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The Eight International East-West Symposium of New Testament Scholars

DAILY PROGRAM

Sunday, 26th of May

18:30 – Departure by bus to Caraiman Monastery from the Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Str. Sf. Ecaterina, 2-4, Bucharest

20:30 – Dinner (Buffet)

Monday, 27th of May

07:30 – Morning Prayer (Orthodox): Marian Vild (Bucharest, Romania)

08:00 – Breakfast

09:00 – Opening of the Symposium by Stelian Tofană (Cluj-Napoca, Romania). Official messages from:

- His Beatitude DANIEL, Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church;
- Mr. Victor Opaschi, State Secretariat for Religious Affairs in Romania;
- Prof. dr. Karl-Wilhelm Niebuhr, President of EELC

10:00 – **Main Papers I and II:** Anthropology in Old Testament / Hellenistic Judaism
Carl Holladay (Atlanta, USA), *Moral Agency in Hellenistic Judaism. Some Reflections on Philo of Alexandria*
Alexandru Mihăilă (Bucharest, Romania), *A Circumcised Heart: The Anthropological Function of the Heart as the Inner Man*

11:30 – Coffee break

12:00 – Discussion of the Main Paper I and II

12:45 – **Main Paper III:** Anthropology in the Synoptic Gospels
Daniel Ayuch (Balamand, Lebanon), *From Homo Sedentarius to Homo Peregrinator. The Nomadic Nature of Man in Luke [and Acts]*

13:30 – Lunch

15:30 – **Main Paper IV:** Anthropology in the Synoptic Gospels
Joel Marcus (Durham, USA), *The Anthropology of the Synoptic Gospels*

16:15 – Coffee break

16:45 – Discussion of the Main Papers III and IV

17:30 – Break

17:45 – Seminar Session I

Seminar “Anthropology and Ethics”

Volker Rabens (Jena, Germany), *The Dilemma of Human Agency in John’s Gospel*

Teodor Brașoveanu (Leuven, Belgium), *The Ethical Significance of the Pauline Discourse in 1 Corinthians 9, 24-27*

Seminar “Anthropology and Creation”

Georg Schimanowski (Tübingen, Germany), *The Creation of the ‘mortal human being’ (Gen 2:7) in Philo’s Treatises - with a Short View on Paul*

Nenad Bozovic (Belgrade, Serbia), *The Image of Adam as Adolescent in Eden in Patristic Reception of Gen 2-3*

Seminar “Anthropology and Eschatology”

Mikhail Seleznev (Moscow, Russia), *Anthropology and Eschatology in the NT and LXX – with special Reference to the Treatment of Gen 1-3 in the LXX and the NT*

Halyna Teslyuk (Lviv, Ukraine), *From Biological Barrenness to Spiritual Fertility in Eschaton: An Exegesis of Wis 3:13*

19:15 – Evening Prayer (Catholic): Bartosz Adamczewski (Warsaw, Poland)

19:30 – Dinner

Tuesday, 28th of May

07:30 – Morning Prayer (Protestant): Virgil Laszlo (Budapest, Hungary)

08:00 – Breakfast

09:00 – **Main Papers V and VI:** Anthropology in the Gospel of John

Nadine Ueberschaer (Greifswald, Germany), *“Lazarus, come out.” (John 11, 43). Anthropology in the Gospel of John*

Predrag Dragutinović (Belgrade, Serbia), *Reading the Gospel of John as a Story of Life and Death. Some Insights from the Storytelling Anthropology*

10:30 – Coffee break

11:00 – Discussion of the Main Papers V and VI

11:45 – **Main Papers VII and VIII:** The Spiritual Human Being in 1 Corinthians

Karl-Wilhelm Niebuhr (Jena, Germany), *The Spiritual Human Being in Paul: 1 Cor 2:15 from a “Western” Perspective*

Christos Karakolis (Athens, Greece), *The Apostle Paul as a Paragon of a Spiritual Human Being: Applied Anthropology in Paul’s Biography*

13:30 – Lunch

15:30 – Discussion of the Main Papers VII and VIII

16:15 – Coffee break

16:45 – Break

17:45 – **Seminar Session II**

Seminar “Anthropology and Ethics”

Artur Malina (Katowice, Poland): *Hospitality in Transformation (Mk 9:5-6 and par.). Interpretations of a Human Response to the Transfiguration*

