



Annual Meetings 2021



San Antonio, TX  November 20–23

Instructions and Information for In-Person Session Presenters

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For the most part, in-person presentations will work just like that have in past Annual Meetings. Please show up to the room a few minutes before the scheduled start of the session, which will give you time to meet the presider and other presenters, as well as do any technical checks that may be necessary. During the session, the presider will introduce each speaker and give warning when the allotted time is running out. It is the responsibility of every attendee to adhere to the guidelines laid out here and in [SBL Professional Conduct Policy](#) to ensure that the meeting fosters an environment of accessibility, inclusivity, diversity, professionalism, and engagement. Please take a moment to review these guidelines, along with the Professional Conduct Policy, so that you will arrive in San Antonio ready to help create a meeting that fosters biblical scholarship in accordance with [SBL's mission and core values](#).

There are a few unique notes to in-person presentation at this year's meeting:

Special COVID-19 Protocols

Please make note of the [COVID-19 safety protocols](#). Attendees must wear masks during the sessions and while in common areas. You may remove your mask while making your presentation.

Handouts and Full-Text Papers

Handouts and full-text papers can be uploaded to the app/meeting platform. Look for an email inviting you to do this from alerts@ativsoftware.com. Uploaded documents will not be immediately available.

Simulive/*In absentia* Presentations

Even if you cannot travel to San Antonio, you can upload a pre-recorded version of your paper. Look for an email inviting you to do this from alerts@ativsoftware.com. This recording will be available in the app/meeting platform for any attendee to view. A copy of the file will be made available to be played during the session. Presenters of *in absentia* presentations must maintain a meeting registration, though a virtual only registration is acceptable. For any *in absentia* presentation, please be sure to be in touch with the chairs of the program unit so that everyone is aware of the plans.

App/Meeting Platform Discussions

The end of the session does not have to mean the end of conversation about your presentation. The app/meeting platform includes a discussion module that can allow for any attendee,

whether in-person or virtual, to continue the conversation about your presentation. Be sure to check the platform regularly if you would like to keep that conversation going.