Was One of Us?" Religious Quests, Questions, and Quandaries in Popular Songs
Respondent:
Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa

A211 Buddhism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 3 & 4
Fabio Rambelli, Williams College, Presiding
Theme: The Wages of Sin: Economies of Evil in East Asian Buddhism
Stephen F. Teiser, Princeton University
The Punishment of King Yama: Royal Law and Buddhist Law in the Agamas
Alan Cole, Lewis and Clark College
Unholy Birth and Sacred Death: The Sin of Life in Medieval Chinese Buddhism
Brook Ziporyn, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Forgive Them, For They Know What They Do: Zhili’s Defense of Sin
Brian D. Ruppert, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
Sin or Crime? Debts and the Construction of Buddhist Kingship in Early Medieval Japan
Terry Kawashima, Harvard University
Sin and Sexuality: The Case of Women Entertainers in Late Heian Japan

A212 Comparative Studies in Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Grand Ballroom 1
Steven Wasserstrom, Reed College, Presiding
Theme: The Legacy of Marilyn Robinson Waldman
Panelists:
Judith A. Berling, Graduate Theological Union
William A. Graham, Harvard University
Lindsay Jones, Ohio State University
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University
Bruce Lincoln, University of Chicago
Respondent:
Thomas P. Kasulis, Ohio State University

A213 History of Christianity Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 17 & 18
Evelyn A. Kirkley, University of San Diego, Presiding
Theme: Women Preachers and Prophets
Joy A. Schroeder, University of Notre Dame
Wisdom’s Voice: Hrotsvitha of Gandersheim, Hildegard of Bingen, and Rebecca Cox Jackson
Connie Schütz, St. Michael’s College
Vox Intexta: Auto/Biography in Hildegard of Bingen’s Vita
Jane Marie Pinzino, Grinnell College
True Prophet or False? The Politics of Spiritual Discernment in Joan of Arc’s World
Carol Thysell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Un-Knitting the Napkin, Unearthing the Treasure: The Parable of the Talents as a Justification for Early Modern Women’s Preaching and Prophesying
Marla J. Selvidge, Central Missouri State University
Joanna Southcott: A Female Messiah
Kirsí Irmeli Stjerna, Cape Cod Community College
Women’s Power of Prophecy: Finnish Sleep-Preachers
Ideological Criticism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm N-Grand Ballroom III
Elizabeth A. Castelli, Barnard College, Presiding
3:50 Panelists:
Ann Pellegrini, Harvard University
David M. Halperin, University of New South Wales
Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary
Deirdre Good, General Theological Seminary
4:50 Respondent:
Bernadette J. Brooten, Brandeis University
5:20 General Discussion

Israelite Prophetic Literature Section
3:45pm–6:15pm H-Plaza A
Julie Galambush, College of William and Mary, Presiding
Theme: Violence and the Prophets
Panelists will address the question, “Should/how should modern experiences of violence inform our readings of prophetic texts?”
Panelists:
3:45 Renita J. Weems, Vanderbilt Divinity School
4:10 Sandra L. Gravett, Appalachian State University
4:35 M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary
5:00 Robert P. Carroll, University of Glasgow
5:25 Robert D. Haak, Augustana College
5:50 General Discussion

Johannine Literature Section
3:45pm–6:15pm N-Grand Ballroom II
Paul N. Anderson, George Fox College, Presiding
3:45 Richard Bauckham, University of St. Andrews, Scotland
Light/Darkness Dualism in the Fourth Gospel and the Qumran Texts
4:15 Jane S. Webster, McMaster University, Hamilton
Transcending Alterity: The Proverbial Strange Woman Meets the Johannine Samaritan Woman
4:45 Ann Roberts Winsor, Church Divinity School, Graduate Theological Union
A King is Bound in the Tresses: Allusions to the Song of Songs in the Fourth Gospel
5:15 Dongsoo Kim, University of Cambridge, England
Johannine Ecclesiology: A Prophetic Voice in Early Christianity
5:45 Francis J. Moloney, Australian Catholic University
The Johannine Paraclete and Jesus—Again
**A214 Philosophy of Religion Section and Study of Judaism Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Pink Pearl I

Edith Wyschogrod, Rice University, Presiding

**Theme: A Requiem for Modern Jewish Philosophy?!**

Heidi M. Ravven, Hamilton College

*Personal and Spinozist Musings on the End of Jewish Philosophy*

Michael Zank, Boston University

*On the Modernity, Authenticity, and Rationality of Modern Jewish Philosophy: Herman Cohen*

Yudit Kornberg Greenberg, Rollins College

*Rosenzweig’s Star as a New Paradigm for Jewish Philosophy*

Jacob Meskin, Rutgers University

*Jewish Tradition and the “Transformative Critique” of Modern Jewish Philosophy in Cohen, Rosenzweig, and Levinas*

Respondent:

Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto

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**A216 Religion in South Asia Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  N-Pink Pearl II

Frank Reynolds, University of Chicago, Presiding

**Theme: Religion, Healing, and Discourse in India: Ethnographic Approaches**

Daniel Cohen, University of Virginia

*Singing about Ghosts: Improvisation, Diagnosis, and Healing*

Mathew N. Schmalz, University of Chicago

*Sins and Somatologies: Sexual Transgression and the Body in Indian Charismatic Healing*

Joyce Burkhalter Flueckiger, Emory University

*The Word Ingested, Burned, Performed: A Healing Crossroads in South India*

Peter Gotschalk, Southwestern University

*Powers of Association: Narratives of Healing among a Sufi, Shahid, and Brahmin in Rural Bihar*

Respondent:

Lawrence Cohen, University of California, Berkeley

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**A217 Women and Religion Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Barcelona II

Marcia L. Falk, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding

**Theme: After a Quarter Century: Multiple Discourses in the Study of Women and Religion**

Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate School

*Three Decades of Women's Studies in Religion: Where Have We Been? Where Are We Going?*

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd, Toronto School of Theology

*The Critical Examination of Four Feminist Alternatives to Liberal, Modern Paradigm*

Rosemary Polanin, University of Chicago

*The Feminist Critique of Theological Education—1970s through the 1990s*

Ellen M. Umansky, Fairfield University, and Laura Zolloth-Dorfman, San Francisco State University

*A Report from the Chairpersons: Gender, Scholarship, and Leadership of Jewish Studies Departments*

Respondent:

Fredrica Harris Thompsett, Episcopal Divinity School
**Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
H-Continental 2

Carol Schersten LaHurd, Lenoir-Rhyne College, Presiding

**Theme:** Matthew, Gender, and Film

3:45  
Janice Capel Anderson, University of Idaho, and Stephen D. Moore, University of Sheffield  
*Matthew and Masculinity*

4:00  
Respondents:  
Shawn Kelley, Daemen College  
Fred W. Burnett, Anderson University

4:30  
General Discussion

5:00  
Recess

5:05  
Panel Discussion of Pasolini’s film, *The Gospel according to Saint Matthew* (S124)

Panelists:

- George Aichele, Adrian College  
- Karen A. Barta, Seattle University  
- Jeffrey L. Staley, Pacific Lutheran University  
- James W. Voelz, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

*General Discussion*

The paper by Janice Capel Anderson and Stephen D. Moore will be summarized, not read, and will be available in advance of the meeting from Janice Anderson, University of Idaho, Dept. of Philosophy, Moscow, ID 83844-3016.

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**Post-Structuralist Research on the Hebrew Bible Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
P-Sienna

Mary E. Shields, Drury College, Presiding

**Theme:** Samuel I and II

3:45  
Timothy Frederick Simpson, Union Theological Seminary, Virginia  
*Paradigm Shift Happens: Intertextuality and a Reading of 2 Samuel 16:5–14*

4:10  
Christine Mitchell, Carleton University  
*Alienated King Saul*

4:35  
R. Christopher Heard, Southern Methodist University  
*Penitent to a Fault: Psalm 51 in 2 Samuel 11–12*

5:00  
John Havea, Southern Methodist University  
*A Resting King David: 2 Sam 7 and Dis[Placement]*

5:25  
Hugh S. Pyper, University of Leeds  
*Reading David Reading Death: 2 Samuel 12:15–23 among the Commentators*

5:50  
Panel Discussion and General Discussion

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**Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
H-Union 1 & 2

Anne McGuire, Haverford College, Presiding

3:45  
Ismo Dunderberg, University of Helsinki  
*Unity and Diversity in the Valentinian Christianity: Adam’s Creation as a Test Case*

4:00  
General Discussion

4:20  
Louis Painchaud, Laval University  
*The Rewriting(s) of the Apocryphon of John*

4:45  
General Discussion

4:45  
Andrea Lorenzo Molinari, Marquette University  
*Persecution, Apostasy and the Rejection of the Rich: A Post-Decian Dating for the Acts of Peter and the Twelve Apostles*

5:20  
General Discussion

5:30  
Frank Williams, University of Texas  
*Concept of Our Great Power: Jumble, “Coherent,” or Composite?*

5:55  
General Discussion
A218 Bonhoeffer Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 23 & 24
Ruth Zerner, City University of New York, Presiding
Theme: Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s Creation and Fall
Ralf K. Wuestenberg, Praktisch Theologisches Institute, Berlin
Bonhoeffer’s Theology of Life in Creation and Fall
Michelle J. Bartel, Augustana College
Attending to God outside the Garden: Discernment, Accountability, and the Address of God in Bonhoeffer’s Creation and Fall
Charles T. Mathewes, University of Chicago
A Tale of Two Judgments: Bonhoeffer and Arendt on Evil, Understanding, and Limits; and the Limits of Understanding Evil
Business Meeting
Geffrey B. Kelly, La Salle University, Presiding

A219 Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group and the History of the Study of Religion Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 19 & 20
Sarah Coakley, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: The Emergence of “Religion” in the Enlightenment and Post-Enlightenment: The Creation of a New Discourse and Forms of Practice
Jane A. Shaw, Oxford University
The Creation of “Religious Experience”: Enlightenment Strategies and Stories
Robert J. Baird, The National Faculty, Atlanta, GA
The Christian Roots of Religiouswissenschaft
Michel Despland, Concordia University, Montreal
Volney’s Construction of Religion in General and of Islam in Particular
Grace M. Jantzen, University of Manchester
Disciplining Religion
Respondents:
Phyllis Mack, Rutgers University
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University

A220 Issues in the Thought of Paul Tillich Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Corintia
Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Interpretations of War and Peace
Panelists:
A. James Reimer, University of Waterloo
Ronald H. Stone, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
Matthew L. Weaver, University of Pittsburgh
Respondent:
Sharon Peebles Burch, Boston University
Business Meeting
Sharon Peebles Burch, Boston University, Presiding

A221 Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 9
Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding
Theme: Lesbian Bodies
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa
Lee Chiaramonte, Drew University
The Meaness of “Hitting the Mean”: A Full-Bodied Lesbian-Feminist Relational Ethic and Theology Interrogates Aristotle’s Theory of Courage
Peggy Schmeiser, University of Ottawa
Sites of Destruction: The Cinematic Fate of the Lesbian Body

A222 Men’s Studies in Religion Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom II
Stephen B. Boyd, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: Trajectories in Men’s Studies in Religion: Theories, Methodologies, and Issues
Panelists:
Tom F. Driver, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Robert L. Moore, Chicago Theological Seminary
Sharon D. Welch, University of Missouri, Columbia
G. Kasimu Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology
J. Michael Clark, Atlanta, GA
Graham J. Ward, Cambridge University
Reading the Apocalypse: The Intersection of Literary and Social Methods Seminar
3:45pm–6:15pm    H-Continental 4
J. Christian Wilson, Elon College, Presiding
3:45
Steve Friesen, University of Missouri
Sarcasm as a Literary and Social Strategy in Revelation
4:35
Edith M. Humphrey, Aylmer, Quebec, Canada
On Visions, Arguments and Naming: The Rhetoric of Specificty and Mystery in the Apocalypse
5:25
David E. Aune, Loyola University, Chicago
Qumran and the Apocalypse of John

The papers by the presenters in this session will be summarized and not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information. Copies will also be posted on the Web at <http://www.wright.edu/academics/faculty/dbarr/sbl.htm>.

