

## REPORTS RELATING TO THE FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY

Centrally located, Kansas City, Missouri, served as a magnet to draw numerous registrants to the Airport Hilton Plaza Inn. A total of 625 persons registered for the meeting, which lasted three days (November 21-23, 1991). This was the largest gathering in the history of the Society and proved that the cause of evangelical scholarship is flourishing.

The theme for the conference was "Christ and the Kingdom in the Old and New Testaments." The program was in the capable hands of Gordon R. Lewis, who arranged six general sessions and numerous parallel sessions. Notable speakers at the general sessions were Carl F. H. Henry with his address "Reflections on the Kingdom of God" and G. R. Beasley-Murray on "The Kingdom of God in the Teaching of Jesus." President H. Wayne House delivered his presidential address entitled "Creation and Redemption: A Study of Kingdom Interplay." A panel consisting of Robert G. Clouse (moderator), Greg Bahnsen (theonomist), Jack Deere (charismatic), George Knight (Reformed), and Robert Saucy (dispensationalist) discussed the question, "In What Ways Is Christ's Redemptive Kingdom to Be Evident Today?"

Meeting simultaneously with ETS were the Evangelical Missiological Society, the Evangelical Philosophical Society, and the Near East Archaeological Society. The dispensational study group met Thursday morning, November 21, prior to the ETS conference. All these organizations contributed to the interest, enthusiasm and attendance at this annual meeting.

During the first business session the secretary-treasurer presented the membership report and the financial report:

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

	Total	Full	Assoc.	Student
Active Membership 11/1/90	2050	1341	452	257
New members	247	108	72	67
Members reactivated	7	5	2	0
Members changed status	0	6	7	(13)
Members dropped*	(268)	(126)	(64)	(78)
Total Membership 11/1/91	2036	1334	469	233
*Dropped per request	14	9	4	1
Incorrect addresses	10	3	0	7
Deceased	4	4	0	0
Failed to pay 1990	88	45	25	18
Failed to pay 1991	152	65	35	52

## FINANCIAL REPORT

**EVANGELICAL THEOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE—CASH BASIS  
YEARS ENDED OCTOBER 31, 1991 AND 1990**

	1991	1990
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Dues and subscriptions	\$54,841.55	\$56,725.99
Annual meeting	17,498.00	15,901.88
Sale of books, <i>Journals</i> and monographs	1,502.83	2,693.17
Interest on savings	4,223.42	3,606.67
Miscellaneous income	<u>2,180.00</u>	<u>940.00</u>
	<u>80,245.80</u>	<u>79,867.71</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
<i>JETS</i> (9/90–9/91)	33,683.31	32,678.38
Accounting	345.00	325.00
Annual meeting	12,455.20	1,201.15
Monograph	0.00	1,644.48
<i>News Letter</i>	703.56	721.36
Office and general	1,753.83	7,065.08
Postage	3,308.13	1,921.22
Regional expense	750.00	1,200.00
Salaries	4,862.00	4,614.00
Stipends	<u>7,850.00</u>	<u>7,100.00</u>
	<u>65,711.03</u>	<u>58,470.67</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	14,534.77	21,397.04
<b>FUND BALANCE, beginning of year</b>	<u>77,915.20</u>	<u>56,518.16</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE, end of year</b>	\$92,449.97	\$77,915.20

In the second business session the following officers were elected for 1992:

President—Gordon R. Lewis  
President-Elect—Gerry Breshears  
Vice-President—L. Russ Bush  
Vacancy on Executive Committee—H. Wayne House  
Vacancies on Membership Committee—David G. Barker  
and Thomas R. Edgar

The Society adopted the report of the resolutions committee presented by David B. Kennedy:

We express our commendation and thanks to Gordon Lewis, the program chairman, for planning and executing an outstanding program. In an effort as extensive and complex as this annual meeting, we further extend our thanks and commendation to all the members of the planning committee and to other participants in the meeting.

We also express appreciation for the ongoing efforts of the executive committee, particularly Wayne House as president, Ronald Youngblood as editor of *JETS*, and Simon Kistemaker as secretary-treasurer, whose efforts provide the essential element of continuity for our organization.

We express appreciation to the other organizations and study groups meeting concurrently with us. These are the Near Eastern Archaeological Society, the Evangelical Philosophical Society, the Evangelical Missiological Society, and the dispensational study group.

We encourage all participants in the annual meeting as well as all members of our organization to advance the Lord's kingdom by continued and diligent pursuit of the Evangelical Theological Society's scholarly tasks.

Finally, we express our appreciation to the management of the Airport Hilton Plaza Inn and particularly to Richard Feasal, Sharon Danner and Gretchen Prather for their professionalism and cooperation in bringing about the success of this meeting.

President House announced the resignation of secretary-treasurer Simon J. Kistemaker effective November 19, 1992. He invited the membership to present nominations to fill the eventual vacancy.

The dates, places, and themes for future annual meetings were announced:

1. November 19–21, 1992, San Francisco, California: “Goals for the Church in the 1990s.”
2. November 18–20, 1993, Washington, DC: “God and Caesar.”
3. November 17–19, 1994, Chicago, Illinois: “Hermeneutics: Issues and Concerns.”

The secretary-treasurer noted that four ETS members had passed away in 1991. He read the memorials for Robert Allan Killen, Marten Hendrik Woudstra, Bruce C. Stark, and F. Franklyn Wise. He read an appropriate passage from the Scriptures and led in prayer.

For several years in succession, the Society has seen an increase in attendance. Indeed, the news is that every year the number of registrants has been higher than the previous year. ETS is alive and well. It generates scholarly interest, significant contributions, and a wholesome atmosphere. We have experienced God’s goodness and pray for his continued blessings.

SIMON J. KISTEMAKER