Monday, July 20

20-1

Asociación Bíblica Argentina Annual Assembly
7/20/2015
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

20-2

Opening Session
7/20/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Auditorio Santa Cecilia - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Please join us for the opening session. We look forward to welcoming new and longtime colleagues from around the world.

Greetings
Mons. Dr. Víctor Manuel Fernández, Rector, Universidad Católica Argentina, Welcome (10 min)
Pablo R. Andiñach, Instituto Universitario ISEDET, Welcome (5 min)
Eleuterio Ruiz, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina, Welcome (5 min)
John F. Kutsko, Society of Biblical Literature and Emory University, Welcome (5 min)
Opening Address by Fernando F. Segovia

20-3

Opening Reception
7/20/2015
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM
Room: Room TBD - Hotel TBD
All meeting registrants are welcome to attend this opening reception.
## Tuesday, July 21

### 21-1

**Bible and Syriac Studies in Context**  
7/21/2015  
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM  
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

**Theme:** Performing Scriptures

- Shabo Talay, Freie Universität Berlin, Presiding  
- Rebekka Nieten, Freie Universität Berlin  
  - The Role of the Refrain in Syro-Aramaic Poetry (30 min)  
- Stephanie Schewe, Freie Universität Berlin  
  - The role of refrains in the recitation of the Qur’an: a comparison with the Syro-Aramaic tradition (30 min)  
- Discussion (30 min)

### 21-2

**Bible: Colonialism e Anti-Colonialism**  
7/21/2015  
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM  
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Discussion in this session will occur in English.

- Marcos Paulo Bailão, Faculdade de Teologia da São Paulo, Presiding  
- José Ademar Kaefer, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo - UMESP, Panelist  
- Monika Ottermann, Nhanduti Editora, Panelist  
- Valmor Da Silva, Pontifícia Universidade Católica de Goiás, Panelist  
- Paulo Sérgio Proença, Universidade da Integração Internacional da Lusofonia Afro-Brasileira, Panelist  
- Luiz José Dietrich, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná, Panelist  
- Marcos Paulo Bailão, Faculdade de Teologia da São Paulo, Panelist

### 21-3

**Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)**  
7/21/2015  
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM  
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

- Funlola Olojede, University of South Africa, Presiding  
- John Tracy Greene, Michigan State University, Welcome (5 min)  
- 9:05-10:00 The Mishael Maswari Caspi Theme-setting Presentation: A Statement of the Topic  
  - Robert Feather, The Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining  
  - Where Moses Stood (40 min)  
  - Discussion (15 min)  
- 10:00-10:30 Presentation Ceremony: John T. Greene

### 21-4

**Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy**  
Joint Session With: Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy, Expressions of Religion in Israel
21-5

Families and Children in the Ancient World
7/21/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Tsui Yuk Louise Liu, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Presiding
Mikael Larsson, Uppsala University

Israel’s children revisited: on the significance of Shear-jashub and Maher-shalal-hash-baz as children (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

Corinne Lanoir, Institut Protestant de Théologie de Paris
Judges: Disturbing Families in a Society in Crisis (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

21-6

Gospel of Mark
7/21/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Latin American Hermeneutics and the Gospel of Mark 1

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding
Cássio Murilo Dias da Silva, Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul

A new agenda for rethinking inspiration: How Latin American hermeneutics can help (25 min)
Nestor Miguez, I.U. ISEDET

The unexpected question to Bartimeus (25 min)
Philip Ruge-Jones, Texas Lutheran University
Discovering Where the Bodies are Hidden (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

21-7

Judaica
7/21/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Evolution of words, rhetoric, and legal concepts: from the Bible and Beyond

Mayer Gruber, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Presiding
Haim Dihi, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

The Manna Pericope (Exod 16:14-15): The Terms mehuspas and man (in the Phrase man-hu’) in Light of Medieval Jewish Commentators and in Comparison to Modern Biblical Hebrew Philology (30 min)
Shamir Yona, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
The stylistic-literary technique of Emphasizing the End of the unit in biblical and rabbinic literature (30 min)
Elinor Bareket, Achva Academic College

The Justification: How the concept evolves throughout the Bible, the Talmud, the Midrash and the Genizah Documents (30 min)

21-8
Methods in New Testament Studies
7/21/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Jacob D. Myers, Columbia Theological Seminary
The Voluptuousness of Discourse: Reading Peter’s Pentecost Sermon through L’Écriture Féminine and Lo Cotidiano (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Break (10 min)
Lee A. Johnson, East Carolina University
Paul’s Letters Re-Heard: Investigating the Reception and On-going Role of Paul’s Correspondence through Performance Critical Questions (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

21-9
Persian Period
7/21/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 116 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Changing Views on Kingship in Persian Period Biblical Texts

Richard Bautch, St. Edward’s University, Presiding
Jerome Creach, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
The Mortality of the King in the Psalms and the Changing View of Monarchy in the Persian Period (30 min)
Dennis Tucker, Baylor University
Creation, Kingship, and the Reframing of the Monarchy in the Psalter (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

21-10
Working with Biblical Manuscripts (Textual Criticism)
7/21/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Timothy B. Sailors, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Presiding
Bill Warren, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Explorations into a Narrative Approach to Variants in Manuscripts (20 min)
Ronald van der Bergh, University of Pretoria
Paragraph division in the Acts of Codices Alexandrinus, Vaticanus and Ephraemi Rescriptus (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Matthew Solomon, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
The Textual Character of GA 0278: A Complete Assessment of the Greek Text (20 min)
Jeff Cate, California Baptist University
Let “Us” In: Reconsidering the Weakest Links in the Textual Base of Revelation (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

21-11
**Writings (including Psalms)**  
7/21/2015  
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM  
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Henk Potgieter, University of Pretoria, Presiding  
Daniel Walter, Fuller Theological Seminary  
**Do You Still Hold Fast? The Dimensions of Job’s Integrity** (30 min)  
Sunwoo Hwang, Chongshin University  
**The View of the Narrator Reflected in the Book of Ruth** (30 min)  
Hans van Deventer, North-West University (South Africa)  
**Literary lions with real bite: re-examining the intertextual rhetoric in Daniel 6** (30 min)

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**21-12**

**Ancient Near East**  
7/21/2015  
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: **Mesopotamian and Levantine Gods**

Martti Nissinen, University of Helsinki  
**Ištar of Arbela** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Ellen White, Biblical Archaeology Society  
**Trading Spaces with Kothar wa Hasis** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Kathleen McCaffrey, Independent Scholar  
**How to be a 'Male' Goddess: The Competing Gender Logics of Antiquity** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

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**21-13**

**Bible and Empire**  
7/21/2015  
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: **Biblical Analysis and Christian Receptions**

Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding  
Mary Katherine Y. H. Hom, University of Cambridge  
**The Characterization of Assyria in Genesis 2:10–14 and Numbers 24:20–24** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Rubén Muñoz-Larrondo, Andrews University  
**From Synagogue to a Hierarchical Ekklesia: Issues of Power and Supremacy in the Practice and Life of South American Churches** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Meredith L.D. Riedel, Duke University  
**Byzantium: Christian empire or Christian republic?** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

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**21-14**

**Bible and Visual Culture**  
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Reception of Biblical Images within History

Daniel Lai, Seattle University
A Critique on Modern Artists’ Renditions of Solomon’s Temple (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

21-15

Biblical Research in Brazil
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Discussion in this session will occur in Portuguese and English.

Cássio Murilo Dias da Silva, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul, Presiding
Leonardo Agostini Fernandes, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro
O Êxodo da Casa de quem não é o Pai: Estudo de Ex 4,19-23 (20 min)
Telmo José Amaral de Figueiredo, Universidade de São Paulo
Etimologias Bíblicas como Estratégia Literária na Arte Narrativa (20 min)
Cássio Murilo Dias da Silva, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul
A Função Didática do tonto no Livro do Eclesiastes (20 min)
Flavio Schmitt, Escola Superior de Teologia de São Leopoldo
Interpretação da Bíblia por Lutero: Princípios e Pressupostos (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

21-16

Early Christianity and the Ancient Economy
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

John Fitzgerald, University of Notre Dame, Presiding
Facundo D. Troche, Università di Bologna
Ancient Fishing Methods and Fishing Grounds in the Lake of Galilee (30 min)
Nestor Miguez, I.U. ISEDET
Economy in the Pauline Legacy (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

21-17

Epistle to the Hebrews
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Issues in the Interpretation of Hebrews 11

Eric F. Mason, Judson University, Presiding
Rodrigo Franklin de Sousa, Universidade Presbiteriana Mackenzie
Of Holy Children and Avenging Fire: Textual History and the Interpretation of Isaiah in the Epistle to the Hebrews (45 min)
Jared C. Calaway, Illinois College
Place, Movement, and Community: A Critical Reading of Hebrews 11 (45 min)
21-18