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section
3:45pm–5:45pm    N-White Pearl
Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska, Presiding
Theme: The Dead Sea Scrolls and Textual Criticism
3:45
Donald W. Parry, Brigham Young University
4QSam: (4Q51): Preliminary Notes and Readings of 2 Sam 16:21–21:6
4:15
Sarianna Metso, University of Helsinki
The Textual History of the Serek and the Textual Criticism of Legal Material in the Hebrew Bible
4:45
Paulson U. Pulikottil, Union Biblical Seminary, India
Harmonizations in the Quumran Biblical Scrolls: The Case of 1Qlsa*
5:15
Marsha B. Cohen, Florida International University
Belial in the Hebrew Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls
**A223 Native Traditions in the Americas Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 15 & 16

Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding

Theme: Religious Vitalization in Native California

Annette Reed-Crum, University of California, Berkeley

Circular 1665: Tolowa (Hush) Response to the Suppression of Native Religion

Helen McCarthy, University of California, Davis

Contemporary Challenges to the Preservation of Native American Sacred Sites: The California Experience

Sean M. Connors, University of California, Santa Barbara

Indigenous Paradigms and Ethno-ecology: Interpreting and Translating Karuk Orientations to the Earth

Frank LaPeña, California State University, Sacramento

Dancing the Earth

Respondent:

Inés M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

**A224 Reformed Theology and History Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Taylor

W. Stacy Johnson, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Divine Discourse

Nicholas Wolterstorff, Yale University

Respondents:

Nancey Murphy, Fuller Theological Seminary

Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University

Kurt A. Richardson, Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary

**A225 Religion and Ecology Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom I

Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Presiding

Theme: Politics of Nature and Human Experience

Jeffrey D. Marlett, Saint Louis University


Daniel T. Spencer, Drake University

Ecological and Social Transformations and the Construction of Race: A View from Iowa

Chandra Taylor Smith, Vanderbilt University

From within Earth’s Wounds: Locating African American Women’s Insights on the Ecological Crisis

Purushottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia

Ecology, Religion, and a Living Water Project in India

Business Meeting

David Landis Barnhill, Guilford College, and Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont, Presiding

**A226 Religion and Ethics in Health Care Group**

3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom III

C. Eric Mount, Centre College, Presiding

Theme: How Shall We Be Assisted in Dying II: Religious and Ethical Reflections on Marginalization and Autonomy at the End of Life

Panelists:

D. Micah Hester, Vanderbilt University

Timothy P. Jackson, Emory University

Audrey West, Duke University

Business Meeting

Marie J. Giblin, Xavier University, Presiding
The Theological and Historical Stakes in Synoptic Problem Scholarship
3:45pm-6:15pm  H-Continental 6
Sean McEvenue, Concordia University, Presiding
Panels:
David L. Dungan, University of Tennessee
Cain Hope Felder, Howard University, School of Divinity
John S. Kloppenborg, University of St. Michaels College
Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt Divinity School
David B. Peabody, Nebraska Wesleyan University
Leif Vaage, Emmanuel College, Toronto, Panelist
General Discussion
See page 16 for a description of this session.

Academic Teaching of Biblical Studies Group
3:45pm-6:45pm  H-Sutter
Robert L. Cohn, Lafayette College, Presiding
Theme: Teaching the Bible in the Context of General Education
3:45  Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago
The Bible in General Education
4:30  Laura E. Donaldson, University of Iowa
On the Killing Fields of the Culture Wars: Reading the Bible in General Education
5:15  General Discussion
5:25  Recess
5:30  E. Springs Steele, University of Scranton, and Brigid Curtin Frein, University of Scranton
Teaching the Bible as a Required Course for First Year Students
6:00  Alice Ogden Bellis, Howard University School of Divinity
Teaching the Bible with Sensitivity to African-American Perspectives and Concerns
6:30  General Discussion and Business Meeting

The Sons of Noah in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions (=A233)
4:00pm–6:00pm
Session will convene at the MESA Conference in the Hyatt Regency at the Embarcadero, Ballroom B
William Brinner, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Benjamin Braude, Boston College and Smith College
How Did Ham Become a Black Slave? Reexamining the Noahides in the Abrahamic Tradition
Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America
The Sons of Noah in Eastern Christian Tradition
Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College
The Sons of Noah in Sunni and Shi'ite Tafsir and Tradition
Gordon D. Newby, Emory University
Noah's Drowned Son
Respondent:
Mahmud Ayoub, Temple University
See page 17 for a description of this session.

A227 Ritual Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Michelangelo
Ivan Sremski, University of California, Riverside, Presiding
Theme: Textual and Contextual Arenas for Ritual Sacrifice
Nicole Wilkinson, Presbyterian College
The Cross as Execution and Sacrifice: Ritual Elements in the Gospel according to Mark
Paul C. Johnson, University of Missouri, Columbia
Spatial Movements in Ritual Sacrifice—With a Case Study of Brazilian Candomble
Kelley A. Raab, Nebraska Wesleyan University
Gender: The Missing Component in a Theory of Ritual Sacrifice
Sophie Miron, Graduate Theological Union
Searching for Sarah’s Verse: Gender and Inscription and the Sacrificial Paradigm in Jewish Circumcision Ritual
Respondent:
Mario I. Aguilar, University of St. Andrews
Business Meeting
Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding

A228 Roman Catholic Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Rubens
Patricia O’Connell Killen, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding
Theme: Saintsly Tasks
David A. Keck, Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines
The Caloyn Leper Colony in the Philippines, 1906 to the Present: Catholicism and Evolution of a Segregated Community
Thomas Paul Thigpen, Southwest Missouri State University
Pentecostal/Charismatic Ritual as “Re-Enchantment” of the World
Robert L. Fastiggi, St. Edward’s University
St. Thérèse of Lisieux (1873–1897) and the History of Catholic Spirituality
Christopher A. Link, Boston University

A229 Schleiermacher Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Mason
David E. Klemm, University of Iowa, Presiding
Theme: Schleiermacher’s Theological Ethics
Jacqueline Marina, Purdue University
Schleiermacher on the Philosopher’s Stone: The Shape of Schleiermacher’s Early Ethics by the Kantian Legacy
Michael A. Welker, Heidelberg University
Schleiermacher’s Theological Ethics: Their Early Formation
William A. Schweiker, University of Chicago
Schleiermacher’s Theological Ethics: Their Current Relevance
Business Meeting
David E. Klemm, University of Iowa, Presiding

A230 Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  P-Cervantes
Walter Lowe, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Responses to Nietzsche: Levinas and Derrida
Brian Schroeder, University of Southern Maine
Outside Apocalypse: Nietzsche, Levinas, and Eschatology
Patrick M. Clemens, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Allure of Gratitude and the Ubiquity of Debt
Respondent:
Catherine H. Pickstock, Cambridge University

A231 Tantric Studies Seminar
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 22
William K. Mahony, Davidson College, Presiding
Theme: Secrecy and Concealment, Transmission of Lineage, and Encoded Language and Texts
Panelists:
Douglas Renfrew Brooks, University of Rochester
Ronald M. Davidson, Fairfield University
Jeffrey J. Kripal, Westminster College
Paul E. Muller-Ortega, Michigan State University
James H. Sanford, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Respondent:
Glen A. Hayes, Bloomfield College
Bible in Africa, Asia, and Latin America
7:00pm–9:00pm    P-Parc Ballroom III
Sharon H. Ringe, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
J. Severino Croatto, ISEDET, Buenos Aires, Argentina
The “Nations” in the Salvific Oracles of Isaiah
See page 16 for a description of this session.

Fireside Chat between Bruce Metzger and Beverly R. Gaventa
7:30pm–9:00pm    N-Grand Ballroom II
Bruce M. Metzger, Professor Emeritus, Princeton Theological Seminary
Beverly R. Gaventa, Princeton Theological Seminary
See page 15 for a description of this session.

The Dead Sea Scrolls after Fifty Years
8:00pm–10:00pm    P-Parc Ballroom I & II
Eileen Schuller, McMaster University, Presiding
Theme: Special Session to Commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls

Welcome and Introduction
8:00 George Brooke, University of Manchester, and Lawrence H. Schiffman, New York University
The Past: An Audio-Visual Presentation
8:25 Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University
Publications: Present and Future
8:35 Eugene Ulrich, University of Notre Dame
The Scrolls and the Study of the Hebrew Bible
8:55 Recess
9:05 Devorah Dimant, University of Haifa
The Scrolls and the Study of Early Judaism
9:25 George Brooke, University of Manchester
The Scrolls and the Study of the New Testament
9:45 Lawrence H. Schiffman, New York University
"And It Shall Come to Pass in the End of Days": An Agenda for the Future
A232 AAR Arts Series Film: *Breaking the Waves*

3:45pm–6:15pm   H-Continental 7

Judith Poxon, California State University, Sacramento, Presiding

See page 11 for a description of this film.

