

**PROGRAM DRAFT
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**PACIFIC NORTHWEST
AAR/SBL and ASOR
ANNUAL MEETING
May 2-4, 2008**

**GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY
NEWBERG, OREGON**

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, May 2

12:00-2:00 Registration

12:00-5:30 Book Exhibit

First Session (2:00-5:30 p.m.)

Hebrew Scriptures

President: Heidi M. Szpek, Central Washington University
(szpek@cwu.edu)

Panel Discussion: Ehud Ben Zvi, *History, Literature and Theology in the Book of Chronicles* (London: Equinox, 2006).

2:00-3:30 Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
(ehud.benzvi@ualberta.ca)
Francis Landy, University of Alberta
(francis.landy@ualberta.ca)
John Wright, Point Loma Nazarene University
(JohnWright@pointloma.edu)

3:30-4:00 BREAK

4:00-5:00 *Panel Discussion continues with:*
Sara Koenig, Seattle Pacific University
(skoelig@spu.edu)

5:00-5:30 Hebrew Scriptures Business Meeting

History of Christianity/North American Religions

President: Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific University
(popep@spu.edu)

Panel Discussion: James Wellman's *Evangelical vs. Liberal: The Clash of Christian Cultures in the Pacific Northwest*

Panelists: Charles Scalise, Fuller Theological Seminary
(cscalise@fuller.edu)
Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University
(zbarasgm@plu.edu)
Suzanne Crawford O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University

(Suzanne.crawford@plu.edu)

Mark Shibley, Southern Oregon University
(shibleym@sou.edu)

Responding: Jim Wellman, University of Washington
(jwellman@u.washington.edu)

New Testament and Hellenistic Religions

President: Alicia Batten, Pacific Lutheran University
(battena@plu.edu)

2:00-2:45 Garry Kenney, Eastern Washington University
(gkenney@mail.ewu.edu)

"Mark 1:8b: An assessment of competing interpretations"

2:45-3:30 Philip L. Tite, Willamette University
(ptite@willamette.edu)

"Nurslings, Milk, and Moral Development in the Greco-Roman Context: A Reappraisal of the Paraenetic Utilization of Metaphor in 1 Peter 2:1-3"

3:30-4:00 BREAK

4:00-4:45 Amy Donaldson, University of Notre Dame
(adonalds@nd.edu)

"'Christ will touch you' (Eph. 5:14): Theatrical Preaching, Adam's Skull, and the Evolution of a Textual Variant"

4:45-5:30 Norman Metzler, Concordia College
(NMetzler@cu-portland.edu)

"The Silence of the Women"

Theology and Philosophy of Religion

President: Mari Kim, Emory University
(mkim08@emory.edu)

1:15-2:00: Geoff Dargan, Fuller Theological Seminary
NW (gdargan@gmail.com)

"Disproportionality: Viewing the Problem of Evil through Ricoeur's Concept of Fallibility"

2:00-2:45: Craig Ginn, University of Lethbridge
(ginncw@uleth.ca)

"Shaker Theology in Hymns: Expanding the Concept of the Trinity?"

2:45-3:30: Mari Kim, Emory University
(mkim08@emory.edu)

"Divine Eros and Eve: An Imitation of God in Eden"

3:30-4:00: BREAK

Panel Discussion: "Pedagogy in Teaching Religion"

4:00-6:15 James K. Wellman, Jr., University of Washington
(jwellman@u.washington.edu)

"Engaging Moral Worlds in Teaching Religion";

Richard B. Steele, Seattle Pacific University
(rsteale@spu.edu)

"Three Writing Assignments for 'Christian Formation' - Their Design and Outcomes";
Mark Ty Unno, University of Oregon
(munno@uoregon.edu)
"Between Theology and Religious Studies: Pedagogy and Religious Significance"

SATURDAY MORNING, May 3

- 7:00 -8:15 Program Unit Chairs and Executive Committee Breakfast
8:00-10:00 Registration
8:00-5:30 Book Exhibit

Second Session (8:30-10:30 a.m.)

