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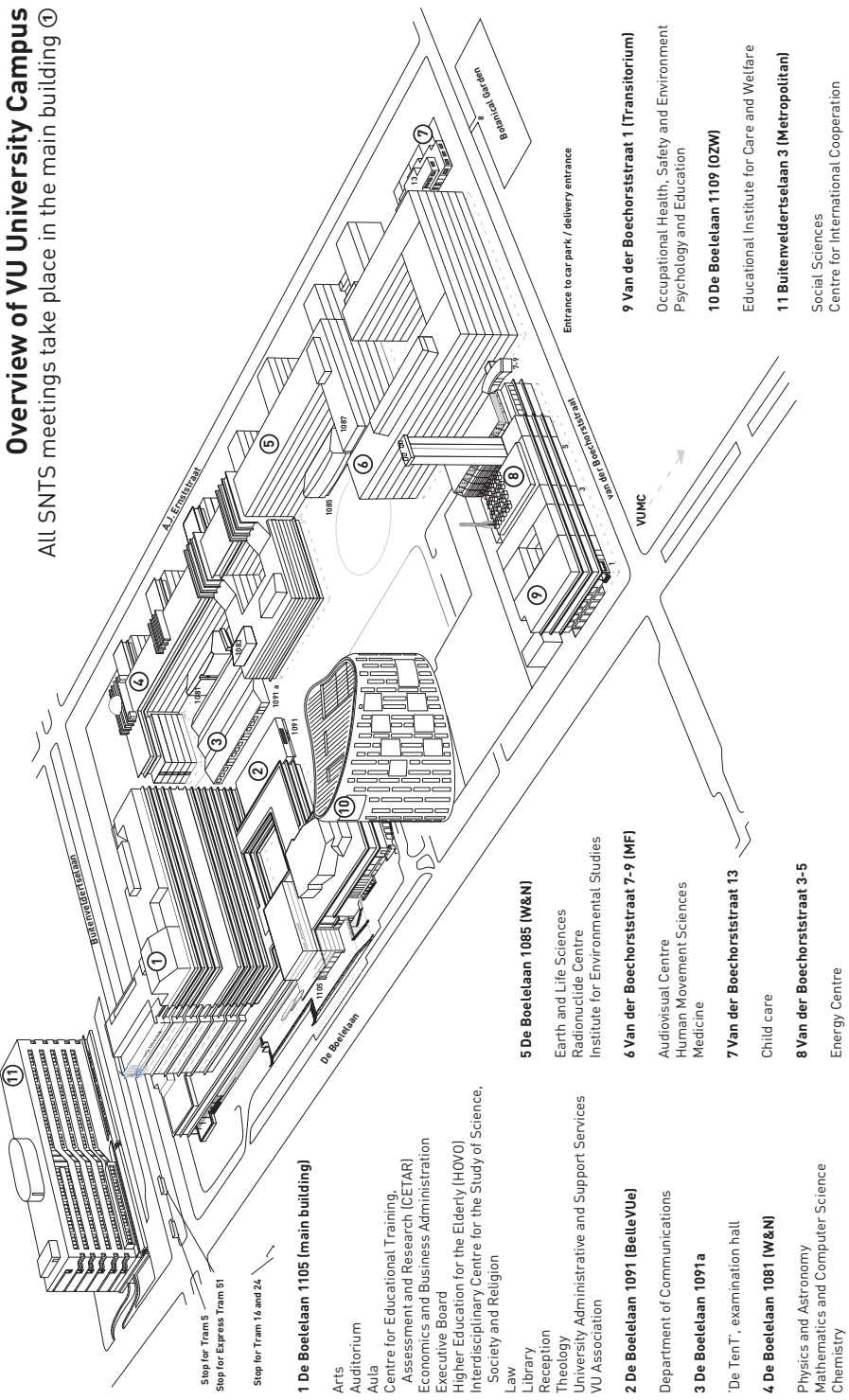
70th General Meeting of the Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas

Amsterdam
29 July to 1 August 2015
VU University



Overview of VU University Campus

All SNTS meetings take place in the main building ①



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- Department of Communications

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- 'De Tent', examination hall

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- Physics and Astronomy
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- Chemistry

9 Van der Boechorststraat 1 (Transitorium)

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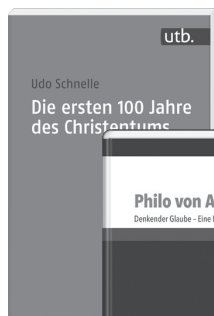
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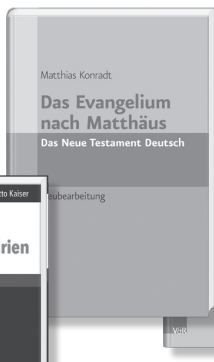
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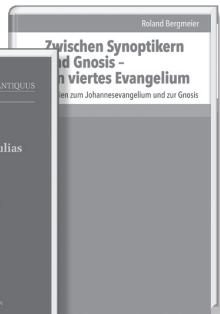
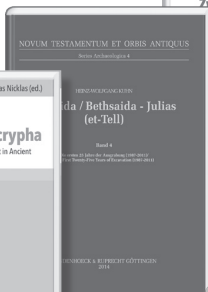
Udo Schnelle
Die ersten 100 Jahre des Christentums 30–130 n.Chr.
 Die Entstehungsgeschichte einer Weltreligion
 UTB 4411
 2015. 589 Seiten mit 12 Abb., kartoniert
 € 29,99 D | ISBN 978-3-8252-4411-8

