



BAPTIST HERITAGE UPDATE

Annual Meeting

of the Baptist History and Heritage Society

May 22-24, 2008

**Mercer University
Atlanta, Georgia**

Baptists & First Amendment Issues

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Bill Underwood

*President, Mercer University
Macon, Georgia*

**“First Amendment
Implications for
Baptist History”**

Major Presentations by



C. Douglas Weaver

*Director of Undergraduate Studies and Assistant Professor
of Religion, Baylor University, Waco, Texas*

**“Baptists and the First Amendment:
An Historical Overview”**



Holly Hollman

*General Counsel, Baptist Joint Committee
for Religious Liberty, Washington, D.C.*

**“Religious Freedom in the Courts:
Recent Cases and a Look Ahead”**



**Susan (Suzii) Paynter
& Stephen Reeves**

*Director, Texas Baptist Christian
Life Commission, Austin, Texas*

*Legislative Counsel, Christian
Life Commission, Austin, Texas*



**“The Texas Bible-in-Public-Schools Bill:
Reflecting National Political Controversy and the
Emerging Landscape of Religion in Public Schools”**

OTHER PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING



Jarrett Burch

Editor, *Viewpoints: Georgia Baptist History*, Eastman, Georgia

“Contributions of Georgia Baptists to Religious Liberty”



Bruce Gourley

Interim Director, The Center for Baptist Studies, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

“Old Wine in New Wineskins: The First Amendment and the Internet”



Kendal P. Mobley

Pastor, Enon Baptist Church, Salisbury, North Carolina

“Baptist Views on the Bible in Public Schools: A North Carolina Case Study”



Daryl C. Cornett

Associate Professor of Church History, Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, Cordova, Tennessee

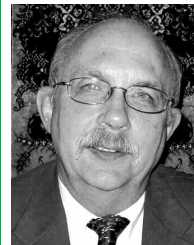
“J-Bomb: Remarks on the Current Controversy Concerning Military Chaplains’ Use of Jesus’ Name in Prayer”



J. David Holcomb

Associate Professor of History and Political Science, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Belton, Texas

“A Millstone Hanged about His Neck? George W. Truett, Anti-Catholicism, and Baptist Conceptions of Religious Liberty”



Bruce Prescott

Executive Director, Mainstream Oklahoma Baptists, Norman, Oklahoma

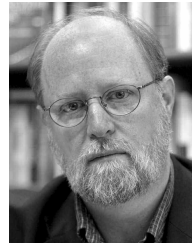
“The Relevance of Roger Williams”



Joe Early, Jr.

Assistant Professor of Religion, University of the Cumberlands, Williamsburg, Kentucky

“G. W. Truett and W. A. Criswell: Separation of Church and State”



Marc Jolley

Director, Mercer University Press, Macon, Georgia

“Forrest Church’s So Help Me God: The Founding Fathers and the First Great Battle Over Church and State: A Baptist Critique”



A. K. Trautwein

Retired Public High School Principal, Ritenour High School, St. Louis, Missouri

“Blurred or Perceptive Vision? An Exploration of a Rationale for the Bible Literacy Project in Public High Schools”



Mark E. Gaskins

Pastor, Jonesboro Heights Baptist Church, Sanford, North Carolina

“Cracks in the Wall? Changing Attitudes toward the Separation of Church and State among Southern Baptists in the United States”



Nicholas Kersten

Librarian-Historian, Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society, Janesville, Wisconsin

“A Rock and a Hard Place: Seventh Day Baptists, Religious Liberty, Sabbath Keeping, and Civil Authority”



Mark Wilson

Assistant Director, Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities, College of Liberal Arts, Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama

“A Scurrilous Tirade against Baptists and the Seminary’: W. O. Carver and the Catholic School Bus Controversy in Louisville”

2008 ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60 Individual member | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Non-member and spouse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$90 Member and spouse | <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 One-year membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$70 Individual non-member | <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Fellowship of Baptist Historians meeting |

Registration fees cover all program sessions, the *Book of Reports*, refreshment breaks, and the Awards luncheon on May 23, 2008. Please register by **April 15, 2008**.

Name _____

Address _____

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Mail completed form and check to:

Baptist History and Heritage Society, 3001 Mercer University Drive, Atlanta, GA 30341.

Hotel Accommodations

Marriott Courtyard Executive Park, located 10 minutes from the Mercer campus at 1236 Executive Park Drive, Atlanta, is offering a room rate of \$99 per night. The hotel provides a full breakfast. To make reservations, call 800-321-2211 or 404-728-0708. To get the lower rates, you must mention Mercer University and you must make your reservation by **April 14, 2008**.

Marriott Courtyard Northlake, located 10 minutes from the Mercer campus at 4083 La Vista Road, Tucker, is offering a room rate of \$99 per night. The hotel provides a full breakfast. To make reservations, call 800-264-0729 or 770-938-1200. To get the lower rates, you must mention Mercer University and you must make your reservation by **April 14, 2008**.

Double Tree Hotel, located 10 minutes from the Mercer campus at 2061 North Druid Hills Road Atlanta, is offering a room rate of \$99 per night. The hotel provides a full breakfast. To make reservations, call 800-222-TREE or 404-321-4174. To get the lower rates, you must mention Mercer University and you must make your reservation by **April 28, 2008**.

Airports

The closest airport to the meeting site is the Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport.

Parking and Transportation

Sessions will be held in the Administrative and Conference Center on the Atlanta campus of Mercer University. The street address is 2930 Flowers Road South. Use Mercer's North Entrance. Free parking is available. The BH&HS will **not** provide transportation from the airport to the hotel or from the hotel to the campus.