



The National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion

To
Gardner-Webb University • May 22-25, 2011 • Boiling Springs,

Greetings Members of the NABPR!

Welcome to the Annual Meeting of NABPR.

I continue to be both surprised and gratified at the response to our Annual Meeting in the new May format. Registration at Belmont was around 65, Baylor hit 80, and McAfee was around 75. All of the meetings have featured challenging presentations and a lot of good fellowship.

This year's program features the winner of the 2011 NABPR Dissertation Scholarship and the presentation of a Festschrift. In addition, there are plenty of good papers on a variety of topics. Monday evening's entertainment, "A Dulcimerry Experience" looks especially promising.

I appreciate your support of NABPR and the enthusiasm you have given to our Annual Meetings.

Daniel Mynatt
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Greetings from the Host Institution

I am happy to welcome fellow members of the NABPR to the campus of Gardner-Webb University for our annual meeting this May. Under the motto *pro deo et humanitate*, Gardner-Webb has since its inception valued its Christian identity and close ties to Baptist congregations. With both a School of Divinity and a Department of Religious Studies and Philosophy, Gardner-Webb strives to cultivate scholarly excellence in the fields of religious studies and preparation for Christian ministry.

The University is proud of its mutually voluntary partnerships with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina, and the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. And we are especially proud to host this year's Annual Meeting of the National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion.

On behalf of our President, Dr. A. Frank Bonner, and the entire Gardner-Webb community, I would like to wish you all the best for a productive Annual Meeting.

Ben Leslie
Provost and Executive Vice President
Gardner-Webb University

Information

Registration

Please register online at: <http://www.nabpr.org/>. Registration is \$95 per person.

Housing

On Campus housing must be reserved prior to arrival!

On Campus Apartment: \$23 per person per night OR \$92 per night per apartment.
On Campus Dorms: \$17 per day per person (Dorm rooms are 2 people per dorm room).
Linen fee: \$15 for the week for bed (sheets, blanket, pillow etc.) and towels.

If you want campus housing, please be in touch with Jessica Brock at 704-406-4460, or jbrock1@gardner-webb.edu.

Off Campus Housing

AmericInn: \$79.90 a night per room (2 queen beds in one room)
428 E College Ave.
Boiling Springs, NC 28152
Phone: 704.434.9996
Reservations: 800.634.3444

When you make reservations, please mention that you are with the NABPR Meeting at Gardner-Webb University.

Meals

The conference registration of \$95 covers the evening meal on Monday evening, Tuesday lunch, and refreshment breaks throughout the conference days.

The GWU cafeteria will be open for other meals, in addition to restaurants in Boiling Springs.

Payment

Payment for registration and housing can be paid on-site once you arrive. If you prefer to pay in advance, checks should be made to Gardner-Webb University and sent to Jessica Brock, PO Box 7347, Boiling Springs, NC 28017. You will not be able to pay on the website.

There is no conference registration fee for graduate students. Housing fees are also covered for graduate students who stay in dorms on campus.

If you have questions, email Danny Mynatt at DMynatt@andersonuniversity.edu. Danny will forward your question to the appropriate person.

Sunday, May 22, and Monday, May 23
Doctoral Network Workshop

Sunday, May 22

7:00-9:00 PM **Doctoral Student Banquet, Ritch Banquet Hall (Located in the Dover Campus Center)**

Meal and Conversations with Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Leadership

Monday, May 23

8:00-8:50 **Ritch Banquet Hall (Located in the Dover Campus Center)**
Breakfast

9:00 -12:00 **Lindsay Hall room 214**

The Vocation of a Baptist Scholar

Moderators, Mikeal Parsons, Baylor University and Curtis Freeman, Duke Divinity School

Presenters, Bill J. Leonard and Stephen Chapman

9:00-10:15 Session One, located in Lindsay Hall room 214

10:15-10:30 Break, in the Koinonia Lounge, second floor of Lindsay Hall

10:45-12:00 Session Two, located in Lindsay Hall room 214

Monday, May 23
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3:30-5:00 **Bailey Dining Room, located in the Dover Campus Center**