Families and Children in the Ancient World
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Tsui Yuk Louise Liu, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Presiding
Valérie Nicolet-Anderson, Institut protestant de théologie, Paris

Infants (nêpioi), captivity and freedom: games of power in Galatians 3:23—4:9 (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Hennie Stander, University of Pretoria

Public and Domestic Violence in Chrysostom’s community (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

21-19

Gospel of Mark
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Latin American Hermeneutics and the Gospel of Mark 2

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding
Osvaldo Vena, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

"I can’t breath:" Mark’s response to imperial brutality (30 min)
Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies

Mark’s Jesus in the face of war and armed conflict (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

21-20

Hellenistic Greek Language and Linguistics
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Paul Danove, Villanova University

Rhetorical Applications of New Testament Verbs of Communication with Contrasting Secondary Emphasis (30 min)
Sue Kmetko, Australian Catholic University

The Middle Voice in 1 Thessalonians (30 min)

21-21

Pentateuch (Torah)
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 116 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Michael Hundley, University of Scranton, Presiding
Hendrik Bosman, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

The Exodus according to Severino Croatto: A Transatlantic conversation from the perspective of reader-response criticism (30 min)
Richard Bautch, St. Edward’s University

Altar, Pole and Pillar: Rejection or Adaptation within the Pentateuch? (30 min)
21-22

Quran and Islamic Tradition in Comparative Perspective
7/21/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Qur'anic Terminology in Comparative Perspective

Tamar Zewi, University of Haifa

Qur'anic Vocabulary in the Samaritan Version of Saadya Gaon’s Translation of the Pentateuch (45 min)
Abdulla Galadari, Masdar Institute / Al Maktoum College of Higher Education

The Concept of “Ta’rif” in the Qur’an (45 min)
John Kaltner, Rhodes College, Presiding

21-23

Ancient Near East
7/21/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Ancient Egypt

Graciela Gestoso Singer, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina

Ingots, Scrap Metal, and Payments during the Amarna Period (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Roxana Flammini, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina

Otherness and Antagonism in Egypt: The Construction of Differential Identity Processes during the Late Second Intermediate Period/Early New Kingdom (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Virginia Laporta, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina

Ahmose-Nefertari and Hatshepsut: A Revision of the role of the "King's Great Wife" at the Beginning of the Eighteenth Dynasty (1550-1468 BC) (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

21-24

Apocalyptic Literature
7/21/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Latin American Millenarianism from Christopher Columbus to the "Mayan Apocalypse" 1

Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia

Introduction: Latin American Millenarianism from Christopher Columbus to the 'Mayan Apocalypse' (22 min)
Discussion (8 min)
Luis Reyes Ceja, Universidad del Valle de Atemajac and Gregory A Banazak, SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary

A New Heavens and a New Earth: The Interrelationship of Indigenous Cosmic Apocalypse and Christian Apocalyptic Literature in Early Colonial Latin America (22 min)
Discussion (8 min)
Vicente Dobroruka, Universidade de Brasilia

Building a Millenarian Prophet: The Role of Antônio Conselheiro in the Self-definition of Brazil’s First Republic as related to
21-25

Bible and Empire
7/21/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Bible, Empire, and Hermeneutics 1

Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
Hugh Page, University of Notre Dame

Tempering Biblical Hegemony through Literature, Art, and Imagination — Toward an Anti-Imperial Forschungsgeschichte (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Gerald West, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Intersecting liberation and postcolonial biblical hermeneutics (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Pablo Ferrer, Instituto Superior Evangélico de Estudios Teológicos
The Empire as deceiver: Rev. 13:11-18 and the role of the beast (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

21-26

Hellenistic Judaism
7/21/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Hellenistic Jewish Literary Compositions

Silviu N. Bunta, University of Dayton, Presiding
Kelley Coblentz Bautch, St. Edward's University

Aramaic and Greek Book of the Watchers: Clarifying the Relationship (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

Jonathan Redding, Vanderbilt University
Resistance or Compliance: Reading Daniel 1 as a Hellenistic Faux-Hidden Transcript (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

Mikael Winninge, Umeå Universitet
Hellenistic Jewish Texts and the Diaspora Background of Luke-Acts (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

21-27

Paul and Pauline Literature
7/21/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Nestor Miguez, Presiding
Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies

Struggles for Power in Early Christianity: The Case of 1 Timothy (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Frick, Peter, University of Waterloo
An Existential Interpretation of Paul’s View of Sin: A Dialogue between the New Perspective and Continental Philosophy (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Janet Everts, Hope College
*Living to Give: The Prosperity Gospel in Global and Biblical Perspective* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

### 21-29

#### Prophets

**7/21/2015**
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Sven Petry, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
*Ezekiel: The Prophet and the Prophets* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Göran Eidevall, Uppsala Universitet
*From Eschatology to Economic Justice: Shifting Emphases in the Reception of Amos* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen
*Species Ambiguity and Sex Change in the Book of Jonah: A Fishy Tale* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

### 21-30

#### Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls

**7/21/2015**
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *Archaeology: Sacrifices at Qumran? Part 1*

Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding
Jodi Magness, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
*Were Sacrifices Offered at Qumran? The Animal Bone Deposits Reconsidered* (45 min)
Lawrence H. Schiffman, New York University, Respondent (15 min)
Alison Schofield, University of Denver, Respondent (15 min)
Dennis Mizzi, University of Malta, Respondent (15 min)

### 21-31

#### Synoptic Gospels

**7/21/2015**
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Marcelo Carneiro, Faculdade Presbiteriana Independente de São Paulo
*Orality, Collective Memory and Identity in Synoptic Gospels: a study in the Sabbath issue on Mk 2.23-28, Mt 12.1-8 and Lk 6.1-5* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia
*Demystifying Matthew’s mysteries* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Working with Biblical Manuscripts (Textual Criticism)
7/21/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Ronald van der Bergh, University of Pretoria, Presiding
David J.A. Clines, University of Sheffield
How Corrupt is the Text of the Hebrew Bible? An Empirical Approach (20 min)
Michael Tilly, Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Die syrische Textüberlieferung des 1. Makkabäerbuches (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Masorah
Yosef Ofer, Bar-Ilan University
The Development of Masoretic Notes – From a Tool for Protecting the Text to an Aesthetic Creation (20 min)
Elvira Martin-Contreras, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas
Working with Figured Masorah: A Case Study (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Ancient Near East
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Crime and Violence in the Ancient World

Robert Kawashima, University of Florida
The Mark of Cain: or, The Yahwist’s Leviathan (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Maria Metzler, Harvard University
The Irrational Violence of Gods and Demons (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Lance Allred, Museum of the Bible
Prisons as Punishment in Late Third and Early Second Millennium Mesopotamia (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Apocalyptic Literature
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Latin American Millenarianism from Christopher Columbus to the "Mayan Apocalypse"

Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
Alexandre de Oliveira Karsburg, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro
Missão religiosa e catolicismo popular através do estudo da trajetória de um peregrino italiano na América Católica do século XIX (22 min)
Discussion (8 min)
Pedro Lima Vasconcellos, Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo
Belo Monte (Canudos) and the Imposition of a Millenarian Model of Interpretation about the Socio-Religious Experience Lived Over There (22 min)
Discussion (8 min)

21-35
Bible and Empire
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Bible, Empire, and Hermeneutics 2

Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
Roland Boer, University of Newcastle, Australia
A Response to Hugh Page, Gerald West, and Pablo Ferrer (25 min)
Discussion (65 min)

Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Method, Theology, and Hermeneutics in Early Biblical Interpretation

Paul Hartog, Presiding
Craig Blaising, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
The Uses of Matthew 10:24 in Early Christian Theology (20 min)
André-Louis Rey, Université de Genève
Allyson Preswood Nance, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Bridging the Divide: Hermeneutics at Antioch and Elsewhere (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

Epistle to the Hebrews
7/21/2015
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Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Issues in the Interpretation of Hebrews 11

Jared Calaway, Illinois College, Presiding
Jacob Terhembwa Iqba, North-West University (South Africa)
nephos martyron: Redefining the Place and Function of Ancestors in Hebrews 12:1 (30 min)
Mark W. Elliott, University of St. Andrews
Hebrews 11 and the Ecumenical Biblical Theology of ‘Faith’ (30 min)
Eric F. Mason, Judson University
Two Recent Monographs on Faith and Faithfulness in Hebrews (30 min)

Place, Space, and Identity in the Ancient Mediterranean World
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Time and space in the religious imagination of ancient Mediterranean cultures
Philippus J. Botha, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Romina Della Casa, Universidad Católica Argentina - CONICET

Anna Anna hold the King, the Queen and the Land of Atti: Hittite Imaginary Landscape in Perspective (20 min)
Zhenshuai Jiang, Universität Zürich

Speeches and the Proximity between God and Humanity in Genesis 2-3 (20 min)
Jorge Cano Moreno, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina

Peak Sanctuaries and Elites in Minoan Crete: Interconnections and the Dynamics of Power (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

21-39

Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 116 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: More Widely Applicable Interpretive Approaches

Heather McKay, Edge Hill University, Presiding
Hendrik Viviers, University of Johannesburg

Natural Retreats and Human Well-being: Reading the Song of Songs through the Lens of Attention Restoration Theory (30 min)
Pieter van der Zwan, University of Pretoria

POSSIBLE SYMBOLISM OF THE SKIN IN THE HEBREW BIBLE (30 min)
Business Meeting (30 min)

21-40

Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls
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4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Archaeology: Sacrifices at Qumran? Part 2

Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding
Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet

Pure Meals in the Qumran Movement (30 min)
Discussion (60 min)

21-41

Teologandas and Feminist Theology
7/21/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Discussion in this session will occur in English.

