



Saturday, 7:00 PM and Later

S22-401

SBL Presidential Address

7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Convention Center – Room 20A (Upper level)

Fernando F. Segovia, Oberlin Graduate Professor of New Testament and Early Christianity at Vanderbilt University Divinity School, will deliver the 2014 SBL Presidential Address.

S22-401a

SBL Reception in Memory of François Bovon and Ellen Bradshaw Aitken

8:00 PM–9:00 PM

Marriott Marquis – Oceanside (Level 1)

All friends and colleagues are welcome to attend this time of celebration and remembrance.

P22-402

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

8:00 PM–9:30 PM

Marriott Marquis – Marriott Hall 1 (Lobby level)

Theme: **Reception**

Everyone is welcome. Come and learn about our programs and opportunities. Celebrate teaching with past and future participants in Wabash Center workshops, colloquies, consultations, and grants. In addition, sign up for an appointment during the conference to discuss your ideas for a Wabash Center grant, or stop by our booth in the Exhibit Hall.

S22-403

SBL Members Reception

8:30 PM–10:00 PM

Convention Center – Room 6 AB (Upper level)

After the Presidential Address, join your colleagues at the SBL Members' Reception. Mix and mingle, meet friends, and renew acquaintances. Continue ongoing conversations and begin new ones. The Presidential Address and the Members' Reception give you an occasion to see the breadth and depth of your scholarly society, which you have formed to foster biblical scholarship by offering opportunities for mutual support, intellectual growth, and professional development.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

P23-101

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

7:00 AM–9:15 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom C (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Annual Breakfast and Business Meeting**

Gilead Morahg, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Presiding (120 min)

S23-101a

SBL Emory Studies in Early Christianity and Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Editorial Boards

7:00 AM–8:30 AM

Marriott Marquis – SBL Suite

S23-102

SBL Annual Business Meeting

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 17 A (Mezzanine level)

P23-103

Institute for Biblical Research

7:30 AM–8:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 8 (Upper level)

Theme: **Worship Service**

This worship service is sponsored by the Institute of Biblical Research. For further information go to <http://www.ibr-bbr.org>.

Tremper Longman, Westmont College, Presiding

Wendy Porter, McMaster Divinity College, Worship

Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures: Isaiah 53:1–12

Lesson from the New Testament: Mark 10:35–45

Cynthia Westfall, McMaster Divinity College, Introduction

Mark L. Strauss, Bethel Seminary San Diego: "Not to be served, but to serve"

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S23-104

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section / Disputed Paulines Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 1 B (Upper level)

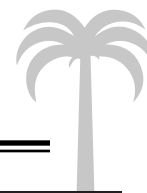
Theme: **Ephesians from African Perspectives**

Daniel K. Darko, Gordon College

What Does It Mean to be "Saved"? An African Reading of Ephesians 2 (30 min)

Jeff Brannon, Belhaven University

Another Look at the Principalities and Powers in Paul (30 min)



Elna Mouton, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University, SA
Ancient Household Codes as Model for Present-day Communities of Character (in Africa)? (30 min)

Shelley Ashdown, Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics
The Armor of God (Eph. 6:10–18) in the World View of Ndorobo (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-106

SBL Ancient Fiction and Early Christian and Jewish Narrative Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 204 B (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **The Sense of an Ending**

Janet Spittler, University of Virginia, Presiding

Troy M. Troftgruben, Wartburg Theological Seminary
Having Our Cake and Eating It Too: The Conflicted Interests of Readers in Ancient Narrative Endings (25 min)

Aaron Sherwood, Alliance Theological Seminary
The Restoration of Humanity in Tobit 14:3–11: Text Recensions and Incongruous Theology (25 min)

David P. Moessner, Texas Christian University
From Open Resistance to Hidden Power: Genette's 'Metadiegetic Assessment' as Key to the 'Metaleptic Collapse' of the Kingdom of God in Luke into the Quiet Subversion of Empire in Acts (Acts 1:1–14) (25 min)

Richard C. Miller, Chapman University
Imitatio Romuli and the Semiotics of Mark's Rousing Ending at 16.8 (25 min)

Karen L. King, Harvard University
Endings and The End: The Gospel of Mark and The Gospel of Judas (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S23-107

SBL Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 402 (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Iconography and Specific Texts and Particular Creatures**

Martin Klingbeil, Southern Adventist University, Presiding

Johannes Kleiner, Emory University
Animals and Humans in Gen 1:26–28: New Insights from an Iconographic Turn (30 min)

Michaela Bauks, Universität Koblenz - Landau
"Sacred Trees in Ancient Near Eastern Iconography And Their Impact for the Interpretation of Genesis 2–4" (30 min)

Raanan Eichler, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
What Is a Cherub? (30 min)

Brian Charles DiPalma, Emory University
Ezekiel 23 – A Marital Metaphor or Martial Parable? An Iconographic Consideration (30 min)

Ido Koch, Tel Aviv University
The Wonderful Adventures of the Nile Goose (30 min)

S23-108

SBL Archaeology of Religion in the Roman World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 410 A (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Synagogues, Temples, and Cities: Recent Excavations**

This session is devoted to reports on recent excavations at Huqoq, Ostia, Thassos, and Omrit. Presentations focus on religious dimensions of archaeological work at these sites.

Roberta Mazza, University of Manchester, Presiding

Chad Spigel, Trinity University
The 2013–2014 Seasons of Excavations at Huqoq in Israel's Galilee (30 min)

Jean-Yves Marc, University of Strasbourg
Thysia, Hestiatoria, and Macellum: The Example of Thasos (30 min)

Dan Schowalter, Carthage College and Ben Rubin, Williams College
The Omrit Settlement Excavations: the first two seasons (30 min)

L. Michael White, University of Texas at Austin
Changing Patterns of Access and Use in the Ostia Synagogue: New Evidence from the UT Excavations (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-109

SBL Assyriology and the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 29 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Literary Arts**

JoAnn Scurlock, Elmhurst College, Presiding

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki
Akkadian Love Poetry and the Song of Songs: New Sources, New Perspectives (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jeffrey L. Cooley, Boston College
Babylonian and Judean Philology and Epistemology (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kathleen McCaffrey, Independent Scholar
Male Gender Variance (and Prophecy!): The Subtext to Gilg. VI: 42–78 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Guy L. Ridge, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
The Rhetorical Function of "Until This Day" in Deuteronomy and Comparative Semitic Literature (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Al Wolters, Redeemer University College
Does Hebrew ha'eben harošah (Zech 4:8) have anything to do with Akkadian libittu mah (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew D. Gross, The Catholic University of America
Genesis 23 and the Zwiagesprächsurkunden Reconsidered (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S23-110

SBL Bible and Emotion Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 25 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Affect Theory, Emotion, and Biblical Studies**

F. Scott Spencer, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond, Presiding

Stephen Moore, Drew University
More than a Feeling: Affect Theory and Biblical Studies (30 min)

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Respondent (10 min)

Maia Kotrosits, Denison University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Erin Runions, Pomona College
Psalms 139 and Its Affects (30 min)

Amy Cottrill, Birmingham–Southern College, Respondent (10 min)

Jennifer Koosed, Albright College, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-111

SBL Bible and Film Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 300 A (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Mysteries, Prophets, and Ethics**

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Lloyd Baugh SJ, Pontificia Università Gregoriana
Film and Holy Mystery: Two Recent Passion Films (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Mette Bundvad, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
“Maybe We’ve Caught the Virus of Prophecy”: The Motif of the Prophet in “Angels in America” and “Don’t Ever Wipe Tears without Gloves” (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Ingrid E. Lilly, Pacific School of Religion
Climate Change and Modern Liberation: Ethics in Noah and Exodus (40 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-112

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 204 A (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Intersections of Biblical Interpretation and Practical Theology**

Yolanda Norton, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Wendy L. Patrick, Bethel Seminary (San Diego, CA)
The Modern “Face” of Scripture: Practical Theology through Social Media (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Kristopher Norris, University of Virginia and Samuel Speers, University of Virginia
A ‘Story-Formed Community’: The Bible and Politics at Ebenezer Baptist Church (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Barbara Leung Lai, Tyndale University College and Seminary (Ontario)
Text and Praxis: Embracing Tensions, Engaging Life (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jeannine Brown, Bethel Seminary (San Diego, CA) and Steven Sandage, Boston University
Welcome and Difference in Interdisciplinary Conversation (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-113

SBL Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 32 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Difficult Reputations in Media and Memory: The Work of Gary Fine**

Gary Alan Fine (Professor of Sociology, Northwestern University) has drawn attention to “difficult reputations,” the dynamics of and debates over the memory of figures such as Joseph McCarthy and Warren Harding. The social dynamics of remembering and invoking ambiguous and/or villainous figures differ from the use of heroic reputations. Sometimes the differences are striking. In this invited panel, Fine presents his social theory of reputation-making, followed by responses that suggest potential applications of Fine’s reputation research to texts from second-temple and Rabbinic Judaism and early Christianity. This discussion advances the recent interest in social memory research and its potential for historical questions pertaining to ancient Judaism and Christian origins.

Rafael Rodriguez, Johnson University, Presiding

Gary Fine, Northwestern University
Difficult Reputations (60 min)

Break (5 min)

Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta, Respondent (15 min)

Tom Thatcher, Cincinnati Christian University, Respondent (15 min)

Rafael Rodriguez, Johnson University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S23-114

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 501 C (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **The “Implicit Ethics” of Biblical Texts: New Perspectives**

Volker Rabens, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Presiding

Ruben Zimmermann, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
How to Read Biblical Texts Ethically: The New Method of “Implicit Ethics” in Dealing with Biblical Ethics (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charles Cosgrove, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Respondent (25 min)



Discussion (5 min)
 Mary Mills, Liverpool Hope University, Respondent (25 min)
 Discussion (5 min)
 Peter Wick, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Member (10 min)
 Markus Zehnder, Universität Basel, Member (10 min)
 Ruben Zimmermann, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Respondent (15 min)
 Discussion (25 min)

S23-115

SBL Book of the Twelve Prophets Section / Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom H (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Wisdom in the Book of the Twelve**

Samuel Adams, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

Jutta Krispenz, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Introduction (15 min)

Mark Sneed, Lubbock Christian University
Inspired Sages: Massa' and the Confluence of Wisdom and Prophecy (15 min)

Rainer Kessler, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Amos and Wisdom (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Stuart Weeks, University of Durham
Why is there so little wisdom influence? (15 min)

Thomas Krüger, Universität Zürich
Theodicy, Wisdom, and Prophecy in the Book of Habakkuk (15 min)

Discussion (60 min)

S23-115a

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section / Development of Early Christian Theology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 17 A (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **Allegorical Interpreters and Their Critics**

This is one of two sessions on allegorical interpreters and interpretations.

This session is co-sponsored with the Development of Early Christian Theology Section

Kathryn Greene-McCreight, Episcopal Church at Yale, Presiding (5 min)

Jennie Grillo, Duke University
Reading Susanna allegorically (30 min)

Don Collett, Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry
Allegory and the nature of biblical referentiality: Proverbs 8:22-31 as 'other speaking' (30 min)

John C. Cavadini, University of Notre Dame
Allegory and Myth in Origen's Contra Celsum (30 min)

Peter Martens, Saint Louis University
Restraining Allegory: A Newly-Discovered "Antiochene" Criticism (30 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S23-116

SBL Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah Section / Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 33 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Understanding Ramat Rachel**

Mary Joan Leith, Stonehill College, Presiding

Oded Lipschits, Tel Aviv University
Ramat Rachel in the Persian Period: Between Archaeology, History and Text (30 min)

Liora Freud, Tel Aviv University
An Early Persian Pottery assemblage of Yehud jars from Ramat Rachel (30 min)

Yuval Gadot, Tel Aviv University
Economy, Society and Land Ownership: Jerusalem, Ramat Rachel and the Rural Hinterland during the Iron and Persian Periods (30 min)

S23-117

SBL Current Historiography and Ancient Israel and Judah Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 30 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Neo-Babylonian Imperial Provincial Policy in Assyria and the West**

Christopher Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Diana Edelman, Center for Advanced Study, Oslo
Neo-Babylonian Policy in Judah (30 min)

Yuval Levavi, University of Vienna
The Neo-Babylonian Empire: The Imperial Periphery as Seen from the Center (30 min)

Helen Dixon, North Carolina State University
Reconstructing Neo-Babylonian Policy in the Phoenician Levant (30 min)

Ernst Axel Knauf, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
The Neo-Babylonian "Empire" and Arabia (30 min)

Dan'el Kahn, University of Haifa
The Death of Josiah at Megiddo (30 min)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S23-117a

SBL David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom E (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Honoring the 2014 Award Winner: Guy Darshan**

We are pleased to announce that the 2014 David Noel Freedman Award for Excellence and Creativity in Hebrew Bible Scholarship has been awarded to Guy Darshan (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) for his paper entitled, “The Origins of the Foundation Stories Genre in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Eastern Mediterranean. Guy earned his Ph.D. at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2013). In 2014–2015 he will be a Harry Starr Fellow in Judaica at Harvard University. His recent articles have been published or are forthcoming in JBL, VT, and ZAW, and he has received several prestigious academic awards. He has been a member of SBL since 2012 and will attend the 2014 Annual Meeting in San Diego. Please join us in congratulating Guy for this honor. For more information about the award, please visit <http://www.sbl-site.org/membership/FreedmanAward.aspx>.

John Huddlestun, College of Charleston, Presiding

Guy Darshan, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Origins of the Foundation Stories Genre in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Eastern Mediterranean (30 min)

Jack Sasson, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (15 min)

Peter Machinist, Harvard University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-118

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 411 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **25 Years Later: Early Jewish Christian Relations Then and Now**

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Early Jewish Christian Relations group, panelists consider the state of the field then and now, and ask what has changed, what hasn't, and what should. Each panelist will speak for approximately 15 minutes, followed by general discussion for an hour.

Andrew Jacobs, Scripps College, Presiding

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Jeffrey Siker, Loyola Marymount University, Panelist

Ross Kraemer, Brown University, Panelist

Leonard Rutgers, Universiteit Utrecht, Panelist

Adele Reinhartz, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa, Panelist

Ra'anana Boustani, University of California-Los Angeles, Panelist

Susanna Drake, Macalester College, Panelist

Discussion (60 min)

S23-119

SBL Ecological Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 31 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Hebrew Bible Readings**

Laurie Braaten, Judson University (Elgin, Illinois), Presiding

Lubunga W'Ehusha, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Nature's Concern in the Law of Warfare: An Ecological Reading of Deuteronomy 20:19–20 (30 min)

Daniel J. Stulac, Duke University
Rethinking Suspicion of Isaiah 65:8–25 (30 min)

Micah D. Kiel, Saint Ambrose University
“Wild Animals Shall Devour Them”: Rewilding in the Bible and Today (30 min)

SungAe Ha, Graduate Theological Union
An Ecological Reading of the Divine Speech in the book of Job: wild animals as a critique of and an alternative to human civilization (30 min)

James Lee, International Theological Seminary
Ecological Collapse and Nebuchadnezzar's Loss of Humanity (30 min)

S23-120

SBL Economics in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 33 C (Upper level)

Theme: **The Financialization of Public Discourse and Critically Rereading Biblical Texts**

Charles McDaniel, Baylor
Financialization and the Emerging Monopoly on Public Discourse: A Biblical Perspective? (30 min)

Marvin Chaney, San Francisco Theological Seminary (emeritus) and the Graduate Theological Union (emeritus), Panelist (10 min)

Ellen Davis, Duke University, Panelist (10 min)

Roger Nam, George Fox University, Panelist (10 min)

Diana Swancutt, Boston University, Panelist (10 min)

Neil Elliott, Fortress Press, Panelist (10 min)

Discussion (60 min)

Ronald Simkins, Creighton University, Presiding

S23-121

SBL Formation of Luke-Acts Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center – Room 24 C (Upper level)

Theme: **Book Review: Jason D. BeDuhn's The First New Testament: Marcion's Scriptural Canon**

This session examines Jason BeDuhn's new book on Marcion and his scriptural canon (Polebridge, 2013). A fresh look at the circumstances surrounding canon content and formation, BeDuhn's book upends some long-standing claims about Luke.

