Program for Far West Regional Meeting of ETS

Welcome to the 2022 Far West Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society at Gateway Seminary in Ontario, CA. This will be our first in-person meeting since 2019! Please come and enjoy an opportunity to connect and reconnect with fellow scholars, pastors, and theologians from around the Far West Region. Below is some information that will be helpful when you arrive.

- Registration begins at 12:00 PM, and the plenary session begins at 1:00 PM.
- The address for the seminary is:

Gateway Seminary

3210 E. Guasti Rd.

Ontario, CA 91761

- When you arrive at the seminary, please park in the parking lot on the east side of the building, and then enter the building through the large glass doors on the east side of the building, the side of the building with the pond and fountain.
- Once you've entered the lobby, you will see a registration table. Please stop by for the following:
 - o check-in and get your name tag
 - o if you've not already done so, you can pay your registration fee and purchase your banquet ticket.
- To the left of the lobby door, you will see our café; to the right is the chapel, where we will hold the plenary meeting and the banquet; there will also be a snack table hosted by the Gateway Seminary PhD program.
- Paper presentations will be held in classrooms on the third, fourth, and fifth floors.
 - o for those who wish to use PowerPoint or other visual aids, each classroom is equipped with a large wall-mounted monitor, and will have HDMI connectors;
 - o there will be a desk with a small, immovable podium for notes;
 - o if you have handouts, you will need to print those before your presentation—the seminary will not provide printing services; you can also distribute them from a thumb drive
 - o please be aware of the length of your presentation—be aware that you have 30 total minutes to present and answer questions; the recommendation is 20-25 minutes for your presentation, 5-10 minutes for Q and A.

Below is the program schedule for the conference:

Schedule:

Registration 12:00 - 1:00 PMPlenary Session 1:00 - 2:30 PMPaper Presentations 3:00 - 6:30 PMBanquet 7:00 - 9:00 PM

The program this year includes two presentations by Dr. Randy Richards, provost at Palm Beach Atlantic University, and the presidential address by the regional president, Dr. Earl Waggoner from Colorado Christian University.

Presentation Schedule

Room 304		Room 305
3:00 – 3:30	Dr. David Rathel Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Theologia, Economy, and Divine Action: Examining John Gill's Significance for Contemporary Debates over the Trinity"	Dr. Andrew Marquez Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, TX "The King of Sinai Is One: Pauline Allusions in Gal. 3:19-20"
3:40 – 4:10	Aaron Pendergrass Bethel Baptist Church, Greeley, CO "'You Are a Mediator Forever': An Observation of Calvin's Fivefold Functional Christology"	Dr. Steve Ingino Logos Bible Software, Phoenix, AZ "Using Logos Bible Software for Academic Research"
4:20 – 4:50	Abraham Polanco University of Aberdeen "An Eschatological Interpretation of Events Past, Present, and Future"	Dr. Kon Yang Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Fear, Theological Reflection, and the Fear of God in the Book of Job"
5:00 - 5:30	Dr. Jonathan McCormick Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Unique Contributions of the 1925 BFM"	Dr. Steve Ingino Logos Bible Software "Using Logos Bible Software for Academic Research"
5:40 - 6:10	Jung Hwan An Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "A Sanctification Model of Inner Healing"	Jesse Harris Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Proverbs 1-9: A Macro-Chiastic Structure"
Room 343 3:00 – 3:30	Dr. Ryan Stephens Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Deuteronomy 21:15-17 and Its Implications for Polygamy in the Mosaic Law"	Room 344 Dr. Christian Wilder Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ "The First Hour of Darkness: A Comparative Study of the Introduction and First Hour of Am Duat and the Beginning of the Plagues"
3:40 – 4:10	Dr. Anthony Ferguson Eleventh Street Baptist Church, Upland, CA "Isaiah and Divine Hardening: A Textual Study of Isaiah 6:10"	Dr. Justin McLendon Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ "Jonathan Edwards and the Means of Grace"
4:20 – 4:50	Jean Hwang Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Comparing Gentry's and Block's Approaches to Covenant"	Dr. Randall Downs Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ "A Correlation between Suffering and Song: The Anabaptist Perspective"
5:00 - 5:30	Chris Chen The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY "Your Heavenly Father Is Perfect': Reading the Sermon on the Mount alongside Confucius's Analects"	Dr. Paul Jo Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Tantalized by a Hungry Heart: The Nature of Soul according to Thomas Traherne (c. 1637–1674)"
5:40 - 6:10		Brian Donnelly-Lewis University of California, Los Angeles "A New Collation and Translation of the Khirbet Qeiyafa Ostracon"
Room 403		Room 404
3:00 – 3:30	Dr. Paul Smith Gateway Seminary, Phoenix, AZ "The Star-Spangled Banner of the Old Testament: The Song of Moses (Exodus 15): Music as an Emotional Worship Response"	Dr. Don Dent Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "Becoming "The Least of These" to Reconcile All Nations"
3:40 – 4:10	Daniel Forbes High Pointe Baptist Church, Austin, TX "A Betraying Brother Becomes a Paradigm for Punishment: The Role of Edom in Biblical Theology"	Dr. Carl Mosser Highland, CA "Revisiting the Logic of Penal Substitution: The Reformer's Alternative"
4:20 – 4:50	Tim Ingrum River City Grace Community Church, Sacramento, CA "Reading 'Mountain' with Moderns: Aquinas and Recent Interpreters on the Setting of Jesus's Sermon in Matthew 5:1"	Braden McKinley Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, TX Scottsdale Bible Church, Scottsdale, AZ "Edification and Witness: The Evangelistic Viability of Gospel-Shaped Worship"

