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PLENARY ADDRESS (A6)
Saturday, November 21, 11:30am  D-Southern II–III
Building a Movement to Leave No Child Behind in Classrooms, Congregations, Communities, and Society
Marian Wright Edelman, Children’s Defense Fund

Marian Wright Edelman, founder and president of the Children’s Defense Fund (CDF), is a leading national voice for children and families. A graduate of Spelman College and Yale Law School, Mrs. Edelman began her career in the mid-1960s when, as the first black woman admitted to the Mississippi Bar, she directed the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund office in Jackson, Mississippi. In 1968, she moved to Washington, D.C., as counsel for the Poor People’s March that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., began organizing before his death. She served as the Director of the Center for Law and Education at Harvard University before founding the CDF in 1973. CDF’s mission is to educate the nation about the needs of children and encourage preventive investment in children. Mrs. Edelman has received the Albert Schweitzer Humanitarian Prize and was a MacArthur Foundation Prize Fellow. From 1976 to 1987, she chaired the Board of Trustees of Spelman College. She is the author of Families in Peril: An Agenda for Social Change; The Measure of Our Success: A Letter to My Children and Yours; Guide My Feet: Meditations and Prayers on Loving and Working for Children; and A Memoir of Mentors.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (A62)
Saturday, November 21, 7:00pm  S-Swan 1–4
The Academy as Real Life: New Participants and Paradigms in the Study of Religion
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College

Judith Plaskow is Professor of Religious Studies at Manhattan College, where she has taught since 1979. She has also served on the faculties of New York University and Wichita State University and has held visiting appointments at Harvard Divinity School and Smith College. Her writing and research have centered on feminist theology. Her Yale dissertation, Sex, Sin, and Grace: Women’s Experience and the Theologies of Reinhold Niebuhr and Paul Tillich (published in 1980), was one of the first feminist theses in religious studies. While still a graduate student, she chaired the AAR Women and Religion Group during its second and third years (1973–74). With Carol P. Christ, she coedited two anthologies in feminist theology, Womanspirit Rising (1979) and Weaving the Visions (1989), and with Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza, she cofounded the Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion and coedited it for its first decade. Her book Standing Again at Sinai: Judaism from a Feminist Perspective (1990) earned Plaskow the distinction of having written classic works in both Protestant and Jewish feminist theologies. She is currently working on a theology of sexuality entitled Decentering Sex.
PLENARY ADDRESS (A141)
Sunday, November 22, 7:00pm    D-Southern I
The Clouds Here Announce Change: Remembering a Future
Cherrie Moraga, Stanford University

Cherrie Moraga is a playwright, poet, essayist, and cultural activist. She cofounded Kitchen Table Press and was the first Chicana lesbian to produce a book discussing lesbian identity within a Chicano cultural context. She holds a Master of Arts degree in feminist literature from San Francisco State University and has taught at the University of California, Berkeley, and the University of California, Los Angeles. Currently she is artist in residence at Stanford University and at the Brava Theater Center in San Francisco. Her plays Shadow of Man and Watsonville: Some Place Not Here each won the Fund for New American Plays Award, and her play Heroes and Saints won the Pen West Award and the Critics Circle Award. Her books include Loving in the War Years: lo Que Nunca Pasó por Sus Labios; The Last Generation; and Waiting in the Wings: Portrait of a Queer Motherhood.

PLENARY ADDRESS (A230)
Monday, November 23, 7:00pm    D-Southern I & III
The Public Intellectual and the Study of Religion
Ronald F. Thiemann, Harvard University

Ronald F. Thiemann is Dean and John Lord O'Brien Professor of Divinity at Harvard University, where he also heads the Center for the Study of Values in Public Life. He holds the M. Phil. and Ph.D. from Yale University and the M.Div. from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. An ordained Lutheran minister, he has long been involved in ecumenical and interfaith dialogue. His principal research interest is the relation of Christian theology to American public life. He is the author of Religion in Public Life: A Dilemma for Democracy; Constructing a Public Theology: The Church in a Pluralistic Culture; and Revelation and Theology: The Gospel as Narrated Promise.

Dr. Thiemann's address is sponsored by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS). The Academy is grateful to ATS Executive Director Daniel Aleshire for making it possible.
SPECIAL TOPICS FORUMS

AAR/SBL/ATS Forum: Funding Projects with Public Outreach (A7)

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

Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern I
Robin Lovin, Southern Methodist University, and Richard Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Program officers will help scholars think about ways that public outreach, in a variety of forms, might play a part in their research projects. How can the results developed in research projects be disseminated beyond the academy to publics in the church or world at large? Can scholars get their voices heard in settings as diverse as television, policy-making bodies, and community organizations? The academy provides a setting for the refinement of ideas and, increasingly, seeks to play a role in the public understanding of religion. At the same time, funding agencies want to know that the projects they fund will reach a variety of audiences. Scholars need to know how foundations are thinking about dissemination of research ideas, communication with multiple audiences, and various forms of practical and applied research.

AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair (A32)

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

Saturday, 2:00pm–5:00pm  D-Southern Hemisphere Foyer I–II

Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to answer questions and distribute materials. This session is an 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.

Conversation on Teaching Religious Studies and Theology in High Schools (A33)

Sponsored by the Committee on Teaching and Learning

Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Macaw
Tom Collins, St. Francis High School and Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

The Committee on Teaching and Learning invites AAR members who are teaching religious studies and theology courses in secondary schools to a conversation with the Committee to discuss ways that the AAR might better serve their interests. The agenda is open.

Constructing New Knowledge: The Impact of Racial and Ethnic Minority Scholars on the Study of Religion (A34)

Sponsored by the Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern E-4
Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

In the past several decades, racial and ethnic minority scholars in the profession have made significant contributions in theology, biblical studies, and religious studies. This forum will assess critically the impact of this new body of scholarship on the academic study of religion and envision new possibilities for the future. The panelists and their presentations will be Kwok Pui-lan, Episcopal Divinity School, "New Avenues or Methodologies in the Study of Religion"; Inés Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, "Reading History from the Other Side"; Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University, "Critical Analyses of Power"; Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St. John's University, "New Frontiers in Reading Sacred Scripture"; and Rita Nakashima Brock, Radcliffe College, "Institutional Constraints and Changes." Larry Rasmussen, Union Theological Seminary, New York, and Letty Russell, Yale University, will respond. In celebration of the contributions of racial and ethnic minority pioneers in the Academy, a reception will follow.

Religion and the Human Prospect: A Religious Studies Radio Talk Show (A69)

Sponsored by the Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion

Sunday, 9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 4
Charles H. Reynolds, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and Mark Hulsether, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding

Charles Reynolds hosts a live weekly talk show entitled Religion and the Human Prospect. The program airs in eastern Tennessee every Sunday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on WNOX AM 990 and FM 99.1, the largest commercial news-talk station in
the area. One or two guests are also normally on the program—either in the studio or by phone. Broadcasting live from the Annual Meeting in Orlando, the session will feature Harvey Cox, Victor S. Thomas Professor of Divinity at the Harvard Divinity School and 1998 recipient of the AAR Martin E. Marty Award for Contributions to the Public Understanding of Religion.

The Long and Winding Road: Women, Promotion, and Tenure in the Academy (A70)

Sponsored by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession

Sunday, 9:00am–11:30am D-Southern 1

Emilie M. Townes, Saint Paul School of Theology, Presiding

The issues surrounding promotion and tenure have become increasingly more volatile as some departments of religion continue downsizing. For women, this hotly contested space has become more so as women begin to reach the benchmarks in their careers where promotion and tenure are of chief concern. This session will feature ways in which feminist thought can and does address these issues. Joanne Punzo Wagborne, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University, Ohio, will reflect on the personal and scholarly impact of promotion and tenure. Eloise Rosenblatt, Graduate Theological Union, will discuss education for self-protection. Paul B. Courtright, Emory University, and Diane C. Maleson, Temple University, will discuss the ways in which administrators can address and provide substantive support to faculty members in this process. Time will be left for questions and discussion.

Internationalizing the Study of Religion: Methodological Issues (A95)

Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections

Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm S-Swan 6

Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding

A diverse group of international scholars will discuss methodological issues involved in internationalizing the study of religion. Special emphasis will be placed on the historic events that have shaped the study of religion in the presenters' cultural areas, the heuristic value of the study of religion with the methods developed in the modern West, and the interplay of inside participant and outside observant in the presenters' work as scholars of religion. The panelists will be G. C. Pandey, Allahabad Museum Society, Allahabad, India; David Chidester, University of Cape Town, Rondebosch, South Africa; and Ursula King, University of Bristol, Bristol, United Kingdom. Catherine Bell, Santa Clara University, and Charles H. Long, Durham, NC, will respond.

Teaching Religious Studies at Community Colleges (A96)

Sponsored by the Committee on Teaching and Learning

Sunday, 1:00pm–3:30pm D-Southern II

Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

When graduate students in religious studies programs begin searching for jobs, few think about careers in community colleges. In some areas of the country nearly 80 percent of high school graduates who continue their education first take college-level courses in community colleges. Since many of these students eventually finish their education at four-year institutions, the quality of religious studies programs at two-year institutions impacts religious studies departmenst in four-year institutions. Kerry Edwards, Red Rocks Community College; Peter Jauhiainen, Kirkwood Community College; Maura O'Neill, Chaffey Community College; Mikal Radford, Sheridan College; and Linda Smith, Hawkeye Community College, will discuss a wide range of topics related to religious studies in community colleges. Drawing upon his experience of setting up a Jewish studies program, Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, will respond.

Believers, Law Enforcement Agents, and Religion Scholars: Communicating across Worldviews of Religions and Professional Disciplines (A122)

Sponsored by the Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm D-Asia 1

James D. Tabor, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Presiding

The Branch Davidian tragedy in 1993 highlighted the difficulty of communicating across the divergent worldviews of religious believers, law enforcement agents, and religious studies scholars. This difficulty occurred again in 1996 when FBI agents consulted religious studies scholars about the Montana Freemen, although less so in this case because the FBI commitment to patience provided time to work on communication. In 1998, constructive communication occurred between a religious studies scholar, police, and members of Chen Tao in Garland, Texas. Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College; Catherine Wessinger, Loyola University, New Orleans; Lonnie D. Kliever, Southern Methodist University; Jayne Seminare Docherty, George Mason University; and Stephen D. O'Leary, University of Southern California, will discuss these episodes and the causes of misunderstanding and understanding among believers, law enforcement agents, and religious studies scholars. They will also suggest strategies to improve future interactions.

American Lectures in the History of Religions (A123-B)

Sponsored by the Committee on the History of Religions

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm

S-Swan 9 & 10

H. Byron Earhart, Western Michigan University, Presiding

New Faiths, Old Fears: Recent Immigrants and the Challenge of Diasporic Spiritual Practices to North American Norms and Values

Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University

Many new—and not-so-new—faiths dot the contemporary religious landscape. Though U.S. adherents number less than ten million, this increased diversity
has crucial implications for nonimmigrant, even nonreligious, Americans and raises old fears. Are interests beyond America becoming American without embracing age-old American values? Will increased religious diversity threaten, perhaps destroy, any civic consensus? This is one of five lectures this academic year in which Bruce B. Lawrence will address issues raised by the CD-ROM *On Common Ground: World Religions in America* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1997) produced by Diana L. Eck and the Pluralism Project at Harvard University. These lectures are part of the ongoing AAR-sponsored American Lectures in the History of Religions.

The Educom Award Nominees: New Technologies in the Teaching of Religion (A179)

Sponsored by the New Technologies Task Force

*Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm*  D-Americas Seminar Room

Alfred E. Benney, Fairfield University, and L. Gregory Bloomquist, St. Paul University, Presiding

In order to encourage and support AAR members' work in their use of new technologies for teaching, the New Technologies Task Force nominated the work of several AAR members for a 1998 Educom Medal Award. (Educom is a nonprofit consortium of higher-education institutions and corporate members.) Four of the nominees—Diana L. Eck, Harvard University; David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University; Gene R. Thursby, University of Florida; and Brian T. Turley, West Virginia State University—will give short presentations of their work. Joe B. Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and Jon Taylor, University of Great Falls, will respond. The audience will be encouraged to join in a conversation about the uses of technology in teaching religion.

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*Ars Antiqua (A60)*

Saturday, 5:30pm–6:45pm  D-Asia 1

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

With their large collection of period instruments, Ars Antiqua performs music of the Medieval, Renaissance, and early Baroque periods. Included in their repertoire are original arrangements by group members. They have performed at the Italian Renaissance Festival in Miami, Florida, and are regular performers at the Rollins College's Cornell Museum concerts. This is their tenth year of performing in the Southeast.

**Miracle Rooms: Religion and the Poetry of Witness**

by Carolyne Lee Wright (A123-A)

*Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm*  D-Oceanic 7

Alicia Ostriker, Rutgers University, Presiding

Poetry has always been a mode of truth-telling for those embarked on the religious quest—even more so now, given the conditions of political, social, and spiritual extremity that prevail at the millennium's end. Award-winning poet Carolyne Wright will read some of her own work, as well as her translations of Bengali and Latin American women poets, which serve as witness for contemporary spiritual and religious experience. She will invite all present, including her presider, Alicia Ostriker (the 1994 AAR Visiting Poet), to share their own reflections and comments on how the poetic spirit can bear witness to contemporary exigencies—especially those affecting women—and also act to re-envision and refigure the world.

Carolyne Wright is author of nine collections of poetry, translation, and nonfiction, including *Promotions of an Uneasy Guest* and *A Choice of Fidelities*. She has received awards from the American Literary Translators' Association, the Bunting Institute/Radcliffe College, the National Endowment for the Arts, the PEN American Center, the Poetry Society of America, and the Witt Bynner Foundation. An international traveler, she is writing memoirs of her years in Chile and Bengal and has been Visiting Poet at Emory University, Sweet Briar College, and elsewhere.

**Sacred Music of India Bhakti Sangit (A143)**

Sunday, 8:30pm–10:00pm  D-Southern II

Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding

Chanting in Sanskrit and singing in Hindi, Guy Beck, College of Charleston, will perform ragas and bhajans. He will also play the harmonium, a reed-driven keyboard similar to an organ, and be
accompanied by the tabla, an Indian drum. Included with the music performance will be a slide lecture on North Indian music, its history (which originated in Vaisnava temples), its instrumentation, and the history of performers. He has studied vocal music at the Tansen Music College in Calcutta, India, and is the author of Sonic Theology: Hinduism and Sacred Sound (1993) and numerous articles on Indian devotional music.

TOURS

For information on preregistering for these tours see page 312.

Sacred Sites Bus Tour (A4)

Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group  
Saturday, 7:00am–12:45pm  Gather in the Swan Toucan Foyer  
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont, Presiding

In contrast to the intensive urban development across much of Florida, the Cape Canaveral National Seashore offers a glimpse of the original nature of this coastal state. We will visit Turtle Mound at New Smyrna Beach where Timucuan people lived several thousand years ago. From atop this unusual twenty-foot high oyster midden stack, the big view of ocean and sky is still as it was before European contact. The tour will include estuary and beach walks. Travel to seashore will be a one-hour bus ride each way.

Bus Tour of Greater-Orlando Houses of Worship  (A178)

Sponsored by the North American Religions Section  
Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  Gather in the Swan Toucan Foyer  
Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding

The tour will focus on downtown Orlando “mainline” churches and a suburban “megachurch.”

FILMS

Contact

(A58) Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 1  
(A232) Monday, 8:30pm–11:00pm  D-Asia 3

Unexpected radio contact from space aliens throws Earth’s intellectuals, scientists, and theologians into turmoil. Based on astronomer and futurist Carl Sagan’s best selling novel, Robert Zemeckis’s Contact offers a provocative blend of science, speculation, and mysticism as it follows the spiritual and physical journey of Ellie Arroway (Jodie Foster). Arroway is a young scientist who is convinced that intelligent beings from other worlds are trying to contact us and has spent her career trying to prove it. What she discovers during a long journey may be answers with the potential to satisfy proponents of religion and science.

Directed by Robert Zemeckis, 1997, 153 minutes.

Love, Somewhat Incarnate: Angels in Everyday Life

(A144) Sunday, 8:30pm–10:30pm  S-Swan 7

Love, Somewhat Incarnate is a documentary that sheds light on the popularity of angels in contemporary American life. Three individuals share their stories, visions, and thoughts about their personal relationship with a “guardian angel.” Though these angels take different forms and speak in the vernacular imagery of each individual’s own tradition and community of faith, there is a remarkably similar understanding of what angels represent: embodiments of love, security, and divine providence.

Directed by Will Luers, 1998, 30 minutes.

The Apostle

(A138) Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-3  
(A142) Sunday, 8:30pm–11:00pm  D-Northern A-3

A stirring and heartfelt drama about one man’s journey on the road to redemption, The Apostle represents a tour de force for Robert Duvall, who triumphs in the title role of a film he also wrote, produced, and directed. As Euliss “Sonny” Dewey, a Pentecostal preacher who must start life over after committing a crime of passion, Duvall is joined on screen by an exciting and eclectic cast that includes Billy Bob Thornton, June Carter Cash, and Farrah Fawcett.

Directed by Robert Duvall, 1997, 133 minutes.

Waco: The Rules of Engagement

(A231) Monday, 8:30pm–11:00pm  D-Asia 1

Waco: The Rules of Engagement is an explosive new documentary about the tragic events that took place outside of Waco, Texas, during the 1993 siege that led to the deaths of four law enforcement agents and eighty-six men, women, and children who were members of the Branch Davidians. The film, which is critical of the way law enforcement handled this situation, was nominated for the Academy Award for best documentary, and it has won other awards. Many questions are raised by the film for all who are interested in the role of religion and religious freedom in American life, as well as the proper role of government and law enforcement in dealing with minority religious groups.

Directed by Dan Sommer Gifford and Amy Sommer Gifford, 1997, 136 minutes.
SPECIAL SESSIONS

SESSIONS ON TEACHING

The program includes many sessions on the topic of teaching. A few are highlighted here.

Conversation on Teaching Religious Studies and Theology in High Schools (A33)
Sponsored by the Committee on Teaching and Learning
Saturday, 3:45pm-6:15pm  S-Macaw
Tom Collins, St. Francis High School and Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
See page 6 for a description.

Teaching Religious Studies at Community Colleges (A96)
Sponsored by the Committee on Teaching and Learning
Sunday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern II
Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding
The panelists will be Kerry Edwards, Red Rocks Community College; Peter Jauhiainen, Kirkwood Community College; Maura O’Neill, Chaffey Community College; Mikal Radford, Sheridan College; and Linda Smith, Hawkeye Community College. Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, will respond.
See page 7 for a description.

The Educom Award Nominees: New Technologies in the Teaching of Religion (A178)
Sponsored by the New Technologies Task Force
Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Americus Seminar Room
Alfred E. Benney, Fairfield University, and L. Gregory Bloomquist, St. Paul University, Presiding
The panelists will be Diana L. Eck, Harvard University; David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University; Gene R. Thursby, University of Florida; and Briane K. Turley, West Virginia State University. Joe B. Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and Jon Taylor, University of Great Falls, will respond.
See page 8 for a description.

RECEPTIONS

Reception of the Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
(A61) Saturday, 6:00pm–6:45pm  D-Northern E-3
Held conjointly with the SBL’s Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities. Interested persons are invited to a reception celebrating the contributions of racial and ethnic minority pioneers in the Academy.

International Guests and Members Orientation and Reception
(A63) Saturday, 8:30pm–9:30pm  S-Swan 10
All AAR international attendees and guests are invited to a reception sponsored by the Committee on International Connections.

AAR Reception
(A64) Saturday, 8:30pm–9:30pm  S-Swan 5 & 6
All AAR registrants at the Annual Meeting are invited. Admission is by ticket and name badge only.

A Conversation and Reception for Religion Scholars in Part-Time, Administrative, and Nonacademic Positions
(A65) Saturday, 9:30pm–10:30pm  D-20107 (20th 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.

AAR/SBL Student Members Reception
(A66) Saturday, 10:00pm–11:30pm  S-Mockingbird 1
The student members of the AAR and the SBL are invited to a reception hosted by the AAR and SBL executive staffs.

New Members Continental Breakfast
(A67) Sunday, 7:30am–8:45am  D-20107 (20th floor)
The Board of Directors welcomes new (first-time) AAR members to join them for a continental breakfast.

Retired Members Reception
(A139) Sunday, 5:30pm–6:30pm  D-20107 (20th floor)
All AAR members who are retired from full-time employment are invited to a reception in their honor.

Lilly Teaching Fellows Reception
(A145) Sunday, 8:45pm–10:00pm  D-20107 (20th floor)
All participants in the AAR’s Lilly Teaching Workshops are invited to a reception.
JAAR Editorial Board Reception
(A146) Sunday, 9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Europe 9

Members of the JAAR Editorial Board are invited to a reception in their honor.

Reception for Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Members
(A233) Monday, 9:00pm–11:00pm  D-20107 (20th 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 Projects with Public Outreach
(A7) Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern I

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
(A32) Saturday, 2:00pm–5:00pm  D-Southern Hemisphere Foyer 1–II

Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to speak with members and distribute application materials.

SPECIALLY FOR STUDENTS

AAR Student Lounge
Saturday, November 21–Monday, November 23  S-Dove

The Student Lounge is available from 8:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. This “lounge” offers graduate students an opportunity to network with each other and meet student leaders on a more intimate basis, or simply a place to relax between sessions.

AAR Student Liaison Group Meeting
(A5) Saturday, 9:00am–10:15am  S-Mockingbird

Appointed Student Liaison Group members will gather to discuss business.

Introduction to the AAR
(A39) Saturday, 5:00pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 4

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
(A66) Saturday, 10:00pm–11:30pm  S-Mockingbird 1

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

AAR AWARDS

To be presented prior to the Presidential Address (A62). Saturday, 7:00pm  S-Swan 1–4

Excellence in the Study of Religion

The AAR is pleased to announce the 1998 award recipients for outstanding books in religion.

Analytical-Descriptive Studies:

Historical Studies:

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

Analytical-Descriptive Panel:
Bruce Lincoln, University of Chicago
Dale B. Martin, Duke University
Vernon Schubel, Kenyon College

Constructive-Reflective Panel:
John Barbour, St. Olaf College
Rebecca S. Chopp, Emory University
Edward Farley, Vanderbilt University

Historical Panel:
Paul Misner, Marquette University
Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University of Chicago
Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University
Brannon Wheeler, University of Washington

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 1997.


The AAR thanks H. Byron Earhart, Western Michigan University, Chair of the Committee on the History of Religions and the other members of the committee for their contributions to this awards program:

Anne C. Klein, Rice University
Richard C. Martin, Emory University
Alan F. Segal, Barnard College
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (S50)
Saturday, November 21, 8:00pm   D-Southern II–III

Deuteronomy and Psalms: Evoking a Biblical Conversation
Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary

Patrick D. Miller is the Charles T. Haley Professor of Old Testament Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary. Professor Miller has served in a variety of capacities in the Society of Biblical Literature including administrative, program unit, and editorial positions. He is currently on the editorial board of the SBL series, Writings from the Ancient World, as well as having editorial responsibilities with Theology Today, Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Journal for the Study of the Old Testament Supplement Series, and Interpretation: A Commentary for Teaching and Preaching. His publications are numerous and include both contributions to theological discussions as well as more technical, philological studies. He has provided leadership in discovering more inclusive language for the translation of biblical texts through service to the Inclusive Language Lectionary Committee. His scholarship has included work on important themes such as sin and judgment, the theology of biblical prayer, and the divine warrior. From serving the Presbyterian Church (USA) as a pastor, to faculty positions at Union Theological Seminary in Virginia and now at Princeton, he presents a strong, steady, reliable, and understanding voice for students, pastors, and colleagues.

D. Moody Smith, Duke University, will preside.
POSTER SESSIONS

A new feature for the SBL are poster sessions. Long a part of the professional meetings of natural and social scientists, these sessions are a way to broaden participation at the meeting, especially by graduate students in their latter dissertation phase and recent Ph.D.s. Presenters prepare posters and mount them on freestanding boards in a room that is open throughout the meeting for browsing by attendees. Interested persons then return at a designated time to converse with the author about the project. This year the posters will be on view in the Northern Hemisphere Foyer of the Dolphin, and the poster session itself is scheduled for Sunday, November 22, 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. For the eighteen posters that have unfamiliar format for many, there will also be a session on how to produce and present a superior poster. Featured at this session will be Barbara Schowen, who teaches Chemistry at the University of Kansas and is internationally known for her work on poster preparation and presentation. Her publications include "Communicating in Other Formats: Posters…." in The ACS [American Chemical Society] Style Guide, 2nd edition, Janet S. Dodd, ed. (Washington, D.C.: American Chemical Society, 1997), 27–38. Other panelists in this session include Michael Cuyjet from the University of Louisville, whose expertise is in the field of education, and two persons who will be offering posters, Troy A. Miller of the University of Edinburgh and Audrey L. S. West of Duke University. For a full outline of this session, which is scheduled for Saturday, November 21, 3:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., see S47.

CONSORTIA

 Consortia are collaborative efforts of program units and special sessions that group around particular areas of interest. Planners work together to produce more coherent programming than would be possible by working in isolation. The following lists bring to your attention the sessions in each of the two consortia, prophets and archaeology.

PROPHETS

All but one of the contributing Program Units in this consortium are familiar to members. The new one, Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Consultation, is a cross-disciplinary effort that seeks a substantial dialogue with historians, socio-linguists, narratologists, archaeologists, and “biblicists.” Consult the listings for specific paper titles in each of the sessions.

(S14) Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar

(S38) Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Israeliite Prophetic Literature Section

(S64) Sunday, 9:00am–11:30am Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group

(S72) Sunday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Composition of the Book of Jeremiah Group

(S104) Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group

(S139) Monday, 9:00am–11:30am Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Consultation

(S158) Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar

(S177) Monday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Formation of the Book of the Twelve Seminar

ARCHAEOLOGY

A rich series of topics for those with archaeological interests are offered. In addition to the familiar program units, there is a new Consultation and several special sessions, some of which will become regular Program Units beginning in 1999. The full list is followed by some more detailed program notes.

(S13) Saturday, 1:00pm–3:00pm Special Session: Seals and Sealing

(S23) Saturday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Archaeology of the New Testament World Group

(S45) Saturday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Special Session: Archaeology of Jerusalem

(S71) Sunday, 9:00am–11:30am Special Session on Paleographical Studies in the Ancient Near East

(S90) Sunday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Special Session: Major Excavations of Biblical Interest (Various)

(S94) Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

(S141) Monday, 9:00am–11:30am Special Session: Major Excavations of Biblical Interest (Ashkelon)

(S160) Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Special Session: Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Interaction in Late Antique Syria

(S161) Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Special Session on Temples and Churches: From the Middle Bronze Age to the Byzantine Period

(S173) Monday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Archaeology of the New Testament World Group

(S178) Monday, 3:45pm–6:15pm Archaeology and Texts from Late Antiquity Consultation

(S197) Tuesday, 9:00am–12:00pm Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section
SBL

Special Sessions

Archaeological Sessions

Archaeology of the New Testament World Group

Building God's House: The Social Origins of Christian Architecture (S173): This session is devoted to an interdisciplinary discussion of the evolution of Christian sacred space during the first four centuries of the Common Era. The discussion will focus on Building God’s House: The Social Origins of Christian Architecture, by L. Michael White.

"Oriental Cults" in the Ancient World and Modern Scholarship (S23): James B. Rives will use specific epigraphical and archaeological information from the western Roman Empire to challenge the persistent notion of widespread popularity for the "Oriental Cults." Other presenters (Erika Schluntz, James Walters, and Helmut Koester) will look at evidence for the activities of the Egyptian Cults in Asia Minor and Nabatean Petra.

Special Session: Seals and Sealing (S13)

Despite their diminutive size and often plain appearance, seals provide a treasure-trove of information on historical figures and on everyday life in ancient times. A distinguished group of specialists will present the latest exciting seals to come to scholarly attention, including an iconic seal of a major Judahite king. The panel consists of Frank Moore Cross, Harvard University; Robert Deutsch, Tel Aviv University; Andre Lemaire, Institutes d'Etudes Semitques, College de France; and P. Kyle McCarter, Johns Hopkins University.

Special Session: Archaeology of Jerusalem (S45)

This session focuses on several issues dealing with Biblical Jerusalem during the Jebusite (Late Bronze - Iron I) and Israelite (Iron II) periods. It synthesizes data from the related fields of Bible, history, and archaeology. Lecturers include archaeologists and biblical scholars who will be presenting unpublished materials from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem excavations in the City of David, an analysis of recent archaeological surveys in the Judean Hill Country, a reevaluation of the biblical and historical texts, and a critique of the history of archaeological and biblical research in Jerusalem. An outgrowth of this special session, the Jerusalem in Bible and Archaeology Consultation, begins regular programming in 1999.

Special Session: Paleographical Studies in the Ancient Near East (S71)

Paleography has taken a significant place in Near Eastern archaeology and, with the establishment of paleographic typologies, is now regularly used to date inscriptions of unknown provenance and to substantiate the dating of those found in situ. This special session demonstrates the breadth of paleographical studies ranging from Ugaritic to Phoenician and Punic to Hebrew to Palmyrene and addresses major methodological considerations of import to biblical history and historiography. The successor to this session will be a new program unit, Paleographical Studies in the Ancient Near East Section, beginning in 1999.

Special Session: Major Excavations of Biblical Interest (S90 and S141)

Discoveries made by archaeological research both in the field and laboratory continue to provide illumination for both the backgrounds and the details of biblical history and literature. These sessions provide a forum for reports on results of recent excavations that make impacts on our understanding of biblical traditions. One session (S141), with Lawrence Stager of Harvard University presiding, will review the contributions of the Leon Levy Expedition to the ancient site of Ashkelon. The second session (S90) is a group of miscellaneous reports from five sites: Akko, Taanach, Dan, al-Mudaybi, and Bethsaida. Joe D. Seger, Mississippi State University, will preside.

Special Session: Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Interaction in Late Antique Syria (S160)

The area surrounding the Holy Land to the east and northeast was one of the most important regions of the ancient Near East in late antiquity. Syria also played a pivotal role in the shaping of early Judaism and early Christianity. This special session will examine aspects of the material culture alongside the literary and epigraphic record of this geographic area in the hope of establishing a dialogue between the written and nonwritten record. From New Testament times comes a discussion of the shrine at Paneas and a consideration of the influence of Syria on the apostle Paul. From late Hellenistic times there will be a consideration of the evidence and a discussion of whether and to what degree Perea was Judaised. For late
antiquity a fairly detailed discussion will ensue regarding the interaction among pagans, Christians, and Jews there. The results of these presentations greatly advances the cause of the integration of knowledge in a time of ever greater specialization. Eric Meyers, Duke University, will preside.

Special Session on Temples and Churches: From the Middle Bronze Age to the Byzantine Period (S161)

An exploration of sacred space and architecture through two millennia of ancient Near Eastern history is the focus of this session. Papers include a proposed redating of the temple of El-herith at Shechem; details of Solomon's temple that have been attested archaeologically; a description of the largest cult center in ancient Israel; the discovery of a new church in the Holy Sepulchre; and a report on the current excavation of the church where tradition says Mary rested before giving birth to Jesus.

Archaeology and Texts from Late Antiquity Consultation (S178)

This new consultation engages cross-disciplinary discussions between archaeologists and textual scholars. Its primary focus is on the integration of archaeological finds from and studies of rabbinic and patristic texts of Roman-Byzantine Palestine into the broader field of Jewish history.

OTHER SPECIAL SESSIONS

Special Session on Commercial Publishing and Public Scholarship

A Forum Cosponsored by Publishers Weekly and SBL (S113)

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Southern V

The second in a three-year series, this session features a panel of publishing professionals who will reflect on their experiences in bringing substantial yet accessible biblical and religious studies books to general audiences. Panelists include Eric Major, vice-president and director of religious publishing for Doubleday; Jane Garrett, senior editor at Knopf; John Loudon, executive editor at Harper San Francisco (and SBL member); Nicholas Latimer, associate director of publicity for Knopf; Steve Hanselman, director of product and market development for Harper San Francisco (and SBL member); Mark Tauber, marketing manager for Harper San Francisco; and Claudia Cross, an agent specializing in religion at the William Morris Agency. Session moderator will be Lynn Garrett, religion editor for Publishers Weekly. Ample time will be reserved for questions and interaction.

Revelation Live: A Dramatic Performance of the Apocalypse of John (S111)

Frontiers in Biblical Scholarship: Endowment for Biblical Research Series

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 6

This program begins a new three-year series on the genre of apocalypse in biblical literature by presenting a dramatic enactment of the Apocalypse of John by noted New Testament Scholar and performer, David Rhoads. The presentation will be followed by a panel discussion moderated by David L. Barr, Wright State University, and including Elizabeth Struthers Melbon, Virginia Polytechnic and State University, Jon Paullien, Andrews University Theological School, and Ronald Roschke, Grace Lutheran Church, Boulder, CO. The panel will consider how the oral nature of the Apocalypse might shape its interpretation. This program is jointly sponsored by The Endowment for Biblical Research and the SBL.

John's Gospel (S135)

Monday, 9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 4

Professional biblical storyteller Dennis Dewey will perform John's Gospel as dramatic monologue. The script for this nearly two-hour performance is excerpted from the text itself and includes all of the stories with just enough discourse material to hold them together.

Dewey says that his goal is to "help audiences hear the stories again for the first time." For 20 years, he has performed and taught at hundreds of churches, seminars, universities, and conferences all over the United States and in six other countries. He has also performed at the National Storytelling Festival. His repertoire includes Mark, Genesis, Galatians, the Christmas narratives, the resurrection stories, Revelation, and Jonah.

Semeia Anniversary (S116)

Sunday, 7:30pm–9:30pm  D-Northern A

Emerging from structuralist and hermeneutical debates about the Bible in the early 1970s, Semeia has remained true to its mandate to be an "experimental" journal. Many of the new developments in biblical studies in the last decades—literary, social scientific, post-structuralist, political, ideological—have been announced or developed in its pages. Semeia has a board of 15 cutting-edge scholars whose main task is to initiate and edit new volumes. The editors are using the approach of Semeia's 25th year not just for self-congratulation, but also for thinking about what are the real experimental edges of biblical studies as we enter the new millennium.

Special Session: The Profession of Biblical Scholarship outside Academia (S112)

Sunday, 3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 3

In light of the growing number of biblical studies Ph.D.'s who by choice or per force are using their skills outside strictly academic institutions, this session will provide an important recognition of the work of biblical scholarship outside academia and offer an occasion to consider the relationship of our discipline to our broader public(s).
**SBL Special Sessions**

The program will feature an address of general nature on this issue by SBL Executive Director Kent Richards, as well as presentations by David Lull (National Council of Churches) on the practice of biblical scholarship in Bible translation, Robert Atkins (First United Methodist Church, La Grange, IL) on ministry within religious communities, and Jon Berquist (Chalice Press) on academic publishing. There will also be ample time for discussion and developing ideas for future sessions. Ron Troxel will preside.

**AAR/SBL/ATS Forum: Funding Projects with Public Outreach (S29)**

**Saturday, 1:00pm-3:30pm**  D-Southern I–II

How can the results developed in research projects be disseminated beyond the Academy to publics in the church or world at large? Could scholars get their voices heard in settings as diverse as television, policy-making bodies, and community organizations? The academy provides a setting for the refinement of ideas and increasingly seeks to play a role in the public understanding of religion. At the same time, funding agencies want to know that the projects they fund will reach a variety of audiences. Scholars need to know how foundations are thinking about dissemination of research ideas, communication with multiple audiences, and various forms of practical and applied research. This panel will feature program officers who will help scholars think about ways that public outreach, in a variety of forms, might play a part in their research projects.

**AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair (S30)**

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

**Saturday, 2:00pm–5:00pm**  D-Southern Hemisphere Foyer I–II

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.

**Special Session: Deliberation on Proposed Ecojustice Principles for Hermeneutics (S31)**

**Sunday, 3:45pm–5:15pm**  D-Europe 10

For the past several years there has been a project in Australia addressing the theological and biblical response to the call for ecojustice. Chaired by Norman Habel, this session will present a panel that will explore the identification of a proposed set of principles for a critical examination of these responses. These principles will serve as a hermeneutic for reading and tradition from the perspective of justice for the earth. The session should be of interest to biblical scholars, theology students, ecologists, ecofeminists, and others, including those who may wish to join the project.

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

African-American Theology and Biblical Hermeneutics Group (S103)

Special Session: Asian and Asian-American Biblical Studies (S195)

Bible in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean Section (S73, S122)

**BOOKS UNDER DISCUSSION**

*Biblica Hebraica Quinta: The Megillot (Quinta Editions; Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 1998) (S55)*

*The Christology of the Fourth Gospel by Paul N. Anderson (Trinity Press International, 1997) (S68)*

*Deuteronomy and the Hermeneutics of Legal Innovation by Bernard M. Levinson (Oxford University Press, 1997) (S35)*


*Galatians by Philip R. Esler (New Testament Readings; Routledge, 1998) (S33)*


*The Postcolonial Bible edited by R. S. Sugirtharajah, et al. (Sheffield Academic Press, 1998) (S73)*


*Text and Pulp: Experiencing Scripture Today by Schuyler Brown(Continuum, 1998) (S68)*

*Theology of the Old Testament: Testimony, Dispute, Advocacy by Walter Brueggemann (Fortress, 1997) (S154)*

*The Transforming God: An Interpretation of Suffering and Evil by Tyrone Inbody (Westminster John Knox, 1997) (S39)*

*When the Powers Fall: Reconciliation in the Healing of Nations by Walter Wink (Fortress, 1998) and The Powers that Be: Theology for a New Millennium by Walter Wink (Doubleday, 1998) (S175)*

**SESSIONS OF PEDAGOGICAL INTEREST**

Academic Teaching of Biblical Studies Group (S102, S186)

Computer Assisted Research Group (S24, S125)

Feminist Theological Hermeneutics of the Bible Group (S25)

National Association of Professors of Hebrew (S196)
THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION

The American Academy of Religion is a learned society and professional association of scholars and teachers in the field of religion. Through academic conferences and meetings, publications, and a variety of programs and membership services, the Academy fosters excellence in scholarship and teaching. Within a context of free inquiry and critical examination, the Academy welcomes all disciplined reflection on religion and seeks to enhance its broad public understanding.

The goals of the American Academy of Religion are:
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- to support and encourage members' professional development;
- to develop regional programming and participation;
- to advance publication and scholarly communication in the field;
- to seek ways to contribute to the public understanding of religion;
- to welcome into our conversation the various voices in the field of religion and to support and encourage diversity within the Academy; and
- to help to advance and secure the future of the academic study of religion.

Governance. The AAR is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of elected and ex officio members. Programmatic responsibilities are carried out through the following standing committees: Finance, International Connections, Long-Range Planning and Development, Nominations, Program, Public Understanding of Religion, Publications, Regions, Research and Scholarship, Status of Women in the Profession, and Teaching and Learning. Other committees include History of Religions, Institutional Programs, Lilly Teaching Workshops, Membership, New Technologies, and the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession. The AAR and SBL jointly sponsor the Association of Department Chairs and the Employment Information Services Committees. The AAR executive offices are located at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

Annual Meeting. The Academy's program embraces the world's religions and major areas of study through fourteen program units called sections. In addition there are currently fifty-two groups, six consultations, and six seminars. Plenary lectures, special topics forums, roundtable sessions, films, artistic events, and programs of affiliated societies further enrich this gathering of scholars in religion, the largest in the world.

Regional Groups. The ten regional groups of the AAR, incorporating all of North America, sponsor regional forums and projects in the study of religion, as well as opportunities for leadership and scholarly support offered by local networks of members.

Publications. The scholarly periodical of the Academy is the Journal of the American Academy of Religion. The AAR's publishing program through Scholars Press brings the works of authors to the attention of publics in North America, Europe, and East Asia, exposing a growing audience to issues in religious studies. Currently the AAR publishes books in the Academy Series, the Cultural Criticism Series, the Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series, the Religions Series, and the Texts and Translations Series. In addition, the AAR publishes a periodical titled Spotlight on Teaching. Joint publications with the SBL include the Critical Review of Books in Religion, Religious Studies News, and Openings. The Dictionary of Religion, a major reference work by the AAR, was published in 1995 by HarperCollins.

Awards. The Awards for Excellence in Religious Studies are given annually for books that offer a significant new approach to a topic or field in religious studies. The awards are given in three categories: analytic-descriptive, constructive-reflective, and historical. An annual award is also given for the best first book in the history of religions. The Ray L. Hart Service Award is given to persons whose dedication and service have made significant contributions to the AAR's mission of fostering excellence in the field of religion. An award for contributions to the public understanding of religion is named for its first recipient, Martin E. Marty.

Grants. The grants program supports research by members of the AAR (including joint members). The AAR makes awards from $500 to $5,000 for individual and collaborative research. The Committee on Regions manages regional development grants designed to foster regional activities and programs. Information regarding these grant programs is published regularly in Religious Studies News and is available from the AAR executive offices.

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### NOMINATION FOR SERVICE WITHIN THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION

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 Elected 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.
AAR 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 that 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 unit's 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

Before submitting a proposal, it is important that those members interested in establishing a new program unit be aware of a program unit chair's responsibilities. A handbook fully describing these responsibilities can be obtained from the AAR executive offices upon request. In sum, the responsibilities are as follows.

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.

Applying to renew or change the status of a program unit.

Groups or sections seeking to renew or change 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 program unit report a proposal that follows the guidelines listed below.

Program Unit Types

There are five types of program units. The role for each type 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 that 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 five years.

Groups
Groups are the places where emergent and/or focused areas of study and methodologies are explored and developed. 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 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 1998 proposals received after December 3, 1998, cannot be considered.

Proposals to establish a new program unit should
1. Give the name and type of the 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 to the American Academy of Religion, 825 Houston Mill Road, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30329.

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.
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. 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 expanding its publications program and 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.

**Academy Series**

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 should submit a copy of the dissertation with a detailed letter of support to Carole A. Mysofski, Department of Religion, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL 61702; mysofski@titan.iwu.edu.

**Cultural Criticism Series**

The *Cultural Criticism Series* publishes work that addresses relations among religion and cultural studies, feminism, postcolonial and multicultural criticism, science and technology, environmentalism, peace studies, gay and lesbian studies, electronic media, and the arts. It seeks material that is original, informative, and based on the responsible academic study of a complex, evolving, and pluralistic world and that brings new and disparate voices into scholarly debate. It publishes both specialized books and books for classroom use. Send correspondence and submissions to Bjorn Krondorfer, *The Cultural Criticism Series*, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, St. Mary's College, St. Mary's City, MD 20686; bhkrondorfer@osprey.smc.edu.