Virginia Azcuy, Universidad Católica Argentina, Presiding
Mercedes García-Bachmann, Instituto Universitario ISEDET, Presiding
Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies

The Experience of RIBLA (20 min)
Mercedes García-Bachmann, Instituto Universitario ISEDET

The Theology and Gender Forum at ISEDET (20 min)
Virginia Azcuy, Universidad Católica Argentina

The "Teologanda" Movement (20 min)
Graciela Dibo, Instituto Raspanti

The Network “Arraigos para la Vida” (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Wednesday, July 22

22-1

Ancient Near East
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: History and Historiography of Ancient Israel

Emanuel Pfoh, National University of La Plata-CONICET
*From the Native’s Point of View? On the Ethnographic Uses of Biblical Narrative* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
José Ademar Kaefer, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo - UMESP
*Exodus as a Northern Tradition, Under the Leadership of El and Yahweh in the Form of Young Bull* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Magdalena Magneres, Universidad Nacional del Centro de la Provincia de Buenos Aires
*Nabot Vineyard as a Historiographical Problem: Approaches Across XX Century* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

22-2

Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Soundings in Biblical Reception

Andrew Mein, Westcott House, Presiding
Erin Runions, Pomona College
*Surveillance, Threat, Scripture: Psalm 139 and the Affective Shaping of Political Subjectivity* (30 min)
Willem J. de Wit, Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo
*Psalm 146 in German, English, Dutch, and Arabic Protestant Hymns* (30 min)
Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University
*Genesis and the Big Bang: When Scripture Describes Science* (30 min)

22-3

Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Funlola Olojede, University of South Africa, Presiding
J. Harold Ellens, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
*Moses and Monotheism This Morning* (30 min)
Richard Sherwin, Bar-Ilan University
*Moses Transfigured for the 21st Century: Paradigms and Complications?* (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

22-4
Biblical Theology
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Biblical Themes and Theology

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding
Gabriel Hornung, Harvard University
Diachronic and Synchronic Approaches to Biblical Theology in the Esther Book (30 min)
Heiko Wenzel, Freie Theologische Hochschule Gießen
Divine Presence in the Book of Job (30 min)
Mark W. Elliott, University of St. Andrews
History, Purpose, and the Loss of a Sense of Both: A Discussion of the Final Two Volumes of M. Saebø's Hebrew Bible/Old Testament (30 min)

22-5

Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament)
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: On Sexuality, via the Song of Songs and Ruth

Mary Foskett, Wake Forest University, Presiding
Cheryl B. Anderson, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary
The Song of Songs: Redeeming Gender Constructions in the Age of AIDS (20 min)
Gerald O. West, University of KwaZulu-Natal and Beverley Haddad, University of KwaZulu-Natal
Boaz as "Sugar Daddy": Re-reading Ruth in the Context of HIV (20 min)
Noemí Palomares, Abilene Christian University
Speaking in My Own Tongue: My Personal Colonial Map and the Book of Ruth (20 min)
Madipoane Masenya (ngwan'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa
Who or What calls the shots in Naomi’s Life? Reading the Naomi-Ruth Story in the African religio-cultural context (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

22-6

Feminist Interpretations
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Feminist Exegesis and Cultural Studies 1

Mercedes Garcia-Bachmann, Instituto Universitario ISEDET, Presiding
Charlene Van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
David J.A. Clines, University of Sheffield
The Most High Male: Divine Masculinity in the Bible (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Randall C. Bailey, Interdenominational Theological Center
A Literary Exploration of the Portrayals of the Women of 1 Samuel: Delegitimizers of Men and Proponents of Empire (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Lee Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Tragedies of three "concubines" in Judges: polygamy and "harlotry" (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
22-7

Gospel of Mark
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Fresh Perspectives and Approaches to Mark's Gospel

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding
Elizabeth Struthers Malbon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Passionately Re-Reading Borges Re-Writing Mark (25 min)
Mariano Agustín Spléndido, Universidad Nacional de La Plata
The Absent Lord: Oikos and Authority in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)
César Carbullanca, Catholic University of Maule
Martyrdom and the death of Christ in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

22-7a

Paul and Pauline Literature
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 116 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Corinthian Correspondence

Peter Frick, University of Waterloo, Presiding
Adam White, Alphacrucis College
Echoes of Empedocles: A Pre-Socratic Citation in 1 Corinthians 2:9? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jacob D. Myers, Columbia Theological Seminary
Making Love With Paul: Agapic Admonitions, Erotic Epistemologies (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Stephen J. Patterson, Willamette University
The Baptists of Corinth: Paul, the Partisans of Apollos, and the History of Baptism in Nascent Christianity (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

22-8

Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Psychological Readings of Biblical Characters and Relationships

Heather McKay, Edge Hill University, Presiding
Cecilie Skupinska-Løvset, Jevnaker municipality Psychiatric clinic
"Entreat me not to leave you" - attachment and interaction in the book of Ruth (30 min)
Eben Scheffler, UNISA
Reflecting on Jesus’ teaching on humility from a positive psychological perspective. (30 min)
Joseph Kim Paxton, Claremont School of Theology
Defensive Attributions in the Story of Job: Retribution Theology and a Belief in a Just World (30 min)

22-9
Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Scribes and Texts

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet, Presiding
Emanuel Tov, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Proto-Masoretic, Pre-Masoretic, Semi-Masoretic, and Masoretic: The History of the Concepts and a Discussion of Their Nature (30 min)
Donald W. Parry, Brigham Young University
A Text Critical Study of Hapax Legomena in MT Isaiah and the Qumran Isaiah Scrolls (30 min)
Sidnie White Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln
Qumran as a Scribal Center in the Late Second Temple Period (30 min)

Stylistics and the Hebrew Bible
7/22/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: The Intersection of Literary Features and Linguistics in Biblical Hebrew Texts

John Hobbins, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Presiding
Bezalel Porten, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Four Paraphonous Pairs in the Moses Narrative (Exod 1-34) (22 min)
Jacobus A. Naudé, University of the Free State and Cynthia L. Miller-Naudé, University of the Free State
Acrostic Style and Word Order: An Examination of Competing Poetic Strategies in Lamentations (22 min)
Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Synonymous Parallelism as Literary Stereogram in the Royal Psalms (22 min)
Laura Giancarlo, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina
Dwelling metaphors in the depiction of old age, death and love: A study of Qo 12: 1-7 and its reception in Jorge Luis Borges’ poem “El Amenazado” (22 min)

Bible and Empire
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Reading Bible and Empire in Latin-American Contexts

Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
Luiz José Dietrich, Pontificia Universidad Católica do Paraná
Imperialismo en la Biblia hebrea: Deconstruyendo raíces de teologías violentas (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Cecilia Toseli, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo
Jeroboam y la tradición del Éxodo en 1Rs 11-14 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Valmor da Silva, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Goiás
Poderoso o defensor de la justicia? Representaciones simbólicas del rey en Israel (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
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Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Jerome Douglas, Valley Forge Christian College, Presiding
Yitzhak Peleg, Beit Berl College
Moses' Figure according to the Story of His Birth and His Death – A Literary Approach (30 min)
Sophia Magallanes, Life Pacific College
Moses, the Prophet-Judge: An Action Hero and International Man of Mystery (30 min)
Funlola Olojede, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
Women Saved Moses but Did Moses Save Women? Moses and the Women of Exodus (30 min)

22-13

Biblical Theology
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: South American Biblical Theology

Seth Tarrer, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
Edesio Sanchez, Sociedades Bíblicas Unidas
Doing Biblical Theology Using the Child Metaphor: A Challenge to Inclusivity in Latin America (30 min)
Pablo Andiñach, Instituto Universitario ISEDET
The God of the Presence: A Latin American Understanding of God in Our Time (30 min)
Claudia Mendoza, Universidad Católica Argentina
Malachi 2:1-9: A Contextual Reading in Relation to the Argentine Crisis of 2001 (30 min)

