CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Register online at http://www.icscanada.edu/events
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Please register by Wednesday, October 17th to ensure lunch.
Registrations available as a first come first serve basis.

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Cost (incl. lunch ) $40 per person Students $15 (thanks to our sponsors)
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Burning Questions? Biblical Answers?
Can an Ancient Text Guide Us?

Keynote Address:
Richard Middleton,
Biblical Studies, Roberts Wesleyan College, Rochester, N
- Workshops with Morris Greidanus, Perry Recker, and Cynthia P. Stewart

Come and explore how your faith relates to current ideas

Saturday October 20, 2007
Trinity Christian College, Illinois

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Christians confess that the Bible is the inspired word of God, meant to give direction to our lives as we seek to be faithful followers of Christ. Yet many of us yawn while we read it, if we read it at all, or resort to desperate measures like opening it randomly to shake out a contemporary meaning. How does Scripture provide guidance for living today? Isn’t it full of outdated or conflicting points of view on a variety of ethical matters? This conference will help participants face squarely the ethical complexity of Scripture, while introducing a narrative framework for making sense of this difficulty, so that Scripture might provide guidance for us in the contemporary world.

J. Richard Middleton teaches Biblical Studies at Roberts Wesleyan College, in Rochester, NY. He is a graduate of the joint PhD program of the ICS and the Free University of Amsterdam. Originally from Jamaica, Richard immigrated to Canada and enrolled in ICS. He started teaching worldview courses for ICS at various universities. He coauthored with Brian Walsh: The Transforming Vision: Shaping a Christian World View (InterVarsity Press, 1984), and Truth is Stranger Than It Used to Be:: Biblical Faith in a Postmodern Age (InterVarsity Press/SPCK, 1984). His most recent book is The Liberating Image: The Imago Dei in Genesis 1 (Brazos Press, 2005).

Quotes in response to his Toronto Worldview Conference address

“Outstanding. He made the complex plain. I appreciated his knowledge, teaching style, and grace.”

What did you like most?

“Richard’s fresh and thought provoking approach to Scripture.” Richard’s accessibility.”

SCHEDULE

Registration
8:30 - 9:00

Welcome and Opening
President John Suk
9:00 - 9:30

Morning Keynote
Richard Middleton
9:30 - 10:30

Break
10:30 - 10:45

Concurrent Workshops
10:45 - 12:00

Lunch
12:00 – 1:15

Afternoon Keynote
Richard Middleton
1:15 – 2:15

Break
2:15 - 2:30

Concurrent Workshops
2:30 – 3:45

Concluding Thoughts and Closing
3:45 - 4:00

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

Morris Greidanus  Jesus, the One Name that Saves, and Other Faiths
We live, often uncomfortably, in a religious pluralistic time. How do other religions fit into our worldview? Is there a theological/biblical basis for living next to them and speaking with them? An interesting narrative in Acts where St Paul is first revered as a god, and then stoned, begins our examination of the early church’s claim of the unique place of Jesus combined with sympathetic engagement with other religions.

AM and PM

Morris Greidanus served ICS as interim president in 2005/2006. Morris and Alice work with and for Friends of ICS. Educated at Calvin College and Seminary, the Free University, and Knox College-University of Toronto, Morris served as pastor in various churches and in campus ministry at the University of Toronto in the ICS’s start-up years.

Pain and suffering are everywhere, even in the church. No one is immune. How can Christians deal with suffering honestly while remaining faithful to God? This workshop will offer biblical and theological resources from the psalms of lament for processing pain in our own lives in a manner that leads to genuine hope for ourselves and those to whom we minister.

PM ONLY

Perry Recker  Picturing Human Stewardship and Climate Change—At the Intersection of Science and Imagination

AM and PM

Cynthia P. Stewart  Who is My Neighbor? A Call to Social Consciousness and Responsibility to the Stranger
We will explore the meaning of the gospel story of the Good Samaritan. Who is our neighbor? This narrative invites us to consider our relationship to persons from cultures, races, religions, identities and political or economic contexts different from our own. How do we relate to persons facing situations of duress and violence in urban and intercultural contexts?

AM ONLY

Cynthia Stewart is a co-founder of The Perfect Peace, LLC, a member of St. Sabina church, and she has completed three Christian studies related Masters Degrees and a Certificate in Community and Economic Development from Harvard Divinity School. She is currently with Chicago Semester as Practicum Group Leader, Internship Assistant and teaches “History of Religion and Society in Urban America.” Clinton Stockwell, Executive Director of Chicago Semester will moderate this workshop.