

The Christianity and History Forum aims to promote academic historical thinking and writing based on biblical principles, to encourage Christians to approach the subject from a Christian perspective, and to enhance historical understanding of issues relating to current Christian life and witness. We welcome to our conferences anyone sympathetic to these objectives, including especially current undergraduate and postgraduate students.

## Christianity and History Forum

### Christian History, the Secular University, the Church and the World

Pollard Room  
Institute of Historical Research, London  
Saturday 24 November 2018

The Christianity and History Forum (originally the Historians' Study Group of the Universities and Colleges Christian Fellowship) has been in existence since the 1960s, and it is timely to take stock of what has been achieved and to discuss how the place of Christianity in historical scholarship can be advanced in the future. On the one hand the importance of Christianity in shaping the human past is now much more widely acknowledged than it was half a century ago; on the other hand relatively little progress has been made in applying Christian theology and philosophy to secular historiography as a whole. This conference is particularly timely in marking the publication of a new edition of David Bebbington's seminal analysis of a Christian philosophy of history, *Patterns in History*, first published in 1979, and we are delighted to welcome its author as our keynote speaker.

10.30 am Welcome and Introductions

10.45 am David Bebbington (University of Stirling) **Christianity and History: Past Present and Future**

12.00 pm David Killingray (Goldsmiths University of London) **Christian Recollections of a Rough Hewn Historian**

1.00 pm Lunch (please bring your own).

2.00 pm John Wolffe (The Open University) **Promoting Christianity in History: The Experience of CHF**

3.00 pm **Christian Historical Scholarship** – roundtable discussion led by John Coffey (University of Leicester)

4.00 pm Close

The conference fee covers room hire and speakers' expenses. Note that no food or refreshments are provided, but tea, coffee and sandwiches can be purchased from nearby cafes and consumed in the IHR common room.

The Institute of Historical Research is located in the north wing of the University of London Senate House building between Russell Square and Malet Street, close to the north entrance to the British Museum. The nearest tube stations are Russell Square (Piccadilly Line) and Goodge Street (Northern Line, Charing Cross Branch).

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### BOOKING FORM

**Please return by Tuesday 19 November to Rob Collins  
38 Ridgeway Road, Chesham, HP5 2EN. For enquiries or late bookings please email [rob@robmim.co.uk](mailto:rob@robmim.co.uk) or phone 01494-776133**

I/we wish to attend the CHF conference on 24 November 2018 and enclose my/our conference fee of £20 per head (£10 students). Cheques should be made payable to 'Christianity and History Forum'.

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