



Baptist Center Events and Publishing Call



Lecture and Greer-Heard

The NOBTS Theological and Historical Division and the Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry are co-sponsoring a lecture by Kurt Wise, Professor of Natural History and director of the Creation Research Center at Truett-McConnell College, on “The Faith Fabric of Creation and the Priority of the Word: A Case for Young Age Creationism.”

Wise holds a Ph.D. in paleontology from Harvard University, having trained under Stephen Jay Gould. Admission is free, and the first 50 attendees will receive a gift.

Friday, February 21, 2014
3:00-4:00 pm
Room 219, Hardin Student Center

This lecture precedes the 2014 Greer-Heard “God and Cosmology” dialogue featuring Sean Carroll and William Lane Craig February 21-22.



Sean Carroll



William Lane Craig

Call for Reviews

The NOBTS *Journal of Baptist Theology and Ministry* invites you to submit a book review for a future issue. You can request that they order a review copy of any recent release in your PhD major area.

The mission of the Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry is “to provide theological and ministerial resources to enrich and energize ministry in Baptist churches. Our goal is to bring together professor and practitioner to produce and apply these resources to Baptist life, polity, and ministry. The mission of the BCTM is to develop, preserve, and communicate the distinctive theological identity of Baptists.”

Recent issues of the journal are available online. Several back-dated issues will be accessible soon, and this year the journal will return to publishing two issues annually.

See the book review guidelines for word length and style requirements. For more information, e-mail Brandon Langley, administrative assistant for Adam Harwood.

If you have a book review accepted for publication, please e-mail details to the ReDOC office.

PhD Office Tip of the Month

If you, like Leiden University PhD student Julio Peironcely, “feel like a kid who had lost his mom in a mall and could only sit down, suck his thumb and cry,” come to the ReDOC office *first*. We are here to help!

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ **February 3:** PhD program application deadline
- ◆ **February 21:** Kurt Wise lecture
- ◆ **February 21-22:** Greer-Heard Point-Counterpoint Forum
- ◆ **March 21:** Tony Merida at Brown Bag Lunch (watch for details in February *News*)



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PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES

- ◆ **January 31:** Drop-add deadline
- ◆ **February 17:** ThM graduation application deadline
- ◆ **February 26:** Summer directed study proposal deadline
- ◆ **March 3:** Dissertation, PhD graduation application deadline

IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER, PLEASE SEND THAT UPDATED INFORMATION TO THE REDOC OFFICE.



Qualifying Exams

Congratulations to the following students who passed the Qualifying Examination:

- Dawson Bailey (Christian education)
- J. Cardinell (Christian education)
- Rob Chambers (evangelism)
- Megan Clunan (psych/counseling)
- Ray Doss (New Testament)
- David Judd (Christian education)
- Charles Owusu (Christian education)
- Josh Powell (evangelism)
- Allyson Presswood (New Testament)
- Karla Ra (New Testament)
- Taylor Rutland (New Testament)
- Scott Talley (biblical interpretation)
- Christine Varnado (psych/counseling)
- Phil Walleck (Christian education)

Oral Exams

Congratulations to the following students who passed the Oral Comprehensive Examination:

- William Blosch (Christian education)
- Jonathan Patterson (Old Testament)



Prospectus Approval

Stan Helton (New Testament), “The Text of Acts of the Apostles in the Writings of Origen”

Women in Academics

From Beth Masters (Christian education, 2013): “I came across this blog yesterday when looking for information on faculty development. I thought it was really interesting for women in the phd world.” [MAMA PhD](#), based on the [book](#) by Elrena Evans and Caroline Grant, eds., provides tips for balancing family and academic life.

ReDOC Schedule for 2013-2014

The following are the remaining ReDOC meetings for 2013-2014:

- February 5
- March 5 (summer IDSs)
- April 2
- April 14, 9 AM (Doctoral Admissions)
- May 7 (fall IDSs)
- June 4

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee and **9 copies** submitted through your

chairperson to the Office of Research Doctoral Programs no later than one week before the scheduled ReDOC meeting. Also e-mail a **pdf** of the document to phd@nobts.edu

Please keep in mind that final approval of your prospectus is granted by your doctoral guidance committee after you make any revisions your committee deems appropriate in light of feedback from ReDOC.

Likewise, matters such as directed study proposals and requests to take courses at other institutions must be submitted one week before the ReDOC meeting at which they will be considered.

E-mail a pdf of your directed study proposal to phd@nobts.edu but submit a hard copy approval page.

NOTE: If you think your guidance committee has approved your prospectus but you have not seen your approval in the *ReDOC News*, please let us know.

Delphi Study on Mentoring

Who has been instrumental in your formation as a scholar? What effect do you hope to have on future students?

As an ongoing follow-up to our 2012 Wabash Graduate Teaching Initiative conference, the ReDOC office is conducting a Delphi study on mentoring. We will e-mail faculty, students, and alumni a survey link and ask you to think about characteristics of an ideal mentor.

The survey consists of three stages: an open-ended request for listing characteristics, a narrowing of the top 20 we receive into the top 10, and a final ranking of the top 10 characteristics. Wabash consultant Willie Jennings of Duke Divinity School will return to NOBTS in May to help our faculty use the Delphi results to develop a rubric for mentoring.

Watch your e-mail for a link to this survey. The first 5 students or faculty to respond will be entered in a drawing for a box of Girl Scout cookies of their choice.