Ain Riistan (Tartu, Estonia), *Honour and Shame in the Pastoral Ethics of 2 Timothy*

Seminar “Anthropology and Creation”

James McGrath (Indianapolis, USA), *Anthropological Assumptions of John’s Baptism*

Randar Tasmuth (Tartu, Estonia), *Temple and Torah turned to Body and Spirit*

Seminar “Anthropology and Eschatology”

James (Bru) Wallace (Memphis, USA), *A Dwelling Not Made With Hands: Anthropology, Eschatology, and Theosis in 2 Corinthians 3-5*

Maria Karyakina (St. Petersburg, Russia), *Eschatological realization of one’s identity in Christ according to the Letter to the Philippians*

19:15 – Evening Prayer (Orthodox): Theodor Stoitchev (Shumen, Bulgaria)

19:30 – Dinner

Wednesday, 29th of May

07:30 – Morning Prayer (Catholic): Artur Malina (Katowice, Poland)

08:00 – Breakfast

09:00 – **Main Papers IX and X:** Marriage and Related Issues in the New Testament

William Loader (Perth, Australia), *Sex and Gender as Anthropological Categories in the New Testament*

Korinna Zamfir (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), *Discourses on Motherhood in the Corpus Paulinum*

10:30 – Coffee break

11:00 – Discussion of the Main Papers IX and X

11:45 – **Individual Paper** and Discussion:

Cyril Hovorun (Los Angeles, USA), *New Testament Church: Between Discipleship and Fellowship*

13:30 – Lunch

15:30 – Final plenary

17:00 – Coffee break

17:30 – **Seminar Session III**

Seminar “Anthropology and Ethics”

Athanasios Despotis (Bonn, Germany), *The Relation Between Anthropology and Ethics in John’s Gospel with Regard to the*

Hellenistic-Philosophical Milieu and Some Early Patristic Approaches

Bartosz Adamczewski (Warsaw, Poland), *Moral Aspects of the Relational Nature of the Human Body in the Theology of Paul*

Seminar “Anthropology and Creation”

Darko Anev, *The Shepherd Imagery and the Shepherding as Reflection of Anthropology through the Metaphorical Elaboration in the Gospel of John*

Vladan Tatalovic, *Antropology of Johannine Epistles*

Seminar “Anthropology and Eschatology”

Marian Vild (Bucharest, Romania), *Being in Christ - the Pauline Concept in the Understanding of the Church Fathers*

Alexey Somov (Moscow, Russia), *Ancient Views on the Human Upright Posture as a Mark of Immortality in the New Testament Imagery of Resurrection*

19:15 – Evening Prayer (Protestant): Maria Karyakina (St. Petersburg, Russia)

19:30 – Dinner

20:30 – **Individual Paper** and Discussion:

Stelian Tofană (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), *Biblical Scholarship in Romania. Past and Present*

Thursday, 30th of May

07:30 – Morning Prayer (Protestant): Randar Tasmuth (Tartu, Estonia)

08:00 – Breakfast

09:00 – **Section “Translations of the Holy Scripture in Romanian”**

09:00 – Vasile Mihoc (Sibiu, Romania), *The 1858 Bible from Sibiu*

09:30 – Stelian Tofană (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), *The Bartholomeus’ Bible – a New Translation?*

10:00 – Petre Semen (Iași, Romania), *The Bible of Patriarch Nicodim Munteanu related to other Synodal Bibles. Similarities and Differences*

10:30 – Coffee break

11:00 – **Section “Translations of the Holy Scripture in Romanian”**

11:00 – Cătălin Vatamanu (Iași, Romania), *Patriarch Nicodim Munteanu - Translator of The Holy Scripture in Time of War. The Synodal Bible from 1944, in Context*

11:30 – Cosmin Pricop (Bucharest, Romania), *The Importance of the Bucharest Bible (1688) for the Orthodox Biblical Canon*

12:00 – Alexandru Mihăilă (Bucharest, Romania), *Ancient Bible Versions and the Text of the Bucharest Bible*

12:30 – Lunch

14:00 – Depart to Peleş Castle

19:15 – Evening Prayer (Catholic): Petr Mareček (Olomouc, Czech Republic)

19:30 – Festive dinner

Friday, 31st of May

07:30 – Morning Prayer (Orthodox): James (Bru) Wallace (Memphis, USA)

08:00 – Breakfast

10:00 – Depart to Bucharest by bus