Otto Kaiser
Philo von Alexandrien
 Denkender Glaube – Eine Einführung
Forschungen zur Religion und Literatur des Alten und Neuen Testaments, Band 259.
 2015. 331 Seiten mit 2 Karten, gebunden
 € 89,99 D | ISBN 978-3-525-54041-1
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Matthias Konradt
Das Evangelium nach Matthäus
 Neubearbeitung
Das Neue Testament Deutsch. Neues Göttinger Bibelwerk – Neubearbeitungen, Band 1.
 2015. XVI, 507 Seiten, gebunden
 € 49,99 D,
 bei Abnahme der Reihe € 44,99 D
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Jean-Michel Roessli / Tobias Nicklas (eds.)
Christian Apocrypha
 Receptions of the New Testament in Ancient Christian Apocrypha
Novum Testamentum Patristicum, Volume 26.
 2014. 352 pp, hardcover
 € 89,99 D, series price € 80,99 D
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Heinz-Wolfgang Kuhn
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 Die ersten 25 Jahre der Ausgrabung (1987–2011) mit Nachträgen bis 2013 / The First Twenty-Five Years of Excavation (1987–2011) with Postscripts until 2013
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Roland Bergmeier
Zwischen Synoptikern und Gnosis – ein viertes Evangelium
 Studien zum Johannes-evangelium und zur Gnosis
Novum Testamentum et Orbis Antiquus / Studien zur Umwelt des Neuen Testaments (NTOA/StUNT), Band 108.
 2015. 160 Seiten, gebunden
 € 59,99 D
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Welcome

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the **70th General Meeting of SNTS** in Amsterdam, capital of the Netherlands.

VU University, also known as Vrije Universiteit (Free University), was founded in 1880 as a Protestant university of the Reformed tradition by Abraham Kuyper, a famous Dutch statesman and theologian. It was called Free University because it was to be free of government control and was to have no formal ties to any particular denomination. Nowadays the university is fully funded by the government though it is still has no formal ties to a particular denomination. The name does not mean, as foreign students sometimes like to think, that tuition is free. That misunderstanding was one reason why the university chose VU University as the official English version of its name. The university has about 25,000 students and 2,500 academic staff.

The **Faculty of Theology** is one of the two original faculties of the university (the other being Law). With theologians such as Kuyper, Bavinck, and Berkouwer it has played a significant role in Dutch theological discourse and in the church. It has recently begun to share its facilities with the Protestant Theological University (formerly Kampen), which provides ministerial training for the largest Protestant denomination in the Netherlands. A number of seminaries of other denominations are also affiliated with the Faculty (Baptists, Mennonites, Restored Reformed, Eastern-Orthodox). There are currently about 450 students in theology and religious studies from a wide variety of faith traditions. The Department of Biblical Studies has a long history of scholarship in both the national and international arenas. You will probably all be familiar with the names of Tjitze Baarda, president of the Society in 2001, and Martinus C. de Boer, the current Secretary. Our New Testament teaching and research program is part of the **Amsterdam Centre for New Testament Studies** (ACNTS). We organise bi-monthly seminars for our NT staff as well as for emeriti, postgraduates, PhD candidates and alumni.

This is the third time in the history of SNTS that the Society convenes in the Netherlands. Earlier Meetings were held in 1956 (**Utrecht**) and 1971 (**Noordwijkerhout**). So after more than four decades, we are very pleased and honoured to have SNTS in our beautiful country and at our university! We hope that you all will enjoy your stay in Amsterdam!

Dr Arie W. Zwiep (chair)

Quick Overview

Venue

Registration, seminars, meetings, exhibition and most meals will take place in the Main Building (HG—hoofdgebouw) of VU University. Address:

**VU University, Main Building
De Boelelaan 1105
1081 HV Amsterdam
The Netherlands**

Registration Desk

The registration desk will be open Tuesday to Friday from 9:00 to 18:00. On Tuesday it will be located in the **Main Entrance Hall** of the Main Building; on Wednesday to Friday it will be found in front of the **Aula**. The desk can be reached at **telephone number +31 65 381 7212**, which will put you in contact with a member of the local organising committee.

Website

The SNTS 2015 website with up-to-date information and news can be found at

www.snts2015.org.

Offices

SNTS Secretariat: Officers of the Society will be able to use **room 2E-53** during the whole week as needed. The **Local Organising Committee's** office is in **room 2E-39**.

Badges

Please wear your conference badge at all times. The badge is your entrance to all programmes, meals, evening events, and excursions.

Exhibition Hall

The Exhibition Hall is located in the **Foyer**, where coffee and tea breaks will be held, immediately in front of the **Aula**. It will be open on Tuesday beginning at 13:00 and during conference hours (9:00–18:00 daily).

Coffee Breaks and Lunch

Coffee and tea will be served in the **Foyer** (first floor). Unless otherwise indicated, meals will be served at the **VU Restaurant** in the Main Building (below the **Aula**).

On Monday and Tuesday, before the opening of the conference, meals can be purchased at the VU Restaurant.

Computing

All participants have **free access to WIFI** at all parts of the Main Building. At registration, you will receive an access code.

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In case of an emergency, please dial **112**. Do not dial this number unless you are in immediate need of help. In other cases, please call our office manager, André Poortman on **+31 65 381 7212**.

City of Amsterdam

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Parking

For attendees driving their own cars, please consult our website at **www.snts2015.org/stay/parking-facilities** for the various (paid) options.

Tourist Attractions

Here you will find information on some famous Amsterdam tourist attractions and how to order your tickets in advance.