**Religions Series**

The *Religions Series* publishes books in textual and historical studies. It is designed to highlight the many religions studied by members of the AAR. Send correspondence regarding publication in this series to Paul B. Courtright, Editor, *The Religions Series*, Department of Religion, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322; relbhc@emory.edu.

**Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series**

The *Reflection and Theory in the Study of Religion Series* publishes books and monographs that make a primary contribution to understanding theoretical and methodological issues arising in scholarly work in religious studies. The series seeks contributions to theoretical reflection in theology, ethics, philosophy of religion, religious hermeneutics of culture broadly conceived, historiography, comparative religion, and the like. Proposals may focus either on significant theoretical constructions of the received traditions or on the problems and tasks of current constructive work. Send correspondence regarding publication to Mary McClintock Fulkerson, The Divinity School, Duke University, Box 90967, Durham, NC 27708; mfulk@mail.duke.edu.

**Texts and Translations Series**

The *Texts and Translations Series* makes available to the religious studies community important printed materials that are currently inaccessible. Members are invited to suggest titles of books, monographs, anthologies, etc., that would fill a research or pedagogical need. They are to be reprinted or, in some cases, translated for the first time into English. The series solicits works in all areas of religious studies and favors no particular methodological approach. Send suggestions to Terry F. Godlove, Editor, *Texts and Translations Series*, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Heger Hall, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11550; phitfg@vaxc.hofstra.edu.

The AAR's Committee on Publications oversees the publications program. Terry Godlove chairs the committee. Send comments and inquiries regarding the general publications program to him at the address above.
THE SOCIETY OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE

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- stimulate the critical investigation of biblical literature;
- illuminate the religions, histories, and literatures of the ancient Near East and Mediterranean regions;
- provide a wide range of support for students and educators of the Bible;
- widen the conversation partners of all interested in biblical literature.

PROGRAMS

The major programs of the Society of Biblical Literature include:

Research and Publications
- Three serial publications
- Twelve monographic series
- Four major reference volumes
- Scholars Press founding sponsor
- Research grants

Congress
- Annual meeting in North America
- International meeting

Professional Activities
- Religious Studies News
- Openings
- Employment Information Services
- American Council of Learned Societies member
- National Humanities Alliance member
- Association of Department Chairs

Regions
- Eleven regional meetings
- Regional Scholars Program

Technology
- Website
- Electronic publications
- Technology grants

DEVELOPMENT

Tax deductible contributions and gifts from members and foundations are the major sources of income apart from member dues and sales of publications. Contributions provide the revenue streams for facilitating broader participation in the SBL mission, strengthening research and publications, and establishing a fund for technological innovation and education. The recruitment of racial and ethnic minority students at a 1996 Recruitment Conference and a similar conference to be held in 1998 at Vanderbilt University are examples of our commitment to broaden participation. The establishment of the international meeting in 1983 exemplifies another effort to broaden representation. The extension of our publications toward the non-specialist reader with the HarperCollins reference works and the Writings from the Ancient World series is a strengthening of our commitment to research and publications. The Regional Scholars program also supports our research interests. The expansion of the Web Site demonstrates our aggressive interest in technological sources for teaching and research.

The Society of Biblical Literature is becoming an innovator in new ways just as it did by becoming one of the first learned societies in North America. Innovations demand partnerships. The Society seeks to strengthen old partnerships and create new ones.

GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The hundreds of volunteers who serve the Society of Biblical Literature as officers, editors, program unit chairs, and committee members are the heart of the organization. The Council is the major governing body with its Executive Committee. An Annual Business Meeting provides a mechanism for elections and annual reports on the health of all programs. The committees provide guidance and leadership for the programs.

The administration is coordinated through an Executive Office. The staff of five professionals in the Atlanta executive office in the Luce Center on the Emory University campus provides leadership; personnel at Scholars Press direct membership services and accounting; the Joint Ventures staff oversees employment services, congresses, and a variety of other activities.

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Each year the SBL Research and Publications Committee funds direct expenses for research projects and technology 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 1998, the Committee approved a total of $16,850 in funding for eight research grant proposals.

1998 Recipients:

James R. Adair, Scholars Press, for a project entitled, TC: A Journal of Text Criticism
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An announcement of the Committee's Research Grant Policies and an invitation to apply for the 1999 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, 825 Houston Mill Road, Suite 350, Atlanta, GA 30329; E-MAIL: gglover@emory.edu.
GUIDELINES FOR PROPOSALS FOR NEW AND RENEWING PROGRAM UNITS

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CHECKLIST FOR NEW PROGRAM UNIT PROPOSALS

The following includes specific items used by the Program Committee to evaluate Program Unit Proposals. The Program Committee’s role is to balance regulating and guiding with promoting and encouraging new initiatives. Program Unit Proposals are due 15 February.

Checklist for Proposals:
Make sure you include responses to the following items.

1. Name of proposed unit.
2. Type (section, group, seminar, consultation; see definitions below). Normally a new program unit begins as a consultation.
3. Statement of the aims of the unit and a forty-word synopsis of these aims.
4. Leadership consists of a Chair and Steering Committee which are not to exceed a total of five. The inclusion of junior and underrepresented scholars is welcomed and strongly encouraged. An abbreviated c.v. of no more than two pages is to be submitted for each person. It may be presented in paragraph form or outline and should include the following:
   a. Name, institution, and address; voice mail and fax numbers; e-mail addresses
   b. Current academic affiliation
   c. Institution granting doctoral degree
   d. Relevant scholarship
   e. For the Chair: evidence of administrative experience
5. If the new unit is to be a group or seminar, list the participating members (limited to 20).
6. List the program projections with topics and suggested participants for the first two years.
7. The Research and Publication Committee is interested in publications coming from Program Units.
8. Consider and indicate the ways the Program Unit might use technology as well as cooperation and consultation with other Program Units.
9. See also the criteria for approval, below.

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL

The following notes elaborate the information sought by the Program Committee. Response to the criteria may be integrated in the items identified in the checklist or addressed separately.

1. Advancing biblical scholarship. Clear articulation of the purposes, aims, and goals, and the ways in which this proposed unit might supplement, complement, or enhance existing program units.
2. Sufficient intensity of interest.
3. Quality and commitment of leadership.
4. Description of the steering committee’s method of refereeing proposals.
5. Diversity of participants.
6. Variety of format.
7. Mechanism for self-criticism (e.g., business sessions, polling, etc.).
8. Significance beyond immediate constituency and plans for publicizing the work of the unit.

DEFINITIONS OF PROGRAM UNITS

Consultations: Established to explore an area of research/interest/pedagogy that may eventuate in a section, group, or seminar. Consultations have only a single session at each annual meeting, and the term is limited to three years.

Sections: Established to provide the broadest possible access to presenting papers in a more general area of study. The term is six years and may be renewed in the fifth year for an additional six years.

Groups: Established for the purpose of pursuing long range, collaborative research projects requiring active preparation and participation. The subject matter is usually more focused than a Section. Application to become an active member of the working group is submitted to the chair. The term is for an initial six years with the possibility for an additional term.

Seminars: Established around well-defined research topics with specific publication goals. Participation is limited to twenty members whose names are retained on a membership registry. Observers are permitted as space allows. The term is normally for six years and not renewable.

CHANGES AND RENEWALS OF EXISTING PROGRAM UNITS

Any change in an existing program unit and renewals for an existing program unit must be addressed to the Dr. Judith Streit (see above), who can provide a checklist for this purpose. Reviews must be submitted within the penultimate year of a program unit’s term. Changes in a program unit need to be communicated as soon as known.
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The specific requirements and deadlines for applying for the Regional Scholar award vary. Contact the appropriate Regional Secretary directly for further details.

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Books and Bodies: Textual Contests over Female Ascetics in the Apocryphal Acts

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Reading Jeremiah as a Companion to Isaiah

Nicole Reddy
University of Iowa/
University of Nebraska, Omaha
Rocky Mtn/Great Plains Region
The Figure of Death in the Romanian Version of the Testament of Abraham and the Role of Apocryphal Literature in Eastern Christianity

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Figure 3 shows the distribution of the Ethics of an African American Biblical Hermeneutic in the context of the American Civil Rights Movement. This figure highlights the role of African American scholars in shaping the understanding of the Ethics of an African American Biblical Hermeneutic during this period.
The University of Helsinki, its Department of Biblical Studies, and Lahti Research and Training Centre have invited the Society for Biblical Literature to hold its International Meeting in Finland in 1999. The University of Helsinki is the oldest and largest university in Finland, established in 1640. It is considered the leading institution of Finnish culture and intellectual renewal, which generates and disseminates new scientific thought and knowledge by means of research, teaching, and international co-operation. Several sessions will be held in the principal university buildings in the historical center of Helsinki, the capital of Finland, 16–17 July.

Sessions will be held in the city of Lahti, about 100 km northeast of Helsinki in its Lahti Cultural Centre, 18–21 July. Additional post-meeting sessions and touring will be available in St. Petersburg, Russia, 22–25 July.

Finland offers a fresh alternative for international conferences with its northern geographical location, clean, modern urban areas, natural environments, and creative cultural life, which blooms particularly in summer. Finland is one of the largest countries in Europe, but has only five million inhabitants. The country is famous for thousands of lakes, green forests, and light summer nights. The average temperatures in July are 68–77° F (20–25° C).

The city of Lahti, founded in 1905, is a modern and lively city with 95,000 inhabitants. It is the economic and cultural centre of the Päijät-Häme region and provides excellent facilities and settings for congresses and meetings. Lahti is internationally known for such cultural events as the International Writers’ Reunion, the Poem Marathon, the International Organ Music Festival, as well as sporting events, such as the World Ski Championships. The Lahti Philharmonic Orchestra has achieved a world-wide reputation through important recordings of the music of Jean Sibelius. The Church of the Cross, designed by Alvar Aalto is a well-known architectural sight in the city.
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Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

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AE4 Regional Secretaries (Continental Breakfast)
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Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

AE5 Committee on Teaching and Learning
9:00am–11:00am    D-Northern E-2
Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

AE6 Regional Officers and Regions Committee
9:30am–11:00am    D-Northern E-3
Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

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**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**A1**  
Women’s Caucus: Religious Studies Pre-conference Workshop (=S5)  
12:00pm–5:00pm  D-Oceanic 1  
Rachel A. R. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding  
Theme: Professional Enhancement and Development for Women in Religious Studies  
12:00 Welcome and Introduction to the Women’s Caucus  
12:30 Defining Personal Success  
1:30 Women Teaching for Social Change: Incorporating Multicultural and Multi-Faith Resources  
2:30 Break  
2:45 Grants, Fellowships, and the Funding Process  
3:45 Scholarly Publishing  
4:30 Regional Resources and Networking  
5:00 Breakouts for Dinner in Local Restaurants

**A2**  
Orientation to the AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Center (=S9)  
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Asia 5  
Miki McBride-Sala, AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Manager, Presiding  
Introduction and Review of EIS Center Procedures  
David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University  
Both Roads Taken: Pursuing Divergent Career Paths  
Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary  
What’s Wrong with This Picture?: Scenes from an Interview  
Discussion with career strategist Susan Terman and Panelists

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**A3**  
AAR/SBL Association of Department Chairs (=S11)  
8:00am–10:45am  D-Oceanic 1  
Harry M. Gamble, University of Virginia, Presiding  
Theme: Enlarging Our Constituencies: A Workshop

**A4**  
Religion and Ecology Group  
7:00am–12:45pm  S-Toucan Foyer  
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont, and Daniel T. Spencer, Drake University, Presiding  
Theme: Sacred Sites Bus Tour  
See page 9 for a description. There will be a ten dollar charge for the bus tour. A registration form can be found on page 312.

**A5**  
AAR Student Liaison Group Meeting  
9:00am–10:45am  S-Mockingbird  
Debra Washington, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and Northwestern University, Presiding
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

S1 SBL Executive Committee
9:00am–2:00pm  D-Oceanic 8
Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

S2 Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
9:00am–5:00pm  D-Oceanic 2
Abraham Smith, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding

S3 SBL Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
9:00am–5:00pm  D-Oceanic 4
Peggy L. Day, University of Winnipeg, and Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

S4 SBL Conference of Regional Secretaries
9:00am–5:00pm  D-Asia 1
Christopher R. Matthews, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Presiding

S5 Women’s Caucus: Religious Studies Pre-conference Workshop (=A1)
12:00pm–5:00pm  D-Oceanic 1
Rachel A. R. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding
Theme: Professional Enhancement and Development for Women in Religious Studies
12:00 Welcome and Introduction to the Women’s Caucus
12:30 Defining Personal Success
1:30 Women Teaching for Social Change: Incorporating Multicultural and Multifaith Resources
2:30 Break
2:45 Grants, Fellowships, and the Funding Process
3:45 Scholarly Publishing
4:30 Regional Resources and Networking
5:00 Breakouts for Dinner in Local Restaurants

S6 SBL Development Committee
3:30pm–5:30pm  D-Oceanic 8
Harold W. Attridge, Yale Divinity School, Presiding

S7 SBL Semeia Editorial Board Business Meeting and Dinner
4:00pm–9:30pm  D-Asia 2
Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

S8 SBL Conference of Regional Secretaries Business Dinner
5:45pm–8:00pm  D-Asia 3
Christopher R. Matthews, Weston Jesuit School of Theology, Presiding

S9 EIS Center Orientation (=A2)
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Asia 5
Miki McBride-Sala, AAR/SBL Employment Information Services Manager, Presiding
Introduction and Review of EIS Center Procedures
David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University
Both Roads Taken: Pursuing Divergent Career Paths
Jeanne Stevenson-Moessner, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary
What’s Wrong with This Picture? Scenes from an Interview
Discussion with career strategist Susan Terman and Panelists
All EIS Center participants are encouraged to attend. Other members of AAR and SBL, members who may be entering the job market in the near future, or those who have a particular interest in the job market in religion are also welcome.
Plenary Address
11:30am–12:45pm D-Southern II–III
Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Building a Movement to Leave No Child Behind in Classrooms, Congregations, Communities, and Society
Marian Wright Edelman, Children’s Defense Fund

Special Topics Forum (=S29)
Sponsored by the AAR Program Committee, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Southern I
Theme: Funding Projects with Public Outreach
Robin W. Lovin, Southern Methodist University, and Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Chris Cobel, Lilly Endowment, Inc.
Janet Edwards, National Endowment for the Humanities
Michael Gilligan, Henry Luce Foundation, Inc.
Ann O’Keele, Arthur Vining Davis Foundation
See page 6 for a description of this session

Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm S-Mockingbird
T. Mark Ledbetter, Decatur, GA, Presiding
Theme: Celebrating Religion, Literature, and the Arts, or “Thirteen Ways of Looking at a Blackbird”
Panelists:
Carolyn M. Jones, Louisiana State University
Stephen P. Happel, Catholic University of America
S. Brent Plate, Emory University
Wesley A. Kort, Duke University
David L. Miller, Syracuse University
Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia
Conrad E. Ostwalt, Appalachian State University
Daniel C. Noel, Vermont College
Susan G. Cumings, Emory University
Deborah J. Haynes, Washington State University
Gilbert Bond, Yale University
Wilson Yates, United Theological Seminary, Twin Cities
Gregory Salyer, Huntingdon College
Brian M. Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Irena Makarushka, Goucher College
Barbara DeConcini, American Academy of Religion and Emory University
MEETING PROGRAM

Saturday
November 21

S10 SBL Council
7:30am–1:00pm D-Asia 1
Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

S11 AAR/SBL Department Chairs (=A3)
8:00am–11:00am D-Oceanic 1
Harry Y. Gamble, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Engaging our Constituencies: A Workshop

S12 History of the Reception of Romans and Exegesis: Premeeting Session
9:00am–11:30am S-Swan 7
Daniel Patte, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Theme: Issues in Contemporary Receptions of Romans
Günter Wasserberg, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, Canada; Kiel University, Germany
Romans 9–11: Possibilities and Limitations for Jewish/Christian Dialogue
William S. Campbell, Kings College, London
Favoritism and Egalitarianism: Irreconcilable Emphases in Romans and Some of Its Recent Interpretations
Respondent: Mark Nanos, University of St. Andrews
General Discussion
Florin Cimpean, Institutul Teologic Pentecostal Universitar Bucurest, Romania, and Vanderbilt University
From Margins to Center: Pentecostalist and Orthodox Readings of Romans 8 in Romania
Revelation Enriquez Velunta, Philippine Christian University, Manila and Dsmarinas, Philippines and Vanderbilt University
Ophelio and the Filipinos' Sense of Indebtedness (Utang na Loob)
Respondents:
Abraham Smith, Andover Newton Theological School
Robert Jewett, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
General Discussion
The papers by the presenters in this session will be summarized, not read. Those of Günter Wasserberg, William Campbell, and Revelation Velunta will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information. All papers are available through Daniel Patte by e-mail (Daniel.M.Patte@Vanderbilt.Edu) or by the U.S. Postal Service—for the cost of duplicating and mailing (Vanderbilt University, Dept. of Religious Studies, Box 1704, St. B, Nashville, TN 37235).
A10 Comparative Studies in Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Pelican 1
William Darrow, Williams College, Presiding
Theme: *Theorizing Iconoclasm*
Fabio Rambelli, Williams College
*To Destroy the Buddha (Habutsu): The Ideology of Iconoclasm in Japan*
Tatsuo Murakami, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Smashing Fetishes: Iconoclasm in Seventeenth-Century West Africa*
Martha L. Finch, University of California, Santa Barbara
*Witawamet's Head: Thinking about Iconoclasm in Early New England*
Eric Reinders, Emory University
*Iconoclasm and Murder*
Charles E. Barber, University of Notre Dame
*Sign and Figure in Byzantine Iconoclasm*
Respondent:
Kathleen Corrigan, Dartmouth College

A11 Ethics Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-4
Gail J. Stearns, Washington State University, Presiding
Theme: *Beverly Wildung Harrison's Contributions to Social Ethics*
Ken Estey, Union Theological Seminary, New York
*Class as a Theological and Ethical Category: Beverly Wildung Harrison's Contribution to Feminist Christian Social Ethics*
Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University
*Immoral Men and Mutual Selves: Beverly Wildung Harrison and the Niebuhrian Legacies*
Edward J. Peck, Neumann College
*Lonergan and Ethics: Understanding the Contributions of Beverly Wildung Harrison*
Respondent:
Beverly Wildung Harrison, Union Theological Seminary, New York

A12 History of Christianity Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 7
Mary Walsh Meany, Siena College, Presiding
Theme: *Material Christianity*
Roderic L. Mullen, Durham, NC
*Scratching Around: How Useful Are Small Finds in Documenting the Spread of Christianity*
Richard A. Layton, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
*The Library of Didymus the Blind in Fourth-Century Alexandria*
Dan Urman, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel
*Churches and Monasteries at Tell Nessana in the Negev*
David Bains, Harvard University
*Exhibiting the Church: Twentieth-Century Protestant Gothic Monuments in the United States*
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College
*"God's Paintings in Wood": The Vernacular Christian Art of "Sister" Ann Ameen*

A13 North American Religions Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 9
A. Gregory Schneider, Pacific Union College, Presiding
Theme: *Making Religion in the Home*
Vanessa L. Ochs, National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership
*What Makes a Jewish American Home Jewish?*
David H. Brown, Rutgers University
*Altered Spaces: Afro-Cuban Religions and Domestic Space in Cuba and the United States*
Pamela K. Klassen, University of Toronto
*Home Birth, Feminism, and Sacred Spaces*
Respondent:
Colleen McDannell, University of Utah

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Special Session: Seals and Sealings  
1:00pm–3:00pm  S-Swan 5

Hershel Shanks, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding
Andre Lemaire, Institutes d’Etudes Semitiques, College de France
Distinguishing Israelite and Judahite Seals: 9th–6th Centuries BCE
P. Kyle McCarter, Johns Hopkins University
What Bullae Disclose about Taxes and Business in Ancient Judah
Robert Deutsch, Tel Aviv University
Unpublished Ammonite Royal Seals and Sealings
Frank Moore Cross, Harvard University
An Unpublished Seal Impression of an 8th Century BCE King of Judah

Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar  
1:00pm–3:00pm  D-Oceanic 3

Julie Galambush, College of William and Mary, Presiding
Theme: Anthropology in the Book of Ezekiel
John F. Kutsko, Hendrickson Publishers
Will the Real selem 'Elohim Please Stand Up?
Respondents:
David P. Wright, Brandeis University
Stephen L. Stell, Austin College
Mary E. Shields, Drury College
Gender and Violence in Ezekiel 13
Respondents:
Katheryn Darr, Boston University
Stephen L. Stell, Austin College
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Bible Translation Section  
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 7

Andrew Steinmann, Ashland University, Presiding
Theme: Ideology and Bible Translation
F. Rachel Magdalene, University of Denver, Iliff School of Theology
Sexual Euphemisms in Hebrew and Omissions in English: A Eu-femin-istic Analysis of Sexual Imagery in the NRSV
William H. C. Propp, University of California, San Diego
The Anchor Bible Exodus Translation
Jack P. Lewis, Harding University Graduate School of Religion
The Twelve Prophets in the Contemporary English Version
David Odell-Scott, Kent State University
Translating Memeristai 'O Christos (1 Cor 1:13)

Business Meeting
A14 Philosophy of Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 8
Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: The Notion of 'Scripture' in Cross-Cultural Perspective: Orality, Literacy, and Logic
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Orality, Literacy, and the Logic of Hebrew Scriptures
Frits Staal, University of California, Berkeley
Are There Logics of Orality and Scripture?
Richard C. Martin, Emory University
Orality, Literacy, and the Logic of Relations in Early Islam
Garrett Green, Connecticut College
Imagination and Christian Scripture: Responding to the Logic of Other Traditions

A15 Study of Islam Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern V
Kathryn M. Kueny, Lawrence University, Presiding
Theme: Comparative Studies: Islam, Judaism, and Mormonism
Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University, Hawaii
Tradition and Authority in Islam and Mormonism: A Comparison
Muneer Fareed, Wayne State University
Qur'anic Studies in South Asia: The Character of the Jew as Depicted in South Asian Tafsir
Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College
Territoriality and Sanctity in Judaism and Islam

A16 Theology and Religious Reflection Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Pelican 2
Mark I. Wallace, Swarthmore College, Presiding
Theme: Constructive Theology: Atonement, Trinity, and Pluralism

A17 Confucian Traditions Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 2
John Berthrong, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Confucian Hermeneutics
Christian Jochim, San Jose State University
The Hermeneutics of Official Confucianism in Postwar Taiwan
John B. Henderson, Louisiana State University
The Hermeneutics of Neo-Confucian Heresiography
Jonathan R. Herman, Georgia State University
To Know the Sages Better Than They Knew Themselves: Chu Hsi's “Romantic Hermeneutics”
Jane Geaney, University of Richmond
Mencius' Hermeneutics
Respondent:
Anthony C. Yu, University of Chicago

A18 Evangelical Theology Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 4
Roger E. Olson, Bethel College, Presiding
Theme: New Horizons in Pneumatology
T. David Beck, Southern Methodist University
An Eschatological Model for Pneumatology
Brad J. Kallenberg, International School of Theology
Metaphysical Holism and Evangelical Pneumatology
D. Lyle Dabney, Marquette University
"Justified in the Spirit": Soteriological Reflections on the Resurrection
Respondents:
Clark H. Pinnock, McMaster Divinity College
Frank Macchia, Southeastern College
Book of Psalms Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 6

Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Theological Uses of the Psalms

Walter Brueggemann, Columbia Theological Seminary

The Psalms in Theological Use: On Incommensurability and Mutuality

Erhard S. Gerstenberger, University of Marburg, Germany

Theologies in the Book of Psalms

Rolf Rendtorff, University of Heidelberg, Germany

Reading the Psalter as One Theological Book

Panel Discussion

General Discussion

Christian Apocrypha Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Toucan

Christine M. Thomas, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Manuscripts and Magic

François Bovon, Harvard Divinity School

Papyrus Oxyrhynchus 840: Fragment of a Lost Gospel, Witness of Early Christian Controversies over Purity

Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University

Textual Contests over Female Ascetics in the Apocryphal Acts

Ann Graham Brock, Harvard University

What’s in a Name: The Competition for Authority in Early Christian Texts

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F. Stanley Jones, California State University, Long Beach

Eros and Astrology in the Periodoi Petrou

James Kelhoffer, University of Chicago

Drinking Poison in the Christian Apocrypha and Other Early Christian Literature

Business Meeting

The paper by Ann Graham Brock will be summarized, not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.
**A19** Gay Men's Religious Issues Group and Men's Studies in Religion Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 1

Bjorn Krontorfer, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Presiding

Theme: *Men, Marginalized and Sex Panicked*

Evelyn Kirkley, University of San Diego, and James N. Poling, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

*Phallic Spirituality: Masculinities in Promise Keepers, the Million Man March, and Sex Panic*

Ronald E. Long, Hunter College and City University of New York

*The Youthful Body That Is Our Own Most Self: Aging and the Gay Cult of the Body*

Paul J. Gorrell, Drew University

*Circuit Parties as Spiritual Phenomena*

Robert E. Goss, Webster University

*Is There Sex in Heaven? Viral Communion or Sex Panic*

Susan T. Bruno, First Church of Sheeter, Watertown, MA

*God, Manhood, and Love in the Lives of Four Homeless Men*

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**A20** Hinduism Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-1

Sarah Caldwell, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Presiding

Theme: *Who Speaks for Hinduism?*

Panelists:

- John S. Hawley, Barnard College
- Saurabh Dube, El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico
- Brian K. Smith, University of California, Riverside
- Arvind Sharma, McGill University
- Howard J. Resnick, Institute for Vaishnava Studies, Davis, CA
- Carlos Gomez, Muktabodha Indological Research Institute, Oakland, CA
- Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida
- Rachel Fell McDermott, Barnard College
- Douglas R. Brooks, University of Rochester

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**A21** History of the Study of Religion Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-3

Norman J. Girardot, Lehigh University, Presiding

Theme: *Impact of Theorists in Religion on National Traditions of Scholarship*

Robert Segal, University of Lancaster

*Durkheim in Britain: The Case of Radcliffe-Brown*

Carl Olson, Allegheny College

*Marcel Mauss: Shaped by Durkheim and Hinduism, and Shaper of Indologists*

Todd Gooch, Claremont Graduate University

*The Philosophical Reception of Rudolph Otto's Das Heilige in Post–World War I Germany*

Respondent:

- Gregory D. Alles, Western Maryland College
- Business Meeting
  - Abraham H. Khan, University of Toronto, Presiding

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**A22** Indigenous Religious Traditions Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 4

Julian Kunnie, University of Arizona, Presiding

Theme: *Indigenous Aesthetics and Activism*

Jace Weaver, Yale University

*An Ubermensch among the Apaches or Karl May's Tour of the Grand Teutons*

Claudine Michel, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Vodou in Haiti: Way of Life and Mode of Survival*

Charles D. Thompson Jr., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

*Masked Identities: Dance of the Conquest and Layered Histories of the Maya*

Dianne M. Stewart, Macalester College

*Reinterpreting and Representing African-Derived Religious Traditions in Jamaica*

Respondent:

- Jualynne Dodson, University of Colorado, Boulder
S19 Ideological Criticism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Oceanic 8
Jennifer Wright Knust, Columbia University, Presiding
Theme: Mapping Ideology in Biblical Studies
Erin Runions, McGill University
The Cock, the Big Other, and the Police in Canada and the Paran Desert
David Penchansky, University of St. Thomas
Monotheism and Its Opposites: Ideological Structures in Genesis 1 and Second Isaiah
Jan William Tarlin, Montana State University, Bozeman
Tamar’s Veil: Ideology at the Entrance to Enaim
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, and George Aichele, Adrian College
The Cut That Confuses: Exodus 4:24–26, Ideology, and Writing

S20 Pauline Epistles Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Northern A-4
Judith M Gundry-Volf, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Exegetical Studies
Brad R. Braxton, Emory University
The Role of Ethnicity in the Social Location of 1 Corinthians 7:17–24
George P. Carras, University of California at Berkeley/Washington and Lee University
Anti-Judaism in 1 Thessalonians: An Assessment of 1 Thess. 2:13–16 as Polemical Hyperbole
Diana M. Swancutt, Duke University
Sexy Stoics and the “Rereading” of Romans 1:18–2:16
Robert A. J. Gagnon, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
L. Ann Jervis, Wycliffe College, Canada
Paul the Poet in 1 Timothy: 1:11–17; 2:36–7; and 3:14–16

S21 Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Northern E-1
Dale B. Martin, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Toward the Social History of Biblical Scholarship: Germany as Case Study
Jonathan Hess, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Johann David Michaelis and the Fred Piper: The Politics of Orientalism in 18th-Century Germany
Bart D. Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Adolf von Harnack’s Marcion in Socio-historical Context
Wayne A. Meeks, Yale University
The Strange Case of Gerhard Kittel
Susannah Heschel, Dartmouth College
New Testament Scholarship on the “Aryan Jesus” during the Third Reich
Panel Discussion
General Discussion

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A23

Issues in the Thought of Paul Tillich

Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 4

Michael Bone, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: Troeltsch’s “History of Religions” Approach and Its Influence on Paul Tillich

Peter De Mey, Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven

“Metaphysics of History” versus “Theonomy”: The Reception of Troeltsch in Tillich’s Early Work

Duane Olson, University of Iowa

The Influence of Troeltsch’s Historicism on Tillich’s “System of the Sciences”

Jean Richard, Université Laval, Quebec

The Struggle with Absoluteness: History of Religion and Dogmatics in Troeltsch and Tillich

A24

Japanese Religions Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern IV

Elizabeth G. Harrison, University of Arizona, Presiding

Theme: Praxis and Religiosity in Japanese Confucianism

John Allen Tucker, University of North Florida

Quiet-Sitting, Discussions of Ghosts and Spirits, and Popular Religiosity in Tokugawa

Gregory Smits, Pennsylvania State University

Universality and Particularity in the Religious Praxis of Nakae Toju

On-cho Ng, Pennsylvania State University

Metaphysics, Meta-praxis, and Religiosity in Seventeenth-Century Cheng-Zhuyu Confucianism

Respondent:

Peter Nosco, University of Southern California

A25

Mysticism Group and Religion and Ecology Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 3

Eugene Taylor, Cambridge Institute of Psychology, Presiding

Theme: Contemporary Nature Mysticism

Belden C. Lane, St. Louis University

Theatrum Gloriae Dei: Praise as World-Sustaining Performance in Reformed Spirituality

Nancy McCagney, University of Delaware

Buddhism and Ecology: Buddhist Influence in American Environmental History

Donald N. Blakeley, California State University, Fresno

Neo-Confucian Nature Mysticism

Rita DasGupta Sherma, Claremont Graduate University

Ecology, Eros, and Enlightenment: Toward a Mystical Ecotheology of Sakta

Jane Magon, Sunshine Coast University, Australia

The Shaman as Tree

A26

New Religious Movements Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 5

James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno, Presiding

Theme: New Religious Movements and Social and Cultural Boundaries

Rebecca Moore, University of North Dakota

Violence against Peoples Temple: The Unexamined Question

Robert C. Fuller, Bradley University

Drugs and the Baby Boomers’ Quest for Metaphysical Illumination

Paul Heelas, Lancaster University

Beyond New Religious Movements: Toward Spiritual Shopping

Danny L. Jorgensen, University of South Florida, and Scott E. Russell, University of South Florida

American Neo-Paganism: The Participants’ Social Identities

Elijah Siegler, University of California, Santa Barbara

Marketing Lazaris: A Rational Choice Theory of Channeling
**Synoptic Gospels Section**

1:00pm–3:30pm   S-Swan 10

David Landry, St. Thomas University, Presiding
Tat-Siong Benny Liew, Chicago Theological Seminary
Righting Marginalization, Writing Mark: Women at the Cross(roads) of a Trafficking Act
George W. Young, University of Sheffield
Mark’s Unreliable Narrator: A Literary Analysis of Mark 6:52
Allen Hilton, St. Mary’s College of California
A Sabbath Surprise: Mark’s Characterization of the Jewish Authorities in Light of 1:21–28
James S. Hanson, St. Olaf College
Preparing the Way for the Audience: The Prologue of Mark’s Gospel (Mark 1:1–15)
N. Clayton Croy, Columbia Theological Seminary
Where the Gospel Text Begins: A Non-theological Interpretation of Mark 1:1

**Archaeology of the New Testament World Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Northern E-2

Daniel Schowalter, Carthage College, Presiding
Theme: “Oriental Cults” in the Ancient World and Modern Scholarship
James B. Rives, Columbia University
How Popular Were the “Oriental Cults”?
James C. Walters, Heartbeat, Inc.
The Coincidence of the Expansion of Christianity and Egyptian Cults in Imperial Ephesos
Erika Schluntz, Stonehill College
“Protectress of Petra”: Isis and Popular Cult in Nabataean Petra
Helmut Koester, Harvard University
Associations of the Egyptian Cult in Asia Minor
General Discussion
Business Meeting

**Computer Assisted Research Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Australia 2

David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University, Presiding
Alistair McKinnon, McGill University, Montreal (retired)
The Computer Tackles the Text
Mike Luper, Emmanuel College
The Use of Multimedia and the Internet in Teaching Elementary Greek
Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University
WWW Applications and the New Testament Course
Steve Friesen, University of Missouri, Columbia
Digital Religious History: Constructing the Roman Empire in the Information Age
Jonathan Rosenbaum, University of Hartford
Virtual Archaeology: A Preliminary Model for Interactive Teaching and Research
A27

Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 6

Jerome P. Soneson, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding

Theme: Critical Pragmatic Perspectives on Theology and the Philosophy of Religion

Gregory L. Reece, Claremont Graduate University

Richard Rorty and Religious Irony

Gillien McKinnon, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

Theology with a Human Face: Hilary Putnam’s Pragmatism

Paul Rasor, Harvard University

Creative Interchange and Communicative Action: A Comparison of Henry Nelson Wieman and Jürgen Habermas

David Lamberth, Harvard University

Beyond the (Modern) Divide: Naturalism, Pragmatism, and Theological Reflection

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A28

Reformed Theology and History Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 3

Kathryn Greene-McCreight, Connecticut College, Presiding

Theme: Reformed Doctrine and Feminist Revisions

Gregory W. Love, St. Olaf College


Margo G. Houts, Calvin College

A Comparison of Traditional and Feminist Applications of the Doctrine of Revelation to Language about God

Steve Young, Drew University

What Kind of Mother is God?: Marginality, Community, and the Nature of Reformed Doctrine

Respondent: Leanne Van Dyk, Center of Theological Inquiry

A29

Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 1

Anna L. Peterson, University of Florida, Presiding

Theme: Feminist Liberation Theology in Brazil: Themes and Questions

David Tombs, Roehampton Institute, England

Machismo and Marianismo: Gender, Sexuality, and Liberation Theology in Brazil

Jeanette Ready Solano, University of Chicago

Pacifist Pioneers and Second-Generation Rebels: The State of Women Theologians in Brazil Today

Margaret E. Eletta Guider, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

Teologia na Ótica da Mulher—Brazilian Women, Theological Imagination, and the Negotiation of Feminist Identities

Elina Vuola, Institute of Development Studies

Issues of Sexual Ethics in Latin American Liberation Theology

Respondent: Lois Ann Lorentzen, University of San Francisco

A30

Roman Catholic Studies Group and Systematic Theology Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-2

Phyllis Zagano, Boston University, Presiding

Theme: The Theology of Elizabeth A. Johnson

Margaret A. Farley, Yale University

The Feminist Perspective of Elizabeth A. Johnson

Joseph A. Bracken, Xavier University

God in the Theology of Elizabeth A. Johnson

Roger Haight, Weston Jesuit School of Theology

The Christology of Elizabeth A. Johnson

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College

The Holy Spirit and the Cosmos in the Theology of Elizabeth A. Johnson

Barbara Hilkert Andolsen, Monmouth University

The Communion of Saints and Mary in the Theology of Elizabeth A. Johnson

Respondent: Elizabeth A. Johnson, Fordham University
**Feminist Theological Hermeneutics of the Bible Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-3

Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion, Presiding

Theme: *Empowering and Victimizing: Biblical Texts and Women's Experience*

Catherine Clark Kroeger, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

*Toward a Pastoral Understanding of 1 Peter 3:1–7 and Related Texts*

Ulrike Bail, Ruhr Universitat Bochum, Germany

*"O God, Hear My Prayer!": Psalm 55 and Violence Against Women*

Jean K. Kim, Vanderbilt University

*A Retelling of Naaman’s Story (2 Kings 5)*

Linda M. Day, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

*Teaching Those Troubling Prophetic Texts*

Respondent:

Christie Cozad Neuger, United Theological Seminary, St. Paul

General Discussion

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**Egyptology and Ancient Israel Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 2

Carolyn R. Higginbotham, Muskingum College, Presiding

Theme: *Amarna Period Texts and Imagery*

Anson F. Rainey, Tel-Aviv University

*Amarna Tablets as Cultural Phenomenon*

James K. Hoffmeier, Wheaton College

*Psalms 104 and the Hymns to Aten*

Brent Allen Strawn, Asbury Theological Seminary

*The Strong Hand and Outstretched Arm of God in the Light of Amarna Iconography*

Richard S. Hess, Denver Seminary

*Annalistic Forms in the Letters of Mayarzana*

Raymond Westbrook, Johns Hopkins University

*Babylonian Diplomacy in the Amarna Letters*
**Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 2

Marsha Foster Boyd, United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Presiding

Theme: Recognizing the Interplay between the Work of Marian Wright Edelman and Womanist Scholars of Religion

Panelists:
Prathia L. Hall, United Theological Seminary, Dayton
Linda E. Thomas, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
Cheryl J. Sanders, Howard University
Claudia Highbaugh, Harvard University
Delrio A. Ligons-Berry, St. John's University

**Special Topics Forum (=S30)**

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

2:00pm–3:00pm  D-Southern Hemisphere Foyer I & II

Theme: AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair

Program officers from foundations and funding agencies will be available to answer questions and distribute materials. This session is an 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.

**Special Topics Forum**

Sponsored by the Committee on Teaching and Learning

3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Macaw

Tom P. Collins, St. Francis High School and Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

Theme: Conversation on Teaching Religious Studies and Theology in High Schools

See page 6 for a description of this session.

**Special Topics Forum**

Sponsored by the Committee on Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern E-4

Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Constructing New Knowledge: The Impact of Racial and Ethnic Minority Scholars on the Study of Religion

Panelists:
Kwok Pui-lan, Episcopal Divinity School
Inés M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara
Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University
Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St. John's University
Rita Nakashima Brock, Radcliffe College
Respondents:
Larry L. Rasmussen, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Letty M. Russell, Yale University

See page 6 for a description of this session.
Art of Hebrew Bible Commentary Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 5

New Program Unit
The nature of commentary, its purpose and its problems in the eyes of its practitioners and readers is the theme for this session. This consultation is a forum in which biblical commentators and readers explore experiences, misgivings, and hopes concerning the art of biblical commentary.

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield, and Tamara C. Eskenazi, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, Presiding

Panelists:
David Noel Freedman, University of California, San Diego
Baruch A. Levine, New York University
James L. Mays, Union Theological Seminary in Virginia
Carol Ann Newsom, Emory University

AAR/SBL/ATS Forum: Funding Projects with Public Outreach (=A7)
Sponsored by the AAR Program Committee, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern I-II

Theme: Funding Projects with Public Outreach
Robin W. Lovin, Southern Methodist University, and Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Janet Edwards, National Endowment for the Humanities
Ann O'Keefe, Arthur Vining Davis Foundation
See page 16 for a description of this session.

