



The National Association of Baptist Professors of Religion

Gardner-Webb University • May 22-24, 2023 • Boiling Springs, NC

Greetings from the NABPR Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Welcome to the Annual May Meeting of the NABPR! We are tremendously grateful to Gardner-Webb University for hosting the 2023 May Meeting in picturesque Boiling Springs, NC. We look forward to the three P's of a good conference: papers, panels, and plenaries, and – just as importantly – the joys of reconnecting with colleagues and meeting new friends. Many thanks to Mandy McMichael, our President, Alicia Myers, our Vice-President, and Steve Harmon, our onsite coordinator. Again, NABPR appreciates the faculty, staff, and administration of Gardner-Webb University for their support of this meeting.

Mark your calendars:

November 18-21, 2023, San Antonio, TX, National AAR/SBL Meeting. In addition to the Presidential Address given by Dr. Myers, we look forward to this year's plenary speaker: Dr. Angela Tarango, professor of religion at Trinity University (San Antonio, TX) and author of the book: *Choosing the Jesus Way: Native American Pentecostals and the Fight for the Indigenous Principle*.

May 20-22, 2024, the Annual May Meeting, Raleigh, NC. Our onsite coordinator will be Glenn Jonas and our hosts will be Campbell University and First Baptist Church, Raleigh.

Adam C English
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Information

Registration

Registration is online at NABPR.org: <http://nabpr.org/meetings/registration/>

Conference Fee: \$120 regular member
 \$5 student/graduate student

Questions

If you have questions or concerns, email Adam English at englisha@campbell.edu. Adam will forward your question to the appropriate person.

Monday, May 22

3:00-6:00 Registration Check-in
Location TBD

6:00 Dinner: TBD
Business Meeting: 7:00-7:30
Program: TBD

The location of the Break Area for the conference is TBD.

Tuesday morning, May 23 – Continental Breakfast 8:00 am – 8:30 am

Location TBD

Tuesday, May 23 – Concurrent Session I 8:30 – 10:00

Baptist History I

Moderator: Glenn Jonas, Campbell University

Baptists, the Bible, and the Lincoln Assassination
Jimmy Byrd, Vanderbilt University

The Primitive-Missionary Baptist Schism at Albert's Creek, North Carolina
Kris Pratt, Spartanburg Methodist College

The Origins and Meaning of L. R. Scarborough's "Doctrine of Cooperation"
Andrew Smith, Carson-Newman University

Church History I

Moderator: Andrew Garner, LaGrange College

200 Years of *Johnson v. M'Intosh*: Religious Freedom and Indigenous Lands
Adam DJ Brett, Syracuse University

Baptist Gnosis: Enlightenment and Its Legitimation in the Work of Paul Smith and Marshall Davis

Chris Schelin, Starr King School for the Ministry

New Testament I

Moderator: Jim McConnell, Gardner-Webb University

Patterns of Rhetorical Entrapment in Romans and Prophetic Literature

Scott C. Ryan, Claflin University

Conspiracy Theories and Apocalyptic Literature: Toward an Alternative Response

Ryan Newson, Campbell University

Tuesday, May 23—Plenary Session I 10:15-12:00

10:30-12:00 Plenary Session I

Room TBD Presiding: Kathryn House, Meadville Lombard Theological School

Beyond the Academy: Public Scholarship and NABPR

Panelists:

Andrew Gardner, LaGrange College

Cody Sanders, Luther Seminary

Susan Shaw, Oregon State University (via Zoom)

Eileen Campbell-Reed, Union Theological Seminary

Tuesday, May 23 – Lunch 12:00-1:00

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Room TBD

Tuesday, May 23 – Plenary Session II 1:30 – 3:15

NABPR Plenary Session II

Room TBD Presiding: Anna Sieges Beal, Gardner-Webb University

Recognition of 2023 Dissertation Scholarship Award Recipient

Panel review of Jennifer Garcia Bashaw's *Scapegoats: The Gospel through the Eyes of Victims*

Panelists:

Kathryn House, Meadville Lombard Theological School
 Angela Parker, McAfee School of Theology
 Cody Sanders, Luther Seminary
 Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, Campbell University, response

Tuesday, May 23 – Concurrent Session II
3:30 – 5:00

Baptist Studies II

Moderator: Caroline Shaffer, Truett Seminary

Baptist Women, Immigrants, and Settlement Houses: Progressive Era Evangelism
 Strategies North and South

Laine Scales, Baylor University

“That Pauline Woman:” The Development of Woman’s Work for Woman among
 Northern and Southern Baptists

Laura Levens, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Ethics I

Moderator: Jacob Cook, Eastern Mennonite Seminary

Baptist Contributions to a Communitarian Conscience

John Carter, Boston College

Golden Rule Ethics Applied to Relational Models

Adam English, Campbell University

Old Testament I

Moderator: Tony Cartledge, Campbell University Divinity School

Psalm 137’s Contribution to Book V of the Psalter

Tyler Fulcher, Baylor University

The Breath of God and the Spirit of God – *Ruach* in the Old Testament

Nathan Maroney, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

Tuesday Evening, May 23 – Free Time and Dinner on your own

**Wednesday morning, May 24 – Continental Breakfast
8:00 am – 8:30 am**

Location TBD

**Wednesday morning, May 24 – Plenary Session III
8:30-10:15**

Room TBD Presiding: Laura Levens, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Teaching That Matters

Panelists:

Post-Conservative Hermeneutics: What are they and how can they help us teach the Bible?

Jennifer Garcia Bashaw, Campbell University

“In the Water”: James Baldwin, “Sonny’s Blues” and Theological Education

John Inscore Essick, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Connecting the Dots: Religious Liberty, the Common Good, and White Evangelical Activism against CRT in Public Schools

Jacob Alan Cook, Eastern Mennonite Seminary

**Wednesday, May 24 – Concurrent Session III
10:30-12:00**

New Testament II

Moderator: Scott Shauf, Gardner-Webb University

Apostolic Anger: Exploring Paul’s Anger in Galatians

Zen Hess, Baylor University

A Pedagogue Under Whose Roof?

Christian Sanchez, Baylor University

Theology I

Moderator: Ryan Newson, Campbell University

Taylor and James on Religion in a Secular Age
Tracey Mark Stout, Bluefield University

Jack Boughton and Haggard Hope in Marilynne Robinson's *Gilead* Tetralogy
Renee Edington, Baptist Seminary of Kentucky

Save the Date!
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