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African Biblical Hermeneutics and the Decolonial Turn

Message from the Guest Editors

African Biblical Hermeneutics was born out of the desire by African scholars to develop approaches to the study of the Bible that both pass the test of scientific rigour and respond to the existential needs of the contemporary African reader. The premise of the relevance of this field of study to contemporary Africa, however, requires constant innovation in response to a rapidly changing social context. It demands that scholars keep abreast with the complex transformations in the religio-cultural landscape of the continent while continually developing new tools and approaches for engaging both text and reality. This call for papers invites scholars to engage African Biblical Hermeneutics from perspectives including but not limited to methods and approaches, gender, the interpretation of the Bible in pluri-religious contexts, mother-tongue exegesis, and post-colonial and decolonial readings.

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