



## *David de Silva Lecture Thursday, April 12*

David deSilva, Trustees' Distinguished Professor of New Testament and Greek at Ashland Theological Seminary, will offer a presentation entitled "Seeing Things John's Way: Revelation and the Roman Empire" on Thursday, April 12, 3:00-5:00 p.m., in the main conference room of the Leavell Center. Students and faculty also can join him for a brown bag lunch in the Creole Room at noon.



DeSilva is the prolific author of academic works on 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Hebrews, James and Jude, Revelation, and intertestamental writings as well as books such as *Invitation to the New Testament*, *Afterlife*, *Praying with John Wesley*, and *Untold Stories of the Bible*. In addition, deSilva is an accomplished organist, choral director, and composer of anthems and organ pieces.

This Special Event lecture sponsored by the Division of Biblical Studies is free and open to the public. More information about deSilva is available on his [Ashland Semi-](#)

### UPCOMING EVENTS!

- ◆ March 26: Doctoral Admissions Meeting
- ◆ April 2: ThM Application Deadline
- ◆ April 6: Good Friday (Offices Closed)
- ◆ April 12: David deSilva Lecture
- ◆ April 13-14: [Greer-Heard](#)
- ◆ April 19-21: Wabash teaching conference (p. 3)
- ◆ May 15-31: Registration for summer, fall

## *Research Proposals Due April 2*

In order to attend RDOC9303 Prospectus Development June 4-8, 2012, a student must submit 4 copies of the research proposal to the guidance committee chairperson on or before **April 2, 2012**. The guidance committee chairperson will enlist two division readers to provide feedback in addition to the second member of the guidance committee, and the student will need to work with the chairperson to make any required revisions before the guidance committee approves the document. A Research Proposal Report form indicating guidance committee approval and 2 copies of the finalized document must be received by the ReDOC office no later than **May 11, 2012**.

If you submit a proposal to your guidance committee chairperson by April 2, please notify the ReDOC office so that we can send you a syllabus for the

## *Qualifying Exam Application Deadline*

If you plan to take the qualifying examination August 1-3, 2012, you must submit an application form signed by your faculty advisor to the ReDOC office by **April 2**. Applications are available in the "Program Materials" section of the ReDOC Web page and in the ReDOC office.

Students who will have completed 4 seminars and 2 colloquia (plus any additional major requirements) and CE students who will have completed two years in the program by the end of the Spring 2012 semester are eligible to take the exam. All students who will have completed 5 seminars before Fall 2012 must pass the exam before taking additional seminars.



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### PROGRAM DATES AND DEADLINES

- ◆ April 2: Research Proposal Submission Deadline
- ◆ April 2: Qualifying Exam Application Deadline
- ◆ April 25: Fall IDS Submission Deadline
- ◆ May 15-31: Online registration for summer and fall 2012
- ◆ June 1: Prospectus approval deadline for October 1 dissertation submission

### Prospectus Approval

Josh Stewart (Old Testament), “An Analysis of the Frequency and Distribution of the ‘X+Finite Verb’ Clauses in Book Two of the Psalter”

### Oral Exam Pass

Congratulations to Jared Case (Christian education) for passing the Oral Comprehensive Examination.

### Fall Directed Study Proposals

If you would like to do a directed study this fall and have not contacted the ReDOC office for guidelines concerning preparation and chain of approval, please do so as soon as possible. In order to have a directed study proposal for fall considered by ReDOC at their **May 2** meeting, e-mail a pdf of the proposal to the ReDOC office at [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu) by **April 25**. Be sure to submit a hard copy of the proposal approval page with appropriate signatures from the directed study professor and your guidance committee.

IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER, PLEASE SEND THAT UPDATED INFORMATION TO THE REDOC OFFICE.

### *ReDOC Schedule for 2011-12*

#### **The following are the remaining ReDOC meetings for 2011-12:**

**March 26, 2012** (Doctoral Admissions) **NOTE:** [correction from April 2](#)

**April 4, 2012**

**May 2, 2012** (fall directed study proposals)

**May 16, 2012** (11:30 AM)

A prospectus to be considered by ReDOC must be reviewed by your guidance committee and 8 copies submitted through your chairperson to the Office of Research Doctoral Programs no later than one week before the scheduled ReDOC meeting. Also e-mail a pdf of the document to [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu)

Please keep in mind that final approval of your prospectus is granted by your doctoral guidance committee after you make any revisions your committee deems appropriate in light of feedback from ReDOC.

Likewise, matters such as directed study proposals and requests to take courses at other institutions must be submitted one week before the ReDOC meeting at which they will be considered.

E-mail a pdf of your directed study proposal to [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu) but submit a hard copy approval page.

NOTE: If you think your guidance committee has approved your prospectus but you have not seen your approval in the *ReDOC News*, please let us know.