5:00 - 5:30	Dr. Pete Charpentier Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ "Follow the Leader: The Relationship between the Narrator and the Preacher in Expository Sermons"
5:40 - 6:10	
Room 439	
3:00 – 3:30	Gabriel Estrada California Baptist University, Riverside, CA "Israel's Story in the Songs of Ascents: Toward a Missional Hermeneutic"
3:40 - 4:10	Dr. Paul Smith Gateway Seminary, Phoenix, AZ "Would God Choose a Feminine Man over a Masculine Man? Esau and Jacob as Archetypes for Conformity and Non-Conformity to Gender Roles"
4:20 – 4:50	Dr. Mark Beatty Active Rest Ministries, Kaneohe, Hawaii "How to Interpret Verbal Aspect: Applied to the Plagues in Matt. 24:6-7"
5:00 - 5:30	Dr. Peter Tie Christian Witness Theological Seminary, San Jose, CA "A Theological Interpretation of 'Spirit' in 'The Spirit is willing, but the Flesh Is Weak' (Matt. 26:41b)"
5:40 - 6:10	
Room 530	
3:00 – 3:30	Dr. Adam Groza Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA "René Girard, Christian Anthropology, and Scapegoat Theory: A Philosophical Look at Conflict Resolution in a Conflict-Ridden Society"
3:40 – 4:10	Dr. Shandon Guthrie University of Nevada Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV "The Examined Life Worth Defending: A Philosophical Approach to Spiritual Warfare"
4:20 – 4:50	Jason Hyde Talbot School of Theology, La Mirada, CA "In Defense of Strong Qualia Realism against Loar's Phenomenal Concept Strategy: A Power's Ontology Perspective"
5:00 - 5:30	Dr. Matthew Flummer Porterville College, Porterville, CA Dr. Keith Hess
5:40 - 6:10	College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, NV "Augustine's Cosmological Argument" Dr. Scott Smith Talbot School of Theology, La Mirada, CA "Critical Theory, Identities, and Rights"

Dr. Cory M. Marsh

Southern California Seminary, El Cajon, CA

"On Account of My Name': How Righteous Suffering Distinguishes Different Peoples of God"

Carlos Pamplona

Gateway Seminary, Ontario, CA; Reasonable Truth, Tulsa, OK

"John 1:12-23: Adoption and Cyril of Alexandria?"

Room 440

Thomas Varallo

Southern California Seminary, El Cajon, CA

"The Philosopher Hume vs the Apostle Paul: Do Some Have an Excuse for Non-Belief?"

Dr. Steve Sherman

Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ

"Sexual Ethics Now"

Dr. Daniel Diffey

Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ

"The Questioning of Inerrancy in 21st Century Popular Works on Scripture: Ancient Heirs or Products of Current Western Trends?"

Dr. Peter Rasor

Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ

"A Rose is not Just a Rose:' Re-integrating Faith with Learning in the Post-Christian Academy"

Dr. Matthew Cserhati

Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church, La Mirada, CA

"Covid Unmasked: How should We Interpret the Pandemic?"