Patricia Walters, Rockford University, Presiding (5 min)

Richard Pervo, Saint Paul, Minnesota USA, Introduction (20 min)



Clare Rothschild, Lewis University, Panelist (20 min)
 Mikael Winnige, Umeå Universitet, Panelist (20 min)
 Eric Scherbenske, Rochester, New York USA, Panelist (20 min)
 Jason D. BeDuhn, Northern Arizona University, Respondent (20 min)
 Discussion (15 min)

S23-122

SBL Global Education and Research Technology Section / Bible Translation Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom E (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Reaching the 21st-Century Frontier: Cutting-Edge Bible Translation**

Marlon Winedt, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Reinier de Blois, United Bible Societies

Paratext: Software for Bible Translators –Staying Close to the Cutting Edge (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Andi Wu, Global Bible Initiative

Bible Translations as a Knowledge Base for Data-Mining (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology

Rhizomatic Encounters: Translation Resources and New Media Epistemologies (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Gilles Gravelle, The Seed Company

Bible Translation and the Web: a twenty-First Century Rearrangement (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Stephen Fierbaugh, The Seed Company

Emerging ICT Trends Affecting Progressive Publication of Newly Translated Scripture (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-123

SBL Gospel of Luke Section / Christian Apocrypha Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom I (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **In memory of François Bovon**

Mikeal Parsons, Baylor University, Presiding

David Warren, Faulkner University

A Biographical Sketch of François Bovon (15 min)

Brent Landau, University of Texas at Austin

Blurred Lines: Apocryphal Additions to New Testament Manuscripts (25 min)

Claire Clivaz, Université de Lausanne

NT manuscripts as “beyond categories” objects : thinking about the death of Jesus as object of reprobation (25 min)

Andrew Gregory, University of Oxford

Useful for the soul? In dialogue with François Bovon on the early reception of Luke (25 min)

Michal Beth Dinkler, Yale Divinity School

‘The Thoughts of Many Hearts Shall Be Revealed’: Listening in on Lucan Interior Monologues (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S23-125

SBL Hebrew Bible and Philosophy Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 5 B (Upper level)

Theme: **The Relationship between the Hebrew Bible and Philosophy**

Yoram Hazony, The Herzl Institute, Presiding

Robin Parry, Wipf and Stock Publishers

Plato, the Hebrew Bible, and the Goodness of the Body (25 min)

Jaco Gericke, North-West University (South Africa)

A philosophical perspective on theological “Why?”-questions in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Dru Johnson, The King’s College (New York City)

What are we to do with the Hebrew Bible’s resistance to metaphysics? (25 min)

Jeff Helmreich, University of California—Irvine

The Triumph of Love over Legalism: An Interpretation of Biblical Morality (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Other (25 min)

S23-126

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 21 (Upper level)

Lynn Kaye, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch), Presiding

Bernie Hodkin, Jewish Theological Seminary of America

“Men of Force and Rhetoric:” Roman Imperial Ideology and the Development of Palestinian Rabbinic Ideology (25 min)

Thomas W. Dilbeck, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion

Elijah the Hero: A Comparison of Depictions of Elijah in Classical Rabbinic Texts and Philostratus’ Heroikos (25 min)

Sara Ronis, Yale University

Space, Place, and the Race for Power: Rabbis, Demons, and the Construction of Babylonia (25 min)

Richard Kalmin, Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

P23-127

International Organization for Septuagint and Cognate Studies

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 30 E (Upper level)

Theme: **SBL Commentary on the Septuagint**

Jan Joosten, Université de Strasbourg, Presiding

Larry Perkins, Trinity Western University
The Greek Translator's Portrayal of Aaron in Exodus 32 and Other Relevant Contexts (30 min)

Cameron Boyd-Taylor, Trinity Western University
A Tale of Two Eunuchs: Towards an SBLCS Commentary on Esther A.12-17 and 2:19-23 (30 min)

Leonard Greenspoon, Creighton University and Michael N. van der Meer, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Expanding boundaries: An Investigation of the Northern Tribal Allotment According to Josh 19:10-39 on the Interface of Textual Criticism, Translation, and Commentary (30 min)

Claude Cox, McMaster Divinity College
The text of Old Greek Job: A History of Its Transmission (30 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-128

SBL Inventing Christianity Consultation

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 16 A (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **Christian Identity in the Writings of Tertullian**

Carly Daniel-Hughes, Concordia University - Université Concordia

Deciphering Religious Dress in Roman North Africa: Tertullian on the Clothing of Christians and Rival Cults (30 min)

Jason Robert Combs, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Dreaming Christian: Tertullian's Epiphanies and the Construction of Pagan/Christian Identity (30 min)

David E. Wilhite, Baylor University
Were There Marcionites in North Africa? Tertullian's Rhetorical Construct of Heretical Identity (30 min)

Stephanie Cobb, University of Richmond, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

David Eastman, Ohio Wesleyan University, Presiding

S23-129

SBL Josephus Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 311 B (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Josephus and his geographies**

Jan van Henten, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding

Chris Seeman, Walsh University
Confession and Deception in Josephus' Samaritan Ethno-Geography (30 min)

Michael Avioz, Bar-Ilan University
The Geographical information in Josephus' Retelling of the Books of Samuel (30 min)

Kenneth Atkinson, University of Northern Iowa
Josephus's Portrayals of Geography as Sacred Space and Hasmonean Territorial Expansion in the War and Antiquities (30 min)

Davina Grojnowski, King's College London
As easy as 1-2-3? Seeing Jerusalem through the Eyes of Josephus (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

P23-130

Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom A (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Feminist Biblical Studies in the 20th Century**

This session celebrates and reflect upon the publication of Feminist Studies in the 20th Century in the landmark encyclopedia series The Bible and Women published in 22 volumes in four languages. This volume focuses on the historic global emergence of feminist biblical studies in the 20th century as a part of the women's movement in religion and as an academic discipline.

Melanie Johnson-DeBaufre, Drew University, Presiding (10 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Member

Susanne Scholz, Southern Methodist University, Member

Cynthia Baker, Bates College, Member

Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies, Member

Yak-Hwee Tan, Council for World Mission, Member

Denise Buell, Williams College, Member

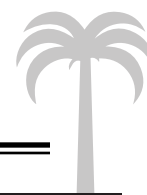
Joseph Marchal, Ball State University, Member

Monica Melanchthon, United Faculty of Theology, Member

Elisabeth Schüssler Fiorenza, Harvard University, Member

Judith Plaskow, Manhattan College, Member

Zayn Kassam, Pomona College, Member

**S23-131****SBL Letters of James, Peter, and Jude Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – C (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **New Insights into the Letters of James, Peter, and Jude**

Mariam Kamell, Regent College, Presiding

Katie Girsch, University of Durham
"Begotten with Imperishable Seed": Ethnicity and Procreative Imagery in 1 Peter 1 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Colin H. Yuckman, Duke Divinity School
When Indicatives Become Imperative: The Indigenizing Function of 1 Peter's Uncited Use of the Old Testament (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Janette H. Ok, Princeton Theological Seminary
Honorary Ethnics: Contesting and Subverting Christian Stigma through the Construction of Ethnic Identity in 1 Peter (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Douglas Holm, Trinity College/University of Bristol
Vindication or Conversion? The Meaning and Implications of "Glorify God on the Day of Visitation" in 1 Peter 2:12 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Susanne Luther, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
The Structure of James: New Light on an Old Question? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

P23-132**National Association of Professors of Hebrew**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 501 A (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **Book Discussion, D. Rudolph and J. Willitts, eds., Introduction to Messianic Judaism (Zondervan 2013)**

This session is presented in Memory of Mishael M. Caspi.

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College, Presiding (5 min)

David Rudolph, Messianic Jewish Theological Institute and Joel Willitts, North Park University
The Renewed Perspective: Post-Supersessionism: A Hermeneutical Course Correction 1700 Years in the Making (20 min)

Mark S. Kinzer, Messianic Jewish Theological Institute
21st Century Messianic Judaism: Evangelical and Post-Evangelical Trajectories (25 min)

Isaac W. Oliver, Bradley University
Messianic Jews and the Early Jewish Followers of Jesus (25 min)

Yaakov Ariel, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
An Intellectual and Theological Coming of Age: Messianic Judaism at the Turn of the 21st Century (25 min)

Zev Garber, Los Angeles Valley College
Response to D. Rudolph and J. Willitts, eds., Introduction to Messianic Judaism (Zondervan 2013) (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

P23-133**National Association of Professors of Hebrew**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 28 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Subtle Citation, Allusion, and Translation in the Hebrew Bible: Evidence, Evaluation, and Implications — Session 1**

Ziony Zevit, American Jewish University, Presiding

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Echoes of Texts Past (15 min)

Jeffery M. Leonard, Samford University
Identifying Inner-Biblical Allusions: Problems and Promise in the Historical Psalms (25 min)

Marc Zvi Brettler, Brandeis University
The "Historical Psalms" and their Sources (25 min)

Jonathan G. Kline, Harvard University
Problematizing Psalms and Proverbs: Extended Allusions in the Book of Job (25 min)

Michael B. Shepherd, Louisiana College
Inner-Biblical Exegesis and Intertexts (25 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S23-134**SBL Papyrology and Early Christian Backgrounds Section**

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Convention Center – Room 28 E (Upper level)

Theme: **Didymus the Blind and the Tourah Papyri**

Malcolm Choat, Macquarie University, Presiding

Roger T. Macfarlane, Brigham Young University
Re-collection of Tourah Codex V, Didymos and its Codicology (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Gregg Schwendner, Wichita State University
WORKING MEMORY AND SCRIBAL PROCESS IN P^sT of Didymus the Blind (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Lincoln H. Blumell, Brigham Young University
Didymus the Blind as Biblical Commentator: Didymus' Exegesis of Psalms 26:10–29:1 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Michael R. Trotter, Brigham Young University
"The New Testament Text of Didymus the Blind in Tourah Codex V: Psalms 26:10–29:1" (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S23-134a

SBL Pauline Soteriology Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom H (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Righteousness/Justice in Paul**

Michael Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University, Presiding

Beverly Roberts Gaventa, Baylor University
Righteousness/Justice in Paul: The View from Romans (35 min)

Martin de Boer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - VU University
Amsterdam
*Righteousness/Justice in Paul: A Comparison of Galatians with
Romans (35 min)*

Break (10 min)

Nathan Eubank, Notre Dame Seminary, Graduate School of
Theology, Respondent (15 min)

Willie Jennings, Duke University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-136

SBL Pentateuch Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 11 A (Upper level)

Bruce Wells, Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA), Presiding

Kerry Lee, Independent Researcher
The Portrayal of Ritual in Genesis 48 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Itamar Kislev, University of Haifa
*Joshua (and Caleb) in the Priestly Spies Story and the Appearance of
Joshua in the Priestly Source (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Dominik Markl, Pontificio Istituto Biblico
*Who Are 'Your Fathers' in Deut 30:5? On Narrative Frame Breaks,
Reader Communication, and Pragmatics in Deuteronomy (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Kirsten M. Schäfers, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
*Divine Wrath and Human Zeal. Num 25:11–13 and Its Context
Reconsidered (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

Anna Angelini, Lausanne University
*Functions and Provenance of Deuteronomy 32: A comparison between
the Greek and Hebrew Text (25 min)*

Discussion (5 min)

S23-137

SBL Performance Criticism of Biblical and Other Ancient Texts Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom L (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Orality and Performance of Ancient Texts**

Lee Johnson, East Carolina University, Presiding

Kathy R. Maxwell, Palm Beach Atlantic University
*At the Intersection of Written Text and Oral Performance: There and
Back Again (30 min)*

Shem Miller, Florida State University
*The Pedagogical Performance of Sapiential Literature in the Yaʿad
Movement (30 min)*

James Hanson, Saint Olaf College
*Becoming Paul: Oral Performance and the "Center" of Paul's Thought
(30 min)*

Sherri Brown, Niagara University
*What's in an Ending? John 21 and the Performative Force and an
Epilogue (30 min)*

Reinhard G. Lehmann, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz
*Form Follows Function. A Calligraphic Approach to Oral Performance
in Northwest Semitic Epigraphs (30 min)*

S23-138

SBL Q Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom D (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Q's Difference: Social Context and Rhetorical Function**

This session explores the difference of Q, that is, its place within constructions of Christian origins and early Judaism, engaging basic questions about the document's social context and rhetorical function, and whether Q represents the views of a "Q Community".