Hebrew Scriptures

- President:** Stephen Delamarter, George Fox University
(sdelamarter@georgefox.edu)
- 8:30-9:15** Stephen Delamarter, George Fox University
(sdelamarter@georgefox.edu)
"On the Digital Edge of the Ethiopian Manuscript Imaging Project: Issues in the Digital Humanities and the Sociology of Scholarship Paper Titles"
- 9:15-10:00** Heidi M. Szpek, Central Washington University
(szpek@cwu.edu)
"Grodno Gubernya Poland Imaging Project: An Introduction to the Contributions of Jewish Epitaphs to the Humanities"
- 10:30-11:00 **BREAK**

History of Christianity/North American Religions

- President:** Suzanne Crawford O'Brien, Pacific Lutheran University
(suzanne.crawford@plu.edu)
- "Themes in Contemporary Christian Thought"
- 8:30-9:05** Chung-Hyun Baik, Graduate Theological Union
(baik_chung_hyun@hotmail.com)
"A Trinitarian Trend in the History of the World Council of Churches"
- 9:05-9:40** Kathryn A. Rickert, The Union Institute and University
(krickert@covad.net)
"If God is Red and I am White...., a Theological Reflection"
- 9:40-10:15** Michael Zbaraschuk, Pacific Lutheran University
(zbarasgm@plu.edu) and Daniel Peterson, Pacific Lutheran University
(petersdj@plu.edu)
"Resurrecting the Death of God: Echoes of Altizer in the Theologies of Moltmann, Keller, and McFague"
- 10:15-10:45** Response and Discussion: Priscilla Pope-Levison, Seattle Pacific U. (popep@spu.edu)
- 10:45-11:00** **BREAK**

Women and Religion

- President:** Susan G. Carter, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR and California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA
(susangailcarter@yahoo.com; scarter@ciis.edu)
- 2:00-2:45** Anne Key, Independent Scholar, Hood River, OR
(anne@rabbitmurmurs.org)
"From Beloved Sisters to Vampires: Myths and Misinterpretations of the Cihuateteo"
- 2:45-3:30** Susan G. Carter, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR and California Institute of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA
(susangailcarter@yahoo.com; scarter@ciis.edu)
"Amaterasu-o-mi-kami: The Japanese Sun Goddess and Her Continuing Reign"
- 3:30-4:00** **BREAK**
- 4:00-4:45** Chandra Alexandre, Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, Palo Alto, CA
(cmalexandre@earthlink.net)
"The Tantric Kali: Eastern and Western Approaches to the Divine Mother"
- 4:45-5:30** Louise M. Pare, New College of California, San Francisco, CA
(lmpare849@aol.com)
"Like a Serpent in a Rope: Re-imaging Woman's Moving Body as Site of the Sacred Feminine"

FRIDAY EVENING, May 5

5:30-7:30 Dinner at George Fox or at area restaurants of your choice

8:00-9:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL PLENARY

A Bi-Optic Hypothesis; A Theory of Interfluentiality between the Johannine and Markan Gospels

Paul A. Anderson
George Fox University
President, Pacific Northwest AAR/SBL and ASOR

Reception

9:00-10:00 p.m.

Interreligious Dialogue with the Natural Sciences

President: Mark Unno, University of Oregon,
(munno@darkwing.uoregon.edu)

- 8:30-9:15** Guy Burenko, The Institute for Contemporary/Ancient Learning
(gburenko1@aol.com)
“Contemplative Conduct as Self Organizing Resonance,” The Institute for Contemporary/Ancient Learning,
- 9:15-10:00** Paul O. Ingram, Pacific Lutheran University
(poingram@comcast.net)
“Constrained by Boundaries: The Limits of Knowledge in Science, Buddhism, and Christianity”
- 10:00-10:45** Roger Gillette, Willamette University
(rgillette@willamette.edu)
“Paul Ingram and William Murry: Religious Dialogue? Integration?”

10:45-11:00 BREAK

New Testament and Hellenistic Religions

President: Jeff Staley, Seattle University
(staleyjl@comcast.net)

Book Review Session: *Watching a Biblical Narrative: Point of View in Biblical Exegesis* by Gary Yamasaki

- Review 1: Karen Barta, Seattle University
(kbarta@seattleu.edu)
- Review 2: Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University
(panderso@georgefox.edu)
- Review 3: Elizabeth Haynes, Wolfson College, Oxford
(elizabeth.hayes@wolfson.ox.ac.uk)

Author's Response: Gary Yamasaki, Columbia Bible College
(Gary.Yamasaki@columbiabc.edu)

Discussion

10:30-11:00 BREAK

Theology & Philosophy of Religion

President: Dennis W. Jowers, Faith Evangelical Seminary
(djowers@faithseminary.edu)

- 8:30-9:15** James F. Ward, Fuller Theological Seminary NW
(ward.james@gene.com)
“Can Memory Provide an Alternative to an ‘Intermediate State’ as an Explanation for Human Survival and Continuity of Identity after Death?”
- 9:15-10:00** Dennis W. Jowers, Faith Evangelical Seminary
(djowers@faithseminary.edu)

