

# The Society for Old Testament Study

## WINTER MEETING 2014

Collingwood College, Durham

*Under the presidency of Professor John Day*

### MONDAY 6th JANUARY

The venue for all sessions is Collingwood College, Durham University, South Road, Durham DH1 3LT.

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

6.45 pm Dinner

8.15 pm Presidential Address:  
Professor John Day (Oxford)  
“Problems in the Interpretation of the Story of the Garden of Eden”

### TUESDAY 7th JANUARY

8.00 am Breakfast

9.15 am Dr David Reimer (Edinburgh)  
“The Language of Psalm 119”

10.00 am Dr Stuart Weeks (Durham)  
“Googling Qohelet”

10.45 am Coffee

11.15 am Dr Madhavi Nevader (Oxford)  
“On Reading Adam Royally”

12 noon Dr Sandra Jacobs (King’s College London)  
“Methodological Paradigms and ‘Parallelomania’ in the Study of Comparative Biblical Law”

1.00 pm Lunch

2.30 pm Seminar “Research in progress”: PhD students and early career researchers present their work

4.00 pm Tea

4.30 pm Professor John Bartlett (Dublin)  
“Burchard of Mt Sion: A Thirteenth-century Baedeker”

6.30 pm Dinner

8.15 pm Professor Peter Machinist (Harvard)  
“Royal Inscriptions in the Hebrew Bible. A Problem and Its Significance”

### WEDNESDAY 8th JANUARY

8.00 am Breakfast

9.15 am Dr Charlotte Hempel (Birmingham)  
“The Power of Posthumous Leadership in the Bible and the Dead Sea Scrolls”

10.00 am Professor Philip Alexander (Manchester)  
“The Polemical and Apologetic Context of the Rabbis' Choice of Text-type for their Scriptures”

10.45 am Coffee

11.15 am Professor Paul Joyce (King’s College London)  
“Reception and Exegesis in Lamentations”

12 noon Business Meeting (Members only)

1.00 pm Lunch, followed by departure

PhD students or early career researchers who would like to present their research at the seminar on Tuesday afternoon are invited to email a short abstract (150 words max.) to the Secretary, Dr Hilary Marlow ([hm309@cam.ac.uk](mailto:hm309@cam.ac.uk)) by December 5<sup>th</sup> 2013.

## DOMESTIC ARRANGEMENTS

The venue for the Meeting is Collingwood College, Durham University, South Road, Durham, DH1 3LT; the telephone number for the College is 0191 334 5000. Please refer to the enclosed map for information on how to get to the College. 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 Wednesday 13th 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 2013**; no bookings can be accepted after that date. Bookings can be made by email to [sotshospitality@gmail.com](mailto: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, 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> July 2014**, at St Hilda's College, Oxford. This meeting will be followed by a special day conference on 24th July at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, in honour of Professor John Day.

**Winter Meeting, 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> January 2015**, at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge.

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 2013 (for the Summer Meeting 2014) or 30th June 2014 (for the Winter Meeting 2015). The Programme Sub-Committee will respond by 31st January 2014 or by 31st July 2014 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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DURHAM

6<sup>TH</sup> – 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2013

President: Professor John Day

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](mailto:sotshospitality@gmail.com)) so as to arrive by **13th November 2012** (for the discount price) or at the latest by **5<sup>th</sup> 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 741284, e-mail [hm309@cam.ac.uk](mailto: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 13th 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](http://www.sots.ac.uk).

Changes of address should be sent to the *Membership Secretary*, Mrs Vivienne Rowett, 3 Newhouse Close, Wardle, Rochdale, Lancs OL12 9LW (e-mail [vivrowett@aol.com](mailto:vivrowett@aol.com)).