Dieter Roth, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Presiding

Robyn Faith Walsh, Brown University / University of Miami
Q and the 'Big Bang' Theory of Christian Origins (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Harry Fleddermann, Alverno College
*Christian Apocalyptic Eschatology in Q and the Origin of the Gospel
Genre (25 min)*

Discussion (10 min)

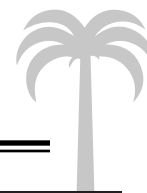
Break (10 min)

Sarah E. Rollens, University of Alabama
Reflections on Q and Scribalism (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University
*Q, Divine "Kingdom", and the Political Theology of Bureaucrats (25
min)*

Discussion (10 min)



S23-139

SBL Redescriving Early Christianity Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom D (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Evolutionary and Cognitive Approaches to Early Christianity**

Erin Roberts, University of South Carolina, Presiding

Risto Uro, University of Helsinki

Explicit and implicit religious knowledge in the study of early Christianity (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Istvan Czachesz, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
Cognitive science and network theory in the study of early Christian origins (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Anders Klostergaard Petersen, Department for the Study of Religion, University of Aarhus
The Early Christ–Movement from a Cultural Evolutionary Perspective (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Petri Luomanen, University of Helsinki
Towards an evolutionary account of the formation of Christian identity (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S23-140

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section / Qumran Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 29 D (Upper level)

Theme: **Religious Experience and the Sectarian Texts from Qumran**

Daniel Falk, University of Oregon, Presiding

Samuel Thomas, California Lutheran University
How We Think They Thought: Cognitive Anthropology, Ritual Studies, and the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Maxine Grossman, University of Maryland - College Park
Religious Experience and the Discipline of Imagination: Tanya Lubrman Meets the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Angela Kim Harkins, Marie Curie Fellow, U. Birmingham
The Memory of the Teacher in the Admonition Section of the CD and the Formation of a Collective Consciousness (25 min)

Ari Mermelstein, Yeshiva University
The Yabad as a Religious Emotional Regime (25 min)

Judith H. Newman, University of Toronto
Embodied Techniques: The Formation of the Maskil's Self in Liturgical Performance (25 min)

Thomas Csordas, University of California, San Diego
Respondent: Religious Experience in Qumran (15 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-141

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 202 B (Level 2 (Indigo))

Soham Al-Suadi, Universität Bern - Université de Berne, Presiding
Rodney A. Werline, Barton College
Ritual, Order and the Construction of an Audience in 1 Enoch 1-36 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jason T. Lamoreaux, Texas A&M University
Ritual, Media, and Conflict in Pauline Communities (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen McBay, University of Manchester
Ephesians, Braided Narrative, and Ritual Pattern (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jade Weimer, University of Toronto
Una Voce Dicentes: The Ritual Significance of Singing With One Voice in Early Christian Assemblies (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Group Discussion

Jonathan Schwiebert, Lenoir-Rhyne University, Panelist (30 min)

S23-142

SBL Sabbath in Text and Tradition Seminar

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 7 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Constructing, Reconstructing, and Deconstructing the Sabbath I**

Edward Allen, Union College, Presiding

Charles Huff, University of Chicago
Sabbath and Punishment in P (30 min)

Daniel Timmer, University of Sudbury, Respondent (10 min)

Ken Brown, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
The Sabbath and Festivals in the Gospel of John: Against the Replacement Paradigm (30 min)

Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary, Respondent (10 min)

Michael Rosenberg, Hebrew College
Virginity, Sexual Violence, and the Sabbath: the Sabbath as a Day of Ideal Behavior (30 min)

Response

Discussion (30 min)

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S23-143

SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 502 B (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **Sacred Space and Sacrificial Rituals or Discourses in Ancient Israel/Judaism in Historical and Comparative Context**

The goal of this session is to investigate the connection between private or public sanctuary space and a variety of sacrificial rituals in actual ritual practice or sacrificial discourse. Contributions may address these religious traditions individually or in comparative perspective.

Stephen Finlan, Mathewson Street UMC, Presiding

B. J. Parker, Baylor University

The Priestly Polyphony: Suffering and the Day of Atonement in Leviticus 16 (30 min)

Henrietta L. Wiley, Notre Dame of Maryland University
Holy Fire, Divine Encounter: the Consecration of Space in Two Biblical Narratives (30 min)

Naphtali Meshel, Princeton University
Bellying Buffalo and Other Grammars (30 min)

Jason R Tatlock, Armstrong Atlantic State University
Questioning the Legitimacy of Sacrifice in Israelite and Hindu Tradition (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-144

SBL Senses and Culture in the Biblical World Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 17 B (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **Less Studied Senses**

Ever since Aristotle elevated vision and audition to the top of the sensorium, the “lower” senses have received much less scholarly attention, even though they are highly valued in some cultures. The papers on this panel treat one or more of the less studied senses (taste, touch, olfaction, kinaesthesia, proprioception) and relate the sense(s) under study to larger questions, such as social order, cosmology, cognition, embodiment, or cultural values.

Dominika Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University, Presiding (5 min)

Greg Schmidt Goering, University of Virginia
Competing Gustatory Regimes in the Book of Proverbs (25 min)

Seth A. Bledsoe, Florida State University
The Bitter Weight of Wisdom: Sensory Experience and Social Status in the Aramaic Book of Abiqar (25 min)

Nathalie LaCoste, University of Toronto
“Physical” Education: Metaphors of the Body in Ben Sira (25 min)

Peter Anthony Mena, Drew University
Scenting Saintliness: The Ailing Body and the Desert Community in Christian Hagiography (25 min)

Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University
Desiring the Manuscript: Reading the Flesh-and-Book Song of Songs (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-145

SBL Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 400 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Alicia Batten, Conrad Grebel University College, Presiding (5 min)

Callie Callon, University of Toronto
Humorous Invective as a Component of Persuasion in Early Christianity (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Ryan Olfert, University of Toronto
Trouble Getting In: 3 John in light of Greco-Roman Associations (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Seungwoo Shim, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Evidence of Market Economy and Economic Rationality in the Gospel of Luke: Initial Proposal (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (5 min)

Matt O’Reilly, University of Gloucestershire
Resurrection or Destruction? Social Identity and Time in Philippians 3 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Scott Ryan, Baylor University
Insecurity, Wrath, and the God of Hope: Reading Paul’s Apocalyptic Gospel in the Roman World (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (15 min)

P23-146

Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions / Greco-Roman Religions Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 410 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

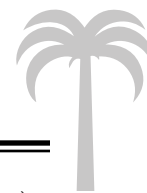
Theme: **Rethinking Conversion in Graeco-Roman Antiquity.**

Eric Orlin, University of Puget Sound, Presiding

Zeba Crook, Carleton University
“What Have You Done For Me Lately?”: Patronage and Conversion in the Ancient Mediterranean.” (30 min)

Nicola Denzey, Brown University
“I Cannot Be Other Than What I Am” (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)



S23-147**SBL Systematic Transformation and Interweaving of Scripture in 1 Corinthians Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 310 B (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Paul and the Law in 1 Corinthians**

Erik Waaler, NLA University College, Presiding

Brian Rosner, Ridley Melbourne
Paul and the Law in 1 Corinthians (30 min)

Frank Thielman, Beeson Divinity School, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

A. Andrew Das, Elmhurst College, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Linda Belleville, Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (45 min)

P23-148**The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA)**

9:00 AM–12:00 PM

Convention Center – Room 24 C (Upper level)

Theme: **Bible, Qur'an, and Jewish Traditions**

Cornelia Horn, Catholic University of America, Presiding

Hamza M. Zafer, University of Washington
*Jonah and the Ninevites: Prophecy to Communal Outsiders in the Qur'an (25 min)*Emad Botros, McMaster Divinity College
*The Recalcitrant Prophet: Jonah Between the Qur'an and the Hebrew Bible Traditions (25 min)*Michael Pregill, Elon University
*Another Brick in the Wall: The Intertwining of Biblical and Quranic Exegesis in Islamicate Midrash (25 min)*Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch)
*Shabbat Violation in Qur'anic Discourse (25 min)*Holger Zellentin, University of Nottingham
The Qur'an and Rabbinic Judaism: "Mecca" and "Medina" between Palestine and Babylonia (25 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-149**SBL Theological Interpretation of Scripture Seminar**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 8 (Upper level)

Theme: **Bultmann and Theological Interpretation Today**What is the significance of Rudolf Bultmann for contemporary theological interpretation? The presenters in this session are all contributors to *Beyond Bultmann: Theology of the New Testament Afresh*, edited by Bruce Longenecker and Mikeal Parsons (Baylor University Press, 2014).

Joel Green, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Bruce Longenecker, Baylor University, Introduction (5 min)

John M. G. Barclay, Durham University
Interpretation, not Repetition: Bultmann on Paul (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Richard B. Hays, The Divinity School, Duke University
The Erasure of Israel in Bultmann's Theology of Paul (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Francis Watson, Durham University
From Demythologizing to Narrative? (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Angela Standhartinger, Philipps-Universität Marburg
Does Context Matter in Theological Interpretation? Some Observations in Connection with Bultmann's "Theology of the New Testament" (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-150**SBL Theological Perspectives on the Book of Ezekiel Section**

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 300 B (Level 3 (Aqua))

Michael Lyons, Simpson University, Presiding

Daniel Bodi, Université Paris 8 Vincennes à Saint-Denis - University of Paris 8
The Prophet Ezekiel as the Guardian of the Love Relationship between Yhwh and his Wife Jerusalem (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

John T. Strong, Missouri State University
Ezekiel: A Disciple of Isaiah (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Penelope Barter, University of St Andrews
Sabbath Innovation in Ezekiel 20 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Anthony J. Pagliarini, University of Notre Dame
De-Instrumentalizing the Law: The Function of Torah Obedience within Ezekiel's Theocentric Vision of Restoration. (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

Electronic copies of the papers may be requested from Madhavi Nevader at mn47@st-andrews.ac.uk

Sunday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S23-151

SBL Use, Influence, and Impact of the Bible Section

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Hilton Bayfront – E (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Commentary and other ways of reading**

William Lamb, Westcott House, Presiding

Ronald L. Troxel, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Commenting on the Book of Joel (30 min)

Bradford A. Anderson, Mater Dei Institute, Dublin City
University

Situating Obadiah: Textual and Visual Perspectives on the Context of a (Very) Minor Prophet (30 min)

Justin A. Mihoc, University of Durham
Liturgical and Iconographical Reception of Acts 1-5 (30 min)

Robyn J. Whitaker, University of Chicago
Pushing the Boundaries: Dürer's Apocalypse Woodcuts as a New Form of (Visual) Commentary (30 min)

Charles E. Shepherd, University of Durham
Prolegomenon or Conclusio? Cyril of Alexandria, Robert Lowth, and the Ideology of Commentary (30 min)

P23-151a

Westar Institute

9:00 AM–11:30 AM

Convention Center – Room 20BC (Upper level)

Theme: **Public Lecture 1**

This lecture is designed for a broad, non-specialist public. It is part of Westar's mission to communicate with the general public about religious issues that matter to the wider culture. Members of the public and AAR/SBL attendees are all welcome to attend. The \$40 lecture fee can be paid at the door or online at westarinstitute.org/national-meetings/fall-2014-lectures/.

Hal Taussig (Ph.D. The Union Institute) is Professor of Early Christianity at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College and an ordained United Methodist pastor on special assignment by his bishop. For the past fifteen years, he has served as visiting Professor of New Testament at Union Theological Seminary in New York. Taussig is the editor of the award-winning *A New New Testament* (2013), and author of fourteen books, including *In the Beginning Was the Meal* (2009), *A New Spiritual Home* (2006) and *Jesus before God* (1999).

Lane McGaughy, Willamette University, Presiding

Hal Taussig, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York

S23-152

SBL Review of Biblical Literature Editorial Board

9:30 AM–10:30 AM

Marriott Marquis – SBL Suite

S23-153

SBL Student Advisory Board

10:00 AM–12:00 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 206 (Level 2 (Indigo))

P23-201

African Association for the Study of Religions

12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 29 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Book Review: For Freedom or Bondage? A Critique of African Pastoral Practices by Esther E. Acolatse**

Joint session with the Christian Theological Research Fellowship.

Kwabena Asamoah Gyadu, Trinity Theological Seminary, Ghana, Panelist

Sarah Coakley, University of Cambridge, Panelist

Michael J. McClymond, Saint Louis University, Panelist

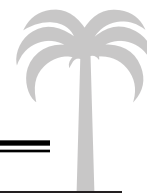
Esther Acolatse, Duke University, Respondent

S23-202

SBL Bible Odyssey Editorial Board

12:00 PM–1:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 16 B (Mezzanine level)



Sunday, 1:00 PM–2:30 PM

S23-203

SBL “Who Do You Say I Am?”: Scholarship and Social Activism

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom D (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Hosted by the Student Advisory Board**

In today’s world, the academic world is often perceived as detached from political and policy conversations in this country. This panel features prominent scholars in the field of biblical studies who balance academic research with social justice concerns. The speakers will speak to graduate students and young scholars about successfully navigating the world of academia while maintaining their passion for engaging contemporary issues. While each speaker will tailor their remarks to their particular experiences and viewpoints around these issues, they have been asked to think about the professional aspect of maintaining these commitments. Questions which will be important for our speakers to address include the process of translating academic research for a popular audience and the role of a scholar in raising awareness of issues of social injustice. Forming young scholars who can articulate the ways that contemporary injustice motivates historical and biblical inquiry promises to allow for greater contact between the university and our larger society.

Tat-siong Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross, Panelist (10 min)

Mitzi Smith, Ashland Theological Seminary, Panelist (10 min)

Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, Panelist (10 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist (10 min)

Dale Martin, Yale University, Panelist (10 min)

Joseph Marchal, Ball State University, Panelist (10 min)

S23-204

SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 6 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Motivation and Learning in Biblical Studies (Panel Discussion)**

This session will begin with a panel presentation of the major ideas of Daniel Pink’s Book “Drive: The Surprising Truth about What Motivates Us.” The session will then provide ample time for participants to discuss potential applications of motivation principles to our Biblical Studies courses. For an introduction to Daniel Pink’s ideas, see: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u6XAPnuFjjc>

Suzanne Henderson, Greensboro, North Carolina USA, Presiding

Suzanne Henderson, Greensboro, North Carolina USA, Panelist

Richard Newton, Claremont Graduate University, Panelist

Renate Hood, University of Mary Hardin–Baylor, Panelist

Taylor Halverson, Brigham Young University, Panelist

Adam Porter, Illinois College, Panelist

Donald Polaski, Randolph–Macon College, Panelist

Jimmy Givens, Wayland Baptist University, Panelist

G. Lester, Garrett–Evangelical Theological Seminary, Panelist

S23-204a

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton Bayfront – E (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Bible, Power, and Wealth in Africa**

Dorothy Akoto, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding

Robert Wafawanaka, Virginia Union University

The Bible, Power, and Wealth in Africa: A Critique of the Prosperity Gospel in Sub-Saharan Africa (40 min)

Hulisani Ramantswana, University of South Africa, Respondent (30 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-205

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Convention Center – Room 30 E (Upper level)

Chloe Sun, Logos Evangelical Seminary, Presiding (5 min)

Andrew Giorgetti, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)

In the Service of the King: Chinese Court Tales, the Book of Daniel, and Presumption of Resistance (25 min)

Lee, Jae-Hee, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

An Asian Feminist Reading of Philippians with the Method of “Continental Self-reference” (25 min)

Ekaputra Tupamahu, Vanderbilt University

Reading Pauline Concept of Hyiothesia in Conversation with the Indonesian Concept of Pela Gandong (25 min)

Baek Hee Kim, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Habakkuk, Man of Joy? The Reception History of the Book of Habakkuk in the Korean Church (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-206

SBL Bible and Visual Art Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 33 A (Upper level)

Heidi Hornik, Baylor University, Presiding

Luis Menéndez–Antuña, Vanderbilt University

The queer art of biblical reading (30 min)

Christine E. Joynes, University of Oxford

Sloppy Sowers and Peasant Power: Exploring Some Parabolic Pictures (30 min)

David B. Gowler, Emory University

“The Belated Return of the ‘Son’”: Thomas Hart Benton’s Prodigal Son (30 min)

Ela Nutu, University of Sheffield, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (20 min)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S23-207

SBL Bible in Secondary Schools Advisory Board

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 206 (Level 2 (Indigo))

S23-208

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 400 A (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Ethics in the Bible: Justice and Mercy? Or Justice vs. Mercy? Law and Love? Or Law vs. Love?**