A233 Special Topics Forum (=S187)

Sponsored by AAR, SBL, and the Middle East Studies Association (MESA)

4:00pm–6:00pm

Session will convene at the MESA Conference in the Hyatt Regency at the Embarcadero, Ballroom B

William Brinner, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding

Theme: *The Sons of Noah in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Traditions*

Benjamin Braude, Boston College
*How Did Ham Become a Black Slave? Reexamining the Noahides in the Abrahamic Tradition*

Sidney Griffith, Catholic University of America
*The Sons of Noah in Eastern Christian Tradition*

Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles
*The Sons of Noah in Sunni and Shi'ite Tafsir and Traditions*

Gordon D. Newby, Emory University
*Noah's Drowned Son*

Respondent:
Mahmoud M. Ayoub, Temple University

See page 9 for a description of this session.

A234 AAR Annual Business Meeting

6:15pm–6:45pm   H-Taylor

Judith E. Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

A235 Plenary Address

7:00pm–8:00pm   H-Continental 5 & 6

James L. Waits, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Presiding

James T. Laney, Emory University
*Ideas, Ideals, and Real Politik*

The AAR gratefully acknowledges the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada whose support makes this address possible.

A236 AAR Arts Series Film: *Half Sister*

8:30pm–10:30pm   H-Continental 7

Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, Presiding

See page 11 for a description of this film.

A237 Reception for Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Members

9:00pm–11:00pm   H-State Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)

AAR program unit chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception in their honor hosted by the Program Committee.
### SBL Program Unit Chairs Breakfast

7:00am–8:45am  
H-Plaza A  
Peter Richardson, University of Toronto, Presiding

### Ancient Myths and Modern Theories of Christian Origins Consultation

9:00am–11:30am  
H-Continental 4  
Hal Taussig, Chestnut Hill College, Presiding  
Theme: Mythmaking and Social Formation in the Jesus Schools

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### Archaeology of the New Testament World Group

9:00am–11:30am  
H-Union 19 & 20  
Dan Schowalter, Carthage College, Presiding

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- Byron R. McCane, Converse College  
- Mark Chancey, Duke University  
- James C. Walters, Heartbeat Inc.  
- Business Meeting

A238 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 15 & 16

Lynn Ross-Bryant, University of Colorado, Boulder, Presiding
Theme: Visual Arts and Aesthetics in Arts, Literature, and Religion

Jerry D. Meyer, Northern Illinois University
The Great War, Spiritual Crisis, Religious Reference, and Artistic Representation: Max Beckmann, Otto Dix, and Stanley Spencer

Daven M. Kari, California Baptist College
"Except Ye Become as a Little Child...": The Serigraphs of John August Swanson

Habibeh Rahim, St. John's University
Speaking Aesthetics—Writing, Iconography, and Image in Muslim Art

Carol Crown, University of Memphis
The New Jerusalem: Visions of the Sacred City in Self-Taught Art

Respondent:
Stephen P. Happel, Catholic University of America

A240 North American Religions Section
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 8

James Hudnut-Beumler, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Religion in the 1950s: Seeds of Change

David R. Bains, Harvard University
Ecumenism, Neo-Orthodoxy, and Changes in Protestant Appreciation of the Liturgy: The Order of St. Luke in the Methodist Church in the 1950s

Peter J. Thuesen, Princeton University
Translating the Virgin Text: The RSV Controversy and American Protestant Culture in the 1950s

John H. Lardas, University of California, Santa Barbara
Revolution of the Soul: The Beats and the Postwar "Turn to Religion"

Jane N. Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley
Zen's Personality: D. T. Suzuki in the 1950s

Respondent:
Robert S. Ellwood, University of Southern California

A241 Philosophy of Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am  H-Sutter

James K. A. Smith, Villanova University, Presiding
Theme: The Question of God in Heidegger's Beitraege zur Philosophie

David R. Law, University of Manchester
Negative Theology and the Question of God in Heidegger's Beitraege zur Philosophie

David R. Crownfield, University of Northern Iowa
The Passing of the Last God

Respondent:
George Pattison, Cambridge University

Thomas A. Carlson, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: "Philosophy of Religion": The Construction of a Field

Randall G. Syers, Duke University
Philosophy of Religion and Its Other

Drew Harris, Columbia University
Europeanization and Indian Reiventions of Traditions

Respondent:
Gerald James Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington
**S194 Bible and Contemporary Theologies Group**

9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 17 & 18

Kathleen A. Farmer, United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Presiding

Theme: *Hermeneutical Reflections on the Apocalypse*

9:00 Catherine Keller, The Theological School, Drew University
Apocalypse Now and Then (*Boston: Beacon Press, 1996*)

9:20 Ron L. Farmer, University of Cincinnati
Beyond the Impasse: The Promise of a Process
Hermeneutics (*Macon: Mercer University Press, 1997*)

9:40 Respondents:
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College
Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary

10:20 Panel Discussion
10:45 General Discussion
11:10 Business Meeting

**S195 Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section**

9:00am–11:30am  H-Taylor

Jeffrey T. Reed, Fuller Theological Seminary, Seattle, Presiding

9:00 Brad F. Mellon, Biblical Theological Union
*Distinguishing Biblical Greek Words in Servant of the Lord Constructions*

9:25 J. M. Blackwell, University of Sheffield, England
Doulos Christou: *Approaches to Interpreting a New Testament Formula*

9:50 William Vander Marck, DePaul University, Emeritus
*Metaphor and Allegory Show Transparency, Not Duplicity*

10:15 Jacobus V. Cronje, University of the Free State
*An Instrument for Quantitative Research of Learning Problems of New Testament Greek*

10:40 John Granger Cook, La Grange College
*The Structure and Persuasive Power of Mark: A Linguistic Approach*

11:05 Jonathan M. Watt, Geneva College
*Beyond Diglossia*

**TUESDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 25**

**S196 Book of Psalms Section**

9:00am–11:30am  H-Powell

Beth L. Tanner, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

9:00 Thomas L. Thompson, University of Copenhagen
*Thematic Discourse on the Psalms of David*

9:30 Rolf A. Jacobson, Princeton Theological Seminary
*"Many Are Saying"—First and Third Person Quotations in the Psalter*

10:00 Stanley Ned Rosenbaum, Dickenson College
Psalm 119: Warp and Woof

10:30 Steve Bishop, Boston University
*Let the Words of My Mouth Be Acceptable: The Challenge of Literary Translation and the Psalms*

11:00 David T. Adamo, Delta State University, Abraka, Nigeria
*The Distinctive Use of Psalms in African Indigenous Churches in Nigeria*

**S197 Christian Apocrypha Section**

9:00am–11:30am  P-Barcelona II

Robert F. Stoops, Western Washington University, Presiding

Theme: *The Protoevangelium of James and Related Texts*

9:00 Philip Sellew, University of Minnesota
*Heroic Biography and the Literary Intent of the Protoevangelium Jacobi*

9:50 Mary F. Foskett, Wake Forest University
*Virginty as Purity in the Protoevangelium of James*

Respondent:
Ronald F. Hock, University of Southern California

10:25 George T. Zervos, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
*An Early Noncanonical Annunciation Story*

10:25 Allan Callahan, Harvard Divinity School
*The Life of Joseph the Carpenter: Some Problems of Text and Tradition*

The paper by George Zervos will be summarized and not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information.

Religion in South Asia Section and Ritual Studies Group

9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 3 & 4

Paul B. Courtright, Emory University, Presiding

Theme: Death by Design: Voluntary Terminations of Life in South Asian Religions

Christopher Key Chappie, Loyola Marymount University

The Fast unto Death as Expiatory Sacrifice in Jaina Tradition

Reiko Ohnuma, University of Texas, Austin

"To Extract the Essence from this Essence-less Body": The Self-Sacrifice of the Bodhisattva in Indian Buddhist Jataka Literature

Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University, Ohio

Auto-cremation and Spontaneous Combustion as Marks of Sanctity in South Asian Buddhism

Alf Hiltebeitel, George Washington University

Satis and Their Fathers: Low Status and Retaliation in Sati Myth and Ritual

James A. Benn, University of California, Los Angeles

Is Self-immolation a Good Practice? Yung-ming Yen-shoul's Apologia

Respondent: Charles D. Orzech, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

Study of Islam Section

9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 23 & 24

William Shepard, University of Canterbury, New Zealand, Presiding

Theme: Qur’an and Tafsir Studies

Robert Eisenman, California State University, Long Beach

The Qur'anic Prophets “Ad”, “Thamud”, “Hud”, and “Salih” as Reflecting Northern Syrian Conversion Stories

Judith Romney Wegner, Connecticut College

Jewish Perush and Islamic Tafsir in Comparative Perspective

Carol A. Bakhos, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

Rabbinic and Islamic Portrayals of Ishmael

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia

Women, Gender Relations, and Spiritual Transformation in the Sufi Qur'anic Exegesis of Ruzbehan al-Baghl

Herbert Berg, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

Elijah Muhammad and the Qur’an: The Evolution of His Tafsir

Respondent: Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles

Study of Judaism Section

9:00am–11:30am  P-Rubens

Shaul Magid, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Presiding

Theme: Jewish Conceptions of Liturgical Language and Contemplative Practice

Elliot K. Ginsburg, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Ve-hayyu Nekhonim: On Readiness as a Path in Jewish Mystical and Contemplative Practice

Yakov Travis, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Theurgic Meditations on the Congregational Response of the Kaddish Prayer

Barbara E. Galli, University of Alabama

Poets, Singers, the Arts, and Liturgy: The Song of the Spirit

Stephen L'Argent Hood, Rice University

Prayer as Kinesis: Paradigm for Postmodern Prayer

$198 Computer Assisted Research Group  
9:00am–11:30am  N-Grey Pearl  
Joseph Schopfer, University of Great Falls, Presiding  
Theme: Multimedia and Network Applications to Teaching and Research in Religion  
9:00 David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University  
How Deep Is Your Love? Hypertext, Narrative, and the Moral Life  
9:30 Brenda E. Brasher, Mount Union College  
Religion and Cyberspace: Taking Computer-Mediated Research into the Classroom  
10:00 Keith Edward Tolbert, American Religions Center  
Introducing Tolbert's Infosys for the Religious Database Project for Scholars in Comparative Religions  
10:35 Donald Parry, Brigham Young University  
Accessing the Dead Sea Scrolls with Computer Assistance: CARG Celebrates Fifty Years of the Dead Sea Scrolls  
11:15 Hands-on applications

$199 Early Jewish/Christian Relations Section  
9:00am–11:30am  P-Parc Ballroom II  
Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding  
9:00 Panel Review of The Mystery of Romans by Mark Nanos (Minneapolis: Fortress, 1996)  
Panelists:  
Elizabeth E. Johnson, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
Stanley Stowers, Brown University  
Neil Elliott, College of St. Catherine  
10:15 Respondent:  
Mark Nanos, Kansas City, MO  
11:05 Business Meeting