“The Limits Imposed on Freedom by Concupiscence: A Difficulty for Karl Rahner's Non-Interventionist Soteriology”

- 10:00-10:45** Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos, Seattle University,
(punsalanc@seattleu.edu)
“Religion-Science Dialogue in a Philippine Context”

10:45-11:00 BREAK

Women and Religion: Genesis 1-3, Relationships, and Popular Culture

President: Amy C. Merrill Willis, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA
(willis@gonzaga.edu)

“Genesis 1-3, Relationships, and Popular Culture”

- 8:30-9:10** Valarie H. Ziegler, DePauw University Greencastle IN
(vziegler@depauw.edu)
“That’s SO Romantic! Adam, Eve, and the Perfect Date”
- 9:10-9:50** Linda S. Schearing, Gonzaga University Spokane WA
(schearing@gonzaga.edu)
“Marketing Sex: Adam, Eve, and Sexploitation”
- 9:50-10:30** Amy C. Merrill Willis, Gonzaga University Spokane, WA
(willis@gonzaga.edu)
“Desire, Desperation, and Empowerment: The Eves of Desperate Housewives”

10:30-11:00 BREAK

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
ASOR PLENARY

Feasts and Animal Sacrifice, 1200 B.C.E., at Tall al-`Umayri, Jordan

Gloria London
Director, Tall al-`Umayri Teachers' Institute

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, May 3

12:00-12:30 Business Lunch

12:30-1:45 Pacific Northwest AAR/SBL and ASOR Business Meeting

Third Session (2:00-5:30 p.m.)

Asian and Comparative Studies

President: Nicholas Gier, University of Idaho

(ngier@uidaho.edu)

"Non-Violent Ethics and War in Hindu and Japanese Religions"

- 2:00-2:35** Veena Paul Howard, Lane Community College
(veenhoward@msn.com)
"Non-violence and Justice as Inseparable Principles: Gandhi's Interpretation of War Narratives in Religious Texts"
- 2:35-3:10** Eric Cunningham, Gonzaga University
(cunningham@gonzaga.edu)
"Fates Worse Than Death: Living the Eschaton in the Historical World"
- 3:10-3:40** Jordan Paper, York University
(jpaper@yorku.ca)
"Bushido as a Means for Suppressing Violence"
- 3:40-4:00** **BREAK**
- 4:00-4:35** John Harding, University of Lethbridge
(john.harding@uleth.ca)
"Beyond Humane: Japanese Religious Concepts and Violence"
- 4:35-5:10** Nicholas Gier, University of Idaho
(ngier@uidaho.edu)
"Buddhism and Japanese Nationalism: A Sad Chronicle of Complicity"

Hebrew Scriptures

President: Ehud Ben Zvi, University of Alberta
(ehud.benzvi@ualberta.ca)

- 2:00-2:40** Michael Heiser, Logos Research Systems
(mheiser@logos.com)
"The Noun Elohim with Plural Predicate: Implications for Israelite Religion"
- 2:40-3:20** Elizabeth Hayes, Fuller/Oxford University
(erussell.hayes@gmail.com)
"From Lowth to Kugel and Beyond: A Cognitive Linguistics Approach to Conceptual Categories and Biblical Hebrew Parallelism –A Reprise"
- 3:20-3:50** **BREAK**
- 3:50-4:20** Ron Clark, George Fox Evangelical Seminary
(rclark@agapecoc.com)
"The Feminine Voice of Wisdom"
- 4:20-4:50** Sara Koenig, Seattle Pacific University
(skoenig@spu.edu)
"No Children, No Future, No Hope"
- 4:50-5:20** Tony Finitis, Pacific Lutheran University
(finitisak@plu.edu)
"Proto-Zechariah's Use of Eschatology: Between Prophecy and Apocalypticism"

History of Christianity/North American Religions

President: Robert Hauck, Gonzaga University
(hauck@gonzaga.edu)
"Biblical (Re)interpretations in Church History"

- 2:00-2:40** Jeff Staley, Seattle University
(staleyj@seattleu.edu)
"Come Over and Help Us": Toward a Postcolonial Reading of Biblical Imagery in the WHMS Oriental Home National Fundraising Tour, 1908-1909"
- 2:40-3:20** Michael Thomas, Concordia University
(mithomas@cu-portland.edu)
"Isaiah's Vision of God: Origen of Alexandria and the Christian Interpretive Struggle Over Isaiah 6:1-5."
- 3:20-3:50** **BREAK**
- 3:50-4:30** Jon Stanfill, Independent Scholar
(jstanfill@gmail.com)
"According to the Fifth Gospel: Second Clement's Reading of Isaiah"
- 4:30-5:10** Response and Discussion: Robert Hauck, Gonzaga University (hauck@gonzaga.edu)
- 5:10-5:30** **Business Meeting and/or Discussion of future directions**