Peter Wick, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Presiding

Markus Zehnder, Universität Basel, Presiding

J. Richard Middleton, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan College

Is God Fickle? The Theological Significance of Interpretive Conundrums in YHWH's Judgment on the Elide Priesthood (1 Samuel 2-3) (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Luke Ben Tallon, LeTourneau University

Forgiveness as the Image of the Merciful and Just God (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jens-Christian Maschmeier, Ruhr-Universität Bochum

The dynamic polarity between justice and mercy in the Gospel of Matthew (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Martin Webber, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit

Justice without Mercy or No Justice without Mercy? Comparing 1 Peter and James (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (2 min)

Sean F. Winter, University of Divinity, Melbourne

Paul's Ethics and Paul's Experience: Law and Love in Galatians (20 min)

Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State - Universiteit van die Vrystaat

Smuggling the law through the back door? The law and love in the ethics, ethos and identity of the Galatian community. (20 min)

Discussion (8 min)

S23-209

SBL Biblical Hebrew Poetry Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 313 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Open Session**

Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Presiding

Sarah Zhang, GETS Theological Seminary
Triplets in the Song of Songs (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rebecca Whitten Poe Hays, Baylor University

Divine Extortion and Polysemic Pivots: The Strategy of Complaint in Joel 2:12–17 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

May Young, Trinity International University

Correspondence Between the Acrostic Structure and Lineation in Lamentations (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marieke Dhont, Université Catholique de Louvain

Changing Features in Translation. Chiasmus versus Symmetry in the Book of Job. (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Knut M. Heim, Trinity College Bristol

Common Exegetical Fallacies in the Interpretation of Biblical Psalms and Interpretive Strategies for Their Eradication (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S23-210

SBL Biblical Law Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 311 B (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Inner- and Extra-Biblical Connections to Pentateuchal Laws**

Shalom Holtz, Yeshiva University, Presiding

Richard E. Averbeck, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
The Egyptian Sojourn and Deliverance from Slavery in the Framing and Shaping of the Mosaic Law (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Melissa Ramos, University of California–Los Angeles

“You Shall Write on the Stones”: Deuteronomy 27 and the Inscripting of Ritual Curses (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Klaus Peter Adam, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Litigation and Feud. Conflict Settlement in the Law and in the Psalms. (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Alice Mandell, University of California–Los Angeles

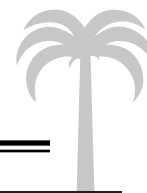
Oral Law and the ‘Adoption’ of the Adoption Formula in Biblical Literature (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Dale Patrick, Drake University

The Ethics of Biblical Law (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)



S23-211

SBL Biblical Lexicography Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 400 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Topics in Biblical Lexicography and Semantics**

Regine Hunziker-Rodewald, Université de Strasbourg, Presiding

Diana Abernethy, Duke University
Translation of the Colors of the Horses in Zechariah 1:8; 6-2-3; and 6:6 Based on Textual and Material Evidence (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Cody Eklov, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
The Distinction between the 'almanâ and the 'iššâ-'almanâ in the Hebrew Bible (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Paola Mollo, Università di Pisa
The DOR of king Hezekiah. An unusual occurrence of the word DOR in Isa 38:12 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Francis G.H. Pang, McMaster Divinity College
Two Kinds of Movement? An Evaluation of Recent Proposals Concerning the Classification of Movement Verbs. (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Yael Landman, Yeshiva University
On Lips and Tongues in Ancient Hebrew: A Semantic Analysis (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-212

SBL Book of Daniel Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 16 A (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **History of Interpretation of Daniel**

Amy Merrill Willis, Lynchburg College, Presiding

Brennan Breed, Columbia Theological Seminary
Daniel as Interpreted by Oppressor and Oppressed (25 min)

Bennie Reynolds, Millsaps College
The Words Are Closed Up and Sealed Till the Time of the End: The Book of Daniel in Evangelical America (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Anne E. Gardner, Monash University-Victoria Australia
From "Little Horn" (Dan 7:8) to Hollywood: The Transformation of an Ancient Image into Contemporary Horror (25 min)

Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-214

SBL Christian Theology and the Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Convention Center – Room 5 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Review of Michael Gorman, The Death of the Messiah and the Birth of the New Covenant: A (Not So) New Model of the Atonement (Wipf & Stock/Cascade)**

Stephen Fowl, Loyola University Maryland, Panelist (20 min)

Cherith Nordling, Northern Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Marianne Thompson, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Panelist (20 min)

John Wright, Point Loma Nazarene University, Panelist (20 min)

Michael Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University, Respondent (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-215

SBL Construction of Christian Identities Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom H (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **New Books and New Ideas.**

Coleman A. Baker, Brite Divinity School at TCU and J. Brian Tucker, Moody Theological Seminary-Michigan

Book Discussion of the T&T Clark Handbook to Social Identity in the New Testament (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Olegs Andrejevs, Lewis University
From Enoch to Jesus: Similarities between the Enochic worldview and Q (30 min)

Tim Wardle, Furman University
The Jesus Movement As A Jewish Sectarian Movement: The Gospel of Mark as a Case Study (30 min)

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S23-216

SBL Digital Humanities in Biblical, Early Jewish, and Christian Studies Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 202 B (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Digital Manuscript Studies**

David Hamidovic, Université de Lausanne, Presiding

Michael Stolz, University of Bern

The Transmission of Manuscripts and the Genetics of Texts. A new critical electronic edition of Wolfram von Eschenbach's Parzival (25 min)

Todd R. Hanneken, St. Mary's University, San Antonio

The Integration of Spectral and Reflectance Transformation Imaging Technologies (25 min)

F. W. Dobbs-Allsopp, Princeton Theological Seminary and Chris Hooker, Princeton Theological Seminary

Some Initial Reflections on XML Markup for an Image-Based Electronic Edition of the Brooklyn Museum Aramaic Papyri (25 min)

C. Thomas Fraatz, Boston College

Encoding Apocalypse and Empire: Online Editions of Revelation 17:1–18:24 and 21:1–22:7 and the Display of Intertextual Allusions (25 min)

Philip Sellow, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Resurrecting Early Christian Lives: Digging in Papyri in a Digital Age (25 min)

David A. Michelson, Vanderbilt University and Jeanne-Nicole Saint-Laurent, Marquette University

Using Linked Open Data to Explore Manuscript Collections: A Case Study from Syriaca.org (25 min)

S23-217

SBL Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 314 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Economic Aspects of the Ancient World**

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame, Presiding

Llewellyn Howes, University of Johannesburg

A Day in the Life of an Ancient Farm Worker (30 min)

Sharon Lea Mattila, University of Chicago

They Were Not Mainly "Peasants": Towards an Alternative View of Village Life in Greco-Roman Palestine and Egypt (30 min)

Facundo Daniel Troche, Alma Mater Studiorum Università di Bologna

The organization of the fishing industry in documentary papyri (30 min)

Nathan Schumer, Columbia University in the City of New York

Roman Money in Rabbinic Literature (30 min)

David Hollander, Iowa State University

Buyers and Borrowers: Rural Demand for Goods and Services in Roman Italy (30 min)

S23-218

SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 23 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Exile & Gender I**

Cynthia Chapman, Oberlin College, Presiding

Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews

'Pray God and Keep Walking': Exile and the Gendering of Religion (30 min)

Carolyn J. Sharp, Yale Divinity School

Gender and Subjectivity in Jeremiah 44 (30 min)

Lisbeth Fried, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

Intermarriage and Exile: The Threat of Foreign Influences (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-219

SBL Formation of Isaiah Section / Book of the Twelve Prophets Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 410 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Connections between Isaiah and the Book of the Twelve.**

Aaron Schart, Universität Duisburg-Essen, Presiding

Kay Weißfog, University of Halle

Isaiah and the Twelve: A Case Study Based on the Children's Names in Isa 7–8 and Hos 1–3 (30 min)

Friedhelm Hartenstein, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

The Nations Rising and Roaring: New insights into the Origins of a Central Motif of the Zion Traditions (30 min)

Marvin Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology

Swords Into Plowshares or Plowshares Into Swords? Isaiah and the Twelve in Intertextual Perspective (30 min)

Jacob Stromberg, Duke University

After Exile in Isaiah and the Twelve (30 min)

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen

The Role of the Gentiles in the Cult of YHWH in the concluding chapters of the Book of Isaiah and the Book of the Twelve (30 min)

S23-220

SBL Formation of Luke-Acts Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 501 C (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **Luke-Acts influenced by LXX, NT and Ancient Rhetoric**

Mikael Winninge, Umeå Universitet, Presiding

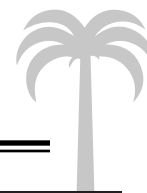
Holly Beers, Westmont College

The Servant and the Conclusions of Acts and Isaiah (25 min)

Pamela Shellberg, Bangor Theological Seminary

How Do the Gentiles Become "Acceptable"? Dektos as an Interpretive Key to Luke-Acts (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)



Troy Troftgruben, Wartburg Theological Seminary
Open Doors: The Legacy of an Ending (25 min)

Edward Pillar, University of Wales, Trinity Saint David
'Resurrection, kingship and decrees of the emperor' – recipe for an inevitable Thessalonian collision (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-221

SBL Gender, Sexuality, and the Bible Section / Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 25 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Honouring the Work of Dr. Halvor Moxnes**

Christina Petterson, Newcastle University, Australia, Introduction (10 min)

Leif Vaage, University of Toronto
The Money of the Kingdom: Economic Conflict and Social Relations in Halvor Moxnes' Better Gospel (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Giovanni Bazzana, Harvard University
The Economics of Basileia in Luke-Acts according to Halvor Moxnes (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Philip Esler, University of Gloucestershire
Halvor Moxnes and the Social-Scientific Interpretation of the New Testament: An Appreciation (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Marianne Kartzow, Universitetet i Oslo
Talkative Bodies: Slaves as Gossipers, News Bearers and Fortune-Tellers in New Testament Texts (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jorunn Økland, Universitetet i Oslo, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-223

SBL Historical Jesus Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 502 A (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **Open session**

James Crossley, University of Sheffield, Presiding

Daniel Frayer-Griggs, Duquesne University
By What Authority Do You Do These Things? The Origin of Jesus' Reputation as Healer (30 min)

Steven Thompson, Avondale College
Did Jesus, in the memory of his earliest followers, ever nurse the sick? (30 min)

Annette Merz, University of Tilburg
Which types of knowledge do the parables of Jesus presuppose? (30 min)

Todd Brewer, University of Durham
The Necessity of Narrative: Comparing the Parable of the Lost Sheep in Matthew, Luke and Thomas (30 min)

Stephen J. Patterson, Willamette University
What Did John Teach Jesus? (30 min)

S23-224

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section / Religious World of Late Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom I (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Wealth: Theology, Social Vision, and Self-Fashioning from the Bible to Late Antiquity**

Carol Bakhos, University of California-Los Angeles, Presiding
Gary Anderson, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (25 min)

Alyssa Gray, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Panelist (25 min)

Ariel Lopez, Rhodes College, Panelist (25 min)

Reuven Firestone, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch), Panelist (25 min)

Michele Salzman, University of California-Riverside, Panelist (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S23-224a

SBL International Meeting Program Committee

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Boardroom (Level 4 (Sapphire))

S23-225

SBL Intertextuality in the New Testament Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 204 A (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Varieties of Intertextual Methods**

Erik Waaler, NLA University College, Presiding

B. J. Oropeza, Azusa Pacific University
A Covenant Sealed in the Core of Clay Jar: Intertextual Reconfigurations of Jeremiah in 2 Corinthians 1–7 (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Liz Myers, unaffiliated
Assessing the Direction of Intertextual Borrowing between New Testament Books: A New Methodology and Application to 1 Peter and Hebrews (30 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (5 min)

Joseph Ryan Kelly, Southern Seminary
A Discipline by Any Other Name? - Intertextuality, Inner-Biblical Exegesis, Echoes, and Allusion (30 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S23-226

SBL Israelite Prophetic Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 411 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Open Session**

This session features papers on a variety of topics germane to the study of ancient Israelite prophecy and prophetic literature.

Rannfrid Thelle, Wichita State University, Presiding

Anna E. Sieges, Baylor University
Scribalism and the Micah Prophecies: A Fresh look at the Formation of Prophetic Literature (30 min)

Cesar Melgar, Graduate Theological Union
Surviving Words: A Dialogical Reading of Jeremiah 36 (30 min)

Nathan Mastnjak, University of Chicago
The Covenant with Assyria in Isaiah 28 (30 min)

Abraham Berkovitz, Princeton University
Healing a Broken Relationship: The Meaning of ??? in Hosea, Isaiah and Jeremiah (30 min)

Mari Joerstad, Duke University
As for you, Do not Pray on Behalf of This People": Intercession, Deception and Shalom in the Book of Jeremiah (30 min)

S23-227

SBL Jewish Christianity / Christian Judaism Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 204 B (Level 2 (Indigo))

F. Stanley Jones, California State University - Long Beach, Presiding (5 min)

Judith Gundry, Yale Divinity School
"Junia ... Prominent among the Apostles" (Rom 16:7), Paul, "the Least of the Apostles" (1 Cor 15:9): Equality or Hierarchy of Jewish Christian Apostles? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Patricia Duncan, University of Chicago
"Justa" and the Borders of Piety in the Pseudo-Clementine "Homilies" (25 min)

Break (10 min)

Hugo Mendez, Yale Institute of Sacred Music, Yale University
Stylistic Preposition/Case Alternation in Luke 1.55 and the Original Language of the Magnificat (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

SANG-IL LEE, Chongshin University
Linguistic Identity of the Jerusalem Church: A Sociolinguistic Approach (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S23-228

SBL Megilloth Consultation

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 300 A (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Gender, Ethnicity, and Identity in the Megilloth**

Andrew Davis, Boston College, Presiding

Orit Avnery, Shalem College and Shalom Hartman Institute
Ruth and Esther: Two Women, Two Works, Two Worlds, One Challenge (30 min)

Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Gendered Identity as Vehicle for Cultural Expectations (30 min)

Janelle Peters, Lake Superior State University
Permanent and Temporary Ethnicity in the Esther Scroll (30 min)

Mayer Gruber, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
A Male Speaker's Obsession with the Feminine: the Strange Case of Lamentations 3 (30 min)

Megan Fullerton Strollo, Union Presbyterian Seminary
Initiative and Agency: Towards a Theology of the Megilloth (30 min)

S23-229

SBL Midrash Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 305 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Steven Sacks, Cornell College, Presiding

Steven Sacks, Cornell College
Israel and the Angels: Emulation, Rivalry and Embodiment (10 min)

Miika Ahuvia, University of Washington, Seattle
Rabbis, Authority, and the Angels (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

David L. Everson, Xavier University
Angels in Targum Pseudo Jonathan and Post-Talmudic Midrash (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (15 min)

Business Meeting (45 min)

S23-229a

SBL Minoritized Criticism and Biblical Interpretation Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 7 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Reading in These Times: Migration, Economics, and Militarization**

Leticia Guardiola-Sáenz, Seattle University, Presiding

Margaret Oget, Interdenominational Theological Center, Panelist (15 min)

Jin Young Choi, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Panelist (15 min)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Panelist (15 min)

Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary Inc, Panelist (15 min)

Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame, Panelist (15 min)

Federico Roth, Azusa Pacific University, Panelist (15 min)

**S23-230****SBL Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 17 B (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **Unification and/or Deification**

Tuomas Rasimus, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding

M. David Litwa, University of Virginia
"You shall be as Gods!" Naassene and Simonian Types of Deification (25 min)

John D. Turner, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Self-Reflexive Ontogenesis in Plotinus, Gnostic Sources and the Chaldaean Oracles (25 min)

Zeke Mazur, Université Laval
The Gnostic Background of Plotinus' Last Words (25 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Eunice Villaneda, California State University - Long Beach
The Valentinian Dynamic of Holiness: New Perceptions of the 'Spiritual', 'Psychic', and 'Material' Bodies (25 min)

Jennifer R. Hunter, Northern Arizona University
Mirror or Metaphor? The Mirrored Bridal Chamber in the Gospel of Philip (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P23-231**National Association of Professors of Hebrew**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 28 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Linguistic Approaches to TAM (tense-aspect-modality) in Biblical Hebrew**

Jacobus Naude, University of the Free State - Universiteit van die Vrystaat, Presiding (10 min)

Ohad Cohen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Complex Nature of the Hebrew Verbal Tense System (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

John A. Cook, Asbury Theological Seminary
The Biblical Hebrew Verbal System in Action: 1 Samuel 1–2 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Elizabeth Robar, Tyndale House (Cambridge)
From bitter sorrow to exultant joy: 1 Samuel 1–2 from a cognitive linguistic perspective (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tania Notarius, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Text, Discourse, and Verb in the Song of Hannah (I Sam 2:1–10) (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-232**SBL Navigating the New Publishing Landscape**

1:00 PM–2:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 17 A (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **A Conversation with Publishers, Librarians, and Scholars**

Academic publishing has gone through major changes over the past decade years. These changes – e.g., the emergence of digital, new online research habits, shrinking in library budgets, unsettled legal and administrative framework surrounding copyright – have upended long-standing conventions and models. Publishing is in turmoil, with unclear consequences for scholarship and scholars. We propose a high-level discussion to address some of the key challenges in scholarly publishing and their impact on the production and dissemination of scholarly knowledge, as well as on academic careers.