### ***Wabash Graduate Teaching Initiative: Dialogue Session and Dinner***

As part of our [Wabash Graduate Teaching Initiative](#) conference, alumni in full-time teaching positions will be given the opportunity to talk with current students about some of the challenges they have faced in their first full-time teaching assignments. This session on Friday, April 20, 3:00-5:00 p.m. will be followed by a dinner on campus that will give you time to continue the discussion informally over a meal.

If you are interested in attending this dialogue and dinner, please e-mail the ReDOC office at [phd@nobts.edu](mailto:phd@nobts.edu) **by April 5** to reserve a spot. All current PhD students are invited to take advantage of this opportunity. No fees are involved.



## **Scholarships and Grants**



### ***Mercersburg Society “Roth Prize”***

The Mercersburg Society again is offering the “Roth Prize” for the best student paper on any topic pertaining to Mercersburg Theology. Papers should be 15-20 pages in length complete with documentation.

The recipient of the prize will receive a \$750 award and an invitation to present the paper at the Mercersburg Society Convention in June 2013. The paper also may be published in the *New Mercersburg Review*.

Submit papers to Anne T. Thayer, Paul and Minnie Diefenderfer Professor of Mercersburg and Ecumenical Theology and Church History at Lancaster Theological Seminary: [athayer@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:athayer@lancasterseminary.edu)

**Deadline: June 1, 2012**

For more information, see the [Mercersburg Society Web page](#).

### ***SBHLA Lynn E. May Jr. Study Grant***

The Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Council of Seminary Presidents, sponsors a program whereby funds are made available periodically for partial support of research in the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives. The grants provide a maximum of \$750. The grants are in memory of Lynn E. May Jr., who served as Executive Director of the Historical Commission from 1971 to 1995 and who has been instrumental in the establishment of the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives. Graduate students, college and seminary professors, historians, and other writers may apply for the grants. An application is available for download on the SBHLA [Web site](#). Applications should be submitted to Bill Sumners, SBHLA director, **by April 1, 2012**.

### **Any Writers among You?**

If you aspire to write, you may want to check out Christian publisher Xulon Press. They have connections with over 25,000 outlets that include bookstores such as Barnes & Noble and Amazon. com. For information on this print-on-demand company, go to the [Xulon Press Web site](#).

## *Summer and Fall 2012 Scholarly Society Meetings*

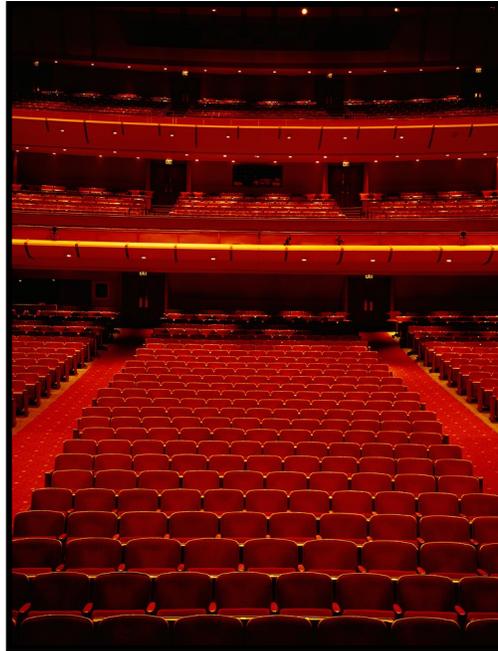
### Baptist History & Heritage Society

#### **Annual Meeting**

June 7-9, 2012  
First Baptist Church  
Raleigh, NC

#### **Theme:**

“Baptists & Theology”



### Society of Biblical Literature

#### **Annual Meeting**

November 17-20, 2012 at  
McCormick Place Convention  
Center  
Chicago, IL

### Evangelical Theological Society

#### **64th Annual Meeting** “Caring for Creation”

November 14-16, 2012  
Milwaukee, WI



#### Call for Papers

#### Deadline:

Saturday, March 31, 2012  
10:30 PM CST

### *Paper Presentation*

Stan Helton (New Testament) will present “‘This Is That’: Intertextual Traces of the Minor Prophets in the Acts of the Apostles” at the [Thomas C. Olbricht Christian Scholars’ Conference](#) hosted by Lipscomb University June 7-9, 2012.

Congratulations, Stan!

### *Need Latin?*

An intensive online Latin course will be offered by Dr. Larry Swain of Bemidji State University. This course covers a year of Latin in only eight weeks. The course will run through D2L software, which is similar to Blackboard. Students should plan to spend a minimum of 2 hours and preferably 4-6 hours daily in class interaction and grammar exercises. Four days each week the class will meet virtually for approximately 2 hours; the remainder of the time students will work individually on memorizing forms and translating text.

For more information, see the [Bemidji State University Web page](#).

### *Publications*

Delio DelRio (New Testament, December 2011) received word that his dissertation has been accepted by Wipf and Stock to be published under Pickwick Publications. We will post the publication title and date when we get the information.

Owen Nease’s (New Testament) article “Sound Familiar? Paronomasia in Hebrews” is scheduled to appear in *Trinity Journal* 33, no. 1 (2012).

Congratulations, Delio and Owen!