Executive Committee Meeting

Registration and Opening Program

4:00-6:00 **Koinonia Lounge, located on the second floor of Lindsay Hall**

Registration

6:00 **Ritch Banquet Hall, located in the Dover Campus Center**

Evening meal

7:00 **Ritch Banquet Hall, located in the Dover Campus Center**

Festschrift in Honor of Ed Gaustad

Presented by Bill Leonard of Wake Forest University

Received by Susan Gaustad

Program: "Fun in Appalachia" or "A Dulcimerry Experience"

*Joe Collins, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, Gardner-Webb University;
National Mountain Dulcimer Champion in 2007*

Tuesday, May 24

8:30-10:15 -- Breakout Sessions #1

OLD TESTAMENT I -- Lindsay 102

Wayne Ballard, Carson-Newman University, Presiding

Locusts as Leitmotif

B. J. Parker, Baylor University

(Mis)Conceptions of the Social Location of Israelite Widows

Stephanie Wyatt, Brite Divinity School

The Conspiracy of Josiah's Reforms

P. Scott Henson, Gardner-Webb University

BAPTIST STUDIES I -- Lindsay 104

Don Berry, Gardner-Webb University, Presiding

Baptists, Metaphysics, and Virtue: Toward a Proper Baptist Confidence

David Wilmington, Baylor University

The Dialogical Construction of Baptist Theology

Steven R. Harmon, Gardner-Webb Divinity School

Selfhood, Irony, and the Kierkegaardian Baptist

Will Williams, Baylor University

CONSTRUCTIVE THEOLOGY -- Lindsay 214

Kent Blevins, Gardner-Webb University, Presiding

Playing with Negative Theology

Adam DJ Brett, Brite Divinity School

The *City of God*, a Political Work?
Jangho Jo, Baylor University

Re-Imagining Bible Freedom: Derrida, liberation theology and the problem of monolingualism in the Baptist Tradition
Richard Andrew Thomas, Brite Divinity School

Tuesday, May 24

10:30-1:00 Presidential Address, Business Meeting, and Lunch

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS—Ritch Banquet Hall, located in the Dover Campus Center

Texts Domesticated, Dissected, Desiccated: Hermeneutical Challenges for Baptist Scholars

Dalen Jackson, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Business Meeting—Ritch Banquet Hall, located in the Dover Campus Center

LUNCH-Ritch Banquet hall

Tuesday, May 24

1:00-2:45 -- Breakout Sessions #2

NEW TESTAMENT I -- Lindsay 102
Mikeal Parsons, Baylor University, Presiding

THE WISE CORINTHIANS: THEIR STOIC EDUCATION AND OUTLOOK

Tim Brookins, Baylor University

The Dawn of Heaven: The Benedictus, John the Baptist, and Messianic Allusions

Thomas Whitley, Gardner-Webb University

The Social Setting of Revelation and the Question of Persecution

Eric Gilchrest, Baylor University

BAPTIST STUDIES II -- Lindsay 104
Jim Nogalski, Baylor University, Presiding

Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Towards a Micro-historical Approach to the Relationship between Landmarkism and Fundamentalism in Southern Baptist Life

Andrew Smith, Vanderbilt University

(Sub)Ordination: How Clergywomen Embody Schism in the Southern Baptist Convention

Eileen R. Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary

North American Baptists and The Struggle with Historical Consciousness

Eric Wickman, Saint Louis University

THEOLOGY -- Lindsay 214

Steven Harmon, Gardner-Webb University, Presiding

Lex Orandi Lex Studii: Toward Spirituality for the Christian Academy

Matt Moser, Baylor University

Ascetic Discipline, Virtue, and Nicene Orthodoxy: The Apostolic Heritage of the Desert Fathers

