

CONGREGATIONALISM

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The Center for Congregational Leadership, the [Congregational Library](#) and Congregationally-founded [Olivet College](#) are sponsoring and Hosting the Seventh Biennial Congregational Symposium, October 28-30, 2010 at Olivet College, in Olivet Michigan. The Symposium brings together interested academicians, clergy and laity to explore historical, theological and contemporary concerns of Congregationalism. Presentations will be focused on the theme *Congregationalism: Leading from the Wilderness. Challenges and Opportunities in the Postmodern World.*

The theme acknowledges that mainline Protestantism no longer commands a widely acknowledged place of influence in contemporary culture. In this, there is both challenge and opportunity to be the church. You may begin to engage the theme as an individual or as a church with the [study guide](#) provided.

The key note speaker for the symposium is [Dr. Terence Fretheim](#). Dr. Fretheim is on the faculty of Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. He received the Fulbright Scholarship for study in England, the Lutheran Brotherhood Seminary Graduate Scholarship, the Martin Luther Scholarship, the Fredrik A. Schiotz Fellowship Award, and the ATS Scholarship for Theological Research. He has authored or coauthored several books including, *The Bible as Word of God in a Postmodern Era; In God's Image: A Study of Genesis, God and World in the Old Testament: A Relational Theology of Creation; Hope in God in Times of Suffering; and Abraham: Journeys of Family and Faith.* [Other speakers](#) include representatives of the CCCC, UCC and NACCC.

[Travel and housing](#) are convenient to Olivet, with many options. Shuttle service will be provided between the campus and the Comfort Inn of Marshall.

You may now [register for the conference](#), a [tentative schedule](#) is available. For more information contact Rev. Dr. Betsey Mauro at bmauro@nacc.org or Marie Steele at msteele@nacc.org