I amsterdam

www.iamsterdam.com/en (this site contains everything you always wanted to know about Amsterdam—but never knew it was there)

Royal Palace Amsterdam (Paleis op de Dam)

www.paleisamsterdam.nl/en (City)

Jewish Historical Museum and Portuguese Synagogue (Joods Historisch Museum)

www.jhm.nl/english (City)

Nemo Science Centre

www.e-nemo.nl/en (City)

Rijks Museum

www.rijksmuseum.nl/en (City)

Het Schip (Amsterdamse School Museum)

hetschip.nl/en (Spaarndam)

Van Gogh Museum

www.vangoghmuseum.nl/en (City)

The Hermitage Amsterdam

www.hermitage.nl/en (City)

The Anne Frank Museum

www.annefrank.org/en (City)

Amsterdam Expo

www.amsterdamexpo.nl/en/exhibitions (a 5 minute walk from the University)

Artis Royal Zoo

www.artis.nl/en/artis-royal-zoo (City)

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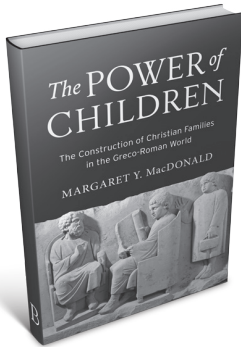
Mauritshuis

www.mauritshuis.nl/en;

Madurodam

www.madurodam.nl/en (both in The Hague, at 55 km south from Amsterdam)

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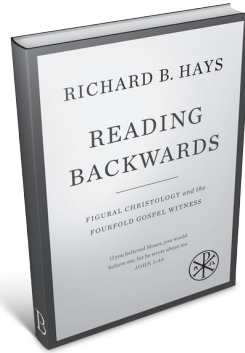
Margaret Y. MacDonald

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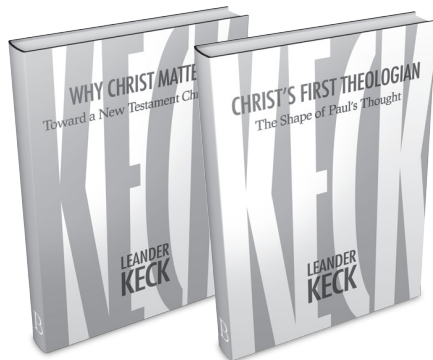
Richard B. Hays

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Figural Christology and the Fourfold Gospel Witness

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Academic Programme

All meetings and events will take place in the Main Building of VU University unless otherwise indicated.

Tuesday 28 July 2015

9:00–18:00	Registration	Main Entrance Hall
17:00–18:00	Members' Business Meeting I	Aula
18:00–21:00	Welcome Reception	Foyer
	Official Opening by the Society's President, Prof. Udo Schnelle (Halle)	
	Welcome by Prof. F.A. van der Duyn Schouten, Rector Magnificus of VU University, and Prof. E.A.J.G. van der Borght, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Theology and Religious Studies	
	Evening Meal	VU Restaurant

Wednesday 29 July 2015

8:50– 9:00	Introduction and Induction of Prof. Judith Lieu as the new President Prof. Udo Schnelle (Halle)	Aula
9:00–10:00	Presidential Address	Aula
	Prof. Judith Lieu (Cambridge), "Letters and the Topography of Early Christianity"	
10:15–10:30	Group Photo (instructions will be given at the close of the presidential address)	
10:30–11:00	Coffee and Tea	Foyer
11:15–12:45	Seminar Meetings I	see pp. 12–16
13:00–14:00	Lunch	VU Restaurant
14:15–15:45	Main Paper I	Aula
	Prof. Jean-Daniel Dubois (Paris), "Vous avez dit docétisme? Les christologies gnostiques revisitées"	
15:45–16:15	Coffee and Tea	Foyer

16:00–17:45	<p>Quaestiones Disputatae</p> <p>The question to be debated at this General Meeting will be:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Are John’s Ethics Apolitical?</p> <p>The underlying concern is to debate the ‘New Testament and Empire’ issue, focusing on John’s ethics as an example.</p> <p>Chair: President of the Society, Prof. Judith Lieu (Cambridge University, UK).</p> <p>Panellists: Prof. Harry Attridge (Yale University Divinity School, New Haven, CT), Prof. Warren Carter (Brite Divinity School, Forth Worth, TX), and Prof. Jan van der Watt (Radboud University, Nijmegen, the Netherlands).</p>	Aula
18:00–22:00	<p>Evening Meal</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Boat Tour of Amsterdam</p>	VU Restaurant

Thursday 30 July 2015

9:00–10:30	<p>Main Paper II</p> <p>Prof. David G. Horrell (Exeter), “Ethnicisation, Marriage, and Early Christian Identity (1 Cor 7; 1 Pet 3)”</p>	Aula
10:30–11:00	Coffee and Tea	Foyer
11:15–12:45	Seminar Meetings II	see pp. 12–16
13:00–14:00	Lunch	VU Restaurant
14:15–15:45	<p>Main Paper III</p> <p>Prof. Amy-Jill Levine (Vanderbilt), “The Gospel and the Land Revisited: Exegesis, Hermeneutics, and Politics”</p>	Aula
15:45–16:15	Coffee and Tea	Foyer
16:30–17:15	<p>Simultaneously Offered Papers I</p> <p>1. Cornelis Bennema, “Mimetic Ethics in the Johannine Literature”</p>	1A-33

	2. Kathy Ehrensperger, "Peculiarities of Cultural Translation: The Holiness 1.3 Discourse and the Absence of <i>Eusebeia</i> in Paul"	2A-33
	3. John Ekem, "Teaching New Testament Studies in Ghanaian Tertiary Institutions: Challenges and Prospects"	4A-33
	4. Camille Focant, "La portée de la formule τὸ εἶναι ἴσα θεῶ en Ph 2.6"	5A-33
	5. Philip Harland, "'Stand by me': Mutual Aid, Loans, and Burial in the Associations (200 BCE–150 CE)"	6A-33
	6. Michael Winger, "What Led to the Creation of Gospels?"	10A-33
18:00–21:30	Gala Dinner and Musical Programme at De Nieuwe Poort Restaurant at the Zuidas (within walking distance of the VU campus)	Claude Debussylaan 2–8 (+31 20 337 6919)

