



## 2020 Torrance Virtual Workshop-Retreat

Thomas F. Torrance Theological Fellowship

Update to all registered participants, July 13



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## 2020 VIRTUAL WORKSHOP-RETREAT

July 31 - August 2, 2020, Zoom

Thank you for registering! We are excited about the distinctive format of this event, combining Retreat Sessions and Workshop Sessions.

The Workshop Sessions are designed to help researchers efficiently and effectively launch new projects through exploratory conversation before the projects are ready for presentation in more formal contexts. The presentations consist of research *questions* more than final arguments. In planning the event, we imagined 12 slots for presentations distributed over four Workshop sessions. We are pleased to announce that we have a full slate, and also that no proposals were turned away.

In the Retreat sessions, we will join together in prayerful reflection, meditation and worship, embodying the practice of scholarship as a life of faith, particularly in the time of COVID-19.

To date there are 69 participants. Given the virtual nature of the event, there's still plenty of room! Registration remains open until July 29.

Log in to the website, then go to the main Workshop page:

On this Main page, you will find links to the Full Program, a Participants List, and a Virtual Book Hall. *You must be logged in to access these pages.*

- *Full Program.* From the Full Program page, you can download presenter's project descriptions. Additional resources, including handouts and auxiliary materials from the presenters, may be added as the event draws near. You may wish to look over the Full Program ahead of time: presenters may offer fuller accounts of their projects through downloadable PDFs than will be possible to share in the brief minutes of the presentation itself.
- *Participants List.* The participants list with email addresses is provided to facilitate conversation during the weekend. Why not arrange your own Zoom breakfast, lunch, dinner, or happy hour between sessions? Let us know if you prefer that your name or email not be listed or if anything is amiss with your entry. Names of members link to profile pages which indicate research interests, institutions, personal or professional websites, etc.
- *Virtual Book Hall.* Special thanks to Wipf & Stock, Lexham, and T&T Clark for providing giveaway copies of books and a conference discount! See the Virtual Book Hall for details. This page also lists some of the relevant publications of presenters and panelists.

You do not need to be a member of the T. F. Torrance Theological Fellowship to log in to the website. As a registered participant, you have a complimentary Guest Pass which is in effect now through mid-August. To log-in with the Guest Pass, use the following credentials:

Username: GuestPass

Password: Chengdu

If you are a member, or a student member, of the Fellowship, you already have your own log-in. If you have forgotten your password, follow the instructions in the Help section to reset

it: <https://tftorrance.org/resetpw>

If you are a member, we encourage you to update your profile. Links to profiles are included next to your name on the Participants List. To edit your profile, see the instructions in the Help section: <https://tftorrance.org/createProfile>

If you are a student with a Torrance-related project, send us information about your thesis or dissertation to include on the Students page: <https://tftorrance.org/students>

Video: Please read the note on "Asynchronous Access" found on the main page for the Workshop-Retreat. We want you to know that,

although we will be recording the sessions for the sake of those who do not share a Western hemisphere time zone, links to the videos will be accessible only to participants. *All videos will be deleted one week after the conclusion of the Workshop-Retreat.*

See the “Program Notes” area on the Full Program page for Zoom protocols and logistics. The Zoom link, meeting ID, and password for the event are posted there (for security, please do not share them publicly). Meanwhile, if you have not used Zoom before, please create a free account at the Zoom website. To log in to the event, you will need to be already logged in to your Zoom account. We recommend downloading the Zoom app to your computer or mobile device instead of joining the session using a web browser. Sessions will begin on time. Please sign in on Zoom five minutes before each session for preliminary info. If you are not familiar with Zoom, here is a beginner’s tutorial: <https://youtu.be/9isp3qPeQ0E>

To tweet this event, use hashtag #TorranceRetreat. Send us your twitter handle to add to the Participants List.

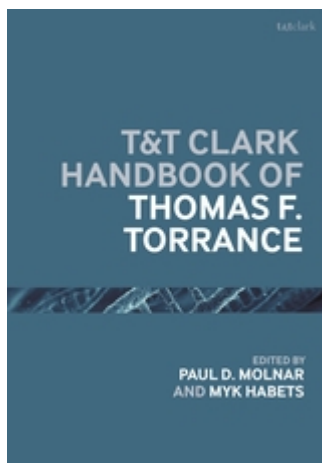
Let us know at anytime when you have any questions, comments, or suggestions about logistics or any other aspect of the event.

Sincerely,

Brent Purkale, Daniel Cameron, Geordie Ziegler and Kerry Magruder  
[workshop-retreat@tftorrance.org](mailto:workshop-retreat@tftorrance.org)

Event Main Page

Register to attend



Book giveaways at every session!

## T&T Clark Handbook

See the Virtual Book Hall page for information on sponsors and book giveaways. Thanks to Wipf & Stock, Lexham, and T&T Clark for sponsoring this event!

## Trends in Torrance Research

Panelists will share perspectives on areas of emerging interest, current needs, opportunities, and future pathways for Torrance research. See the Program page for details.



## Happy Hour: The Unbelievable Truth

A fun way to get to know other participants is to attend the introductory session: “Happy Hour: The Unbelievable Truth.” To participate, prepare beforehand two statements about your interests in Torrance; one false (perhaps comically so), and one true (perhaps barely believable). See the description online: [happyhour2020](https://happyhour2020.org).

## Student Hangout

Saturday evening, 8:00 – 9:30 pm.

Get acquainted, with informal conversation on studying Torrance, digital research tips, and how to help one another. The hangout will include a book giveaway. Hosts: Daniel Cameron, Brent Purkaple.



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## Students tab

*Find other students:* Update your profile to have your name listed alongside other students in the Student Members block on the new [Students tab](#). Contact us to list your Torrance-related project among [Forthcoming Dissertations and Theses](#). Consider opportunities for [graduate study](#) with member scholars who are faculty at graduate institutions.

*Note:* To see student names, you must first log in to the website. If you've forgotten your password, [here's how to reset it](#).



Tell us about your Torrance-related thesis or dissertation project



## Graduate Study page

A [Graduate Study page](#) lists members in a position to supervise Torrance-related projects of graduate students at their institutions or who may be willing to serve as external members of doctoral committees. Faculty members, let us know if you would like to be listed and we will add your information. Or do it yourself by updating your Member Profile.

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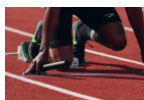
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