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2006 SBL Annual Meeting

November 18-21, 2006

Call for Papers

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The 2006 SBL Annual Meeting Call for Papers is now available on the website (www.sbl-site.org). □□

Click "Congresses" in the top navigation bar and then "2006 Annual Meeting" to see the meeting details. □ All paper proposals must be submitted through the online Call for Papers. The Call is open until March 1 (through February 28). □

Join us for an exciting meeting in Washington, DC, that will feature museum tours and manuscript exhibit.

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The NAPH is an Affiliate of the SBL. For additional information on the NAPH, please contact the program unit chair, Zev Garber, zevgarber@juno.com. The National Association of Professors of Hebrew 2006 Annual Meeting is sponsoring five sessions. Session One: Meeting of Officers and Membership - Annual Meeting. Session Two Theme: Jerusalem the Holy City. This session will discuss the textual portrayal of the city that Jews deem the center of the earth, Christians hold to be a reflection of a heavenly abode and Muslims refer to as "al-Kuds," the holy place. Papers are invited discussing Jerusalem in both biblical and post-biblical texts. Presentations should be no longer than 20 minutes. New contributors -including graduate students- are welcome and encouraged to submit proposals. Session Three Theme: Evaluating Elementary Grammars for Biblical Hebrew. This session will review, critique and compare elementary biblical Hebrew grammars that are currently in print. Papers should examine the presentation of particular points of grammar or pedagogical effectiveness in two or more introductory textbooks. Presentations should be planned to last 25 minutes. Session Four Theme: Dating Biblical Texts by Non-Linguistic Means (but not Exclusively). This session will explore how both ill-defined and well-defined criteria such as textuality, manuscript traditions as implied by the LXX, Sam, and DSS, allusive (not illusive) intertextual references, and comparative materials may be used individually or in tandem to date biblical texts. (The only methodology excluded from consideration is evolutionary theology.) Papers

should address critically whatever theoretical/methodological approach(es) individual scholars utilize and present useful illustrative examples. Papers should be planned not to exceed 20-25 minutes. Session Five: No Theme. Presentation should not exceed 25 minutes in length.

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