Friday 31 July 2015

9:00–10:30	Main Paper IV Prof. Tobias Nicklas (Regensburg), "Neutesamentlicher Kanon, christliche Apokryphen und antik-christliche Erinnerungskulturen"	Aula
10:30–11:00	Coffee and Tea	Foyer
11:15–12:45	Seminar Meetings III	see pp. 12–16
13:00–14:00	Lunch	VU Restaurant
14:15–15:00	Simultaneously Offered Papers II	
	1. Luc Devillers, "À propos d'Emmaüs et des disciples qui s'y rendent (Lc 24,13–35): Une nouvelle approche pour une solution ancienne"	1A-33
	2. Eberhard W. Güting, "Print Editions and Online Editions of the Novum Testamentum Graece Facing New Challenges"	2A-33
	3. James Kelhoffer, "2 Clement and Gnosticism: The <i>Status Quaestionis</i> "	4A-33

	4. Jean-Claude Loba-Mkole, "New Testament Canons: Views from Intercultural Mediations"	5A-33
	5. Ilaria Ramelli, "Paul's Use of Scripture in 1 Cor 15:24–28"	6A-33
	6. Jerry Sumney, "An Exploration of Paul's Place in the Development of the First-Century Church's Christology"	10A-33
15:15–16:00	Coffee and Tea	Foyer
16:15–17:00	Simultaneously Offered Papers III	
	1. Helen Bond, "Paragon of Discipleship or Parody of Kingship? Simon of Cyrene in Mark's Gospel"	1A-33
	2. J. Albert Harrill, "Ephesians as an Epistolary Threshold to Paul"	2A-33
	3. Stephen Hultgren, "ἰλαστήριον in Romans 3:25: The Convergence of Cultic and Martyr Theologies"	4A-33
	4. Markus Öhler, "Der Beitrag der „Kleinasiatischen Beichtinschriften“ zum Verständnis des 1. Johannesbriefs"	5A-33
	5. Michal Wojciechowski, "The Difference between Healing Stories from Epidaurus and from the Gospels"	6A-33
	6. Eric Wong, "Opening the Greek World to All: Creating a Chinese-Greek Lexical Database of the New Testament"	10A-33
17:15–18:15	Members' Business Meeting II	Aula
18:30–21:00	Closing Barbecue	VU campus

Saturday, 1 August 2015

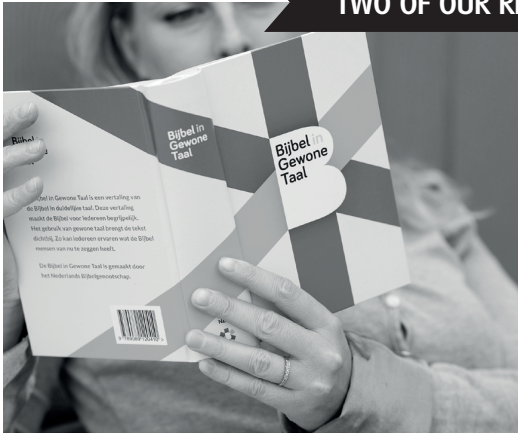
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Stewards will be present to help you find your way.

Seminar 1

1G-11

Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and the History of Early Christianity (Prof. C. Breytenbach and Dr C. Rothschild). Terminates in 2017.

- Wed **James Carleton Paget** (Cambridge), "1 Clement, Judaism, and a Covenant." Respondent: Johan Thom (Stellenbosch).
 Thu **Laurence Welborn** (Fordham University), "'The Young against the Old': Inter-generational Conflict in First Clement." Respondent: Johan Thom (Stellenbosch).
 Fri **Clare K. Rothschild** (Lewis University), "1 Clement and the Legacy of Paul." Respondent: Johan Thom (Stellenbosch).

Seminar 2

1A-43

The Greek of the New Testament (Profs. J.W. Voelz, J. Peláez, and P. Danove). Terminates in 2019.

- Wed **Gilbert Van Belle** (Leuven), "Repetitions, Variations and Amplifications: John's Art of Writing and the Literary Unity of the Fourth Gospel."
 Thu **Jesús Peláez del Rosal** (Córdoba), "The Lexeme ἀλήθεια in the Gospel of John."
 Fri **Paul L. Danove** (Villanova), "The Conceptualizations of Transference Grammaticalized by New Testament Verbs."

Seminar 3

1A-36

Inhalte und Probleme einer neutestamentlichen Theologie (Prof. C. Landmesser and Prof. M. Seifrid). Terminates in 2019.

- Wed **Athanasius Despotis** (Bonn; guest), "Das Ethos der Liebe und das Zum-Glauben-Kommen bei Paulus / The Ethic of Love and 'Coming to Faith' in Paul."
 Thu **Jörg Frey** (Zürich), "Glaube und Liebe im Johannesevangelium."
 Fri **Christina Hoegen-Rohls** (Münster), "Ist Gott Liebe? Das johanneische Liebeskonzept im Vergleich mit Paulus."

Seminar 4oG-08

The Johannine Writings (Profs. M. Gruber and Ch. Karakolis). Terminates in 2015.

- Wed **Dennis MacDonald** (Claremont), "Semeia-Narratives without a Semeia Source." Respondent: Michael Labahn (Halle).
- Thu **Uta Poplutz** (Wuppertal), "Die johanneischen Semeia in literarischer und narratologischer Lesart." Respondent: Gudrun Nassauer (München; guest).
- Fri **Margareta Gruber** (Vallendar, Germany), "Was hat der Lieblingsjünger in Kana zu suchen? Eine intratextuelle Lektüre des ersten Semeions Joh 2,1-11." Respondent: Marijke de Lang (Leiden; guest).