Scott Rushing, Baylor University

Asceticism and Transfiguration in a Doxologically Ordered Cosmos

Daniel J. Marrs, Baylor University

THEOLOGY, HERMENEUTICS, AND BIBLICAL STUDIES -- Lindsay 305

Jimmy Byrd, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

What's Love Got to Do With It? Homiletics and the Phenomenology of Love

Jacob D. Myers, Emory University

Suffusing the Word: Towards a Theological Hermeneutics of Metaphor

Egon Cohen, Brite Divinity School

Retribution and Impartiality in Luke-Acts and Ancient Greco-Roman Historiography

Scott Shauf, Gardner-Webb University

Tuesday, May 24

3:00-4:45 -- Breakout Sessions #3

OLD TESTAMENT II -- Lindsay 102

Cal Robertson, Presiding

LAND OF LAMENT: THE "WOMEN" OF JOEL 1 AND HOSEA 2

Kim Williams Bodenhamer, Baylor University

Even the Cattle Repent: The Ninevites "One Up" the Prophet Joel

Anna Sieges, Baylor University

Biblical Cross-dressing: Unveiling the Masculine in the Woman of Valor of Proverbs 31:10-31
Nikki Raye Rice, Gardner-Webb University

Baptist Studies III -- Lindsay 104

Christine Jones, Carson-Newman University, Presiding

Mentoring Twenty-First Century Faculty in Baptist Traditions
Bryan Whitfield, Mercer University

Uplifting “Heathen” Women: Southern Baptist Women’s Magazines and the Woman’s Missionary Movement, 1906-1918

Melody Maxwell, International Baptist Theological Seminary

“She Fired My Soul”: Annie Walker Armstrong, Nannie Helen Burroughs, and the Formation of the Woman’s Convention, Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention

April C. Armstrong, Princeton University

Ethics - Theology -- Lindsay 214

Perry Hildreth, Presiding

Educational Resistance to Sexuality-Based Violence: Explorations in Theology and Critical Pedagogy

Cody J. Sanders, Brite Divinity School

Cultivating an Apocalyptic Materialist Church: How to Work with the Grain of the Universe while Reading Against the Grain of History

Daniel P. Rhodes, Duke Divinity School

The Resistance to Death is Death: Christ, Church, and the Powers in William Stringfellow

Myles Werntz, Baylor University

MISSIOLOGY-WORLD RELIGIONS -- Lindsay 305

Eddie Stepp, Gardner-Webb University, Presiding

The Paradigm Shift in Baptist Missions and Its Effects on Mission Team Participants

Dennis Horton, Baylor University

The Other Qur’an: A Modernist Reading of the Qur’an Through the Writings of Fazlur Rahman

Donald L. Berry, Gardner-Webb University

Tuesday, May 24
Evening to Explore the Area

Wednesday, May 25
8:30-10:15 -- Breakout Sessions #4

NEW TESTAMENT II -- Lindsay 102

Larry George, Gardner-Webb University, Presiding

Christ's Performance of God's Will in Hebrews 10: Fulfilling the Psalmist's Desire in Ps 40

David M. Moffitt, Duke University

God's Captive Slave: Reconsidering Paul's Use of Roman Triumphal Imagery in 2 Cor. 2:14

Scott C. Ryan, Duke University

Philippians 2:5-11: The Hymn of Pedagogy

John Compton, Gardner-Webb University

BIBLICAL STUDIES -- Lindsay 104

Jim McConnell, Gardner-Webb University, Presiding

Sorting Out Plutarch

Ashley Warlick, Gardner-Webb University

Watching the Watchers

B. J. Parker, Baylor University

Moving Beyond Proverbs: Cosmic Folly and Gifted Wisdom in the Dead Sea Scrolls

Ginny M. Brewer-Boydston, Baylor University

ETHICS AND THEOLOGY II -- Lindsay 214

Kent Blevins, Presiding

Thurgood Marshall Law Review: Sexual Abuse and The Church

Constance Frisby Fain and Herbert Fain

The Economics of Jesus: The Tea Party, FDR, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and comparative study of their religious perspectives on economic policy

Rodney A. Thomas Jr., Brite Divinity School

Profiteering Off of 'The Prophet': The unfortunate case of Ergun Caner
Nicolas G. Mumejian, Hartford Seminary

Wednesday, May 25

10:30-12:00 -- Plenary Session

PLENARY SESSION - Ritch Banquet Hall, (Located in the Dover Campus Center)
Dalen Jackson, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky, Presiding

Igniting the Fire: How can a Service-Learning Experience be Dynamic?
Paula Qualls, Gardner-Webb University, Presenting