AAR/SBL/ATS Research Grants Fair (=A32)
Sponsored by the AAR Program Committee, the SBL Research and Publications Committee, and the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada
2:00pm–5:00pm  D-Southern Hemisphere Foyer I & II

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON
NOVEMBER 21

A35  Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Americas Seminar Room
William G. Doty, University of Alabama, Presiding
Theme: Arts, Music, and Performance
C. Sthemble West, Temple University
Divine Bridges: Performance as Spiritual Practice in African American Culture
Jennifer Howe Peace, Graduate Theological Union
Sacred Sound in Balinese Hinduism and Its Impact on the Performance and Meaning of Gamelan Music
Jane Magon, Sunshine Coast University, Australia
The Question of Why and How I Do Arts, Literature, and Religion
S. Brent Plate, Emory University
Fragmenting Goya’s God: Impossible Descriptions on an Impossible Depiction
Maureen Korp, University of Ottawa
Seeing the Earth

A36  Buddhism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-2
Stephen F. Teiser, Princeton University, Presiding
Theme: Buddhist Rituals and Postmortem Efficacy
James Egge, University of Chicago
Familial Ties and Disinterested Compassion in a Theravādin Rite for the Dead
David Gardiner, University of San Diego
Early Shingon Memorial Rites
Mark Blum, Bukkyō University
A Tale of Appropriation: Funerary Rituals in Premodern Jōdo Shinshū
Bruce C. Williams, University of California, Berkeley
Lay Uposatha, Repentance, and (Group) Liberation in Medieval China
Respondent: Richard K. Payne, Institute for Buddhist Studies

A37  Comparative Studies in Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 8
John Berthrong, Boston University Presiding
Theme: “Shame” and “Guilt” as Conceptual Lenses for Comparative Understanding
Mark A. Berkson, Stanford University
A Confucian Perspective on Shame and Guilt
Gregory Kaplun, Stanford University
Responsibility beyond Shame and Guilt in Jewish Ethics
Syed Nomanul Haq, Rutgers University
Reflexive Guilt and Public Shame in Qur’anic Cosmology and Normative Islamic Texts
Mark Unno, Carleton College
Shame and Guilt in Japanese Buddhism

A38  Ethics Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-4
Charles T. Mathewes, University of Virginia, Presiding
Theme: Ethical Assessments of Disney, Inc.
Aana Marie Vigen, Union Theological Seminary, New York, and Thad Williamson, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Mesmerized and Disney-fied: How Disney, Inc., Colonizes Resources and Commodifies Imaginations
H. Justin Watson, Florida State University
Has Uncle Walt Been Betrayed?
William T. Cavanaugh, University of St. Thomas
Augustine and Disney on Coercion

A39  North American Religions Section and Native Traditions in the Americas Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Parrot
Christopher Vecsey, Colgate University, Presiding
Theme: Redrawing the Boundaries: Tradition and Change among Native Christians
James Treat, University of New Mexico
Beyond God is Red: Deloria’s Critique of Religion
Michael McNally, Eastern Michigan University
Ojibwa Hymns and the Indigenous Practice of Christianity
Ann Braude, Macalester College
The Baptism of a Cheyenne Child
Respondent: Micheline Pesantubbee, University of Colorado, Boulder

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
**Deliberation on Proposed Ecojustice Principles for Hermeneutics**

3:45pm–5:15pm   D-Europe 10

Norman C. Habel, Adelaide College of Divinity at Flinders University, Australia, Presiding

Panelists:
- Diane L. Jacobson, Luther Seminary
- Gene M. Tucker, Emory University

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**Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section**

3:45pm–5:45pm   D-Europe 8

Chris Franke, College of St. Catherine, Presiding

Eric D. Reymond, University of Chicago
*The Structure of Ben Sira 42:15–43:33 Compared to That of Proverbs 2*

JoAnne R. Dyson, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond
*The Wiles of Woman Wisdom: The Use of Janus Parallelism in Proverbs 8:22–31*

Pamela Jean Owens, Chicago, IL
*Semantic Field Theory Applied to the Study of Parallelism in Biblical Hebrew Poetry: Lamentations 2*

J. Kenneth Kuntz, University of Iowa
*Grounds for Praise: The Nature and Function of the Motive Clause in the Hymns of the Psalter*

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**Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section**

3:45pm–5:45pm   D-Northern A-3

Richard L. Rohrbaugh, Lewis and Clark College, Presiding


Panelists:
- S. Scott Bartchy, University of California, Los Angeles
- Richard B. Hays, Duke University
- Neil Elliott, College of St. Catherine
- Carolyn Osiek, Catholic Theological Union

Respondent:
- Philip F. Esler, University of St. Andrews, Scotland

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**Bible Translation Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Europe 2

Harold P. Scanlin, United Bible Societies, New York, Presiding

Dirk Buchner, University of Durban-Westville, South Africa
*LXX Leviticus as a Translation*

David T. Gortner, Seabury-Western Theological Seminary and University of Chicago
*Word Play and Subtext in 2 Samuel 18:24–19:9*

Johan Carl Thom, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa
*Literary Structure and Bible Translation*

Louis Dorn, United Bible Societies, New York
*Nontranslatable Features of the David and Bathsheba Story*

Lesleigh Cushing, Boston University
*The Effect of the Bible on Literary Translation: A Case Study*
A40 Philosophy of Religion Section and Hinduism Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 2
Deepak Sarma, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Hindu Ways of Thinking: Empiricism, Reason, and Theory in Four Hindu Darśanas
Purusottama Bilimoria, Deakin University, Australia
Transcendental Prameyas (things) in Search of Pramāṇyas (epistemes) in the Nyāya: Classically a Hindu Agenda
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College
Empiricism, Theory, and Atheism in Early Mīmāṃsa
Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington
The Relation between Experience and Theory in Classical Śāmikhya
Ian Whicher, University of Cambridge
A Reconsideration of the Yoga Darśana
Respondent:
M. David Eckel, Boston University

A41 Religion in South Asia Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 7
Laurie L. Patton, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Image, Emblem, Actor: Ways of Understanding the Religious Activities of Women in Medieval Tamil Nadu
Anne E. Monius, University of Virginia
Gathering Up Her Powers: Images of Women in Early Medieval Tamil Literature
Padma Kaimal, Colgate University
The Princess Patron: Women’s Choices and Architectural Style
Leslie C. Orr, Concordia University
Tracing Women’s Lives in Medieval Tamil Inscriptions
Katherine K. Young, McGill University
Oṃ, Women, and Srivaishnavism

A42 Women and Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 5
Emily Leah Silverman, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Constructive Jewish Feminist Theologies
Rachel R. Adler, University of Southern California and Hebrew Union College
Pour Out Your Heart like Water: Toward a Feminist Theology of the Holocaust
Sophie Miron, Graduate Theological Union
White Fire on Black Parchment: A Program for Integrating the Feminine into Jewish Liturgy
Cynthia D. Sautter, Graduate Theological Union
Women with Swing Hips and Stamping Feet, Part II: Silence That Speaks a Thousand Tales
Dawn Robinson Rose, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Limits of Discourse or Price of Authority: Some Reflection on Jewish Feminist Interfaith Reciprocity
Ellen M. Umansky, Fairfield University
Jewish Feminist Theology and the Engendering of Religious Language

A43 African Religions Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 7
Teresia M. Hinga, DePaul University, Presiding
Theme: Reinterpreting Gender in African Religions: Women and Men in Conversation
Madipoane Masenya, University of South Africa
Redefining Womanhood in an African Context
Elias K. Bongmba, Rice University
On Love: Literary Images of a Phenomenology of Love in Ngugi Wa Thiongo
Deidre Crumbley, North Carolina State University
Holy Power—Woman Power: Gender Roles in Three Indigenous African Churches
Julian Kunnie, University of Arizona
Where Are the Women? African Religious Scholarship and Gender Consciousness
Respondent:
Ifi Amadiume, Dartmouth College
S35  Biblical Law Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Pelican 1

Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
Panelists:
William S. Morrow, Queens Theological College
Carolyn Pressler, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Thomas C. Römer, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
Respondent:
Bernard M. Levinson, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

General Discussion
Recess
Business Meeting

S36  Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 8

Judith M. Hadley, Villanova University, Presiding
Shannon Burkes, Florida State University
*Death in Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) and Late Period Egyptian Biographies*
Anson F. Rainey, Tel-Aviv University
*Syntax, History, and Common Sense*
Anne Marie Kitz, Kenrick School of Theology
*Undivided Inheritance and the Function of Lot Casting in the Book of Joshua*
K. Lawson Younger, LeTourneau University
*The Gleaning of Fields: Some Ancient Near Eastern Backgrounds to the Book of Ruth*
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
*New Perspectives on the Aretalogies of Gula, Isis, and Wisdom*

S37  Hellenistic Judaism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 10

E. Leigh Gibson, Oberlin College, Presiding
Theme: *Ancient Jewish Historiography: The Jewish Sects Revisited*
Randal A. Argall, Iowa City, IA
*An Essene Source Document in Philo and Josephus*
Shelly Matthews, Furman University
*"This Honorable Drunkenness": Philo’s Use of Bacchic Analogy in His Description of the Ecstatic Mixing of the Therapeutae and Therapeutrides*
Maxine Grossman, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
*Constructions of Community: The Self Perception of an “Unknown” Jewish Sect*
Robert Doran, Amherst College
*Revisiting 2 Macc 1:10b–2:18*

Business Meeting
AAR  SATURDAY AFTERNOON  NOVEMBER 21

A44  Afro-American Religious History Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 3
Daphne C. Wiggins, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Theme: African American Religion and Nationalist Identities
James B. Bennett, Yale University
"Until This Curse of Polygamy is Wiped Out": Anti-Mormonism and African American Identity in the New South
Moses N. Moore, Arizona State University
Orishatukeh Fadama and the Ideological and Theological Orientations of Chief Alfred Sam's Back-to-Africa Movement
Nora L. Rubel, Boston University
The Other House of Israel: Black Hebrews in America
Respondents:
Stephen W. Angell, Florida A&M University
Anthony B. Pinn, Macalester College
Business Meeting
Stephen W. Angell, Florida A&M University, and Rosemary D. Gooden, DePaul University, Presiding

A45  Bonhoeffer Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 5
Barry A. Harvey, Baylor University, Presiding
Theme: The Continuing Relevance of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Theology
Charles Marsh, Loyola College, Maryland
Revelation as the Abolition of the Self: The Theological Search for a Postmodern Identity
Josiah Young, Wesley Theological Seminary
Is the White Christ, Too, Distraught by These Dark Skins His Father Wrought?
Respondent:
Elizabeth Newman, Saint Mary's College
David Nelson Duke, William Jewell College

A46  Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity (=S40)
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 3
David M. Gunn, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Theme: Spatial Constructs in Studies on Jerusalem and Ancient Southwest Asia: Agendas for Further Research
James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University
Constructs of Space, Place, and Territoriality in Ancient Southwest Asia
Keith W. Whiteman, University of Stirling, Scotland
Constructing Jerusalem
Business Meeting
Paula M. McNutt, Canisius College, Presiding

A47  Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 6
Gregory D. Alles, Western Maryland College, Presiding
Theme: The Politics of Religious Identity
Steven Wasserstrom, Reed College
Conversations with the Pagan—An Esoteric Device in Twelfth-Century Comparative Religion
Karen L. King, Harvard University
The Politics of Syncretism and the Identity of Gnosticism
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Power, Intelligibility, and the Boundaries of Religions
Respondent:
Kurt Rudolph, University of Marburg, Germany

A48  Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 9
Susan Simonaitis, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: (F)using Bodies and Technologies
Sharon V. Betcher, Drew University
Putting My Foot (Prosthesis, Phantom, Crutches) Down: Considering Technology as/and Transcendence in Feminist Theory
Mary L. Keller, University of Stirling, Scotland
Rosi Braidotti’s "Mileage" as Postcolonial Theology
Respondent:
Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College
Business Meeting
Susan Simonaitis, Fordham University, Presiding

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345-347.
Israelite Prophetic Literature Section
3:45pm–6:15pm    D-Northern E-1

Samuel E. Balentine, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding
Dora Rudo Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary
Deliverance of Zion (Isa. 37:1–38:2/II Kgs. 19:1–37)
Roy F. Melugin, Austin College
Amos and a Hermeneutics of Transformation
Katherine M. Hayes, Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
Entente with the Wild Beasts: The Reversal of a Curse as Prelude to a Theology of Creation?
Rannfrid Irene Thelle, University of Oslo, Norway
Is Intercession Prohibited in Jeremiah 7:16?
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Canada
Nineveh’s Fates and the Book of Jonah

Bible and Contemporary Theologies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm    D-Oceanic 5

Ron Farmer, Chapman University, Presiding
Theme: Interpreting Suffering and Evil
Tyron Inbody, United Theological Seminary
The Transforming God: An Interpretation of Suffering and Evil (Westminster John Knox, 1997)
Respondents:
Edith M. Humphrey, Augustine College, Ottawa
Robert B. Robinson, Lutheran Theological Seminary
Business Meeting

Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity Group (=A46)
3:45pm–6:15pm    S-Swan 3

David M. Gunn, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Theme: Sapiential Constructs in Studies on Jerusalem and Ancient Southwest Asia: Agendas for Further Research
James W. Flanagan, Case Western Reserve University
Constructs of Space, Place, and Territoriality in Ancient Southwest Asia
Keith William Whitelam, University of Stirling, Scotland
Constructing Jerusalem
Business Meeting
Paula M. McNutt, Canisius College, Presiding
Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 9
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College, Presiding
Theme: Lesbian Ethics and Cultural Transformations
Lorine M. Getz, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
How Lesbian Praxis and Theory Are Changing Religious Ethics
Lee Chiaramonte, Drew University
"Blessed Persistence": A Lesbian Pastor's Midwifery of Anger as a Work of Love
Aryana Bates, Drew University
Saving Souls: Lesbian Anthropology, Ethics, and Spirituality in a Post-World
Respondent:
Elizabeth A. Say, California State University, Northridge
Business Meeting
Carol S. Anderson, Kalamazoo College, and Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding

Millennialism Studies Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 4
Grant Underwood, Brigham Young University, Hawaii, Presiding
Theme: Millennialism, History, and Politics
James D. Tabor, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Dead Messiahs Who Don't Return: Millennial Hope and Disappointment in the Dead Sea Scrolls Community
Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University College, England
Catholics, Chaos, and the End of the World: Millennial Expectation in English Catholic Sources, 1600–1800
Scott D. Seay, Vanderbilt University
A Defender of Man-Stealers: Primitivism, Millennialism, and Slavery in the Thought of Alexander Campbell

Nineteenth-Century Theology Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 6
Paul Misner, Marquette University, Presiding
Theme: Tradition in Early Nineteenth-Century Roman Catholic Theology
George E. Griener, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley
Johann Michael Sailer: Enlightenment Catholicism Turns Romantic
Arthur McCalla, University of Toronto
Catholic Traditionalism and Religious Traditions
Bradford E. Hinz, Marquette University
Franz Anton Stangenmaier on Trinity and Tradition
Richard F. Costigan, Loyola University, Chicago
Philippe-Olympe Gerbet and Catholic Church Tradition
Patrick W. Carey, Marquette University
Orestes A. Brownson on Tradition

Religion and Ecology Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 2
Judith N. Scoville, United Theological Seminary, Minneapolis, Presiding
Theme: Bioregionalism and the Spirituality of Food and Place
Bron R. Taylor, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Countercultural Bioregionalism: From Spiritual Roots to the Transformation of Resource Regimes
Sarah McFarland Taylor, University of California, Santa Barbara
Rooting Religion in the Land: Food and Faith at Genesis Farm
Daniel T. Spencer, Drake University
Ecological Location, Bioregionalism, and Food: Community Supported Agriculture as a Case Study for an Ethic of Food and Peace
Susan Power Bratton, Whitworth College
Religion and Ethics of Commercial Fishing in Ireland and the Pacific Northwest Region of the United States
James W. Perkinson, University of Chicago
Between "Urb" and Herb: On the Necessity of Postcolonial Politics for Bioregional Spirituality
Respondent:
Frieda Knobloch, University of Wyoming
Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Group
3:45pm–6:15pm    D-Northern A-1
Glenn S. Holland, Allegheny College, Presiding
Theme: Virtues Male and Female: The Passions and the Construction of Gender in the Early Christian World
Teresa Shaw, Claremont Graduate University
The Virgin Charioteer: Gender and the Passions in Early Christian Texts on Virginity
David B. Brakke, Indiana University
The Passions and the Social Construction of Masculinity
Pamela Gordon, University of Kansas
Virtue, Pleasure, and the Contested Masculinity of the Epicurean Philosopher
Respondent: Hanne Sigismund Nielsen, University of Aarhus, Denmark
General Discussion

3:45pm–6:15pm    D-Asia 4
David L. Balch, Brite Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: The Doxographical Tradition of Philosophers' Lives
David T. Runia, Leiden University
The Aim and Method of Diogenes Laertius: status questionis
Loveday C. A. Alexander, University of Sheffield, England
Anecdote and Chreia in the Biographical Tradition
Charles H. Talbert, Baylor University, and Perry Stepp, Baylor University
Jewish and Near Eastern Succession Narratives
Recess
Panel Discussion
General Discussion
The papers by Charles H. Talbert and Perry Stepp will be summarized, not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.

Manichaean Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm    D-Europe 4
Paul Allan Mirecki, University of Kansas, Presiding
Zsusanna Gulacsí, University of Indiana, Bloomington
Dating the Manichaean Remains of Turfan
Werner Sundermann, Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften
Demi-men and Monsters in Remote Countries
Peter Zieme, Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften
On the Origin of the Manichaean Title iwrayani zmastik
Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University
The Metabolism of Salvation: Manichaean Concepts of Human Physiology
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A53 Religion and Popular Culture Group
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Oceanic 1
Brenda E. Brasher, Mount Union College, Presiding
Theme: Religion, Gender, and Popular Culture
Andrea Frolic, Rice University
*Wedding Rituals in Contemporary Film*
Lori C. Patton, Vanderbilt University
*Working Out Your Own Salvation with Xena: Warrior Princess, or the Renewing of Ego Ideals in Syndication*
Meredith L. Underwood, Iliff School of Theology
*Wired Women: Lost (or Found) in Cyperspace?*
Michelle M. Lelwica, St. Mary's College
*Embodying Glamour and Transcending the Flesh: Traditional Religious Themes in Popular Women's Magazines*
Respondent:
Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston

A54 Ritual Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Europe 7
Mario I. Aguilar, University of St. Andrews, Scotland, Presiding
Theme: Innovation in Contemporary Ritual
Laura S. Grillo, University of Chicago
*Casting for Meaning: Divination in Contemporary Urban West Africa*
Peter J. Braeunlein, University of Bremen, Germany
*The Crucified Healers: Philippine Crucifix Rituals, the Ludic, and the Power of Healing*
Respondent:
Madeline Duntley, College of Wooster

A55 Systematic Theology Group
3:45pm–6:15pm S-Pelican 2
Philip Clayton, California State University, Sonoma, Presiding
Theme: Eschatology and Postmodernism

A56 Wesleyan Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Australia 2
Russell E. Richey, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Camp Meetings and the American Wesleyan Experience
J. Lester Ruth, Yale University
*"Quarterly Meetings in the Woods": Reconsidering the Emergence of the Second Great Awakening and Camp Meetings among American Methodists*
Susi C. Stanley, Messiah College
*The Prophetic Authority of Women at Holiness Camp Meetings: A Case Study in Egalitarian Primitivism*
William J. Hook, Vanderbilt University
*Visual Presentation: Images of Camp Meetings*
Business Meeting
Randy L. Maddox, Seattle Pacific University, Presiding

A57 Tokugawa Religion Seminar
3:45pm–6:15pm S-Toucan
Dennis E. Lishka, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, Presiding
Theme: Going Public: (Re)situating Tokugawa Religion in Relation to Government and Populace
Barbara Ambros, Harvard University
*Religious Displays of Temple Collections in the Tokugawa Period: Zenkoji's Kaicho at Edo-In*
Reiko Sono, Princeton University
*Ritual in Early Modern Japan: Hassaku as Reinterpreted by Tokugawa Iemitsu*
Business Meeting
Elizabeth G. Harrison, University of Arizona, Presiding
Philo of Alexandria Group

3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Mockingbird

Carl R. Holladay, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: De vita Moysis
Albert Getjon, Leiden University, Netherlands
The Place of De vita Moysis within the Philonic Corpus
Ronald R. Cox, University of Notre Dame
Philo’s Life of Moses: Reading Torah Biographically
Recess
Gregory E. Sterling, University of Notre Dame
“The Perfect Leader”: The Biographical Categories in Philo’s De vita Moysis
Recess
Business Meeting

Special Session: Archaeology of Jerusalem

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 3

Ann E. Killebrew, University of Haifa, Israel, Presiding
Gunmar Lehman, Ben Gurion University, Israel
Settlement Patterns of Jerusalem and Its Hinterland during the Late Bronze and Iron Ages: Implications for a Social History of the Region
Jane Cahill, Houston, TX
Dating the “Jebusite Ramp” in Jerusalem: Evidence from the Hebrew University Excavations
Andrew G. Vaughn, Gustavus Adolphus College
The “Success” of Hezekiah Against Sennacherib: A New Interpretation of the lmlk Impressions from Jerusalem and Surrounding Areas
William M. Schniedewind, University of California, Los Angeles
Urbanization of Jerusalem and the Josianic Reforms
Neil A. Silberman, Branford, CT
Imagining Jerusalem: The Politics of Archaeological Interpretation

Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern E-2

Abraham Smith, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding
Theme: Reading and Teaching—From This Place
Panelists:
Brian K. Blount, Princeton Theological Seminary
Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
Gina Hens-Piazza, Jesuit School of Theology
Jeffrey Kah-Jin Kuan, Pacific School of Religion
Gerald Oakley West, University of Natal, South Africa
Respondents:
Mary Ann Tolbert, Pacific School of Religion
Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University

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AAR Arts Series Film: Contact
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 1
Conrad E. Ostwalt, Appalachian State University, and Judith L. Poxon, Syracuse University, Presiding
See page 9 for a description of this film.

AAR Student Session: Introduction to the AAR
5:00pm–6:15am  S-Swan 4
Debra Washington, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and Northwestern University, Presiding
Panelists:
Barbara DeConcini, AAR and Emory University
Margaret R. Miles, Graduate Theological Union
Karen Jo Torjesen, Claremont Graduate University
This session provides an orientation to the structures and services of the AAR. Ample opportunity for questions and general discussion will follow.

AAR Arts Series Performance
5:30pm–6:45pm  D-Asia 1
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University, Presiding
Ars Antiqua Musical Group
See page 8 for a description of this session.

Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Reception (=S49)
6:00pm–6:45pm  D-Northern E-3
Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding
A reception will be held in conjunction with the SBL Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minority Persons in the Profession.

Plenary: Presidential Address
7:00pm–8:30pm  S-Swan 1–4
Margaret R. Miles, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: The Academy as Real Life: New Participants and Paradigms in the Study of Religion
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College
The Educom Award, the Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion, the Awards for Excellence in the Study of Religion, and the Award for Best First Book in the History of Religions will be presented prior to the Presidential Address.

International Guests and Members Orientation and Reception
Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections
8:30pm–9:30pm  S-Swan 10
All AAR international attendees are invited to an information session and reception hosted by the Committee on International Connections.

AAR Reception
8:30pm–9:30pm  S-Swan 5 & 6
All AAR registrants at the Annual Meeting are invited. Admission is by ticket and name badge only.

A Conversation and Reception for Religion Scholars in Part-Time, Administrative, and Nonacademic Positions
9:30pm–10:30pm  D-20107 (20th floor)
Cynthia Eller, Princeton University, Presiding
The AAR Board of Directors sponsors this conversation and reception to continue to explore ways in which the AAR might better support members employed in part-time, administrative, or nonacademic positions.

AAR/SBL Reception for Student Members
10:00pm–11:30pm  S-Mockingbird 1
AAR and SBL student members are invited to drop by an open house hosted by the AAR and SBL executive staffs.
**Poster Session**

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 3

Carey C. Newman, Louisville, KY, Presiding

Theme: *The Writing on the Wall, or, How to Produce an Effective Poster at SBL*

Panelists:
Barbara Schowen, University of Kansas
Michael Cuyjet, University of Louisville
Troy A. Miller, University of Edinburgh
Audrey L. S. West, Duke University

**SBL Retired Member Reception**

6:00pm–7:00pm  D-SBL Executive Suite

All members of the SBL who are retired are cordially invited to this reception hosted by Kent Harold Richards, SBL Executive Director.

**Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession (=A61)**

6:00pm–7:00pm  D-Northern E-3

Peter J. Paris, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

This reception, jointly sponsored for the third year with the AAR Committee on the Status of Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession, invites members who belong to underrepresented racial and ethnic groups to take advantage of this opportunity to network.

**Presidential Address**

8:00pm–9:00pm  D-Southern II-III

D. Moody Smith, Duke University, Presiding

Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary

*Deuteronomy and Psalms: Evoking a Biblical Conversation*

**The Society Fund Reception**

9:15pm–10:00pm  D-Southern 1

Hosted by SBL’s Development Committee, Harold W. Attridge, Chair

**AAR/SBL Student Reception (=A66)**

10:00pm–11:30pm  S-Mockingbird 1
### A67  
**New Members Continental Breakfast**  
7:30am–8:45am  
D-20107 (20th floor)  
New (first-time) AAR members in 1998 are cordially invited to a continental breakfast.

### A68  
**JAAR Editorial Board Breakfast**  
(Continental Breakfast)  
7:30am–8:45am  
D-Oceanic 1  
Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College, Presiding

### A69  
**Special Topics Forum**  
Sponsored by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Oceanic 4  
Rosalind I. J. Hackett, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Mark Hulseth, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; and Charles H. Reynolds, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Presiding  
Theme: *The Long and Winding Road: Women, Promotion, and Tenure in the Academy*  
Panelists:  
Paul B. Courtright, Emory University  
Diane C. Maeson, Temple University  
Elise Rosenblatt, Graduate Theological Union  
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University, Ohio  
See page 7 for a description of this session.

### A70  
**Special Topics Forum**  
Sponsored by the Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Europe 1  
Ira H. Peak, Jr., University of Louisville, Presiding  
Theme: *Teaching Religious Studies: The Expected and the Unexpected*  
Part One: *Approaches to the Teaching of Religion in the Schools in NEH Projects*  
Panelists:  
Janet Edwards, National Endowment for the Humanities  
Hans J. Hillerbrand, Duke University  
Donald Scott, Queens College  
Helen I. Smith, Pace Academy  
David Ulrich, Amherst High School  
Marla J. Selvidge, Central Missouri State University  
Part Two: *Celebrating Multiplicity: Media, Images, Senses*  
Art, Fantasy, News, Documentary, and Living Dreams: *Inviting the World into the Classroom*  
G. William Barnard, Southern Methodist University  
Meditation and Masks, Drums, and Dramas: *Experiential and Participatory Exercises in Comparative Religions Classrooms*  
Maureen Korp, University of Ottawa  
Where Do We Fit In?: *An Introductory Course in Ethics and the Environment*  
James Martin-Schramm, Luther College, and Daniel T. Spencer, Drake University  
Student-Centered Learning and Environmental Ethics

### A71  
**Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section**  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Southern 1  
Ira H. Peak, Jr., University of Louisville, Presiding  
Theme: *Teaching Religious Studies: The Expected and the Unexpected*  
Part Two: *Celebrating Multiplicity: Media, Images, Senses*  
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SBL Annual Business Meeting
7:30am–8:45am    D-Northern A-4
Patrick D. Miller, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

National Association of Professors of Hebrew
9:00am–10:30am    D-Europe 11
Meeting of Officers and Advisory Council
Edna Coffin, University of Michigan, Presiding

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section
9:00am–11:00am    D-Southern V
Melvin K. H. Peters, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: *Biblica Hebraica Quinta: The Megillot*
(Quinta Editions; Stuttgart: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 1998)
Panelists:
Michael V. Fox, University of Wisconsin
Leonard J. Greenspoon, Creighton University
Russell Fuller, University of San Diego
Peter W. Flint, Trinity Western University, British Columbia
Respondents:
Richard D. Weis, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities
Arie van der Kooij, Rijks Universiteit, Leiden, Netherlands

Bible and Cultural Studies Section
9:00am–11:30am    D-Americas Seminar Room
Irena Makarushka, Bowdoin College, Presiding
Burke O. Long, Bowdoin College
*Parlor Tours of the Holy Land: Early Palestine Photos and Ideologies of Biblical Scholarship*
Harold C. Washington, St. Paul School of Theology
"Mit Gott für Kaiser und Reich": A Cultural Reading of Hermann Gunkel’s Israelitisches Heldentum
Susanne Scholz, The College of Wooster
*Sodom and Gomorrha (Gen 19:1-29) on the Internet*
Caroline Vander Stichele, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
*Apocalypse, Art, and Abjection: Images of the Great Whore*
Stephen D. Moore, University of Sheffield, Yvonne M. Sherwood, Roehampton Institute, and James Andrew Smith, Cincinnati Bible College and Seminary
*Reading Annihilation in Revelation: Mass Death, Martyrdom, Masculinity*
A72 Buddhism Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 4
Gregory Schopen, University of Texas, Austin, Presiding
Theme: New Perspectives on the Buddhist Avadāna Literature
Timothy Lenz, University of Washington
Avadānas, Monks, and Monastic Libraries in Ancient Gandhāra
Reiko Ohnuma, University of Texas, Austin
A Story of Rāpāvati: A Female Past Birth of the Buddha
D. Neil Schmid, University of Pennsylvania
Dunhuang Avadāna Literature and the Development of Chinese Buddhist Narratives
Joel Tatelman, University of Wisconsin, Madison
The Legend of the Buddha’s Wife in the Bhadrakalpavādāna
Respondent: Suzanne Mrozik, Harvard University

A73 Ethics Section and Study of Islam Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 1
Jonathan E. Brockopp, Bard College, Presiding
Theme: The Islamic Ethics of Life: Killing and Saving
Daniel W. Brown, Five Colleges
Islamic Ethics in Comparative Perspective
Therisa L. Rogers, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Traditional Islamic Sources regarding Abortion
Vardit Rispler-Chaim, University of Haifa, Israel
The Right Not to Be Born: The Abortion of the Disadvantaged Fetus
Khaled Abou El Fadl, University of Texas, Austin
The Rules of Killing at War: An Inquiry into Traditional Sources
Sohail Hashmi, Mount Holyoke College
War and Legitimate Killing in Modern Islamic Thought

A74 North American Religions Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 2
Grant Wacker, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Protestant Visual Culture
Finbarr Curtis, Vanderbilt University
Geometries of Scripture, Salvation, and the Body: The Biblical Charts of Rev. Clarence Larkin
David Morgan, Valparaiso University
The Iconography of Influence: Protestant Visual Culture in the Progressive Era
Brian C. R. Zugay, Brown University
Respondent: Betty A. DeBerg, University of Northern Iowa

A75 Religion in South Asia Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Southern IV
Christopher Key Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding
Theme: Concord and Discord in South Asian Pilgrimage
John Earl Llewellyn, Southwest Missouri State University
The Kumbh Marketplace: Competition for Pilgrims and Patrons
James G. Lochtefeld, Carthage College
Tirthas and Tourism: From Bliss to Babylon
Selva J. Raj, Albion College
Transgressing Boundaries, Transcending Turner: Pilgrimage Tradition at St. John de Britto’s Shrine
Nirmala S. Salgado, Augustana College
The Politics of Pilgrimage
Respondent: Frank J. Korom, Boston University
Early Jewish/Christian Relations Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 6
Claudia Setzer, Manhattan College, Presiding
Paul Duff, George Washington University
The Synagogue of Satan: Crisis Mongering in the Apocalypse of John
E. Leigh Gibson, Oberlin College
The Martyrdom of Pionius and Jewish-Christian Relations in Smyrna
Timothy J. Horner, University of Oxford, England
Trypho's Demand: Exploring the Sub-text of Justin's Dialogue with Trypho
Ruth A. Clements, Jerusalem, Israel
The Virgin and the "Versions": Biblical Criticism as a Weapon for Jewish/Christian Encounter in the Second and Third Centuries
Paul Raymond Trebilco, University of Otago, New Zealand
The Eumenian Formula—A Window on Jewish-Christian Relations in Third Century Phrygia

New Testament Textual Criticism Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern E-4
Kim Haines-Eitzen, Cornell University, Presiding
Gordon D. Fee, Regent College
7Q5 Is Not Mark 6:52–53: A Response to Carsten Theide
Jean-Francois Racine, University of St. Michaels College, Canada
The Text of Matthew in Fourth Century Cappadocia: The Case of Basil of Caesarea
William F. Warren, Jr., New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
P4 and the P75-B Text in Luke
John J. Brogan, Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa
Will the Real Athanasius Please Stand Up? Gospel Citations and Authenticity in Athanasius' Orationes 1–1IV contra Ariano
Tjitze Baarda, Vrije Universiteit, Netherlands
John 2:3, "When the Wine Failed . . ."
A76 Theology and Religious Reflection Section
9:00am–11:30am D-Asia 2
Rita M. Gross, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Presiding
Theme A: Theology between the Global and the Local
Robert J. Schreiter, Catholic Theological Union
Articulating the Global and the Local: Theological Discourse in an Age of Globalization
Hak Joon Lee, New Brunswick Theological Seminary
Toward a Covenantal-Communicative Theology: A Critical Reflection on Jürgen Habermas’s Theory of Communicative Action for a Constructive Theology in a Global Society

Theme B: The Historical Jesus and Christology
Francis Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University
Historical Jesus within the Conflict of Interpretations
Millicent C. Feske, St. Joseph’s University
Have You Seen Jesus?: Locating the Body as a Praxis with the Text

A77 Women and Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am D-Southern 11
Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Presiding
Theme: The Dark Mother: Critical, Comparative, and Cross-Cultural Approaches
Lucia Chiavola Birnbaum, Stanford University
Godmothers, African Origins, and Transformation: La dea madre-le comari
Jennifer Colby, Graduate Theological Union
Women’s Art, Dark Madonnas, and Social Justice
Cynthia Eller, Princeton University
White Women and the Dark Mother
Elinor W. Gadon, California Institute for Integral Studies
Re-visioning the Female Demon: Lilith and Her Indian Sisters
Beverly Moon, Fordham University
Mysterious Depths: Dark Images of Tin Hou and Chinese Color Symbolism

A78 Christian Spirituality Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Northern E-2
Joann Wolski Conn, Neumann College, Presiding
Theme: Issues in Interdisciplinary Methodology: Spirituality, Ethics, and Practice
Owen C. Thomas, Episcopal Divinity School
Interiority and Christian Spirituality
Douglas S. Hardy, Eastern Nazarene College
A Relationship between the Psychology of Religion and Christian Spirituality: Using Winnicott to Examine Spiritual Direction
Nancy Burbidge, Saint Paul University, and Kathryn Howe, Saint Paul University
Claire Wolfteich, Boston University
Beyond Prayer: Expanded Notions of Spiritual Practice in a Practical Theological Approach to the Study of Spirituality

A79 Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Asia 5
Mary McGee, Columbia University, Presiding
Theme: Mapping Discourses of the Body in Hindu and Jewish Traditions
Barbara A. Holdrege, University of California, Santa Barbara
Body Connections: Mapping Hindu Discourses of the Body
Jeffrey C. Ruff, University of California, Santa Barbara
Representations of the Tantric Body: Internalization, Synthesis, and Inversion in TantricDiscourses of the Body
Bonna Devora Haberman, Harvard University
WolMan, Temple, Community: Alternate Mappings of Contiguous Jewish Bodies
Joel Hecker, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Dining Gestures and the Ritualized Body in Medieval Jewish Mysticism
Jacob Meskin, Princeton University
Letters, Sounds, and Bodies: Alphabetic and Phonemic Conceptions of the Body in Theosophical Kabbalah and the Non-dual Satism of Kashmir
Respondent: Kathryn T. McClymonds, University of California, Santa Barbara
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**Semiotics and Exegesis Section**

**9:00am–11:30am**  **D-Oceanic 3**

Gary A. Phillips, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, Presiding

Theme: What Signifies Culture?

Fiona Black, University of Sheffield

Lost Prophesies! Scholars Amazed! Weekly World News and the Bible

Richard G. Walsh, Methodist College

Recent Fictional Portrayals of God, or Disney, Shirley MacLaine, and Hamlet

Lori Rowlett, University of Wisconsin

Disney's Pocahontas and Joshua's Rahab in Postcolonial Perspective

R. Christopher Heard, Milligan College

They're Not Just Bad, They're Stupid and Ugly, Too: The Depiction of Baal-Worshippers in Nest Entertainment's Animated Stories from the Bible

Phyllis Kramer, University of Haifa/Tel Aviv University, Israel

Rahab: From Peshat to Pedagogy

Susan L. Graham, University of Sheffield, England

Some Day My Prince Will Come: Images of Salvation in the Gospel According to St. Walt

Respondent:

Athalya Brenner, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands

General Discussion

Papers will be summarized, not read, and will be available for reading or downloading on or before September 15, 1998, at the following URL: http://users.tc3net.com/gaiche/1998program.htm

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S62

**Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section**

**9:00am–11:30am**  **S-Swan 1**

Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Gender and Social Scientific Criticism

Gale A. Yee, Episcopal Divinity School

Gender, Class, and the Social Scientific Study of Genesis 2–3

Susan A. Brayford, Centenary College

The Function of Female Shame in the Pentateuch

Carol J. Dempsey, University of Portland

Amos 4:1–5: 'De-Pants-ing' Interlocking Oppressions: An Affirmation of and Challenge to Social-Scientific Criticism

Carol Meyers, Duke University

Locating Subjects: Gendered Archaeology and Feminist Biblical Study

Alice Keele, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Stepping Out/Stepping In: A Conversation Between Ideological and Social Scientific Feminist Critical Approaches

Patricia Dutcher-Walls, Knox College, Canada

But No Promises about Better Mileage and Cleaner Laundry: Hermeneutics, the Social Sciences, and Gender

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**Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Group**

**9:00am–11:30am**  **D-Europe 5**

Ronald F. Hock, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Presiding

Marianne P. Bonz, Harvard Divinity School


Jo-Ann A. Brant, Goshen College

The Word Is Cast and Takes the Stage

Alexander Mirkovic, Vanderbilt University

Is the Gospel of John an Ancient Novel?

H. Stephen Brown, Temple University

Polycarp and Roman Court Narrative

Elizabeth Ann Pollard, University of Pennsylvania

Women's Religious Activity in Apuleius' Metamorphoses

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A80 Confucian Traditions Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 3
Joseph Adler, Kenyon College, Presiding
Theme: Confucian Spirituality and Mysticism
Mark C. K. Setton, State University of New York, Stony Brook
“Studying the Mundane, Attaining the Sublime”: Mysticism in the Confucian Analects
Ellen Zhang, Temple University
Explanation and Interpretation: Zhu Xi's Modality of Reading
James Miller, Boston University
The Space of Destiny
Edward Y. J. Chung, University of Prince Edward Island
Rethinking Confucian-Christian Dialogue: A Mutual Hermeneutics of Confucian-Christian Spirituality
Respondent:
Mary Evelyn Tucker, Bucknell University

A81 Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 4
Susan M. St. Ville, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Theme: Disturbing Religious Identities: The Politics of Relationality in Feminist and Queer Theories
Susan E. Hill, University of Northern Iowa
Bodies That Tell Us They Matter: Feminism, Queer Theory, Autobiography
Karen Trimble Alliaume, Duke University
Disturbingly Catholic: Thinking the Inordinate Body
Claudia Schippert, Temple University
Too Much Trouble?: Negotiating Feminist and Queer Approaches in Religion
Respondent:
Laurel C. Schneider, North Central College

A82 Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 6
Eric J. Ziołkowski, Lafayette College, Presiding
Theme: The Dialectics of Possibility
Helen T. Russell, Allegheny College
Kierkegaard and Process Theology
John C. Ries, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
Tomorrow’s Possibility: Unraveling the Possibility of Repetition in Kierkegaard’s Repetition
Peter J. Mehl, University of Central Arkansas
Personhood and Possibility: The Promise and Peril of Kierkegaard’s Theological Anthropology
Respondent:
Stephen Crites, Wesleyan University

A83 Korean Religions Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 7
Young-chan Ro, George Mason University, Presiding
Theme: Philosophical and Doctrinal Significance of Wonhyo
Sung Bae Park, State University of New York, Stony Brook
The Logic of Wonhyo’s Philosophy
Eun-su Cho, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Wonhyo’s View on Buddhahood: Actual or Potential?
Hae-ju Jeon, Dongguk University, Korea
Wonhyo’s Huayen Philosophy
Yong Pyo Kim, Dongguk University, Korea
Wonhyo’s Hermeneutics of Prajnaparamita in the Taehyedogyongjiongyo
Respondents:
Kang-nam Oh, University of Regina
Robert E. Buswell, University of California, Los Angeles

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 9

Roy D. Wells, Birmingham Southern College, Presiding
Theme: Christian and Jewish Interpretation of Isaiah

Elsie R. Stern, Fordham University
What Does God Wear to His Wedding?: Isaiah 40–63 and Jewish Theologies of Consolation

Respondent:
Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology
Paul’s Reading of Isaiah

Purity, Archaeology and Ezra-Nehemiah: Community and Identity in Yehud

Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section and Literature and History of the Persian Period Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 4

John W. Wright, Point Loma Nazarene University, Presiding
Theme: The Social and Political Context of Post-Exilic Yehud

Jon L. Berquist, Chalice Press
The Contexts of Persian Yehud: Colony, Empire, and World-System

Charles E. Carter, Seton Hall University
Purity, Archaeology and Ezra-Nehemiah: Community and Identity in Yehud

Gary Knoppers, Pennsylvania State University
Classical Historiography and Chronicles: A Reexamination of an Alleged Non-relationship

Kenneth G. Hoglund, Wake Forest University
Qahal and Beit Abot: Retrospects and Prospects

Matthew Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 8

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Benedict Thomas Viviano, University of Fribourg, Switzerland
Peter as Jesus’ Mouth: Matt 16:13–20 and Exod 4:10–17

Respondent:
Dale C. Allison, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Dennis C. Duling, Canisius College

The Faces of Eve in the Greek Life of Adam and Eve

Betsy Halpern-Amaru, Vassar College
The Watchers Signal in Jubilees: Deconstruction of an Apocalyptic Tradition

Loren T. Stuckenbruck, University of Durham, United Kingdom
"Magic" in the Shorter and Longer Recensions of the Book of Tobit

Michael E. Stone, Hebrew University
Why on Earth Study the Armenian Pseudepigrapha?

Jan Willem Van Henten, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
Nero Redivivus Demolished: The Coherence of the Nero Traditions in the Sibylline Oracles

Pseudepigrapha Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 10

Randall D. Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Presiding

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A86 Person, Culture, and Religion Group
9:00am–11:30am S-Swan 2
Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: I'm Not Religious . . . But I'm Spiritual: Religion Scholars on a World of New Age Healing
Panelists:
Linda L. Barnes, Brown University
Laurence J. O'Connell, The Park Ridge Center, Chicago, IL
Megory Anderson, Sacred Dying Foundation, San Francisco, CA
Neil Gillman, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Gregory A. Plotnikoff, University of Minnesota

A87 Reformed Theology and History Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Northern A-2
William C. Placher, Wabash College, Presiding
Theme: The Moral Argument against Calvinism?
Richard J. Mouw, Fuller Theological Seminary
Another Look at the Infrac/Supralapsarian Debate
Respondents:
W. Stacy Johnson, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Bruce L. McCormack, Princeton Theological Seminary
Business Meeting
Kathryn Greene-McCreight, Connecticut College, Presiding

A88 Religion and Popular Culture Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Northern A-3
Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, Bethany College, Presiding
Theme: Disney and Religion
Joseph A. Morris, St. John's University
Beauty or the Beast: Hyperreality, Disney, and Religion
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University
The Disney Way of Death
Amy Johnson Frykholm, Duke University
Remaking Paradise: Utopia and Nostalgia in Disney's Celebration
Donald E. Fadner, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point
Disney Gets Religion
Respondent:
Luis Leon, Carleton College
Business Meeting
Bruce D. Forbes, Morningside College, Presiding

A84 Native Traditions in the Americas Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Northern A-1
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Current Strategies in the Cultivation and Protection of Native Identities
Michael Zogyi, North Carolina State University
Cultivation of Native Identities: Three Examples from the Eastern Band of the Cherokee
Eva Garrouette, University of Tulsa
Real Indians: Identity and Cherokee Story
Dale A. Stover, University of Nebraska, Omaha
Postcolonial Sun Dancing at Wakpaunn Lake
Charles D. Thompson, Jr., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Bloodletting: Reexamining Native Identities Where Borders Bleed
Respondent:
Howard L. Harrod, Vanderbilt University

A85 Nineteenth-Century Theology Group
9:00am–11:30am S-Swan 7
Gilya G. Schmidt, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Presiding
Theme: Arts and Theology in the Nineteenth Century
Hans Schwarz, University of Regensburg
The Centrality of Religion in the Oeuvre of the Nazarenes—Nostalgia or Necessity?
Charles J. T. Talar, St. Mary's Seminary and University
Gothic Revival/Literary Revival: J. K. Huysman's La Cathédrale
Phil Stoltzfus, Bethel College
"Finding the Right Tone": The Influence of Musical Aesthetics on the Theology of Friedrich Schleiermacher
Courtney Jean Bickel, Harvard University
Imagining God with the Language of Freedom: Reading Coleridge on the Imagination in Light of Kant's Conception of the Will

For more information, see floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Psychology and Biblical Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern E-3
Kamila Blessing, Duke University, Presiding
Theme: Psychological Models for Textual Interpretation
Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University
The Christology of the Fourth Gospel (Trinity Press International, 1997)
Respondent:
James Fowler, Emory University
Petri Merenlahti, University of Helsinki
The Dynamics of Gospel Narratives: Can Psychoanalytic Criticism Contribute to a Dynamic Approach to the Gospels?
Respondent:
D. Andrew Kille, Santa Clara University
Schuyler Brown, St. Michaels College, Canada
Text and Psyche: Experiencing Scripture Today
(Continuum, 1998)
Respondent:
Walter Wink, Auburn Theological Seminary

Thomas Traditions Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 8
Elaine H. Pagels, Princeton University, Presiding
Theme: The Compositional and Historical Background of the Gospel of Thomas
Søren Giversen, University of Aarhus, Denmark
The Dating of P. Oxy Reconsidered
Jon Ma. Asgeirsson, The Institute for Antiquity and Christianity
Arguments and Audience(s) in the Gospel of Thomas: (Part II)
Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University
The Enthymemic Texture of the Gospel of Thomas
Marianne Aagaard Skovmand, University of Aarhus, Denmark
The Use of EINE and TONTN in the Coptic Gospel of Thomas
Jacobus Liebenberg, Research Institute for Theology and Religion, South Africa
To Know What Is before One’s Face: Group Specific Metaphors and the Composition of the Gospel of Thomas
The papers by Jon Ma. Asgeirsson and Vernon K. Robbins will be summarized, not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.