Some of the topics we will address include: the changing economics of scholarly publishing, access concerns (open access: What is it? What does it mean for the dissemination of scholarly work? What are its consequences for copyrights and long-term sustainability? Embargoes, institutional repositories and online archives), digital publishing (print vs. electronic format: the future of the monograph and implications for scholars; new avenues for scholarly publishing; copyright and reuse policies; t&e issues), peer review innovations and pitfalls, collaboration, and metrics for assessing scholarly research.

Julia Kostova, Oxford University Press, Panelist

Matthew Collins, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Panelist

S23-233**SBL Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior Seminar**

1:00 PM–4:00 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 502 B (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **Novum Testamentum Graecum: Editio Critica Maior in Progress**

Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The ECM of the Gospel of Mark: Work in Progress (24 min)

Georg Gäbel, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
It's All About Presentation: Methodological Reflections on the Use of Greek Manuscript, Versional, and Patristic Material in Critical Editions – The Example of Acts 1:2 (24 min)

Theodora Panella, University of Birmingham
A Unique Commentary Manuscript: GA457 and the Pauline Catena Tradition (24 min)

Darius Müller, Protestant University Wuppertal/Bethel
The Byzantine Text of Revelation (24 min)

Martin Heide, Philipps-Universität Marburg
The contribution of the Syriac version to the critical text of the Apocalypse (24 min)

Business Meeting (60 min)

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S23-234

SBL Orality, Textuality, and the Formation of the Hebrew Bible Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 30 B (Upper level)

Seth Sanders, Trinity College - Hartford, Presiding

Patricia G. Kirkpatrick, McGill University

Towards a new understanding of biblical narrative composition and transmission: the contributions of cultural memory studies and of the folklorist R. Bottigheimer (30 min)

Thomas Römer, Collège de France - Université de Lausanne

The Revelation of the Divine Name to Moses and "Mnemohistory" (30 min)

Charles E. Shepherd, University of Durham

Must Textuality Eclipse Orality? Revisiting Isaiah's Progressive 'Kanonbewußtsein' (30 min)

Jesse Rainbow, University of Houston

In Defense of Jehoiakim (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-236

SBL Pauline Epistles Section / Paul and Judaism Consultation / Disputed Paulines Section / Pauline Soteriology Seminar / Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making Seminar / Systematic Transformation and Interweaving of Scripture in 1 Corinthians Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom M (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Michael Patrick Barber, John Paul the Great Catholic University and John Kincaid, John Paul the Great Catholic University
Cultic Theosis in Paul and Second Temple Judaism: A Fresh Reading of the Corinthian Correspondence (18 min)

David A. Burnett, Criswell College

"So Shall Your Seed Be": Paul's Use of Genesis 15:5 in Romans 4:18 in Light of Early Jewish Deification Traditions (18 min)

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Respondent (8 min)

Ward Blanton, University of Kent at Canterbury, Respondent (8 min)

N. T. Wright, University of St. Andrews, Respondent (8 min)

Break (5 min)

Matthew E. Gordley, Regent University School of Divinity
Psalms of Solomon and Pauline Studies (18 min)

Hans Svebakken, Loyola University of Chicago

Roman 7:7-25 and a Pauline Allegory of the Soul (18 min)

Pamela Eisenbaum, Iliff School of Theology, Respondent (8 min)

Ward Blanton, University of Kent at Canterbury, Respondent (8 min)

N. T. Wright, University of St. Andrews, Respondent (8 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S23-237

SBL Philo of Alexandria Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 1 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Philo's Legal Exegesis**

Ellen Birnbaum, Cambridge, Mass., Presiding

Maren R. Niehoff, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Philo's Rationalisation of the Jewish Law in Greco-Roman Context (25 min)

Yedidya Etzion, University of California–Berkeley

Philo's Sabbath: A study in Philo's Jewish Law (25 min)

Daniel R. Streett, Durham University

Philo's Exegesis of the Biblical Festival Laws: Arithmology, Askesis, and Imitatio Dei (25 min)

Break (15 min)

Michael Francis, University of Notre Dame

Wasted Seed and Sins of Intent: Sexual Ethics in Spec. 3.34–36 in the Case of Infertile Marriage (25 min)

Horacio Vela, University of Notre Dame

A New Command: Philo as Lawgiver and Interpreter in the Case of the Egyptian Blasphemer (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-238

SBL Philology in Hebrew Studies Consultation

1:00 PM–3:15 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 402 (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Open Session**

Papers will be followed by an informal business meeting.

Charles Otte, University of Chicago, Presiding

Jeremy M. Hutton, University of Wisconsin–Madison and Paul

M. Kurtz, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

The Morphological Development of the 3.m.sg. Suffix on Plural Nouns in Hebrew (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Adam Strich, Harvard University

Y-H-W-H: Four More Letters in Search of an Etymology (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

David Lambert, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Toward a New Philology of the Everyday (25 min)

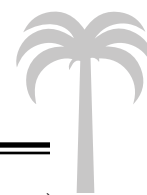
Discussion (5 min)

Humphrey Hardy, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

On Language Variation and Grammatical Change in Ancient Hebrew: There and 'back' Again (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Business Meeting (15 min)



S23-239**SBL Pseudepigrapha Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 411 A (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Randall Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Ted Erho, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Jubilees (Maʿafa Kufale) in the Ethiopian Manuscript Tradition (30 min)

Jack Collins, University of Virginia
Angels, Giants, and Culture Heroes in the Development and Reception of the Book of the Watchers (30 min)

G. Anthony Keddie, University of Texas at Austin
Apocalyptic Class Politics in Herodian Judaea: Rethinking the Socioeconomic Contexts of the Psalms of Solomon, Testament of Moses, and Parables of Enoch (30 min)

Brian W. Bunnell, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Figural Reading in the Cave of Treasures: Recovering an Interpretive Tradition (30 min)

Eva Mroczek, Indiana University (Bloomington)
Is Ben Sira Among the Pseudepigrapha? Attribution and the Myth of the First Jewish Author (30 min)

S23-240**SBL Psychology and Biblical Studies Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 21 (Upper level)

Theme: **The Contribution of Daniel Merkur’s “Relating to God” to Psychological Biblical Interpretation**

Panelists review and discuss Daniel Merkur’s “Relating to God: Clinical Psychoanalysis, Spirituality, and Theism” (Jason Aronson, 2013) as it offers insights into psychological Biblical criticism.

Heather McKay, Edge Hill University, Presiding (30 min)

J. Ellens, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor, Panelist (30 min)

William Morrow, Queen’s University, Panelist (30 min)

Dan Merkur,, Respondent (30 min)

S23-241**SBL Qumran Section**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – C (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **The Composition, Genre, and Forms of the Temple Scroll**

Michael Segal, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Presiding

Juha Pakkala, University of Helsinki
The Temple Scroll as Evidence for Paradigm Shifts in the Transmission of the Pentateuch (30 min)

Molly Zahn, University of Kansas
Imagining the Composition of the Temple Scroll: Literary and Manuscript Evidence (30 min)

Steven D. Fraade, Yale University
“Form, Content, and Tendenz in the Temple Scroll” (30 min)

Moshe J. Bernstein, Yeshiva University
Between Temple Scroll and Damascus Document: The Forms of the “Minor” Legal Texts from Qumran (30 min)

Lawrence Schiffman, Yeshiva University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P23-242**Qur’anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics (IQSA)**

1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Convention Center – Room 24 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Qur’anic Hermeneutics: Diversity Beyond Muslim/Non-Muslim Binaries**

Ebrahim Moosa, Duke University, Presiding

Clare Wilde, University of Auckland
Contemporary Echoes of Early Christian Arabic Approaches to the Qur’an (20 min)

Sayeh Meisami, University of Toronto
Qur’anic Hermeneutics and Islamic Philosophy: A Study of Ibn Sina’s Commentary on Surat al-Falaq in comparison with his Philosophical Writings on the Problem of Evil (20 min)

David R. Vishanoff, University of Oklahoma
Reenchanting the Qur’an: Hermeneutical Applications of the Ashʿari Concept of God’s Eternal Speech (20 min)

Yusuf Rahman, State Islamic University Jakarta Indonesia
The Indonesian Muslim Responses to the Use of Hermeneutics in the Study of the Qur’an (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Andrew Rippin, University of Victoria (BC), Respondent (10 min)

S23-243**SBL Redescribing Early Christianity Seminar**

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 300 B (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Social and Practice Theory in the Redescription of Early Christianity**

William E. Arnal, University of Regina, Presiding

Willi Braun, University of Alberta
Toward a Theory of the Social: An Assessment of the Work of Theodore Schatzki (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Maia Kotrosits, Denison University
Diaspora Theory and the End of “Early Christianity” and “Early Christian Identity” (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Heidi Wendt, Wright State University Main Campus
Not Twelve, But Five: Theorizing Christian Practice in the Second Century (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Gerhard van den Heever, University of South Africa
New Arrivistes in the Context of Older Traditions. New Religious Movements and the Weaving of Christ Cult Groups into a New Religion. (10 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S23-244

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 303 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Scott Mackie, Independent Scholar, Presiding

Lauren K. McCormick, Syracuse University
Modern Theory, Ancient Statuaries: What Figurine Aesthetics Can Tell Us about Religious Community-Making at Sumer (30 min)

Daniel K Falk, University of Oregon
Liturgical Progression and the Experience of Transformation in Prayers From Qumran (30 min)

Deborah Forger, University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
The Jewish High Priest: Mediator of the Divine (30 min)

Sally Douglas, Melbourne College of Divinity
Why was Jesus Understood and Proclaimed in the Language and Imagery of Woman Wisdom? An Exploration of the Role of Experience in the Ignition of Wisdom Christology and Wisdom Soteriology in the Early (30 min)

Ross Ponder, University of Texas at Austin
Visions of the End: On Death and Animated Dreams in Tertullian and Perpetua (30 min)

Hannah Harrington, Patten University, Panelist (25 min)

Christophe Nihan, Université de Lausanne, Respondent (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-247

SBL Syriac Literature and Interpretations of Sacred Texts Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – D (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Biblical Figures and Themes in Literary and Historical Contexts**

Binyamin Y. Goldstein, Yeshiva University
The Jewish Recension of the Syriac Version of Aesop's Fables (30 min)

Erin Galgay Walsh, Duke University
The Book of Judith in Syriac (30 min)

Philip Michael Forness, Princeton Theological Seminary
Transmission as Interpretation: A Case Study on Jacob of Sarug's Homily on the Blasphemer (30 min)

Tammie Wanta, University of Pennsylvania
The Depiction of Adam in the "Cave of Treasures" (30 min)

Ilaria L.E. Ramelli, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore & Angelicum
Revisiting Aphrahat's Sources: Beyond Scripture (30 min)

S23-245

SBL Rhetoric of Religious Antiquity Seminar

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – F (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Analytical seminar on the socio-rhetorical interpretation of the Gospel of John**

Robert Webb, McMaster University, Presiding

L. Bloomquist, Université Saint-Paul - Saint Paul University, Panelist (60 min)

Break (10 min)

Discussion (80 min)

RRA Group Track 2: Analytical seminar using socio-rhetorical interpretation

S23-248

The Qur'an and the Biblical Tradition (IQSA) / SBL Qur'an and Biblical Literature Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 24 C (Upper level)

Theme: **Bible and Qur'an: Confirmation, Conversation, Conflict**

John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding

Ashoor Yousif, University of Toronto
Claiming the Claimed: Islamic Exegesis of Biblical Prophecies During the Abbasid Period (30 min)

Salah Mahgoub Edris, Cairo University
The Christian Interpretation of the Quran in Syriac Literature (30 min)

Mohammad Hasan Ahmadi, University of Tehran
The Qur'anic Terminology of the Biblical Tradition (30 min)

Carol Schersten LaHurd, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

The Academy vs. the Grassroots: Cognitive Dissonance on Interfaith Dialogue (30 min)

Roberta Sabbath, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Teaching Tanakh, New Testament, and Qur'an to Undergraduate English Majors and Elective Students (30 min)

S23-246

SBL Sacrifice, Cult, and Atonement Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 410 A (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Writing a Commentary on Leviticus: Reflections on Methodology and Sacrificial Rituals**

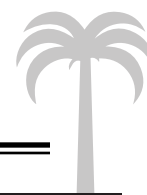
A panel of invited speakers, all of whom are currently writing commentaries on Leviticus.

Christian Eberhart, University of Saskatchewan, Presiding (5 min)

James Watts, Syracuse University, Panelist (25 min)

William Gilders, Emory University, Panelist (25 min)

Thomas Hieke, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Panelist (25 min)



P23-248a

Translating Alterity

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront - AB (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: Altering Translation

This special session will explore questions of alterity and process in translation, inspired by Michael Cronin's 2013 *Translation in the Digital Age*. Blending translation theory, media studies and materialist cultural analysis, Cronin suggests we consider the present Digital Age as the Age of Translation, characterized by an "interaction society of translators" participating in the "intransitive excess" of translation. This fast-paced participatory session will offer a series of short (5 minute) experiments stimulated by Cronin's work as seeds for extended discussion.