22-14

Comparative Studies of Literature from the Persian and Hellenistic Periods; Writings (including Psalms)
Joint Session With: Comparative Studies of Literature from the Persian and Hellenistic Periods, Writings (including Psalms)
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Psalms and Historiography 1

Donald Vance, Independent Scholar, Presiding
Phil J. Botha, University of Pretoria
What can we learn from the wise David of Psalm 55? The connections which the editors of the Psalter probably saw between 1 Samuel 21-31 and Psalm 55? (25 min)
Henk Potgieter, University of Pretoria
Psalms 56 read within the context of the history of David in 1 Samuel 21 and 27 and 29-30 (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

22-15

Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament)
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Theme: On Contextualizing Jezebel, Ahab, Naboth, and Athalia

Jeremia Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
Gale Yee, Episcopal Divinity School
Coveting the Vinyard: An Asian American Reading of 1 Kings 21 (20 min)
Fernando Candido, Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina
To whom Do Jezebel’s Remains Belong? An "Organic" Contextual Reading of 2 Kings 9:30-37 (20 min)
Ora Brison, Tel Aviv University
Biblical Queen Athalia and Israel’s Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin—Two Political-Religious Assassinations (20 min)
Athalya Brenner-Idan, Universiteit van Amsterdam
On the Contextualization of Political Murder, Gender and the Law: A Response (10 min)
Discussion (20 min)

22-16

Early Christian Narrative in the Borders of Culture: A Reading of the Apocryphal Acts of the Apostles from Latin America Cultures
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Discussion in this session will occur in Portuguese and English.

Paulo Augusto Nogueira, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo - Brasil, Presiding
Marcelo Da Silva Carneiro, Seminário Presbiteriano Independente, Presiding
Paulo Augusto Nogueira, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo
Early Christians on the Borders of the Mediterranean Culture: The case of the Acts of Phillip (15 min)
José Adriano Filho, Faculdade Teológica Unida
The Apocryphal Acts: Genre and Context (15 min)
Marcelo Da Silva Carneiro, Seminário Presbiteriano Independente
The Acts of Thomas and the Idealization of Roman Society (15 min)
Sebastiana Nogueira, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo
Female Teaching and Apostleship: Pauline Legacy in the Acts of Paul and Thecla (15 min)
Valtair Miranda, Seminário Batista do Sul
Martyrdom Narratives and the Building of Christian Communities (15 min)
Ruben Dupertuis, Trinity University, Respondent (15 min)

22-17

Gospel of Mark
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Fresh Perspectives and Approaches to Mark’s Gospel 2

Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews, Presiding
Gonzalo Bravo, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso, Chile
The relationship of Jesus with sinners (hamartoloi) and the poor (ptochoi) in the Gospel of Mark. (25 min)
Elizabeth Shively, University of St. Andrews
Approaching Mark 16:1-8 in the Frame of Greco-Roman bios (25 min)
Discussion (25 min)

22-18

Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Rituals and Wisdom

Sidnie Crawford, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, Presiding
Ida Fröhlich, Pázmány Péter Catholic University
Qumran spiritual rituals (30 min)
Pieter M. Venter, University of Pretoria
“Did Proverbs’ Lady Wisdom become a Mystery in 4QInstruction?” (30 min)
Paul Heger, University of Toronto
COMMUNAL OBLIGATORY PRAYERS AT QUMRAN- FACT OR SUPPOSITION? (30 min)

22-19

Society for Pentecostal Studies
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Roundtable Discussion of Jacqui Grey, Three’s a Crowd: Pentecostalism, Hermeneutics and the Old Testament

Janet Everts, Hope College, Presiding
Jerome Boone, Lee University, Panelist
Scott Ellington, Emmanuel College, Panelist
Janet Everts, Hope College, Panelist
Wilhelm Wessels, University of South Africa, Panelist
Adam White, Alphacrucis College, Panelist

22-20

Status of Women in the Profession
7/22/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Role and Treatment of Women in Religious Communities
The Status of Women in the Profession Committee will host a discussion on the role and treatment of women in society, religious communities and literature. Participants are invited to join the discussion and to discuss their particular communities and literature.

Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena), Panelist
Heather McKay, Edge Hill University, Panelist

22-21

Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Early Judaism I: Deuterocanonical Writings

Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg, Presiding
Nancy R. Bowen, Earlham School of Religion
Jewish Funerary Inscriptions and Wisdom of Solomon: A Conversation (30 min)
Lee Sui Hung Albert, Chinese University of Hong Kong
Judith’s Double Images as a Heroine and an Anti-heroine: A Dialogical Understanding of the Hasmonean Rulers and
Policies (30 min)
Sung Soo Hong, University of Texas at Austin
Towards the "Whole Truth": Understanding the Test of Tobit (30 min)

22-22

Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact; Bible and Empire
Joint Session With: Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact, Bible and Empire
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Bible, Culture and Empire in Latin America 1

Christopher Hays, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
Claude B. Stuczynski, Bar-Ilan University
The Bible as a Legitimation of Early Modern Iberian Imperialism? Converso and ex-Converso Jewish approaches (30 min)
Juan Carlos Garzón, Universidad de Buenos Aires
Biblical Motifs and the Reshaping of a Native Tale from the Pacific: Los Gigantes de Manta in the Crónica del Perú from Pedro Cieza de León (1553). (30 min)
Andrew Mein, Westcott House
Tarshish and the Isles in the Imperial Vision of Philip II (30 min)

22-23

Bible and Syriac Studies in Context
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: The Bible and Its Reception in the Syriac and Aramaic Tradition

Rebekka Nieten, Freie Universität Berlin, Presiding
Harry van Rooy, North-West University (South Africa)
The Syriac versions of Old Testament Quotations in Matthew (30 min)
Shabo Talay, Freie Universität Berlin
The Bible in Modern Aramaic: Oral and Literary Translation Efforts (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

22-24

Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Jerome Douglas, Valley Forge Christian College, Presiding
Azila Talit Reisenberger, University of Cape Town
The Ambivalent Relationship of Moses with Women (30 min)
James Lappeman, University of Cape Town
Moses - Adoption and Identity (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

22-25
Comparative Studies of Literature from the Persian and Hellenistic Periods; Writings (including Psalms)
Joint Session With: Comparative Studies of Literature from the Persian and Hellenistic Periods, Writings (including Psalms)
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Psalms and Historiography 2

Louis Jonker, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
Ntozakhe Cezula, Stellenbosch University

The Use of Psalm 132:8-10 in Solomon’s Dedication of the Temple in Chronicles (25 min)
Sonja Ammann, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Ps 137 and the "Exilic Gap" in Biblical Historiography (25 min)
Stephen Breck Reid, George W. Truett Theological Seminary/ Baylor Univ
The Hasmonæan Reception History of Psalm 137 and the Problem of Zion (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

22-26

Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament)
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Varia

Archie C. C. Lee, Shandong University, China, Presiding
Naomi Steinberg, DePaul University
"Children in the Hebrew Bible and the Case of Samuel: From Personal Experience to Analysis" (20 min)
Heather McKay, Edge Hill University
Clothing, Adornment and Accouterments in the Historical Books (20 min)
Archie C. C. Lee, Shandong University, China
Aniconism, Iconoclasm and Iconography: Appropriating the Biblical Veto on Images and Idol Politics in China (20 min)
Ying Zhang, East China Normal University
Providence, Nature, and Human Perfection: A Tentative Cross-textual Reading of Maimonides and Zhuangzi (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

22-27

Feminist Interpretations
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Feminist Exegesis and Cultural Studies 2

Mercedes Garcia-Bachmann, Instituto Universitario ISEDET, Presiding
Charlene Van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
Susannah M. Larry, Vanderbilt University

Desire and Power: Revisiting tesûqah in Genesis and the Song of Songs (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
Intertextuality between Judges 4-5 and the Book of Ruth (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Shaping Views of Gender: Judah as Personified Female in Jeremiah 3-4 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

22-28

Paul and Pauline Literature
7/22/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Romans

Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies, Presiding
Joseph Kim Paxton, Claremont School of Theology
Cognitive Dissonance in Romans 1:18: Exchanging the Truth for a Lie. (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Richard K. Min, University of Texas at Dallas
Circular Rhetoric and Exegetical Challenge in Romans (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Jared Ludlow, Brigham Young University
"Fullness of the Gentiles": Influence on and Impact of Paul’s Statement in Romans 11:25 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

22-30

Allusions in the Gospels
7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Allusions in the Gospels