$200 Egyptology and Ancient Israel Group  
9:00am–11:30am  P-Parc Ballroom III  
Susan Tower Hollis, Empire State College, Presiding  
9:00 Claire Gottlieb, Warren, NJ  
Unraveling Some Biblical Riddles—from Egyptian to Hebrew  
9:30 Meir Lubetski, Baruch College CUNY  
It Had More Wine Than Water  
10:00 Joseph J. Weinstein, Somerville, MA  
Tel el-Dab'a, Israelite Pre-History, and the Exodus  
10:30 John A. Tvedtnes, Foundation for Ancient Research and Mormon Studies  
Egyptian Etymologies for Israelite Temple Paraphernalia  
11:00 Eric G. Hansen. Educational Testing Services  
Egyptian "Opening of the Mouth" Imagery in the Book of Mormon

$201 History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section  
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 3  
Hannah Harrington, Patten College, Oakland, Presiding  
Theme: Rabbinic Halakhah and Qumran  
9:00 Yaakov Elman, Yeshiva University  
Biblical Legal Exegesis at Qumran and Rabbinic Omnisignificance  
9:30 Menaheh Kister, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
Halakhic Works at Qumran and Rabbinic Literature  
9:40 Steven D. Fraade, Yale University  
Shifting from Priestly to Nonpriestly Legal Authority: A Comparison of the Damascus Document and the Midrash  
10:00 Israel Knohl, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem  
The Date of 4QMMT and the Identity of the Beisneen  
Respondents:  
10:15 Joseph M. Baumgarten, Baltimore, MD  
10:30 Lawrence H. Schiffman, New York University  
10:45 General Discussion
Women and Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am N-Grand Ballroom III
Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: No Easy Answers: Dilemmas of Mothering in the Contemporary United States
Panelists:
Paula M. Cooey, Trinity University
Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore, Vanderbilt University
Sara Ruddick, Rutgers University
Renita Weems, Vanderbilt University

African Religions Group
9:00am–11:30am H-Mason
Yvonne Chireau, Swarthmore College, Presiding
Theme: Religion and the African State
Kiptali S. Eloia, St. Norbert College
Religion and the Democratization Process in Kenya
Iain S. MacLean, Roanoke College
Bahia and Zion: Political Impacts of Afro-Brazilian and African Independent Churches
Kofi Asare Opoku, Lafayette College
The Stool of the Ancestors: Religion and Politics in Asante
Respondent:
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis

Evangelical Theology Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Parc Ballroom I
Priscilla Pope-Levison, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Postmodern Evangelical Ecclesiology
Vincent Bacote, Drew University
A Harnessed Individual and a Legitimated Plurality: Suggestions for Postmodern Evangelical Ecclesiology
Telford Work, Duke University
Sharing the Blame for Ecclesiology’s Second-Rate Status in Evangelicalism
Thomas G. Bandy, United Church of Canada, Toronto, ON
Growing Spiritual Redwoods
Respondents:
Letty M. Russell, Yale University
Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary

Asian American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
9:00am–11:30am P-Raphael
Yvonne Y. Lee, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Defining Asian Americans: Mainstream and Ethnic Dissonances
Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University
What Goes Around, Comes Around: The Cult of Reciprocal Exchange
Young Lee Hertig, Fuller Theological Seminary
The California Civil Rights Initiative—Proposition 209
Marie Lo, University of California, Berkeley
This Is My Own, My Native Land: The “Native” in Asian Canadian Literature
Young Mi Angela Pak, Graduate Theological Union
Moving Out of Frozen Narrative: Articulation of Self and Hermeneutics of Reading Asian American Catholic Women’s Conversion Stories
Respondent:
David Kyuman Kim, Harvard University

Business Meeting
Rita Nakashima Brock, Bunting Institute, Radcliffe College, and Rudy V. Busto, Stanford University, Presiding

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**TUESDAY MORNING NOVEMBER 25**

**S204 Johannine Literature Section**

9:00am-11:30am N-Grand Ballroom II

- Gail R. O'Day, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Presiding
- Thomas F. Johnson, George Fox University
- Judith M. Lieu, Macquarie University, Australia
- C. Clifton Black, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University

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10:00  | David Rensberger, Interdenominational Theological Center  |
| 10:00  | *The Spirituality of First John*  |

10:20  | Recess  |
| 10:30  | Panel Discussion and General Discussion  |
### A249 Japanese Religions Group

**9:00am–11:30am**  
**H-Union Square 5 & 6**

Sybil Anne Thornton, Arizona State University, Presiding  
Theme: *Transition and Transformation in Modern Japanese Religion*

Edmund T. Gilday, Grinnell College  
*Bodies of Evidence: Imperial Funerary Rites and the Emergence of Modern Shinto*  
Gudo Wafu Nishijima, The Eastern Institute, Tokyo  
*Japanese Buddhism before and after the Meiji Restoration*

Catherine Cornille, Leuven, Belgium  
*Nationalism in Japanese New Religions*

John Nelson, University of Texas, Austin  
*Japanese Rituals of Remembrance: Fifty Years after the Pacific War*

**Respondent:**  
Jamie Hubbard, Smith College

**Business Meeting**  
Steven Heine, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding

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### A250 Nineteenth-Century Theology Group

**9:00am–11:30am**  
**H-Continental 9**

Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California, Presiding  
Theme: *Nineteenth-Century Theology’s Construction of the First Five Centuries*

David B. Howell, Carson-Newman College  
The Novelist as Interpreter of Theology and Biblical Criticism: A Study of Mrs. Humphry Ward and Robert Elsmere

Nancy Weatherwax, Vanderbilt University  
*“This Clamour of Antagonistic Opinion”: The Church of Faith and the Churches of History*

Charles J. T. Talar, Alvernia College  
*The Novel as Legend and “Pious Fraud”: Albert Houtin and the Controversy over the Apostolic Origins of the French Church*

Maria Poggi Johnson, University of Scranton  
*New Foes and Old Faces: The Early Church in Victorian Fictions and Factions*

Auditors are welcome. Printed papers for this session are available in advance for fifteen dollars from Joseph W. Pickle, Religion Department, The Colorado College, 14 E. Cache La Poudre Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80907.

### A251 Religion and Popular Culture Group

**9:00am–11:30am**  
**H-Continental 7**

Kelly J. Jarrett, Duke University, Presiding  
Theme: *Religion and Popular Literature*

Richard G. Bowman, Augustana College  
*Redemption through Violence: Philip Marlowe Meets King David*

G. Clarke Chapman, Moravian College  
*The Fiction of Tony Hillerman: Crime and Common Grace*

Greg Peterson, University of Minnesota, Duluth  
*Science Fiction, Religion, and the Postmodern Turn*

Terry C. Muck, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary  
*From American Dream to American Horizon: The Religious Dimensions of Louis L’Amour and Cormac McCarthy*

**Respondent:**  
Debra Riley Parr, Webster University
### Literature and History of the Persian Period Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union 22

**Tamara C. Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Los Angeles, Presiding**

- **9:00**
  - H. G. M. Williamson, University of Oxford
  - *Law and the Citizen-Temple Community*

- **9:30**
  - Peter Ross Bedford, Edith Cowan University
  - *Temple and Land Tenure in the Achaemenid Empire: Comparing Babylonia and Judah*

- **10:00**
  - Thomas C. Römer, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
  - *In Defense of Independent Prophecy and Foreign Wives: Numbers 11–12 and Marginalized Voices in the Pentateuch*

### Pseudepigrapha Group
9:00am–11:30am  P-Dante

**Randall D. Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Presiding**

- **9:00**
  - Benjamin G. Wright, Lehigh University
  - *The Apocryphon of Ezekiel and 4QPsuedo-Ezekiel: Are They the Same Work? How Do We Know?*

- **9:30**
  - John C. Endres, Graduate Theological Union/Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, Presenting
  - *Noah's Prayer in Jubilees and Qumran Prayers Against Evil Spirits*

- **10:00**
  - Ben Zion Wacholder, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati
  - *An Ancient Commentary on Jubilees? The Damascus Document*

- **10:30**
  - J. Edward Wright, University of Arizona
  - *Whither Elijah: The Ascension of Elijah in Biblical and Pseudepigraphic Tradition*

- **11:00**
  - Bruce Norman Fisk, Duke University
  - *The Offering of Isaac: Again and Again: Pseudo-Phil's Use of the Aqedah as Intertext*

- **11:30**
  - Business Meeting

### Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section
9:00am–11:30am  P-Cervantes

**Kenneth E. Pomykala, Calvin College, Presiding**

- **9:00**
  - Gregory K. Beale, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
  - *The Use of the Word "Mystery" as an Indicator of Eschatological Fulfillment in Light of the Old Testament and Early Judaism*

- **9:30**
  - Sylvia C. Keesmaat, Institute for Christian Studies, Toronto
  - *Bearing Fruit in Colossae: WhatWas Paul About?*

- **10:00**
  - Louis H. Feldman, Yeshiva University
  - *Josephus' Portrait of Rehoboam*

- **10:30**
  - Esther M. Menn, University of Virginia
  - *Into the Fire with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: Daniel 3 and Rabbinic Interpretation*

- **11:00**
  - Richard Kalmin, Jewish Theological Seminary
  - *Scripture and Society in Rabbinic Palestine and Babylonia*
A252 Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
9:00am–11:30am  P-Corintia
Nathaniel Samuel Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding
Theme: Exile in/from the Caribbean: New Perspectives on Music, Art, and Images
Darren J. N. Middleton, Rhodes College
The Liberating Power of the Poet: A Theological Reading of Benjamin Zephaniah’s Rastafarian Dub Poetry
Michael T. Dempsey, University of St. Michael’s College
“Emancipate Yourself from Mental Slavery”: Themes of Liberation in the Reggae Music of Bob Marley
Gerald Boodoo, Xavier University, Louisiana
The Faith of the People: The Divina Pastora Devotions of Trinidad
Miguel A. De La Torre, Temple University
Ochún and La Virgen de Caridad: A Christian Religious Symbol for Cuban Reconciliation
Respondent: Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary

A253 Religion, Peace, and War Group
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 2
Glen Stassen, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Theologies of the Enemy: Conflict and Transformation
James W. Perkinson, University of Chicago
The Color of My Enemy: Comparative Racializations of the Absolute Other in Black and White Theologies
Charles Marsh, Loyola College
Eliminating the Heretics: The Anti-Civil Rights Movement and Theological Conceptions of the Enemy
Daniel P. Buchanan, University of Chicago
Related to the Enemy: Master-Fathers and Slave Drivers in Fugitive Slave Narratives

