

EVANGELISM IN AN AGE OF WAVERING TRUTH

Annual Ratio Christi South Africa Symposium
Gereformeerde Kerk Randburg | 17 - 21 July, 2023



The Annual Ratio Christi Symposium is an event where we prepare Christians to better understand the historic Christian faith and the ideas which govern the world and ultimately engage effectively with the Gospel.

Join Ratio Christi members from across the country this year as we listen to local and international experts discuss topics of evangelism in the age of wavering truth.

See below our programme for the event. Register to attend the event on our [website](#) **on or before 11 July 2023**. You can choose to register for the entire symposium or specific days.

Registration costs include lunch, dinner, refreshments, a notepad, a pen, and a lanyard.

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Col. 4:4-6

RC Symposium 2023 Programme

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Monday [17 July]

18:00 - 19:00 | *Arrival and Registration*

19:00 - 21:00 | **Welcome and Introduction: Dinner**

Our Modern Crisis: Where is the Life we have Lost in Living? | Dr. Gregory Schulz

Why Christianity Needs a Voice at the University | Dr. Richard Howe

THE TRUTH OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH



Tuesday [18 July]

7:30 - 8:00 | *Tea & Coffee*

8:00 - 9:00 | **Worship & Scriptural Devotion** | Dr. Gregory Schulz

9:00 - 10:00 | **Plenary session** | *The Truth About Truth* | Dr. Richard Howe

10:00 - 10:30 | *Tea & Coffee*

10:45 - 11:45 | **Break out session**

Why Apologetics? | Jonathan de Beer | Introductory level

Israelite conquest at Dan | Dr. Kristen Davis | Advanced level

12:00 - 13:00 | **Break out session**

Why think God Exists | Mike Willenborg | Introductory level

Miracles: A Philosophy, Theology, and Apologetic | Dr. Richard Howe | Advanced level

13:00 - 15:30 | *Lunch break*

16:00 - 17:00 | **Break out session**

Piecing the Puzzle: The Argument from Undesigned Coincidences | Karnu van Heerden | Introductory level

Old Testament: History or Hoax | Dr. Kristen Davis | Advanced level

17:15 - 18:15 | **Break out session**

The Case for the Resurrection of Jesus Christ | Karnu van Heerden | Introductory level

Truth and the Problem of Evil | Dr. Gregory Schulz | Advanced level

18:15 - 19:15 | *Dinner break*

19:30 - 21:00 | **Plenary session and Panel discussion**

Suffering in the Life of a Christian | Rebekah Howe

WORLDVIEWS AND WORLD RELIGIONS



Wednesday [19 July]

7:30 - 8:00 | *Tea & Coffee*

8:00 - 9:00 | **Worship & Scriptural Devotion** | Dr. Gregory Schulz

9:00 - 10:00 | **Plenary session** | *On Building a Worldview* | Dr. Richard Howe

10:00 - 10:30 | *Tea & Coffee*

10:45 - 11:45 | **Break out session**

Are all Religions Equally True? | Jonathan de Beer | Introductory level

Methods Matter: A Response to a Modern Evolutionary Theory of Religion | Dr. Kristen Davis | Advanced level

12:00 - 13:00 | **Break out session**

Deism: A Clockwork Universe | Karnu van Heerden | Introductory level

Why the God of Islam is a Nobody | Rudolph Boshoff | Advanced level

13:00 - 15:30 | *Lunch break*

16:00 - 17:00 | **Break out session**

Paganism Rising | Dr. Kristen Davis | Introductory level

A Christian Critique of Marxism | Dr. Gregory Schulz | Advanced level

17:15 - 18:15 | **Break out session**

Christianity and African Religion: Redefining African Spirituality | Fisokuhle Mazibuko | Introductory level

Satanism | Dr. Richard Howe | Advanced level

18:15 - 19:15 | *Dinner break*

19:30 - 21:00 | **Plenary session and Panel discussion**

What About Those Who Have Never Heard the Gospel? | Dr. Richard Howe

CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE



Thursday [20 July]

7:30 - 8:00 | *Tea & Coffee*

8:00 - 9:00 | **Worship & Scriptural Devotion** | Dr. Gregory Schulz

9:00 - 10:00 | **Plenary session**

Biblical Justice | Dr. Daniël Maritz

10:00 - 10:30 | *Tea & Coffee*

10:45 - 11:45 | **Break out session**

Pilgrim Politics: Recovering our Cross-Shaped Creed for Dual-Citizen Living | Rev. Simon Jooste | Introductory level

Natural Law Theory | Dr. Richard Howe | Advanced level

12:00 - 13:00 | **Break out session**

Hillsong and Bethel Music - Gateway Drugs? | Rebekah Howe | Introductory level

Defending Life: Why Abortion is Immoral, and Should Be Aborted | Mike Willenborg | Advanced level

13:00 - 15:30 | *Lunch break*

16:00 - 17:00 | **Break out session**

Fractured Foundations: Why the Nuclear Family has to Go | Simon Brace | Introductory level

Does Artificial Intelligence Lead to Atheism? | Dr. Kristen Davis | Advanced level

17:15 - 18:15 | **Break out session**

Christianity and Government | Karnu van Heerden | Introductory level

Dealing with Disagreement: Should We be Troubled When Experts

Disagree With Us?

18:15 - 19:15 | *Dinner break*

19:30 - 21:00 | **Plenary session and Panel discussion**

Live not by Lies: Woke Worldview vs Christ the Life | Dr. Gregory Schulz

WHAT NOW?

Friday [21 July]

7:30 - 8:00 | *Tea & Coffee*

8:00 - 9:00 | **Worship & Scriptural Devotion** | Dr. Gregory Schulz

9:00 - 10:00 | **Plenary session**

Always Be Ready | Rebekah Howe

10:00 - 10:30 | *Tea & Coffee*

10:45 - 11:45 | **Break out session**

How to Argue like Jesus | Karnu van Heerden | Introductory level

Calling out God's Anointed: Challenging False Prophets and Teachers | Rudolph Boshoff | Advanced level

12:00 - 13:00 | **Break out session**

The True Nature of Spiritual Warfare | Simon Brace | Introductory level

Answering the arguments of popular Atheism | Dr. Richard Howe | Advanced level

13:00 - 14:00 | *Lunch break*

14:00 - 15:00 | **Closing session: Make the Most of Every Opportunity** | **Dr. Richard Howe**

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