Richard Miller, Presiding (3 min)
Wooil Moon, Seoul Theological University
From Julia Kristeva’s Intertextuality to Dennis MacDonald’s Mimesis Criticism (20 min)
Chang Wook Jung, Chongshin University
Distinction of Allusion from Quotation and Reminiscence (20 min)
César Carbullanca, Catholic University of Maule
Getsemany: Intertextuality on the Theme of Martyrdom (20 min)
Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University in Warsaw
The Allusive Use of Romans in Lk 3:7-11 (20 min)
Discussion (7 min)

22-31

Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha
7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Early Judaism II

Ida Fröhlich, Pázmány Péter Catholic University
Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha in Qumran (30 min)
Lydia Gore-Jones, Macquarie University
Crisis, Solution and Authorial Intention in 4 Ezra (30 min)
Kenner Terra, Universidade Metodista de São Paulo
22-32

Authority and Influence in Biblical Texts

7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Authority and influence in the First Testament

D. F. Tolmie, University of the Free State, Presiding
Wilhelm Wessels, University of South Africa
A Critical Reflection on the Use of Biblical Texts to Address Leadership Issues (30 min)
Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg
Is Jonah also among the leaders? (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

22-33

Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact; Bible and Empire

Joint Session With: Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact, Bible and Empire
7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Bible, Culture and Empire in Latin America 2

Andrew Mein, Westcott House, Presiding
Juan Pablo Cruz Medina, Museo Colonial - Museo Santa Clara, Bogotá
La pintura vetotestamentaria neogranadina. Inserción de la historia local americana en el proyecto imperial hispánico de los siglos XVI y XVII. (30 min)
Viviana Arce Escobar, M useos Colonial y Santa Clara, Bogotá
From Monarchy to Republic: Biblical Readings in the Neogranadian Revolution (1818-1819) (30 min)
Pedro Lima Vasconcellos, Universidade Federal de Alagoas
Paradise and Empire in the Tropics: Cosmology, Eschatology and Conspiracy in the Trajectory of a Victim of the Inquisition (Portugal-Brazil, 18th Century) (30 min)

22-34

Bible and Visual Culture

7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Word and Image
Presenters will show art as a means to enter the biblical text.

Michael Patella, Saint John's University School of Theology and Seminary
Santos and the Santero: Proclaiming the Gospel with Art (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Maria Elisabeth Dorninger, Universität Salzburg
The Case of Dalila: Conceptions of the Biblical Seductress in Medieval High German and Early Modern German Literature (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
22-35

Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Sophia Magallanes, Life Pacific College, Presiding
David Crookes, Independent Scholar
*Michael, Satan, and the Body of Moses* (30 min)
John Kaltner, Rhodes College
*A Prophet Like Moses: A Biblical Figure’s Qur’anic Counterpart* (30 min)
Joseph E. Jensen, Georgetown University
*Between the 'Reeds of the River' to the 'Sea of Reeds': Foreshadowing Parallels in the Account of Pharaoh’s Daughter Saving the Baby Moses (Exod 2:1-10)* (30 min)

22-36

Contextual Interpretation of the Bible (Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and New Testament)
7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *On Contextualizing the New Testament: Case Studies*

Athalya Brenner, Universiteit van Amsterdam, Presiding
Lilly Nortje-Meyer; University of Johannesburg; SA, University of Johannesburg
*Mutual-Mothering as manifestation of Wisdom/Sophia* (20 min)
Elsa Tamez, United Bible Societies
*Paul and Political Prisoners* (20 min)
Jeremy Punt, Stellenbosch University
*Paul the Jew, power of evil and Rome* (20 min)
Discussion (20 min)
Business Meeting (10 min)

22-37

Epistle to the Hebrews; Pastoral and Catholic Epistles
Joint Session With: Epistle to the Hebrews, Pastoral and Catholic Epistles
7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *Use of Scripture and Other Sources by New Testament Writers*

Darian Lockett, Biola University, Presiding
Jason Gish, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
*James, Job, and the “Blessed Person”* (30 min)
Raju Daniel Kunjummen, Moody Theological Seminary–Michigan
*The Faith of Jacob and Literary Synecdoche in Hebrews 11:21* (30 min)
Brett M. Graham, Moore Theological College and University of Sydney
*The Intertextuality of 1 Timothy: A Comparison of the Allusions to the Septuagint and the Jewish Pseudepigrapha in the Epistle* (30 min)

22-38
Fostering Biblical Scholarship...Worldwide: The Contribution of the International Cooperation Initiative

7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

The International Cooperation Initiative (ICI) is a coordinating space for various attempts to facilitate contact between biblical scholarship in traditional environments such as Europe and North America and non-traditional environments such as the Global South and East. The ICI therefore plays an important role in the internationalization of biblical scholarship and in the widening of access to biblical scholarship in all parts of the world. Normally, ICI holds a forum meeting at the SBL International and Annual meetings. This year, the meeting at the International Meeting in Buenos Aires will take another form. Join us to hear what SBL offers to biblical scholarship worldwide through ICI, and come and voice your opinion in the open discussion time.

John F. Kutsko, Society of Biblical Literature and Emory University, Presiding
Louis Jonker, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Panelist (8 min)
Funlola Olojede, University of South Africa, Panelist (8 min)
Roxana Flammini, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina/CONICET, Panelist (8 min)
David Clines, University of Sheffield, Panelist (8 min)

Discussion (50 min)

22-39

Paul and Pauline Literature

7/22/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Stephen Patterson, Willamette University, Presiding
David Trobisch, Museum of the Bible (Green Collection)

Reading the Letters of Paul in Context: A Literary Approach (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Everard Johnston, Seminary of St. John Vianney & Uganda Martyrs / University of the West Indies

Toward a Theory Concerning the Formation of the NT Pauline Corpus (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Nestor Miguez, I.U. ISEDET

From Galatians to Romans: From Liberty to Justice (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

22-40

Presentation of the Book "La Palabra está muy cerca de ti, en tu boca y en tu corazón... Dt 30,14” in Memory of Father Gabriel Nápole

7/22/2015
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Discussion in this session will occur in Spanish.

José Luis D’Amico, Instituto Bíblico Sión, Presiding
José Luis D’Amico, Instituto Bíblico Sión, Panelist
Thursday, July 23

23-1

Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact; Bible and Empire
Joint Session With: Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact, Bible and Empire
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Bible, Culture and Empire in Latin America 3
Lesleigh Cushing, Colgate University, Presiding
Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, University of Aberdeen
Jonah and the Foreigners: Interreligious Relationships in the Reception History of the Book of Jonah (30 min)
ANTONIO MAGALHAES, Universidade Estadual da Paraíba
The Bible in Borges’ Literature (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

23-2

Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Sophia Magallanes, Life Pacific College, Presiding
Jerome Douglas, Valley Forge Christian College
Moses—Center Stage: A Performance Criticism Analysis of the Use of the Moses-Figure in 4 Ezra and 2 Baruch (30 min)
Naomi Graetz, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev
"And he saw that there was no MAN about" (Exodus 2:12) (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

23-3

Biblical Theology
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Seth Tarrer, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia, Presiding
Guillermo Mac Kenzie, Instituto Universitario ISEDET
Almsgiving from Righteousness to Pity: Semantic Progression of Elehmosuné from the Beggar’s Perspective (30 min)
Constanza Levaggi, Universidad del Salvador (San Miguel)
‘Mientras nos hablaba en el camino…’ Some Notes on Biblical Reflection in Argentina (30 min)
Marcelo da Silva Carneiro, Universidade Metodista de São Paolo
Brazilian Biblical Research: Trends and Prospects (30 min)

23-4

Feminist Interpretations
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Theme: Reception History of Gender Relevant Themes and Texts of the Bible 1

Mercedes Garcia-Bachmann, Instituto Universitario ISEDET, Presiding
Charlene van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch

Reimagining a solitary landscape: Tracing communities of care in Exodus 1-2 and the film Shirley Adams (30 min)
Madipoane Masenya (ngwan'a Mphahlele), University of South Africa
Married Otherwise or a Nobody? Reading Ruth in a Marriage-Obsessed African Context (30 min)
Fontella Irons, Independent Scholar
Pillars of Resistance: Women, the Bible, and James Baldwin (30 min)

23-5

Johannine Literature
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Approaches in the Fourth Gospel

Dirk van der Merwe, University of South Africa, Presiding
Richard K. Min, University of Texas at Dallas
Grace in John 1:16 in the light of Exodus 33:19 (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Wool Moon, Seoul Theological University
The King of Peace in John and Philo of Alexandria (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Andrew Montanaro, The Catholic University of America
The Use of Memory in the Old Testament Quotations of John’s Gospel (20 min)
Break (5 min)
Discussion (15 min)

23-6

Judaica
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: The Interplay of Life, Artifact, and Text in Judaism: Three Examples

Mayer Gruber, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Presiding
Michael D. Swartz, Ohio State University
Ritual Objects between the House of Study and the Synagogue (30 min)
Ophir Münz-Manor, Open University of Israel
Liturgical Poems and Synagogue Mosaics from Byzantine Palestine - A Comparative Approach (30 min)
Heather McKay, Edge Hill University
The Book of Esther and the Festival of Purim: A Megillah Provides an Avenue for Social Change (30 min)

23-7

Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Greek Philosophy and the Nag Hammadi Library
The second session (two parts) will address a more general subject, namely "Greek Philosophy and the Nag Hammadi Library". The main interest is the philosophical background of the texts, since the analysis of both general and particular philosophical issues might shed new light on the provenance and affiliation of both authors and readerships of the writings. The approach to the codices from this perspective intends to provide Nag Hammadi and related writings a clearer place in the religious philosophical conversation that was going on in the Greco-Roman world of the first centuries CE.