Seminar 5–

The Origins and Development of the Jesus Tradition (Profs. T. Holmén and S.E. Porter). Terminates in 2017.

Interested participants should have registered for Seminar 15, "Memory, Narrative, and Christology in the Synoptic Gospels."

Seminar 6oG-10

The Mission and Expansion of Earliest Christianity (Profs. Eugene Eung-Chun Park, Paul Trebilco, and Gosnell Yorke). Terminates in 2015.

- Wed **Peter-Ben Smit** (VU), "Mistakes and Mission: The Dynamics of Intercultural Encounter and Ritual Failure in Early Christian Mission."
- Thu **Vadim Wittkowsky** (Berlin; guest), "Mission of the Seventy-Two (Luke 10,1–24): History of Interpretation." Respondent: Eugene Eung-Chun Park (San Francisco Theological Seminary).
- Fri **Paul Trebilco** (Otago), "Contrasting constructions of Outsiders in the New Testament." Respondent: Gosnell Yorke (Mandeville, Jamaica).

Seminar 7oG-11

Christian Apocryphal Literature (Profs. T. Nicklas, C.M. Tuckett, and J. Verheyden). Terminates in 2015.

- Wed **Gregor Wurst** (Augsburg), "Towards a New Critical Edition of Codex Tcha-cos."
- Thu: **Enno Edzard Popkes** (Freiburg), "Glaube und Erkenntnis: die Soteriologie des Johannesevangeliums und des Thomasevangeliums als Kontrast- und Konkurrenzkonzepte."
- Fri **Philipp Augustin** (Heidelberg; guest), "Die Juden im Petrus-evangelium."

Seminar 8

oG-13

Social History and the New Testament (Profs. H. Löhr, M. Öhler, and A. Runesson). Terminates in 2017.

- Wed **Peter Oakes** (Manchester, UK), "Roman Housing and Religion." Respondent: Magnus Zetterholm (Lund).
- Thu **Ferdinand Prostmeier** (Freiburg, Germany), "Early Christian House Religion." Respondent: Wilhelm Pratscher (Vienna).
- Fri **Gabriele Fassbeck** (Alabama; guest), "Being Jewish at Home: A Glance at Interpretations of Ancient Palestine's Material Record." Respondent: Anders Runesson (Oslo).

Seminar 9

oG-23

Early Jewish Theologies and the New Testament (Profs. J. Herzer and G. Oege-ma). Terminates in 2019.

- Wed **Otto Kaiser** (Marburg; guest), "Philos Hochschätzung der Freundschaft – Im Kontext der hellenistisch-römischen Philosophie beurteilt."
- Thu **Greg Sterling** (Yale), "'A Law to Themselves': Universalism in Philo and Paul."
- Fri **Thomas Tobin** (Loyola Chicago), "Reconfiguring Apocalyptic Imagery: The Examples of Philo of Alexandria and Paul."

Seminar 10

oG-25

Reconsidering Literarkritik of the Pauline Letters and its Impact on their Interpretation (Profs E.-M. Becker and R. Bieringer). Terminates in 2015. The seminar will focus on 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, and Philippians.

- Wed **Manuel Vogel** (Jena), "Der Papyrologische Kommentar zum 2. Korintherbrief von Peter Arzt-Grabner: Literarkritische Einsichten."
- Thu **Lars Aejmelaeus** (Helsinki), "The Making of 2 Corinthians: The Consequences of the Main Solutions."
- Fri **Thomas Schmeller** (Frankfurt), "'Sail on Silver Girl': Zum Aufbau des zweiten Korintherbriefs."

Seminar 11oG-28

Matthew in Context: An Exploration of Matthew in Relation to the Judaism and Christianity of its Time (Profs M. Konradt, W. Kraus and W. Loader). Terminates in 2015. Theme: What light might three other works (James, 1 Peter, Didache) throw on the issue of Matthew's context?

- Wed **Paul Foster** (Edinburgh), "What Light Might James Throw on the Issue of Matthew's Context?" Respondent: Roland Deines (Nottingham).
- Thu **Lutz Doering** (Münster), "What Light Might 1 Peter Throw on the Issue of Matthew's Context?" Respondent: Bernardo Estrada (Rome).
- Fri **Huib van de Sandt** (Tilburg), "What Light Might Didache Throw on the Issue of Matthew's Context?" Respondent: Jonathan Draper (Pietermaritzburg).

Seminar 12oG-30

Papyrology, Epigraphy and the New Testament (Profs P. Arzt-Grabner and J.S. Kloppenborg). Terminates in 2018.

- Wed **Josephine K. Dru** (Green Collection, USA; guest): "The Comparative Significance of Radiocarbon Results for Nine Internally Dated Documentary Papyri and P39." Respondent: Klaus Wachtel (Münster).
- Thu **AnneMarie Luijendijk** (Princeton), "A Transitional Period: Religious Experts at Oxyrhynchus from Decius to Theodosius." Respondent: Giovanni Bazzana (Harvard).
- Fri **Christfried Böttrich** (Greifswald), "Codex Sinaiticus and the Use of Manuscripts in the Early Church." Respondent: Christina M. Kreinecker (Salzburg). This session will be held jointly with Seminar 14 (New Testament Textual Criticism).

Seminar 131G-08

Reading Paul's Letters in Context: Theological and Social-Scientific Approaches (Dr W. Campbell and Dr J. Gundry). Terminates in 2016.

