

The Society for Old Testament Study

SUMMER MEETING 2012

Hulme Hall, Manchester

under the presidency of Professor George Brooke

MONDAY 16th JULY

The venue for all sessions is Hulme Hall,
Victoria Park Campus, Oxford Place,
Manchester, M14 5RR.

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 p.m. *Committee Meeting*

4.30 p.m. Registration

6.00 p.m. Reception, sponsored by the *Journal of Semitic Studies* and Oxford University Press

6.45 p.m. Dinner

8.15 p.m. Dr Kay Prag (Manchester), 'David to Nehemiah: New Fragments from Kenyon's Jerusalem' (A joint lecture with the Manchester regional branch of the Anglo-Israel Archaeological Society)

TUESDAY 17th JULY

8.00 a.m. Breakfast

9.15 a.m. Dr Diana Edelman (Sheffield), 'Remembering David'

10.00 a.m. Dr David Shepherd (Chester), "'The Sword Shall Never Depart ...': Blood, Guilt and the House of David'

10.45 a.m. Coffee

11.15 a.m. Dr Dwight Swanson (Manchester), "'Editing the Bible" Revisited'

12 noon Dr Sue Gillingham (Oxford), 'From Principles to Practice: Methodology and Reception History with Reference to the Psalms'

1.00 p.m. Lunch

2.15 p.m. REF 2014: A brief presentation with Q & A session, led by Professor George Brooke (Manchester)

3.00 p.m. 'What publishers might be looking for in your next book', a discussion led by representatives from Brill and Continuum

4.00 p.m. Tea

4.30 p.m. Professor Reinhard Kratz (Göttingen), 'The Two Houses of Israel: Some Observations on Isaiah 8:14'

6.00 p.m. Reception, sponsored by Koninklijke Brill NV, Publishers

6.45 p.m. Dinner

8.15 p.m. Professor Sara Japhet (Jerusalem), 'The Term *ger* and the Concept of Religious Conversion in the Hebrew Bible'

WEDNESDAY 18th JULY

8.00 a.m. Breakfast

9.15 a.m. Dr Casey Strine (Oxford), 'YHWH Is as YHWH Does: Monotheism and the Use of Foreign Leaders in Ezekiel'

10.00 a.m. Ms Gwen Knight (Rowton), 'The *geber* engages in *Begründung* in Lamentations 3'

10.45 a.m. Coffee

11.15 a.m. Professor Hugh Pyper (Sheffield), 'From Zion to Olympus: Israel and Athletics' (A paper in celebration of the 2012 Olympic Games)

12 noon Business Meeting (Members only)

1.00 p.m. Lunch

2.00 p.m. Trip to Manchester City Centre including a visit to the Genizah collection of the John Rylands University Library of Manchester, Deansgate, and concluding with tea by invitation of the President

5.30 p.m. Professor Francesca Stavrakopoulou (Exeter), 'Coping with Corpses: The Bible, the Body and the West'

6.45 p.m. Dinner

8.15 p.m. Professor Hugh Williamson (Oxford), 'The Vindication of Redaction Criticism'

DOMESTIC ARRANGEMENTS

The venue for the Meeting is Hulme Hall, Victoria Park Campus, Oxford Place, Manchester, M14 5RR. The telephone number for the Conference Office is 0161 275 0210. There are 10 parking spaces on site for those with particular needs, which must be pre-booked. There is some on street parking and a multi-storey car-park on Hathersage Road about 10 mins walk away (car left at owner's risk). Please use public transport if you are able.

The charges for hospitality are shown on the enclosed Booking Form. There is an option of standard or en suite rooms but **NO** twin or double rooms. Members are requested to pay their accounts in full when returning the form but, if necessary, a non-returnable booking fee of £40 will be accepted and the balance will be payable on arrival at the Meeting. A discounted price is available to those whose Booking Forms are received by **24th May 2012** (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 21st June 2012**; no bookings can be accepted after that date. Bookings may be made by email as long as cheques 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

Winter Meeting, 2nd – 4th January 2013, at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge
Summer Meeting, 22nd – 25th July 2013, at Bangor University, Bangor

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 by 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-FIFTH YEAR

EIGHTY-EIGHTH

SUMMER MEETING

HULME HALL, MANCHESTER

16th–19th JULY 2012

President: Professor George Brooke

Members wishing to attend the Meeting should send the enclosed Booking Form to Ms Elizabeth Harper, SOTS *Hospitality Secretary*, Chadkirk, School Lane, Impington, Cambridge CB24 9NS (tel. 01223 236445, e-mail eh433@cam.ac.uk), so as to arrive by 24th May 2012 (for the discount price) or at the latest by 21st June 2012.

Correspondence concerning the affairs of the Society should be sent to the *Secretary*, Professor Francesca Stavrakopoulou, Department of Theology and Religion, University of Exeter, Amory Building, Rennes Drive, Exeter EX4 4RJ (tel. 01392 7264290, e-mail f.stavrakopoulou@exeter.ac.uk). Applications for a Conference Grant to assist in meeting the costs of attending the Meeting must reach the current Secretary by 18th May. Proposals for new members must reach her by 15th June. Application forms for 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).