A254 Systematic Theology Group
9:00am–11:30am  N-Grand Ballroom 1
Sarah Coakley, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Toward a Systematic Doctrine of the Church
Charles A. Wiley, Princeton Theological Seminary
Calvin on the Visible Church
Nicholas M. Healy, St. John’s University
Ecclesiology, Postmodern Ethnography, and Theodrama
Elizabeth Groppe, University of Notre Dame
Respondent: Miroslav Volf, Fuller Theological Seminary
S208 Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

9:00am–11:30am P-Michelangelo

Don C. Benjamin, Rice University, Presiding

9:00 Gary Stansell, St. Olaf College

9:15 Respondent:

Vic H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University

9:30 Carey Walsh, Rhodes College

Social Cohesion and Risk in Biblical Drunkenness

9:45 Respondent:

Heather A. McKay, Edge Hill College University, England

10:00 Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University

The Firstborn, the Primogeniture, and the Primary Heir

10:15 Respondent:

Ron Simkins, Creighton University

10:30 David S. Vanderhoof, Boston College

Israelite Kinship Organization in the Priestly Writings

10:45 Respondent:

Don C. Benjamin, Rice University

11:00 Charles E. Carter, Seton Hall University

Huldah as Prophet and Legal Authority: A Literary and Social-Science Approach

11:15 Respondent:

Frank S. Frick, Albion College

S209 Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

9:00am–11:30am H-Continental 1

Douglas E. Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding

9:00 John K. Riches, University of Glasgow

Food for Dogs and Profaning the Sabbath: the Mythical Mediation of Order and Chaos in Matthew's Gospel

9:30 Terence P. Paige, Houghton College

The Social Matrix of Women's Speech at Corinth

10:00 S. Scott Bartchy, University of California, Los Angeles

Paul's Undermining of Patriarchal Ideology and Traditional Male Socialization

10:30 Tat-Siong Benny Liew, Vanderbilt University

Portrait of an All-Mediterranean Male: Mark’s Jesus and “Mediterranean Masculinity”

11:00 Kevin P. Sullivan, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

“What Are We to Do?": The Plot Against Jesus in John

S210 Theology of the Disputed Paulines Group

9:00am–11:30am H-Continental 5

Theme: The Theology of 2 Timothy

Jerry L. Sumney, Ferrum College, Presiding

9:00 Gordon D. Fee, Regent College

The Theology of 2 Timothy as Pauline

9:10 Lewis R. Donelson, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary

Studying Paul: 2 Timothy as Remembrance

9:20 James W. Aageson, Concordia College

2 Timothy and Its Theology: In Search of a Theological Pattern

Respondents:

9:30 Philip H. Towne, United Bible Societies

9:50 Arland J. Hultgren, Luther Seminary

10:10 James W. Aageson, Concordia College

10:25 Recess

10:35 General Discussion

11:25 Summary of Issues

The papers by Gordon D. Fee, Lewis R. Donelson, and James W. Aageson will be summarized and not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1997 Seminar Papers. Please see page 20 for ordering information. The responses will be mailed to members of the Group and those on the mailing list. Others may obtain them from Jerry L. Sumney; Box 2432; Ferrum College; Ferrum, VA 24088.

S211 SBL Program Committee

11:45am–2:00pm H-Imperial Suite (Building 3, 19th floor)

Peter Richardson, University of Toronto, Presiding
### ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

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All welcome to this ecumenical organization's conference on the theme "Reconciliation: The Churches and Ethnic Conflict in Eastern Europe." Speakers and panels from Christian and other perspectives Thursday evening and all day Friday. Advance registration $15 or $25 at the door. For additional information, contact: Kenneth Ziebell, CAREE (@UCBWM), 212-870-2433. Affiliated with the National Council of Churches.

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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Today through Saturday the Adventist Society for Religious Studies will address the topic Biblical Resources for Renewing the Church. The presidential address, *The Bible in the Church*, is presented by John Brunt from Walla Walla College. A business session will follow. For additional information regarding this section contact Ernest Furness at 900 South Sunkist, Anaheim CA 92806. E-MAIL: 74617.1313@compuserve.com.

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AM23 Womanist Approaches to Religion & Society Consultation
1:00pm–6:15pm  H-Continental 7

AM24 Person, Culture, and Religion Group Pre-Session I
2:00pm–6:15pm  P-Parc Ballroom I

AM25 Feminist Liberation Theologians’ Network
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Union Square 4

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza and Mary E. Hunt will convene a conversation on the Network’s name, priorities and action plan. For information on how to join this global network of women who publicly and with enthusiasm embrace their work as feminist liberation theologians, contact the sponsoring organization: WATER, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics and Ritual, 8035 13th Street, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910; Tel: 301-589-2509; Fax: 301-589-3150; E-mail: water@hers.com.
**Friday, November 21**

**AM27**
North American Paul Tillich Society: Cultural Change and “Epochal Thinking”
3:45pm–6:15pm  H-Powell A & B
Frederick Parrella, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Marc Boss, Université Laval, Quebec
*Kairos and “Epochal Thinking”*
John Carey, Agnes Scott College
*Are There Any Absolutes Left? The Quandary of Tillich Scholars in a Post-Modern Age*
Respondent:
Anne Marie Reunen, Bruxelles, Belgium

**AM28**
Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions
3:45pm–8:30pm  N-Pink Pearl I

**AM29**
Women of Color Reception
3:45pm–8:30pm  H-Continental 3

**AM30**
Symposium in Honor of Charles H. Long: Session I and Reception
4:00pm–8:00pm  P-Parc Ballroom II

**AM31**
New Interpreter's Bible Editorial Board Meeting
6:00pm–9:00pm  H-Mason A

**AM32**
Shabbat Dinner & Zemirot
6:00pm–10:00pm  H-Mason B
You must make reservations by November 15th.
Dinner will cost $20.
Vegetarian/Kosher/Wine/Challah
Contact Laurie Zoloth-Dorfman at jewish@sfsu.edu for information.

**AM33**
Black Religious Scholars Meeting & Reception
6:45pm–9:45pm  Off site

**AM34**
Abingdon Old Testament Commentaries Editorial Board
7:00pm–11:00pm  H-Lombard

**AM35**
Jesuit Theology/Religious Studies Chairs
7:00pm–11:00pm  N-White Pearl II

**AM36**
Adventist Society for Religious Studies
7:00pm–8:30pm  H-Continental 6

**AM37**
Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace (IRFWP) Colloquium: Inter-religious Reflections on the Founders of the World's Religions
7:00pm–8:30pm  P-Dante
The IRFWP Colloquium series is dedicated to promoting inter-religious dialogue and understanding. This year’s colloquium will offer an inter-religious discussion focused on the “founders” of the world’s religions. Panelists will speak on the founder of their own particular tradition, and offer reflections on the ways in which founders of other traditions have been understood from within their tradition. The colloquium is free and open to all AAR/SBL members. If possible, please register in advance with Eydie Joseph at 212-869-6023 ext. 428.

**AM38**
Mennonite Scholars & Friends Reception
7:00pm–8:30pm  P-Sienna

**AM39**
Perspectives in Religious Studies Board Meeting
7:00pm–8:30pm  H-Continental 1
AM40  Quaker Theology Discussion Group
7:00pm–8:30pm  P-Michelangelo

AM41  Society for Hindu-Christian Studies: Special Session
7:00pm–11:00pm  P-Rubens

Presentation and Discussion
John B. Carman, Harvard University
Extending the Christian Doctrine of the Logos to Interpret Hindu Bhakti
William Cenkner, The Catholic University of America, Respondent
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Respondent
Lance E. Nelson, University of San Diego, Moderator

8:45 Social Hour
For copies of Prof. Carman's paper (after Oct. 1), send U.S. $3.00 by check payable to Kay Jordan, Philosophy & Religious Studies, Radford University, Radford, VA 24142-6938, Tel: 540-831-5899, E-mail: kjordan@runet.edu. Web site: www.acusd.edu/theo/hcs-1.

AM42  Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting (1)
7:00pm–10:30pm  H-Continental 4 & 5

7:00 Welcome and opening devotions
7:10 Panel Discussion: Theological Probings of Genesis 1–11
Presider: Ray Van Leeuwen
Presenters:
Al Wolters, “Creation, World View and Foundations”
John Sailhamer, “Creation, Genesis 1–11 and Canon”
Respondent: John Walton
8:15 Audience interaction
8:45 Reception
For additional information regarding this session, contact Bastiaan Van Elderen at 616-957-0876.

AM43  North American Paul Tillich Society: Banquet
7:00pm–8:30pm  H-Sutter

AM44  Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
7:30pm–10:00pm  H-Continental 2
7:30 Presidential Address Discussion
9:30 Business Meeting
Installation of new President
(Directions for Saturday morning event)

AM45  Association of Theological Booksellers
8:00pm–10:00pm  P-Raphael

AM46  Polanyi Society Tribute to Charles McCoy
9:00pm–11:00pm  H-Continental 1
"Charles S. McCoy’s Post Critical Theology"
Panelists:
Phil Mullins, Richard Gelwick, Phil Rolnick, Doug Adams
Respondent:
Charles S. McCoy
Presentations will be limited; for information on pre-circulated papers for the session, contact Marty Moleski at moleski@canisisu.edu, fax: 716-886-6506; tel: 716-888-2383; mail: 2001 Main Street, Buffalo, New York 14208.

AM47  Soren Kierkegaard Society
9:00pm–11:00pm  P-Dante
6:00 Dinner at local restaurants
9:00 Annual Business Meeting
9:30 Speaker:
Sylvia Walsh, Stetson University
Ironic Love: An Amorist Interpretation of Socratic Eros
10:15 Social Hour
For further information contact Bill Cahoy, School of Theology, St. John’s University, Collegeville, MN 56321 (BCAHOY@CSBSJU.EDU).

AM48  Two Horizons Commentary Contributors
9:00pm–11:00pm  P-Medici

### ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

**Saturday, November 22**

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<td>National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Executive Committee</td>
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**Topic: The Church: Christ - Community - Postmodernity**
- 9:00 Opening Prayer
- 9:15 Panel and Discussion

Convener: Fisher Humphreys, Beeson Divinity School (Secretary, CTRF)

D. Lyle Dabney, Marquette University
- *A Community of (Un)Common Grace*

Frederick Bauterschmidt, Loyola College in Maryland
- *Grace on the Surface: Catholic Ecclesiology after Modernity*

Michelle J. Bartel, Augustana College
- *Individuals and Communities, Vocation and Discernment*

Theology, Ethics and Postmodern Possibilities

Jeffrey Bullock, University of Dubuque
- *Preaching in a Postmodern World*

Discussion will follow each essay.