- Wed **Edward Adams** (King's College, London), "The Social Formation of the Pauline Church: Questioning the Household Theory." Respondent: Jerry Sumney (Lexington, Kentucky).
- Thu **Lukas Bormann** (Marburg), "Elite oder Nicht-Elite? Die autobiographischen Aussagen des Paulus als Schlüssel zu seiner sozialen Stellung im Judentum." Respondent: Robert Brawley (Durham, North Carolina).
- Fri **Todd Still** (Baylor), "The Coming of the Gospel and of the Lord Jesus as Epiphanic Phenomena in 1 (and 2) Thessalonians." Respondent: Kathy Ehrensperger (Lampeter).

Seminar 14

1G-10

New Testament Textual Criticism (Profs. C. Clivaz, U. Schmid, and T. Wasserman). Terminates in 2018.

- Wed **Juan Chapa** (Pamplona), "Book Format and Patterns of Reading: The Impact of the Codex." Respondent: Claire Clivaz (Lausanne).
- Thu **Jan Krans** (VU; guest), "Harmonization as Enemy of Textual Criticism': Harmonization in Scribal and Critical Practice." Respondent: Jennifer Knust (Boston; guest).
- Fri **Christfried Böttrich** (Greifswald), "Codex Sinaticus and the Use of Manuscripts in the Early Church." Respondent: Christina M. Kreinecker (Salzburg). This session will be held jointly with Seminar 12 (Papyrology, Epigraphy and the New Testament).

Seminar 15

1A-32

Memory, Narrative, and Christology in the Synoptic Gospels (Profs. S. Byrskog and J. Schröter, and Dr S. Hultgren). Terminates in 2018.

- Wed **Francis Watson** (Durham, UK), "Social Memory and Writing in the Early Jesus Tradition."
- Thu **Chris Keith** (Twickenham), "The Kerygmatic Narratives of the Gospels and the Historical Jesus: The Criteria Approach and the Memory Approach."
- Fri **Christine Jacobi** (Berlin; guest), "Memory and Discourse: What Has Paul to Contribute to the Debate about Jesus and Memory?"

Seminar 16

1G-13

The Book of Revelation (Profs. D. Aune and D. Hellholm, and Dr Th. Witulski). Terminates in 2017.

- Wed **Konrad Huber** (Mainz) and Jarl Henning Ulrichsen (Trondheim), "Review and Discussion of *Kaiserkult in Kleinasien: Die Entwicklung der kultisch-religiösen Kaiserverehrung in der römischen Provinz Asia von Augustus bis Antoninus Pius*." Respondent: T. Witulski (Billerbeck, Germany).
- Thu **Håkan Ulfgard** (Linköping), "Sharing with the Divine in the Apocalypse: Meals as Metaphors – Concepts and Contexts."
- Fri **David Hellholm** (Oslo), "Aliments of Immortality in the Afterlife: Apocalyptic and Eschatological Notions of Eternal Life."

Special Meetings

SNTS

Tuesday 28 July 9:00–17:00	SNTS Committee: first meeting (with a break for lunch)	2E-53*
Friday 31 July 14:00–17:00	SNTS Committee: second meeting	2E-53
Thursday 30 July 16:15–17:45	International Initiatives The meeting is open to members who wish to know more about the efforts of the Society in this area. Prof. William Loader will chair the session.	10A-41
Thursday 30 July 16:15–17:45	Editorial Board of <i>New Testament Studies</i>	2E-53

Pre-Conference Meetings

Monday 27 July 15:00–18:00	Eastern Europe Liaison Committee (Niebuhr)	1A-43
Tuesday 28 July 10:00–12:00	Eastern Europe Liaison Committee (Niebuhr)	1A-58

* 2nd floor, E-Wing, Room 53, at the entrance to the Faculty of Theology

Morning Prayers

Morning prayers in English, French, and German are a long-standing tradition of the SNTS General Meetings. They will be presided over this year by three members of the Society. Music will be provided by two liturgical musicians from the Amsterdam area, baritone Gertjan Arentsen, cantor at the Old Catholic parish of St. Peter and Paul in Amsterdam, and Bart Klijnsmit, senior organist at St. Vitus' (Old Catholic) Church in Hilversum.

The morning prayers will take place in the main auditorium of the Protestant Theological University, often referred to as the **Filmzaal** ("movie theatre"), located in 1E-24 (= first floor, E-Wing, room 24) of the Main Building of VU University Amsterdam.

Wednesday 29 July 2015

8:00–8:30 Rev. Prof. Dr Loveday Alexander (English) Filmzaal (1E-24)

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8:00–8:30 Prof. Dr Jean Zumstein (Français) Filmzaal (1E-24)

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8:00–8:30 Prof. Dr Margareta Gruber OSF (Deutsch) Filmzaal (1E-24)



Accompanying Persons' Programme

Tuesday 28 July 2015

9:00–18:00	Registration	Main Entrance Hall
17:00–18:00	Introduction to the Accompanying Persons' Programme	Filmzaal (1E-24)
18:00–21:00	Welcome Reception Official Opening by the Society's President, Prof. Udo Schnelle (Halle) Welcome by Prof. F.A. van der Duyn Schouten, Rector Magnificus of VU University, and Prof. E.A.J.G. van der Borght, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Theology and Religious Studies Evening Meal	Foyer VU Restaurant

Wednesday 29 July 2015

8:50– 9:00	Introduction and Induction of Prof. Judith Lieu as the New President Prof. Udo Schnelle (Halle)	Aula
9:00–10:00	Presidential Address Prof. Judith Lieu (Cambridge), "Letters and the Topography of Early Christianity"	Aula
10:15–10:30	Group Photo (instructions will be given at the close of the presidential address)	
10:45–16:15	Excursion to the Old City of Amsterdam and the Rijks Museum	Main Entrance
18:00–22:00	Evening Meal Boat Tour of Amsterdam	VU Restaurant Main Entrance