L. Roig Lanzillotta, University of Groningen, Presiding
F. García Bazán, Academia Nacional de Ciencias de Buenos Aires
Los Gnosticos y el Platonismo Pitagorizante (20 min)
Juan Carlos Alby, Universidad Católica de Santa Fe - UNL -UADER
LA MEDICINA GRIEGA EN LOS ESCRITOS DE NAG HAMMADI (20 min)
Mariano TROJANO, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo
Being God, the unio mystica according to Plotinus and his gnostic opponents (20 min)
Patricia Andrea Ciner, Catholic University of Cuyo
Acerca de la Exposición sobre el Alma (NHC II,6): comparaciones doctrinales con Orígenes y Plotino (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

Pentateuch (Torah)
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Michael Hundley, University of Scranton, Presiding
Thomas Römer, Collège de France - University of Lausanne
Moses and the women (30 min)
Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa
Mind the Working-class people! An African Reading of Leviticus 25:8-55 with Latino/a Critical Tools (30 min)
Jaeyoung Jeon, Université de Lausanne
A Source of P? : The Priestly Exodus Account and the Book of Ezekiel (30 min)

Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls
7/23/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Power and Apocalyptic Themes

Cecilia Wassen, Uppsala Universitet, Presiding
Clarisse Ferreira da Silva, Universidade de São Paulo
Mechanisms of Power in the Groups of the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)
Tupá Guerra Guimarães da Silva, University of Birmingham
Malevolent Influences in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)
Laura Bizzarro, Universidad Católica Argentina

The theory of the four Empires in the Dead Sea Scrolls (30 min)

23-11

Apocalyptic Literature
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Early Jewish and Christian Apocalypses

Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
Annette Evans, University of the Free State
1 Enoch and Theodicy (30 min)
Pieter G.R. de Villiers, University of the Free State
The Mystical Nature of the Christophany in Revelation 1 (30 min)
Jon K. Newton, Harvest Bible College
Maintaining the Purity of the Prophecy: The Function and Implications of Rev 22:18-19 (30 min)

23-12

Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Between Jewish and Christian Apocryphal Literatures

Kelley Coblenz Bautch, St. Edward's University, Presiding
Dominique Cote, Université d'Ottawa - University of Ottawa
The Adam Figure in the Pseudo-Clementines: Angel or Prophet? (22 min)
Ezequiel Gustavo Rivas, Université de Genève / Universidad de Buenos Aires
New Testament Apocrypha and Resurrection: A Study of apocryphal Sources in the Cento ???st?? ??s??? (22 min)
Maria de los Ángeles Roberto, Instituto Universitario ISEDET
The feminine voices in the Odes of Solomon, The Odes of Solomon from a gender perspective. (23 min)
Magdalena Diaz Araujo, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo / Universidad Nacional de La Rioja
"All those who have sinned will curse me". The disobedience of Eve in the Greek Life of Adam and Eve 10.2 (22 min)

23-13

Authority and Influence in Biblical Texts
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Authority and Influence in the New Testament

Erik Eynikel, Universität Regensburg, Presiding
Marius J Nel, University of Stellenbosch
As it is on earth, so will it be in heaven – A post-apartheid South African perspective on the authority to forgive in the Gospel according to Matthew (25 min)
Francois Tolmie, University of the Free State
Authority in Philemon - A perspective from the Chruch Fathers (25 min)
Rob van Houwelingen, Theological University Kampen
Meaning and Significance of the Instruction about Women in 1 Timothy 2:12-15 (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)
23-14

Bethsaida Excavations Project
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

John Tracy Greene, Michigan State University, Presiding (5 min)
Mark Appold, Truman State University
*Bethsaida and the Early Jesus Movement* (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Richard Freund, University of Hartford
*A Tale of Two Recently Discovered Cities: Bethsaida and Magdala* (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Business Meeting (5 min)

23-15

Bible and Visual Culture
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *Word and Image*
The Word and Image session discusses the interface between written, biblical Word and its subsequent image.

Laurentiu Ionescu, Universidad Adventista del Plata
*Elements of Hermeneutics Reflected in the Iconography of the Eastern Orthodox Monasteries in Northern Moldavia (Romania): ‘The Last Judgment’ Mural Painting of Voronet Monastery* (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Luis Reyes Ceja, Universidad del Valle de Atemajac and Gregory A. Banazak, SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary
*How the Indigenous Read the Bible in 16th-Century Latin America: The Pictorial Biblical Hermeneutic of the Mexican Codex* (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

23-16

Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Richard Sherwin, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
Gregory C. Jenks, Charles Sturt University
*A Prophet like Moses: Early Christian Readings of the Moses Tradition* (30 min)
David Cohen, Vose Seminary
*An Encounter with midbar as Liminal Space and the Enigma of Mosaic Leadership* (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

23-17

Feminist Interpretations
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Theme: Reception History of Gender Relevant Themes and Texts of the Bible 2

Charlene Van der Walt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
Maricel Mena-López, Universidad Santo Tomás Bogota, Colombia
Mercedes Garcia-Bachmann, Instituto Universitario ISEDET

Memories of women’s resistance in the festivities of the fourth Gospel (30 min)
On the possible relationship of women and drinking in the Bible and some tango letters (30 min)
Carol Bakhos, University of California-Los Angeles
Marital Triangulation: Abraham, Sarah and Hagar in Medieval Jewish Commentary (30 min)

23-18

Latino/a and Latin American Biblical Interpretation
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: New Trends and Directions (Trilingual)

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Williams College, Presiding
Edgar Antonio López, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

Contextual Reading of 2Sm 13, 1-22 by a Group of People Living with HIV (18 min)
The Body Image and the Option for the Weak (1 Cor 12, 22-23) (18 min)

"Vou chegar mais perto e ver essa coisa estranha" (Ex 3,3b): As Juventudes como Sujeito Hermenêutico numa Ótica Libertadora (18 min)

Joel Ferreira, Pontifical Catholic University Goiás

Mind the Working-class People! A Latino/a Critic of Leviticus 25:8-55 (18 min)

23-19

Pentateuch (Torah)
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Michael Hundley, University of Scranton, Presiding
Marvin A. Sweeney, Claremont School of Theology

The Jacob Narratives: An E-Stratum Text? (30 min)
Ketef Hinnom and Num 6:24-26: The Direction and Reasons for Reworking (30 min)

Was There No Pity for the Women in Deuteronomy 25:11-22 (30 min)

23-20

Septuagint Studies
7/23/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Andres Piquer-Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Presiding
P. Richard Choi, Andrews University

The Aristotelian Taxonomy of Logic in Psalms: LXX Psalm 58:8-9 As a Test Case (30 min)
23-20a

Accordance Software Seminar
7/23/2015
1:30 PM to 5:00 PM
Room: Room 116 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Accordance is the leading software for the study of Biblical and related texts in the original languages and translation. Lexical and commentary tools are fully integrated with the texts. Version 11 of Accordance adds new features which promote easy access to the user's library of texts and tools. This session will demonstrate the use of Accordance 11 for textual and text-critical study of Biblical texts as well as Dead Sea Scrolls, and other early Hebrew and Greek texts.

23-21

Bible and Visual Culture; Bible and the Moving Image
Joint Session With: Bible and Visual Culture, Bible and the Moving Image
7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Bible and Moving Image
The session will study the biblical text with interpretations of that text in film.

