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March 24, 2014
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

9:00 AM  Jiří Moskala
Welcome and Introduction

9:15 AM  Mike Oxentenko
A Comparative Analysis of Chiastic Technique in the Writings of Ellen G. White and William E. Foy as Evidence of Post Biblical Inspiration
Response: Jerry Moon

10:00 AM  Ron du Preez
Hebrew Literary Structures in Ellen White’s Writings
Response: Richard Davidson
Facilitator for 9:15 and 10am: Iriann Irizarry

10:45 AM  Break

11:00 AM  David Williams
An Historical Theology of Ellen G. White’s Experience of and Teachings on Music During the Writing of The Desire of Ages while in Australia from 1892–1898
Response: Hyveth Williams
Facilitator: Kevin Burton

12:00 PM  Lunch

1:30 PM  Tim Poirier and Stan Hickerson
Ellen G. White: Letters and Manuscripts with Annotations 1845 - 1859
Facilitator: Merlin D. Burt

2:30 PM  Jerry Moon and Denis Fortin
Ellen G. White Encyclopedia: The Inside Story
Facilitator: Terry Robertson

3:30 PM  Break

3:45 PM  Current Issues Discussion
Facilitator: Merlin D. Burt