Each year the Evangelical Homiletics Society hosts its Annual International Scholars Conference. A key feature of the conference is the papers that members prepare and present to their peers. This is the heartbeat of our scholarly society, as members gather to encourage, query, and critique each other's scholarship. Professors of preaching and other scholars lay out their ideas that have an impact on the classroom and their potential publications.

The following is a call for papers for the upcoming conference that will take place October 17-19, 2024, at Lancaster Bible College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The theme for our gathering is "Preaching and the Arts." Although paper proposals may focus on other areas of homiletical research, preference will be given to those proposals that address the conference theme. Papers that address research questions such as the following exemplify what we might hope to see.

- In what ways does the art of preaching affect an audience just like all other artistic expressions?
- How should an appreciation of the arts inform the study and practice of homiletics?
- How should the literary artistry of a text inform the message preached from it?
- How should the sermon handle a text's description of an artistic work? Examples include the Tabernacle, Temple, New Jerusalem, and high priestly garments.
- Must beauty in a sermon always seek to achieve an end other than appreciation?
- What are the limits for beauty or the arts in preaching?

All proposals are evaluated by a blind jury of EHS members. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to download the paper proposal information.

Note: Authors of papers selected for presentation will be required to provide a five-minute introductory/overview video that will be posted on the website with the completed paper prior to the conference. More details on the content of the video may be found on the paper proposal form and guidelines.

To propose a paper, please complete the linked form and submit it to Vice-President Gregory K. Hollifield at ehs.paper.submissions@gmail.com by **April 15, 2024**. You will be notified around **June 1, 2024** if your paper has been selected for presentation. If the proposal is approved, you must submit your final paper by **August 15, 2024** and video by **September 1, 2024**.

All EHS members are encouraged to consider submitting a paper proposal and plan to join us in person at Lancaster Bible College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania!