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Regional Meeting
Sunday February 27, 2022
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2022 Program Highlights (all included with registration fee)
*All-day refreshments to network and connect
*Catered, plated luncheon with presidential address by Dr. Carly Crouch
*New sessions on “Teaching Biblical Studies” and “Expanding the Boundaries”

8:00-8:30 am   On-site Registration Open   Location: Embassy Suites Lobby
-Refreshments available to network and connect

Block 1: Concurrent Sessions   8:30-10:15am

1a) New Testament I
Presiding: Rodolfo Galvan Estrada, Vanguard University

“Field Update on the Case Against the Historicity of Jesus: Recent Peer-Reviewed Publications For and Against”
Richard Carrier, Independent Scholar

“Sin’ in John’s Gospel: Challenging the Consensus”
Matthew E. Sousa, Linfield Christian School

“Those Who Know and Those Who Conquer: The Role of Intergenerational Faith Transmission in 1 John”
Janette H. Ok, Fuller Theological Seminary

1b) Hebrew Bible I
Presiding: Christopher Hays, Fuller Theological Seminary

“A Second Look at ‘Second Thoughts’: Exodus 1:7-2:10 and a Reconsideration of J. Cheryl Exum”
Ashley Starr-Morris, Claremont Graduate University

“Saul at Endor in Historical and Literary Context”
Adam Chebahtah, UCLA

“Reputation Ethics in Ezekiel 20”
Nicola Patton, Fuller Theological Seminary

“Wilderness Imagery in Jeremiah 2:2b”
Tim Graham, Fuller Theological Seminary
10:15-10:25am  BREAK
- Refreshments to network and connect

Block 2: Concurrent Sessions  10:30am-12:15pm

2a) Emerging Critical Theory and Perspectives  
Presiding: Kay Higuera Smith, Azusa Pacific University

“A Hermeneutic of Trauma: Exploring the Collective Betrayal in John 14-16”
Cory M. Marsh, Southern California Seminary

“Maternal Pain in the Hebrew Bible: A Multidisciplinary Conversation”
Stephanie Smith Matthews, Point Loma Nazarene University

“What Exactly Is the ‘Text’ That Study Bibles Present to Their Readers?”
William Yarchin, Azusa Pacific University

“The Ethical Ammonites? Evaluating the Characterization of the Ammonite King in Judges 11:12-28”
T. L. Birge, Azusa Pacific University

2b) Expanding the Boundaries  
Presiding: Janette H. Ok, Fuller Theological Seminary

“Toward a Postcolonial and Postsupersessionist Reading of Ephesians 2:11-22”
David Eng-Wong, Fuller Theological Seminary

“A Moral-Psychological Interpretation of ‘Mortal Body’ in Romans”
William Horst, Fuller Theological Seminary

“The Name of God in 1 Enoch and Genesis Apocryphon (1Q20)”
Joseph H.S. Lee, William Jessup University
12:30-2:00pm Luncheon and Presidential Address
Room: Valencia
*Catered, plated luncheon included in registration fee

2022 SBLPCR Presidential Address
Dr. Carly L. Crouch
Professor of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and Ancient Judaism, Radboud University Nijmegen
Title: “Identity on the Move: Israel and Judah in Conversation with Migration Studies”

Carly L. Crouch is Professor of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and Ancient Judaism and Chair of the Department of Textual, Historical and Systematic Studies of Judaism and Christianity at Radboud University Nijmegen. She is author of several books, including Israel and Judah Redefined (CUP, 2021), Translating Empire (with Jeremy Hutton; Mohr Siebeck, 2019), An Introduction to the Study of Jeremiah (Bloomsbury, 2017), The Making of Israel (Brill, 2014), Israel and the Assyrians (SBL, 2014), War and Ethics in the Ancient Near East (de Gruyter, 2009), and Isaiah: An Introduction and Study Guide, with past SBLPCR President Christopher B. Hays (Bloomsbury, 2022), as well as editor of volumes on the Bible and American gun culture, involuntary migration and the prophets, and Hebrew Bible ethics.

2:00-2:10pm BREAK
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Block 3: Concurrent Sessions  2:15-4:00pm

3a) Teaching Biblical Studies  Room: Meyer
Presiding: Carl Toney, Hope International University

“Words in Context: A New Hebrew Dictionary for the Developing Student”
Robert Duke, Azusa Pacific University

“Mentoring Students through Assessment for Transformation: Using Pre-post Assessments and Effect Size to Determine Learning and Intervention”
Gabriel Estrada, California Baptist University

“Redesigning the Hours, Content, and Grading of the ‘College Course’”
James Yulie, Hope International University

“Enhancing Community through Online Education”
Kristen Ferguson, Gateway Seminary

3b) Bible and the Ancient Near East  Room: Ponderosa
Presiding: Tammi Schneider, Claremont Graduate University

“A Full Analysis of Pollen Samples from Channel II (18th century BCE) and Siloam Tunnel (8th century BCE) in the City of David, Jerusalem”
Patrick Scott Geyer, University of San Diego

Brian Donnelly-Lewis, UCLA

“The Production of Ancient Near Eastern Cult Statues and the Rhetoric of Isaiah 44:9-20”
Adam Chebahtah, UCLA

“The Biblical Literati in the Context of Literary Functionaries in the Ancient Near East”
Diana Edelman, University of Oslo

4:00-4:10pm BREAK
-Refreshments to network and connect
Block 4: Concurrent Sessions  4:15-6:00pm

4a) New Testament II  
Presiding: Kenneth L. Waters, Azusa Pacific University  

“The New Jerusalem as Sabbath Bride”  
Jamila Herman Gonzalez, University of California at Santa Barbara

“Paul and Jewish Inclusion: Galatians as an Argument for the Justification of Jews in Christ”  
John W. Taylor, Gateway Seminary

“Illumination of the Gospel and the Icon of God in 2 Corinthians”  
Thomas Soden, St. Josaphat’s Basilian Monastery

W. Gil Shin, Fuller Theological Seminary

4b) Hebrew Bible II  
Presiding: Carly Crouch, Radboud University

“Consider Her’: Body-Talk as a Literary Strategy in the Book of Judges”  
Kenneth Way, Talbot School of Theology at Biola University

“The Progressive Denigration of Jeroboam Ben Nebat”  
D. Charles Smith, Independent Scholar

“Horsemen Among the Myrtles: Imperial Ideology in Zechariah 1:7-17”  
Cathleen Chopra-McGowan, Santa Clara University

“On the Dual Metaphoric-Rhetorical Function of Hosea 12’s Jacob References: Is Like and Be Like”  
Mason Lancaster, Point Loma Nazarene University

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