Interreligious Dialogue with the Natural Sciences

President: Paul O. Ingram, Pacific Lutheran University
(poingram@comcast.net)

- 2:00-2:45** Marjorie Wollacott, University of Oregon
(mwool@uoregon.edu)
"Between Mind and Brain: Perspectives from Neuroscience and Kashmir Shaivite Traditions"
- 3:30-4:00** **BREAK**
- 4:00-4:45** Mark Unno, University of Oregon
(munno@darkwing.uoregon.edu)
"Buddhism, Christianity, and Physics: An Epistemological Turn"

New Testament and Hellenistic Religions Section

President: Kent Yinger, George Fox Evangelical Seminary
(kyinger@georgefox.edu)

- 2:00-2:40** Peter Spitaler, Villanova University
(peter.spitaler@villanova.edu)
"A Pessimistic Pauline Anthropology and the Construction of a Negative Portrayal of First-Century Israelite Religion"
- 2:40-3:20** David Suter, Saint Martin's University
(dsuter@stmartin.edu)
"The Liminality of Enoch"
- 3:20-3:50** **BREAK**

- 3:50-4:30** Karen A. Barta, Seattle University
(kbarta@seattleu.edu)
“Reading Matthew’s Gospel in a Time of War”
- 4:30-5:10** John Barry, Trinity Western University
(John.Barry@mytwu.ca)
“The Hidden Meaning of Anti-Semitism in Matthew’s Foretelling of the Betrayer”
- 5:10-5:30** Business Meeting and/or Discussion of future directions

Religion and Society

- Presider:** Gary Chamberlain, Seattle University
(gchamber@seattleu.edu)
- 2:00-2:40** William Joseph Buckley, Seattle University
(buckleyw@seattleu.edu)
“Troping Tyranny with the Politics of Terrorism: Rhetorical Transformations of Jihadi Logics into Discursive Legitimacies”
- 2:40-3:20** Charlotte E. Hunter, Ph.D.
United States Navy Chaplaincy
(charlotte.hunter@patrick.af.mil)
and
Lyman Smith, Ph.D. candidate, University of Florida.
“The Ethics of Military-Sponsored Prayer”
- 3:20-3:50** **BREAK**
- 3:50-4:30** Kevin O’Brien, Pacific Lutheran University
(obrien@plu.edu)
“Can Sacramentalism Save Biodiversity?: An Environmentalist Challenge to Christian Ethics
- 4:30-5:10** Roger Newell, George Fox University
(rnewell@georgefox.edu)
“Lessons from Leipzig, 1989: Prayer and Peace-making”
- 5:10-5:30** **Business Meeting – Electing New Chair**

Theology and Philosophy of Religion

- Presider:** Mari Kim, Emory University
(mkim08@emory.edu)
- Panel Discussion: Douglas R. McGaughey’s *Religion before Dogma: Groundwork in Practical Theology* (New York/London: T&T Clark International, 2006)
- 2:00-5:10** Discussion featuring Walter Lowe of Emory University (wlowe@emory.edu), Dale Cannon of Western Oregon University (cannodw@wou.edu), Carl Levenson of Idaho State University (levecarl@isu.edu), and Douglas R. McGaughey of Willamette University (doug@willamette.edu)
- 5:10-5:30** Business Meeting

Women and Religion

- Presider:** Ardy Bass, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA
(bassa@gonzaga.edu)
- 2:00-2:30** Samuel Awuah-Nyamekye, University of Cape Coast, Ghana, West Africa
(awuahnyamekye@yahoo.com)
“Women’s Participation in the Ritual of Worship in African Traditional Religion”
- 2:30-3:00** Wynter Miller, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO (wamcq6@mizzou.edu)
“An Investigation of the Elite Status of Women in Thai Buddhism”
- 3:00-3:30** Anna-Sophia Zingarelli, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA (azingarelli@gonzaga.edu)
“Lux vivens: Hildegard of Bingen and the Medieval Imaging of God as Light”
- 3:20-3:50** **BREAK**
- 3:50-4:30** Kathlyn A. Breazeale, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA (breazeka@plu.edu)
“There Goes the Bride: Creating and Re-Creating the Ideal Christian Wife in Text, Art and Film”
- 4:30-5:10** Susanna Morrill, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR
(smorrill@lclark.edu)
“Women in the World’s Columbian Exposition: Harbingers of ‘Progress’”
- 5:10-5:30** **Business Meeting and/or Discussion of future directions**

