

Conference

‘Manichaeism and Early Christianity’ organized at the University of Pretoria



in close cooperation with the
International Association of Manichaean Studies (IAMS)

Pretoria, 21-23 March 2019

Venue:

Kareebloem Guesthouse



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Conference Centre

Wednesday, 20 March 2019

Arrivals

Thursday, 21 March 2019

8.30-9.00: Coffee & tea;

Opening by Prof. Jerry Pillay, Dean Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Pretoria.

9.00-9.40: paper 1: Jason BeDuhn (Northern Arizona University, USA): Augustine, Faustus, and the Jews: The Sources and Character of Manichaean Anti-Judaism.

9.40-10.20: paper 2: Iain Gardner (University of Sydney, AUS): The Strange Case of 'Quire A' in the Dublin Kephalaia Codex: Further Thoughts on Mani's *Book of Mysteries*, M28 and the *First Apocalypse of James*.

10.20-11.20: tea & coffee break

11.20-12.00: paper 3: Nils Arne Pedersen (University of Aarhus, DK): Pelagius as an anti-Manichaean Author.

12.00-12.40: paper 4: Michel Tardieu (Collège de France, Paris, FR): Antithèses en transformation, de Marcion à Mani.

12.40-13.30: Lunch

13.30-14.30: Break

14.30-15.10: paper 5: Aäron Vanspauwen (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, B): Evodius of Uzalis and the Development of Manichaeism in Latin North Africa.

15.10-15.40: break & refreshments

15.40-16.30: paper 6: Josef Lössl (University of Cardiff, UK): Tatian as a Precursor of Mani? Some Aspects.

From c. 16.30 onwards:

Meeting of Editorial Board *Nag Hammadi and Manichaean Studies*;
Meeting of Editors and Collaborators *Handbook of Manichaeism*;
Meeting of Editors and Collaborators *Corpus Fontium Manichaeorum*.

Friday, 22 March 2018

8.30-9.00: Coffee & tea; Opening

9.00-9.40: paper 1: Zsuzsanna Gulácsi (Northern Arizona University, USA): A Pictorial Witness to Tatian's *Diatessaron* preserved in the *Gospels of St. Augustine* (MS. 286) at Parker Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

9.40-10.20: paper 2: René Falkenberg (University of Aarhus, DK): The Elect Single One in Manichaeism and Nag Hammadi.

10.20-11.20: tea & coffee break

(incl. demonstration of Brill online editions of Coptic Gnostic Library, Religion Past & Present, Textual History of the Bible, etc. by Ms Drs. Louise Schouten, Publishing Director with Brill Academic Publishers).

11.20-12.00: paper 3: Simon Claude Mimouni (EPHE, Paris, FR): Origines and influences de la prophétologie manichéenne.

12.00-12.40: paper 4: Valerio Massimo Minale (Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, Naples, IT): Beyond the Legal Sources: Manichaeans and Manichaeism in Anna Comnena's *Alexias*.

12.40-13.30: Lunch

13.30-14.30: Break

14.30-15.10: paper 5: Chris L. de Wet, (UNISA, Pretoria, SA): John Chrysostom's View of Manichaeism.

15.10-15.40: break & refreshments

15.40-16.30: paper 6: Johannes van Oort (University of Pretoria, SA): God in Augustine's *Confessions*: Manichaean and Early Christian Views in Conflict.

Saturday, 23 March 2019

Excursion to Cradle of Humankind + Game Drive.



All info on **bookings** and **travel**:

Kareblom Guesthouse (as indicated above).

All info on the **scientific aspects** of the programme and the edition of the papers in a special volume of the *Nag Hammadi and Manichaean Studies* (NHMS):

Johannes van Oort at j.van.oort@planet.nl

(Apart from the papers mentioned above, seven studies have been warranted by other researchers, but many aspects of the conference theme are still open to scientific treatment. Other studies on Manichaeism in its relation to mainstream Early Christianity and/or other aspects of Gnosticism are still welcome before the end of October 2019 to be published in the scheduled volume in early 2020).

All info on the **Excursion** and related questions:

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Conference Fee: R 200 per day (incl. conference map with full lectures/abstracts, badge, refreshments, etc.). Lunch can be booked separately at the Guesthouse.

