



# 2010 Call for Papers

The Orthodox Theological Society in America will hold its 2010 Annual Meeting June 3-5, 2010 at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary.

The Society is very pleased to announce that Andrew Louth will deliver the Annual Georges Florovsky Lecture on Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The title of his lecture is "Aquinas and Eastern Orthodoxy."

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## 2010 Theme: "Exploring the Icon of The Servant Church"

The Orthodox Theological Society in America announces its annual call for papers for the scheduled meeting at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary June 3-5, 2010. Proposals for panels and individual papers must be submitted no later than January 25, 2010 to be considered for acceptance on the program. The Society welcomes all proposals on any topic having to do with Orthodox theology, history and culture, but we especially invite papers that focus on of what service or "Diakonia" means for the entire Church in all of its members. Papers delivered to other professional societies and academic forums are welcome. We invite papers focusing on any period from the patristic period to the present that explore (for example):

- service and the emerging Christianity of the "global south";
- the role of the "Servant of the Servant of God" (St. Gregory the Great) and implications for Orthodox-Catholic understandings of the Church;
- the role of the priesthood of believers;
- the forms of service of the ordained deacons, presbyters and bishops;
- the service witness of monastic life;
- the challenge of service and changing understandings of the roles of male and female in the Church's life.

Members are also encouraged to organize a panel, dealing with a single theme or a panel devoted to a recent book, especially if the book's author could attend the session. Authors whose papers are accepted for presentation are the guests of the Society to the Annual Meeting, i.e., they pay no registration for their attendance.

Members wishing to present papers should submit an abstract of no more than 250 words to the Secretary of the Society for review ([otsa.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:otsa.secretary@gmail.com)). Abstracts must follow the form below.

Presenters will be given 20-25 minutes for presentation of the paper (approximately 10-12 pages) with time for questions and discussion. These time limits will be strictly enforced.

Abstracts of accepted papers will be posted on the Society's website as part of the Annual Meeting program.

### Submitting an abstract:

1. Please submit your document as a doc (Word), odt (Open Office), .txt or .rtf. Name your file using the following pattern: "OTSA-2010-YourLastName"
2. Please use the format below to submit your abstract.

## Cover Page (Page 1)

Name:

Address:

Academic affiliation: (or the designation “Independent Scholar” with city and state of residence)

Are you a graduate student?

Are you a member of OTSA?

Phone (day):

Fax number:

E-mail address that will be active on May 1:

Paper title:

Audio/visual equipment needed (LCD projector, slides, overhead, etc):

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Send one copy to the Secretary of the Orthodox Theological Society in America (otsamerica@gmail.com). Maximum length: 250 words.