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The Institute for Biblical Research, Inc.

...an organization of evangelical Christian scholars with specialties in the Old and New Testaments. The Institute for Biblical Research fosters the study of the Scriptures within an evangelical context, encourages university and college students toward a vocation of biblical scholarship, and wishes to establish facilities for the furtherance of biblical studies.

The Institute for Biblical Research offers a number of services to its members which include:

- *The Bulletin for Biblical Research*, which is a semi-annual publication reflecting the scholarship and objectives of IBR. The Institute strongly encourages its members to submit articles for publication.
- *An Annual Newsletter*, reporting on the news and activities of IBR members.
- The Bibliographic Series, produced by IBR members, which is a widely used resource that guides scholars towards the most important publications for biblical scholarship.
- The IBR Annual Meeting, held in conjunction with the Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. This meeting offers the best of evangelical scholarship through the presentation of papers and formal responses as well as informal question-and-answer periods.
- Specific Study Groups which undertake focused projects centered around critical issues in biblical scholarship.

There are four categories of membership that we warmly encourage qualified scholars to apply for through our nomination process. Please fill out the nomination form below and have the appropriate people sign for you.

- **FELLOWS** are scholars with a Ph.D. or Th.D. in an Old or New Testament specialty, or in an ancillary non-theological discipline, e.g. Near Eastern Studies, Intertestamental Studies. They are nominated by two IBR Fellows to the Executive Committee, which on approval grants them Fellow status.
- **ASSOCIATES** are Ph.D. or Th.D. candidates in an Old or New Testament specialty. They are nominated by a Fellow to the Executive Committee, which on approval grants them

Associate status. On completion of their Ph.D. they may, on application to the Executive Committee, be approved as Fellow.

- FRIENDS are those other than biblical scholars, e.g. philanthropists, publishers, those in wider theological disciplines, concerned to promote the purposes of IBR. They are nominated by a Fellow to the Executive Committee, which on approval grants them Friend status.
- STUDENT MEMBERS are Masters level students in an academic field of biblical study at an accredited university, college or seminary. They are nominated by a Fellow to the Executive Committee, which on approval grants them Student Member status.

Our confessional basis to which the Fellows, Associates, Friends, and Student Members agree is...

- The unique divine inspiration, integrity, and authority of the Bible.
- The deity of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- The necessity and efficacy of the substitutionary death of Jesus Christ for the redemption of the world.
- The historical fact of his bodily resurrection.
- The presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the work of regeneration and for the understanding of the Scriptures.
- The expectation of the personal return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A note regarding e-mail submission of this application:

It is acceptable to submit the following form either as a hard copy with physical signatures of your nominators, or to submit it via e-mail. Obviously, it is not possible to include signatures from your nominator(s) on an e-mail form. So, in lieu of actual signatures, please submit their e-mail address. I will then contact them directly on your behalf.

*Beth M. Stovell
IBR Secretary*



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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

email: _____

Present Post/Vocation (doctoral program for associate/master's level program for student):

<i>Major Field</i>	<i>Degree(s)</i>	<i>Date(s) of Graduation</i>	<i>School(s)</i>

Scholarly Activities (including publications and dissertation topic): **please attach a 1-page curriculum vitae.**

I am in agreement with the purpose and orientation of the Institute for Biblical Research as stated herein, and I am willing to have my name placed in nomination:

(Signed) _____

Please send this nomination form to the Institute Secretary:

Dr. Beth M. Stovell

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I hereby nominate _____

for membership as Fellow, Associate, Friend, or Student Member in the Institute for Biblical Research. His/her interest and qualifications are noted below:

Sponsor 1:

Signature (or email address)

Printed Name

Sponsor 2:*

Signature (or email address)

Printed Name

**2nd Fellow signature required for Fellow applicants only.*