



The National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion

McAfee School of Theology • May 19-21, 2014 • Atlanta, Georgia

Below is a draft version of the
NABPR Annual Meeting program.

Registration information is at the
end, along with a list of local hotels.

If you have questions or concerns,
please contact Danny Mynatt:
dmynatt@umhb.edu.

Information

Registration

Please Read First!

You have two options for Registration:

1. Register online at: <http://www.nabpr.org/>.
2. Register by mail using the Registration form.

See the Registration and Payment information on pp. 10-11 of this program for details.

Registration is \$95.00 per person before May 1, 2014.

Registration is \$120.00 from May 1 – 19, 2014.

Housing

A list of hotels in the Atlanta area is on page 9 of this program.

On-campus housing is not available for the 2014 meeting. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Please note that the two hotels with the Mercer University Discount rate also include breakfast.

Meals

The registration fee covers the conference meetings, the banquet on Monday, lunch on Tuesday, and coffee breaks.

If you wish to bring a guest to Monday's banquet, the cost is \$22.50 per unregistered guest. Please email Danny Mynatt (dmynatt@umhb.edu) to request that option.

Parking

The meeting will occur in the Atlanta Administration and Conference Center (2930 Flowers Road South). Please note: the AACC is on the Cecil B. Day campus, but it is not where we met in 2010.

Please park in the East or West AACC parking lots. If those lots are full, the North Parking lot will serve as a backup.

A map of the Cecil B. Day campus is available at <http://atlstuaffairs.mercer.edu/dean/cecil-b-day-campus-map.cfm>

Graduate Student Registration

All graduate student registration is compliments of NABPR. We apologize that we are unable to provide graduate student housing this year.

Graduate students presenting papers receive a stipend from NABPR. Please be sure to provide Danny Mynatt, Executive-Secretary Treasurer, your mailing address before the conference concludes.

Questions

If you have questions or concerns, email Danny Mynatt at dmynatt@umhb.edu. Danny will forward your question to the appropriate person.

Monday, May 19
National Association of Professors of Religion

Please Note: All meeting rooms are in Atlanta Administration and Conference Center (2930 Flowers Road South).

- 3:00-6:30** Registration
 Atrium, Second Floor
- 3:30-5:00** Executive Committee Meeting
 Room ACC175
- 6:00** Dinner
 Atrium, Second Floor

Program:

“Baptist Preacher Girl”
 Readers’ Theater
 By Kryn Freehling-Burton with Susan Shaw
 Followed by a Moderated Audience Discussion

The Break Area for the conference will be set up in the Atrium.

Tuesday, May 20 – Session I
8:30-10:15

Church History
Room ACC175

Phyllis Rodgerson-Pleasant Tessieri, BTSR, presiding

Southern Millennials: Finding the Kingdom of God after Reconstruction
 Alyson Dickson, Vanderbilt University

The Birth of Baptist (Anti)Environmentalism: Reagan, the Religious Right, and Government Regulation
 Aaron Weaver, Baylor University

New Testament
Room ACC181

Kent Blevins, Gardner-Webb University, presiding

γῆ Ἰουδα in Light of the Political Contours of the Matthean Magi Narrative
 P. Scott Henson, Asbury Theological Seminary

Herod the Tyrant: His Portrayal and Function in Josephus's Works and in Matthew
 Natalie Webb, Baylor University

"All Creatures Great and Small": An Inquiry into the Literary and Theological Function of Animals in the Gospel of Matthew
 E. Wray Bryant, Capital University

Theology/Ethics
Room ACC240

Steve Harmon, Gardner-Webb University presiding

Methodological "License" for Doctrinal Development?: Maximus the Confessor (580-662) on Doctrinal Continuity and Discontinuity
 Yelena Borisova, Baylor University

Can Baptists Be Deified? The Significance of the Early Christian Understanding of Theosis for Baptist Spirituality
 Vladimir Kharlamov, Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond

Alexander of Alexandria, Arianism, and Theological Method
 Adam English, Campbell University

Islam
Room ACC245

Melanie Trexler, presiding

Nothing but the Blood: An Examination of the Redemptive Qualities of Blood within Ashura (the Martyrdom of Husayn ibn Ali) as Juxtaposed with Good Friday

Nicolas Mumejian, Hartford Seminary

What Do Icons Want?: The Byzantine Iconoclastic Controversy and The Cultural Contact between Christians and Muslims

Adam DJ Brett, Syracuse University

A Generous Dialogic: Feminism in Islam as a Locus for Interfaith I-Thou Engagement

Matthew Beal, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

“M-U-S-L-I-M, I’m So Blessed to Be with Them:” Native Deen, Muslim Hip Hop, and Dawah

Melanie Trexler, Roanoke College

Tuesday, May 20—Plenary Session I
10:30-11:45

Room ACC280

presiding

Panel presentation – *Baptists, Gender, and Feminism: A Critical Reappraisal*

Moderator: Pam Durso, McAfee School of Theology

Panelists: “From Molly Marshall to Mary Kassian: The (De)Evolution of Feminism in Baptist Seminaries”

Susan Shaw, Oregon State University

“The Wind of the Spirit: Tracing the Growth of Women’s Pastoral Ministry and Renewal of the Church”

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary

“From Molly Marshall to Sarah Palin and Beyond: The Dual Orthodoxies of Social Conservatives in the Southern Baptist Convention”

Karen Seat, University of Arizona

Respondent: Molly Marshall, Central Baptist Theological Seminary

12:00 - 12:30 – Business Session
Room ACC280

12:30-1:15 – Lunch
Atrium, Second Floor

Tuesday, May 20 – Session II

1:15 – 2:45

Church History Room ACC175

Doug Weaver, Baylor University, presiding

Introducing Southern Baptists to Historical Criticism: A Comparison of Ralph Elliott, G. Henton Davies, and Clyde Francisco
Nick Werse, Baylor University

The Scarborough Synthesis: A Southern Baptist Response to First-Wave Fundamentalism
Andrew Smith, Carson-Newman University

Thomas Helwys and John Smyth: Theological Similarities and Differences
Joe Early, Campbellsville University

Spirituality/Pastoral Theology Room ACC181

Acts 16 and Ministry in the 21st Century
Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, East Texas Baptist University

Walter Rauschenbusch's Spirituality
Bill Pitts, Baylor University

Theology/Ethics Room ACC240

Wrestling with Giants (and Trolls): Establishing a Christian Connection to the World
Clark Elliston, Baylor University

Bumfights, Abercrombie, and the Street Jesus: An Ethno-Christology of Crucifixion as Hate Crime
Sarah Neeley, Iliff School of Theology/University of Denver

Hebrew Scripture Nancy deClaissé-walford, McAfee School of Theology, presiding
Room ACC245

Defining גְּבִירָה (gevirah) through the Queen Mother of the Divided Monarchy
 Ginny Brewer-Boydston, Baylor

The Divine “No” in Micah 2-3
 Anna Sieges, Baylor University

Answering Cain’s Question
 Donald C. Raney II, Wayland Baptist University

Tuesday, May 20 – Plenary Session II
3:00 – 4:15

Room ACC280

Panel presentation - *Prayer, Sexual Desire, and the Triune God: An Engagement of Sarah Coakley’s, God, Sexuality, and the Self: An Essay ‘On the Trinity’*

Moderator: Mark Medley, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Panelists: Molly T. Marshall, Central Baptist Theological Seminary
 Steve Harmon, Gardner-Webb University
 Eileen Campbell-Reed, Luther Seminary
 Angela Yarber, Wake Forest University

4:30 Informal gathering for all women faculty and graduate students
 Location TBA