Biblical Themes in Film
Matthew S. Rindge, Gonzaga University
Lament in Film and Film as Lament: Terrence Malick's Tree of Life and To The Wonder (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)
Victor Carrera, Simpson University
Adulthood: The Journey of Pi (30 min)
Discussion (15 min)

23-22

Biblical Characters in Three Traditions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Richard Sherwin, Bar-Ilan University, Presiding
Max Stern, Ariel University Center of Samaria
Song of Moses Ha'azinu: A Musical Exegesis for Contrabass and Orchestra: Lecture-DVD Presentation (60 min)
Discussion (30 min)

23-23

Biblical Criticism and Cultural Studies
7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: The Critical Task in Latin America and the Caribbean
Fernando Segovia, Vanderbilt University, Presiding
Gregory Lee Cuéllar, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
A Borderlands Hermeneutic: Re-reading the Bible as a "Border-Crossed" Reader (30 min)
Timothy J. Sandoval, Brite Divinity School (TCU)

"Not Just Hermeneutics: On Biblical Criticism in the Global South" (30 min)
Osvaldo Vena, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Systemic Violence Against Children as a Catalyst for Cultural Biblical Criticism (30 min)

23-24

Biblical Theology

7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Methodology in Biblical Theology

Mark Elliott, University of St. Andrews, Presiding
Darian Lockett, Talbot School of Theology, Biola University
Salvation (Redemptive) History and the Connection between the Two Testaments: Assessing Biblical Theology as Redemptive History (30 min)
Willem J. de Wit, Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo
Plantinga, Thompson, and Lundberg’s Interaction with Biblical Theology in their Introduction to Christian Theology (30 min)
Seth B. Tarrer, Fundación Universitaria Seminario Bíblico de Colombia
For Those About To Be Changed, We Salute You; Ethical and Moral Soundings in the Psalms (30 min)

23-25

Healthcare and Disability in the Ancient World

7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Laura Zucconi, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, Presiding
Mignon R. Jacobs, Fuller Theological Seminary (Pasadena)
Multifaceted View of Care for the Disabled in the Law and the Prophets (20 min)
Rebecca Raphael, Texas State University
Metaphor, Disability, and Double Erasure (20 min)
Harlan J. Wechsler, Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Deterioration in Old Age: Biblical Metaphors and Rabbinic Interpretations (20 min)
Thomas Hentrich, Independent Scholar
Disability in Christianity: An Ecumenical Issue (20 min)

23-26

Hellenistic Judaism; Apocalyptic Literature; Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha

Joint Session With: Hellenistic Judaism, Apocalyptic Literature, Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha
7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Reception of the Scripture in Diaspora: Slavonic Apocrypha from Hellenistic Jewish literature

Lorenzo DiTommaso, Concordia University - Université Concordia, Presiding
Laura Bizzarro, Universidad Catolica Argentina
Apocalypticics and Sense of History in Early Apocalypticim (30 min)
Silviu Bunta, University of Dayton
You are what you eat: feeding on idols and angels in the Apocalypse of Abraham (30 min)
Nag Hammadi and Gnosticism

7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
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Theme: Greek Philosophy and the Nag Hammadi Library 2
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F. García Bazán, Academia Nacional de Ciencias de Buenos Aires, Presiding
Lautaro Roig Lanzillotta, University of Groningen
"Ancient Greek Patterns of Knowledge Transmission and their Continuity in Gnostic Esotericism" (20 min)
Juan Bautista García Bazán, Universidad de Cuyo
Los naasenos y sus relaciones con el setianismo y la filosofía (20 min)
Petru Moldovan, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen
Then he killed the powerful one: Views of power in the Gospel of Thomas (20 min)
Discussion (30 min)

Psychological Hermeneutics of Biblical Themes and Texts

7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Psychological Readings of Biblical Characters and Relationships

Synoptic Gospels

7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Fontella Irons, Independent Scholar
Jesus Prayed, But What Did He Say? (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
T. E. Goud, University of New Brunswick
WHY SUCH DIFFERENCE? QUESTIONS OF METHOD IN THE DATING OF THE GOSPEL OF MARK (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Gonzalo Bravo, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso
The Relationship of Jesus with Sinners (?μαΟη????) and Poor (πτ????) in the Gospel of Mark (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Writings (including Psalms)

7/23/2015
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Theme: Non-poetic Texts

Donald Vance, Independent Scholar, Presiding
Dae Jun Jeong, Wycliffe College
The Role of the Returnees’ Repeated Lists in the Book of Ezra-Nehemiah (30 min)
Shuichi Hasegawa, Rikkyo University
Who Killed Ahaziah in the Book of Chronicles? (30 min)
Stanley N. Nweze, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
CHILD ABUSES IN THE WRITINGS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT AND IN THE CONTEMPORARY NIGERIAN SOCIETY (30 min)

23-31

Ancient Near Eastern Iconography and the Bible
7/23/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Joel LeMon, Emory University, Presiding
Benjamin Toro, Universidad de Concepcion
The Iconography of the Table of Nations (Genesis 10.1-32) and the Assyrians’ New Order (20 min)
Raz Kletter, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet
The Cult Stands of Yavneh: Typology, Function, Meaning (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Raz Kletter, Helsingin Yliopisto - Helsingfors Universitet, Presiding
Margaret S. Odell, Saint Olaf College
Fragments of Memory: Tsalme Zakar and Child Sacrifice in Ezekiel 16:15-22 (20 min)
Joel M. LeMon, Emory University
The Iconography of Violence in the Reliefs of Rameses III at Medinet Habu (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

23-32

Bethsaida Excavations Project
7/23/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

John Tracy Greene, Michigan State University, Presiding
Elizabeth McNamer, Rocky Mountain College (Billings)
Did the Bethsaida Herods inadvertently promote Christianity? (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Gregory C. Jenks, Charles Sturt University
Mamluks at Bethsaida: A Preliminary Report on the Mamluk Period at et-Tell (25 min)
Discussion (10 min)

23-33

Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact; Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity; Ritual in the Biblical World
Joint Session With: Bible and Its Influence: History and Impact, Biblical Interpretation in Early Christianity, Ritual in the Biblical World
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4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Marvin Williams, Independent Scholar
Blurred Lines: The Bible and Popular Music (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Olugbenga Olagunju, Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary
Scripture and Canon: Biblical Interpretation in 21st Century African Christianity (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
LeAnn Snow Flesher, Graduate Theological Union
Can Religion Play a Role in Protecting Society's Sacrificeable Victims? (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

23-34

Biblical Criticism and Cultural Studies
7/23/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: The Biblical Task in the Global South

Jeremia Punt, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch, Presiding
Fiona C. Black, Mount Allison University
"Dis We Tings': The Bible, Oral Traditional Culture, and Bahamian Postcolonial Identity" (30 min)
Ndikho Mtshiselwa, University of South Africa
Reading Leviticus 25:8-55 and Ruth 4 in the Light of the Landless and Poor Women in South Africa: A Conversation with Fernando Segovia and Ernesto "Che" Guevara (30 min)
Break (30 min)

23-35

Prophets
7/23/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria, Presiding
Alphonso Groenewald, University of Pretoria
"For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel" (Isa 12:6b): the Psalm in Isaiah 12, its redaction and composition (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Kristin Joachimsen, MF Norwegian School of Theology
Cyrus as the Other in Isaiah 41-48 (20 min)
Helko Wenzel, Freie Theologische Hochschule Gießen
On the Function and the Meaning of Jer 23:23-24 (20 min)
Discussion (5 min)

23-36

Septuagint Studies
7/23/2015
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Andres Piquer-Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Presiding
Andrés Piquer-Otero, Universidad Complutense de Madrid and Pablo Torijano , Universidad Complutense de Madrid
The Two Textual Forms of the Narrative of Jezebel’s Murder: 2 Kgs 9:30-37 MT and LXX (30 min)
Johann Cook, Universiteit van Stellenbosch - University of Stellenbosch
A Theology of the Septuagint Version of Proverbs (30 min)
Discussion (30 min)

23-37
**Synoptic Gospels**  
7/23/2015  
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM  
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia, Presiding  
John P. Harrison, Oklahoma Christian University  
**Economic Justice of Palestinian Landowners in Jesus’ Parables: Synoptic evidence for an inconsistent view?** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Glenna S. Jackson, Otterbein University  
**Death, Afterlife, and Ancestors in the Synoptic Gospels and Africa** (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

**23-38**

**Traducción – Translation**  
7/23/2015  
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM  
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

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Kent Harold Richards, StrategyPoints, Presiding  
Samuel Almada, Consultor de traducciones en Sociedad Bíblica Argentina  
**Desafíos y Oportunidades en la Traducción de la Biblia a una Lengua Indígena en Argentina, y Asuntos Lingüísticos y de Interpretación Surados del Trabajo de Traducción de las Escrituras en Toba (Qom)** (30 min)  
Discussion (15 min)  
Edesio Sanchez, United Bible Societies  
**La Traducción de la Biblia en América Latina: Pasado, Presente, y Futuro** (30 min)  
Discussion (15 min)

**23-39**

**Writings (including Psalms)**  
7/23/2015  
4:00 PM to 5:30 PM  
Room: Room 121 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: **Poetry and Poetics**

Philippus J. Botha, University of Pretoria, Presiding  
Anneke Viljoen, University of Pretoria  
**Proverbs: prose or poetry?** (30 min)  
Silviu Bunta, University of Dayton  
**Psalm 17:15 in the Septuagint Version and the Emergence of Theophany—Theophagy Language in Jewish Mysticism** (30 min)  
Joseph Paxton, Claremont School of Theology  
**The Process of Cultivating Positive Spiritual Coping: Anger Toward God, Lament, and Venting in the Psalms.** (30 min)
Friday, July 24

24-1

Apostolic Fathers and Related Early Christian Literature
7/24/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Identity in Early Christianity: Christ and Christians

Stephen E. Young, Fuller Theological Seminary (Texas), Presiding
Richard K. Min, University of Texas at Dallas
Christological Mystery in Early Christianity (25 min)
Stephen E. Young, Fuller Theological Seminary (Texas)
Social Identity in the Letters of Ignatius of Antioch (25 min)
Paul Hartog, Faith Baptist Theological Seminary
Jews and Christians in Smyrna: Revelation, Martyrdom of Polycarp, Martyrdom of Pionius (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

24-2

Bible: Colonialism e Anti-Colonialism
7/24/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Discussion in this session will occur in English.