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Michael Hemenway, Iliff School of Theology, Presiding
Edward Phillip Antonio, Iliff School of Theology, Panelist
Timothy Beal, Case Western Reserve University, Panelist
Bryan D. Bibb, Furman University, Panelist
Elsa Tamez, Latin American Biblical University, Panelist
Philip Towner, Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship, Panelist
Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Panelist

S23-249

SBL Ugaritic Studies and Northwest Semitic Epigraphy Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront - 311 A (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Epigraphy, Paleography, and Linguistics**

Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Presiding

Eric D. Reymond, Yale Divinity School
Archaic Aspects of Hebrew Orthography in the Dead Sea Scrolls (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Dennis Pardee, University of Chicago and Joseph Lam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
A Thabilu Update (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Philip C. Schmitz, Eastern Michigan University
Language Contact Effects in Iron Age and Later Northwest Semitic Epigraphs (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Aaron Schade, Brigham Young University Hawaii Campus
Prefixed Verb Forms in Phoenician: "Injunctive" yaqtula and "Energic" forms? (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

P23-249a

Westar Institute

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Convention Center - Room 20BC (Upper level)

Theme: **Public Lecture 2**

This lecture is designed for a broad, non-specialist public. It is part of Westar's mission to communicate with the general public about religious issues that matter to the wider culture. Members of the public and AAR/SBL attendees are all welcome to attend. The \$40 lecture fee can be paid at the door or online at westarinstitute.org/national-meetings/fall-2014-lectures/.

Raheel Raza is the President of the Council for Muslims Facing Tomorrow. A fierce advocate for human rights and gender equality and a frequent speaker at the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, Raza was featured in the award-winning documentary *Honor Diaries*. She is the author of *Their Jihad - Not My Jihad* (2005). Her many awards and honors include the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medal for service to Canada and the City of Toronto's Constance Hamilton award and the Urban Hero award.

David Galston, Brock University and Westar Institute, Presiding
Raheel Raza, Council for Muslims Facing Tomorrow

S23-250

SBL Wisdom in Israelite and Cognate Traditions Section

1:00 PM-3:30 PM

Convention Center - Room 28 E (Upper level)

Theme: **Job and other wisdom themes**

Tova Forti, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Presiding

Ken Brown, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
The Firstborn of Death: Myth and Monotheism in Job (25 min)

Will Kynes, Whitworth University
The Wisdom Category: Ancient Tradition or Modern Invention? (25 min)

Sonja Ammann, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
The Fool, the Wicked and the Idol Worshipper: the Transformation of a Sapiential Scheme in Wisdom 12-15 (25 min)

Dominick S. Hernández, Bar-Ilan University
Imagery Relating to Ill-Gotten Gain in the Book of Job and the "Instruction of Amenemope" (25 min)

JiSeong James Kwon, University of Durham
Examining Distinctive Relationships between Job and Deutero-Isaiah (25 min)

Avi Shveka, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and Pierre J.P. van Hecke, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Job's Religious Position and the Nature of His Conflict with the Friends: A New Understanding (25 min)

Saturday, 1:00 PM–3:30 PM

S23-251

SBL Women in the Biblical World Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 202 A (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **The Interpretation of Revelation in the TV series Sleepy Hollow**

Vanessa Lovelace, Interdenominational Theological Center, Presiding
Greg Carey, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Panelist (25 min)

Valerie Bridgeman, Methodist Theological School in Ohio, Panelist (25 min)

Tina Pippin, Agnes Scott College, Panelist (25 min)

Lynne Darden, Interdenominational Theological Center, Panelist (25 min)

Discussion (50 min)

S23-252

SBL Writing/Reading Jeremiah Section

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 307 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Cultural Production of “the Body” in Jeremiah.**

Key discursive moments in Jeremiah narrate the “body” of Judah and the “body” of the prophet Jeremiah. This panel seeks to theorize ways in which ancient and contemporary cultural production of “the body” (Jeremiah’s, Judah’s) inscribes relations of power and vulnerability. Interdisciplinary investigations of embodiment are encouraged.

Amy Kalmanofsky, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
The Incurable Wound and the Perfectible Body in Jeremiah (25 min)

April Favara, Iliff School of Theology/University of Denver
“Jeremiah’s Mediated Body in Jeremiah 18:18–23” (25 min)

Edward Silver, Wellesley College
Onomatopoeia in the Book of Jeremiah: Embodied Verbal Performance and the Text that Resists Interpretation (25 min)

Johanna Erzberger, Institut Catholique de Paris
Jer. 16: The withdrawal of the prophet’s body and its representation of Israel (25 min)

Hugh Pyper, University of Sheffield
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-253

SBL Writings from the Ancient World Editorial Board

2:00 PM–4:00 PM

Marriott Marquis – SBL Suite

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S23-301

SBL Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 300 A (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Teaching the Bible Visually or Geographically**

Visualizing ideas, concepts, and locations through videos, simulations, 3D environments, models, Google Earth, VirtualWorldProject, map overlays, etc., can powerfully enhance teaching and learning with the Bible. This session will share tools and practices for teaching the Bible visually and geographically.

Richard Newton, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

William Sanger Campbell, The College of St. Scholastica
Mark and the Movies: Making Sense of the Bible (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Charlie Trimm, Talbot School of Theology (Biola University)
War and Peace in Canaan: Teaching Old Testament Geography and Politics through a Classroom Game (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Taylor Halverson, Brigham Young University
Teaching the Bible with Google Earth and Other Visualization Tools (10 min)

Christopher M. Jones, Beloit College
Presenting Ancient Spaces Using Google Earth (15 min)

Seth Heringer, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Playing with Maps: Using Interactive Maps to Teach Biblical Geography (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tim Wardle, Furman University
“Seeing” the Temple: Teaching the Gospels and Acts through Virtual Tours (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Tyler J. Griffin, Brigham Young University
Breathing New Life Into Ancient Texts for Tech-savvy Students Today (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S23-302

SBL African-American Biblical Hermeneutics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 21 (Upper level)

Theme: **Martin Luther King, Jr. and African American Interpreters of the New Testament**

Lisa Bowens, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

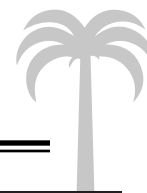
Stephanie Crowder, McCormick Theological Seminary, Panelist (30 min)

Emerson Powery, Messiah College, Panelist (15 min)

Luke Powery, Princeton Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)

Michael Joseph Brown, Payne Theological Seminary, Panelist (30 min)

Love Sechrest, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Panelist (30 min)



S23-304

SBL Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar / Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom D (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Labor and (Im)migration in Asia**

Yak-Hwee Tan, Council for World Mission, Presiding (5 min)

Philip P. Chia, Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Rise of Localism within Empire Governance: Second Temple Judea and Postcolonial Hong Kong (HKSAR) (30 min)

J. Jayakiran Sebastian, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia
“Wandering Arameans?” Interrogating Identity in a Diasporic Society: Dalitness in Indian Hyphenated Americans (30 min)

Uriah Kim, Hartford Seminary, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S23-305

SBL Bible and Practical Theology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom M (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Intersections of Biblical Interpretation and Practical Theology II**

Denise Dombkowski Hopkins, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Michael Koppel, Wesley Theological Seminary, Presiding

Deborah A. Appler, Moravian College & Theological Seminary and Sharon A. Brown, Moravian College & Theological Seminary
Strangers in a Strange Land: Creating a Heart-Centered Praxis (35 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Aubrey E. Buster, Emory University
Memory and Agent Formation in the Psalms (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Jin Hwang, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Storytelling and Spiritual Formation according to Apostle Paul (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Lance B. Pape, Brite Divinity School (TCU)
Paul and the Lord’s Supper in Corinth: A Paradigm for Practical Theological Method (25 min)

Discussion (10 min)

S23-306

SBL Bible Translation Section / Nida Institute for Biblical Scholarship at the American Bible Society

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 11 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Performance Criticism and Bible Translation**

Performance, Translation and Identity

Daud Soesilo, United Bible Societies, Presiding

Richard Horsley, University of Massachusetts Boston
Performance and Identity in the Ancient World (45 min)

Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies
Identity issues in the Translation of the Performance of Sign Language (25 min)

Althea Spencer Miller, Drew University
A Postcolonial Feminist Contemplation of Translation, Performance, and Identity (25 min)

Nathan Esala, Lutheran Bible Translators
Ideology and Bible Translation: How can Performance Criticism help? (25 min)

S23-307

SBL Biblical Ethics Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 24 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Ethics in the Bible: Law and Love? Or Law vs. Love?**

Mariam Kamell, Regent College Vancouver, Presiding

Peter Wick, Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Presiding

Carol Dempsey, University of Portland
“Love: The Fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets” (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Mary J. Marshall, Murdoch University
Hospitality: The Nexus between Law and Love (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Meghan Musy, McMaster Divinity College
A Marriage of Law and Love: A Exploration of a Dialogue Between Ruth and Paul (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Rebecca Burgess, Otago University, Dunedin, New Zealand
The unity of Law and Love in Psalm 119: a Christian reading (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sarah Whittle, Nazarene Theological College (England)
Paul and the Hermeneutics of Law and Love in Romans 13:8-10 (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Nijay K Gupta, George Fox Evangelical Seminary
Faith that Works: Pistis at the intersection of Law and Love in 1 Thessalonians (20 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S23-308

SBL Contextualizing North African Christianity Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – C (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Donatist and Catholic Rites: Similarities and Differences**

David Riggs, Indiana Wesleyan, Presiding

Jane Merdinger, Independent Scholar
Reading Between the Lines: Deciphering Differences in Donatist and Catholic Rites (30 min)

Bradley Daugherty, Vanderbilt University
Episcopal Burials in North African Christianity (30 min)

Jesse Hoover, Baylor University
Contextualizing Ritual Contamination: Donatist and Transmarine Communities on the Validity of Heretical Rites (30 min)

Maureen Tilley, Fordham University
Tripartite Baptism: A North African Anomaly? (30 min)

Jonathan Yates, Villanova University
Salvation by Water? 1 Peter 3:20–21 in Augustine and the Latin Tradition (30 min)

S23-309

SBL Corpus Hellenisticum Novi Testamenti Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 305 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Plutarch and the New Testament Revisited**

This session is the opening to a planned series of sessions on Plutarch and the New Testament that will run for the next two years.

George Parsenios, Princeton Theological Seminary, Presiding

Rainer Hirsch-Luipold, Universität Bern - Université de Berne
Plutarch and the New Testament – History, Challenges, and Perspectives (30 min)

David E. Aune, University of Notre Dame
Why Compare Plutarch and the New Testament? Some Possibilities and Problems (30 min)

Frederick E. Brenk, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome
Plutarch's Monotheism and the New Testament (30 min)

Luc Van der Stockt, Leuven/Belgium
Don't waste old filing cards! Plutarch's Technique of Hypomnematic Composition (30 min)

Hans Dieter Betz, University of Chicago, Respondent (30 min)

S23-310

SBL Deuteronomistic History Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 202 B (Level 2 (Indigo))

Sara Milstein, University of British Columbia, Presiding

Hannes Bezzel, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
Once again: 1 Sam 1 and the Deuteronomistic History (30 min)

Shira Katz, University of Haifa
Solomon at Gibeon: How the Comparison between the Accounts in Kings and Chronicles Contribute to our Understanding of the Formation of the Book of Kings (30 min)

David B. Schreiner, Asbury University
The Annihilation of the Egyptian and Neo-Assyrian Armies: Inner-biblical Typology? (30 min)

Shira Golani, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
History by Lists: Some Observations on the Use of Lists in the Deuteronomistic History (30 min)

Richard Jude Thompson, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Overlooked Presuppositions in the Deuteronomistic History (30 min)

S23-311

SBL Early Jewish Christian Relations Section / Violence and Representations of Violence among Jews and Christians Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 313 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Jews and Christians in Public: Violence and Community Definition**

Kimberly Stratton, Carleton University, Presiding

Ari Finkelstein, University of Cincinnati
The Rebuilding of the Jerusalem Temple in Emperor Julian's Program (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

James McLaren, Australian Catholic University
Constructing a culprit: early Christian depictions of their persecutors (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Marcie Lenk, Shalom Hartman Institute
Function and Effect of Melito's Peri Pascha (20 min)

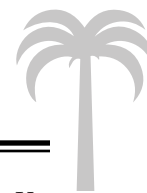
Discussion (10 min)

Ulla Tervahauta, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
Jews and Christians in John Moschus (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

Violence and Representations of Violence Business Meeting



S23-312

SBL Egyptology and Ancient Israel Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom I (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Egypt and the Bible**

John Huddleston, College of Charleston, Presiding

Herbert B. Huffmon, Drew University
Revolutionary Sacred Architecture: Akhenaten's Sun Temples and Israel's Tent (30 min)

Robert J. Littman, University of Hawaii at Manoa
Brick Making in Ancient Egypt and Exodus 5:1–12 (30 min)

Joshua Berman, Bar-Ilan University
The Kadesh Inscriptions of Ramesses II and the Song of the Sea (30 min)

Bernd Schipper, Humboldt University Berlin
The motif of "seven years of famine" in an Egyptian text from the Persian Period: Papyrus Berlin 23071 VSO and the Joseph story (30 min)

S23-313

SBL Exile (Forced Migrations) in Biblical Literature Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 29 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Exile & Gender II**

Madhavi Nevader, University of St. Andrews, Presiding

Mark Boda, McMaster Divinity College
Jerusalem and Zion in Exile: Dual Identity in Diasporic Perspective (30 min)

Daniel Smith-Christopher, Loyola Marymount University
Sleeping with the Enemy? Esther, Judith, and Comfort Women (30 min)

Jennie Grillo, Duke University
'You will forget your ancient shame': The innocence of Susanna and the vindication of Israel (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-314

SBL Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 1 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Feminist Hermeneutics Looks at Rape Culture**

Angela Bauer-Levesque, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding

Laura Jones-Armstrong, independent scholar
Judges 19 and the Foundations of Rape Culture (30 min)

Karri L. Whipple, Drew University
She Had It Coming: Violence, Victim Blaming, and Revelation's Great Whore (30 min)

Monica J. Melanchthon, United Faculty of Theology
The Political Institutionalization of Rape: Ezekiel 23 and Dalit Women (30 min)

Charlene van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

"The most important thing is for us to be together." Interrogating just cause notions of retribution and revenge as a result of the pains inflicted due to rape. Using Biblical narratives as a reflecti (30 min)

Elna K. Solvang, Concordia College - Moorhead
"It Is Just The Way It Was Back Then": Cultural Assumptions about War and Rape and Their Interpretive Consequences (30 min)

S23-315

SBL Function of Apocryphal and Pseudepigraphal Writings in Early Judaism and Early Christianity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 17 B (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **The Use of 2 Maccabees and 3 Maccabees in Early Jewish and Early Christian Communities**

Robbie Griggs, University of Durham
The "End" of Divine Punishment: 4 Maccabees' Reading of 2 Maccabees through the Lens of Deuteronomy 32 (30 min)

Justin Buol, University of Notre Dame
The Function of Martyrs and Tyrants in 4 Maccabees and Epictetus (30 min)

Gerbern S. Oegema, McGill University
Paul and Maccabean Politics (30 min)

Frank Shaw, Independent Scholar
The Onomastica in Earliest Christianity (30 min)

Luke Drake, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Sacred Sites, Paralyzed Bodies: The Account of Peter's Daughter in the Coptic Act of Peter (30 min)

P23-316

GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 8 (Upper level)

Theme: **Reflecting on Paul and Missional Hermeneutics: A Conversation with N. T. Wright**

In "Paul and the Faithfulness of God," N. T. Wright identifies three major motifs that characterize the heart of Paul's theology, focusing on the one God of Israel, the people of God, and God's future for the world. This dynamic interaction between theology, ecclesiology, and eschatology has been a major and recurring interest in the work of the GOCN Forum on Missional Hermeneutics as well. In this session, Wright will draw together themes from his treatment of Paul that focus upon and illumine specifically the sense of the mission in which the people of God are called to participate. How does this mission originate in the Bible's portrayal of who God is and what God is up to? How does this mission reshape the way we think about what it means to be the people of God? And how does this mission shape the hope to which we are called? Please join us for what promises to be a fascinating panel discussion (featuring biblical scholars N. T. Wright, Sylvia Keesmaat, Michael J. Gorman, and James V. Brownson) and open conversation about the missiological dimensions of Paul's theology in Wright's work.

