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SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2013

S23-1 2:30-5:00PM (location)
Professional Development Workshop *(registration required)*
Will include two modules and opportunity to engage in discussion and planning with each of the presenters. Participation is open to students at various stages of their formal education and to recent graduates.

*Module One: Foundational matters*
Preparing for publication: Discerning research interests – Mignon Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary
*Explores way of building on course work and research toward presentations and publication*
Navigating the profession—Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University
*Discusses avenues for participating in the profession (regional, national, and international)*

*Module Two: Employment matters*
Teaching online—Carl Toney, Hope International University
*Offers suggestions for effective teaching online and use of online course software*
Getting Hired in the challenged economy: models of employment—Kenneth Waters, Sr., Azusa Pacific University
*Discusses helps and hindrances in the scholar’s quest for adjunct or full-time employment.*

S23-2 5:15-6:30PM (location)
Student Reception

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SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2013

**REGISTRATION 10:00AM-5:00PM**

**EXHIBITION 12:00-5:00PM**

**11:00AM-12:30PM**

A24-1 ASOR-Pacific Southwest (location)
Jason Riley, Fuller Theological Seminary
*“Why, O-y?”: The I cs Suffix in Ugaritic and Its Bearing on the Case Vowel of the Vocative (22 min)*

Joel Hamme, Fuller Theological Seminary
*The dingir.ša.dib.ba as an Empirical Model for the Study of the Lament of the Individual (22 min)*

Andrew Giorgetti, Fuller Theological Seminary
*The “Mock Building Account” of Genesis 11:1-9: Polemic against Mesopotamian Building Ideology (22 min)*

Nathan Yearian, Fuller Theological Seminary
*A Comparative Study of the Marduk Prophesy and Isaiah 44:24-45:25 (22 min)*

**11:30AM-12:30PM (location)**

M24-1 SBLPCR Executive Board Meeting

**12:45-2:00PM (location)**

M24-2 SBLPCR Program Unit Chairs Lunch Meeting (location)

2:15-3:45pm SESSIONS
**S24-1 HEBREW BIBLE I (location)**
*Theme: Pentateuch*
Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University, *Presiding*

Stephen R. Munzer, UCLA
*Ancient Israel on the Couch: Circumcision and the Formation of Identity (22 min)*

Erica Mongé-Greer, Fuller Theological Seminary
*The Story Does Not End Here (22 min)*

Charlie Trimm, Biola University
*God’s Staff and Moses’ Hands (22 min)*

Marla Porter, Graduate Theological Union
*Two Poems in Deuteronomy 32 (22 min)*

**S24-2 JUDAISM IN THE GRECO-ROMAN ERA (location)**
Randall D. Chesnutt, Pepperdine University, *Presiding*

Ashley Bacchi, Graduate Theological Union
*The Two Faces of Queen Shelamzion in Josephus (30 min)*

J. Edward Wright, University of Arizona
*3 Baruch and Apocalyptic Ekphrasis: A Proposal on Origins (30 min)*

Zachary G. Smith, Pasadena, CA
*The Divine Logos as Philonic Paraclete: An Exegetical Examination of the Role of Divine Logos in Quod Deus sit immutabilis (30 min)*

**4:00-5:30PM SESSIONS**

**S24-3 NEO-ASSYRIAN INSIGHTS ON ANCIENT ISRAEL AND THE HEBREW BIBLE (location)**
*Theme: Religion in Iron Age Israel, Judah, Egypt, and Mesopotamia*
This session includes presentation and audience interaction with several scholars who will identify relevant aspects related to the study of religion in the ancient Near East.

Brad E. Kelle, Point Loma Nazarene University, *Presiding*

*Panelists:*
- Norman Gottwald, Pacific School of Religion
- John Goldingay, Fuller Theological Seminary
- Christopher Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary

**S24-4 NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLES AND APOCALYPSE I (location)**
Matthew R. Hauge, Azusa Pacific University *Presiding*

Florence Gillman, University of San Diego
*Paul and His Nursing Mother Metaphor (1 Thessalonians 2:7) (22 min)*

Alice Yafeh-Deigh, Azusa Pacific University
*The Hybrid Space that the Church would have been but never was: The Space envisioned by Paul’s statement in Gal 3:28 (22 min)*

Joseph Hyung Lee, Regent College
*The Pregnant Greek Philosophers, the Hebrew Scripture and Paul’s ódēnō in Galatians 4:19 (22 min)*

William Baker, Hope International University
*Covenant Signpost: Deuteronomy in the Epistle of James (22 min)*
5:45-7:30PM
S24-5 SBL Pacific Coast Plenary and Reception (location)
Theme: Interpreting the Bible in today’s context: Opportunities and Challenges
Scholar Roundtable discussion with audience Q&A

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013

REGISTRATION 7:30AM-12:00NOON

EXHIBITION 8:00AM-2:00PM

8:00-9:30AM SESSIONS

S25-1 Hebrew Bible II (location)
Theme: Former and Latter Prophets
Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Simon Yoo, Patten University
Heavy vs. Light: Characterization in 1 Samuel 17 (22 min)

Beau Harris, Claremont School of Theology
More of Merab: Retelling the Story of Israel’s First Princess (22 min)

Soo Kim, Claremont School of Theology
Three Unnatural Deaths and Their Shadows in the Jeroboam Narrative: A Study of Image-Making and Spatialization (22 min)

Shelley Long, Claremont School of Theology
Who Wrote Isaiah and Why? A Redaction Critical Survey and Interpretation (22 min)

S25-2 New Testament Texts and Traditions I (location)
Rebecca Skaggs, Patten University, Presiding

Daniel Hjort, Lund University
The Introduction of a True Leader: A Biographical-Narrative Reading of Matt. 1-2 (22 min)

Yongbom Lee, Fuller Theological Seminary
Narrative Functions of pro karou (Matt. 8:29): Centrality of Matt. 25:31-46 and Intertextuality Between Matt. 8:29 and 25:41 (22 min)

Kenneth Waters, Azusa Pacific University
Jesus in the Heart of the Earth: Deciphering the Jonah Logion (Matt. 12:38-41) (22 min)

Matthew Hauge, Azusa Pacific University
Taming Bucephalus: Mark 11:1-11 and the Legend of the King (22 min)

10:00-11:30AM SESSION
S25-3 SBLPCR Presidential Address
Kay Higuera Smith, Azusa Pacific University
The Bible, the Academy, and Global Realities

11:45-1:15PM
M25-1 SBLPCR Lunch Business Meeting (all are invited)
Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding
1:30-3:00PM SESSIONS

S25-4 OPEN SESSION (location)
Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary, Presiding

Sun Wook Kim, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Reading Matthew from the Perspective of Marginality (22 min)

Chris Fresch, University of Cambridge
The Peculiar Occurrences of οὖν in Septuagint Genesis and Exodus (22 min)

Hany N. Takla
Arabic Version of the Book of Tobit in the Egyptian Church (22 min)

Nicholas E. Pappani, Claremont School of Theology
Reevaluating the Psalmist’s Complaint in Psalm 35:15 in light of the Semantic Range of דמם (22 min)

S25-5 NEW TESTAMENT TEXTS AND TRADITIONS II
Rebecca Skaggs, Patten University, Presiding

Sanghee Michael Ahn, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary
The Narrative Function of John the Baptist I Light of Second Temple Jewish Messianic Expectations (22 min)

Victoria Gray, Fuller Theological Seminary
The Kingdom of God: Leaven and Mustard as Symbols of Reversal (22 min)

Michal Beth Dinkler, Loyola Marymount University
Internal Monologue in the Lukan Parables (22 min)

Michael Kochenash, Claremont Lincoln University
Aeneas, Joppa, and the Macro-Structure of Acts (22 min)

3:15-4:45PM SESSIONS

S25-6 HEBREW BIBLE III (location)
Theme: Latter Prophets and Writings
Christopher Heard, Pepperdine University, Presiding

Joseph Espinoza, Independent Scholar
Tense, Aspect, and Modality in the Book of Amos (22 min)

Melissa Ramos, UCLA
The Linguistic Construction of Power and Resistance in Ezra-Nehemiah (22 min)

William Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University
Is There an Authoritative Shape for the Book of Psalms? Profiling the Manuscripts of the Hebrew Psalter (22 min)

Timothy Finlay, Azusa Pacific University
A Comparison of Three Intertextual Approaches to Ruth (22 min)

S25-6 NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLES AND APOCALYPSE II (location)
Kenneth L. Waters Sr., Azusa Pacific University, Presiding

Keith Reeves, Azusa Pacific University
Show me the Money: Romans as a fund raising letter” (22 min)

Zachary Smith, Fuller Theological Seminary,
“You were called ‘foreskin’: Ethnoracial Epithets and the Conversion of Ethnic Identity in Ephesians 2:11-22” (22 min)

Kevin Scull, University of California, Los Angeles
Success Despite Suffering: Paul’s Self-Presentation of his Suffering in Philippians (22 min)

Kenora Haloviak Valentine, La Sierra University
Whore No More: Cleopatra and the Interpretation of Revelation 17 (22 min)