Tuesday evening, May 20 – Free Time and Dinner on your own

Wednesday morning, May 21 – Session III

8:30 – 10:15

**New Testament
Room ACC181**

Mitchell Reddish, Stetson University, presiding

Jesus the Liberator?: A Materialist Investigation of Luke 18:35-43

Jonathan Redding, Vanderbilt University

The Hope of Creation: The Significance of ἐφ' ἐλπίδι (Romans 8:20c) in Context

John Duncan, Baylor University

Historiography and the Divine: A Comparison of Acts with Greco-Roman

Historiography through the Lens of Auerbach's Mimesis

Scott Shauf, Gardner-Webb University

**Hebrew Scripture
Room ACC245**

Kandy Queen-Sutherland, Stetson University, presiding

Grain, Wine, and Oil as Synecdoche for Fertility and Suffering

B. J. Parker, Baylor University

The Expansion of the Historical Schema of Deuteronomists in the Book of Joel

Moon Kwon Chae, Baylor University

**Theology/Ethics
Room ACC240**

The Lordship of Christ and the Gathering of the Church: Considering

Hauerwas's Debts to the 1948 Barth-Niebuhr Exchange

Brandon Morgan, Baylor University

Meditating on the Word: Bonhoeffer on Scripture

Thomas E. Leuze, Chapman Seminary/Oakland City University

Wednesday, May 21 – Plenary Session III
10:30 – 12:00

Room ACC280

Panel presentation – *Baylor University’s New Student Experience: First-Year Education and Religion*
 Courtney Lyons, Baylor University, presiding

New Student Experience at Baylor University: Turning Everything Upside Down in a Good Way
 Courtney Lyons, Baylor University

First-Year Religious Education at Baylor University: How to Make a Required Religion Course Bearable
 Doug Weaver, Baylor University

Teaching First-Year Religion Courses to Religion Majors: Educational Hospitality
 Eric Holleyman, Baylor University

Hotels in Atlanta, Georgia

All of the hotels below are close to campus.

Mercer University Discount Rates with Included Breakfast:

- Hampton Inn (770-493-1966) 3.7 mi from Mercer
 3400 Northlake Pkwy NE, Atlanta, GA 30345
 Discounted Rate: \$84 + taxes; for one king or two double beds.
 Ask for the Mercer University rate.
 Continental breakfast included.
- Courtyard Marriot (770-938-1200) 3.2 mi from Mercer
 4083 Lavista Rd, Tucker, GA 30084
 Discounted Rate: \$98 + taxes; for one king or two double beds.
 Ask for the Mercer University rate.
 Breakfast coupon included.

Other Hotels in the Area:

- Holiday Inn (877-786-9480) 3.2 mi from Mercer
 2158 Ranchwood Dr NE, Atlanta, GA 30345
- Doubletree by Hilton (770-938-1026) 3.4 mi from Mercer
 4156 Lavista Rd, Tucker, GA 30084
- Atlanta Marriott Century Center (404-325-0000) 5.1 mi from Mercer
 2000 Century Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30345

An internet search will show other hotel/motel options close to Mercer’s Atlanta campus.

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To register online at, see <http://www.nabpr.org/>. The Registration website does not accept payment; however, there are many options for payment (see below).

To register by mail complete the Registration Form below and submit it with payment.

Payment:

Conference Fee: Before May 1: \$95. After May 1: \$120

- To pay by mail:

Send check and registration form to
NABPR
c/o Religion Department
One Bear Place #97284
Baylor University
Waco, TX 76798-7284

- To pay by credit card:

Call 1-254-710-3758 with your credit card information.

OR

Mail or Fax the following information to 254-710-3740

- a) Name as it appears on your credit card
- b) Credit Card Number
- c) Expiration Date

- To pay at the Conference:

At the conference, payment can be made only by check. Please make out all checks to NABPR.

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ATLANTA, GA**

Registration Form

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Conference Fee: Postmarked before May 1: \$95. After May 1: \$120

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