

AUSTRALASIAN BAPTIST RESEARCH FORUM

27-29 June, 2011

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Bible and Baptists

Readers, Teachers and Preachers

2011 is the 400th anniversary of the publication of the King James Authorised Version of the Bible. Such an anniversary provides an excellent opportunity for reflection on the place of the Bible among Baptists. How have we and do we interact with the text of the Bible as 'lay' readers, professional teachers and preachers? Papers are invited that explore this theme historically, theologically and pastorally, or provide examples of how Baptists are currently undertaking any or all of these tasks. The audience at the Forum will hopefully include not only those engaged in theological study, teaching and ministry, but also thoughtful Christians ready to participate along side the 'professionals'.

Keynote speakers will be Professor Sean Winter, graduate of Bristol Baptist College and Professor of New Testament at the Uniting Church Theological College, Parkville, Victoria; and Dr George Wieland lecturer in Biblical Studies, Mission and Cross-cultural Field Education at Carey Baptist Theological College, NZ,. We are also negotiating to have an academic from Asia present at the Forum. It is proposed that a book of papers from the Forum will be published as the third ABRF publication. Presentations at the Forum will be no more than 20 minutes long with 5 minutes question time. Final papers should be no more than 5000 words including footnotes and written for thoughtful Christians.

Abstracts due:	15 March, 2011
Confirmation of Papers Accepted:	31 March, 2011
Final Papers Due:	3 June, 2011

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