For further information visit the CTRF Web site http://apu.edu/~CTRF. Essays can be accessed from our Home Page. Paper print-outs of the essays can be ordered in advance for a $5.00 fee (make checks payable to "Azusa Pacific University"). Contact Prof. Alan G. Padgett, Department of Religion and Philosophy, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA 91702-7000, Tel: 818-815-6000 x.3232; Fax: 818-815-3809, E-mail: padgett@apu.edu.
Colloquium on Violence and Religion: Girard on the Gospels and Mythology
9:00am–11:30am  P-Corintia
René Girard will be present to discuss his forthcoming book on the Gospels and mythology. Colloquium members and all interested persons are cordially invited to participate in the discussion. For further information contact James Williams, Department of Religion, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244-1170 (tel: 315-443-5716; e-mail: jaswilli@syr.edu).

Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting (2)
9:00am–12:00pm  N-Grand Ballroom II
9:00 Devotional: Edwin Hostetter
Presider: Catherine Kroeger
Judith Gundry-Volf
Douglas Moo
Reaction/comment: Richard Hays
10:10 Audience interaction
10:30 Coffee Break
10:50 Business Meeting
11:15 Annual Lecture
John Hartley
The Pursuit of Wisdom: A Biblical Theological Perspective
For additional information regarding this session, contact Bastiaan Van Elderen at 616-957-0876.

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion Editorial Board Meeting
9:00am–11:30am  W-Yorkshire

Karl Barth Society of North America
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 1 & 2

Lutheran Women in Theological Studies
9:00am–11:30am  P-Barcelona 1

Mennonite Scholars & Friends Forum
9:00am–11:30am  P-Sienna

North American Paul Tillich Society:
Paul Tillich, Classical Philosophy, and the Search for Absolutes
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 5 & 6
Thomas G. Bandy, United Church of Canada, Presiding
Erdmann Sturm, Münster, Germany
Paul Tillich's Interpretation of Greek Philosophy
C. Peter Slater, The General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church
Dynamic Religion, Formative Culture, and the Demonic in History
Eduardo R. Cruz, Pontificia Universidada Catolica de Sao Paulo, Brazil
Demonies of the Present: Reflections on the Writings of Paul Tillich and Carl Sagan
Discussion among presenters

National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 8

Person, Culture, and Religion Group Pre-Session II
9:00am–11:30am  P-DaVinci II
9:00 Theme: Work in Progress
Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding
9:45 Business Meeting
Sandra Lee Dixon, University of Denver, Presiding
10:30 Theme: Spirituality in Therapeutic Contexts
Mary Ellen Ross, Trinity University, Presiding
Michael C. Mitchell, Boston University
Symbol as Selfobject: A Function of Religious Symbolism in Mental Illness
Kathleen Greider, Claremont School of Theology
"Much Madness is Divinest Sense": Persons with Emotional Disabilities Discuss Spirituality
For additional information, contact Sandy Dixon at 303-871-2753 or sdixon@du.edu.

**AM71**

**Polanyi Society Annual Meeting**  
9:00am–11:30am  H-Union Square 11

Louis H. Swartz, "Implicit Knowledge (Tacit Knowing), Connoisseurship, and the Common Law Tradition"

Respondent: Ira Peak

Andy F. Sanders, "Dogmatism, Fallibilism and Truth"

Respondent: Dale Cannon

Presentations will be limited; for information on pre-circulated papers for the session, contact Marty Moleski at moleski@canisius.edu. FAX: 716-886-6506; TEL: 716-888-2383; MAIL: 2001 Main Street, Buffalo, New York 14208.

**AM72**

**Quaker Theology Discussion Group**  
9:00am–11:30am  P-Michelangelo

**AM73**

**Restoration Theological Research Fellowship Annual Meeting**  
9:00am–11:30am  P-Aragon

**AM74**

**San Francisco Shabbat Experience**  
9:00am  Off site

A Kosher sabbath meal will be available for Saturday lunch at a restaurant within walking distance of the main conference hotels. Registration is a must! The cost is $25 per meal. Please mail your cheque to Meir Lubetski, Baruch College, 17 Lexington Ave., New York, NY 10010. 212-387-1570. E-MAIL: lubbb@cunyvm.cuny.edu. Information concerning precise location, times, and directions will be provided upon registration.

Sabbath services will be held at Congregation Keneseth Israel, 655 Sutter St. #203 San Francisco, CA 94102, on Friday at 4:30pm and Saturday at 9:00am.

**AM75**

**Society For Buddhist - Christian Studies**  
9:00am–11:30am  H-Continental 9

**AM76**

**Society for Hindu-Christian Studies: Annual Meeting**  
9:00am–11:30am  P-DaVinci I

9:00  Panel Discussion of Francis X. Clooney’s Seeing Through Texts: Doing Theology among the Srivaisnavas of South India, recipient of the Society’s “Best Book in Hindu-Christian Studies, 1994-96” Award

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida, Presentation of Award and Moderator

Comments:

Harold Coward, University of Victoria
T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University
M. Thomas Thangaraj, Emory University

Response: Francis X. Clooney, S.J., Boston College

10:30  Annual Business Meeting

Both parts of the meeting are open to all who may be interested. For further information, contact Kay Jordan, TEL: 540-831-5899; E-MAIL: kjordan@runet.edu. Or visit the Society’s web site at www.acusd.edu/theo/hcs-1.

**AM77**

**Søren Kierkegaard Society**  
9:00am–11:30am  P-Dante

Wanda Warren Berry, Colgate University, President

Theme: The Kierkegaardian Self: A Discussion of Selves in Discord and Resolve: Kierkegaard’s Moral-Religious Psychology from “Either/Or” to “Sickness Unto Death” by Edward F. Mooney (Routledge, 1996) and Becoming a Self: A Reading of Kierkegaard’s “Concluding Unscientific Postscript” by Merold Westphal (Purdue University Press, 1996)

Panelists:

David Gouwens, Brite Divinity School
M. Jamie Ferreira, University of Virginia

Respondents:

Edward Mooney, Sonoma State University
Merold Westphal, Fordham University

Annual Business Meeting

**AM78**

**Symposium in Honor of Charles H. Long: Session II**  
9:00am–11:00am  P-Parc Ballroom II
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| AM82 | JRE Editorial Board Meeting | 9:30am-11:30am | H-Union Square 17 & 18 |

| AM83 | Editorial Board of Biblicon | 11:00am-12:30pm | Sheffield Academic Press Suite |

| AM84 | Christian Scholarship Foundation | 11:45am-1:30pm | P-Rubens |

| AM85 | Institute for Antiquity and Christianity Luncheon | 11:45am-12:45pm | H-Vista |

| AM86 | North American Paul Tillich Society | 11:45am-12:45pm | H-Union Square 5 & 6 |

General discussion of papers on the theme, "From Classical Philosophy to a New Synthesis of Ideas" |

| AM87 | American Theological Library Association | 1:00pm-3:30pm | P-Raphael |

| AM88 | Board of Directors - Jerusalem University College | 1:00pm-3:30pm | H-Union Square 8 |

| AM89 | College Theology Society Board Meeting | 3:45pm-8:30pm | P-Rubens |

| AM90 | Nature Religion Scholars Network | 3:45pm-6:15pm | P-Michelangelo |

| AM91 | Center for the Study of Religion and American Culture, IUPUI | 6:00pm-7:30pm | W-California West |

| AM92 | Journal for Teaching Theology and Religion Reception — Blackwell Publishers | 6:15pm-7:30pm | H-Van Ness |

| AM93 | Association for Case Teaching | 6:30pm-8:30pm | P-Raphael |

6:30 The program focuses on Cross Cultural Challenges for Higher Education and involves a group discussion of the case study “Text or Context.” A copy of the case will be available at the session and can be ordered in advance from ACT, P.O. Box 243, Simsbury, CT 06070; Tel: 860-651-4305. |

7:30 ACT Annual Meeting |

| AM94 | Episcopal Divinity School Reception | 6:30pm-8:00pm | H-Union Square 9 |

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We are, for the first time, sponsoring a reception for all gay and lesbian AAR members, both new and established members. Please join us for conversation and drinks. If you have further questions, please contact Carol Anderson, Department of Religion, Kalamazoo College, 1200 Academy Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49006. TEL: 616-337-7114. E-MAIL: anderson@kzoo.edu. We will be having a cash bar.

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Ted Daniels, Director, Millennium Watch Institute, Presiding

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The Hispanic Theological Initiative, a program funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts and housed at Candler School of Theology, Emory University, celebrates its first year of operations. The HTI invites all Latino/a faculty, Latino/a students, as well as deans, administrators and faculty members of ATS schools to join this celebration and learn about the HTI’s scholarship program. For additional information on this session, contact Dr. Daisy L. Machado at 404-727-1337.

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Union Theological Seminary in Virginia and PSCE Breakfast
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Westminster Theological Seminary Alumnae Banquet
7:00am–8:30am   W-Club Oz

Wilhelm Vatke Society Breakfast
7:00am–8:30am   N-Mexico City

Highlands Institute For American Religious Thought Reception and Business Meeting
5:15pm–6:15pm   N-San Francisco

Mercer University Press Reception
5:30pm–7:00pm   P-DaVinci

The GTU Reception Honoring Robert Bellah
6:15pm–8:00pm   P-Atrium

American Journal of Theology & Philosophy
6:30pm–8:00pm   N-San Francisco
Chair: Tyron Inbody, United Theological Seminary
Linell Cady, Arizona State University
"Retail Geniuses, Wholesale Fools": Religion and the Public/Private Boundary
Respondent:
Jerome Soneson, University of Northern Iowa

Abingdon New Testament Commentaries Editorial Board
7:00pm–11:00pm   H-Lombard

Templeton Prize for Outstanding Books in Theology and Natural Science Award
7:00pm–8:30pm   N-White Pearl

Wabash Center Dinner
7:00pm–8:30pm   P-Aragon

Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium
7:00pm–8:30pm   H-Union Square 11

"Italian Evening Reception" The University of Udine-Italy
7:00pm–11:00pm   H-Continental 8 & 9
Co-sponsored by the Italian General Consulate of San Francisco, the Italian Cultural Institute of San Francisco, the Amici dell'Italia (ADIF) of San Francisco, this meeting will promote relations between American and Italian scholarship. Refreshments served. Selection of Italian wines offered by "La Delizia" of Casarsa (Friuli, Italy). All welcome.
7:00
Introduction: Edmondo Lupieri (University of Udine), Gabriele Boccaccini (University of Michigan)
7:05
Panel and discussion of P. Sacchi, "Jewish Apocalyptic and Its History" (Sheffield, 1997) with J. H. Charlesworth, G. W. E. Nickelsburg, and J. J. Collins
8:00
Italian Evening Reception
Adam Kamesar, Hebrew Union College; Giulio Prigioni, General Consul of Italy in San Francisco; Amelia Antonucci, Director of the Italian Cultural Institute of San Francisco; The President of the ADIF of San Francisco
8:30
"Italian Studies on Religions" (ISR): A New Tele-matic Bulletin, Edmondo Lupieri, University of Udine
9:30
10:30
"Computer Presentation of the ISR Internet Site"
For additional information, please contact Gabriele Boccaccini, tel: 313-741-1556 / 764-0314; fax: 313-936-2679; e-mail: gbocc@umich.edu.