Archaeological Studies Group
See floor plans, pp. 345-347.
A91 Practice of Christianity in Roman Africa Seminar
9:00am–11:30am  S-Mockingbird
Jane E. Merdinger, Catholic University of America, Presiding
Theme: Eucharist and Ritual Meals
William Tabbernee, Philips Theological Seminary
“Polluted Sacraments”: Augustine’s Denunciation of Montanist Eucharistic Meals
Andrew McGowan, Episcopal Divinity School
Water in the Desert: Wine, Eucharist, and Sacrifice in Tertullian and Cyprian
Susan T. Stevens, Randolph Macon Woman’s College
Meals Sacred and Profane: The Evidence from Christian North Africa
Maureen Tilley, University of Dayton
The Body of Christ and the Body of the Believer: Eucharistic Fasting in Roman North Africa
Robin Jensen, Andover Newton Theological School
The African Eucharist: Reconstructing Ritual in Space
J. Fatou Burne, Washington University
The Eucharistic Ritual and Its Role within the Church in the Writings of Augustine

A92 Rastafari in Global Contexts: Religion and Culture Seminar
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 5
Richard C. Salter, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Rastafari and Globalization—Definitions and Field Studies
Panelists:
Jan DeCosmo, Florida A&M University
Ennis B. Edmonds, Barnard College and Columbia University
Leslie R. James, DePauw University
Darren J. N. Middleton, Rhodes College
Carole Yawney, York University
John P. Homiak, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, DC
Randall Hepner, Michigan State University
Nathaniel S. Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Loretta Collins, University of Iowa
Imany Kali-Nyah, The Ethiopian Holocaust Remembrance Committee
Business Meeting
Richard C. Salter, University of Chicago, Presiding
Composition of the Book of Jeremiah Group

1:00pm–3:00pm  D-Europe 8

A. R. (Pete) Diamond, All Saints Episcopal Church, Carpinteria, CA, Presiding

Theme: Exploring Relationships between Jeremiah and Other Books in the Hebrew Bible

James Nogalski, Lombard, IL
Jeremiah and the Twelve: Intertextual Observations and Postulations

Julia M. O'Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary
On Allusions, Intertexts, and the Making of Connections: Reading Jeremiah and Reading the Twelve

Hyun Chul Paul Kim, Claremont Graduate School
Reading Jeremiah as a Companion to Isaiah

Nancy Cheryl Lee, Union Theological Seminary, Virginia
Reading Context, Hearing Rhetoric in Jeremiah and Lamentations

Respondents:
Philip R. Davies, University of Sheffield
Louis Stulman, The University of Findlay
Kathleen Mary O'Connor, Columbia Theological Seminary

Bible in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-3

Sharon H. Ringe, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding


Panelists:
Ralph Andrew Broadbent, University of Birmingham, England
Ivy George, Gordon College
David Jobling, St. Andrews College, Canada
Luise Schottroff, University of Kassel, Germany

Respondents:
Kwok Pui-lan, Episcopal Divinity School
Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University
R. S. Sugirtharajah, Selly Oak Colleges

General Discussion

Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 5

George H. Guthrie, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, Presiding

Theme: Language Repertoire and Diglossia in First Century Palestine

Jonathan M. Watt, Geneva College
The Current Landscape of Diglossia Studies

Scobie P. Smith, Logos Research Systems
The Case for and against Hebrew Diglossia during the Late Second Temple Period

Stanley E. Porter, Roehampton Institute, London
The Functional Distribution of Koine Greek in First Century Palestine

Christina Paulston, University of Pittsburgh
A Sociolinguistic Response
**A93** Palestinian Theology and Interreligious Dialogue in the Middle East

9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 6

Donald E. Wagner, North Park University, Presiding

Theme: *Israeli-Palestinian Relations after Fifty Years: The Challenge of the Jubilee*

Panelists:
- Naim Ateek, Sabeel Liberation Theology Center, Israel
- Alan Epp Weaver, University of Chicago
- Rosemary Radford Ruether, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Respondents:
- Tikva Frymer-Kensky, University of Chicago
- Aminah Beverly McCloud, DePaul University

**A94** Religion and Human Rights Consultation

9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 5

Arvind Sharma, McGill University, Presiding

Theme: *Contested Issues in Protecting Religious Freedom and Values*

Part One: *Persecution*

Lisa Wimberly Allen, Boston University
- *Freedom from Religious Persecution Act: Promoter of Human Rights?*

Iain S. Maclean, Washington and Lee University
- *Persecutions of Christians Overseas: Human Rights, American Evangelicals, and American Foreign Policy*

Respondent:
- David Hollenbach, Boston College

Part Two: *Proselytization*

Shelini Harris, Emory University
- *Proselytization and Religious Freedom: A Case in Sri Lanka*

Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- *Religion and Human Rights in Israel: The Case of the Anti-missionary Bill*

**A95** Special Topics Forum

Sponsored by the Committee on International Connections

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 6

Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis, Presiding

Theme: *Internationalizing the Study of Religion: Methodological Issues*

Panelists:
- David S. Chidester, University of Cape Town, South Africa
- G. C. Pande, Allahabad Museum Society, India
- Ursula King, University of Bristol, England

Respondents:
- Catherine M. Bell, Santa Clara University
- Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC

See page 7 for a description of this session.

**A96** Special Topics Forum

Sponsored by the Committee on Teaching and Learning

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern II

Thomas V. Peterson, Alfred University, Presiding

Theme: *Teaching Religious Studies at Community Colleges*

Panelists:
- Kerry Edwards, Red Rocks Community College
- Peter D. Jauhiainen, Kirkwood Community College
- Maura O’Neill, Chaffey College
- Linda D. Smith, Hawkeye Community College

Respondent:
- Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College

See page 7 for a description of this session.
Biblical Law Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   S-Swan 5
Raymond Westbrook, Johns Hopkins University, Presiding
Duane L. Christensen, William Carey International University
The Function of Deuteronomy 24:10–13 within the Literary Structure of Deuteronomy 24 and the Narratives in the Book of Genesis
Robin J. DeWitt Knauth, Harvard University
Debt Release: Cancelled, Suspended, or Completed? Double Payment for Sin?
Baruch J. Schwartz, Hebrew University, Jerusalem
Leviticus 19 and the Decalogue
Joe M. Sprinkle, Toccoa Falls College
Deuteronomic Just War (Deuteronomy 20) and 2 Kgs 3:27
Horst Seebass, Bonn University, Germany
Slave Law in Exodus 21:28–32 and the Discrepancy between Capital Law and Damage Regulation

Christian Apocrypha Section and Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Group
1:00pm–3:30pm   S-Asia 3
Richard I. Pervo, Seabury Western Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Intersections: Religion and Literature in the Novels and the Christian Apocrypha
Gareth Schmeling, University of Florida
Ars Narrandi: Ancient Fiction, Apocryphal Acts
General Discussion
Jan Bremmer, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, Netherlands
Magic and Exorcism in the Novel and the Acts
General Discussion
Recess
Richard Valantasis, Hartford Seminary
General Discussion
Caroline T. Schroeder, Duke University
Embracing the Erotic in the Passion of Andrew: The Apocryphal Acts of Andrew, the Greek Novel, and Platonic Philosophy
General Discussion

Hellenistic Judaism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Oceanic 7
Ross S. Kraemer, University of Pennsylvania, Presiding
Theme: Current Issues in the Study of the Pharisees
Steve Mason, York University, Toronto
Revisiting Josephus’s Pharisees, A Response to Recent Essays
Respondents:
Anthony J. Saldarini, Boston College
Lester L. Grabbe, University of Hull, England
Recess
General Discussion
Business Meeting

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**A97 History of Christianity Section**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-2

Pamela K. Klassen, University of Toronto, Presiding

Theme A: *Images of Parenting in Late Antique Christianity*

Rebecca Krawiec, Harvard University

*Monic Parenting in Late Antique Egypt: Examples from Shenute’s White Monastery*

Nonna Verna Harrison, St. Joseph of Arimathea College

*Clement of Alexandria on Childhood and Parenthood*

Deborah Sawyer, Lancaster University, England

*Divine Parenting and Infantile Believers*

Theme B: *Millennial Expectation*

Lawrence F. Hundersmarck, Pace University, Presiding

Joanne Maguire, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

*“He Beareth Not the Sword in Vain”: The Rhetoric of Apocalyptic Violence*

E. Ann Matter, University of Pennsylvania

*Miran Apocalyptic at the End of the Millennium*

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**A98 Philosophy of Religion Section and Theology and Continental Philosophy Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-2

Cleo McNelly Kearns, Rutgers University, Presiding

Theme: The Cries and Tears of Jacques Derrida by John D. Caputo

Panelists:

Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College

Martin T. Kavka, Rice University

Walter J. Lowe, Emory University

Graham Ward, Cambridge University, England

Respondent:

John D. Caputo, Villanova University

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**A99 Religion in South Asia Section**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-1

Saurabh Dube, El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico, Presiding

Theme: *Celebrating Six Hundred Years of Kabir: From the Earliest Manuscripts to the Globalization of Oral Tradition*

John S. Hawley, Columbia University

*Kabir in His Oldest Dated Manuscript*

Gurinder Singh Mann, Columbia University

*Kabir and the Sikh Tradition*

David N. Lorenzen, El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico

*Kabir Debates His Rivals: The Goshthi Texts of the Kabir Panth*

Linda Hess, University of California, Davis

*Oral Tradition Goes Global: “Kabir Says,” from Saudo to CDs to the Minnesota Symphony*

Nancy M. Martin, Chapman University

*Weaving Resistance, Singing Kabir in Rural Rajasthan*

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**A100 Study of Judaism Section**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 6

Pinchas Giller, Washington University, Presiding

Theme: *Translation as Religious Discourse*

Gil Anidjar, University of California, Berkeley

*Translating Maimonides*

Shaul Magid, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

*Translation as Nimshal: Can Kabbalah Survive Translation?*

Leah Hochman, Boston University

*Mendelssohn in Translation: Toward a Theory of Translation*

Barbara E. Galli, McGill University

*Translating the Poetic: Applying Rosenzweig’s Tenets*
### History of Interpretation Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Parrot 1**

Mark Granquist, St Olaf College, Presiding  
**Theme:** Jewish and Christian Interpretations of the Hebrew Bible

Rachel Anisfeld, University of Pennsylvania  
*On the Relationship between Rabbinic Midrash and Inner-Biblical Exegesis: A Case-study of the Differences between the Historical Psalm Titles and Their Classical Midrashic Counterparts*

Carol A. Bakhos, Jewish Theological Seminary  
*History and Exegesis in the Study of Midrash*

Scott Langston, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary  
*Ecclesiastes 7:16 in the Sermons of George Whitefield and Joseph Trapp: Societal Influences in Biblical Interpretation*

### Johannine Literature Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-1**

Francisco Lozada, University of the Incarnate Word, Presiding  

Jennifer Berenson Maclean, Roanoke College  
*A Tale of Two Weddings: Divine Tricksterism in John*

Francisco Lozada, University of the Incarnate Word, Presiding  

Ingrid Rosa Kitzberger, University of Münster, Germany  
*Untying Lazarus - A Sister’s Task?: Revisioning Gender and Characterization in John*

Robert Kysar, Candler School of Theology  
*He Gave up the Spirit: A Reader’s Reflection on John 19:30b*

Paul Raymond Trebilco, University of Otago, New Zealand  
*Reading the Slogans and Antitheses in 1 John*

### Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 8**

Cynthia L. Miller, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding  

J. Alan Groves, Westminster Theological Seminary  
*Promises and Pitfalls of Computer Edited Texts with Morphosyntactic Tagging*

Adina Moshav, Yeshiva University  
*Word Order and Focus-Background Structure in Genesis*

Martin Ehrensøer, University of Aarhus, Denmark  
*Determinatio of the Noun in Biblical Hebrew*

Eugene Pentiuc, Harvard University  
*The Plural of Hebrew “Segholates” in Light of the Emar Evidence*

Michael Patrick O’Connor, Catholic University of America  
*Negative Compounds in Biblical Hebrew Verse*

### Qumran Section

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 5**

Esther Glickler Chazon, Hebrew University, Israel, Presiding  

Jeffrey Rubenstein, New York University  
*Qumran Legal Realism and Rabbinic Nominalism: A Reassessment*

Torleif Elgvin, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Norway  
*More Liturgies from the Heavenly Court*

Hanan Eshel, Bar-Ilan University, Israel  
*4QMMTC 27, 31 and “Works of Righteousness” at Qumran*
A101 Theology and Religious Reflection Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-4
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Liberation Theology and Postmodernity
Mark Lewis Taylor, Princeton Theological Seminary
Vodou Aesthetics and Liberation in "Postmodern America"
Vereene Parnell, Drew University
Go Figure: The Implications of D. Haraway's Saviors, Saints, and Cyborgs for a Feminist Liberation Rerigation of Christology and Discipleship
Robin M. Peterson, University of Western Cape, South Africa
Articulating the Prophetic and the Popular: Proposals for a Neo-Modernist Liberation Theology
Daniel M. Bell, Duke University
After the End of History: Latin American Liberation Theology in the Wake of Capitalism's Triumph

A102 Women and Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 1
Andrea Smith, University of California, Santa Cruz, Presiding
Theme: Petticoat Governments and Beloved Women: Native Women and Religion in the American South
Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Colorado, Boulder
In Search of Beloved Women: Reimagining Choctaw Gender Roles
Stephanie Penn, University of California, Santa Barbara
It's a Woman Thing: The Continuity of Osage Religious Identity into the Twenty-First Century
Mary C. Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder
Marilou Awiakta and Maggie Culver Fry: Cherokee Women Poets, East and West
Laura E. Donaldson, University of Iowa
On Solar Storms and Misplaced Persons: The Spiritual Vision of Linda Hogan
Respondent:
Richard A. Grounds, University of Tulsa

A103 Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 1
Timothy S. Tseng, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: Southeast Asian America: Religious Communities, Cultures, and Practices
Douglas M. Padgett, Indiana University, Bloomington
Being That: Community Formation at a Temple in Florida
Rachel A. R. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York
“May You Storm Heaven with Your Prayers”: Devotions to Mary and Jesus in Filipino American Catholic Life
Thomas Pearson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Christian Identity in the Montagnard Refugee Community
Respondent:
Jung Ha Kim, Georgia State University
Business Meeting
Rita Nakashima Brock, Radcliffe College, and Rue V. Busto, Stanford University, Presiding

A104 Black Theology Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 3
Linda E. Thomas, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Black Systematic Theology: My Sister, My Brother: Womanist and Xodus God-Talk
J. Denny Weaver, Bluffton College
Ralph C. Watkins, Pittsburgh Theological Seminar
Respondents:
Karen Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology
Garth K. Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology
Business Meeting
Will Coleman, Columbia Theological Seminary, Presiding
Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 4

Danna Nolan Fewell, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Theme: Biblical Subjects

Stuart Lasine, Wichita State University
We Need Eggs: Royal Narcissism and (Self-) Knowledge in the Bible and My House

Erin Runions, McGill University, Canada
Identifying Liminally: Homi Bhabha and Micah

David McLain Carr, Methodist Theological School in Ohio
Gender and the Shaping of Desire in the Song of Songs and Its Interpretations

Andrew Wilson, University of Sheffield, England
The Christ-Hymn and the Abyss: A Post-Lacanian Reading of the Philippians Christ Hymn

Gerald Oakley West, University of Natal, South Africa
Being Partially Constituted by Work with Others: Biblical Scholars Becoming Different

Synoptic Gospels Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 3

Shawn Kelley, Daemen College, Presiding
Felix Just, Loyola Marymount University
Was Blind Bartimaeus a 'Son of Impurity'?

Daniel W. Ulrich, Bethany Theological Seminary
Who Are the 'Small Ones' in Matthew's Story?

R. Steven Notley, Jerusalem University College
Taking the Kingdom by Force?

Mark Goodacre, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

Joel Marcus, University of Glasgow, Scotland
Is Mark a Pauline Gospel?

Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity Group (=A107)

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 3

Paula M. McNutt, Canisius College, Presiding
Theme: Constructs of Ancient Space and Time: Jerusalem

Joan Branham, Providence College
Negotiating Women's Space in Early Christian Architecture: The Jerusalem Temple as Burden of Authority

Milton Moreland, University of La Verne
Jerusalem as the Place of Origin in Early Christian Imagination

Gary H. Gilbert, Claremont McKenna College
Transformation of Jerusalem from Sacred Space to Sacred Time

Loren D. Crow, Wiley College
Holy Precincts, Holy City, Holy Land: The Orientation of Diaspora Jews toward Jerusalem in the Persian Period

Respondent:
Mary R. Huie-Jolly, Knox College, New Zealand

Egyptology and Ancient Israel Group

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 1

Sharon Keller, Hebrew Union College, New York, Presiding
Michael Mathias Homan, University of California, San Diego
An Egyptian Parallel to the Israelite Tabernacle: The Military Camp

Shmuel Givon, Bar-Ilan University, Israel
Egyptians, Philistines, and Israelites in Tel Masos

John R. Huddleston, College of Charleston
Nahum, Nineveh, and the Nile: The Description of Thebes in Nahum 3:8

Peter Feinman, Columbia University
Did Mchy Become Moses?: Showdown of False and True Horus

Meir Lubetski, Baruch College
Mediums and Diviners that Chirp and Moan: An Egyptian Perspective

Joseph J. Weinstein, Somerville, MA
The Hylkses Origins of Israelite Religion and Culture
### A105 Church-State Studies Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Europe 7**

Joyce A. Baugh, Central Michigan University, Presiding  
Theme: *Martin Luther King, Jr.: The Dream Thirty Years After*

Lewis V. Baldwin, Vanderbilt University  
*On the Relation of the Christian to the State: The Thinking of Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Paul Finkelman, University of Akron  
*King’s Constitution: Civil Rights, Religious Values, and American Jurisprudence*

Roger D. Hatch, Central Michigan University  
*Martin Luther King, Jr., after Thirty Years: Trivializing, Distorting, and Ignoring His Vision*

### A106 Comparative Studies in Hinduisms and Judaisms Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Asia 5**

Paul Morris, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, Presiding  
Theme: *Eros and Androgyny in the Divine Body: Configuring the Godhead in Hindu and Jewish Traditions*

Tracy D. Coleman, Brown University  
*Erotic Devotion, Erotic Grace: Adoring Krishna’s Body in the Bhagavata Purana*

Graham M. Schweig, Duke University  
*The Divine Bodies of Radha and Krishna: Feminine and Masculine Dimensions of the Godhead in the Gaudiya Vaishnava Tradition*

Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College  
*Desiring the Kisses of His Mouth: Transfiguring the Body in Midrashic and Kabbalistic Commentaries on the Song of Songs*

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University  

Respondents:  
Steven P. Hopkins, Swarthmore College  
David G. White Hopkins, University of Virginia

### A107 Constructs of the Social and Cultural Worlds of Antiquity (=S84)

**1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Oceanic 3**

Paula M. McNutt, Canisius College, Presiding  
Theme: *Constructs of Ancient Space and Time: Jerusalem*

Joan R. Branham, Providence College  
*Negotiating Women’s Space in Early Christian Architecture: The Jerusalem Temple as Burden of Authority*

Milton Moreland, University of La Verne  
*Jerusalem as the Place of Origin in Early Christian Imagination*

Gary Gilbert, Claremont McKenna College  
*Transformation of Jerusalem from Sacred Space to Sacred Time*

Loren D. Crow, Wiley College  
*Holy Precincts, Holy City, Holy Land: The Orientation of Diaspora Jews toward Jerusalem in the Persian Period*

Respondent:  
Mary R. Huie-Jolly, Knox College

### A108 Evangelical Theology Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Asia 2**

David D. Daniels, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding  
Theme: *The Use, Misuse, and Disuse of the Label “Fundamentalist”*

David Edwin Harrell Jr., Auburn University  
Joel Carpenter, Calvin College  
Albert G. Miller, Oberlin College  
Respondents:  
Margaret L. Bendroth, Andover Newton Theological Seminary  
Elmer L. Towns, Liberty University

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Post-Structuralist Research on the Hebrew Bible Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 4
Mary E. Shields, Drury College, Presiding
Theme: Intrafamilial Family Relations
Lyn Bechtel, Drew Theological Seminary
Intrafamilial Dynamics Gone Askew (Genesis 4)
Ilona N. Rashkow, State University of New York
Jacob, Esau, and Momma: Freud's Unholy Trinity
Karla G. Bohmbach, Susquehanna University
A Carnivalesque Reading of Genesis 38 (or, Judah and Tamar Go to the Carnival)
Diane M. Sharon, Jewish Theological Seminary
Reading the Rivalry in Genesis
Ora Horn Prouser, Jewish Theological Seminary
Hosea and Hagar: An Intertextual Reading
Roland T. Boer, United Theological College, Australia
Queer Heroes

Psychology and Biblical Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern V
Wayne G. Rollins, Assumption College, Presiding
Theme: Depth Psychology and Exegesis: The Work of Eugen Drewermann
Matthias Beier, Drew University
Beyond Historical Criticism: Eugen Drewermann’s Psychological Hermeneutics
Respondent:
David Miller, Syracuse University
Bernhard Lang, University of Paderborn, Germany
Romantic and Eliadean Elements in the Thought of Eugen Drewermann
Respondent:
R. Todd Wise, Temple University
Annette Esser, Union Theological Seminary
Bibliodrama, Drewermann and Psychological Hermeneutics
Respondent:
Margaret G. Alter, Graduate Theological Union
Business Meeting
Wayne G. Rollins, Assumption College, Presiding
**A109 Hispanic American Religion, Culture, and Society Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Oceanic 1

Luis G. Pedraja, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Theme: Crossing the Borders: Rituals, Symbols, and the Formation of Mexican American Spirituality

Nora O. Lozano-Díaz, Drew University

Ignored Virgin or Unaware Women: Reflections on the Virgin of Guadalupe from a Mexican American Perspective

Marie W. Dallam, Harvard University

The Border Dialectic of Dia de los Muertos

Respondent: Eduardo C. Fernandez, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley

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**A110 History of the Study of Religion Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm    S-Swan 4

Daniel L. Pals, University of Miami, Presiding

Theme: Religious Universalism/Transcendence: Socio-Historical and National Roots

Eric Bain-Selbo, Lebanon Valley College

Understanding the Other: The Challenge of Postcolonial Theory to the Comparative Study of Religion

John Burris, Wesleyan University

Colonizing Transcendence: The Politics of Religious Comparison

Arvind Sharma, McGill University

The Idea of Religious Universalism in India and the West

Satoko Fujiwara, University of Chicago

Psychologistic Universalism: R. Otto and T. Ishizu Compared

Respondent: Robert C. Neville, Boston University

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**A111 Mysticism Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Southern 1

Janet K. Ruffing, Fordham University, Presiding

Theme: Crossing Boundaries: Mysticism, Ethics, and Antinomianism

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**A112 Platonism and Neoplatonism Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Europe 4

Willemina Otten, University of Utrecht, Netherlands, Presiding

Theme: Anthropology and Christology in Medieval and Renaissance Neoplatonism

Joseph Ważykowski, University of Notre Dame

Aquinas against the "Platonists" on the Human Nature of Christ

Nancy Walker Hudson, Yale University

Theosis: A Soteriological Consequence of Nicholas of Cusa’s Apophatic Anthropology

Günther Frank, Free University Berlin, Germany

Philipp Melanchthon (1497–1560) and the Tradition of Neoplatonism

Robert L. Fastiggi, St. Edward’s University

Negative Anthropology and Christology in French Oratorian Spirituality

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**A113 Religion in Eastern Europe and the Former USSR Group**

1:00pm–3:30pm    D-Europe 2

J. Shawn Landres, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: Nationalism and Freedom of Religion

Bożena Bednarczyk, Jagiellonian University, Poland

Human Rights and Social Structures: Freedom of Religion and the Protection of Religious Minorities

Ines A. Murzaku, St. John Fisher College

A Look at Post-Communist Albania: Religious Tolerance or Religious Indifference?

James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno

Western Influences about New Religions in Russia: The International Anticult Movement

Daniel L. Watson, Indiana University, Bloomington

Controversy in Post-Communist Hungary

Business Meeting

Krystyna Gorniak-Kocikowska, South Connecticut State University, and Leslie A. Muray, Lansing Community College
Early Jewish and Christian Mysticism Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 7
Alan F. Segal, Barnard College and Columbia University, Presiding
Theme: Esoteric Temple Traditions

Crispin Fletcher-Louis, Oxford University, England
Ascent to Heaven and the Embodiment of Heaven: A Revisionist Reading of the Songs of the Sabbath Sacrifice

Christopher R. A. Murray-Jones, University of California, Berkeley
The Temple Within: The Embodied Divine Image and Its Worship in the Dead Sea Scrolls and Other Early Jewish and Christian Sources

Andrea Lieber, Dickinson College
Where Is Sacrifice in the Heavenly Temple? Reflections on the Role of Violence in Hekhalot Traditions

Respondent:
James R. Davila, University of St. Andrews, Scotland

Recess

Mark Kinzer, Ann Arbor
Temple Christology in the Gospel of John

Cameron Afzal, Sarah Lawrence College
Wheels of Time: Merkavah Exegesis in Revelation 4

April De Conick, Illinois Wesleyan University
Entering God’s Presence: Sacramentalism in the Gospel of Phillip

Respondents:
Elaine H. Pagels, Princeton University
Charles A Gieschen, Concordia Theological Seminary, Indiana

The papers in this session will be summarized, not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.

S90 Special Session: Major Excavations of Biblical Interest
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern IV
Joe D. Seger, Cobb Institute of Archaeology, Mississippi State University, Presiding
Theme: Various Reports

Aaron Brody, White-Levy Program for Archaeological Publications, Israel
Tell Akko: Resumed Study and Stratification of Area H

Walter E. Rast, Valparaiso University
The Song of Deborah and the 12th Century Drainpipe Structure at Taanach

Avraham Biran, Hebrew Union College, Israel
Biblical Dan

Gerald Mattingly, Johnson Bible College
Iron Age Moab and the 1997 Excavation at al-Mudaybi

Rami Arav, University of Nebraska
The Northern Israel Iron Age II City Gates: The Cases of Dan, Hazor, Megiddo, and Bethsaida
Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-3
Peggy Schneier, University of Ottawa, Presiding
Theme: Religion and Film
Thomas Mackay, University of Toronto
Sacrifice and the Sacrificial Pose in Atom Egoyan's The Sweet Hereafter
Lori L. Rowlett, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire
Eating Fried Green Tomatoes with Ruth and Naomi
Greg Watkins, Stanford University
Tarkovsky: Film Maker as Theologian
Kerry Mitchell, University of California, Santa Barbara
Legend of the Overfiend: Rape, Innocence, and the Celebration of the Demonic
Bo-Myung Seo, Chicago Theological Seminary
Fatal Attraction: Ideology or Culture of American Movies and Its Third World Reception
Business Meeting
William L. Blizek, University of Nebraska, Omaha, and Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa, Presiding

Religion, Peace, and War Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 6
G. Simon Harak, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: Putting Your (Theological) Body on the Line
Tessa Bartholomeusz, Florida State University
Women in Black for Peace in Sri Lanka
Jennifer Manlowe, Long Island University
Radical Emptiness: A Feminist Analysis of Engaged Buddhism and Christianity
Susan M. Windley, University of St. Thomas
“Attachment” and Active Nonviolence: A Relational Image of God
Business Meeting
Peter R. Gathje, Christian Brothers University, Presiding

Ritual Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 11
Laura S. Grillo, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Intentionality and Self-Understanding in Ritual
Daniel A. Ponech, University of Pittsburgh
Digital Dancing: Representing Space and the Self in Online Ritual
Patrick Nugent, Earlham College
Ritual Illness and Ritual Healing in Medieval Miracle Stories
Sara Penn-Strah, University of Pittsburgh
Ritual Healing in Reformed Protestantism: Indigenous Understandings of Symbolic Practice
Respondent:
Elizabeth F. Collins, Ohio University
Business Meeting
Mario I. Aguilar, University of St. Andrews, Scotland, Presiding

Roman Catholic Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 10
Joseph Kroger, St. Michael's College, Vermont, Presiding
Theme: Inculturations of Roman Catholicism
Paula Elizabeth Holmes, McMaster University
"We Are Native Catholics": Inculturation and Essential Indianness in the Tekukwili Conference
T. Paul Thigpen, Southwest Missouri State University
Lay Leaders as Cultural Mediators: The Catholic Experience in Nineteenth-Century Savannah
Martha Serpas, University of Houston
"Messe Blanche": Women and Spiritual Authority in Nineteenth-Century Cajun Culture
Terry Rey, Florida International University
Cultural Collision and the Inculturation of Haitian Marianism
Robert Magliola, Abac University, Thailand
Catholic Inculturation in Buddhist Thailand: Some Steps and Grand Missteps
Business Meeting
Terrence W. Tilley, University of Dayton, and Phyllis Zagano, Boston University, Presiding
Poster Session
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern
Foyer C, D, E

Calvin J. Roetzel, Macalester College, Presiding
Donald Binder, Southern Methodist University
Into the Temple Courts: The Place of the Synagogues in the Second Temple Period
Richard S. Ascough, Loyola University of Chicago
Voluntary Associations and Community Formation: Paul’s Macedonian Christian Communities in Context
Bryan Estille, The Catholic University of America
Deerental Language in Biblical Aramaic
Troy A. Miller, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
The Emergence of the Idea of Heresy: Sectarianism and Communal Identity in the Second Temple Period
Susan M. (Elli) Elliott, Zion United Church of Christ, Sterling, CO
Paul Speaks to Galatians in Anatolia: Circumcision and the Castration of the Galli of the Mother of Gods
Michael Penn, Duke University
“With a Chaste and Closed Mouth”: Kissing, Social Boundaries and Early Christian Communities
William D. Matherly, University of Notre Dame
Emerson Powery, Lee University
Jesus’ Use of Scripture According to the Synoptic Gospels
Richard Warren Johnson, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
The Sociological Function of the Critique of the Levitical System in the Epistle to the Hebrews
Anders Aschim, Norwegian Lutheran School of Theology, Oslo
Melchizedek Studies: Melchizedek and the Hasmonaens
James P. Ware, University of Evansville
Paul and the Mission of the Church in the Letter to the Philippians in the Context of Second Temple Judaism
Adam L. Porter, Duke University
Transjordanian Jewish History: From the Israelite Conquest to the Bar-Kochba Revolt
Audrey L. S. West, Duke University
By Life or by Death: Friendship in a Pauline Ethics of Death and Dying
Mark Alan Chancey, Duke University
“Gallilee of the Gentiles”: The Archaeological and Literary Evidence for the Early Roman Period
Naoto Kamano, Union Theological Seminary, Virginia
From Cosmology to Character: A Study of Qoheleth’s Pedagogy

SUNDAY AFTERNOON
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Anders Eriksson, University of Lund, Sweden
Traditions as Rhetorical Proof
Galen Marquis, Hebrew University, Israel
Explicit Literary Allusions in Biblical Historiography
Nicolae Roddy, University of Nebraska, Omaha
The Not So Grim Reaper: The Figure of Death in the Romanian Version of the Testament of Abraham

S92

Writings from the Ancient World
Editorial Board
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Parrot 2
Simon B. Parker, Boston University, Presiding

S93

Bible and Cultural Studies Section and Bible in Ancient and Modern Media
Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-1
Sandra Hack Polaski, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding
Theme: Once upon a Biblical Time: Biblical Artifacts for Children
Ilana Pardes, Hebrew University, Israel
Moses in the Nursery: The Exodus in Children’s Bibles
John Maier, State University of New York-Brockport
Noah’s Wife in Media for Children
Francis Landy, University of Alberta, Canada
Noah’s Ark and Mrs. Monkey
Zipporah G. Glass, Vanderbilt University
Experiencing the Power of Story: Using HTML to Create Contextualized Bible Stories on the Internet
Jennifer A. Glancy, Le Moyne College
Innocent Readings: Slavery and Children’s Bibles
Alice Bach, Stanford University
Rated G: The Softer Side of Scripture
Schleiermacher Group
1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Europe 9
David E. Klemm, University of Iowa, Presiding
Theme: Schleiermacher's Dogmatic Theology
Jeffery Kinlaw, Wake Forest University
Schleiermacher on Divine Causality and the Incarnation
Walter E. Wyman, Whitman College
Testing Liberalism's Conceptuality: The Relation of Sin and Evil in Schleiermacher's Theology
Kimlyn Bender, Princeton Theological Seminary
Between Heaven and Earth: Schleiermacher's Christology in View of Intrasystematic Tensions and Relations within the Glaubenskreis
Lori K. Pearson, Harvard University
Schleiermacher and the Christologies of Chalcedon

Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group
1:00pm–3:30pm   D-Oceanic 2
Matthew Kapstein, University of Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Chapters in the History of Tibetan Religion
Elisabeth Benard, University of Puget Sound
Tang Princess Wen Cheng Kongjo’s Religio-Political Roles
David Germano, University of Virginia
A Tantric Synthesis of Buddha-Nature and Pure Lands
Paul B. Donnelly, University of Wisconsin, Madison
gsSer-mdog Pan-chen's Critique of Tsom-kha-pa's Madhyamaka: A Contribution to the Intellectual History of Tibet
Gregory A. Hillis, University of Virginia
Rhetorical Dimension of Klong-chen-pa's gNas Lugs Mdzod
Business Meeting
David Germano, University of Virginia, and Matthew Kapstein, University of Chicago, Presiding

Wesleyan Studies Group
1:00pm–3:30pm   S-Swan 2
Pamela D. Couture, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: Susanna Wesley as Theologian and Spiritual Mentor
Joanne Carlson Brown, Seattle University
In Defense of Eve: The Theological Arguments of Susanna Wesley
Steven T. Hoskins, Trevecca Nazarene University
Son of High Church Women?: Susanna Wesley, High Church Spirituality, and the Politics of Child-Rearing
Claire Wolfteich, Boston University
Susanna Wesley: Spiritual Guidance and the Tension between Loving and Letting Go
Respondent:
Charles I. Wallace, Willamette University

Studies in Yogacāra Buddhism Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm   S-Mockingbird
A. Charles Muller, Tōyō Gakuen University, Japan and Joe B. Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, Presiding
Theme: The Status of External Objects
Respondents:
Dan Lusthaus, Florida State University
John D. Dunne, Université de Lausanne, Switzerland

Special Topics Forum
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Asia 1
James D. Tabor, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Theme: Believers, Law Enforcement Agents, and Religion Scholars: Communicating across Worldviews of Religions and Professional Disciplines
Eugene V. Gallagher, Connecticut College
Negotiating Salvation: The Branch Davidians' Self-Presentation in the Negotiation Tapes
Catherine Wessinger, Loyola University, New Orleans
Religious Studies Scholars, FBI Agents, and the Montana Freemen Standoff
Lonnie D. Kliever, Southern Methodist University
Meeting God in Garland: A Model of Religious Tolerance
Jayne Seminare Docherty, George Mason University
Bridging the Gap between Scholars of Religion and Law Enforcement Negotiators
Respondent:
Stephen D. O'Leary, University of Southern California
See page 7 for a description of this session.
**Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 1

Carey Ellen Walsh, Rhodes College, Presiding

Chang-ho Ji, La Sierra University

*The Political Economy of the Iron II Settlement Pattern in Moab*

Adrien Bledstein, Chicago

*The Meaning of a Garment and a Buildup Curse in Isaiah 22:15–25*

Robert D. Miller, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Israel

*Abimelech and Anthropological Archaeology*

Ryan Byrne, Johns Hopkins University

*Anchors, Arad, and the Tenth Century BCE*

Bill T. Arnold, Asbury Theological Seminary

*Pre-state Babylonia and Early Israel*

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**History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 2

Richard Kalmin, Jewish Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *"The Ways of the Amorites": Magic and Religion in Rabbinic Literature*

Rebecca Lesses, Columbia University

*"They Revealed Secrets to Their Wives": The Fallen Angels as Teachers of Occult Arts to Women*

Seth Schwartz, Jewish Theological Seminary

*Who Wrote Amulets in Late Antique Palestine?*

Robert Goldenberg, State University of New York at Stony Brook

*Who Were the Amorites Whose Ways Are to Be Avoided?*

Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University

*Divination and Cosmology in Rabbinic and Jewish Esoteric Literatures*

Respondent:

Michael Satlow, University of Virginia

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**Ideological Criticism Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 7

Margaret Aymer, Union Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Religious and Ideological Commitments in Reading the Bible

Panelists:

Bev Stratton, Augsburg College

Miriam Peskowitz, University of Florida

Graham Ward, Cambridge University

Vincent L. Wimbush, Union Theological Seminary

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**Linguistics and Biblical Hebrew Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 5

Michael Patrick O'Connor, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Theme: *Noun Phrases and Syntactic Structure in Biblical Hebrew*

A. Dean Forbes, Hewlett-Packard Laboratories (coauthored with Francis Andersen)

*Mutagens in the Syntactic Forest: Discontinuity, Multidominance, and Ambiguity in Biblical Hebrew*

Jacobus A. Naudé, University of the Free State, South Africa

*Syntactic Aspects of Co-ordinate Subjects with Independent Personal Pronouns*

Cameron Sinclair, Chapman University

*Noun Complementation in Biblical Hebrew*

Nicolai Winther-Nielsen, Lutheran School of Theology, Denmark

*The Case for the NP/PP Distinction in Biblical Hebrew based on a Role and Reference Grammar*

Business Meeting

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A123-A AAR Arts Series Poetry Reading
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Oceanic 7
Alicia Ostriker, Rutgers University, Presiding
Theme: *Miracle Rooms: Religion and the Poetry of Witness*
Carolyne Lee Wright, Atlanta, GA
See page 8 for a description of this session.

A123-B Special Topics Forum
American Lectures in the History of Religions
Sponsored by the Committee on the History of Religions
3:45pm–6:15pm S-Swan 9 & 10
H. Byron Earhart, Western Michigan University, Presiding
Bruce B. Lawrence, Duke University
*New Faiths, Old Fears: Recent Immigrants and the Challenge of Diasporic Spiritual Practices to North American Norms and Values*

A124 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm S-Swan 3
Christine M. Bochen, Nazareth College, Presiding
Theme: *The Pedagogy of Community-Based Learning: Perspectives, Proposals, Predictions*
Panelists:
F. Michael McLain, Rhodes College
Elizabeth M. Bounds, Emory University
Sally N. Johnston, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Richard Devine, St. John's University
Joseph A. Favazza, Rhodes College
Fred Glennon, LeMoyne College
Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College
Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University
Business Meeting
Ira H. Peak Jr., University of Louisville, Presiding

A125 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm S-Swan 7
Wilson Yates, United Theological Seminary, Twin Cities, Presiding
Theme: Re/Presentations of Gender in Arts, Literature, and Religion
Wioleta Polinska, University of Evansville
*Dangerous Bodies: Female Nakedness and Theology*
Adrienne Nock, Graduate Theological Union
*The Virgin of the Rosary and Florid Sculpture in Late Medieval German*
Linda Bennett Elder, Thiel College
*Virgins, Viragos, and Virtuosi among Judiths in Opera and Orationo*
Kimberly Rae Connor, San Francisco, CA
*"A Common Geography of the Mind": Creating Sacred Space in the Autobiographical Writing of Paul Monette and the NAMES Project*
Respondent:
Susan G. Cumings, Emory University
Business Meeting
Carolyn M. Jones, Louisiana State University, and T. Mark Ledbetter, Decatur, GA, Presiding

A126 Buddhism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Southern IV
Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University, Presiding
Theme: *New Voices and New Directions in Buddhist Studies*
Jeffrey Samuels, University of Virginia
*Lay Meditators and Lay Preachers: A Reevaluation of the Monastic-Lay Distinction in Early Buddhism*
Anne M. Blackburn, University of South Carolina
*Bilingualism and Rhetoric in Buddhist Commentary*
Peter A. Schwabland, University of Washington
*The Analysis of Conditioned Origination in the Yogācārabhūmi*
Charles B. Jones, Catholic University of America
*Pure Land Apologetics in Post-Song Dynasty Chinese Buddhism*
Business Meeting
Jacqueline I. Stone, Princeton University, Presiding
$98 Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section and Pseudepigrapha Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 5
John D. Turner, University of Nebraska, Presiding
Theme: Apocalyptic and Gnosticism
Harold W. Attridge, Yale Divinity School
Jewish Apocalyptic Traditions in Valentinian and “Sethian” Texts
Birger A. Pearson, University of California, Santa Barbara
From Apocalyptic to Gnosis
Michel Roberge, University of Laval, Canada
The Paraphrase of Shem (NH VII, 1) as an Ascent Apocalypse
Gordon Lyn Watley, University of Virginia
Genre Criticism and the Gnostic Apocalypse
Respondents:
John J. Collins, University of Chicago
David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire
For copies of the papers for this session, please send $12 to Theodore A. Bergren, National Humanities Center, P.O. Box 12256, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

$100 Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 6
Douglas E. Oakman, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding
P. F. Craffert, University of South Africa
Jesus and the Shamanic Complex: Social Type and Historical Figure
Gary Stansell, St. Olaf College
Gift-Giving in the First Testament
Richard E. DeMaris, Valparaiso University
Excommunication, Execution or Execution? Ritual Analysis of 1 Corinthians
Daniel E. Goodman, Palm Beach Atlantic College
Heretical Discourse in Q: Creating a Social Space for the Renewal of Israel

$99 Pentateuch Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 2
Diane M. Sharon, Jewish Theological Seminary, Presiding
John H. Sailhamer, Western Seminary
Poetry in the Pentateuch: Reduction and Composition
William H. C. Propp, University of California, San Diego
Is Exodus a Fairy Tale?
D. Matthew Stith, Princeton Theological Seminary
The בָּנָב in the Wilderness: A Re-examination of Exodus 17:1–7
Adriane Leveen, University of California, Berkeley
Monumental Tasks: The Problem of Memory in the Book of Numbers
Business Meeting
All are invited to gather at this open meeting to discuss topics and directions for future sessions of the Pentateuch Section.