Blog contributors

New Teaching Blog from the Wabash Center!

The Wabash Center invites you to explore their latest blog on “12 Surprises When Lecturing Less (and Teaching More!).” They hope you will find these Blogs to be engaging reading and encourage you to add your comments, questions, and insights.

Check out their blogs at

<http://bit.ly/15mF7VE>

SBHLA Lynn E. May Jr. Study Grant



The Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Council of Seminary Presidents, sponsors a program whereby funds are made available periodically for partial support of research in the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives. The grants provide a maximum of \$750. The grants are in memory of Lynn E. May Jr., who served as Executive Director of the Historical Commission from 1971 to 1995 and who has been instrumental in the establishment of the

Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives.

Graduate students, college and seminary professors, historians, and other writers may apply for the grants. Apply online on the [SBHLA Web site](#). Applications should be submitted to Bill Sumners, Director of the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, 901 Commerce Street, Suite 400, Nashville, Tennessee 37203-3630 by **April 1, 2014**.

Tulane University

The Catherine and Henry J. Gaisman Chair of Judeo-Christian Studies
Spring 2014 Public Lecture Series

Marianna and Rabbi Julian B. Feibelman Memorial Lecture

CLIFFORD ORWIN

“Will the Lord Deliver His People? The Comic Miracle of the Book of Esther”
Friday, March 14, 2013 - 7:30 p.m

Clifford Orwin is a Professor of Political Science, Classics, and Jewish Studies at the University of Toronto. He holds the BA in history from Cornell and the PhD in Political Science from Harvard. He has held visiting positions at Harvard and Chicago, as well as in Jerusalem, Paris, and Lisbon. Orwin writes regularly on current affairs for the Canadian national newspaper, *Globe and Mail*. He is the author of *The Humanity of Thucydides* (Princeton, 1997) and co-editor of *The Legacy of Rousseau* (Chicago, 1997) as well as numerous articles on topics of Jewish political thought.



George Hitchings Terribery Memorial Lecture

JAMES CAREY

“Spinoza’s Response to Christian Scholasticism”
Thursday, March 20, 2014 - 7 p.m.



James Carey has been a Distinguished Visiting Professor of Philosophy in the United States Air Force Academy since 2004. He is a tenured member of the faculty at St. John’s College Santa Fe, where he served two terms as Dean of the College and one year as Acting President. Carey holds the PhD from the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research. He has just published “The Pleasures of Philosophizing and Its Moral Foundation” (*Interpretation*, fall 2013) and recently completed a book on Thomas Aquinas, natural law and natural reason.

Lectures are in the Myra Clare Rogers Memorial Chapel, Newcomb Campus of Tulane University, 1229 Broadway.

Open to the University community and public at no charge.

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Web page: <http://tulane.edu/liberal-arts/judeo-christian>

2014 Scholarly Society Meetings



Call for Papers

Society of Biblical Literature

Paper proposal submission
deadline:
March 5, 2014

Meeting:
November 22-25, 2014
San Diego, CA

Meetings

Evangelical Theological Society

Southwest Regional Meeting
“The Decline of Denominationalism, and the Future of Evangelical Christianity”

March 7-8, 2014
Additional Meeting March 6
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Fort Worth, TX

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Southeast Regional Meeting
“Theological Interpretation of Scripture”

March 21-22, 2014
Beeson Divinity School
Birmingham, AL

Society of Biblical Literature

Southwest Regional Meeting
March 7-9, 2014
Marriott Hotel
DFW Airport North
Irving, TX

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Southeast Regional Meeting
March 7-9, 2014
Marriott Century Center
Atlanta, GA

Baptist History & Heritage Society

Annual Meeting
“Exploring the ‘Other’ Baptists”

June 4-6, 2014

Southwest Commission on Religious Studies

Annual Meeting

March 7-9, 2014

Marriott Hotel
DFW Airport North
Irving, TX

Baptist Association of Christian Educators

Annual Meeting
“The Bible and Missional Change”

April 3-4, 2014

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Kansas City, MO

Evangelical Homiletics Society

Annual Meeting
“Hermeneutics for Homiletics”

October 9-11, 2014
Moody Bible Institute
Chicago, IL

Can You Dig It? The Gezer Water System Expedition 2014

May 25-June 13, 2014
\$600* per week + Airfare

*Extra days: \$100/day

Sponsored by The Moskau Institute of Archaeology Center for Archaeological Research
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary

The Project: Participate in the excavation of an ancient Canaanite water system that could date to the time of Abraham.

Dates: May 25-June 13, 2014. Volunteers should plan to arrive no later than May 23 to participate in Jerusalem tour on May 24.

Cost: \$1,800 for the 3-week season, or \$600 per week + airfare (extra days: \$100/day). Costs cover room, board, and weekend travel. Preference will be given to three-week participants. Participants are responsible for their own flights to and from Israel. The dig will arrange airport pickup.

Weekend Travel: The expedition will arrange several field trips covering key areas of Israel. Weekend travel costs are included in the excavation pricing.

Accommodations: Volunteers will be housed in air-conditioned rooms at the Neve Shalom Guest House, with three to four persons per room.

Academic Credit: Undergraduate or graduate course credit for up to 6 semester hours is available. Additional tuition fees apply.

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Visit the NOBTS Center for Archaeological Research website at
www.nobts.edu/archaeologycenter/

