“Ellen White and Current Issues” Symposium

Monday, April 3, 2006
Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary
Andrews University
Symposium on “Ellen White and Current Issues”

The purpose of this symposium is to discuss issues relating to Ellen White studies that have current importance. This year we are adding a new component to the Symposium. There will be a formal respondent to each presentation. The presenter will then briefly answer the response followed by a brief open discussion.

About the Presenters

John McVay, Ph.D., has served as Dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and Professor of New Testament since 1998. His doctoral study was on the Book of Ephesians at the University of Sheffield in the United Kingdom. Besides teaching and administration, Dr. McVay has a background in pastoral ministry.

Tim Poirier, M.T.S., is the Vice-Director and Archivist of the Ellen G. White Estate at the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, where he has been employed since 1981. Among his major projects are the Ellen White CD-ROMs, including *Legacy of Light*.

Woodrow Whidden, Ph.D., is Professor of Religion at Andrews University, College of Arts and Sciences. He has authored books on Ellen White including *Ellen White on the Humanity of Christ: A Chronological Study*.

Philip G. Samaan, Ph.D., is Professor of Theology at Southern Adventist University. He has served as chief editor of the Adult Sabbath School Lessons at the General Conference and as a professor at Andrews University in both the undergraduate College and the Theological Seminary. He also has experience in youth and pastoral ministry and is author of several books.

R. Clifford Jones, D. Min., Ph.D., is currently Associate Dean of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. Previously he served as Chair of the Christian Ministry Department at the Seminary. His doctoral studies led him to examine James K. Humphrey and the emergence of the United Seventh-Day Adventists. Dr. Jones also has many years of experience in pastoral ministry.

Last year’s Symposium presentations have been published and are available through the Center for Adventist Research. The Center is planning to publish this year’s presentations in a second volume. Orders may be placed on April 3, 2006, during the Symposium or through the Center for Adventist Research.

Program

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9:00 AM “The Call of the Mild”
John McVay

9:45 AM “Ellen White’s Trinitarian Statements: What Did She Actually Write?”
Tim Poirier

10:45 AM Break

11:00 AM “Ellen White and the Humanity of Christ”
Woodrow Whidden

12:00 PM Lunch

1:30 PM Current Issues: Discussion

2:30 PM “Ellen White’s Approach to Christ-Centered Spirituality”
Philip G. Samaan

3:30 PM “Until the Lord Shows Us a Better Way’: Ellen G. White and the Issue of Regional Conferences.”
R. Clifford Jones

All presentations are in the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary Chapel located at Andrews University.

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