$101 Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 5
Joel S. Kaminsky, Smith College, Presiding
Lowell K. Handy, Loyola University Chicago
David, Mickey Mouse, and the Evolution of an Icon
Richard G. Bowman, Augustana College
King David and the King of the Wild Frontier: Contrasting Ideological and Theological World Views
David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary
Traditional Jewish Responses to the Question of Deceit in Genesis 27
Esther Fuchs, University of Arizona
The Women in the First Two Chapters of Exodus: A Re-Vision
Andrew M. Hahn, Jewish Theological Seminary
“Whom Did God Consult?”: Toward a Developmental Theology of Creation
Michael Carasik, Brookline, MA
The Limits of Omniscience

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A129  History of Christianity Section
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Oceanic 1
Rosemary Drage Hale, Concordia University, Presiding
Theme: Theory, Practice, and Pierre Bourdieu
Elizabeth A. Clark, Duke University
Rewriting the History of Early Christianity
Megan Williams, Princeton University
Jerome, Rhetoric, and Christian Simplicity in Light of the Sociology of Pierre Bourdieu
Steven Engler, Concordia University
Brian J. Kelty, Australian Catholic University, Australia
Pierre Bourdieu: The Unmasking of What Is Hidden in Culture
Business Meeting
Rosemary Drage Hale, Concordia University, and Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

A130  North American Religions Section
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Oceanic 8
Karen McCarthy Brown, Drew University, Presiding
Theme: The Ethnographic Turn in the Study of U.S. Religion
Panelists:
Thomas A. Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
R. Marie Griffith, Princeton University
Michael F. Brown, Williams College
Respondent:
Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology
Business Meeting
Thomas A. Tweed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding

A127  Comparative Studies in Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Southern II
John Carman, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Religions, Medicines, and Healing
Panelists:
Tazim Kassam, Colorado College
Avriel Bar-Levav, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
Linda L. Barnes, Brown University
Paula K. R. Arai, Vanderbilt University
Respondent:
Stephen D. Glazier, University of Nebraska
Business Meeting
William Darrow, Williams College, Presiding

A128  Ethics Section
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Northern E-2
Darryl M. Trimiew, Texas Christian University, Presiding
Theme: Ethical Analyses of the Internet
Robert R. N. Ross, Mansfield, MA
Ethics and the Internet
Suzanne Holland, University of Puget Sound
An Ethics of Human Flourishing in Cyberspace
C. Hannah Schell, Princeton University
Virtual Communities: A Roycean Perspective
Respondent:
Fred Glennon, LeMoyne College
Business Meeting
Frida Kerner Furman, DePaul University, and Roger D. Hatch, Central Michigan University, Presiding
Academic Teaching of Biblical Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 3
Milton P. Horne, William Jewell College, Presiding
Theme: Criticism and Confessionalism: Negotiating the Chasm
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University
A Multiple Viewpoint Approach to Teaching Biblical Studies
Kenneth L. Cukrowski, Lubbock Christian University
From "Fundamentalists" to "Scholars": Texts, Techniques, and Sociology
Kent Hoeffner, Truett McConnell College
Portraits of Jesus: A Visual Metaphor in Teaching the Gospels
Kristen Kvam, Saint Paul School of Theology, Linda S. Scheering, Gonzaga University, and Valerie Ziegler, Depauw University
Criticism and Confessionalism: Eve and Adam in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Scripture
Alon Goshen-Gottstein, Tel-Aviv University, Israel
Authority and Meaning: Critical Encounters with Rabbinic Literature

African-American Theology and Biblical Hermeneutics Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-2
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center
Crimson Cords, Worn-out Sandals, and Cave Stones: Reading the Book of Joshua from the Underside
Keith A. Burton, Oakwood College
The Black Theologian and the Imperialistic Demands of Historical Criticism
Temba L. J. Mafico, Interdenominational Theological Center
The Underdog without an Underdog Mentality
Sandy Dwayne Martin, University of Georgia
James Walker Hood and the Apocalypse: A Turn-of-the-Century African American Interpretation of the Book of Revelation
Business Meeting
Hugh Rowland Page, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

S104 Formation of the Book of Isaiah Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 4
Claire R. Mathews McGinnis, Loyola College in Maryland, Presiding
John T. Willis, Abilene Christian University
Isaiah 1–5 as the First Symmetrical Unit in the Book of Isaiah
John D. W. Watts, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
The Structure and Nature of Isaiah 13–27
Willem A. M. Beuken, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
The Prophet Leads the Readers into Praise: Isa 25:1–10 in Connection with Isa 24:14–23 Seen Against the Background of Isaiah 12
Andrea L. Weiss, University of Pennsylvania
Allusions to Psalms in Second Isaiah
Dominic Rudman, King’s College, England
The Theology of Idol Fabrication in Second Isaiah
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A131  Philosophy of Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 9
Sumner B. Twiss, Brown University, Presiding
Theme: Rationalities and Their Limits
Aaron D. Stalnaker, Brown University
Philip J. Ivanhoe, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Mark Unno, Carleton College
Business Meeting
Thomas J. Dean, Temple University, and Gerald J. Larson, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding

A132  Religion and the Social Sciences Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern E-4
Diane Jonte-Pace, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: Psychology and Religion: Future Directions and Cutting Edges
Jacob Belzen, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
Jeremy R. Carrette, University of Stirling, Scotland
Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa
Janet L. Jacobs, University of Colorado, Boulder
James W. Jones, Rutgers University
H. John McDargh, Boston College
Business Meeting
Naomi R. Goldenberg, University of Ottawa, and James W. Jones, Rutgers University, Presiding

A133  Religion in South Asia Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 4
Frank J. Korom, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Blunders, Plunders, and the Wonders of Fieldwork: Ethnographic Integrity and the Study of South Asian Religions
Panelists:
Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University
Deepak Sarma, University of Chicago
Joanne Punzo Waghrane, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Sarah Caldwell, California State University, Chico
June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Corinne Dempsey, Syracuse University
M. Whitney Kelting, St. Lawrence University
Respondent:
Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University
Business Meeting
Kathleen M. Erndl, Florida State University, and Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University, Presiding

A134  Study of Islam Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern E-3
Tazim Kassam, Colorado College, Presiding
Theme: Islam in Contemporary Societies
R. Michael Feener, Boston University
Tafsir, Contextualization, and Fiqh in Twentieth-Century Indonesia
Anna M. Gade, University of Chicago
"Competing in Goodness" and the Recited Qur'an in Indonesia
Paul D. Numrich, Auburn Theological Seminary
Facing Northeast in a Midwestern Metropolis: The Growth of Islam and the Challenge of the "Ummani" Ideal in Chicago
Business Meeting
Marcia Hermansen, Loyola University, Chicago, and Tazim Kassam, Colorado College, Presiding

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Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 2
Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University, Denmark, Presiding
Theme: The Problem of Desire in Greco-Roman and Early Christian Contexts
Kathy L. Gaca, Vanderbilt University
The Problem of Forbidden Desire in Patristic Christianity and Its Roots in Jewish Platonism
Kamala Parel, Iliff School of Theology
The Disease of Desire: The Physical Effects of Spiritual Distraction
Ismo Dunderberg, University of Helsinki, Finland
Wisdom's Desire and Its Therapy
General Discussion
Business Meeting

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Southern 1
David P. Moessner, University of Dubuque Theological Seminary, Presiding
Dean P. Bechard, Fordham University
Paul Outside the Walls: The Lystra Episode (Acts 14:8–20) and Lucan Apologetic
Christoph Heil, Universität Bamberg, Germany
Gregory E. Sterling, University of Notre Dame
The Philosopher's Death
Recess
Panel Discussion
General Discussion
Business Meeting

Philo of Alexandria Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Mockingbird
Annemaries Van Den Hoek, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Research Reports
Clare Komoroske Rothschild, University of Chicago
Creation of the Cosmos in Philo of Alexandria and the Wisdom of Solomon: Metaphysical-Ontological Interpretation as Metaphor
David T. Runia, Leiden University, Netherlands
Commentary on De opificio mundi
Recess
Editorial Board Meeting for the Philo of Alexandria Commentary Series (for board members only)

Sociology of the Literature of the Second Temple Period Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Americas Seminar Room
John M. Halligan, St. John Fisher College, Presiding
Theme: Social Reality of the Prophetic Literature
Joseph Blenkinsopp, University of Notre Dame
The Prophets in the Second Temple Period: Reading Texts for Their Construction of Social Reality
Respondent:
Robert Peter Carroll, Glasgow University, Scotland
Recess
Lester L. Grabbe, University of Hull, England
Poets, Scribes, or Preachers? The Reality of Prophecy in the Second Temple Period
Respondent:
John M. Halligan, St. John Fisher College
Business Meeting
John Halligan, Presiding
Topic for meeting: the theme for 1999—The Sociology of the Historiographical Literature of the Second Temple Period
The paper by Lester Grabbe will be summarized, not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.
**A135 Study of Judaism Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
D-Europe 6

Heidi Rawen, Hamilton College, Presiding  
Theme: *Natural Law in Judaism*

Panelists:  
Aaron L. Mackler, Duquesne University  
Eugene F. Rogers, University of Virginia  
Joseph A. Di Noia, Dominican House of Studies  
Respondent:  
David Novak, University of Toronto

**A136 Theology and Religious Reflection Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
D-Northern E-1

Sharon D. Welch, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding  
Theme A: *Beauty and Responsibility*

Edward Farley, Vanderbilt University  
*Beauty and Responsibility: Overcoming an Exclusionary Relation*

Theme B: *Liberation Theology and Postmodernity*

Ann K. Wetherilt, Emmanuel College  
*Liberating Postmodernism*

Iain S. MacLean, Washington and Lee University  
*Democracy: (Post)modernity's Trojan Horse in the Camp of Liberation Theology?*

Business Meeting  
Anselm Kyongsuk Min, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

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**A137 Women and Religion Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
D-Southern III

Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University, Presiding  
Theme: *Women's Religious Agency in Limit Situations*

Denise M. Ackermann, University of Western Cape, South Africa  
*A Voice was Heard in Ramah: In Search of a Feminist Theology of Healing for South Africa*

Gastón E. Espinosa, University of California, Santa Barbara  
*En La Lucha: The Changing Roles of Latina Pentecostal Women in Ministry*

Beverley Haddad, University of Natal, South Africa  
*Ordinary Religious Black South African Women "Speaking into Action": Reshaping the Feminist Intellectual*

Susan Sered, Bar-Ilan University, Israel  
*Miraculous Discourse*

Business Meeting  
Kwok Pui-Lan, Episcopai Divinity School, and Kathleen M. Sands, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Presiding

**A138 AAR Arts Series Film: The Apostle**

3:45pm–6:15pm  
D-Northern A-3

Ronald Burke, University of Nebraska, Omaha; and John Lyden, Dana College, Presiding  
See page 9 for a description of this film.

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**A139 Retired Members Reception**

5:30pm–6:30pm  
D-20107 (20th floor)

All members of the AAR who are retired from full-time employment are cordially invited to an open house in their honor.

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**A140 Women's Caucus: Business Meeting**

6:15pm–6:45pm  
D-Europe 3

Rachel A. R. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding
Theology of the Disputed Paulines Group
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Asia 4
Victor Paul Furnish, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Theme: Theology in Titus
Donald A. Hagner, Fuller Theological Seminary
Titus as a Pauline Letter
Raymond F. Collins, Catholic University of America
Theology in Titus
Bonnie Bowman Thurston, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
The Theology of Titus
Respondents:
A. J. Malherbe, Yale Divinity School
Reggie McReynolds Kidd, Reformed Theological Seminary
Recess
General Discussion
The papers in this session will be summarized, not read. That of Donald Hagner will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.

National Association of Professors of Hebrew
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Europe 5
Mishael Maswari Caspi, Bates College, Presiding
Theme: Job: The Man and the Metaphor
Deborah J. G. Friedrich, University of Chicago
Song of the Whirlwind: Job as a Vehicle for a Rite of Passage
Brent Walters, Ante-Nicene Archive, San Jose State University
The Rival Realm: A Comparative History of Satan
Richard E. Sherwin, Bar Ilan University, Israel
Job—a Parable of What?
Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College
Satan Has Not Created the Revenge for a Death of a Child

The Profession of Biblical Scholarship outside Academia
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Asia 3
Ronald L. Troxel, University of Wisconsin, Presiding
Kent Harold Richards, Society of Biblical Literature and Iliff School of Theology
"...a herdsman and a dresser of Sycamore trees..."
David J. Lull, National Council of Churches, Bible Translation and Utilization
Biblical Scholarship and Bible Translation
Robert A. Atkins, First United Methodist Church, La Grange, IL
Biblical Scholarship and Religious Communities
Jon L. Berquist, Chalice Press
Biblical Scholarship and Academic Editing
Business Meeting
A141 Plenary Address
7:00pm–8:00pm   D-Southern I
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding
Theme: The Clouds Here Announce Change: Remembering a Future
Cherrie Moraga, Stanford University

A142 AAR Arts Series Film: The Apostle
8:30pm–10:30pm   D-Northern A-3
Ronald Burke, University of Nebraska, Omaha, and John Lyden, Dana College, Presiding
See page 9 for a description of this film.

A143 AAR Arts Series Performance
8:30pm–10:00pm   D-Southern II
Sacred Music of India: Bhakti Sangit
Diane Apostolos-Cappadona, Georgetown University
Guy Beck, Louisiana State University
See page 8 for a description of this session.

A144 AAR Arts Series Film: Love, Somewhat Incarnate: Angels in Everyday Life
Sponsored by Religion and Popular Culture Group
8:30pm–10:30pm   S-Swan 7
Bruce D. Forbes, Morningside College, Presiding
Panelist:
Leonard Norman Primiano, Cabrini College
See page 9 for a description of this film.

A145 Lilly Teaching Fellows Reception
8:45pm–10:00pm   D-20107 (20th floor)
Faculty and participants in the AAR Lilly Teaching Workshops are invited.

A146 JAAR Editorial Board Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm   D-Europe 9
JAAR editorial board members are invited to a reception in their honor.

A147 Women’s Caucus Reception (=S117)
9:00pm–11:00pm   D-Oceanic 1
Rachel A. R. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding
**S113**

Commercial Publishing and Public Scholarship: Co-sponsored by *Publishers Weekly* and SBL

3:45pm–6:15pm  
D-Southern V


Panelists:

- John V. Loudon, Graduate Theological Union, and Executive Editor, Harper San Francisco
- Mark Tauber, Marketing Manager, Harper San Francisco
- Stephen Hanselman, Director of Product and Market Development, Harper San Francisco
- Jane Garrett, Senior Editor, Knopf
- Nicholas Latimer, Associate Director of Publicity, Knopf
- Eric Major, Vice President, Director of Religious Publishing, Doubleday
- Claudia Cross, Agent, William Morris Agency

**General Discussion**

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**S114**

Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession—Graduate Student Reception

5:30pm–6:30pm  
D-Europe 10

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**S115**

Women’s Caucus: Business Meeting (=A140)

6:15pm–6:45pm  
D-Europe 3

Rachel A. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

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**S116**

Semeia Anniversary Special Session

7:30pm–9:30pm  
D-Northern A-1

Gale A. Yee, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Theme: *What Counts as “Experimental” in Biblical Studies Now? A Forum to Mark a Quarter Century of Semeia*

Panelists:

- Roland T. Boer, United Theological College, Australia
- Daniel Boyarin, University of California at Berkeley
- J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield, England
- Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University
- Burke O. Long, Bowdoin College
- Fernando F. Segovia, Vanderbilt University
- Renita J. Weems, Vanderbilt University

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**S117**

Women’s Caucus Reception (=A147)

9:00pm–11:00pm  
D-Oceanic 1

Theme: *Celebrating the Women’s Caucus*

Rachel A. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

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Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Monday Morning
November 23

A148 Program Unit Chairs Breakfast with Program Committee (Continental Breakfast)
7:30am-8:45am D-Australia 3
Barbara DeConcini, AAR and Emory University, Presiding
All program unit chairs should attend this important informational session with the members of the Program Committee.

A149 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
9:00am-11:30am D-Asia 3
L. Gregory Bloomquist, St. Paul University, Presiding
Theme: Being Eclectic in the Religious Studies Classroom . . . And Loving It!
Diana L. Eck, Harvard University
On Common Ground Project: Presentation and Discussion of Its Pedagogical Value
Kristen E. Kvam, Saint Paul School of Theology; Linda S. Scheerging, Gonzaga University; and Valerie H. Ziegler, DePauw University
An Introductory Course in Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Readings of Genesis and Gender
Timothy K. Beal, Eckerd College, and Tod Linafelt, Georgetown University
Biblical/Hypertextual Spaces and the Pedagogy of Estrangement
Darby Kathleen Ray, Millsaps College
Location, Location, Location: Using Community-Based Learning to Localize and Decolonize the Subject in the Religious Autobiography Course

A150 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
9:00am-11:30am D-Oceanic 2
Conrad E. Ostwalt, Appalachian State University, Presiding
Theme: Masks, Myth, and Memory
Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University
"Forget the Alamo": Love, Justice, and Tragedy in John Sayle's Lone Star
Jennifer L. Geddes, University of Virginia
Dialogically Constituted Offerings: Kafka and Bourdieu on the Dangers and Benefits of Our Interpretive Practices
Brian M. Britt, Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Apology for the Text
Ann-Janine Morey, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
For Real and Real-Pretend: A Statement of Faith
Respondent: T. Mark Ledbetter, Decatur, GA

A151 Buddhism Section
9:00am-11:30am S-Swan 6
Miriam Levering, University of Tennessee, Presiding
Theme: Buddhism and the Family
Richard S. Cohen, University of California, San Diego
Buddha, A Deadbeat Dad? Kinship in the Mulasarvastivada Vinaya
Elizabeth L. Wilson, Miami University, Ohio
Were the Buddha's Kinswomen Autonomous Agents? The Role of Brahminical Family Values among the Buddha's Clan
Vesna A. Wallace, University of California, Santa Barbara
The Vajra Family and Its Three Major Aspects in Tantric Buddhism
Respondents:
Joel Tatelman, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Charles Hallisey, Harvard University
SBL Monographs Editors Breakfast
7:00am-8:45am  S-Mockingbird 1
David L. Petersen, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding

SBL Journal of Biblical Literature Editorial Board Breakfast
7:00am-9:00am  S-Mockingbird 2
Jouette M. Bassler, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Presiding

Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession Breakfast
7:00am-9:00am  S-Pelican
Carolyn Osiek, Catholic Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: *Publishing Potholes*
Panelists:
Carol Ann Newsom, Emory University
Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit
Cynthia L. Thompson, Westminster/John Knox

Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section
9:00am-11:00am  D-Europe 9
Carol J. Dempsey, University of Portland, Portland, OR, Presiding
Arthur Walker-Jones, Pacific Theological College, Fiji
*The Order of Strophes and Interpretation of the Animal Discourses in Job 38:39–39:30*
Pamela Barmash, Harvard University
*Images of Destruction in Exodus 15*
Rick W. Byargeon, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
*The Structural Significance of Ecclesiastes 3:5*
Steven Weitzman, Indiana University
*Singing amidst the Flames: The Interpretation of the Song of the Three*
Business Meeting

Bible in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean Section
9:00am-11:30am  D-Northern E-3
John Yieh, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Borders, Boundaries, Texts: Reading as Diasporans*
Hemchand Gossai, Culver-Stockton College
*Subversive Promises and the Creation of a Parallel Sphere: Divine Encounters with Hagar and Rebekah*
Jeffrey Kah-Jin Kuan, Pacific School of Religion
*A Diasporic Reading of a Diasporic Text: Identity Politics and Race Relations in the Book of Esther*
Osvaldo Daniel Vena, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School
*Diaspora Identity and Universality: An Asian-American Reading of Galatians*
Respondents:
Noel Leo Erskine, Candler School of Theology
Leticia A. Guardiola-Saenz, Vanderbilt University
Linda Thomas, Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
General Discussion
A152 Comparative Studies in Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 4
Ann Grodzins Gold, Syracuse University, Presiding
Theme: Fieldwork: Bridging Anthropology and the History of Religions
Panelists:
Brian P. Bennett, University of Chicago
Jeffrey D. Carter, Davidson College
Peter Gottschalk, Southwestern University
Paul C. Johnson, University of Missouri
Kathryn M. Kueny, Lawrence University
Mathew N. Schmalz, College of the Holy Cross
Respondent:
William S. Sax, University of Canterbury, New Zealand

A153 Ethics Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Southern III
Thomas W. Ogletree, Yale University, Presiding
Theme: Corporate Capitalism and the Common Good: The Challenges of a Global Economy
Jon P. Gunnemann, Emory University
David Hollenbach, Boston College
Daniel R. Finn, St. John's University
June E. O'Connor, University of California, Riverside
This session is dedicated to the twentieth anniversary of the Journal of Religious Ethics.

A154 History of Christianity Section and North American Religions Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 5
Robert Orsi, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: Displaying Catholicism
Julie Byrne, Duke University
God, Hoops, and Women's Community: Immaculata College Basketball in the Era of Sexual Revolution

A155 Philosophy of Religion Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern A-4
Edith Wyschogrod, Rice University, Presiding
Theme: Self, Person, and Embodiment
Warren G. Frisina, Hofstra University
Value and Self: A Pragmatic-Confucian Response to Charles Taylor's Sources of the Self
William Greenway, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
The Religious Significance of Charles Taylor's Transcendent Reasoning
David Stubbs, Duke University
The Articulatory and Inarticulatory of Taylorian Selves: Implications for Moral Training
Amy M. Hollywood, Dartmouth College
Embodiment and Transcendence
Respondent:
Philip Clayton, California State University, Sonoma

A156 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 7
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University, Presiding
Theme: The Uses of Ethnography in the Study of Religion
Stacey Floyd-Thomas, Temple University
Metaethical Ethnography: A Means to an End
Linda Martin, Drew University
Urban Space as Contested Space: Gender, Power, and Meaning in a Salvation Army Women's Shelter
David Mussatt, Temple University
Religion, Visual Anthropology, and Life-History Methodology
Sarasvati Buhrman, The Naropa Institute
Religious Experiences and Ethnography: The Importance of Detailed Informant Interviews
Respondent:
Jesse T. Todd, Drew University

Alice Wood, Houston, TX
Outside Religious Art: The Sacred Gardens of New Waverly, Texas, and Contemporary Recontextualization of Religious Iconography
Kristy Nabhan-Warren, Indiana University, Bloomington
Santa Maria: Esela Ruiz's Backyard Shrine for the Virgin of the Americas
Elizabeth McAlister, Wesleyan University
The Madonna of 115th Street Revisited: Religion, Race, and the Pilgrimage of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Respondent:
Grey Gundaker, College of William and Mary

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Biblical Greek Language and Linguistics Section
9:00am–11:30am  D Europe 2
Jeffrey T. Reed, Roehampton Institute, England, Presiding
Dirk Buchner, University of Durban-Westville, South Africa
Translation Technique in the Greek Leviticus
David A. Baer, University of Cambridge, England
With Due Respect: Speaking about God in LXX Isaiah
Patrick A. Tiller, Sharon, MA
Reflexive Pronouns in the New Testament
Edward Adams, Kings College, England
Critical Linguistics and New Testament Interpretation

Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 5
Mark A. Throntveit, Luther Seminary, Presiding
Leslie C. Allen, Fuller Theological Seminary
A Thematic Structure for Ezra-Nehemiah
John W. Betlyon, Pennsylvania State University
The Autonomy of the Persian Period Yehud
Robin Gallagher Branch, University of Texas at Austin and Austin Community College
A Villainous Woman, Yes. But the Epitome of Evil? Probably Not.
Robert Littman, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Ezra-Nehemiah and the Persian Wars
Christine Mitchell, Carleton University
The Dialogism of Chronicles

Early Jewish/Christian Relations Section
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 2
Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Edmondo F. Lupieri, University of Udine, Italy
The Mission to the Nations in an Ancient Jewish-Christian Source (Pseudo-Clementine Recognitions 1.27–71)
Larry W. Hurtado, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
Pre-70 CE Jewish Opposition to Christ-Devotion
Business Meeting

Greco-Roman Religions Section
9:00am–11:30am  S-Parrot 2
Lynn R. LiDonnici, Vassar College, Presiding
Elizabeth Ann Pollard, University of Pennsylvania
Women’s Religious Activity in Apuleius’ Metamorphoses
Lynn Allan Kauppi, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago
Women and Ancient Greek Sacrifices: A Reply to Stanley Stowers
Recess
Hans-Friedrich Mueller, Florida State University
Vesta, Valerius Maximus and Religious Politics in the Age of Tiberius
Shelly Matthews, Furman University
The Function of Sex in Accounts of the Expulsion of Jews and Isis Worshippers from Rome
General Discussion

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Religion in South Asia Section and Ritual Studies Group

9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 1

Paul B. Courtright, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Dealing with the Detti: Religious Vows in South Asian Hindu, Muslim, and Christian Places of Worship

William P. Harman, DePauw University
Negotiating Relationships with the Goddess

Tracy Pintchman, Loyola University, Chicago
When Vrats Fail to Deliver What They Promise: The Case of Rajavati

Selva J. Raj, Albion College
Shared Vows, Shared Space, and Shared Deities: Nerchai (Vow) Rituals among Tamil Catholics

Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida
Religious Vows at the Shrine of Shahul Hamid

Respondent:
Mary McGee, Columbia University

Study of Islam Section

9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 8

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Presiding
Theme: Sufism and Islamic Thought

Ruth Mas, University of Toronto
Ibn Sina's al-Shifa: The Problem of Evil

Omid Safi, Duke University
Devil's Advocate: Approaching Iblīs as the Perfect Lover of God in Light of 'Ayn al-Qudūt Hamadānī's Love-Theory

Brooke Olson, University of Chicago
Allegory as Strategy: The Flexibility of the Mi‘raj

Aaron W. Hughes, Indiana University, Bloomington
Dreams, Reason, and Revelation in the Work of al-Ghazālī

Alan Godlas, University of Georgia
Prophethood in Rāzīkhān Baqī‘ī’s ‘Arā‘īs al-bayān

Study of Judaism Section

9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 6

Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College, Presiding
Theme: Perspectives on Death and Dying in Judaism

Fred Astren, San Francisco State University
Depuganizing Death: Mortuary Practice in Judaism and Islam

Avriel Bar-Levav, Hebrew University
The Methodology of the Study of Jewish Attitudes toward Death

Laurie Zoloth-Dorfman, San Francisco State University
Doubled in the Darkest Mirror: The Ritual and Practice of the Chevra Kadisha

Yakov Travis, Brandeis University
Rectifying the Souls of the Dead in Early Hasidism: Sources and Innovations

Women and Religion Section and Feminist Theory and Religious Reflection Group

9:00am–11:30am  D-Southern II

Joan M. Martin, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding
Theme: Postcolonial Theories and Feminist Religious Discourse: An Uneasy Intersection

Maria Pilar Aquino, University of San Diego
Sheila Briggs, University of Southern California
M. Shawn Copeland, Marquette University
Laura E. Donaldson, University of Iowa

Respondents:
Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Duke University
Kwok Pui-Lan, Episcopal Divinity School

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Hebrew Scriptures and Cognate Literature Section

9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 5

Mark Stratton Smith, St. Joseph's University, Presiding
Steven W. Holloway, American Theological Library Association

Assyrian Religious Imperialism and the Construction of Policy
Ktziah Spanier, New York University

The Possession of Women as a Symbol of the Transfer of Authority
David S. Vanderhooft, Boston College

Prophecy, Mesopotamian, and Greek Views on the Capture of Babylon
Roy E. Gane, Andrews University

The Nanshe New Year and the Day of Atonement
Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki, Finland

Transgressing Gender Boundaries: Male Sexual Intercourse in the Middle Assyrian Laws and in Leviticus

Historical Jesus Section

9:00am–11:30am  D-Southern 1

Theme: John the Baptist and Jesus
Paula Fredriksen, Boston University, Presiding

Panelists:
Joan E. Taylor, University of Waikato
Robert L. Webb, Canadian Theological Seminary
Walter Wink, Auburn Theological Seminary

General Discussion

History of Interpretation Section

9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 4

Rebecca Moore, University of North Dakota, Presiding

Theme: Interpretations of the Book of Revelation
Phillip B. Munnoa, Hope College

Jesus on the Throne: Revelation and Jewish Mysticism
Glenn R. Kreider, Criswell College

The Excellency of Christ: Jonathan Edwards's Christological Interpretation of Revelation 5
Kenneth Newport, Liverpool Hope University College, England

Waco Apocalypse: The Book of Revelation in the Branch Davidian Tradition

Recess

Business Meeting
Maureen A. Tilley, University of Dayton, Presiding
Afro-American Religious History Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 8

Sandy Dwayne Martin, University of Georgia, Presiding
Theme: African American Churches and the Uses of Social Power
Morris L. Davis, Drew University
The Color of Power: Region, Race, and Reunion in Twentieth-Century Methodism
Juan M. Floyd-Thomas, University of Pennsylvania
Creating a Temple and a Forum: The Harlem Unitarian Church as Sacred Black Public Sphere, 1920–1956
Stephanie Mitchem, University of Detroit Mercy
Looking for Granny: Spiritual Traditions of Healing in African American Communities
Respondent:
Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College

Critical Theory and Discourses on Religion Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 10

David S. Chilcote, University of Cape Town, South Africa, Presiding
Theme: The Politics of Religious Illegitimacy
Ann Taves, Claremont School of Theology
Enthusiasm and True Religion in the Transatlantic Awakening
Michael R. Bathgate, University of Chicago
Misguided Beliefs: "Superstition" and "Religion" in Meiji Japan
Thomas Pearson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Representing Antisemitism: Converts' Appropriation of Missionary and Anthropological Constructions of Religion and Culture
Respondent:
Randall G. Styers, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Business Meeting
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University, Presiding

Hispanic American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 9

Daisy L. Machado, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: Theorizing Latinx Religious Traditions
Edwin D. Aponte, Southern Methodist University
A View from the Margins: Meta-modernity as Critical Methodology in the Study of Latinx Protestantism
Luis Leon, Carleton College
Mexican American Religious Poetic Practices
Lara Medina, Claremont Graduate University
La Vida es la Lucha: The Spirituality of Las Hermanas
Rudy V. Busto, Stanford University
"...Do not be astonished; we are still nepantla": Theorizing Latinx Religions
Respondent:
David Maldonado, Southern Methodist University

Mysticism Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 5

David Perrin, St. Paul University, Presiding
Theme: Mysticism and Power: Political, Spiritual, and Supernormal
Jeffrey S. Lidke, University of California, Santa Barbara
Blessed by Virgins: Regal Mysticism and the Maintenance of Power within Nepal-Mandala
Jean Molesky-Poz, Graduate Theological Union
Contemporary Maya Religious Experience: "To Enter the Mystery is Our Reality"
Richard King, University of Stirling, Scotland
The Politics of Defining Mysticism: A Genealogy of "the Mystical"
Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Union Theological Seminary
New York
"Union with Christ" in the Ethics of Martin Luther
Alexander Nava, Seattle University
Mysticism and Tragedy in the Vision of Simone Weil
Debra J. Jensen, Mt. Royal College
Power in Action: A Study of Florence Nightingale's Ethical Mysticism
Qumran Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern A-3
Robert A. Kugler, Gonzaga University, Presiding
Theme: The Intersection of "Canonicity" and Textual Fluidity in the Qumran Corpus
Panelists:
Eugene Ulrich, University of Notre Dame
Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Matthias Henze, Rice University
Peter W. Flint, Trinity Western University, Canada
Respondents:
Michael E. Stone, Hebrew University, Israel
Eileen Schuller, McMaster University, Canada

Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern E-1
Mark K. George, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Jan Jaynes Granowski, Baylor University
Against (Biblical) Interpretation: Reading Lamentations à la Susan Sontag
David Jobling, St. Andrews College, Canada
Towards an Adequate Psychological Approach to the Book of Ezekiel
Susan T. Kamionkowskl, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College
Breaking through the Binaries: A Case Study in Ezekiel 16
Hugh S. Pyper, University of Leeds, England
The Triumph of the Lamb: Psalm 23, Darwin, and Textual Fitness
Alice Ogden Bellis, Howard University School of Divinity
Reading the Bible in Light of Scientific Advances: Historical Cases and a Contemporary Dilemma
Norah Shannon Planck, Atlanta, Georgia
(Mis-)Representations of Doubting Thomas: New Historicism and Biblical Studies

Social Sciences and the Interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 8
Jacques Berlinerblau, Hofstra University, Presiding
Timothy Laniak, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary–Charlotte
The Two Stories in Israel’s History
Respondent:
Frank S. Frick, Albion College
Heather A. McKay, Edgehill University College
Writing the ‘Wrongness’ of Women: A Literary Device to Teach Men to Be Better?
Respondent:
Victor H. Matthews, Southwest Missouri State University
Sarah J. Melcher, Emory University
Into a Clan of Their Father’s Tribe: Exchanging Land and Women
Respondent:
Ron Simkins, Creighton University
Wilma Ann Bailey, Messiah College
Baby Becky, Menarche, and Prepubescent Betrothal/Marriage in Ancient Israel
Respondent:
Heather A. McKay, Edgehill University College, England
Keith A. Fry, Vanderbilt University
Eunuchs for the Kingdom
Respondent:
Don C. Benjamin, Kino Institute of Theology
A165 Native Traditions in the Americas Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Americas Seminar Room
Kathleen J. Martin, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Theme: Teaching and Research Ethics, and the Protection of Traditional Knowledge
Pia Altieri, University of Chicago
Knowledge, Negotiation, and Asymmetry: Native American Intellectual Property, NAGPRA, and Problems of Indexical Iconicity
Alexandra Wilkin-New Holy, Montana State University
Possibilities for Accommodating Contradictions: Teaching and Developing Lakota Theology
Inés M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara
Pedagogical Resistance: Teaching How to Learn about Native American Religious Traditions
Business Meeting
Eva Garroutte, University of Tulsa, and Inés M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara

A166 New Religious Movements Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 1
Brenda E. Brasher, Mount Union College, Presiding
Theme: Alien Abductions and UFO Phenomena
Winston Davis, Washington and Lee University
Heaven’s Gate: If This Wasn’t Brainwashing, What Was It?
Donald L. Turner, Denver University and Iliff School of Theology
Alien Gods: The UFO Cult and the Meaning of Life
Susanne Scholz, College of Wooster
Adam and Eve as #14.311: The Representation of Genesis in 2:40:3-24: In The Urania Book
Daniel C. Noel, Vermont College of Norwich University
Making Millennial Contact with Carl Sagan: The Site of Skepticism in UFO/Abduction Belief Systems
Brenda Denzler, Duke University, and Edrie Greer,

A167 Pragmatism and Empiricism in American Religious Thought Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 1
J. Wesley Robbins, Indiana University, South Bend, Presiding
Theme: Pragmatic Contributions to the Critical Theory of Self-Identity
Michael Raposa, Lehigh University
Pragmatism, Budo, and the Moral Equivalent of War
Stephen T. Campagna-Pinto, Harvard University
Emersonian Circling and William James’s Circumscription of the Topic in The Varieties of Religious Experience
Gilbert Bond, Yale University
DuBois, Double Consciousness, and Religious Experience: A Pragmatic Reinterpretation
Business Meeting
Thomas A. Byrnes, Illinois Benedictine College, and Jerome P. Soneson, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
For group papers send eight dollars to Jerome P. Soneson, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA 50614.

A168 Reformed Theology and History Group and Wesleyan Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern A-2
Ted A. Campbell, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding
Phillip W. Butin, Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church, Albuquerque, NM, Presiding
Theme: The Wesleyan and Reformed Theological Tradition(s)
Mark Ellingsen, Interdenominational Theological Center
Can One Speak of a Wesleyan-Reformed Theological Tradition?
Scott Thomas Kisker, Drew University
John Wesley’s Puritan Heritage Reexamined
D. Lyle Dabney, Marquette University
Unfinished Business: Wesley and Schleiermacher on the Spirit
Respondent:
Donald K. McKim, Memphis Theological Seminary
Women in the Biblical World Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Southern Hemisphere V

Alice Bach, Stanford University, Presiding
Diana M. Swancutt, Duke University
Sex, In the Garden and Out: A Queer Reading of Genesis 2:4–4:26

Deborah Sawyer, Lancaster University
The Figure of Judith and Counter-cultural Gender Play

Carol B. Selkin, Washington University, St. Louis
Women and the Miqweh

Cynthia M. Baker, Swarthmore College
Talking Heads: Jews, Gentiles, and New Testament Hermeneutics

Holly Hearon, Graduate Theological Union
Witness and Counter-Witness: The Function of the Mary Magdalene Tradition in Early Christian Communities

Luise Schottroff, University of Kassel, Germany
Bodies, Bread, and Basileia: A Feminist Perspective on the Eschatology of Jesus

Ascetic Impulse in Religious Life and Culture Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 11

Gail Corrington Streete, Rhodes College, Presiding
Theme: Ascetic Aesthetics: The "Art" of Asceticism and Asceticism in Art

Joseph Favazza, Rhodes College
The Art of Doing: Ascetic Performance in Cyprian of Carthage's De Lapsis

Lawrence M. Wills, Episcopal Divinity School
Narrative Asceticism in Ancient Jewish Novels

Derek Krueger, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
 Literary Composition and Ascetic Practice in Early Byzantine Hagiology

Nira Stone, Hebrew University, Jerusalem
The Influence of Religious Movements on the Representation of Ascetics in Medieval Manuscript Illumination

Darryl Jones, Union Theological Seminary, New York
The Sermon as Art of Resistance: A Comparative Analysis of the Slave Preacher and the Preacher to the Hebrews

Business Meeting
Diane Bazell, Syracuse University, and Gail Corrington Streete, Rhodes College, Presiding
A169  Religion and Ecology Group  
9:00am–11:30am  D-Northern A-1  
M. Susan Harlow, Meadville Lombard Theological School, Presiding  
Theme: Eco-Feminism and Globalization  
Panelists:  
Lois Ann Lorentzen, University of San Francisco  
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont  
Heather Eaton, St. Paul University  
Rosemary Radford Ruether, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary  
Business Meeting  
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont, and Daniel T. Spencer, Drake University, Presiding  

A170  Roman Catholic Studies Group  
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 7  
Debra Campbell, Colby College, Presiding  
Theme A: Catholic Communities  
Bernard J. Lee, Loyola University, New Orleans, and Patricia O’Connell Killen, Pacific Lutheran University  
Small Christian Communities in the Roman Catholic Church in the United States: Research and Interpretation  
Sarah McFarland Taylor, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Green Catholics and Grassroots Religion: Centers of Cultural Negotiation and Change  
Craig Prentiss, Rockhurst College  
Variations on a Theme of Subsidiarity: Catholics and the Industry Council Plan, 1940–1960  
Theme B: Women and Catholicism  
Regina A Boisclair, Alaska Pacific University  
Mission and Ministry on the Last Frontier: Roman Catholic Women in Alaska  
Claire Wolfteich, Boston University  

A171  Systematic Theology Group  
9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 2  
Kevin J. Vanhoozer, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Presiding  
Theme: Eschatological Theology, Ethics, and Ecology  
Douglas B. Farrow, McGill University  
Eucharist, Eschatology, and Ethics  
Ernst M. Conradie, University of the Western Cape, South Africa  
Hope for the Earth?: Cosmic Eschatology and Ecology  
Telford Work, Duke University  
Advent’s Answer to the Problem of Evil  
Respondent: Ellen T. Charry, Princeton Theological Seminary  

A172  Theology and Continental Philosophy Group  
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 3  
Chris Boesel, Emory University, Presiding  
Theme: Ethics after Nietzsche: Bataille, Derrida, and Others  
Dennis King Keenan, Fairfield University  
On the Genealogy of Sacrifice: The “Work” of Sacrifice in Nietzsche, Bataille, and Nancy  
William W. Young III, University of Virginia  
God and Derrida’s Politics: At the Edge of Exemplarity  
Susan M. Simonaitis, Fordham University  
The Erotic Charge of Postmodern Religious Reflection: A Feminist Assessment  

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Monday Morning
November 23

Manichaean Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 4

Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University, Presiding
Cynthia Col, Graduate Theological Union
The Manichaean Last Statue: Sources and Symbolism
Byard Bennett, Toronto, Canada
The Ps.-Athanasius Sermo contra omnes haereses and Its Treatment of Manichaeism
Geoffrey Harrison, Loras College
The Authenticity and Doctrine of the Letter to Menoeh
Paul Allan Mirecki, University of Kansas
Exegesis in the Coptic Psalm-Book
John C. Reeves, University of North Carolina, Charlotte
Reconstructing Islamicate Manichaeism: Assessing the Evidence

Prayer in the Greco-Roman World Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Swan 7

John J. Clabeaux, St. Johns Seminary College, Presiding
Theme: Creation in Greco-Roman Prayers
Johan Carl Thom, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa
Creating and Restoring Order: The Role of God in Cleanthes’ Hymn to Zeus
Reuven Kimelman, Brandeis University
Creation and Angelology in Jewish Liturgy
Jennifer Berenson Maclean, Roanoke College
Divine Power and Creation in the Prayers of Colossians and Ephesians
Recess
Panelists:
C. Robert Phillips III, Lehigh University
The Functional Equivalent of Creation in Roman Prayers
John C. Endres, Jesuit School of Theology
Creation in Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha Prayers
Angela Russell Christman, Loyola College, Maryland
Creation in Christian Prayers
The second session of the Prayer in the Greco-Roman World Group will be a joint session with AAR’s Christian Spirituality Group (A190) on Monday, November 23, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in D-Europe 9.
**A173 Tibetan and Himalayan Religions Group**

9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 3

David Germano, University of Virginia, Presiding

Theme: **Competing Representations of Tibetan Religion**

Zeff Bjerken, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Tibetan Nativism and the Quest for Indigenous Bon

Lauran R. Hartley, Indiana University, Bloomington

Representations of the Religious in Modern Tibetan Literature

Frank J. Korom, Boston University

Representing Tibetan Religion in Hollywood and Cyberspace

Amy Lavine, University of Chicago

Kundun: A Collaboration of Myth and History

**A174 Roman Catholic Modernism Seminar**

9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 1

Phyllis H. Kaminski, St. Mary’s College, Presiding

Theme: **Modernist Autobiography**

Harvey Hill, Berry College

More than a Biblical Critic: Loisy’s Reform Agenda in Light of His Autobiographies

Respondent:

Ronald Burke, University of Nebraska, Omaha

Charles J. T. Talar, St. Mary’s Seminary and University

Multiple Identities: Joseph Turmel’s Modernist Masque

Respondent:

Michael A. Fahey, Marquette University

William L. Portier, Mount Saint Mary’s College

Autobiography and Modernism in the Biographie de J. R. Slattery

Respondent:

Michael J. Kerlin, LaSalle University

David G. Schultenover, Creighton University

Luis Martin Garcia, Superior General of the Society of Jesus, 1862–1902: The Black Pope of the Modernist Period—Part II

Business Meeting

George B. Gilmore, Spring Hill College, Presiding

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**East Asian Religions Consultation**

9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 6

Linda L. Penkower, University of Pittsburgh, Presiding

Theme: **Spirit Links East Asia**

Kyoko Tokuno, University of Oregon

Relics of the Dharma: The Lotus Sutra and Buried Scriptures in Medieval Japan

Steven Heine, Florida International University

Visions, Divisions, Revisions: The Encounter between Iconoclasm and Supernaturalism in Kōan Cases about Mt. Wu-T’ai

Young-chan Ro, George Mason University

Ancestor Worship and Korean Spirituality

Peter Nickerson, Duke University

Old Religion in Taiwan and New Religions in Japan: Taiwanese Spirit-Medium Cults and Sūkyō Mahikari

Respondent:

Robert Campany, Indiana University, Bloomington

Business Meeting

Thomas Selover, University of Saskatchewan, and Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University, Presiding
Theology of the Disputed Paulines Group
9:00am–11:30am   D-Northern E-2
Jouette M. Bassler, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Presiding
Theme: Theology in the Pastoral Epistles: Review and Synthesis
E. Elizabeth Johnson, Columbia Theological Seminary
Searching for Theology in the Pastoral Epistles: Reflections on a Three-Year Quest
Steven J. Kraftchick, Candler School of Theology
Issues in the Theology of Disputed Letters: A Synthetic Overview
Respondent:
Troels Engberg-Pedersen, Copenhagen University, Denmark
Recess
General Discussion

Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Consultation
9:00am–11:30am   D-Oceanic 3

New Program Unit
Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Canada, Presiding
Theme: Orality and Writtenness in the Prophetic Books: Textual and Social Considerations
Panelists:
Robert C. Culley, McGill University, Canada
Traditional Texts and their Contexts
James L. Crenshaw, Duke University
Transmitting Prophecy across Generations
Philip R. Davies, University of Sheffield, England
'Pen of Iron, Point of Diamond': Prophecy as Writing
Respondent:
John Van Seters, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
General Discussion
Business Meeting
A176 Roundtable Sessions
11:45am–12:45pm  D-Southern III

Leslie D. Alldritt, Northland College
The Burakumin: The Complicity of Japanese Buddhism in Oppression and an Opportunity for Liberation

Mary Ava Chamberlain, Wright State University
The Immaculate Ovum: Some Speculations by Jonathan Edwards on the Incarnation of Christ

Lee Chiaramonte, Drew University
Indignation in the Face of Injustice: A Harrisonian Ontology of the Stone Butch as Process Relational Imago Dei

Mara Donaldson, Dickinson College
From Tolkien to Todorov: Religion and Fantasy Reconsidered

Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University
Rethinking Strategy in Catholic Social Teaching: The Postmodern Political Eclipse

Gereon Kopf, Luther College
Religion, Nothingness, and the Question of Human Rights

Harriet Lutzky, University of Paris, France
The Incest Taboo and Religion

Tony S. L. Michael, University of Toronto
Teaching Religion and Film: A Methodological Inquiry

Susan E. Myers-Shirk, Middle Tennessee State University

Kathleen Malone O'Connor, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Jesus' Life and Death in India: The Teachings of the Ahmadiyya and Their Influence in African America

Sarah K. Pinnock, Yale University
The Scandal of Theodicy: Attention to Suffering in the Work of Levinas, Marcel, and Buber

Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University
Blessed Assurance—Blessed Restraint?: Unsaid Loss in Fanny Crosby's Life Story

John J. Thatamanill, Millsaps College
Is Sankara a Mystic?: The Self-Evident Light of the Self and the Question of Mystical Experience in Sankara's Advaita

Please make reservations in advance. See the form on page 311. Papers may be picked up at the Information Desk near Annual Meeting Registration. Participation is limited to nine at each table.