Marcos Paulo Bailão, Faculdade de Teologia da São Paulo, Presiding
Paulo Sérgio Proença, Universidade da Integração Internacional da Lusofonia Afro-Brasileira
Doors to Africa: Phillip and the Ethiopian Eunuch in Critical Perspective to Colonialism (25 min)
Luiz José Dietrich, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná
Theology and Colonialism: The Process of Establishment of Monotheism in Israel (25 min)
Marcos Paulo Bailão, Faculdade de Teologia da São Paulo
Jerusalem in the Songs of Ascents (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)

24-6

Postcolonial Studies
7/24/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Postcolonialism, Coloniality and Resistance 1

Janet Dyk, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Presiding
Enrique Zone Andrews, Azusa Pacific University
Incipient Postcolonialism in Henry and Emma Mary Andrews’s Biblical Preaching In the Province of Buenos Aires, 1912-1935. (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
Honora Howell Chapman, California State University - Fresno and William E. Skuban, California State University - Fresno
Coloniality and Martyrdom in the Latin Church from First-Century Rome to Twentieth-Century El Salvador (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)
David L. Balch, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary
Mary’s Magnificat and the Price of Corn in Mexico (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

24-7

Synoptic Gospels
7/24/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Robert Cousland, University of British Columbia, Presiding
Bartosz Adamczewski, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski University in Warsaw
Pauline Ideas Explaining the Census under Quirinius in Lk 1-2 (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)
Javier Enrique Cortés, Universidad Católica del Norte
The Catastrophe Like an Interpellation to Conversion: A Look from the Parable of the Barren Fig Tree (Lk 13:1-9) (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

24-8

The Word Is Very Near You: Biblical Contributions from "The End of the World"
7/24/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Discussion in this session will occur in English.

Eleuterio Ruiz, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina, Presiding
Andrea Hojman, Instituto Superior de Estudios Teológicos
Social Use(s) of Unity/Unicity in Deuteronomistic History: Exegetical Scenario and Dialogue with Contributions from the Social Sciences (20 min)
Eleuterio Ruiz, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina
"Remember your Creator..." (Eccl 12:1): God and the Preacher in His Last Poem (20 min)
Ángel José Macin, Encarnacion Seminar
"Blessed are the Meek..." (Matt 5:5): Counter-cultural Potential of a Rather Unconventional Blessing (20 min)
Eduardo de la Serna, Universidad Católica Argentina
Paul and the Empire: Various Readings of Romans 13:1-7 (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

24-9

Wisdom Literature
7/24/2015
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Room: Room 112 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Alice Sinnott, University of Auckland, Presiding
Ebenzer Adeogun, LIFE Theological Seminary
An Exegesis of Prov 1:1-7 and Its Implications for the Successful Living of Yoruba Youths in South Western Nigeria (20 min)
Anneke Viljoen, University of Pretoria
Spiritual formation and the nurturing of creative spirituality: a case study in Proverbs (20 min)
Graham Lovell, Independent Researcher
Invention of writing in Hebrew and Biblical Wisdom Literature (20 min)
Alice M. Sinnott, University of Auckland
Water and Wisdom (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

24-10
Bible in Eastern and Oriental Orthodox Traditions  
7/24/2015  
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Room: Room 108 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Daniel Alberto Ayuch, University of Balamand  
*Patterns of Slavery and Freedom in a Changing World. Chrysostom on Paul’s Epistle to Philemon* (30 min)  
David A. Smith, Duke University  
*Israel’s Stumbling and Salvation: Reception of a Pauline Motif in Syriac Christianity* (30 min)  
Discussion (30 min)

24-12

Hellenistic Judaism  
7/24/2015  
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Room: Room 125 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *Hellenistic Judaism in Newest Scholarship*

Jonathan Redding, Vanderbilt University, Presiding  
Ari Finkelstein, University of Cincinnati  
"*Spatial Wars and the Making of a Pagan Roman Empire: Emperor Julian’s Use of Jewish Scriptures, Jewish Practice, and Heroes to Contain the Cult of the Martyrs and Open Space for Pagan Orthopraxy*” (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Ian Kinman, Fordham University  
*The Cook (The Eunuch), His Wife, and Her Lover: Embodied Gender in Diaspora Retellings of Genesis 39.* (25 min)  
Discussion (5 min)

24-13

Johannine Literature  
7/24/2015  
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Room: Room 122 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *Theology in the Fourth Gospel*

Richard Min, University of Texas at Dallas, Presiding  
Dirk van der Merwe, University of South Africa  
*Holiness in the Gospel of John* (20 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Yutaka Maekawa, Kwansei Gakuin University  
*Will one find “grass” or “a field”? – An interpretation of John 10:9b* (20 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Chan Sok Park, College of Wooster  
*Jesus as a Moral Exemplar in the Johannine Farewell Discourse* (20 min)  
Discussion (5 min)  
Discussion (15 min)

24-15

Paul and Pauline Literature  
7/24/2015  
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM  
Room: Room 126 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building
Theme: Corinthian Correspondence 2

P. Richard Choi, Andrews University

*Holding Up the Old Man in Mockery: Reconsideration of Paul's Theology of the Cross* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

Cletus L. Hull, III, Regent University

*Grounding the Pneumatic Hermeneutic of Paul in 1 Cor. 2:9-16 with the Wisdom of the Cross of 1 Cor. 1:18-25* (25 min)
Discussion (5 min)

24-16

Postcolonial Studies

7/24/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 111 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: *Postcolonialism, Coloniality and Resistance 2*
Participants in the first session of "Postcolonialism, Coloniality and Resistance" are encouraged to continue their conversation in this second session.

Janet Dyk, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Presiding
Hulisani Ramantswana, University of South Africa

*Decolonizing Biblical Hermeneutics in the (South) Africa Context* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

Nathan Esala, University of KwaZulu-Natal

*Towards contextualizing "Contextual Bible Study" among the Bikoom peoples and their neighbors in Ghana* (20 min)
Discussion (10 min)

24-17

Presentation of the Argentine Bible “El libro del Pueblo de Dios. La Biblia” (Editorial Verbo Divino)

7/24/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 110 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Join us for this presentation of a new edition of the Bible in Spanish. Led by an Argentine, Armando Levoratti, the El libro includes introductions, notes, and comments made by numerous Latin American scholars.

Pablo R. Andiñach, Instituto Universitario ISEDET, Presiding

24-18

Reading and Interpreting the Bible in Argentina: History, Present, and Perspectives

7/24/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 129 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Discussion in this session will occur in Spanish and English.

Constanza Levaggi, Universidad Católica Argentina, Presiding
Luis Rivas, Universidad Católica Argentina, Panelist
Santiago Rostom Maderna, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina, Panelist
Damián Nannini, Seminario San Carlos Borromeo, Panelist
Pablo Ferrer, Instituto Superior Evangélico de Estudios Teológicos, Panelist
Ritual in the Biblical World; Pentateuch (Torah)
Joint Session With: Ritual in the Biblical World, Pentateuch (Torah)
7/24/2015
11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
Room: Room 115 (1st floor) - Universidad Católica Argentina, San José Building

Theme: Ritual and Magic

Daniel Belnap, Brigham Young University, Presiding
Michael Hundley, University of Scranton
Ritual and/or Magic: A Comparison of Texts (25 min)
Dan Belnap, Brigham Young University
Where is the Devourer? The role of text placement and images in ritual efficacy for the Arslan Tash II Plaque (25 min)
Naphtali Meshel, Princeton University
The Magic of Words: Healing and Purifying in the Context of Scale Disease (ṣara’at) (25 min)
Discussion (15 min)