Thursday 30 July 2015

9:00–17:15	Excursion to Utrecht and the Catharijne-convent Museum	Main Entrance
18:00–21:30	Gala Dinner and Musical Programme at De Nieuwe Poort Restaurant at the Zuidas (within walking distance of the VU campus)	Claude Debussylaan 2–8 (+31 20 337 6919)

Friday 31 July 2015

9:30–17:15	Excursion to Haarlem and the Teylers Museum	Main Entrance
18:30–21:00	Closing Barbecue	VU campus

Saturday, 1 August 2015

Excursions

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Excursion 1 (Wed): The Old City of Amsterdam and the Rijks Museum

The accompanying persons programme starts with a guided tour in the famous **Rijks Museum**. The Rijks, which is the most important museum of the Netherlands, exhibits art and historical objects from the Middle Ages to Mondriaan. A must-see for all who visit Amsterdam. You can spend some free time as well, after which we will have lunch in the centre.

In the afternoon we will visit to the historic centre of Amsterdam where you will receive a guided tour. The old city is famous for its beautiful canals, houses of worship, shops, vibrant night life, medieval alleys and typically Dutch architecture (much of it dating from the 17th century).

Practical information: departure at 10:45 hrs. at the Main Entrance (right after the group photo has been taken); return: about 16:15 hrs.

RIJKS MUSEUM

Excursion 2 (Thu): Utrecht and the Catharijneconvent Museum

The historic city of **Utrecht** (50 km southeast of Amsterdam) is the capital of the province of Utrecht. During our day in Utrecht we will visit the beautiful **botanic gardens of Utrecht University**, which are situated around Fort Hoofdijk, built in the 19th century as part of the Dutch line of defense against possible foreign aggressors. Among the many flowers and shrubs on display from all over the world, the Gardens also contain a rock garden, a thematic garden, and several greenhouses.

After lunch in the old centre of Utrecht, we will visit the **Catharijneconvent Museum** (St. Catherine's Convent Museum). The permanent collection features unique historical and art-historical objects pertaining to the religious history of the Netherlands from the early medieval period to the 21st century. During the summer there will be a remarkable exhibition of liturgical garments as well, containing several masterpieces. The museum collection is housed in buildings dating from the 16th century.

Practical information: departure: 9:00 hrs. at the Main Entrance (bus tour 45 min.); return: 17:15 hrs.

TEYLERS museum

Excursion 3 (Fri): Haarlem and the Teylers Museum

Haarlem (25 km west of Amsterdam) is a lovely city which was voted one of the most romantic smaller cities of the world. During our day in Haarlem we will visit the **Teylers Museum**, the first and oldest museum of the Netherlands, having been founded and built in 1784. The building has recently been tastefully restored to its old glory. The museum has a beautiful collection of Dutch Masters and drawings of Rembrandt and Michelangelo. We will have a guided tour.

After lunch, we will have some time to walk around the historic city centre and to visit the world-famous "**hofjes**" (historic almshouses with lovely interior courtyards, often not visible from the street).

Practical information: departure: 9:30 hrs at the Main Entrance (bus tour 20 min.); return: 17:15 hrs.

Saturday Excursions (1 August)

Tour 1. Hoorn

Our visit to **Hoorn** (50 km north of Amsterdam) will consist of two parts. In the morning we will explore the beautiful historic city centre of Hoorn. Special attention will be given to the old harbor where the replica of the 17th century ship "**De Halve Maen**" will be docked during our visit. This ship was part of the fleet of the VOC (East Indian Trading Company).

After lunch, we will visit the **Westfries Museum**, where we will receive a guided tour. The museum is housed in a magnificent building dating from 1632. The collection of some 30,000 objects of historical and art-historical value gives a vivid impression of the Dutch Golden Age in West Friesland (a region in the province of North Holland, not Friesland!). The excellent and informative labels accompanying the objects on display are in three languages (Dutch, English, and German). The visit will include a special Virtual Reality tour.

Practical information: departure at 9:00 hrs. at the Main Entrance (45 min. by touring car); return at approximately 18:00.



Tour 2. Kröller-Müller Museum and Van Gogh Exhibition

The **Kröller-Müller Museum** (100 km east of Amsterdam, in the province of Gelderland) has the second-largest collection of works by Van Gogh in the world. Anton and Helene Kröller-Müller, the wealthy founders of the Museum, acquired no fewer than 91 paintings and 180 works on paper by the artist. Van Gogh (1853–1890) is currently regarded as one of the greatest modern masters, but he received little recognition during his lifetime. The attention he received from the Kröller-Müllers contributed greatly to the recognition that his work currently enjoys. The museum is located in the middle of the **Hoge Veluwe National Park**, renowned for its unique landscape of woodland, heath and sandy areas, filled with deer, sheep, and wild boar. After arrival we will first have coffee/tea and then visit the Museum. After lunch in the museum's delightful restaurant, we will have an afternoon stroll in the sculpture garden and explore the surrounding park (including the possibility of riding a bike!), before returning to Amsterdam.

Practical information: departure at 9:00 hrs. at the Main Entrance (1h20 by touring car); return at approximately 18:00 hrs.

