

The Society for Old Testament Study

WINTER MEETING 2013

Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge
under the presidency of Dr Eryl W. Davies

WEDNESDAY 2nd JANUARY

The venue for all sessions is Fitzwilliam College, Storeys Way, Cambridge, CB3 0DG.

Publishers are invited to display books for sale during the Meeting.

Members who have had books published recently are also invited to display copies.

2.00 pm *Committee Meeting*

4.30 pm Registration

6.00 pm Reception sponsored by the Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge

6.45 pm Dinner

8.15 pm Presidential Address:
Dr Eryl W. Davies (Bangor)
“Ideology and Constructions of the ‘History of Israel’”

THURSDAY 3rd JANUARY

8.00 am Breakfast

9.15 am Dr Janet Tollington (Cambridge)
“Reading Ruth in Dialogue with Torah”

10.00 am Dr Jenni Williams (Oxford)
“Childlessness in the Hebrew Bible”

10.45 am Coffee

11.15 am Dr Christopher Meredith (Sheffield)
“On Lovers and Labyrinths: Revisiting Space in the Song of Songs”

12 noon Dr Helen Leneman (Bethesda)
“Musical Paths to Experiencing Job”

12.45 pm Lunch

2.30 pm Seminars: *EITHER*
“Creating dynamic Powerpoint presentations” (Ms Elizabeth Harper, Cambridge)

OR

“Accessing and using downloadable resources” (Dr David Instone-Brewer, Cambridge)

3.30 pm SOTS Wiki seminar (Dr Jim Aitken, Cambridge and Dr Stuart Weeks, Durham)

4.30 pm Tea

5.00 pm Professor John Healey (Manchester)
“Aspects of Late Aramaic Epigraphy and Law”

6.45 pm Dinner

8.15 pm Professor George Brooke (Manchester)
“Some Issues Behind the Ethics in the Qumran Scrolls”

FRIDAY 4th JANUARY

8.00 am Breakfast

9.15 am Dr Katharine Dell (Cambridge)
“Reject or retrieve? Feminist Readings of Ecclesiastes 7:23-9”

10.00 am Dr Mary Mills (Liverpool)
“City-space and Cosmic Determinism in texts from the Minor Prophets”

10.45 am Coffee

11.15 am Professor Ronald Clements (Cambridge)
“Solomon and the Regulation of Kingship in Deut.17.14-19”

12 noon Business Meeting (Members only)

1.00 pm Lunch, followed by departure

DOMESTIC ARRANGEMENTS

The venue for the Meeting is Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge, Storeys Way, Cambridge, CB3 0DG. The telephone number for the College is 01223 332000. Please refer to the enclosed map for information on how to get to the University. There is plenty of parking at the College but we would recommend public transport where possible. The charges for hospitality are shown on the enclosed Booking Form. Members are requested to pay their accounts in full when returning the form but, if necessary, a non-returnable booking fee of £30 will be accepted and the balance will be payable on arrival at the Meeting. **A discounted price is available to those whose bookings are received by Monday 12th November** (please see the details on the form). There is a subsidized price for those on low incomes or from economically disadvantaged countries. **All bookings must be received by 5th December 2012**; no bookings can be accepted after that date. Bookings can be made by email to sotshospitality@gmail.com with cheques to follow by post. Please note that in making a booking, members render themselves liable for payment of the full cost of that booking, a liability that will be waived only in the light of extenuating circumstances and only when the final conference accounts permit a refund. You may wish to consider taking out insurance on your booking (or check that your annual travel insurance is applicable) to cover the possibility of you having to cancel your booking. You are advised to make a copy of your completed Booking Form for your own records.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF FUTURE MEETINGS and Call for Papers

Summer Meeting, 22nd - 25th July 2013, at Bangor University, Bangor

Winter Meeting, 6th - 8th January 2014, at Collingwood College, Durham

Members wishing to read a paper or conduct a workshop or other session at a forthcoming Meeting should write to the Secretary, giving a title and brief summary of the proposed paper or session, by 30th November 2012 (for the Summer Meeting 2013) or 30th June 2013 (for the Winter Meeting 2014). The Programme Sub-Committee will respond by 31st January 2013 or by 31st July 2013 respectively to all proposals received. For academic papers, offers of shorter presentations (25 minutes) are particularly welcome, but longer presentations (50 minutes) may also be proposed.

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NINETY-SIXTH YEAR

EIGHTY-EIGHTH

WINTER MEETING

FITZWILLIAM COLLEGE

CAMBRIDGE

2nd – 4th JANUARY 2013

President: Dr Eryl W. Davies

Members wishing to attend the Meeting should send the enclosed Booking Form to the *Hospitality Secretary*, Mr James Patrick, Mansfield College, Mansfield Road, Oxford OX1 3TF (email sotshospitality@gmail.com) so as to arrive by **12th November 2012** (for the discount price) or at the latest by **5th December 2012**.

Correspondence concerning the affairs of the Society should be sent to the *Secretary*, Dr Hilary Marlow, Faculty of Divinity, University of Cambridge, West Road, Cambridge CB3 9BS (tel. 01223 742025, e-mail hm309@cam.ac.uk). Applications for a Conference Grant to assist in meeting the costs of attending the Meeting must reach the current Secretary by 12th November. Proposals for new members must reach her by 5th December. Application forms for grants and membership are available on the SOTS website, www.sots.ac.uk.

Changes of address should be sent to the *Membership Secretary*, Mrs Vivienne Rowett, The New Vicarage, Beck Hill, Barton-upon-Humber DN18 5EY (tel. 01652 632202, e-mail vivrowett@aol.com).