

Marronage

A Special Annual Meeting in Celebration of

**THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE INSTITUTE
FOR
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SCRIPTURES**



**THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF
AFRICAN AMERICANS
AND THE BIBLE**

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ATLANTA, GA
APRIL 11-13, 2024



PROGRAM

20TH ANNIVERSARY MEETING

OF THE

INSTITUTE FOR SIGNIFYING SCRIPTURES

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

OF THE

AFRICAN AMERICANS AND THE BIBLE

RESEARCH PROJECT

APRIL 11-13, 2024

GEORGIA TECH HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

ATLANTA GA

SEMINAR THEME:

MARRONAGE

**APRIL 11
THURSDAY EVENING**



CONFERENCE EIGHT

OPENING RECEPTION:
7:30 – 9PM

**APRIL 12
FRIDAY**



CONFERENCE B

OPENING & SEMINAR SESSIONS

OPENING SESSION

SESSION 1

10:00 – 11:15AM

CONFERENCE OPENING

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Officiating

Greetings
General Remarks
Felicitations
Introductions; Orientation

OPENING ADDRESS

Vincent L. Wimbush

Meaning of Movement, Movement of Meaning;
or, Reading Darkness as Marronage

Break
11:15 – 11:20AM

SESSIONS ON MARRONAGE

Common Seminar Reading:

Migrations: A History of Where We All Come From (DK, 2022)

Session 2

11:20 – 12:30pm

Katrina Van Heest, Chair

Focus: First Migrations; Ancient Empires

LUNCH BREAK
12:30 – 1:45PM
(On your own)

SESSION 3

1:45 – 2:45PM

T. Benny Liew, Chair

Focus: Transcontinental Contact; Colonization and Conquest

BREAK
2:45 – 3:00PM

SESSION 4

3:00 – 4:00PM

Shay Welch, Chair

Focus: Mass Movement and Freedoms

BREAK
4:00 – 4:15PM

SESSION 5

4:15 – 5:15pm

Arthur Carter, Chair

Focus: Decolonization and Diasporas

SESSION 6

5:15 – 5:30PM

P. K. Jordan, Chair

Summary Comments from Session Chairs

5:30 PM—
DINNER; EVENING
(ON YOUR OWN)

**APRIL 13
SATURDAY**

SESSIONS ON ISS (AND/AS MARRONAGE)

WHEREFROM AND WHITHER ISS?

SESSION 7

9:30AM – 12 NOON

Richard Newton & Rachel Schwaller, Chairs

Multi-Media Presentation

Anniversary Activity Report:
Lalruatkima

General Discussion

BREAK
10:45 – 11:00AM

1/ISSUES; GOALS; FRAMEWORK OF DISCUSSION

2/GENERAL ASSESSMENT (HISTORY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS: PROGRAMS/PROJECTS/ MEETINGS; PROBLEMS/CHALLENGES/SHORTCOMINGS)

3/WHAT DOES ISS REPRESENT? FORM OF MARRONAGE? WHERE DOES IT FIT? TO WHOM IS IT ADDRESSED? IS ISS NEEDED? SHOULD IT GO FORWARD? WHY? IF IT SHOULD NOT, WHY? WHAT NEED DOES IT ADDRESS?

4/IF IT SHOULD GO FORWARD, ON WHAT TERMS? WITH WHAT COMMITMENTS? REGISTERED IN WHAT FORM(S)? LEADERSHIP? INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS/ COMMITMENTS? COLLABORATIVE POSSIBILITIES FOR INSTITUTIONAL COLLABORATION?

SESSION 8

Carol Dempsey, Chair

Division of Small Groups (Hotel & Online)

12NOON - 1:00PM (LUNCH)

1:00 - 2:00 PM

REPORTING: SMALL GROUPS

PLENARY RESOLUTION(S)

SESSION 9

(2:30pm: Gather Hotel Front Entrance for Group Departure)

3:00 - 6:00 PM

Coordinated Trip to campuses of the Atlanta University Center; Reception; Museum Visit

Group Photos

6:00pm

Return to Hotel

SESSION 10

CLOSING DINNER & PROGRAM

Jacqueline Hidalgo, Chair



HOTEL/CONFERENCE E

7:00 – 9 PM

Organizing and Planning Committee

Jacqueline Hidalgo, University of San Diego, Chair

Arthur Carter, Phillips Theological Seminary

Carol J. Dempsey, OP, University of Portland

P. Kimberleigh Jordan, Spelman College

Lalruatkima, AICS, Mizoram, India

T. Benny Liew, College of the Holy Cross

Richard Newton, University of Alabama

Rachel Schwaller, University of Kansas

Katrina Van Heest, Tweed Academic Editing; Portland State University

Shay Welch, Spelman College

Vincent L. Wimbush, Institute for Signifying Scriptures

Lalruatkima, Administrator-Secretary

Richard Newton, ISS Archivist *Pro Tempore*

Consultants

Sourena Parham, Instructional Technologist, University of San Diego

Lauren E. P. Wimbush, Producer, Archival Researcher, Media Consultant

In Memoriam

Buchanan, Constance

Byron, Gay L.

Long, Charles H.

Mack, Burton L.

Mason, Elliott, J.

Stuckey, Sterling

In Gratitude (For Long-Term Financial & or In-Kind Contributions)

Hartfield, Ronne

Lee, Susan

Patte, Daniel

Rodman, Rosamond C.

Saad, Michael S.

Schüssler Fiorenza, Elisabeth

Webb, C. Travis