



UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM  
DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION

## CALL FOR PAPERS

THE 2<sup>ND</sup> UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM  
BIBLICAL STUDIES POSTGRADUATE DAY CONFERENCE

### BIBLICAL TEXTS AND RECEPTION HISTORY RETROSPECT AND PROSPECTS

6 June 2012 (Wednesday), 10.00am—3.30pm  
European Research Institute (ERI), Ground Floor  
Pritchatts Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham

The University of Birmingham, in conjunction with the Department of Theology and Religion, is pleased to announce the **Second University of Birmingham Biblical Studies Day Conference**, open to all Postgraduate Researchers of the University of Birmingham and other Universities.

A number of new perspectives about biblical manuscripts have come to light in the last 100 years, and this development has presented new challenges and opportunities that need to be reflected upon, especially by those in the academe. This conference aims to highlight previous researches and recent developments in the area of the studies of these biblical texts and to explore how these texts have been construed throughout the centuries, and how these affect, if they do, future studies and reception of the same. To set the parameters for discussion, we have invited two guest speakers to share their own professional journeys insofar as the biblical texts are concerned: **Prof Larry Hurtado**, Emeritus Professor of New Testament Language, Literature, and Theology, University of Edinburgh, and, **Dr Simon Crisp**, Coordinator for Translation Standards and Scholarly Editions, United Bible Societies (UBS).

**SHORT PAPERS** of twenty five minutes from postgraduate researchers in the UK are very much welcome, especially in the areas of (but not limited to):

- Early and Later Reception of the Biblical Texts (OT/Hebrew Bible and NT)
- Interpretation of Biblical Texts in Early Christianity, and in other religions
- Circulation of Christian and Biblical Texts and/or their manuscripts
- Recent Developments in the Study of OT/Hebrew Bibles and New Testament Texts and Versions
- Biblical and Christian Texts in light of Modern Interpretive Models (e.g., Feminist, Pentecostal, Cultural Studies, etc.)
- Scriptural Exegesis in the Dead Sea Scrolls, Apocrypha & Pseudepigrapha
- Pseudepigrapha and Early Christian Interpretation of Scripture

Abstracts of no more than 200 words should be sent to Edgar Ebojo <[EBE810@bham.ac.uk](mailto:EBE810@bham.ac.uk)> on or before 1 April 2012. Successful proposals will be notified accordingly.

This conference is **FREE**, but pre-registration is required, for logistical purposes (please contact Georgia Michaels <[gxa889@bham.ac.uk](mailto:gxa889@bham.ac.uk)> or Edgar Ebojo). For conference location, do visit <<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/Documents/university/edgbaston-map.pdf>>; ERI is designated as G3.