A177 Women's Caucus: Networking Meeting (=S143)
11:45am–12:45pm  S-Swan 8
Rachel A. R. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

A178 Bus Tour of Greater-Orlando Houses of Worship
Sponsored by the North American Religions Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Toucan Foyer
Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding
See page 9 for a description of this session. There will be a ten dollar charge for the bus tour. A registration form can be found on page 312.

A179 Special Topics Forum
Sponsored by the Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section and the New Technologies Task Force
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Americas Seminar Room
Alfred Benney, Fairfield University, and L. Gregory Bloomquist, St. Paul University, Presiding
Theme: The Educom Award Nominees: New Technologies in the Teaching of Religion
Panelists:
Diana L. Eck, Harvard University
David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University
Gene R. Thursby, University of Florida
Braine K. Turley, Western Virginia University
Jon Taylor, University of Great Falls
Joe B. Wilson, University of North Carolina, Wilmington
See page 8 for a description of this session.
Special Session: Major Excavations of Biblical Interest: Ashkelon
9:00am–11:30am  D-Southern IV
Lawrence Stager, Harvard University, Presiding
Theme: Canaanites and Philistines at Ashkelon: Results of the Leon Levy Expedition
Lawrence Stager, Harvard University
The Grandeur of Canaanite Ashkelon
The Impact of the Early Philistines of Ashkelon
John Huehnergard, Harvard University
A Cuneiform Fragment from Ashkelon
Brian Hesse and Paula Wapnish, University of Alabama, Birmingham
The Animal Economy of Ashkelon in the Bronze and Iron Ages
Todd K. Sanders, Harvard University
Philistines at Ashkelon during the 10th–8th Centuries B.C.
David Schloen, University of Chicago
Ashkelon and its World in the Seventh Century B.C.

Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession Luncheon and Discussion
11:30am–1:00pm  D-Australia 3
SBL members who belong to underrepresented racial and ethnic groups are invited to attend the luncheon/discussion. RSVP by October 15 to: Abraham Smith, Andover Newton Theological School, 210 Herrick Road, Newton Centre, MA 02159; e-mail: asmith@ants.edu; fax: 617-965 9756.
Abraham Smith, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding
Panelists:
Judy Fentress-Williams, Hartford Seminary
Jean-Pierre Ruiz, St John’s University
Seung-Ai Yang, Jesuit School of Theology
Sze-Kar Wan, Andover Newton Theological School
Efrain Agosto, Hartford Seminary

Women’s Caucus Networking Meeting (≈A177)
11:45am–12:45pm  S-Swan 8
Rachel A. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York; R. Grace Imathiu, Vanderbilt University; Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley; and Jacqueline Z. Pastis, La Salle University, Presiding

Feminist Theological Hermeneutics of the Bible Group
1:00pm–3:00pm  D-Asia 5
Richard D. Weis, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Presiding
Theme: Case Studies in Feminist Hermeneutics
Marsaura Shukla, Fordham University
Squander Not the Word: Elisabeth Schussler Fiorenza’s Theological Reconception of the Bible
Eloise Rosenblatt, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley
Healed Women in the New Testament: Ethnic and Legal Considerations
Sheila E. McGinn, John Carroll University
Feminist Approaches to Romans
Hyun Chul Paul Kim, Claremont Graduate School
Gender Complementarity in the Hebrew Bible
A180 Arts, Literature, and Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 7
Wesley A. Kort, Duke University, Presiding.
Theme: Literature, Literature, and Religion
Christopher Wilkins, Boston University
Kenosis and Induction or Criticism from Nowhere
Laura K. Simmons, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Way of the City: Dorothy L. Sayers as a Lay Theologian
Albert Hernandez, Drew University
Brigitte Rivka Kern-Ulmer, Harvard University
Pietà as Subtext: The Meta-historical Midrashic Poem
Megillas Vintz of Seventeenth-Century Frankfurt am Main
Respondent:
Gilbert Bond, Yale University

A181 Buddhism Section and Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 7
Martin B. Baumann, University of Hannover, Germany, Presiding.
Theme: American Buddhism at the Millennium
Charles S. Prebish, Pennsylvania State University
The Academic Study of Buddhism in America: A Silent Sangha
Christopher Queen, Harvard University
Engaged Buddhism in North America
Richard Seager, Hamilton College
Trying to Make Sense of Americanization
Kenneth K. Tanaka, Institute of Buddhist Studies
Views on "American Buddhism" within Asian American Buddhist Communities
Duncan Williams, Harvard University
Voices and Shadows of the Camps: Buddhist History and the Japanese American Internment

A182 Comparative Studies in Religion Section and New Religious Movements Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern II
Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding.
Theme: "Nature Religion" as a Theoretical Construct: Reflections from an Emerging Field
Panelists:
Adrian Ivakhiv, York University
Jeffrey Kaplan, University of Helsinki, Finland
Daniel C. Noel, Vermont College of Norwich University
Bron R. Taylor, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Sarah McFarland Taylor, University of California Santa Barbara
Respondent:
Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara

A183 Ethics Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-2
Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University, Presiding.
Theme: Methodological Issues in Religious Social Ethics
Aryana Bates, Drew University
Faith and the Erotic: H. Richard Niebuhr and Audre Lorde as Sources for Ethical Action
Paul Custodio Bube, Kansas Wesleyan University
Old Wineskins and New Wine: Methodological Considerations of Christian Ethics in Light of Recent Advances in Biblical Scholarship
Lewis S. Mudge, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Toward a Hermeneutical Understanding of Public Reason
Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute
The Dialectical Circle of the Universal and the Particular, or Ethics Ain't as Easy as It Looks

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**Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism Section**

1:00pm-3:30pm   D-Oceanic 3

Mikeal C. Parsons, Baylor University, Presiding

Theme: *Gendered Readings of the Bible*

David J. A. Clines, University of Sheffield

*Paul, the Invisible Man; or, The Full Apostolic Mony*

Colleen Conway Grant, Methodist Theological School in Ohio

*Gender and Johannine Characterization*

Fiona Black, University of Sheffield

*Beauty or the Beast? The Grotesque Body in the Song of Songs*

J. Cheryl Exum, University of Sheffield

*Ten Things Every Feminist Should Know about the Song of Songs*

Stephen D. Moore, University of Sheffield

*Que(s)rying the Song of Songs*

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**Biblical Lexicography Section**

1:00pm-3:30pm   D-Asia 3

Richard E. Whitaker, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: *Lexicography and Hebrew Semantic Domains*

Ellen J. van Wolde, Tilburg University, The Netherlands

*Do Semantic Domains or Contexts Determine Meaning?*

John C. Lübbe, University of Sheffield, England

*Summary of Words do not have meaning, meaning has words by J. Louw*

General Discussion

John Elwolde, University of Sheffield, England

*What does Eve do that’s different? Some gender contrasts in the Classical Hebrew lexicon (including reference to the Dictionary of Classical Hebrew)*

John C. Lübbe, University of Sheffield, England

*Terms for parts of the body, within a semantic domains dictionary (which type of Hebrew dictionary is being edited by Drs. Louw and Lübbe)*

General Discussion

Recess

Milton Eng, Drew University

*Semantic Domain Study: Promise and Pitfalls - especially in relation to the semantic domain for the life stage of youth*

Jorge A. González, Berry College

*A new Hebrew dictionary, of usage and for usage: remarks on translating into English the Diccionario biblico hebreo-espanol of Luis Alonso Schokel*

General Discussion

Cheryl L. Iverson, Oral Roberts University

*A Semantic Domain Approach to Hebrew Lexicography*

General Discussion

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Monday Afternoon
November 23

A184 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Northern A-3

Jeffrey J. Kripal, Westminster College, Presiding
Theme: Vishnu on Freud’s Desk: Critical Reflections on the Psychoanalytic Theory of Mysticism

William Parsons, Rice University
Freud’s Turn toward India: Tracking the Psychoanalytic Theory of Mysticism

Stanley N. Kurtz, Harvard University
Psychoanalysis as Cross-Cultural Controversy

Sarah Caldwell, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Gender Issues in Contemporary Psychoanalytic Studies of South Asia

Katherine Pratt Ewing, Duke University
Psychoanalysis, Ethnopsychology, and the South Asian Postcolonial Subject

Respondent:
Prakash N. Desai, Chicago, IL

A185 Study of Islam Section
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Europe 4

Herbert Berg, University of Toronto, Presiding
Theme: Qur’anic and Legal Studies

Mustansir Mir, Youngstown State University
Farabi’s Interpretation of Sarat al-Fīl

Yusuf Rahman, McGill University

Sadiyya Shaikh, Temple University
Qur’anic Gender Ideology: The Violence of Exegesis

Paul R. Powers, University of Chicago
Intentionality in Islamic Ritual Law

A186 Study of Judaism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm S-Swan 9

Yudit K. Greenberg, Rollins College, Presiding
Theme: Embodiment and Gender in Women’s Rituals

Tamar Rudavsky, Ohio State University
Unseemly Kisses: Time, Matter, and Gender in Jewish Thought

Vanessa L. Ochs, Drew University
The “Miriamization” of Ritual Objects Emerging in New Jewish Women’s Rituals

Morris M. Faterstein, Montgomery, AL
Maggidim, Spirits, and Women in Safed

A187 Theology and Religious Reflection Section
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Northern A-4

George M. Newlands, University of Glasgow, Scotland, Presiding
Theme: Comparative Theology: A Critique of the Work of Keith Ward

Panelists:
Ian S. Markham, Liverpool Hope University College, England
Robert C. Neville, Boston University
Paul J. Griffiths, University of Chicago
William Abraham, Southern Methodist University

Respondent:
Keith Ward, Oxford University, England

A188 Women and Religion Section
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Southern III

Patricia Beattie Jung, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding
Theme: Good Sex: Women’s Religious Wisdom on Sexuality

Panelists:
Rebecca T. Alpert, Temple University
Wanda Delfelt, Escola Superior de Teologia, Brazil
Mary E. Hunt, Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD
Grace M. Jantzen, University of Manchester, England
Suwanna Satha-Anand, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand

Respondent:
Radhika Balakrishnan, Marymount Manhattan College
History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 5
Hannah K. Harrington, Patten College, Presiding
Michael Chernick, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, New York
Legal Indeterminacy and Normativeness in Mishnah-Tosefta: When and Why?
Herbert Basser, Queens University, Canada
History of Textual Emendations from the Time of the Amoraim to the Present
Bernard M. Levinson, University of Minnesota
The Collapsing Wall: A Lost Chapter of Rabbinic Intellectual History
Eliezer Diamond, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
In Search of the Holy Man in Rabbinic Literature: An Initial Inquiry
Steven Fine, Baltimore Hebrew University
Between Beth She'arim and Eden: The Cave of Makhpelah in Rabbinic Literature
Business Meeting

Johannine Literature Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern 1
Gail R. O'Day, Emory University, Presiding
Theme: A Reappraisal of God as Father in the Johannine Tradition
Gail R. O'Day, Emory University
"Whoever Has Seen Me Has Seen the Father" (John 14:8); But What Have We Seen?
Mary Rose D'Angelo, University of Notre Dame
Prayer, Prophecy, Persecution, and Divine Paternity in the Politics of John
Adele Reinhartz, McMaster University, Canada
The Johannine God-Father and the Language of Embodiment
Peter Widdicombe, McMaster University, Canada
The Fathers on the Father in the Gospel of John
David Hawkin, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
The Father, the Son, and the Beloved Disciple: Revelation and Identity in the Fourth Gospel

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**November 23**

**A189** Bonhoeffer Group  
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 8  
Jeffrey C. Pugh, Elon College, Presiding  
Theme: *Bonhoeffer, Community and Moral Solidarity*  
IPsita Chatterjee, Sleepy Hollow, IL  
*Bonhoeffer and Moral Resistance: Perceptions of Order, Assessments of Violence, and Community and Association*  
Lori Brandt Hale, University of Virginia  
*Bonhoeffer's Life Together as an Instantiation of the Theology of Sanctorum Communio*  
Hak Joon Lee, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
*The Church as a Perichoretic Solidarity: A Trinitarian-Covenantal Reconstruction of Bonhoeffer's Ecclesiology for a Postmodern Society*  
Business Meeting  
Geoffrey B. Kelly, La Salle University, Presiding  
Papers will be predistributed. For copies contact Barry Harvey by e-mail at barry_harvey@baylor.edu.

**A190** Christian Spirituality Group and SBL Prayer in the Greco-Roman World Group  
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 9  
Douglas Burton-Christie, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding  
Theme: *Belden Lane's The Solace of Fierce Landscapes: A Journey into Desert and Mountain Spirituality*  
Lynda Sexson, Montana State University  
Jeffrey Staley, Pacific Lutheran University  
Robert Bondi, Emory University  
Mark S. Burrows, Andover Newton Theological School  
Respondent:  
Belden C. Lane, St. Louis University

**A191** Hinduism Group  
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-3  
Joanne Punzo Waghorne, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Presiding  
Theme: *Stolen Love in Tamil Hindu Literature*  
David C. Buck, Elizabethtown Community College  
*The Study of Stolen Love*  
Harry M. Buck, Wilson College  
*Dharma Values and Stolen Love*  
Martha Ann Selby, Columbia University  
*Feminine Virtue and Religious Change in Tamil Commentarial Literature*  
Vasudha Narayanan, University of Florida  
*Riding the Palmyrah Horse: A Study of Romantic Love and Devotion in Tamil Poetry and Commentary*  
Respondent:  
Glenn E. Yocum, Whittier College  
Business Meeting  
Cynthia Ann Humes, Claremont McKenna College, Presiding

**A192** Hispanic American Religion, Culture, and Society Group  
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 8  
Edwin D. Aponte, Southern Methodist University, Presiding  
Theme: *Race, Mestizaje, and Conflict*  
Miguel A. De La Torre, Temple University  
*Martí, Massacres, and Mulatto Christianity*  
Andrew B. Irvine, Boston University  
*Mestizaje and Problems of Authority*  
Respondent:  
Gastón E. Espinosa, Westmont College

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Deuteronomistic History Section and Pentateuch Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern V

Steven I. McKenzie, Rhodes College, Presiding
Jean Louis Sta, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Italy

The Structure of the Canonical Pentateuch
Franz Volker Greifenhagen, Luther College, University of Regina, Canada

The Pentateuch and the Origins of Israel: The Master Narrative and Its Egyptian Alternative?
Serge Frolov, Claremont Graduate University
Sarah, Rebekah, and Two Abigails: The Origin of the "Wife-Sister" Motif in the Book of Genesis
Jeffrey C. Geoghegan, University of California, San Diego

Until Whose Day?: A Reexamination of the 'ad hayyom hazzeh in the Deuteronomistic History
Richard Elliott Friedman, University of California, San Diego

The Largest Source of the Pentateuch and the Deuteronomistic History

Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 4

David Brian Gowler, Chowan College, Presiding

Theme: Apocalyptic Rhetoric in the New Testament and its Current Appropriation

Stephen D. O'Leary, University of Southern California

The Mark of the Beast: Authority and Resistance in the Apocalyptic Tradition from the Book of Revelation to Contemporary Millennial Hip-Hop

David L. Barr, Wright State University

Who Says? Who Hears? The Narrative Rhetoric of John's Apocalypse

Robert Jewett, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

The Rapture Revisited: The Misuse of the Rhetoric of 1 Thessalonians 4:14–18 in American Religion and Politics

Respondents:
Edith M. Humphrey, Augustine College, Canada
W. Gregory Carey, Winthrop University
Vernon K. Robbins, Emory University

Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section

1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 3

Kenneth Pomykala, Calvin College, Presiding

Theme: Interpretation of Scripture in Josephus

Christopher Begg, Catholic University of America
The Benjamite War (Judges 20–21) according to Josephus
Louis H. Feldman, Yeshiva University
Josephus' Biblical Paraphrase as a Commentary on Contemporary Issues

Respondent:
Paul Spilsbury, Canadian Bible College

General Discussion
**A193 Indigenous Religious Traditions Group**

**1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 5**

Inés M. Talamantez, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding

Theme: *Christian Evangelical Colonization of Indigenous Communities*

Ana Mariella Bacigalupo, Whittier College

Pentecostal Evangelical Colonization and Mapuche Indigenous Religiosity: The Death or the Re-creation of an Ethnic Identity

Teresia M. Hinga, DePaul University

*Reinventing and Decolonizing African Religions: The Imperative and the Challenges toward the Twenty-First Century*

Andrea Smith, University of California, Santa Cruz

*The American Way and the Good Red Road: American Indians and the Christian Right*

Lawrence H. Williams, Luther College

*The Current Status of African Christianity: Indigenous versus Mainline*

Respondent:

Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis

**A194 Japanese Religions Group**

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 2**

Michiko Yusa, Western Washington University, Presiding

Theme: *Festivals, Pilgrims, and Goddesses in Modern Japan*

Karen A. Smyers, Wesleyan University

*Sacred Genitalia: Meanings and Manipulations of Japanese Fertility Symbols*

Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, Saint Lawrence University

*Pilgrimage Rites in the Chichibu Junrei*

William Closson James, Queen's University

*The Shikoku Pilgrimage: In the Footsteps of Kōbō Daishi*

Elizabeth Cameron Galbraith, Coe College

*Oyasama, God the Parent, and Female Liberation in Tenrikyo*

Business Meeting

Steven Heine, Florida International University, Presiding

**A195 Men's Studies in Religion Group**

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern A-1**

Merle Longwood, Siena College, Presiding

Theme: *The Global Context of Masculinities*

Panelists:

Dwight Hopkins, University of Chicago

Stephen Kim, Claremont School of Theology

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology

Robert E. Goss, Webster University

Alton Pollard, Wake Forest University

Philip Culbertson, St. John's Theological College

Business Meeting

Garth K. Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology, and Björn Krondorfer, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Presiding

**A196 Millennialism Studies Group**

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 6**

Phillip C. Lucas, Stetson University, Presiding

Theme: *Roman Catholic Millennialism: Marian Traditions*

T. Paul Thigpen, Southwest Missouri State University

“My Immaculate Heart Will Triumph”: Distinctives of Contemporary Catholic Apocalyptic Thought

Joanne Maguire, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

*The Militant Madonna: Millennial Warnings in Modern America*

Marie Friedmann Marquardt, Emory University

Globalizing the Rainbow Madonna

Christy Cousino, Indiana University, Bloomington

When Knowledge Is Abstinence from the Body of the Other: Marian Catholic Vegetarians in the Millennium

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Semiotics and Exegesis Section
1:00pm-3:30pm  D-Oceanic 4

Fred W. Burnett, Anderson University, Presiding
Timothy Beal, Eckerd College
Semiotics of the Monstrous: Rousing Leviathan in Job and Hobbes
Sarah J. Melcher, Emory University
The Forbidden Arayot: Deconstructing Priestly Constraints on Women's Sexuality
Andrew Wilson, University of Sheffield, England
Christ, Orpheus, Blanchot: An atiological Reading of the Philippians Christ-hymn
Helen Leneman, Baltimore Hebrew University
Portrayals of Power in the Stories of Delilah and Bathsheba: Seduction in Song
Jacques Berlinerblau, Hofstra University
The Doxa of Scripture: Exegesis and Bourdieu

General Discussion
Business Meeting
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Social History of Formative Christianity and Judaism Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 1

Susan Garrett, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Postcolonial Studies of Christianity and Judaism
Cynthia M. Baker, Swarthmore College
Colonialism, Post-colonial Theory, and the Study of Ancient Jewish Palestine
Christopher Frilingos, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The New Jerusalem: Power without Negotiation
Hayim Lapin, University of Maryland
Can the Provincials Speak? Rabbis and the Provincial History of Later Roman Palestine
Andrew S. Jacobs, Duke University
"The Most Beautiful Jewesses in the Country": Imperial Visions of the Christian Holy Land
Respondent:
Jonathan Z. Smith, University of Chicago

Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Oceanic 5

Alice Ogden Bells, Howard University School of Divinity, Presiding
Walter Brueggemann, Columbia Theological Seminary
Old Testament Theology: A Prompt Retrospect
Panelists:
Johanna Bos, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary
Walter C. Kaiser, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
Joel S. Kaminsky, Smith College
Rolf Rendtorff, University of Heidelberg, Germany
R. Kendall Soulen, Wesley Theological Seminary

Business Meeting
### A197 Religion and Ethics in Health Care Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-2**

Laurie Zoloth-Doroff, San Francisco State University, Presiding

**Theme: Religious Studies and Bioethics: Notes from a Narrow Ridge**

Panelists:
- Dena S. Davis, Cleveland-Marshall College
- Ronald M. Green, Dartmouth College
- Stephen E. Lammers, Lafayette College
- Laurence J. O'Connell, The Park Ridge Center, Chicago, IL

Respondent:
- Marie J. Giblin, Xavier University

**Business Meeting**
- C. Eric Mount, Centre College, Presiding

### A198 Religion and Science Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Asia 1**

Wentzel Van Huyssteen, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

**Theme: Influence of Social Location on the Definition and Understanding of Evolution and Nature in the Science/Religion Dialogue**

Thomas Hancill, Princeton Theological Seminary, and Elisabeth Margarete Ziemer, Princeton Theological Seminary

**Evolutionary Epistemology as a New Challenge in the Dialogue between Theology and Science**

Anne Foerst, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**The Body: The Source for Reason and Interaction with God**

Rodney Petersen, Boston Theological Institute

**Identity, Formation, Dignity: The Impacts of Artificial Intelligence upon Jewish and Christian Understandings of Personhood**

Respondents:
- Ernest L. Simmons, Concordia College
- Philip Hefner, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

**Business Meeting**
- Ann M. Pederson, Augustana College, Presiding

### A199 Religion in Eastern Europe and the Former USSR Group

**1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 6**

Gary Bittner, University of Vienna, Austria, Presiding

**Theme: Religion and National Identity**

Krystyna Gorniak-Kocikowska, South Connecticut State University

**The Bridge Betrayed by the Clash of Civilizations**

Laine M. Harrington, Graduate Theological Union

**Nation: Engendered Hierarchy in Discourse**

James F. Moore, Valparaiso University

**Recovering the European Perspective on Post-Holocaust Theology**

Leslie A. Muray, Lansing Community College

**The Prophetic Religious Role of Rock 'n' Roll in Eastern Bloc Dissent**

Barbara Strassberg, Aurora University

**Where Is My Home?: A Polish Jew in America**
Computer Assisted Research Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Australia 2

David P. Schmidt, Fairfield University, Presiding
Theme: New and Late Breaking Technologies for Research and Teaching

Steven Holzner, Cambridge, MA
Using XML to Build More Useful Scholarly Web Pages

Business Meeting
Late Breaking Technology: Promising New Applications Not Available before Publication of the Program Book

Respondent:
Mike Luper, Emmanuel College

Matthew Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Europe 2

Karen A. Barta, Seattle University, Presiding
Donald Senior, Catholic Theological Union
Matthean Scholarship: Where Are We? And Where Are We Going?

Respondent:
Janice Capel Anderson, University of Idaho
G. N. Stanton, University of Cambridge, England
The Early Reception of Matthew’s Gospel
William Klassen, University of Toronto and Ecole Biblique, Jerusalem
The Portrait of Judas in Matthew

Business Meeting

Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 7

Sarah J. Tanzer, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Poverty and Wealth

Benjamin G. Wright, Lehigh University
The Discourse of Riches and Poverty in Ben Sira
George W. E. Nickelsburg, University of Iowa
Catherine M. Murphy, Santa Clara University
The Disposition of Wealth in the Damascus Document Tradition

Respondents:
Claudia V. Camp, Texas Christian University
Michael Knibb, King’s College, England

General Discussion

The papers by Benjamin Wright and George Nickelsburg will be summarized, not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.

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A200 Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Asia 2

Rosetta E. Ross, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding
Theme: Laying Claim to Womanist Historiography in the Discursive Spotlight of Race, Sex, and Class

Sandra E. H. Smith Blair, Graduate Theological Union
Out from the Shadows: Historical Approaches to Recovering African American Women in the Religious Narrative of Northern California, 1865–1920

Alison P. Gise Johnson, Temple University
Heckling Histories: An Historiographic Approach to Denaturalizing Constructed Whiteness and Imposed Mythical Blackness

Mndende Oscarine Nokuzola, University of Cape Town, South Africa
Womanist Theology in South Africa: Women of Color or White Souls in Black Skins?

Joy R. Bostic, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Dancing Naked under Palm Trees: Erzulie, the Virgin Mary, and Black Women's Care for Self and Community

Stephanie Mitchem, University of Detroit Mercy
Lesson out of Class

Beverley Haddad, University of Natal, South Africa
Untold Stories of Faith: African Women and the Church in a Poor and Marginalized Community in South Africa

Evelyn L. Parker, Union Theological Seminary, Richmond
Thank You Lord... Ill Na Na: Spirituality and Sexuality in the Life of Foxy Brown

Business Meeting
Katie Geneva Cannon, Temple University, Presiding

A201 Theosophy and Theosophic Thought Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Europe 3

James Burnell Robinson, University of Northern Iowa, Presiding
Theme A: The Theosophical Phenomenon: 1575–Present

Tore Ahlback, Donner Institute, Finland
The Theosophical Society in Finland Today
Jane Williams-Hogan, Bryn Athyn College of the New Church
Emanuel Swedenborg's Theosophy Project

Theme B: Reports from the Book Project: The Theosophical Phenomenon: 1575–Present:
Theosophical Currents and Theosophical Societies
Panelists:
Robert S. Ellwood, Auburn University
Jerry Højka-Ekins, California State University, Stanislaus
Antoine Fautre, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, France

Massimo Introvigne, Center for Studies on New Religions, Italy
Jean-Pierre Laurant, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, France
James Santucci, California State University, Fullerton

Arthur Versluis, Michigan State University

A202 Europe and the Mediterranean in Late Antiquity Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm D-Europe 11

David B. Brakke, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: Pagans and Christians at the End of Antiquity: The Hermeneutics of Religious Difference

Patricia Cox Miller, Syracuse University
Signifying Status: Biographical Aesthetics in Late Paganism

Fritz Graf, University of Basel, Switzerland
Saint Antony: Deconstructing a Visionary

Megan Williams, Princeton University
Prophecy and Polemic from Porphyry to Zosimus

David Frankfurter, University of New Hampshire
Antonius at Canopus: Intellectual "Paganism" and Native Religion in the Late Antique Delta

Peter T. Struck, University of Missouri, Kansas City
Synesius and the Hermeneutics of Within: Dream Divination and Psychology in a Synthetic Cosmos

Respondent:
Karen L. King, Harvard University
Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 10
John T. Strong, Southwest Missouri State University, Presiding
Theme: Anthropology in the Book of Ezekiel
Dexter E. Callender, University of Miami, Coral Gables
The Primal Man in Ezekiel and the Image of God
Respondents:
Neal Walls, Emory University
Christopher R. Seitz, University of St. Andrews
Margaret S. Odell, St. Olaf College
Ezekiel’s Anthropology in Light of Esarhaddon’s Babylonian Inscriptions
Respondents:
Neal Walls, Emory University
Christopher R. Seitz, University of St. Andrews
Business Meeting
The papers by the presenters in this session will be summarized, not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.

Letter of James Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 4
New Program Unit
Vasiliki Limberis, Temple University, Presiding
Theme: Sitz im Leben of the Letter of James
Christopher Lee Church, Baptist College of Health Sciences
James’ Gattung and Sitz im Leben: Is What an Answer to Who, Where, and Why?
Patrick Hartin, Gonzaga University
The Perfect Law of Liberty (Js 1:25): Its Literary Background in the Context of the Biblical and Jewish Worlds
Donald Verseput, Bethel Seminary, St. Paul
The Community Setting of James’ Epistle
Randall C. Webber, Salvation Army, Louisville, KY
“Friend of God”: The Abraham/Rahab Traditions and the Jacobin Concept of Social Standing
Monday Afternoon
November 23

A203 Law, Religion, and Culture Consultation
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Swan 8

Catherine Cookson, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding
Theme: New Perspectives on Law and Religion

Paul C. Johnson, University of Missouri, Columbia
Law, Religion, and Public Health in the Republic of Brazil

Gregory Schopen, University of Texas, Austin
The Problem of Property and the Preoccupation with Law in Indian Buddhist Monasticism

Robert A. Yelle, University of Chicago
Rhetorics of Law and Ritual: A Reconsideration of Durkheim’s Analysis of Crime

Ebrahim E. I. Moosa, University of Cape Town, South Africa
Allegory of the Rule (Hukm) in Islamic Law: Law as Stimulacrum?

Respondent: Winnifred F. Sullivan, Washington and Lee University
Business Meeting
Lucinda Joy Peach, American University, Presiding

A204 Comparative Studies in Religion Section and Theology and Religious Reflection Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-2

C. Peter Slater, University of Toronto, Trinity College, and General Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Theisms Compared: A Case Study of John B. Carman’s Majesty and Meekness

Panelists:
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College
Norbert Samuelson, Arizona State University
Jane L. Smith, Hartford Seminary
Respondent: John Carmean, Harvard University

A205 History of Christianity Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 7

Andrew B. McGowan, University of Notre Dame, Australia, Presiding
Theme: Christianity and Rituals of Separation

Maureen Kelly, Boston College
A Catechumenal Motif in the Roman Catacombs

Nancy A. Caciola, University of California, San Diego
Spirits Seeking Bodies: Death, Possession, and Communal Memory in the Middle Ages

Craig D. Atwood, Salem College
A Desire to Depart: Death and Dying in the Eighteenth Century Moravian Church

Marc Sherrod, Harvard University
Precious Dust: American Evangelical Funeral Rites and Appropriations of the Dead Body

Robert Alvis, University of Chicago
A Clash of Catholicisms: The Social Dimension of Catholic Liturgy and Ritual along the Nineteenth-Century Polish-German Divide

A206 North American Religions Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 1

David G. Hackett, University of Florida, Presiding
Theme: Material Religion

James Hudnut-Beumler, Columbia Theological Seminary
The Material History of American Culture Project: An Overview

Diane Winston, Princeton University
Living in a Material World: The Religious Artifacts of the Salvation Army

Leigh E. Schmidt, Princeton University
Hearing Things: Voices, Objects, Technologies

Judith Weisenfeld, Barnard College
Projecting Post-War Pluralism: Hollywood Constructions of Religion and Race

Respondent: Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara

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**S160 Special Session: Jewish, Christian, and Pagan Interaction in Late Antique Syria**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Northern E-1

Eric Meyers, Duke University, Presiding

Robert Gregg, Stanford University

Marking Religious and Ethnic Boundaries: Cases from the Ancient Golan Heights

Tina Shepardson, Duke University

Stones and Stories: Reconstructing the Christianization of the Ancient Golan

Respondent:

Jurgen Zangenberg, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Germany

Andrew Berlin, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Pagan Rituals in a Changing World: The Sanctuary of Pan at Baalshamen/Chersara Philippou

Adam L. Porter, Duke University

The Jewishness of Peirus and Cercle Syria in the Hellenistic Period

Roland Deines, German Protestant Institute of Biblical Archaeology, Jerusalem

Paul between Jerusalem and Damascus: Is Paul’s Gospel “Made in Syria”?  

Respondent:

Jurgen Zangenberg, Bergische Universität Wuppertal, Germany

General Discussion

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**S161 Special Session on Temples and Churches: From the Middle Bronze Age to the Byzantine Period**

1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern IV

Hershel Shanks, Biblical Archaeology Society, Presiding

Lawrence Stager, Harvard University

The Temple of El-Berith at Shechem

Elizabeth Bloch-Smith, Ashkelon Excavations

Solomon’s Temple in Jerusalem

Avraham Biran, Hebrew Union College, Israel

Dan as a Cult Center in Northern Israel

Rina Avner, Israel Antiquities Authority

Excavations at the Kathisma Church near Bethlehem

Gidon Avni, Israel Antiquities Authority

In the Shadow of the Holy Sepulcher: New Discoveries in the Christian Quarter of Jerusalem

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**MIDNIGHT AFTERNOON**

**S162 Book of Psalms Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 4

Steve Bishop, Boston University, Presiding

Ziony Zevit, University of Judaism

The Elohist Psalter: A New Explanation

Beth La Neel Tanner, Princeton Theological Seminary

A Valiant Woman Who Can Find? Looking for the Feminine in the Psalter

Jerome F. D. Creach, Barton College

The Security of the Righteous in Psalm 1:3a

Mark Vincent, University of Durham, United Kingdom

The Organization of the Psalter: What Can Lexical Evidence Contribute?

Nathaniel S. Murrell, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

Hijacking and Reclaiming a People’s Song: A Rastafarian Protest Reading of Psalm 137

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**S163 Historical Jesus Section**

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Southern IV

Scot McKnight, North Park College, Presiding

David A. Fiensy, Kentucky Christian College

Renunciation of Goods in Greco-Roman Antiquity and in the Ministry of Jesus

Rami Arav, University of Nebraska

Poverty and Hellenism in the Society of Jesus: The Case of Bethsaida

Jonathan Klawans, Boston University

Jesus, Impurity, and Sin: A New Case for the Authenticity of Mark 7:15

Marianne Segwisch, Midway College

Magdalenes and Tiberiennes: Herodian Ladies as Promoters of Jesus

Halvor Moxnes, University of Oslo, Norway

Putting Jesus in His Place: Towards a Theory of Place in the Study of the Historical Jesus

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A207 Philosophy of Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 4
William J. Wainwright, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Presiding
Theme: Theistic Currents in Hinduism and Buddhism
Panelists:
Jose I. Cabezon, Iliff School of Theology
Roger Jackson, Carleton College
Keith E. Yandell, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Respondent:
David McMahan, University of California, Santa Barbara

A208 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Southern II
E. James McBride, Fordham University, Presiding
Theme: Deconstructing Disneyland: Riding on Faith in the Magic Kingdom
Panelists:
Laurie Zoloth-Dorfman, San Francisco State University
Vanessa L. Ochs, Drew University
Daniel Boyarin, University of California, Berkeley
G. Simon Harak, Fairfield University
David R. Loy, Bunkyo University, Japan

A209 Religion in South Asia Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 8
Robert N. Minor, University of Kansas, Presiding
Theme: The Upanishads: Literary Analysis and Compositional History
Joel P. Brereton, University of Missouri, Columbia
The Dialogue of Yajñavalkya and Maitreyi and the Text History of the Brahadaranyaka Upanishad
Signe Cohen, University of Pennsylvania
The Relative Chronology of the Older Upanishads
Patrick Olivelle, University of Texas, Austin
Young Svetaketu: A Literary Study of an Upanishadic Story
Theodore N. Proferes, Harvard University
Dominion and Consubstantial Cosmos: The Upanishadic Motif of the Royal Tutor

A210 Study of Judaism Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 3
Theme: Reasoning after Revelation
Panelists:
Peter Ochs, University of Virginia
Steven D. Kepnes, Colgate University
Respondents:
Daniel W. Hardy, Cambridge University, England
Bruce D. Marshall, St. Olaf College

A211 Women and Religion Section
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Southern III
Marie M. Fortune, Center for Prevention of Sexual and Domestic Violence, Seattle, WA, Presiding
Theme: Remembering Conquest: Feminist/Womanist Perspectives on Religion, Colonization, and Sexual Violence
Panelists:
Nantawan B. Lewis, Metropolitan State University
Andrea Lewis, University of California, Santa Cruz
Darshan Campos, University of California, Santa Cruz,
Rachel A. Bundang, Union Theological Seminary, New York
Traci C. West, Drew University
Respondents:
Elias Farajaje-Jones, Graduate Theological Union
Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD

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### S164 Israelite and Canaanite Religion Section

**3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 4**

- **Corrine Patton**, University of St. Thomas, Presiding
- **Gerald A. Klingbeil**, Universidad Peruana Union, Peru

*Understanding the Dynamics of Ritual Participants in Leviticus 8 with Reference to Emar 369*

- **Richard E. Averbeck**, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
  - *Priestly Prebend or Expiation by Eating?*

- **Sun Myung Lyu**, University of Wisconsin, Madison
  - *Incense in the Ancient Israelite Cult*

- **Elizabeth Bloch-Smith**, Ashkelon Excavations
  - *Representations of Divinity in the Archaeological Record of Ancient Israel*

- **Frederick E. Greenspahn**, University of Denver
  - *Syncretism and Idolatry in the Bible*

### S165 Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section

**3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 8**

- **Anne M. McGuire**, Haverford College, Presiding
- **Gesine Robinson**, Claremont Graduate School
  - *The Sethian Doctrine of Creation Contested in a Recently Restored Coptic Codex*

- **Charles W. Hedrick**, Southwest Missouri State University
  - *A Newly Discovered Gospel (Berlin MSS P22220) and the Early Christian Tradition*

- **Regine Charron**, Université Laval, Canada
  - *The Nag Hammadi Library and the Greco-Egyptian Alchemical Literature*

- **Louis Painchaud**, Université Laval, Canada
  - *“God is a dyer”: The Background and Significance of a Puzzling Motif in the Gos. Phil. (CG II,3)*

- **Nicola Denzey**, Bowdoin College
  - *“The Utterance of My Name”: Sound, Salvation, and the Release from Astral Determinism in the Trimorphic Protanopia*
A212 African Religions Group
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Oceanic 5
Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Theme: Dimensions of the Yoruba Orisa Osun
Jacob K. Olupona, University of California, Davis
Orisa Osun: Sacred Kingship and Civil Religion in an African City
Mei Mei Sanford, Drew University
Living Water: The Orisa Osun in the Lives of Contemporary Nigerian Christians
Joseph M. Murphy, Georgetown University
Yeye Chachita: Osun as Saint in Cuban Santeria
Business Meeting
Simeon O. Ilesanmi, Wake Forest University, and Joseph M. Murphy, Georgetown University, Presiding

A213 Black Theology Group
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Europe 5
JeAnne M. Terrell, Chicago Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: Bible-Centeredness in the Black Church
F. Douglas Powe, Sr., Emory University
A Womanist Critique of Bible-Centeredness in the Black Church
Demetrius K. Williams, Tulane University
The Bible and Models of Liberation in the African American Experience
Respondent:
Cheryl A. Kirk-Duggan, Graduate Theological Union

A214 Chinese Religions Group
3:45pm–6:15pm S-Toucan
Catherine M. Bell, Santa Clara University, Presiding
Theme: Contemporary Methodologies in the Study of Chinese Religions
Mark Csikszentmihalyi, Davidson College
What Contemporary Ritual Theory Can Learn from Zi Si/Mencius Li Theory
Peter Nickerson, Duke University
The Poetics of Possession: Taiwanese Trance Performances in Light of Julia Kristeva’s ‘Poetic Language’
Allen W. Singleton, University of Chicago
The Virtues of the Tao: Early Celestial Master Ethics
Respondent:
Yukiko Mori, University of Alberta

A215 Christian Spirituality Group
3:45pm–6:15pm D-Asia 5
Steven L. Chase, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Theme: Picturing Paradise: The Role of Imagination in Christian Spirituality
Anita Houck, University of Chicago
Huck Finn in Heaven, Don Juan in Hell: Imagining Paradise Undesired
Colleen Carpenter Cullinan, University of Chicago
The Dangers of Picturing Paradise: How Our Imaginations Lead Us out of Eden
Peter A. Huff, Saint Anselm College
The Paradise of Forgotten Places: Ascetic Imagination in Kathleen Norris and Terry Tempest Williams
Felecia W. McDuffie, Emory University
Images of Wonder: Blake’s Vision of the Last Judgement as a Gateway to Paradise
Business Meeting
Steven L. Chase, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Deuteronomistic History Section and Pentateuch Section

3:45pm–6:15pm D-Southern V
David McLain Carr, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Presiding
Theme: Tetrateuch, Pentateuch, Hexateuch, Deuteronomistic and/or Primary History?