SATURDAY EVENING, May 3

6:30 p.m.—Banquet
8:00 p.m.—Banquet Address

*Exegetes and Artists:
Sarah and Hagar in Early Judaism,
Christianity, and Islam*

Robert C. Gregg
Teresa Hihn Moore Professor in Religious Studies,
Emeritus, Stanford University

9:00-10:00 p.m. –Reception

SUNDAY MORNING, May 4

- 7:00 – 8:00 Breakfast with Region’s Authors
8:00-12:00 Book Exhibits

Fourth Session (8:30-12:00)

Hebrew Scriptures

Presider: Michael Heiser, Logos Research Systems
(mheiser@logos.com)

8:30-9:00 Daniel K. Falk, University of Oregon
(dfalk@uoregon.edu)
“The Use of Scripture in Prayers at Qumran”

9:00-9:30 John Barry, Trinity Western University
(John.Barry@mytwu.ca)
“The Dichotomy Between Entering God’s Presence in Exodus
and the Psalms”

9:30-10:00 Beth Elness-Hanson, Fuller Theological
Seminary
(elness-hanson@cp.fuller.edu)
“Generational Curse as Part of Collective
Responsibility in the Hebrew Bible: An Inter-
cultural Hermeneutical Study”

10:00-10:30 BREAK

New Testament and Hellenistic Religions

Presider: Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University
(panderso@georgefox.edu)

8:30-9:15 Jeff Keuss, Seattle Pacific University
(keussj@spu.edu)
“John 4: 5-30 as Materialist Reality writ large
after Slavoj Žižek”

9:15-10:00 Jeff Staley, Seattle University
(staleyjl@comcast.net)
“*Jesus, the Gospels, and Cinematic
Imagination*—A Reception Report”

10:00-10:30 BREAK

10:30-11:15 Paul N. Anderson, George Fox University
(panderso@georgefox.edu)
John, Jesus, and History, Vol. 1; *Critical
Assessments of Critical Views*—A Reception
Report”

Religion and Society

8:30-9:15 Wynter Miller- M.A. Candidate,
University of Missouri-Columbia
(wamcq@missou.edu)
“The Ganges River: Sacristy in Flux”

9:15-10:00 Gary L. Chamberlain, Seattle University
(gchamber@seattleu.edu)
“WORK “Si!”—BENEFITS “NO!”:
Immigration: Reform or Repression”

10:00-10:30 BREAK

10:30-11.15 Bruce Hiebert
University College of the Fraser Valley
(brucehiebert@shaw.ca)
“Christian Virtue Ethics and History”

Theology and Philosophy of Religion

Presider: Dennis W. Jowers, Faith Evangelical Seminary
(djowers@faithseminary.edu)

8:30-9:15 Phillip Higley, Fuller Theological Seminary
NW (philhigley@hotmail.com)

“‘A Trinitarian-Entranced Vision of All
Things’: Love, Harmony, and Beauty in the
Trinitarian Theology of Jonathan Edwards”
9:15-10:00 Maurice Y. Lee, Harvard Divinity School
(maurice.y.lee@gmail.com)

“The Spirit and the Bride Say, ‘Come’: The
Church’s Hope as Its Knowledge of God”

10:00-10:30 BREAK

10:30-11:15 Chung-Hyun Baik, Graduate Theological Union
(baik_chung_hyun@hotmail.com)

“The Incomprehensible Mystery of God in
Contemporary Catholic Discussions of the
Relation between the Immanent Trinity and the
Economic Trinity”

11:15-12:00 Ed Waggoner, Hartford Theological Seminary
(edwaggoner@gmail.com)

“That into Which Angels Long to Look: The
Usefulness of Distinguishing Divine ‘Persons’
for Knowing God”

Women and Religion

Presider: Lesley Hazelton, Independent Scholar, Seattle,
WA (lh@marylife.org)

“Standard Bearers of Hussein: Women Commemorating
Karbala”

8:30-9:15 Film Presentation: “Standard Bearers of
Hussein: Women Commemorating Karbala” by
Ingvild Flakerud, Centre for Peace Studies at
the University of Tromso, 2003

9:15-10:00 Discussion

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