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

John Franke, Yellowstone Theological Institute, Presiding (10 min)
 N.T. Wright, University of St. Andrews, Panelist (40 min)
 Sylvia Keesmaat, Toronto School of Theology, Panelist (15 min)
 Break (5 min)
 Michael J. Gorman, Saint Mary's Seminary and University, Panelist (15 min)
 James V. Brownson, Western Theological Seminary, Panelist (15 min)
 N.T. Wright, University of St. Andrews, Panelist (15 min)
 Discussion (35 min)

S23-317

SBL Gospel of Luke Section / Formation of Luke-Acts Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 28 E (Upper level)

Theme: **Lukan Parables**

John Carroll, Union Presbyterian Seminary, Presiding

John A. Darr, Boston College
Everything Old is New Again: The Parable of Garments and Wineskins (5:36–39) in Luke's Narrative Discourse on Time (40 min)

Aaron Kuecker, LeTourneau University
The Most High went down to Jericho: The merciful Samaritan and Luke's characterization of God (35 min)

Amanda C. Miller, Belmont University
Bridging the Chasm: Crossing Social Boundaries with Lazarus and Luke (35 min)

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University
Invitation and Character Identification in Luke's Parables: Imagining and Constructing Alternative Worlds of Possibility (40 min)

S23-317a

SBL Hebrew Bible and Philosophy Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 311 A (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Neglected Philosophical Sub-disciplines in Hebrew Bible Scholarship**

Jaco Gericke, North-West University (South Africa), Presiding

Joshua Weinstein, Shalem College, Jerusalem
Physis (Nature) and the Lawfulness of Change in the Hebrew Bible (25 min)

Shira Weiss, Yeshiva University
Biblical Ethics: Lies and Misleading Truths (25 min)

Yoram Hazony, The Herzl Institute
The Metaphysics of Creation in Genesis 1 (25 min)

Ryan O'Dowd, Cornell University
The Role of Experience in Proverbs and Ecclesiastes (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Other (25 min)

S23-319

SBL Hebrew Bible and Political Theory Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom D (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Political Theories in the Hebrew Bible**

Francis Borchardt, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong, Presiding

Geoffrey Miller, New York University
The Kingdom of God in Samuel. (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew W. Higginbotham, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion
Placing Deuteronomy in its Historical Context: A Study of the Monarchic and Temple-Centered Layers in Deuteronomy (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Daniel C. Timmer, University of Sudbury
Empire by Subordination and by Invitation? Conflicting Political Visions in Amos 9 (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

James M. Bos, University of Mississippi
Reading the Prophetic Books as Propaganda: Haggai and Zephaniah as Test Cases (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Frank Clancy, Independent Scholar
Leadership and Followers (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

S23-320

SBL Hebrew Bible, History, and Archaeology Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 25 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Ancient Israel and the History of the Levant: Methods and Approaches**

A special session offered jointly with ASOR.

Jeremy Smoak, University of California-Los Angeles, Presiding (5 min)

Matthew Suriano, University of Maryland - College Park, Introduction (10 min)

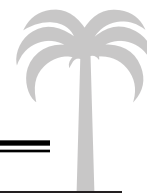
Lawrence Mykytiuk, Purdue University Main Campus
Use of the Hebrew Bible in Writing Ancient Israel's History: Agreements and Parameters among Non-Minimalists (20 min)

Aren Maeir, Bar-Ilan University
A call for inter-disciplinary historical-methodology in the study of ancient Israel (20 min)

Benjamin W. Porter, University of California, Berkeley
Moving Beyond Mesha: Narrating Social Life in Iron Age Jordan (20 min)

Daniel Fleming, New York University
Benjamin: A Biblical Vehicle for Reconsidering the History of Israel and Judah (20 min)

Susan Ackerman, Dartmouth College
Studying Women's Religion in Ancient Israel: Some Methodological Considerations (20 min)



S23-321

SBL Hellenistic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center – Room 31 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Communication and Connections between Jews in the Diaspora and Palestine**

Lutz Doering, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster, Presiding

Jonathan Trotter, University of Notre Dame

The Annual Half-shekel Contribution and the Connections between Diaspora Jewish Communities (25 min)

Jens Herzer, Universität Leipzig

Retelling the Story of Exile. The Figure of Jeremiah in Fourth Baruch (25 min)

SANG-IL LEE, Chongshin University

Bilingualism of Jews in Early Roman Antioch (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

S23-322

SBL History and Literature of Early Rabbinic Judaism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 29 D (Upper level)

Theme: **Theory and the Reading of Rabbinic Literature**

Alyssa Gray, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion, Presiding

Zvi Septimus, Cornell University, Panelist (30 min)

Jane Kanarek, Hebrew College, Panelist (30 min)

Naftali Cohn, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Panelist (30 min)

Lynn Kaye, Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion (California Branch), Panelist (30 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-323

SBL History of Interpretation Section

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 314 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Virgin Birth, Eve, Bodies, and Story Books in the History of Interpretation**

Michael Legaspi, Pennsylvania State University, Presiding (5 min)

Tyson Guthrie, Coram Deo Academy

Irenaeus on Gal 4:4-7 (25 min)

Jacob Rennaker, Claremont Graduate University

Building Eve: Temple-Oriented Jewish and Christian Interpretations of the First Woman (25 min)

Nicholas Bott, Stanford University / Palo Alto University

Abraham's "Dead" Body in Rom 4:19 and Heb 11:12: By Age or Association? (25 min)

Salzer, Dorothea M., Universität Potsdam

The Hebrew Bible in the Jewish Enlightenment: A case study (25 min)

S23-324

SBL Jesus Traditions, Gospels, and Negotiating the Roman Imperial World Section

4:00 PM–5:45 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom H (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Theory and Method in Empire-Critical Studies**

Colleen Conway, Seton Hall University, Presiding

Warren Carter, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

Imperial-Critical Work on Jesus-Traditions and the Gospels: Reflections and Assessment (30 min)

Jeremy Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

Postcolonial and/or Empire studies: Birds of a feather? Intersections and negotiations (30 min)

Eric Thurman, University of the South, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-325

SBL Jewish-Christian Dialogue and Sacred Texts Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 23 B (Upper level)

Theme: **The Uses of the Exodus Tradition in Jewish and Christian Scripture and Theology**

Anne Stewart, Emory University, Presiding

David L. Everson, Xavier University

The Golden Calf Possessed, a Targumic Rendering (25 min)

Richard F. Klee, University of Notre Dame

Jewish Exegesis as Help and Hinderance in Origen's Peri Pascha (25 min)

Safwat Adel Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Jewish and Christian Readings of the Exodus and the issue of Assimilation (25 min)

Jesper Svartvik, Lund University

The Exodus Motif – Is It the Way Out? (25 min)

Barat Ellman, Fordham University and Jewish Theological Seminary

Uses of the Exodus Tradition in the Past and Present: A Response (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S23-326

SBL John, Jesus, and History Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 33 A (Upper level)

Theme: **Jesus Remembered in the Early Johannine Situation (30–70 CE)**

Helen Bond, University of Edinburgh, Presiding (5 min)

Jonathan Bernier, McMaster University
Aposynagogos and the Aims of John (25 min)

Peter Lanfer, University of California-Los Angeles
Reading John from the Margins: Finding Jesus in the Judean Voice of John's Gospel (25 min)

Reinhard Pummer, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa
Samaritans, Galileans, and Judeans in Josephus and the Gospels (25 min)

Clare K. Rothschild, Lewis University
Baptist Influence on the Johannine Jesus (25 min)

Jonathan Draper, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (30 min)

P23-327

Linguistic, Literary, and Thematic Perspectives on the Qur'anic Corpus (IQSA)

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 24 C (Upper level)

Theme: **Themes and Rhetorical Tools in the Qur'an**

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida, Presiding

Anne-Sylvie Boisliveau, University of Groningen, Presiding

D.S. Adnan Majid, University of California-San Diego
Virgins of a Virginal Paradise: The Use of Synecdoche in Surah Rahman (18 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Thomas Hoffmann, Københavns Universitet
Delivering the Qur'an: Metaphors of Qur'anic Maternity and Natality (18 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Break (10 min)

Devin Stewart, Emory University
Anomalous Rhyme-Words in the Qur'an and Their Implications (18 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Vanessa De Gifis, Wayne State University
The Economy of Excellence: A Thematic Study of Fadl in the Qur'an (18 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Andrew G. Bannister, Melbourne School of Theology
Retelling the Tale: A Computerized Oral-Formulaic Analysis of the Qur'an (18 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Carl Ernst, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Respondent (25 min)

S23-328

SBL Literature and History of the Persian Period Section

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Convention Center – Room 16 A (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **Review of Annalisa Azzoni, *The Private Lives of Women in Persian Egypt* (Eisenbrauns, 2013).**

Alejandro Botta, Boston University, Panelist (20 min)

Anselm Hagedorn, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin - Humboldt University of Berlin, Presiding (20 min)

Christine Mitchell, St. Andrew's College - Saskatoon, Panelist (20 min)

Annalisa Azzoni, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (20 min)

Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist (20 min)

S23-329

SBL Markan Literary Sources Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – F (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Literary Sources for Mark 11**

Adam Winn, Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Joel L. Watts, University of the Free State - Universiteit van die Vrystaat
There and Back Again, A Jesus Tale: The Poetics of Apologetic Reversal (10 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Matthew R. Hauge, Azusa Pacific University
The Creation of Person in Ancient Narrative and the Gospel of Mark (10 min)

Discussion (35 min)

Dennis R. MacDonald, Claremont School of Theology
Intertextuality in Mark 11-12 (10 min)

Discussion (35 min)

S23-330

SBL Meals in the Greco-Roman World Section / Meals in the HB/OT and Its World Consultation

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 5 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Meals and Justice**

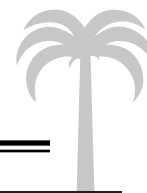
The joint session between the “Meals in the Greco-Roman World” section and “Meals in the HB/OT and Its World” will focus on meals and justice, discussing how individual and divine justice are brought into connection with the table.

The session will seek to bring together perspectives from the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, and rabbinical texts, seeking the commonalities and divergences present between the various bodies of texts.

Carol Meyers, Duke University, Presiding (5 min)

Walter J. Houston, University of Manchester
'To share your bread with the hungry': justice or charity? (30 min)

Michael Satlow, Brown University
Beggar at the Banquet (30 min)



Dennis Smith, Phillips Theological Seminary
The House Church and the Poor in the New Testament (30 min)

Loren Stuckenbruck, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München,
Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (35 min)

P23-331

National Association of Professors of Hebrew

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 28 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Subtle Citation, Allusion, and Translation in the Hebrew Bible: Evidence, Evaluation, and Implications — Session 2**

Joel Baden, Yale University, Presiding

Joel S. Baden, Yale University
Authority and Authorization in Literary Reference (25 min)

Risa Levitt Kohn, San Diego State University
“As Though You Yourself Came Out of Egypt”: (25 min)

Nicholas R. Wense, Baylor University
When Redactional Alterations Disrupt Intertextual Citations (25 min)

Jonathan Miles Robker, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität
Münster
The Many Facets of Balaam (25 min)

Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology
Isaiah 60–62 in Intertextual Perspective (25 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S23-332

SBL New Testament Textual Criticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom L (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **Nestle-Aland 28th Revised Edition**

Jennifer Knust, Boston University, Presiding

Holger Strutwolf, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
The New Text of the Catholic Letters in NA28 — Some Examples (25 min)

Jan Krans, VU University Amsterdam
NA28 and conjectural emendation (25 min)

Daniel B. Sharp, Brigham Young University Hawaii Campus
Papyrus Bodmer III in the Critical Apparatus of NA28: Proposed Emendations to the Apparatus based on the Original Text (25 min)

Break (5 min)

Juan Hernandez, Bethel University (Minnesota)
Nestle-Aland 28 and the Revision of the Apocalypse’s Textual History (25 min)

Toan Do, Sacred Heart School of Theology
Eidete or Idete? Reading 1 John 2:29a from NA27, NA28, and the Editio Critica Maior (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-332a

SBL Paul and Politics Seminar / Reading, Theory, and the Bible Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 28 D (Upper level)

Theme: **Pasolini’s Paul**

Elizabeth Castelli’s recent translation (Verso, 2014) of Pier Paolo Pasolini’s screenplay for a potential film on Paul presents challenges not only to traditional Pauline studies but also to recent approaches to the “turn to religion” through the figure of Paul.

