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
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

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

National Association of Professors of Religion

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 monolinguism 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 Mirco-historical Approach to the Relationship between Landmarkism and Fundamentalism in Southern Baptist Life
Andrew Smith, Vanderbilt University
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

Scott Shauf, Gardner-Webb University

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

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