Erhard Blum, Universität Augsburg, Germany
Between Pentateuch and Former Prophets

Thomas C Römer, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
Deuteronomy 34 Between Pentateuch, Hexateuch, and Deuteronomistic History

Hans-Christoph Schmitt, University of Erlangen, Germany
The Story of the Golden Calf (Ex 31:18–33:6) and the Deuteronomistic History

John Van Seters, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The Tetrateuch as a Post-Dtr Expansion of the DtrH

Panelists:
Erhard Blum, Universität Augsburg, Germany
Thomas C. Römer, University of Lausanne, Switzerland
Hans-Christoph Schmitt, University of Erlangen, Germany
John Van Seters, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Jean Louis Ska, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Italy

General Discussion

Q Section

3:45pm–6:15pm S-Swan 3
Wendy J. Cotter, Loyola University, Chicago, Presiding

James M. Robinson, Claremont Graduate University
A Scribal Error in Q (Do Lillies Grow?)

Jeffrey B. Gibson, Harry S. Truman College
Testing Temptation: The Meaning of Q 11:4b

William E. Arnal, New York University
Jesus the Revealer and the Myth of Wisdom in Q

Alan Kirk, Mount Allison University, Canada
Is Q Without Passion?

Daniel E. Goodman, Palm Beach Atlantic College
The Cultural Category of the Q Group

Rhetoric and the New Testament Section

3:45pm–6:15pm D-Oceanic 4
James D. Hester, University of Redlands, Presiding

Ben Witherington III, Asbury Theological Seminary
The Balance of Bias: Rhetoric, Historiography, and the Book of Acts

Stephen A. Cooper, Franklin & Marshall College
The Usefulness of Patristic Commentaries for Contemporary Rhetorical Criticism of the New Testament: The Case of Marius Victorinus on Galatians

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa, Pretoria
Finding Data in Unexpected Places: A Socio-Rhetorical Reading of John’s Gospel

Demetrius K. Williams, Tulane University
The Terminology of the Cross and the Rhetoric of Paul

Christopher D. Stanley, McKendree College
Biblical Quotations as Rhetorical Devices in Galatians and 1 Corinthians

W. Gregory Carey, Winthrop University
Apocalyptic Ethos

Loren L. Johns, Bluffton College
The Lamb in the Rhetorical Program of the Apocalypse of John

David A. De Silva, Ashland Theological Seminary

The papers by Gerhard van den Heever, Demetrius K. Williams, Christopher D. Stanley, Greg Carey, Loren L. Johns, and David A. de Silva will be summarized, not read. They will be available in advance of the meeting in The Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information.
A216 Church-State Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 10
Thomas Hughson, Marquette University, Presiding
Theme: Affirmative Action: The End of an Era?
Eric Mazur, Bucknell University
The Fourteenth Amendment as a Battlefield over Collective and Individual Identity
Mitchell A. Tyner, General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists
Protection for Free Exercise and Protection for Affirmative Action: Is There a Connection?
Business Meeting
Mitchell A. Tyner, General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists, Presiding

A217 Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 9
Cyril J. O'Regan, Yale University, Presiding
Theme: Microcosm and Macrocosm: Theological Anthropology and Ecotheology
Christopher A. Hall, Eastern College
Nature Wild and Tame as the Arena of God’s Ineffable Goodness to Humanity
Michael Meerson, Christ the Savior Orthodox Church, Bethesda, MD
The Human Person as Microcosm and the Mouthpiece of Nature in the Theological Anthropology of Vladimir Solovyov and Sergius Bulgakov
Jaroslav Z. Skira, University of St. Michael’s College
The Ecological Bishop: Metropolitan John Zizioulas’s Theology of Creation

A218 Evangelical Theology Group and Religion and Popular Culture Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 2
Douglas G. Jacobsen, Messiah College, Presiding
Theme: Evangelical Theology and Popular Culture
David B. Howell, Carson-Newman College
Bearing Witness and Marketing Jesus: Iconography and Theology in Christian T-Shirts
Aaron Ketchell, University of Kansas
God, Amusement, and Profit: Religion and Popular Culture in the Ozarks
Erica Hurwitz, University of California, Santa Barbara
High Lonesome Gospel: Evangelical Christianity in Bluegrass from Bill Monroe to Ron Block
Donald W. Dayton, Drew University
James Dean, Popular Religion, and Popular Culture—with Implications for the Study of American Evangelicalism
Respondent: R. Marie Griffith, Northwestern University

A219 Gay Men’s Religious Issues Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-3
Ronald E. Long, Hunter College and City University of New York, Presiding
Theme: Gay Love and Religious Sanction
James Miller, Boston University
A Taoist Gay Marriage Proposal
David Robinson, University of San Francisco
Metaphors of Love, Love as Metaphor: Language, Ritual, and Moral Agency in the Theological Politics of Identity
Horace Griffin, University of Missouri, Columbia
Singing a New Song: The Emergence of African American Lesbian/Gay Christian Congregations in the United States
J. Michael Clark, Emory University
Marginalization Notes: A Gay Male Reading of Catherine Keller’s Apocalypse
Juan M. C. Oliver, Graduate Theological Union
The Celebration of a Commitment to a Life Together

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Scripture in Early Judaism and Christianity Section

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 6

Christiana de Groot Van Houten, Calvin College, Presiding

Hindy Najman, University of Notre Dame
Torah of Moses: Pseudonymous Attribution in Second Temple Writings

Stephen B. Chapman, Eberhard-Karls-Universität, Germany
"The Law and the Words": An Early Designation for Scripture?

Ellen B. Aitken, Harvard Divinity School
At the Well of Living Water: Jacob Traditions in John 4

Bruce Fisk, Briercrest Bible College, Canada
One Good Story Deserves Another: The Hermeneutics of Invoking Secondary Biblical Episodes in the Narratives of Pseudo-Philo and the Testaments of the Twelve Patriarchs

Yaron-Zvi Eliav, Hebrew University, Israel
"Interpretive Citation" in the Epistle of Barnabas and the Early Christian Attitude towards the Temple Mount

Textual Criticism of the Hebrew Bible Section

3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Oceanic 3

Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Presiding

Melvin K. H. Peters, Duke University

Respondent:
Ronald S. Hendel, Southern Methodist University

Martin Roesel, University of Rostock, Germany
The Text-critical Value of the Genesis-LXX

Panel Discussion: The Hebrew University Bible Project: Initial Volumes

Panelists:
Shemaryahu Talmon, Hebrew University, Israel
Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University, Israel
Galen Marquis, Hebrew University, Israel

Women in the Biblical World Section

3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Southern 1

Theme: Galatians 3:28: The Politics of Interpretation

Jane D. Schaberg, University of Detroit, Presiding

Panelists:
Daniel Boyarin, University of California at Berkeley
Brigitte Kahl, Union Theological Seminary
Dennis Ronald MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology
Dale B. Martin, Duke University

Respondents:
Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College
Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University Divinity School
A220  Issues in the Thought of Paul Tillich Group  
3:45pm–6:15pm  
David McMahon, Boston University, Presiding  
Theme: Social Context and the Work of Paul Tillich  

Luis E. Benavides, Boston University  
The Latin American Situation: A Tillichian Contribution  

Lois Malcolm, Luther Seminary  
Religious Socialism, Theological Critique, and Tillich’s Ongoing Contribution to Contemporary Theology  

Habibeh Rahim, St. John’s University  
What is Faith or Iman? Perspectives on Two Modes of Ecumenism—Muslim Tajfazioni (d.1389) and Christian Tillich (d.1965)  

A221  Korean Religions Group  
3:45pm–6:15pm  
Andrew S. Park, United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Presiding  
Theme: Korean Buddhism: Past and Present  

Wi Jo Kang, Wartburg Theological Seminary  
A Japanese Buddhist Voice against War in Korea  

Jin Young Park, State University of New York, Stony Brook  
At the Crossroad: “The Traditional” versus “The New” in Modern Korean Buddhism  

Woo-sung Huh, Kyunghee University, Korea  
A Study of the Two Types of Modern Buddhism: Han and Nishida—Is Buddhist Compassion Universal?  

Jin Gu Lee, State University of New York, Stony Brook  
Protestant Orientalism and Buddhism in Modern Korea  

Respondent:  
Chai-sik Chung, Boston University  

Business Meeting:  
Kang-nam Oh, University of Regina, and Young-chan Ro, George Mason University, Presiding  

A222  Religion and Science Group  
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Asia 3  

Ann M. Pederson, Augustana College, Presiding  
Theme: Buddhist and Christian Perspectives on Mind, Self, and Nature  

Robert J. Russell, Graduate Theological Union  
Beyond Dialogue: Toward the Mutual Transformation of Buddhism, Christianity, and Science  

Mark Unno, Carleton College  
The Anthropic Principle: The Personal and Impersonal from a Mahayana Buddhist Perspective  

Paul Waldau, Oxford University, England  
Buddhist and Christian Perspectives on Valued Biological Selves  

William S. Waldron, Middlebury College  
Beyond Nature/Nurture: The Evolution of Mind in Buddhism and Darwinism  

Respondents:  
Nancy Howell, Saint Paul School of Theology  
Jensine Andresen, Boston University  

A223  Religion in Latin America and the Caribbean Group  
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 6  

Hector Avalos, Iowa State University, Presiding  
Theme: Hidden Messages from Ancient Mexico to Hispanic America: Reading Colonial Writers  

Max Harris, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Spitting at Toci: Hidden Transcripts of Warrior Resentment in Mexico Festivals of War  

Mario Saenz, Le Moyne College  
The Other from the Other: Clavijero’s History of Ancient Mexico  

Respondent:  
Eduardo Mendieta, University of San Francisco  

Business Meeting:  
Hector Avalos, Iowa State University  

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**S173 Archaeology of the New Testament World Group**

**Archaeology of the New Testament World Group**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**   **S-Swan 1**

Steve Friesen, University of Missouri, Columbia, Presiding


Panelists:
- Ross S. Kraemer, University of Pennsylvania
  *Building God’s House in the Diaspora*
- Edgar Krentz, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago
  *Building God’s House and the Arrival of an New Religion*
- Ulrike Outschar, Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Austria
  *Finding the Right Stones to Build God’s House*
- Carolyn Osiek, Catholic Theological Union
  *House Churches and the Demographics of Diversity*

Respondent:
- L. Michael White, University of Texas, Austin

Panel Discussion

**General Discussion**

**S174 Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Group**

**Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Group**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**   **S-Swan 7**

Carol Schersten Lahurd, Lenoir-Rhyne College, Presiding

Theme: *Ethics and Luke-Acts*

John A. Darr, Boston College

*Hearing with a Noble and Good Heart: Ethics of Reading Luke*

Gary A. Phillips, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

*The Height of the Good: Luke, Levinas, and an Ethics of Reading*

Robert L. Brawley, McCormick Theological Seminary

*Offspring and Parent: A Lucan Prolegomenon to Ethics*

Respondent:
- Brian K. Blount, Princeton Theological Seminary

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**S175 Study of Peace in Scripture Group**

**Study of Peace in Scripture Group**

**3:45pm–6:15pm**   **S-Swan 9**

Wilma Ann Bailey, Messiah College, Presiding

Marla J. Selvidge, Central Missouri State University

At What Price Peace: A Thematic Investigation of the Peace Verses in Hebrews

Oliver L. Trimiew, Jr., Covenant College

A Socio-Rhetorical Interpretation of Forgiveness in the Gospel of Luke: Apologizing for Slavery as a Test Case

Recess


Panelists:
- Christina Bucher, Elizabethtown College
- Stephen Breck Reid, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
- Dorothy Jean Weaver, Eastern Mennonite Seminary
- Thomas R. Yoder Neufeld, Conrad Grebel College, University of Waterloo, Canada

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A224 Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 7
Stephen R. Haynes, Rhodes College, Presiding
Theme: The Holocaust and the Theological Imagination
James F. Moore, Valparaiso University
Re-envisioning Christianity: A New Era in Christian Theological Interpretation of Christian Texts
J. Liora Gubkin, University of Southern California
You Shall Tell Your Children: Post-Holocaust Theology in Passover Haggadah
Gary M. Laderman, Emory University
The Holocaust and the American Imagination: Negations, Fixations, Mediations
Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
The Faithful in an Hour of Trial: The Christian Evangelical Understanding of the Holocaust
William D. Hart, Duke University
Holocaust Pity as Genocide Denial: Uniqueness as the Reinscription of a Religious Idea

A225 Schleiermacher Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 10
Julia A. Lamm, Georgetown University, Presiding
Theme: Schleiermacher’s Speeches on Religion: Their Impact on the Study of Religion
Richard E. Crouter, Carleton College
Schleiermacher’s Speeches on Religion: The Significance of a Text Takes Time to Unfold
Todd Gooch, Claremont Graduate University
Rudolf Otto as Heir and Interpreter of Schleiermacher’s Speeches on Religion
Thomas Reynolds, Vanderbilt University
Religion within the Limits of History: Schleiermacher and the Study of Religion—A Reappraisal

A226 Theology and Continental Philosophy Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Swan 2
Luca D’Isanto, University of California, Berkeley, Presiding
Theme: The Return of God to Philosophy: The Thought of Gianni Vattimo
David E. Klemm, University of Iowa
Religious Themes in Vattimo’s Thought
Gianni Vattimo, University of Turin
The Return of God to Philosophy
Respondents:
Marta Frascati-Lochhead, Vancouver School of Theology
Don H. Compier, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
David B. Hart, University of Virginia

A227 Tantric Studies Seminar
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 1
June McDaniel, College of Charleston, Presiding
Theme: Concerns and Contexts of the Practice of Tantra (Ritual, Performance, etc.)
Panelists:
David Gardiner, University of San Diego
Dennis Hudson, Smith College
Charles D. Orzech, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
Richard K. Payne, Institute of Buddhist Studies
Fabio Rambelli, Williams College
Respondent:
Paul E. Muller-Ortega, University of Rochester
Business Meeting
James H. Sanford, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

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Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Group
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern E-1
Wayne T. Pitard, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, Presiding
Mark Stratton Smith, St. Joseph’s University
*The Representation of Divinity at Ugarit*
Nicolas Wyatt, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
*The Theology of the Ugaritic “Canonical” Pantheon List*
Lauren Shedletsky, New York University
*KTU 1.40 and the Ugaritic word npy: A New Interpretation*
Edward L. Greenstein, Tel Aviv University, Israel
*Readerly Notes on Ugaritic Narrative*
Samuel Meier, Ohio State University
*Kirta’s Sacrifice (KTU 1.14): Extispicy Following a Dream?*
Cynthia L. Miller, University of Wisconsin
*Patterns of Verbal Ellipsis in Ugaritic*
Stephen Wiggins, Nashotah House Episcopal Seminary
*Does Yarikhu Drive the Moon?*
Wayne T. Pitard, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
*The Identity of the Rapi’uma, Again*

Formation of the Book of the Twelve Seminar
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 2
John D. W. Watts, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Presiding
Paul R. House, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
*God’s Character in the Twelve*
Respondent: Jimmy J. M. Roberts, Princeton Theological Seminary
Mark Edward Biddle, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond
*“Isaiah” in the Book of Micah and the Twelve*
Respondent: John J. Schmitt, Marquette University
Byron G. Curtis, Geneva College
*The “Daughter of Zion” Oracles and the Redaction of the Book of the Twelve*
Respondent: Julie Galambush, College of William and Mary
Aaron Schatt, University of Marburg, Germany
*Redactional Models: Comparisons, Contrasts, Agreements, Disagreements*
Respondent: Paul L. Redditt, Georgetown College

Business Meeting
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**A228** Religion and Disability Studies Consultation  
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 2  
Maureen Connolly, Brock University, Presiding  
Theme: Disability, Marginality, and the Sacred  
Tom Craig, Brock University  
Living Rupture as Authentic Spirituality  
Amy Laura Hall, Yale University  
The Perils of Choice: Procreative Options and the Denial of Difference  
Lorine M. Getz, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Literary Theologian: Flannery O'Connor on the Role of Passive Diminishment  
Respondent:  
Sharon V. Betcher, Drew University  
Business Meeting  
Maureen Connolly, Brock University, Presiding

**A229** AAR Annual Business Meeting  
6:15pm–6:45pm  S-Parrot 2  
Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Presiding

**A230** Plenary Address  
7:00pm–8:00pm  D-Southern I & III  
Daniel Aleshire, Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada, Presiding  
Theme: The Public Intellectual and the Study of Religion  
Ronald F. Thiemann, Harvard University  
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**A231** AAR Arts Series Film: Waco: The Rules of Engagement  
8:30pm–10:30pm  D-Asia 1  
James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno  
Respondents:  
James D. Tabor, University of North Carolina, Charlotte  
Jayne Seminare Docherty, George Mason University  
See page 9 for a description of this film.

**A232** AAR Arts Series Film: Contact  
8:30pm–10:30pm  D-Asia 3  
Conrad E. Ostwalt, Appalachian State University, and Judith L. Foxon, Syracuse University, Presiding  
See page 9 for a description of this film.

**A233** Reception for Program Unit Chairs and Steering Committee Members  
9:00pm–11:00pm  D-20107 (20th floor)  
AAR program unit chairs and steering committee members are invited to a reception in their honor hosted by the Program Committee.
Archaeology and Texts from Late Antiquity Consultation
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Europe 11

New Program Unit
Leonard Victor Rutgers, University of Utrecht, Netherlands, Presiding
Theme: Ancient Urban Life: from Topography to Sociology
Leonard Victor Rutgers, University of Utrecht, Netherlands
Introduction
Gideon Foerster, Hebrew University, Israel
Nysa-Scythopolis (Bet Shean) and its Urban Transformation in the 4th Century A.D. in the Light of Recent Excavations
Mark Alan Chancey, Duke University
Sepphoris: Urbanism, Hellenism, and Early Roman Galilee
Jodi Magness, Tufts University
Ancient Synagogues in Palestine: The Problem of Typology and Chronology
Blake Leyerle, University of Notre Dame
Urbanization and Disease
Douglas R. Edwards, University of Puget Sound
On the Periphery of Empires: Tauric Chersonesus in the Hellenistic, Roman, and Byzantine Periods
General Discussion

Character Ethics and Biblical Interpretation Consultation
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Northern E-2

M. Daniel Carroll R., Denver Seminary, Presiding
Carol Ann Newsom, Emory University
The Character of Pain: Job in Light of Elaine Scarry’s The Body of Pain
Frederick W. Weidmann, Union Theological Seminary
“The One Who Endured”: Jesus’ “Endurance” and Character Formation among the Earliest Christian Martyrs
William Schweiker, University of Chicago
Encounter, Character and Responsibility: Meaningful Texts on the Model of Moral Outlook
Richard G. Bowman, Augustana College
The Story of David and Goliath: A Text Case for Biblical Character Ethics
Eric S. Christianson, University College Chester, England
Qoheleth and the His Self Among the Deconstructed

Paul and Politics Consultation
3:45pm–6:15pm   D-Northern E-3

Allen Callahan, Harvard Divinity School, Presiding
Mark Nanos, University of St. Andrews
The Intra-Jewish Political Context of Paul and the Galatians
Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology
Paul as the New Abraham in Romans
N. T. Wright, Lichfield Cathedral, England
Paul’s Hidden Challenge to Empire: A Fresh Reading of Philippians 3
Respondent:
Alan F. Segal, Barnard College and Columbia University
General Discussion

SBL Program Unit Chair Reception
6:30pm–7:30pm   S-Mockingbird 1
### A234 Academic Teaching and the Study of Religion Section
**9:00am–11:30am**  
D-Europe 7

Linda D. Smith, Hawkeye Community College, Presiding  
Theme: The Denominationally-Affiliated Institution of Higher Education

**Part One: Keeping the Faith: Religion, Diversity, and Church-Related Colleges**

**Panelists:**
- Diane Winston, Princeton University
- Philip J. Barrett-Guillion, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- Brenda E. Brasher, Mount Union College
- Pauline Coffman, North Park University
- John M. Donahue, Trinity University
- Richard W. Flory, Biola University

**Respondent:**
- Richard T. Hughes, Pepperdine University

**Part Two: Can "Religious Studies" Be Taught in Denominationally-Affiliated Higher Education?**

**Kirk A. Bingaman, Graduate Theological Union**

*Teach Your Students Well: The Seminary and a Hermeneutics of Suspiration*

**Joseph A. Morris, St. John’s University**

*Embracing University: Strategies and Technologies for Teaching the New Testament in a Multicultural Classroom*

**Jeffrey D. Carlson, DePaul University**

*"The Symbol Gives Rise . . .": Teaching the Focal Point Seminar*

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### A235 Buddhism Section and the Korean Religions Group
**9:00am–11:30am**  
D-Oceanic 7

Jan Nattier, Indiana University, Bloomington, Presiding  
Theme: Wonhyo: Textual and Commentarial Significance

**Sungtaek Cho, State University of New York, Stony Brook**

*The Yeolban Chongyang: Wonhyo’s Commentary on the Maháparinirvāna Sūtra*

**Lewis Lancaster, University of California, Berkeley**

*The Commentarial Style of Wonhyo: East Asian Approaches to Buddhist Texts*

**A. Charles Muller, Toyo Gakuen University**

*Wonhyo on the Meaning of the Two Hindrances*

**Cuong Tu Nguyen, George Mason University**

*A Study of Wonhyo’s Commentary on the Madhyamakā-Vibhāga*

**Respondents:**
- Robert M. Gimello, University of Arizona
- John McRae, Indiana University, Bloomington

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### A236 Comparative Studies in Religion Section
**9:00am–11:30am**  
D-Oceanic 2

Paul E. Muller-Ortega, University of Rochester, Presiding  
Theme: Light, Darkness, and Mystical Vision

**Sarah Iles Johnston, Ohio State University**

*Divinity as Light in Early Platonic Mysticism*

**Raoul Birnbaum, University of California, Santa Cruz**

*Light in the Wutai Mountains*

**Matthew Kapstein, University of Chicago**

*Luminous Ground and Dark Energy: The Chiaroscuro of Tibetan Tantric Tradition*

**Respondent:**
- Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University
Aramaic Studies Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Americas Seminar Room

Deirdre Dempsey, Marquette University, Presiding
Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University
The Employment of Similes as an Exegetical Device in the Aramaic Version to Psalms
Esther M. Menn, University of Virginia
Targum to the Song of Songs and Allegorical Interpretation
Jorunn Jacobsen Buckley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
The Evidence for Mandaeans Women Priests
Josep Ribera, University of Barcelona, Spain
The Use of the Method of Derash in the Targum Ezekiel
Christian M. M. Brady, Tulane University
The Role of the Attribute of Justice in the Targumim
Douglas M. Gropp, Catholic University of America, and Bruce Zuckerman, University of Southern California
The Prayer of Nabonidus

Deuteronomistic History Section
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 3

Marc Brettler, Brandeis University, Presiding
Jerome T. Walsh, University of Botswana
Symmetry and Interpretation in 2 Kings 2
Kurt L. Noll, Greencastle, PA
Is the Deuteronomistic History a History? And Is It Deuteronomistic?
Raymond F. Person, Ohio Northern University
Jeholuchim and Zerubbael in 2 Kings 25:27–30
Tammi J. Schneidler, Claremont Graduate University
Achsa in the Book of Judges: Not Just Another Ideal Woman
John Kessler, Ontario Theological Seminary, Canada
Sexuality and Politics: The Motif of the Displaced Husband in 1–2 Samuel

Biblical Criticism and Literary Criticism Section
9:00am–11:30am  S-Toucan 2

Kenneth M. Craig, Lees-McRae College, Presiding
Kathleen Weber, Catholic University of America
Gospel Authors: Reckoning with Resistant Readers
Robert M. Royalty, Stanford University
Don't Touch This Book
W. John Lyons, University of Sheffield
What Must the "Judge of all the Earth" Do Exactly?
Stephen Breck Reid, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Julia Kristeva and the Woman in the Basket
David Valeta, Iliff School of Theology/University of Denver
"Lions and Ovens and Visions, O My!" A Satirical Analysis of the Book of Daniel

Academic Teaching of Biblical Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am  S-Macaw

J. Bradley Chance, William Jewell College, Presiding
Theme: Criticism and Confessionalism in New Testament Studies: A Great Chasm Fixed?
Bart D. Ehrman, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Robert W. Yarbrough, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Panel Discussion
General Discussion
Recess
Susan Garrett, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary
Bridging a Chasm or Burning Bridges: Criticism vs. Confessionalism in Beginning New Testament Study
General Discussion
**Tuesday Morning November 24**

**Ethics Section**
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 1

Garth K. Baker-Fletcher, Claremont School of Theology, Presiding

Theme: *Bitches, Goddesses, and Whores: Feminist Perspectives on the Bible in Christian Social Ethics*

Rebecca Todd Peters, Union Theological Seminary, New York, and State University of New York, Stony Brook

*Yahweh the Goddess?: The Contemporary Ramifications of Goddesses within the Judeo-Christian Tradition*

Ann E. Herpel, Union Theological Seminary, New York

*"Playing the Whore?: One Feminist Interpretation of Whoredom in the Hebrew Bible*

Jane E. Hicks, Union Theological Seminary, New York

*Crumbs, Dogs, and Border Crossing: A Study of Moral Agency in the Syrophoenician Woman Story (Mark 7:24–30)*

Joan M. Sakalas, Union Theological Seminary, New York

*The Whore of Babylon Metaphor in Revelation: Liberative or Misogynist?*

Respondent: Victoria Stapleton, Union Theological Seminary, New York

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**History of Christianity Section**
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 2

Michael R. Rackett, Duke University, Presiding

Theme: *Christianity and Rituals of Belonging*

Michael Penn, Duke University

*Kissing, Group Cohesion, and Early Christian Communities*

Patrick Nugent, Earlham College

*The Peace of God and the Battle against the Demons: Healing Miracles as Social Ritual*

Barbara Laishley, University of Pittsburgh

*Symbolic Form and Ritual Action in Nineteenth-Century Harmon Society*

Daniel Sack, Columbia Theological Seminary

*Hunger for Authenticity: Conflicts over Communion Elements in American Protestantism*

Anita L. Bradshaw, Yale University

*Same-Sex Marriage: Ritual and Celebration*

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**Philosophy of Religion Section**
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 8

Robert S. Gall, Park College, Presiding

Theme: *Religious Responses to Postmodernism*

Tirdad Derakhshani, University of Pennsylvania

*On a Religious Tone Recently Adopted in Philosophy*

Ruth Mas, University of Toronto

*The Question of Eurocentrism in Postmodernism: Muslim Responses*

Nancy Levene, Harvard University

*Boundaries Permeable and Impermeable: Jewish Postmodernity and Its Modern Antecedents*

Respondent: Thomas J. Dean, Temple University
Christian Theology and the Bible Group

9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 1

Ben C. Ollenburger, Associated Mennonite Seminary, Presiding

Theme: Trinitarian Metaphors: People of God - Body of Christ - Community of the Spirit

Terence E. Fretheim, Luther Seminary
Divine Community and Human Community in the Old Testament.
Francis Watson, King’s College, England
Trinity and Community in the Gospel of John
Lewis Ayres, Trinity College, University of Dublin, Ireland
On the Discourse of Trinitarian Community: Reading 1 Corinthians
A. Katherine Grieb, Virginia Theological Seminary
People of God, Body of Christ, Koinonia of Spirit in Pauline Ecclesiology
Respondent:
Stephen E. Fowl, Loyola College, Maryland

Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Group

9:00am–11:30am  S-Mockingbird 2

Robert L. Brawley, McCormick Theological Seminary, Presiding

Jennifer Stiefel, Union Theological Seminary, New York

"These people . . . have come here also": A Type-Scene of Status before Judicial Authorities in Acts 16–19
Respondent:
Steven M. Sheeley, Shorter College
Shawn Kelley, Daemen College

"While Peter Was Inwardly Perplexed": Acts 10 and the Lukan Peter
Respondent:
Mikeal C. Parsons, Baylor University

Thomas Traditions Group

9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 5

Stephen J. Patterson, Eden Theological Seminary, Presiding

Theme: The Thomas Traditions in the Context of the Nag Hammadi Library

Tjitze Baarda, Vrije Universiteit, Netherlands
Syria: The Cradle of Thomas?

Jesper Svartvik, Lund University, Sweden
Ritual Law and Practices in the Thomas Traditions

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki, Finland
Body Language in the Gospel of Thomas

Marvin W. Meyer, Chapman University
Gospel of Thomas Saying 114 Revisited

Frederick W. Weidmann, Union Theological Seminary
The Kingdom on Earth, Mission, Millennialism, Metaphysics and the Gospel of Thomas

Antti Marjanen, University of Helsinki, Finland
The Characterization of Jesus in the Gospel of Thomas

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A240 Religion and the Social Sciences Section
9:00am–11:30am D-Oceanic 8

Elizabeth Pullen, Drew University, Presiding
Theme: The Newark Project of Drew University: Mapping the Religious Life of a City
Karen McCarthy Brown, Drew University
Mapping the Religious Life of Newark, New Jersey
Laurel D. Kearns, Drew University
Nature as Rats and Roaches: Eco-Justice in an Urban Setting
Aryana Bates, Drew University
Religious despite Religion: Reflections on Lesbian Ethnicity and Religious Lesbians in Newark
Peter Savastano, Drew University
Sexuality and Spirituality in Newark’s Gay Communities: An Ethnographic Study
Lee Hancock, Drew University
Ordinary Courage: Suffering and Healing in the HIV/AIDS Communities of Newark, New Jersey
Respondent:
Robert Orsi, Indiana University, Bloomington

A241 Religion in South Asia Section
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 9
Lance Nelson, University of San Diego, Presiding
Theme: Textual Harassment: Intra-traditional Debates about Text and Experience in South Asia
T. S. Rukmani, Concordia University
Revisiting the Karmayoga Concept in the Bhagavadgita
A. Whitney Sanford, Iowa State University
Triumph of Experience: The Gopi’s Authority in the Bhrigarjita in the Bhagavata Purana and in Nandadas’s Lyrics
Laurie L. Patton, Emory University
The Passions of the Late Vedic Texts: Subsuming Emotions by Canonical Imagery
Bradley S. Clough, Bard College
What Becomes a Bhikkhu Most: The Vocational Bifurcation of Scriptural Learning and Meditative Practice in the Sri Lankan Buddhist Sangha
June McDaniel, College of Charleston
Text versus Experience in Modern Bengali Sakti Tantra
Respondent:
Eric A. Huberman, Vassar College

A242 Asian North American Religion, Culture, and Society Group and Indigenous Religious Traditions Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 10
Julian Kunkle, University of Arizona, Presiding
Theme: What is Religion?: Definitional Disruptions and Eruptions
Panelists:
Rita Nakashima Brock, Radcliffe College
Jace Weaver, Yale University
Rudy V. Busto, Stanford University
Mary Churchill, University of Colorado, Boulder
Jane Naomi Iwamura, University of California, Berkeley
Homer Noley, Claremont School of Theology

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
Wisdom and Apocalypticism in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Group

9:00am–11:30am  S-Mockingbird 1

Richard A. Horsley, University of Massachusetts, Presiding

Theme: Poverty and Riches in Selected New Testament Texts

Ronald A. Piper, University of St. Andrews, Scotland

Issues of Poverty and Wealth in the Sayings Source Q

Patrick A. Tiller, Sharon, MA

“You Have Dishonored the Poor”: The Apocalyptic Wisdom of James

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago

City Visions and Economic Critique: A Sapiential Topos in the Apocalypse

Respondent:
Richard A. Horsley, University of Massachusetts

General Discussion

Business Meeting

The paper by Patrick A. Tiller in this session will be summarized, not read. It will be available in advance of the meeting in the Society of Biblical Literature 1998 Seminar Papers. Please see page 313 for ordering information. The paper by Barbara Rossing will be available in September via e-mail: brossing@lstc.edu.
A243 Chinese Religions Group and Confucian Traditions Group
9:00am-11:30am  D-Europe 11
John H. Berthrong, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: *Hermeneutics: A Dialogue between Confucian and Christian Perspectives*
Cheng Chung-yang, University of Hawaii, Honolulu
*Confucian Hermeneutics*
Francis Schussler Fiorenza, Harvard University
*The Conflict of Hermeneutical Traditions and Christian Theology*
Yong Huang, Kutztown University
*Tao and Power*

A244 Eastern Orthodox Studies Group
9:00am-11:30am  D-Europe 6
Bradley Nassif, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Charismatic Obedience and Disobedience*
Panelists:
Vigen Guroian, Loyola College in Maryland
Thomas Hopko, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary
Valerie A. Karras, St. Louis University

A245 Kierkegaard, Religion, and Culture Group
9:00am-11:30am  S-Toucan 1
Marcia C. Robinson, Eden Theological Seminary, Presiding
Theme: *Christian Discourse and Its Critics*
Andrew Burgess, University of New Mexico
*The Law Gospel Dialectic of Kierkegaard's Christian Discourses*
Brian C. Barlow, Brenau University
*The Wound and the Cure: Method and Theme in Kierkegaard's Liturgical Theology*
Charles L. Creegan, North Carolina Wesleyan College
*Kierkegaard, Certainly*
Respondent:
David Cain, Mary Washington College
Business Meeting
David Cain, Mary Washington College, Presiding

A246 Lesbian-Feminist Issues in Religion Group
9:00am-11:30am  D-Asia 4
Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University, Presiding
Theme: *Visions of the Future*
Mary Daly, Boston College
*Quintessence . . . Realizing the Archaic Future: A Radical, Elemental Feminist Manifesto*
Panelists:
Jane Caputi, Florida Atlantic University
Carter Heyward, Episcopal Divinity School
Mary E. Hunt, Women's Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual, Silver Spring, MD
Peggy Schmeiser, University of Ottawa

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345-347.
History of the Reception of Romans and Exegesis Consultation

9:00am–11:30am    D-Oceanic 6
Paula Fredriksen, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Patristic Receptions of Romans and Their Implications for Critical Exegesis

Part I: Reception of Romans in Clement of Alexandria’s Stromateis
Michael J. Brown, Wabash College
Faith, Knowledge, and the Law, or Maybe the Jews Will be saved: Clement of Alexandria’s Reading of Romans 10–12 in Stromateis 2.6–9
Laurence L. Welborn, United Theological Seminary
Faith and Fear: The Anthropology of Romans in Clement of Alexandria, Stromateis, Book 2
Respondent:
Kathy L. Gaca, Vanderbilt University

Part II: Reception of Romans by Augustine
John K. Riches, University of Glasgow, Scotland
Readings of Augustine on Romans: Their Impact on Critical Studies of Paul
Eugene TeSelle, Vanderbilt University
Exploring the Inner Conflict: Augustine’s Sermons on Romans 7 and 8
Respondents:
Thomas Frank Martin, Villanova University
Krister Stendahl, Harvard Divinity School

General Discussion

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Mark and Methodology Consultation

9:00am–11:30am    D-Oceanic 1

> New Program Unit

John R. Donahue, Jesuit School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: Christology in Mark 5:21–43
John R. Donahue, Jesuit School of Theology
Introduction

Mary Rose D’Angelo, University of Notre Dame
Gender and Power in the Gospel of Mark: The Daughter of Jairus and the Woman with the Flow of Blood (Mark 5:21–43)
Respondent:
Adela Yarbro Collins, University of Chicago
Rikki E. Watts, Regent College, Canada
Mark and the New Creational Restoration of Daughter Zion
Respondent:
Joel Marcus, University of Glasgow, Scotland
Wendy J. Cotter, Loyola University, Chicago
The Raising of Jairus’ Daughter (Mk 5:34–43): Claims and Consequences for the Hero
Respondent:
Tom Shepherd, Union College
Panel Discussion
General Discussion

Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Consultation

9:00am–11:30am    S-Parrot 1

> New Program Unit

David G. Martinez, University of Texas, Austin, Presiding
Peter Arzt, Institut für Neutestamentliche Bibelwissenschaft/Salzburg, Austria
Pauline Letters and Documentary Papyri
Jonathan Price, Tel Aviv University, Israel
The Corpus Inscriptorum Judaicorum/Palestinae
David G. Martinez, University of Texas, Austin
Koinon/koainonia: Communal Ethic in Greco-Egyptian Guilds and Early Christianity
Jennifer Sheridan, Wayne State University
Christians and Documentary Codices
A247 Person, Culture, and Religion Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 5
Franz Aubrey Metcalf, Los Angeles, CA, Presiding
Theme A: Families and Parenting: Diversity and Transitions
Frances S. Adeney, University of Southern California
Choosing to Become Other: Gender Ideologies, Religious Calling, and the Practice of Singleness
Daniel Jonathan Meckel, University of Chicago
Intertwining Selves: Toward a Psychology of Enmeshment in Hindu Families
Theme B: Discussion of Don Browning’s From Culture Wars to Common Ground: Religion and the American Family Debate
Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union, Presiding
Panelists:
Pamela D. Couture, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School
Millicent C. Feske, St. Joseph’s University
Christopher F. J. Ross, Wilfrid Laurier University
Respondent: Don S. Browning, University of Chicago

A248 Platonism and Neoplatonism Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Oceanic 4
Jay Bregman, University of Maine, Presiding
Theme: Neoplatonism and the Neopythagorean Tradition
Gerard Bechtle, University of Bern, Switzerland
Divine Henads and Plato’s Parmenides
J. Noel Hubler, Lebanon Valley College
Moderatus: Neoplatonist avant la Lettre?
Jennifer A. Herdt, University of South Florida
Cudworth, the Pythagoras Story, and the Puzzle of Philosophical Error
Michael Meerson, Christ the Savior Orthodox Church, Bethesda, MD
The Retrieval of the Neoplatonic Triad (Proclus) in Lev Karsavin’s Triune Dialectics of Personality

A249 Religion and Ethics in Health Care Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 3
C. Eric Mount, Centre College, Presiding
Theme: Tragedy, Sin, and Meaning: Religious Traditions and the Framing of Disease and Illness by the Sick and Their Caregivers
Jennifer E. Beste, Yale University
Therapeutic Privilege: Sinful Deception or Christian Compassion?
Sara Foster, Kingston, WA
Method as Morality: Medical Construction of Mild Brain Injury and Patient Response
Jennifer Girod, Indiana University, Bloomington
Wading through Blood and Suffering: Competing Christian Interpretations of Organ Transplantation
Denise M. Dudzinski, Vanderbilt University
The Tendency for Tragedy to Be Interpreted as Sin: Deeming Who Shall Receive an Organ Transplant

A250 Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
9:00am–11:30am  D-Asia 3
Michael Gillespie, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding
Mark Wheeler MacWilliams, Bethany College
Revisioning Japanese Religion—Osamu Tezuka’s Hi no tori (The Phoenix)
Rubina Ramji, University of Ottawa
Reflections of the Religious “Otherness” of Islam in Popular Visual Culture
Jessica G. Guigino, College of the Holy Cross
The Virtues of Vertigo in the Face of Digital “Untruthing”
Meredith L. Underwood, Iliff School of Theology and University of Denver
Blinded by the Light: Religion, Ideology, and the Economics of Visual Culture

Respondents:
Gregory Shaw, Stonehill College
John Finamore, University of Iowa

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Special Session: Asian and Asian-American Biblical Studies

9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 4
Abraham Smith, Andover Newton Theological School, Presiding
Theme: Biblical Texts and Their Contextual Appeal
Athalya Brenner, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
Esther Politicized in a Personal Context
Philip P. Chia, Tao Fong Shan Sino-Christian Institute, China
The Book of Daniel in an Asian Chinese Context
M. Thomas Thangaraj, Emory University
Hymnody as Biblical Hermeneutics: Tehillim by Sattampillai
Khiok-Khng Yeo, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
What Has Jerusalem to Do with Beijing?
Victor S. Yoon, McCormick Theological Seminary
A Cultural Perspective of Biblical Interpretation: Searching for Asian-American Paradigms
Respondents:
Marvin L. Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary
Seung-Ai Yang, Jesuit School of Theology
Business Meeting
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Tuesday Morning
November 24

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

9:00am–11:30am  D-Europe 5
Pamela J. Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary, Seattle, Presiding
Theme: Teaching the Masorah to College and University Students
Daniel S. Mynatt, Anderson College
Why Use the Masorah in Hebrew in Hebrew Instruction?
Respondent:
David Weisberg, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati
David Marcus, Jewish Theological Seminary
Timothy G. Crawford, Bluefield College
Randall Buth, Jerusalem University College, Israel
Experiments in Teaching Biblical Hebrew (and Greek) as Spoken Languages
Business Meeting
Edna Coffin, University of Michigan, Presiding

Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

9:00am–12:00pm  D-Asia 2
Gary Knoppers, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding
Theme: Iron Age Inscriptions and the History of Ancient Israel
Bob Becking, Universiteit Utrecht, Netherlands
The Lachish Letters and a Story of a Stronghold on the Threshold
Simon B. Parker, Boston University
Northwest Semitic Inscriptions and the History of Judah and Israel
Klaus Smelik, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
A Re-appraisal of the Shiloah Inscription
P. Kyle McCarter, Johns Hopkins University
The Historical Significance of the Tel Dan Inscription
Donald Redford, Pennsylvania State University
New Light from Sinai and the Delta on Egypto-Asiatic Relations, 610–586 BCE
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AM17 Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies
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Panel: Ritual and Its Connection to Ethical Activity in the World
Buddhist Panel:
John Makransky, Boston College
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont
Yukio Matsudo, University of Heidelberg
Christian Commentator: Don Mitchell, Purdue University

AM18 Theology and Ethics Colloquy
1:00pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 2

AM19 Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works Editorial Board
1:00pm–6:15pm  S-Lark 2

AM20 Womanist Consultation of the Womanist Approaches to Religion and Society Group
1:00pm–6:15pm  D-Oceanic 3

AM21 Local-Global Connections, Plowshares Institute
2:00pm–5:00pm  S-Lark 1

AM22 Project Models of Piety in Late Antiquity
2:00pm–5:00pm  D-Oceanic 7

AM23 Person, Culture, and Religion Group
2:00pm–6:15pm  S-Toucan 2
John McDargh, Boston College, Presiding
Theme: Theory and Therapy
Trevor Watt, Canisius College
Spiritually-Based Psychotherapy
Celba Brickman, University of Chicago
"Aboriginal Population(s) in the Mind:" Race and Religion in Psychoanalysis
Mary Fraser, Hudson Falls, New York
Space: The Final Frontier

4:30 Kelly Bulkeley, Graduate Theological Union
Dreamsharing as Religion, Therapeutic and Educational Resource
For more information regarding this session, contact Lucy Bregman at 215-204-1746 or bregman@vm.temple.edu.