Tour 3. The Delta Works: the Eighth Wonder of the World

The Delta Works are massive storm surge barriers located in the province of Zeeland, 150 km south of Amsterdam (Deltaplan). These barriers were built to protect the area from flooding after a disastrous flood in 1953 killed more than 1000 people. Although safety was the number one priority, two main seaways had to stay open to provide access for ships to the ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp. The Delta Works were such an enormous and difficult project that when completed they were sometimes referred to as the "eighth wonder of the world" - not without good reason: The Delta Works represent Dutch water management at its most breathtaking level. We will experience a fully organised day out at **Neeltje Jans Delta Park** (Deltapark Neeltje Jans), including a warm welcome with coffee/tea and local pastries, and an explanation of the Delta Works project with an opportunity to ask questions. After lunch, we will continue the tour with a boat trip (1 hour) through the **Eastern National Park** where seals and porpoises may be spotted.

Practical information: departure at 9:00 hrs. at the Main Entrance (2 hrs. by touring car); return at approximately 18:00 hrs.

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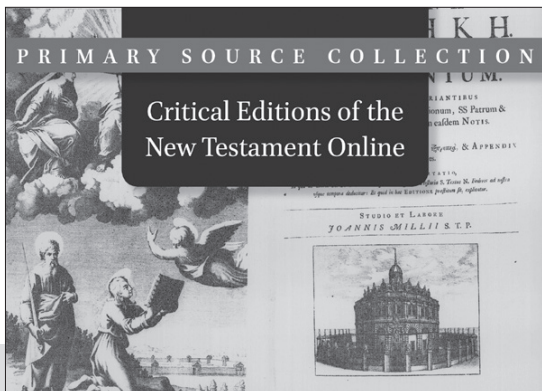
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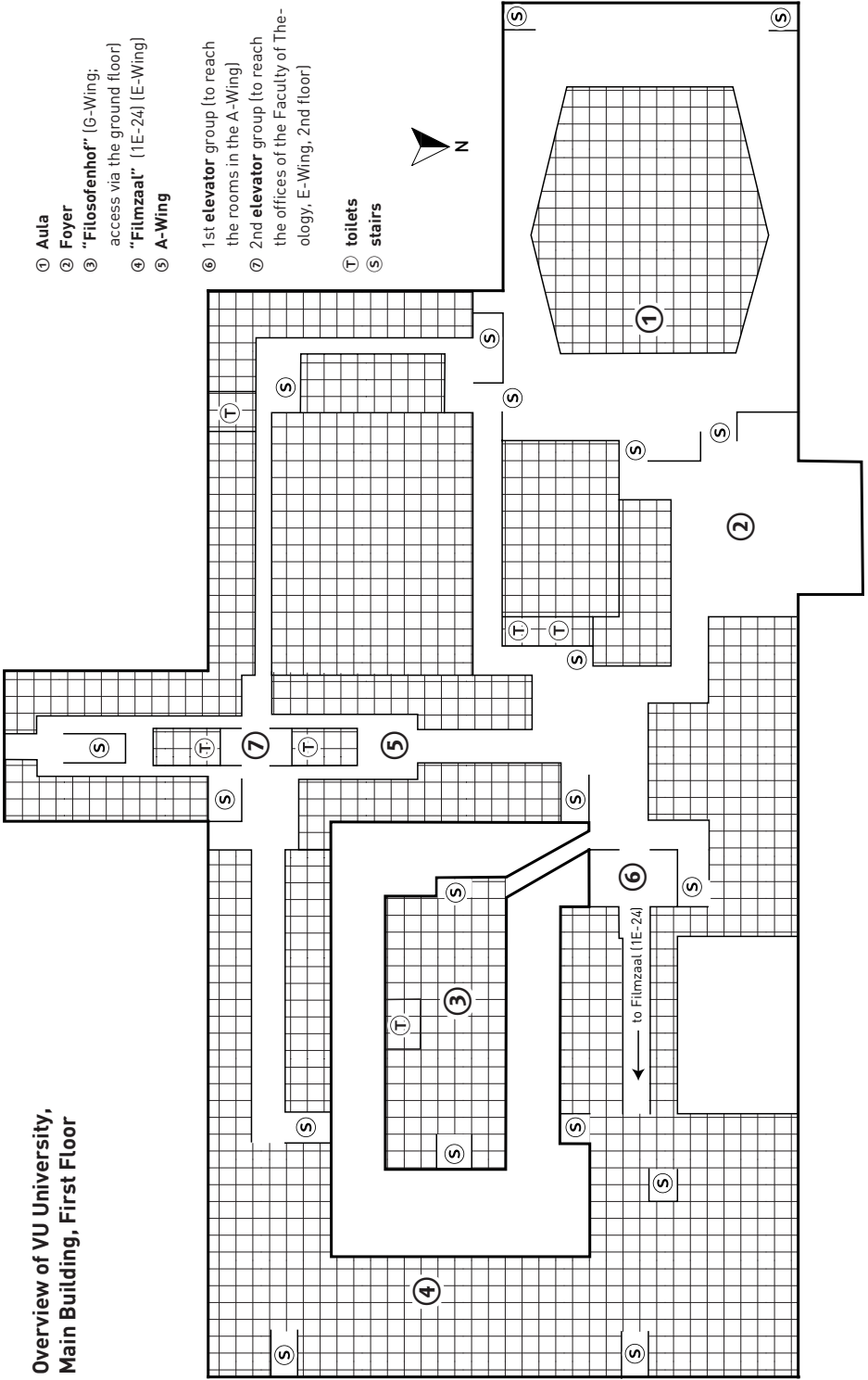
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Overview of VU University, Main Building, First Floor

- ① Aula
- ② Foyer
- ③ "Filosofenhof" (G-Wing; access via the ground floor)
- ④ "Filmzaal" (1E-24) (E-Wing)
- ⑤ A-Wing

- ⑥ 1st elevator group (to reach the rooms in the A-Wing)
- ⑦ 2nd elevator group (to reach the offices of the Faculty of Theology, E-Wing, 2nd floor)

- T toilets
- S stairs





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