Asbury Theological Seminary Alumni Reception
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**Discussion Topic:** Inscription, Word Care, and Community in Exodus 34:1–35 and Ephesians 4:25–5:2

**Presenters:**
- Robert Gibbs, University of Toronto
- Stephen E. Fowl, Loyola College, Baltimore
- Chair: Robert Cathey, Monmouth College


Abstracts may be faxed to 309-457-2152. Questions about the SSR or membership may be addressed to Robert Cathey at bob@monm.edu or the address above.

**Business Meeting:** Refreshments served

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The volume is presented to Professor C.H.W. Brekelmans in celebration of his 75th birthday. The editors were of the opinion that there could be no better way to honour Chris Brekelmans than with a collection of articles treating of the "Deuteronomic" traditions found in the Book of Deuteronomy as well as in the so-called Terrateuth and Deuteronomistic History. The volume is divided into four sections. The first section offers a collection of articles which focus on the Book of Deuteronomy itself. The second section contains contributions dealing with the Deuteronomistic History. Besides the relationship between this literary complex and the Pentateuch, a number of core compositions are subjected to a reduction critical study. The third section is dedicated to the relationship between the Deuteronomistic - in the largest sense of the word - traditions and the Terrateuth. The fourth and final section presents a collection of articles on a number of important issues, each of which offers its own direct or indirect contribution to the study of the Deuteronomistic literature and its relationship to the remaining texts of the Old Testament.

The Corinthian Correspondence
R. Burrower (ed.)

Paul’s First and Second Letters to the Corinthians were the focus of the 43rd Colloquium Biblicalum Lovaniense (Leuven, 8-10 August 1994). The present volume contains the forty-two papers read at the conference. The Corinthian Correspondence contains fourteen main papers. In some contributions the emphasis is on formal elements as, for instance, the letter form, the line of argument, the rhetorical and structural components. The others concentrate on issues related to content: the sayings of Jesus, the opponents of Paul, gnosticism, ecclesiology, the Lord’s supper, resurrection, boasting and Paul’s journey to paradise. Twenty-eight short papers, mainly focusing on 1 Corinthians, were equally composed by well-known scholars who participated in the current debate on the Corinthian correspondence. Taken together, the studies of this volume cover almost all the parts of the Corinthian correspondence, they address many major issues of the scholarly debate, as the same time demonstrating a variety of approaches and methodologies. They offer a fresh look at the age-old questions and contribute new insights to the ongoing debate.

Jews and Christians: Rivals or Partners for the Kingdom of God?
D. Pollefeys

For centuries, the Christian churches and Christian theology have sought to forge their own identity by challenging the identity of Judaism. Christians often inquired whether Israel was still the people of God, whether the church had replaced Israel. An affirmative answer to the latter inquiry is often described as the "theology of substitution": the church has taken Israel's place. The implication is that there is no longer any place for Israel in God's plan of salvation. The history of Christian anti-Judaism is dramatic proof of the violent potential that is implicit in this Christian theology of substitution. After Auschwitz, the search for an alternative to this theology, a search which touches the heart of Christianity, has become a necessity. The central question of the five essays of this book is whether - and how - Christianity can maintain its identity if it no longer understands itself as a substitute for Judaism. In a pluralistic world, can Christians and Jews form a coalition to cooperate in realizing God's Kingdom on earth?

The Book of Genesis in Jewish and Oriental Christian Interpretation
J. Freshman, L. Van Rompay (eds.)

This volume consists of sixteen essays, most of which are reworked versions of papers read at a symposium held in May 1995 in Jerusalem, at the Hebrew University and the Institute for Advanced Studies. Fields covered include the Second Temple Period (Dead Sea Scrolls and the Life of Adam and Eve), Rabbinic literature, Early Greek and Syriac Antiochene exegetes, Syriac literature, Armenian reflections of Greek and Syriac exegesis, Ethiopic commentary tradition. Particular attention is devoted to the interrelationship between various traditions, e.g. Jewish and Christian, Greek and Syriac, Syriac and Armenian. The volume gives some telescoped insight into the cultural complexity of the Near East in Late Antiquity, where dynamic processes of cultural and religious interaction were continuously at work.
H.J.W. Drijvers, J.W. Drijvers
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Select one method only!

TO FAX:  404-584-0685
* Faxing available 24 hours a day.
* Please print or type all information to assure accuracy.
* Complete EACH section in detail for correct and rapid processing.
* Confirmations will be mailed to the individual indicated.
* Use one form for each room requested.
* Do not fax form more than once. If faxing, do not mail the original.

TO CALL:  800-243-1193 (U.S. & Canada)
  404-584-7458 (outside U.S. & Canada)
* Operators available between 9:00am and 5:30pm (EST) Monday through Friday.
* Prior to calling for reservations, please have ready the information requested on this form.

TO MAIL:  AAR/SBL Housing
c/o Destination, Inc.
240 Peachtree Street, #13A11
Atlanta, GA 30303
* Separate this sheet from the preregistration form and mail to AAR/SBL Housing, c/o Destination, Inc.

METHOD OF GUARANTEE
The first night of your reservation must be guaranteed. To guarantee your room by credit card, complete the information below:

Credit card:  
[ ] VISA  [ ] MasterCard
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Credit Card Number: ____________________________
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Cardholder’s Name: ____________________________
Cardholder’s Signature: _________________________

If you wish to guarantee your room by check, instructions for doing so will be sent with your hotel acknowledgment. 
Do not send a check with this form.

SEND CONFIRMATION TO:
Last Name ____________________________________
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HOTEL INFORMATION
Select three hotels of your choice to facilitate processing of your request. See map with hotel list, rates and locations. You will be placed in the first available hotel of your choice.

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# Adult Occupants: ________ # Beds required: 1 or 2 (circle one)

Names of all occupants including self:
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Arrival Date: ____________________ Time: ____________
Departure Date: __________________ Time: ____________

Special Room Requests:
[ ] 1 bedroom suite or [ ] 2 bedroom suite
[ ] Physically Challenged Accommodations
   Must include a note describing the nature of your physical limitations so appropriate accommodations can be provided.
[ ] Smoking  [ ] Non-Smoking

Other Special Requests: ____________________________________
**HOUSING INFORMATION**

**Hotel Accommodations**

To receive the specially negotiated room rates, you must make your reservation through the AAR/SBL housing bureau Destination Inc. Their hours of operation are Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (EST). You may contact the housing bureau by telephone, fax, or mail using the housing form on page 324. Please carefully follow the detailed instructions and provide all requested information.

**Housing Deadlines**

Housing closes: November 8, 1997. Special rates may not be available after November 8.

**Housing Confirmation**

You will receive a confirmation when you make your reservation with Destination, Inc. Reservation requests by telephone will be confirmed within minutes. For attendees who fax or mail reservations, confirmations are mailed within 48 hours of receipt of forms.

If you receive a written confirmation that is incorrect, please contact the housing bureau immediately to correct your reservation. The bureau will send you a new confirmation reflecting the corrections. If cancellation is necessary, please do so at least 72 hours in advance of scheduled arrival to receive a refund of your deposit.

**Deposits**

Hotels require a first night’s guarantee for each room reserved. You may guarantee your room by credit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover), or by a check payable to the hotel. If you wish to guarantee your room by check, instructions for doing so will be sent with your hotel acknowledgment.

**Cancellations or Changes**

Hotel accommodation questions, changes and cancellations can be directed to Destination, Inc., until November 8, 1997. After November 8, you should contact the hotel directly. Note that cancellations must be received at least 72 hours prior to arrival date for a refund of your deposit.

**Physically Challenged Attendees**

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 on the designated area of the housing form and fax or mail it to Destination, Inc. Attendees with disabilities who require any special assistance during the meeting, except hotel accommodations, should contact Suzanne Wells, Joint Ventures Manager, by mail or by fax: 404-727-5140.

**Suite Requests**

Suite reservations must be requested through Destination, Inc. After approval, those requesting suites will receive discounts off the hotel published rate. Suites are not to be used for interviewing purposes. Employers who are preregistered for the Employment Information Services Center may request a Private Interview Room by contacting Miki McBride-Sala at 404-727-2341.

**HOTEL & RATES**

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* These hotels have suites available at a discounted rate.

Note: All rates are subject to local taxes, currently 14% tax per room per night.
AAR/SBL EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION SERVICES CENTER

Friday–Tuesday, November 21–25
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Openings Online will be available free to all paid members of the AAR and SBL beginning in January, 1998. Visit us on the Scholars Press website at http://scholar.cc.emory.edu

1997 EIS CENTER

Sponsored by AAR and SBL, the Employment Information Services Center operates each year at the Annual Meeting. The EIS Center provides a structured meeting ground where employers and applicants can review resumes and job descriptions, make contacts, and schedule and conduct interviews. The 1997 EIS Center will be held in Franciscan B at the San Francisco Hilton.

Orientation (A2/S10)

Orientation for the 1997 Employment Information Services Center is scheduled for Friday evening, November 21, from 7:00pm–8:30pm in Continental 7 & 8 of the San Francisco Hilton. This orientation session will cover the nuts and bolts of EIS Center policies and procedures, and will include presentations on topics of concern to those in the job market. The Question and Discussion portion of the session is always lively, offering candidates an opportunity for candid conversation on the application and interview process. All EIS participants are asked to attend. The session is open to anyone with an interest in the job market in religion and biblical studies. Those planning to use the EIS Center at future meetings may want to take special note of this session.

Workshops

EIS offers candidates a variety of workshops and seminars at the Annual Meeting, from CV and resume preparation to application and interview advice. Check the EIS page at http://scholar.cc.emory.edu/scripts/openings/eisgen.html for information on the offerings at the 1997 Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

Applicants

Anyone wishing to participate in the EIS Center as an applicant needs to complete an Applicant Resume Form and send it with payment to the Employment Information Services office. Applicant registrations will be accepted through November 1. The applicant fee is $15. Do not send the registration fee without the completed applicant form! Applicant forms will be available beginning in July and may be obtained by contacting the EIS office at 404-727-2343. On-site registration will be limited to those applicants who receive an invitation to interview after the November 1 deadline.