AM24 Feminist Liberation Theologians' Network
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Northern A-1
Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza and Mary E. Hunt will convene a working meeting to include issues and struggles for feminists in religion, strategies for working internationally, and plans for a study gathering in January 1999. For information on how to join this global network of women who work publicly and with enthusiasm as feminist liberation theologians, contact 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.

AM25 Forrest-Moss Institute
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 8

AM26 North American Association for the Study of Religion
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 4
Gustavo Benavides, Presiding
Theme: Religion as Entertainment, Entertainment as Religion
Johannes Wolfart, University of Toronto
Eating It All Up: Soteriology, Fantasy, and Serious Consumption
Darlene Juschka, University of Toronto
The Wonderful World of Disney and Fundamentalism: The Fetischization of the Family and the Production of American Family Values
William Arnal, New York University
Manufacturing the Fantastic: The Segregation of Social Desire
Thomas Ryba, Purdue University
The Utopics of Disney World: A Stroll through the Realized American Eschatology

AM27 Symposium on the Work of Joachim Wach
3:45pm–6:15pm  S-Toucan 1
Catherine L. Albanese, University of California, Santa Barbara, Presiding
Kees Bolle, Portland, OR
The Lasting Value of Das Verstehen
Charles H. Long, Chapel Hill, NC
Joachim Wach, the Social Sciences, and the Study of Religion
Maurice Friedman, San Diego State University
(Emirities)

Touchstones of Reality and Wach’s Universal Categories: Intellectual, Practical, and Sociological

Discussants: Alan Miller, Miami University, and Jerome Long, Wesleyan University (Emeritus)

For additional information regarding this symposium, contact Stan Lusby at 423-584-1149.

**AM28**

**UMC Women of Color Reception**
3:45pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 6

**AM29**

**Society for the Study of Native American Religious Traditions**
3:45pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 3

**AM30**

**North American Paul Tillich Society Reception**
5:30pm–6:30pm  S-Parrot

**AM31**

**Shabbat Experience**
5:30pm–7:30pm  Dolphin hotel

Kosher sabbath meals will be available for Friday evening dinner and Saturday lunch at the Dolphin hotel. Registration by November 2, 1998, is a must. The cost is $25 per meal. Sabbath services will take place at the same location on Friday night and Saturday morning. Please mail your check to Meir Lubetski, Baruch College, 17 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10010; tel: 212-387-1570; e-mail: lubetsk@cuprom.cuny.edu. Information concerning precise location and times will be provided upon registration.

**AM32**

**New Interpreter’s Bible Editorial Board**
6:00pm–9:00pm  D-Oceanic 5

**AM33**

**North American Paul Tillich Society Banquet**
6:30pm–8:30pm  S-Macaw

**AM34**

**Abingdon Old Testament Commentaries Editorial Board**
6:30pm–10:30pm  D-Oceanic 6

**AM35**

**Sophie Kierkegaard Society Banquet**
7:00pm–9:00pm  S-Mockingbird 2

6:00 Social Hour, Dolphin Lobby Bar
7:00 Banquet (contact Bill Cahoy at bcahoy@csbsju.edu)
8:00 Niels Jorgen Cappelorn, Sophie Kierkegaard Research Centre, Copenhagen University

Through Despair and Offense to Faith; Or, The Religious and Christian Stage according to Climacus and Anti-Climacus

**AM36**

**Institute for Biblical Research Meeting 1**
7:00pm–11:00pm  D-Southern 1

7:00 Welcome and Opening Devotions: Celebrating 25 Years of IBR
7:15 Panel Discussion: Intertextuality: Process, Exemplars, Value

Moderator: Peter Enns
Presenters:
Elaine Phillips
Serpent Intertexts: Tantalizing Twists in the Tales
Robert Wall
The Function of Hab 1.5 in Acts

Respondents: Paul House and Gregory Beale
8:15 Audience Interaction
8:45 Reception

For additional information regarding this session, contact Bastiaan Van Elderen at 616-957-0876.

**AM37**

**Society for Hindu-Christian Studies**
7:30pm–10:00pm  D-Europe 5

Corinne Dempsey, Syracuse University, Presiding Theme: Ritual Life of Indian Christians
Eliza F. Kent, University of Chicago
The Golden Cord of Marriage: Protestant Christian Wedding Ritual in Tamil Nadu
Matthew N. Schmalz, The College of the Holy Cross
A Space for Redemption: Dalit Christian Identity and the Rituals of Charismatic Healing
Margaret L. Meibohm, University of Pennsylvania
Imitation, Innovation, and Replication in the South Asian Catholic Diaspora: The Oratory of Our Lady of Good Health
AM38 Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality
7:00pm–9:30pm D-Northern A-1

AM39 Mennonite Scholars & Friends Reception
7:00pm–8:30pm D-Europe 7

AM40 Adventist Society for Religious Studies Session 4
8:00pm–9:00pm D-Southern V

AM41 Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy
8:00pm–10:30pm S-Toucan 1
Panel: Social Philosophy and Ethics in Theravada Buddhism and Hinduism
Chair: J. N. Mohanty, Emory University and Temple University
Panelists:
Gene James, University of Memphis
Environmentalism and Theravada Buddhism
Joseph Prabhu, University of California at Los Angeles
Virtue Ethics in Hinduism
John Holder, St. Norbert College
Nibbana as a Social Ideal
Respondents: Bina Gupta, University of Missouri, and David Loy, Bunkyo University, Japan

AM42 Polanyi Society Special Session with Paul Craig Roberts
9:00pm–11:00pm D-Europe 3
Phil Rolnick, Greensboro College, Presiding
Paul Craig Roberts
The Economic Thought of Michael Polanyi
Discussion
A copy of the paper will be available before the session through the Polanyi Society website (http://www.mwsc.edu/~polanyi/).

AM43 Inter-Religious Federation for World Peace
9:00pm–11:00pm S-Toucan 2

AM44 Association of Theological Booksellers
9:00pm–11:00pm S-Peacock 2

AM45 National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Publication Board
9:00pm–11:00pm D-Oceanic 3

AM46 Encountering Biblical Studies Breakfast
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AM47 National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Executive Committee
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AM48 North American Paul Tillich Society: Board of Directors
7:00am–8:30am D-Oceanic 5

AM49 NRSV Breakfast 1
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AM50 Prism Publishers Editorial Board
7:00am–8:30am D-Oceanic 8

AM51 Society for Philosophy of Creativity
7:00am–8:30am S-Toucan

AM52 CLAASP
8:00am–11:30am D-Europe 2

AM53 RSR Editors Meeting
8:30am–11:00am S-Swan 2

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
AM54 The Consultation on James
8:30am–12:00pm
Anyone interested in attending this premeeting should e-mail Chilton@bard.edu.

AM55 Anglican Association of Biblical Scholars
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 11

AM56 UMC Women of Color Meeting
9:00am–11:30am D-Oceanic 2

AM57 ACUTE Meeting
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 8
Interested in Urban Theological Education? The newly formed Association for Contextualized Urban Theological Education (ACUTE) welcomes you to join us at our inaugural organization meeting. For more information contact Bruce W. Jackson at 617-983-9303.

AM58 Association for the Study of Contemporary Religions
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 7

AM59 Association of Practical Theology
9:00am–11:30am S-Parrot
Sharon Peebles Burch, Presiding
Panel and Discussion: Spirituality and Practical Theology
Panelists:
Randy Maddox, Seattle Pacific University
Kathleen Dolphin, Loyola University, Chicago
Respondent: Roberta Bondi, Emory University
For additional information about this session, contact Sharon Burch at 617-353-3073.

AM60 Chicago Writing Group on Theology and Ethics
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 10

AM61 Christian Theological Research Fellowship: Session One (Papers)
9:00am–11:30am S-Pelican 2
Opening Prayer by Convener, D. Lyle Dabney, Marquette University
Panel and Discussion:
Vincent Bacote, Drew University
Liberating Theology from the Intellectual Ghetto: Setting Doctrine Free to Embrace and Invigorate Life
Stan Grenz, Carey Theological College/Regent College
Theology after Foundationalism: On the Possibility of a Nonfoundationalist Method
Jeffrey Bloechl, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)
Theology after Heidegger: Religious Identity and Ontological Difference
Respondent: David Ferguson, University of Aberdeen
Discussion will follow after all the papers have been read; a short business meeting will conclude the session. For further information visit the CTRF website (http://apu.edu/CTRF), which contains copies of the essays. For further information contact Prof. Alan G. Padgett, School of Theology, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA 91702-7000; TEL: 626-815-6000 x.3232; FAX: 626-815-3809; E-MAIL: padgett@apu.edu.

AM62 Colloquium on Violence and Religion: Fieldwork in Sacred Violence
9:00am–12:00pm D-Oceanic 4

AM63 La Comunidad of Hispanic Scholars Meeting
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 3

AM64 Lutheran Women in Theological Studies Session 2
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 9

AM65 Mennonite Scholars & Friends Forum
9:00am–11:30am D-Oceanic 3
AM66 National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion Annual Meeting
9:00am–11:30am D-Northern A-2

AM67 North American Association for the Study of Religion
9:00am–11:30am D-Oceanic 7
Gustavo Benavides, Presiding
Theme: Religion as Entertainment, Entertainment as Religion
Jørgen Podemann Sørensen, University of Copenhagen
The Andamanese Myth of Evening Entertainment
Timothy Fitzgerald, Aichi-gakuen University
American Baseball and Japanese basaboru or yakkyu
Respondent:
Gustavo Benavides, Villanova University
Religion as Entertainment, Entertainment as Religion

AM68 North American Paul Tillich Society: Ideology and Theology
9:00am–11:30am S-Swan 9
Mary Ann Stenger, University of Louisville, Presiding
Anne Damell, Drew University
Nature’s Divine and Demonic Being: Tillich’s Conception of Nature’s Ambiguous Powers
Kyeong-Seog Kwon, Claremont Graduate University
Paul Tillich’s Encounter with Modern Secular Philosophy in the Form of “Quasi-Religions”
Luis G. Pedraja, Perkins School of Theology
Tillich’s Theology of Culture and Hispanic Theology
Respondent: Marc Boss, Faculty of Protestant Theology, Montpellier

AM69 Person, Culture, and Religion Group
9:00am–11:30pm S-Peacock 1
9:00 Works in Progress
Andrew Kille, San Jose, CA, Presiding
9:45 Business Meeting
Lucy Bregman, Temple University, Presiding
10:15 Break
10:30 Critical Perspectives on “the New Age”
Kelley Raab, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Presiding
Paul Heelas, Lancaster University
New Age Spiritualities, Cultural Extremities, and Modernity
Catherine M. Roach, Harvard University
Healing Mother Nature in a New Age Ecopoetry and Popular Perspective
For more information regarding this session, contact Lucy Bregman at 215-204-1746 or lbrgman@vt.temple.edu.

AM70 Polyani Society Annual Meeting
9:00am–11:30am D-Europe 4
Ron Hall, Francis Marion University, Presiding
Panel: Teaching Polanyi and Polanyian Teaching
Panelists:
Dale Cannon, Western Oregon University
Diane Yeager, Georgetown University
David Rutledge, Furman University

11:15 Business Meeting
Marty Moleski, Presiding
Copies of panelists’ papers will be available before the session through the Polanyi Society website (http://www.mwsc.edu/~polanyi).

AM71 Quaker Theological Discussion Group
9:00am–11:30am D-Northern A-3
Arthur Roberts, George Fox University, Presiding
Paul Anderson, George Fox University
Early Quaker Christology
Grace Jantzen, University of Manchester, England
Margaret Fell and Early Quaker Women

AM72 Chinese Religions Group and Church State Studies Group
9:00am–11:30am S-Swan 8
John Berthrong, Boston University, Presiding
Theme: Religious Freedom in Contemporary China
Johannes A. Loubser, University of Zulu Land
Hegemonic Aspects of Religious Discourse in China
Peter Nickerson, Duke University
A Poetics of Possession: Taiwanese Trance Performances in the Light of Julia Kristeva’s “Poetic Language”
Sumner B. Twiss, Brown University
Perspectives on Religious Freedom and Tolerance in China: A Critical Examination
Henry Rosemont, St. Mary’s College, Baltimore
Freedom of Worship versus Worship of Freedom
Respondent: Irene Bloom, Barnard College

AM73 Restoration Theological Research Fellowship Annual Meeting
9:00am–11:30am S-Swan 10

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**AM74**  
**Society for Buddhist-Christian Studies**  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Europe 6  
Panel: *Ritual and Its Connection to Ethical Activity in the World*  
Christian Panel:  
Ed Shirley, St. Edward's University  
Nicholas Groves, Chicago Public Library  
Sharon Peebles Burch, Boston University  
Buddhist Commentator: Jan Nautier, Indiana University  
Annual Meeting  
Paul Ingram, Pacific Lutheran University, Presiding  

**AM75**  
**Society for Hindu-Christian Studies**  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Europe 5  
9:00 Panel Discussion: *Reading through Hindu and Christian Lenses: The Sivajnanabodham, Chapter 8*  
Francis X. Clooney, Boston College, Presiding  
Panelists:  
Bradley J. Malkovsky, University of Notre Dame  
Laurie Patton, Emory University  
Deepak Sharma, University of Chicago  
M. Thomas Thangaraj, Emory University  
10:30 Business Meeting  
Both parts of the meeting are open to all who may be interested. The panel is intended as an exercise in collective reading from different points of view, none of them “specializing” in the area of Saiva Siddhanta. We hope that participants will come having read the text and be willing to contribute. For advance copies or further information, contact Kay Jordan at 540-831-5899 or kjordan@runet.edu, or visit the Society’s website (http://www.acusd.edu/theo/hcs-1).  

**AM76**  
**Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality**  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Northern A-1  

**AM77**  
**Søren Kierkegaard Society**  
9:00am–11:30am  
S-Lark  
Robert L. Perkins, Stetson University, Presiding  

**AM78**  
**Symposium on the Work of Joachim Wach**  
9:00am–11:30am  
S-Macaw  
Annette Arnonowicz, Franklin and Marshall College, Presiding  
John P. Burris, Wesleyan University  
*Of Historians of Religions, Religious Historians, and Agnostic Anthropologists: Tacit Assumptions about Religion in the Human Sciences*  
Eric Ziołkowski, Lafayette College  
Wach, Religion, and “The Emancipation of Art”  
Eric Bain-Selbo, Lebanon Valley College  
Joachim Wach’s Category of the Classical: Negotiating Religious Pluralism and the Pursuit of Truth  
Discussants:  
J. Eric Lane, California State University at Los Angeles  
Brian C. Wilson, Western Michigan University  
Discussion: The Future of the Symposium  

**AM79**  
**Theology and Ethics Colloquy**  
9:00am–11:30am  
D-Asia 4  

**AM80**  
**Council on Graduate Studies in Religion Annual Meeting**  
9:00am–11:30am  
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**AM81**  
**Institute for Biblical Research Annual Meeting 2**  
9:00am–12:45pm  
D-Southern 1  
9:00 Devotions: LeAnn Snow Flesher  
9:15 Panel Discussion: *Building a Biblical Foundation for World-wide Mission*  
Moderator: John Oswalt  
Daniel Carroll  
*Blessing the Nations: Toward a Biblical Theology of Missions from Genesis*  
Peter O'Brien  
Mission, Witness, and the Coming of the Spirit  
Respondent: Craig Keener  

Panel Discussion of Receiving Søren Kierkegaard: The Early Impact and Transmission of His Thought by Habib C. Malik (Catholic University of America Press, 1997)  
Panelists:  
George Pattison, Cambridge University  
Bruce Kirmmse, Connecticut College  
Marilyn Piety, Denmark’s International Study Program  
Respondent: Habib C. Malik, Lebanese American University, Beirut
10:15 Audience Interaction
10:35 Coffee Break
10:50 Annual Lecture
Martin Hengel
The Gospels and Jesus of Nazareth

Business Meeting
For additional information regarding this session, contact Bastiaan Van Elderen at 616-957-0876.

**AM82** Adventist Society for Religious Studies Session 5
9:30am–12:00pm  D-Southern V

**AM83** Association of Theological Booksellers
10:00am–5:00pm  S-Peacock 2

**AM84** Shabbat Experience
11:00am–12:00pm  Dolphin hotel
For more information, please refer to the listing for AM31 (Friday, 5:30 p.m.).

**AM85** Editorial Board Meeting Biblical Interpretation
1:00pm–3:30pm  S-Lark 2

**AM86** Institute for Biblical Research Executive Committee Meeting 2
1:00pm–6:15pm  D-Europe 11

**AM87** Quaker Theological Discussion Group
1:00pm–3:30pm  D-Southern II
Gayle D. Beebe, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding
Book Panel: Paul Anderson, The Christology of the Fourth Gospel
Raymond Brown, Union Theological Seminary
D. Moody Smith, Duke University
Sandra Schneider, Graduate Theological Union
Craig Koester
Alan Padgett, Azusa Pacific University

**AM88** Association for Case Teaching
6:15pm–8:30pm  S-Lark 1

Program
Contextualized Urban Theological Education is explored in a group discussion of the case “Giving Thanks” which involves an African American–Korean urban conflict mediated by Church representatives. A panel of experienced urban educators will respond to the case. A copy of the case is available in advance from ACT: Plowshares Institute, P.O. Box 243, Simsbury, CT 06070; FAX: 860-651-4305; E-MAIL: evansrab@harism.edu.

7:30 Association for Case Teaching Annual Meeting

**AM89** Engaging Biblical Studies Dinner
7:00pm–8:30pm  S-Peacock 2

**AM90** Kingswood Books Editorial Board
7:00pm–10:30pm  D-Europe 11

**AM91** The Dempster Fellowships / GBHEM
7:00pm–8:30pm  S-Swan 8

**AM92** Baha’i Studies Colloquy
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 10

**AM93** Evangelical Philosophical Society
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 5
William Lane Craig, Talbot School of Theology, Presiding
Theme: The Problem of Evil
Presenter:
Paul Draper, Florida International University
Respondents:
R. Douglas Geivett, Talbot School of Theology
Gregory Ganssle, Yale University

**AM94** Louisville Institute Reception
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 7

**AM95** United Church of Christ Scholars Reception
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 9

**AM96** Wabash Center Reception
7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 6

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| AM111 | Boston University School of Theology Breakfast | 7:00am–8:30am | S-Swan 4 |
| AM112 | Disciples of Christ Faculty/Student Breakfast | 7:00am–8:30am | S-Swan 4 |
| AM113 | Emory University Breakfast | 7:00am–8:30am | S-Pelican |
| AM114 | Garrett / Northwestern Alumni/ae Breakfast | 7:00am–8:30am | S-Swan 3 |
| AM115 | Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary Faculty & Alumni/ae Breakfast | 7:00am–8:30am | S-Swan 8 |

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AM136  Boston Research Center Reception  
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AM137  Theta Alpha Kappa Annual Meeting/Reception  
6:00pm–8:00pm    S-Swan 8

Members, alumni, representatives, and friends of local chapters of Theta Alpha Kappa, the national honorary society for religious and/or theological studies, are urged to attend this Annual Meeting of the membership (6:00 p.m.) and the reception to follow (7:00 p.m.). Those interested in learning more about TAK are also welcome. For more information call 315-443-5726 or e-mail rbpilgri@cas.syr.edu.

AM138  Alumni Lovaniensis–Peeters Publishing Dinner  
7:00pm–11:00pm    D-Europe 4

AM139  New Living Translation Dinner  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Australia 3

AM140  Organizational Meeting for Ethics & Theology on Human-Animal Relations  
7:00pm–8:30pm    S-Parrot 1

Interested in taking part in a network of religion scholars critically reflecting on religious attitudes toward animals, religious vegetarianism, and similar issues? This meeting is open to all and will focus on goals and strategies for creating an ongoing forum for discussion. If you are unable to attend, contact Forrest Clingerman, 194 Lexington St. #2, Watertown, MA 02472.

AM141  Asbury Theological Seminary  
7:00pm–8:30pm    S-Lark 1

AM142  Boston College Reception  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Europe 7

AM143  Buddhism Section Reception  
7:00pm–8:30pm    S-Toucan

AM144  Center of Theological Inquiry Reception  
7:00pm–8:30pm    S-Swan 3

AM145  I.T.C. Reception  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Europe 8

AM146  Mary Daly Reads from “Quintessence”  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Southern V

AM147  Princeton Theological Seminary Alumni/ae Reception  
7:00pm–11:00pm    S-Swan 9–10

AM148  Science and Religion Reception  
John Templeton Foundation, Chicago Center for Religion and Science, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences, Institute for Religion in an Age of Science  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Europe 1

AM149  The Meaning of Jesus with Marcus Borg and N. T. Wright and Others  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Asia 5

AM150  Vanderbilt University Divinity School Alumni/ae Reception  
7:00pm–8:30pm    D-Oceanic 2

AM151  Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company Reception  
7:00pm–8:30pm    S-Pelican

Room Locator Code: D=Dolphin, S=Swan. See floor plans, pp. 345–347.
This year's colloquium will focus on the implications of both V. Orel and O. Stolbova's *Hamito-Semitic Etymological Dictionary* (E. J. Brill, 1995) and J. Baldick's *Black God: The Afroasiatic Roots of the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Religions* (I. B. Tauris, 1997) for the comparative study of Afroasiatic languages, literatures, and cultures. The utility of these works for scholars whose research centers on either the ancient Near East or the study of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in antiquity will also be examined. For additional information, please contact H. R. Page, Jr. (iaacr@hrpj.com).

The Elijah School for the Study of the Wisdom of World Religions, Jerusalem
7:30pm–9:00pm  S-Swan 1
The Elijah School for the Study of the Wisdom of World Religions is an academic interfaith institute located in Jerusalem. The school represents a consortium of 13 Jewish, Christian, and Muslim institutions that have joined to create the institute, which combines academic excellence, faith engagement, and interfaith dialogue. The meeting is intended to provide further information on the school, and its activities, including the summer school. For further information, contact Alon Goshen-Gottstein; FAX: 972-2-6734191; E-MAIL: msgogo@mscc.huji.ac.il.

Indiana University Religious Studies Alumni Reception
7:30pm–9:00pm  D-Europe 6

The University of Iowa Reception
7:30pm–9:30pm  S-Peacock

Westminster John Knox Press Reception
7:30pm–9:30pm  D-Asia 4

The Hispanic Theological Initiative, a program funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts and housed at Candler School of Theology, Emory University, celebrates its second year of operations. The HTI invites all Latino/a faculty, Latina/o students, as well as deans, administrators, and faculty members of ATS schools to join us as we celebrate the work accomplished so far. If you still don't know about the HTI, come and learn what we are all about.
AM169 Liturgical Press International Bible Commentary Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Asia 1

Please join the University of Dallas and The Liturgical Press in celebrating the release of The International Bible Commentary: A Catholic and Ecumenical Resource for the 21st Century (IBC). Copies of the IBC will be on display, and the editors and many of the contributors will be in attendance. All AAR/SBL attendees are welcome. Contact Kay Weiss (TEL: 320-363-2220; E-MAIL: kweiss@osb.org) for additional information.

AM170 Saint Paul University—Novalis Publishing Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Oceanic 4

Saint Paul University and Novalis Publishing are pleased to invite alumni, alumnae, colleagues, friends, and business associates to a reception celebrating the University's 150th anniversary. For further information, please contact personnel at the Novalis Publishing booth in the Exhibit Hall.

AM171 Textual Reasoning Reception and Study Session
9:00pm–11:00pm  S-Parrot 2

Theme: Study Session on the Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel 1948 (Megillat Ha'atsma'ut)
Presenter: Jay Harris, Harvard University
To prepare, see Textual Reasoning vol. 7 (http://web.bu.edu/mzank/TextualReasoning/tr-archive). Texts will be available at the meeting. To register, send US$15 per check or money order to Michael Zank, Department of Religion, Boston University, 745 Commonwealth Ave, Boston, MA. 02215 (by October 15, 1998). Textual Reasoning is an e-mail discussion and journal dedicated to fostering conversation between text-based scholars (especially those rooted in the tradition of Bible and Talmud) and philosophically trained scholars (especially those concerned with postmodern modes of discourse) and has hosted text study sessions at AAR meetings since 1991. The study session will be followed by a business meeting. Refreshments will be served. For more information see http://web.bu.edu/mzank/TextualReasoning.

AM172 The Scottish Universities Joint Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm  S-Mockingbird
The five Scottish universities—Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Stirling, and St. Andrews—welcome their alumni/ae and friends to a joint reception.

AM173 Union Theological Seminary/Columbia University Reception for Alumni/ae and Friends
9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Asia 3

AM174 University of Notre Dame Theology Department Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Europe 5

AM175 University of Chicago Divinity School Reception for Alumni
9:00pm–11:00pm  S-Swan 6

AM176 University of Virginia Reception
9:00pm–11:00pm  S-Lark 2

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

AM177 Baylor University Alumni & Friends Breakfast
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AM178 Fuller Theological Seminary Alumni/ae and Friends Breakfast
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AM179 Restoration Quarterly Breakfast
7:00am–8:30am  D-Juan & Only's Restaurant

AM180 Teaching Theology and Religion Editorial Board
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Trinity Evangelical Divinity School: Alumni/ae and Friends Breakfast
7:00am–8:30am   S-Palio's Restaurant

Union–PSCE Breakfast
7:00am–8:30am   D-Northern E-4

Wilhelm Vatke Society Breakfast
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Yale Divinity School Appreciation Breakfast
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Baha'i Studies Colloquy
7:00am–8:30am   D-Oceanic 1

Zondervan Author Luncheon
11:45am–12:45pm   S-Pelican 1

Mercer University Press, Smyth & Helwys Publishing, Inc., James & Carolyn McAfee School of Theology Reception
3:45pm–6:15pm   S-Parrot 1

HIART Reception–Business Meeting
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American Journal of Theology & Philosophy
6:30pm–8:00pm   S-Macaw

Tyron Inbody, United Theological Seminary, Presiding
Nancy Howell, St. Paul School of Theology
Co-creation, Co-redemption, and Cloning

Respondent: Wesley Wildman, Boston University School of Theology

Prize for Outstanding Books in Theology and the Natural Sciences
7:00pm–11:00pm   S-Pelican

Wabash Center Dinner for New Teachers (by invitation)
7:00pm–8:30pm   S-Parrot 1

Ethnic Chinese Biblical Colloquium
7:00pm–8:30pm   D-Europe 8

Italian Evening Reception
7:00pm–11:00pm   D-Northern A-1 & A-2

Sponsored by the University of Udine, Italy, this meeting aims at promoting relations between American and Italian scholarship.

7:00 Introduction: Edmondo Lupieri (University of Udine), Gabriele Boccaccini (University of Michigan)

7:05 a) Qumran in Italy: Beyond the Essene Hypothesis
   Panelists: Florentino Garcia Martinez, Elaine Pagels, James C. VanderKam, Gabriele Boccaccini

b) Origen in Italy: Studies on Alexandrian Christianity
   Panelists: Adam Kamesar, David T. Runia, Adele Monaci, Lorenzo Perrone


8:30 Refreshments served. Selection of Italian wines offered by “La Delizia” of Casarsa (Friuli, Italy). All welcome.

For additional information, please contact Gabriele Boccaccini, Tel: 313-741-1556 / 764-0314; Fax: 313-936-2679; E-mail: gbocca@umich.edu.

Conference of International Black Lutherans, USA
7:00pm–8:30pm   D-Europe 9

CSSR and RSR Reception
7:00pm–8:30pm   S-Mockingbird 2
**AM196** Society for Values in Higher Education and Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal Reception

7:00pm–8:30pm  D-Europe 10

The Society for Values in Higher Education and Soundings: An Interdisciplinary Journal invite you and your colleagues to a reception for Fellows and Friends of the Society and Soundings hosted by Dr. Marvin Kaiser, Executive Director. Please come by and visit old and new friends. If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Stock, Society for Values in Higher Education, 633 SW Montgomery Street, Portland, OR 97201 (tel: 503-721-6520 or e-mail: svhe@unidial.com).

**AM197** Pro Ecclesia Reception

9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Europe 1

**AM198** Reception for Graydon F. Snyder

9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Europe 6

This reception for Graydon and Lois Snyder is sponsored by friends and colleagues. There will be a presentation of Common Life in the Early Church: Essays Honoring Graydon F. Snyder, published by Trinity Press International. For additional information, contact Robert Jewett at 847-475-2770 (e-mail: rjewett@nwu.edu).

**AM199** Sheffield Academic Press Reception

9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Europe 3

**AM200** Syracuse University Religion Department Reception

9:00pm–11:00pm  S-Peacock

**AM201** The Claremont Reception

9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Australia 3

**AM202** Society for Scriptural Reasoning

9:00pm–11:00pm  D-Europe 4

Daniel W. Hardy, Cambridge University, Presiding

Theme: Messianism and Messianic Exegesis in Abraham Cardoso and the Letter to the Ephesians

Presenters:

Elliot R. Wolfson, New York University
David F. Ford, Cambridge University

The Society for Scriptural Reasoning explores postmodern/postliberal reflections on Scripture and philosophic theology by Jewish and Christian scholars, et al. Members should send an abstract and check for $15 membership fee (made out to Society for Scriptural Reasoning) by October 26 to Robert Cathey, McCormick Theological Seminary, 5555 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, IL 60637-1692 USA. Abstracts may be faxed to 773-288-2612. For additional information regarding this session or the SSR, contact Robert Cathey at bob@monm.edu or the address above. Visit the SSR website at http://daniel.drew.edu/~drewssr/

Business Meeting: Refreshments served

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**AM203** Editorial Board Meeting Dead Sea Discoveries

7:00am–8:30am  S-Ibis

**AM204** Lutheran Professors and Graduate Students Breakfast

7:00am–8:30am  D-Northern E-3 & E-4

Address: Walter Brueggemann is William Marcellus McPheeters Professor of Old Testament at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. He has published 14 books with Fortress Press. His Theology of the Old Testament won the Academy of Parish Clergy Book of the Year Award.

Topic: Contemporary Old Testament Theology—A Contextual Perspective. Admission is limited and by ticket. Reservations must be made by November 9.

Contact: Jill A. Cornell, Augsburg Fortress Publishers, Box 1209, Minneapolis, MN 55440 (tel: 612-330-3538; fax: 612-330-3455; e-mail: cornellj@augsburgfortress.org).

**AM205** Regent College Alumni/ae Breakfast

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* 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.
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TO CALL: 800-243-1193 (U.S. & Canada)
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240 Peachtree Street, #22S22
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:

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HOTEL INFORMATION
Select four 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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✓ These hotels have suites available at a discounted rate.

**Note:** All rates are subject to local taxes, currently 11% tax per room per night.

**Amenities:** ✓ free newspaper, ◇ children stay free with parents using existing beds (contact hotel for age restrictions), ◇ hair dryer in room, ◇ honor bar in room, ◇ coffeemaker in room, ◇ 24-hour room service available, ◇ fitness center, ◇ express check-out available, ◇ safe in room, ◇ iron and ironing board in room.

### LOCATOR KEY

1. Walt Disney World Dolphin
2. Walt Disney World Swan
3. Buena Vista Palace Resort & Spa
4. Grosvenor Resort, Walt Disney World Village
5. Hilton in the Walt Disney World Resort
6. Hotel Royal Plaza
7. Hyatt Orlando
AAR/SBL EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION SERVICES CENTER
Friday–Tuesday, November 20–24
D-Northern B & C

Openings Online may be accessed at no charge by all paid members of the AAR and SBL. Visit us on the web at http://www.jv-site.org

The EIS Center
Held each year at the AAR/SBL Annual Meeting, the Employment Information Services Center provides formal interview facilities, a message service for candidates and employers, and job listing and CV information for review. Anyone using EIS Center services or facilities, as a candidate or an employer, must register separately for the Annual Meeting.

Online Registration Information
All registration information for the 1998 EIS Center is available online at http://www.jv-site.org (click on Employment Information Services). The deadline for registration is November 1, 1998.

Candidate Registration
If you wish to participate in the EIS Center as a candidate, you must submit an Applicant Resume Form, conforming exactly to the instructions outlined in the registration information provided on the EIS website. If you cannot access the online information, contact Miki McBride-Sala in the Joint Ventures office at 404-727-2341, or via e-mail at mmsala@emory.edu, and the form will be mailed to you.

Starting this year, candidates using the EIS Center will have the opportunity to provide additional CV information on the reverse side of the Applicant Resume Form. You will also be able to create your own form by carefully following the specifications outlined in the registration materials. The deadline for materials is set at the latest possible date for processing and is therefore absolute: November 1. Due to the new expanded format, faxed forms cannot be accepted. Candidates are advised to plan accordingly.

On-site registration is limited to those candidates who receive an invitation to interview after the November 1 deadline. Prepare your Applicant Resume Form according to the instructions, and bring the form with payment to the EIS Center in Orlando. You will be asked to provide EIS Center staff with the name of the institution with whom you are interviewing.

Candidate Registration: $25

Employer Registration
All jobs registered with the EIS Center should be advertised in Openings Online, unless the position is approved after the November issue deadline of October 26. Use the link from the EIS Center website to obtain Openings advertising information. To register your job with the EIS Center, print out the brief form from the online service, supplying the requested information regarding position specialty and plans for interviewing at the convention. If you cannot access the online information, contact Miki McBride-Sala in the Joint Ventures office at 404-727-2341, or via e-mail at mmsala@emory.edu, and the form will be mailed to you.

Registering your job with the EIS Center grants you access to the Interview Hall where you can reserve time for holding interviews, places your job description in the printed listings provided to candidates (on-site registrations are posted on boards for candidate review), allows you access to the binders containing Applicant Resume Forms, and provides a mechanism for sending and receiving messages. After registering for the EIS Center, you may wish to reserve a Private EIS Interview Room. See the online registration information for a request form.

Preregistration for first job: $135
Each additional job: $35
On-site registration: $170
Payment terms are indicated on the registration form.

EIS CENTER
Walt Disney World Dolphin, Northern B & C

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### AAR Roundtable Sessions

**Monday, November 23, 11:45am–12:45pm**

Seating is by reservation only and is limited to nine participants per table.

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Third choice (list number only) 

Return this form to:
Annual Meeting Roundtables
AAR/SBL Joint Ventures
P.O. Box 15399
Atlanta, GA 30333-0399

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1. Leslie D. Alldritt, Northland College
   *The Burakumin: The Complicity of Japanese Buddhism in Oppression and an Opportunity for Liberation*

2. Mary Ava Chamberlain, Wright State University
   *The Immaculate Ovum: Some Speculations by Jonathan Edwards on the Incarnation of Christ*

3. Lee Chiaramonte, Drew University
   *Indignation in the Face of Injustice: A Harrisonian Ontology of the Stone Butch as Process Relational Imago Dei*

4. Mara Donaldson, Dickinson College
   *From Tolkien to Todorov: Religion and Fantasy Reconsidered*

5. Christine E. Gudorf, Florida International University
   *Rethinking Strategy in Catholic Social Teaching: The Postmodern Political Eclipse*

6. Gereon Kopf, Luther College
   *Religion, Nothingness, and the Question of Human Rights*

7. Harriet Lutzky, University of Paris, France
   *The Incest Taboo and Religion*

8. Tony S. L. Michael, University of Toronto
   *Teaching Religion and Film: A Methodological Inquiry*

9. Susan E. Myers-Shirk, Middle Tennessee State University
   *"A Matter of Taste": United States Protestant Ministers, Their Homosexual Parishioners, and the Construction of Masculinity, 1945–1963*

10. Kathleen Malone O'Connor, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
    *Jesus' Life and Death in India: The Teachings of the Ahmadiyya and Their Influence in African America*

11. Sarah K. Pinnock, Yale University
    *The Scandal of Theodicy: Attention to Suffering in the Work of Levinas, Marcel, and Buber*

12. Mark Lloyd Taylor, Seattle University
    *Blessed Assurance—Blessed Restraint?: Unsaid Loss in Fanny Crosby's Life Story*

13. John J. Thatamanil, Millsaps College
    *Is Sankara a Mystic?: The Self-Evident Light of the Self and the Question of Mystical Experience in Sankara’s Advaita*
The following specially designed tours have been arranged as part of the planning activities of AAR program units. The tours are offered only at the times listed below, and space is limited. AAR and joint AAR/SBL 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, your check will be returned.

Your canceled check will serve as your confirmation. Tours will depart from the Walt Disney World Swan Toucan Foyer. Both tours will require some walking—comfortable shoes and attire are recommended.

Return your reservation form and check(s), payable to the American Academy of Religion, to the following address by October 15th:

American Academy of Religion
Annual Meeting Tours
825 Houston Mill Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30329-4211

Sacred Sites Bus Tour (A4)
Sponsored by the Religion and Ecology Group
Saturday, 7:00am–12:45pm Gather in the Swan Toucan Foyer
Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont, Presiding

In contrast to the intensive urban development across much of Florida, the Cape Canaveral National Seashore offers a glimpse of the original nature of this coastal state. We will visit Turtle Mound at New Smyrna Beach where Timucuan people lived several thousand years ago. From atop this unusual twenty-foot high oyster midden stack, the big view of ocean and sky is still as it was before European contact. The tour will include estuary and beach walks. Travel to seashore will be a one-hour bus ride each way.

For more information, contact Stephanie Kaza, co-chair, Religion and Ecology Group, 5835 Dry Creek Road, Napa, CA 94558; e-mail: skaza@moose.uvm.edu.

Bus Tour of Greater-Orlando Houses of Worship (A178)
Sponsored by the North American Religions Section
Monday, 1:00pm–3:30pm Gather in the Swan Toucan Foyer
Peter W. Williams, Miami University, Ohio, Presiding

The tour will focus on downtown Orlando “mainline” churches and a suburban “megachurch.” For more information, contact Peter W. Williams, Department of Religion, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056; e-mail: williapw@muohio.edu.

AAR Tours Order Form

NUMBER IN PARTY (PERSONS)
- Sacred Sites Bus Tour (A4)
- Bus Tour of Greater Orlando Houses of Worship (A178)

Name ____________________________
Address ____________________________
City, State Zip ____________________________

DATE
Saturday, 11/21
Monday, 11/23

TIME
7:00am–12:45pm
1:00pm–3:30pm

COST/PERSON
$10
$10

Organization: □ AAR □ SBL □ Nonmember

Return completed order form with payment by October 15 to Tours, AAR, 825 Houston Mill Road, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30329.
A number of papers in various sessions will be discussed but not read. Some may be obtained by writing to addresses given in the program; most will be published in the SBL 1998 Seminar Papers. Attendees 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 bound papers will be mailed around the first of October. The SBL 1998 Seminar Papers contains articles related to the following sessions:

Asian and Asian-American Biblical Studies (S195)
Christian Apocrypha Section (S17)
Early Jewish and Christian Mysticism Consultation (S89)
Formation of the Book of the Twelve Seminar (S177)
Gnosticism and Later Platonism Seminar (S27)
History of the Reception of Romans and Exegesis (S12, S192)
Literary Aspects of the Gospels and Acts Group (S174)
Matthew Group (S66)
Rhetoric and the New Testament Section (S169)
Sociology of the Literature of the Second Temple (S108)
Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Seminar (S14, S158)
Theology of the Disputed Paulines Group (S109)
Thomas Traditions Group (S69)
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The international, not-for-profit organization consists of 8,700 individual members from over 80 countries, and educational institutions interested in the interpretation, history and religion of the Bible and related literatures of the ancient Near Eastern World. Founded in 1880, SBL is a charter member in the American Council of Learned Societies and a founding organization of Scholars Press. Members have access to five program areas: (1) *Research and Publications*: three serial publications, twelve monographic series, four major reference volumes and small research grants; (2) *Congress*: North America and throughout the world that bring together all interested in Biblical Studies, as well as the major publishers of biblical and religious studies literature; (3) *Regions*: provide regional programming and encouragement to young scholars; (4) *Technology*: a website that is becoming the central resource for biblical and related studies; and (5) *Professional activities*: an employment service and relationships with other humanists. All interested in the critical reflection on biblical literature, related texts, and the material culture of the ancient world are invited to join.

Joint AAR/SBL Membership

Joint AAR/SBL members receive the benefits of both societies.

**All Memberships**

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Institution ........................................ $60
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Editor: Jouette M. Bassler, Perkins School of Theology

Institution ........................................ $50
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Critical Review of Books in Religion

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A29 Sat 1:00pm—3:30pm D-Europe 1
A223 Mon 3:45pm—6:15pm D-Oceanic 6

Religion, Film, and Visual Culture Group
A114 Sun 1:00pm—3:30pm D-Northern A-3
A250 Tue 9:00am—11:30am D-Asia 3

Religion, Holocaust, and Genocide Group
A89 Sun 9:00am—11:30am D-Europe 8
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A90 Sun 9:00am—11:30am D-Northern E-1
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A91 Sun 9:00am—11:30am S-Mockingbird
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A4 Sat 7:00am-12:45pm ......................... S-Toucan Foyer

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Religious Studies Pre-conference Workshop: Professional Enhancement and Development for Women in Religious Studies
A1 Fri 12:00pm-5:00pm ........................ D-Oceanic 1

Women's Caucus: Business Meeting
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Women's Caucus: Religious Studies Reception
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S103 Sun 3:45pm-6:15pm .................. D-Northern A

Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Group
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S183 Tue 9:00am-11:30am ... D-Americas Seminar Room

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S28 Sat 1:00pm-3:30pm .................. D-Oceanic 5

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Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section
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### Committee on Underrepresented Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the Profession
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- S46 Sat 3:45pm–6:15pm D-Northern E
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### Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession
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- S31 Sat 3:45pm–5:15pm D-Europe 10

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