Erin Runions, Pomona College, Presiding

George Aichele, Independent Scholar, Panelist (20 min)

Jay Twomey, University of Cincinnati, Panelist (20 min)

Laura Copier, Universiteit Utrecht, Panelist (20 min)

Theodore W. Jennings, Chicago Theological Seminary, Panelist (20 min)

Ward Blanton, University of Kent at Canterbury, Respondent (20 min)

Elizabeth Castelli, Barnard College, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

S23-333

SBL Pauline Epistles Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 33 C (Upper level)

Theme: **Revisiting Albert Schweitzer’s Mysticism of the Apostle Paul**

Adela Collins, Yale University
The Mysticism of Paul (25 min)

Paula Fredriksen, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
It’s the End of the World as We Know It: Apocalyptic Eschatology, The Gentile Mission, and the Mysticism of Schweitzer’s Paul (25 min)

Kathy Ehrensperger, Prifysgol Cymru, Y Drindod Dewi Sant -
University of Wales, Trinity Saint David
‘To Those Who are Sanctified in Christ’ (1 Cor 1:2): A Contribution to the ‘in Christ’ Debate (25 min)

Terence Donaldson, Wycliffe College, Respondent (20 min)

Magnus Zetterholm, Lunds Universitet, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (30 min)

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S23-334

SBL Pentateuch Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Sapphire Ballroom A (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Thomas Römer, Collège de France - Université de Lausanne, Presiding

Aron Freidenreich, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York

Revising in Response to the Competition: On a More Dynamic Relationship between P and Non-P (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Bénédicte Lemmelijn, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
'Tangible Darkness': On the Meaning of Exod 10:21-29 in the Literary Context of the Plague Narrative and the Cultural-Historical Background of the Ancient Near East (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Jaeyoung Jeon, Université de Lausanne
Exodus 18: A Post-Priestly Literary Invention? (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Alan Cooper, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
The Sons of Moses in Critical and Traditional Jewish Commentary (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Johannes Unsok Ro, International Christian University
The Structure of Post-exilic Judean Society according to the Biblical Law Codes (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Stephen Moore, Drew University, Presiding (10 min)

Participatory Workshop II

Discussion (35 min)

Next Steps

Discussion (30 min)

S23-335a

SBL Prophetic Texts and Their Ancient Contexts Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom H (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Dream Divination**

Jonathan Stökl, King's College - London, Presiding

Koowon Kim, Reformed Theological Seminary in Seoul
'When Even the Gods Do Not Know': The Dream as a Means of Divination Favored by the Gods (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Scott Noegel, University of Washington
Maleness, Memory, and the Matter of Dream Divination in the Hebrew Bible (15 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Jonathan Ben-Dov, University of Haifa
Dreams, Trees, and Empires in Apocalyptic Literature (15 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Bart Koet, Universiteit van Tilburg
Dreaming about Clergy (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Jack Sasson, Vanderbilt University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (25 min)

S23-335

SBL Poverty in the Biblical World Section / Ideological Criticism Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 1 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Ideology, Poverty, and the Formation of Biblical Scholars**

In this participatory joint session we will examine the dynamics of the ideological representation of poverty in our own formation as biblical scholars. Presentations by invited speakers will be interspersed with time for those in attendance to discuss their own experiences and workshop better practices in the various arenas of our work. A live electronic feed will allow us to gather participant views in the session for later distribution to those interested. Contact the organizers for further information.

Neil Elliott, Fortress Press, Presiding (5 min)

Introduction to the Session

Crystal Hall, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York, Panelist (15 min)

Francisco Lozada, Brite Divinity School (TCU), Panelist (15 min)

Participatory Workshop I

Discussion (30 min)

Observations

Davina Lopez, Eckerd College, Panelist (10 min)

S23-336

SBL Pseudepigrapha Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 17 A (Mezzanine level)

Theme: **Honoring the Life and Work of Michael E. Stone. And Review of Andrei Orlov, Heavenly Priesthood in the Apocalypse of Abraham**

We will begin with a tribute to the life and work of Michael E. Stone (90 mins). The second part will be a review of Andrei Orlov's Heavenly Priesthood in the Apocalypse of Abraham (60 mins.).

Matthias Henze, Rice University, Presiding

A Tribute to Michael E. Stone, Professor emeritus of Comparative Religion and Armenian Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Esther Chazon, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist (15 min)

Esther Eshel, Bar-Ilan University, Panelist (15 min)

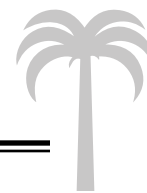
Harold Attridge, Yale University, Panelist (15 min)

George Nickelsburg, University of Iowa, Panelist (15 min)

Abraham Terian, National Academy of Sciences, Armenia, Panelist (15 min)

Michael Stone, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Panelist (15 min)

Review of Andre Orlov, Heavenly Priesthood in the Apocalypse of Abraham



Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Panelist (15 min)

Gabriele Boccaccini, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, Presiding (15 min)

Andrei Orlov, Marquette University, Panelist (15 min)

S23-337

SBL Q Section / Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 303 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **Q's Difference: Contents, Silences, and Perspectives.**

This session, sponsored jointly by the Extent of Theological Diversity in Earliest Christianity Section and the Q Section, revisits the question of how “different” Q seems to be given its contents, silences, and perspectives, especially where issues evidently crucial to other groups (such as the death and resurrection of Jesus) are concerned. Does Q make a difference to constructions of Christian origins?

William Arnal, University of Regina, Presiding

Daniel A. Smith, Huron University College

What Difference Does Difference Make? Q's Place within Christian Origins in Recent Research (30 min)

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto, Respondent (10 min)

Mark Goodacre, Duke University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Break (10 min)

Joseph Verheyden, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Is There a Place in the Inn? Some Reflections on How to Take Care of Q (30 min)

John Kloppenborg, University of Toronto, Respondent (10 min)

Mark Goodacre, Duke University, Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (20 min)

S23-337a

SBL Qumran Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 501 C (Level 5 (Cobalt))

Theme: **New Perspectives on Archaeology, Material Science and Texts**

Eibert Tigchelaar, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Presiding

Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Were Sacrifices Offered at Qumran? The Animal Bone Deposits Reconsidered. (30 min)

Ira Rabin, BAM Federal Institute of Materials Research and Testing
Did 1QIsaa and IQS come from the same parchment workshop? (30 min)

Helen R. Jacobus, University College London
Two Aramaic zodiac calendars: why 4Q318 is related to the Synchronistic Calendar of 4Q208–4Q209 (30 min)

Bernard M Levinson, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Correcting the Restorations of Temple Scroll (11Q19) 2:8–9 (30 min)

Shani Tzoref, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
The Temple Scroll as Prequel and Interquel (30 min)

S23-338

SBL Religious Competition in Late Antiquity Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 307 (Level 3 (Aqua))

Theme: **From Within the Ivory Tower: Religious Experts and the 99%**

Lily Vuong, Valdosta State University, Presiding (5 min)

Victoria J. Ballmes, University of California-Santa Barbara
Denying the Divide: Narrative and Rhetoric in the Defense of Religious Boundaries (20 min)

Svetla Slaveva-Griffin, Florida State University
Panem et Circenses: The 99% in Heliodorus' Aethiopica (20 min)

Phillip Webster, University of Pennsylvania
Clement of Alexandria and the Appearance of the Virtuous Soul (20 min)

Robert J. Morehouse, Saint Leo University
Pleading for Exclusive Allegiance: Ephraem of Nisibis' Polemics against Plurality and Liberality within his own Congregation (20 min)

Ky Heinze, The Catholic University of America
Sacrifice and Divine Goodness in Porphyry and Origen: A Debate with Popular Religion or with other Cultural Producers? (20 min)

Gregg Gardner, University of British Columbia
Experts, Relics, and Competition (20 min)

S23-339

SBL Religious Experience in Antiquity Section / Mind, Society, and Religion in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 30 B (Upper level)

Theme: **Review Session: The Neuroscience of Religious Experience (Patrick McNamara)**

This is a special session devoted to discussing Patrick McNamara's book, *The Neuroscience of Religious Experience* (CUP, 2009).

Colleen Shantz, Toronto School of Theology, Presiding (5 min)

Christopher T. Holmes, Emory University
(Religious) Language and the Decentering Process: McNamara and De Sublimate on the Ecstatic Effect of Language (25 min)

Angela Kim Harkins, Marie Curie Fellow, University of Birmingham
Thinking about the Neuroscience of Religious Experience: Daniel's Interpretation of Scripture (25 min)

CHAN, Lung Pun Common, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Fides et ratio: Apocalyptic Experience of "I" in Light of McNamara's Neurocognitive Mechanisms of Decentering (25 min)

Istvan Czachesz, University of Heidelberg
Tours of heaven in light of the neuroscientific study of religious experience (25 min)

April D. DeConick, Rice University
The Care of the Self and Gnostic Initiation (25 min)

Discussion (20 min)

Sunday, 4:00 PM–6:30 PM

S23-340

SBL Ritual in the Biblical World Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 311 B (Level 3 (Aqua))

Daniel Belnap, Brigham Young University, Presiding
Sacred Speech

Marian Broida, Georgia State University
Magic or Not? Ritual Speech Acts and the Ways of the Gods (20 min)

Erin Villareal, Johns Hopkins University
A Rite of Affliction: A Reexamination of the Law of Jealousy in Numbers 5.11-31 (20 min)

Russell Arnold, Regis University, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Liminality

Linzie M. Treadway, Vanderbilt University
Crossing and Uncrossing the Jordan: Rivers as Liminal Space in Israel's Collective Memory (20 min)

Christopher Ansberry, Oak Hill College
Job, Liminality, and the Powers of the Weak (20 min)

Liv Ingeborg Lied, Det Teologiske Menighetsfakultet, Respondent (20 min)

Discussion (15 min)

S23-341

SBL Second Corinthians: Pauline Theology in the Making Seminar

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 400 B (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Thomas Schmeller, Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main, Presiding

Julien C. H. Smith, Valparaiso University
The transforming image of the ideal king: Paul's apostolic defense (2 Cor 2:14-4:6) in light of Greco-Roman political ideology (30 min)

Dominika A. Kurek-Chomycz, Liverpool Hope University
Thriambeuô in 2 Cor 2:14: Military Imagery, Epiphany Processions and Apuleius, Once More (30 min)

Christopher D. Land, McMaster Divinity College
The Benefits Outweigh the Costs: Human Obedience and Divine Blessing in 2 Cor 6:1-7:2 (30 min)

Steven Kraftchick, Emory University, Respondent (15 min)

Discussion (15 min)

Business Meeting (30 min)

S23-342

SBL Textual Criticism of Samuel – Kings Section

4:00 PM–6:15 PM

Hilton Bayfront – 402 (Level 4 (Sapphire))

Theme: **From manuscripts to theological variants**

Anneli Aejmelaeus, University of Helsinki
The Position of the Fragmentary Manuscript 845 in the Textual History of the Septuagint of 1 Samuel (30 min)

Kristin De Troyer, University of St. Andrews
The wonderful marginal notes of ms 344 and the history of the biblical text (30 min)

Break (15 min)

Juerg Hutzli, Université de Lausanne
Presumed Theological Changes in the Main Witnesses of 1-2 Samuel: Specific Tendencies Found in MT, 4QSam and LXX (30 min)

Tuukka Kauhanen, University of Helsinki
The Text-historical Position of Lucifer of Cagliari in Samuel-Kings (30 min)

S23-343

SBL Theology of the Hebrew Scriptures Section

4:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 32 B (Upper level)

Julia O'Brien, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Presiding

Deena Grant, Barry University
Fire and the Body of Yhwh (25 min)

Donald Raney, Wayland Baptist University
Answering Cain's Question (25 min)

Todd A. Scacewater, Westminster Theological Seminary
Twin Introductory Psalms for Each Book of the Psalter (25 min)

Jennifer Andruska, University of Cambridge
Systematic Theology's Use or Misuse of the Book of Job (25 min)

Paul Kang-Kul Cho, Wesley Theological Seminary
The Theological Meaning of the Literary Shape of the Book of Job (25 min)

Business Meeting (25 min)

P23-344

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott Marquis – Cardiff (Level 3)

Theme: **Teaching for a Culturally Diverse and Racially Just World**

This mini-workshop will explore within a 90 minute session specific dimensions of the co-authored work *Teaching for a Culturally Diverse and Racially Just World*, edited by Eleazar Fernandez as they pertain to teaching practice and leveraging institutional change. Participants in this mini-workshop will be able to take away particular strategies that they can use in their own teaching and institutional contexts. Issues to be explored will involve a range of topics, including: When Subject Matter: The Bodies We Teach By; The Content of Theological Education Today and Tomorrow; Curriculum as Formational Praxis for Faculty, Students, and their Communities; Teaching Disruptively: Pedagogical Strategies to Teaching Cultural Diversity and Race

Goals: Identify specific ways by which faculty and administrators can foster academic environments that work toward a culturally diverse and racially just world; Share specific strategies by which faculty can adjust teaching practices for cultural diversity and racial justice.

Nadine Pence, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Presiding



Paul Myhre, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Presiding

Mini-Workshop Leaders:

Elizabeth Conde Frazier, Esperanza College, Panelist

Willie James Jennings, Duke University, Panelist

Boyoung Lee, Pacific School of Religion, Panelist

Mai-Anh Le Tran, Eden Theological Seminary, Panelist

Eleazar Fernandez, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities, Panelist

S23-345

SBL Writings from the Greco-Roman World Editorial Board

4:00 PM–5:30 PM

Marriott Marquis – SBL Suite

P23-346

African Association for the Study of Religions

5:00 PM–7:00 PM

Hilton Bayfront – Indigo Ballroom B (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Religion, Environment, Society, and Postcoloniality in Theological Perspective: The Ecumenical Theology of Jesse N. K. Mugambi**

S. Kip Eloia, Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Presiding

Teresia Mbari Hinga, Santa Clara University, Panelist

Mika Vähäkangas, Lund University, Panelist

Diane Stinton, Regent College, Panelist

Knut Holter, School of Mission & Theology (Misjonshogskolen i Stavanger) (Norway), Panelist

Ernst Conradie, University of the Western Cape, Panelist

Elias Kifon Bongmba, Rice University, Panelist

Jesse Mugambi, University of Nairobi, Respondent

S23-346a

SBL Employment Services Advisory Committee

5:00 PM–6:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 19 (Mezzanine level)

P23-347

Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion

6:30 PM–8:30 PM

Marriott Marquis – San Diego Ballroom Salon C (Lobby level)

Theme: **New Teachers Dinner**

Annual gathering of new teachers for dinner and directed conversations about the first years of teaching. Nomination of new teachers for participation is required. September 30 deadline. Contact: Paul O. Myhre, Associate Director, Wabash Center: myhrep@wabash.edu

Sunday, 7:00 PM and Later

S23-401

SBL Film Screening: Noah

7:00 PM–9:30 PM

Convention Center – Room 23 B (Upper level)

Matthew Rindge, Gonzaga University, Presiding

Craig Detweiler, Pepperdine University, Presiding

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

S24-101

SBL Women Members Breakfast

7:00 AM–9:00 AM

Convention Center – Room 6 B (Upper level)

S24-102

SBL Book Series Editors

7:30 AM–9:00 AM

Convention Center – Room 19 (Mezzanine level)

Monday, 9:00 AM–11:30 AM

S24-103

SBL African Biblical Hermeneutics Section

9:00 AM–11:00 AM

Hilton Bayfront – 206 (Level 2 (Indigo))

Theme: **Sexuality, Masculinities, HIV and AIDS, and the Bible in Africa**

Dora Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary, Presiding

Madipoane Masenya (Ngwn'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa and Marthe Maleke Kondemo, University of South Africa

What of the problematic Norm? Rereading the Book of Ruth within the Mongo Women's Context (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University

Rethinking Paul's Sexual Ethics within the context of HIV/AIDS: A Postcolonial Afro-Feminist-Womanist Perspective (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)

Kuloba W. Robert, Kyambogo University

"Homosexuality is Unafrikan and Unbiblical:" Examining the Ideological Motivations to Homophobia in Sub-Saharan Africa—the Case Study of Uganda (25 min)

Discussion (5 min)