Employers

Preregistration for employers is $120 and is open through November 1. The on-site registration fee is $145. Employers may submit as many job forms as desired for the one fee. Jobs listed through the EIS Center should be advertised in the September or November issue of OPENINGS whenever possible. 1997 EIS Center Employer Notice of Opening Forms are available and may be obtained by contacting the EIS office at 404-727-2343.

Private Interview Rooms

Employers who are preregistered for the EIS Center may reserve a Private Interview Room. Rooms are available in several AAR/SBL hotels. Reserved Interview Rooms are scheduled by the day, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. There is an $80 per day charge for this service. Anyone interested in a reservation should contact Miki McBride-Sala at 404-727-2343.

OPENINGS

Most of the job opportunities listed in the 1997 EIS Center will be advertised in the September or November issue of OPENINGS: Employment Opportunities for Scholars of Religion. OPENINGS is published online six times a year, January, March, May, July, September, and November, and is updated monthly. Advertisements are listed from colleges, universities, seminaries, and major publishing houses, and include full-time, tenure-track, replacement, fellowship, and research positions. For advertising information, contact the EIS office at 404-727-2343. For subscription information, see page 331.

EIS CENTER HOURS

San Francisco Hilton, Franciscan B

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Please make reservations by November 8. Reservations for remaining seats and paper pick-up is on site at the Information Desk near Annual Meeting registration. Participation is limited to nine persons per table.

AAR Roundtable Sessions
Monday, November 24, 11:45am—12:45pm
Seating is by reservation only and is limited to nine participants per table.

Name __________________________________________
Mailing Address __________________________________________
City __________________________________________
State/Province __________________________________________
Postal Code __________________________________________
Country __________________________________________

First choice (list number only) ______________________
Second choice (list number only) ______________________
Third choice (list number only) ______________________

Return this form to:
Annual Meeting Roundtables
Scholars Press
P.O. Box 15399
Atlanta, GA 30333-0399

1) Eugene C. Bianchi, Emory University, and Peter McDonough, Arizona State University
   Jesuit Sexualities: Personal Crisis, Corporate Dilemma
2) Anna Bonta, Boston College
   Spirituality and Suffering: Two Explorations
3) J. Patout Burns, Washington University, St. Louis
   Marking and Crossing a Social Boundary: Christian Initiation in Roman Africa
4) Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Stirling
   Saint or Mystic? Foucault’s Homosexuality and Religious Imagery
5) Lynda Clarke, University of Pennsylvania
   The Universe Alive: Nature in the Metaphysics of Maudavi (Rumi)
6) Mara Donaldson, Dickinson College
   Resacralizing Space: Field of Dreams, Wizard of Oz, Star Trek Voyager
7) Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University
   The Unity of Knowledge and Action: A Pragmatic-Confucian Response to Richard Rorty, Charles Taylor, and Daniel Dennett
8) Mark Hulsether, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
   The 1950s and the Radical Turn in Protestant Social Thought: How Some of the Groundwork Was Laid in Christianity and Crisis Magazine
9) Gereon Kopf, Luther College
   The God Which Is neither Personal nor Impersonal: Teaching Nishida’s Notion of God in a Class on Comparative Philosophy of Religion
10) Roberto R. Lint-Sagarena, Princeton University
    Image and History: Mission Revival Architecture and Cultural Rhetoric in California
11) Harriet Lutzky, University of Paris
    Mourning: Psychoanalytic and Anthropological Views Compared
12) Anna L. Peterson, University of Florida
    Drawing the Line: Ethics and the Definitions of the Human
13) Samuel C. Porter, Eugene, OR
    A Gift from God: Religion in the Public Forests of Oregon
14) Wendy Hunter Robertis, Immaculate Heart College
    The Enuma Elish: Mythological Roots of Imperialism
15) Miranda Shaw, University of Richmond
    Palden Lhama: Indigenous and Indian Sources for a Tibetan Goddess
16) Bruce C. Williams, University of California, Berkeley
    Medieval Chinese T‘ien-T’ai on Human Nature: The Good, the Bad, and the Unconnected
17) Telford Work, Duke University
    Argument as Edification: Understanding Diversity in Biblical Interpretation
The following specially designed tours have been arranged as part of the AAR Arts Series or the planning activities of AAR program units. The tours listed below are available for the entire week. AAR and joint members will receive priority in registration. Since there will be no on-site registration for the tours, preregistration must be completed using the form below.

On the reservation form, please indicate the tour(s) in which you would like to participate and the number in your party. Note the cost per person and send a separate check for each tour, if space is not available. The check for that tour will be returned. The cost of the special AAR Arts Series tours also admits you to the museum.

Your canceled check will serve as your confirmation. Direction to the museums are available from your hotel's concierge. At the museum information desk ask for the AAR tour.

Return separate checks by October 15th, payable to the American Academy of Religion, for each tour you have selected along with the completed form to: Annual Meeting Tours, AAR, 1703 Clifton Rd NE, Suite G5, Atlanta, GA 30329. We cannot process your request if separate checks are not enclosed.

Sacred Sites Bus Tour (A3)
Saturday, 8:00am-12:15pm  Cost: $10 (plus $5 optional lunch)

The San Francisco bioregion, as a spectacular landscape surrounding San Francisco Bay, is home to sacred sites for many indigenous and world religions. This bus and walking tour will take participants over the Golden Gate Bridge, past Sausalito and the sacred mount Tamalpais (revered by the Ohlone and other tribes), and over to the Pacific Coasts. The tour will visit the Muir Woods National Monument — a sanctuary of over 560 acres of the tallest coastal redwoods. The second stop will be Green Gulch Farm and Zen Center. Green Gulch is one of three San Francisco Centers founded by Sunryu Suzuki Roshi and is a working organic farm as well as a study and meditation retreat center. An optional lunch at the Center is also available for five dollars.

Walking Tour of Chinatown Religious Sites (A4)
Saturday, 9:00am-12:00pm  No cost for tour (optional $15 dim sum lunch)

As one of the oldest Asian American ethnic areas in the U.S., San Francisco's Chinatown provides a microcosm of cultural adaptations of Asian Buddhists to American society and a profile of the history of Christian missions to Chinese immigrants, including the Chinese Baptist Church featured in The Joy Luck Club. This tour, led by the Chinese Historical Society, will visit selected sites that are of particular historical, architectural, and artistic value. An optional dim sum lunch will take place after the tour and cost will be approximately fifteen dollars. Please indicate your lunch preference when you reserve your tour. An optional dim sum lunch will be collected at the restaurant. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

Walking Tour of San Francisco Houses of Worship (A182)
Monday, 1:00pm-3:30pm  No cost

Alan L. Miller, Miami University, Ohio; and Peter W Williams, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding

The tour will focus on Japantown and on the city's two cathedrals, Grace (Episcopal) and St. Mary's (Roman Catholic). Be sure to dress comfortably for a sometimes strenuous walk.

ARTS SERIES MUSEUM TOURS

Asian Art Museum of San Francisco Tour: Religious Aspects of Hindu and Buddhist Art (A32)
Saturday, 1:30pm-2:30pm  Cost: $9.00

This special tour of one of the premiere collections of Asian art will highlight Hindu and Buddhist iconography and ritual.

M. H. DeYoung Museum Tour: Ceremonial Aspects of Religious Art in Africa, Meso America, and Oceania (A33)
Saturday, 1:30pm-2:30pm  Cost: $9.00

This tour specially designed for AAR members provides a unique view of the ritual and ceremonial aspects of the African, Meso American, and Oceanic art in the permanent collection of the M. H. DeYoung Museum.

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Tour: Highlights of the Collection (A34)
Saturday, 1:30pm-2:30pm  Cost: $9.00

This special tour of international modern art and design includes a discussion of its critically acclaimed new building by Mario Botta, renowned for his designs of modern church architecture.

San Francisco Craft and Folk Art Museum Tour: Highlights of the Collection including the Special Exhibits of Navajo Folk Art and the Straw Trail (A128)
Sunday, 1:30pm-2:30pm  Cost: $2.00

This special tour of San Francisco's international center for craft and folk art includes a discussion of the special exhibitions of Navajo folk art and fine international examples of straw art.

San Francisco Jewish Museum Tour: Highlights of the Collection (A129)
Sunday, 1:30pm-2:30pm  No cost

This special presentation of the permanent collection of the San Francisco Jewish Museum will include both a view of Jewish art and cultural history, and the special exhibition L'Chaim: A Kiddush Cup Invitational.

**AAR Tours Order Form**

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Return completed order form with payment by October 15 to: Tours, AAR, 1703 Clifton Road NE, Suite G5, Atlanta, GA 30329-4075.
American Academy of Religion

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The AAR holds a seat on the American Council of Learned Societies and works cooperatively with other associations in promoting the academic study of religion. Membership is open to all who share an interest in this field and in supporting the work of the Academy on behalf of the scholarly study of religion. AAR members receive the quarterly Journal of the American Academy of Religion (JAAR).

Society of Biblical Literature

Founded in 1880, the Society of Biblical Literature is a non-profit, non-political, learned-membership society whose purpose is to stimulate the critical investigation of classical literature by the exchange of scholarly research both in published form and in public forum. The Society endeavors to support those disciplines and subdisciplines pertinent to the illumination of the literatures and religions of the ancient Near East and Mediterranean regions, such as the study of ancient languages, textual criticism, history and archaeology. The SBL is a constituent member of the American Council of Learned Societies, the National Humanities Alliance, and the National Cultural Alliance. Membership in the SBL is open to any individual with an interest in the academic study of the Bible. Current enrollment includes over 6000 members from 80 countries. SBL members receive the quarterly Journal of Biblical Literature (JBL) and announcements about the Society’s annual, international, and regional meetings.

All Memberships

Members of the AAR and the SBL, as well as joint AAR/SBL members receive Religious Studies News (RSN), a quarterly newsletter, and the Annual Meeting Program. All members receive discounts on Annual Meeting registration fees and on subscriptions to Semeia, OPENINGS: Employment Opportunities for Scholars of Religion, and Critical Review of Books in Religion. Members aged 65 and older and retired from full-time employment qualify for a senior rate that is a 20% discount on dues and subscription fees. Payment after September 30 will be applied to the following year’s dues unless otherwise specified.

Joint AAR/SBL Membership

Joint AAR/SBL members receive the benefits of membership in both societies, including Religious Studies News, JAAR and JBL.

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