Wednesday, November 30, 2005

12:30-1:00 p.m.  Registration

Welcome
Alan Mittleman, Director, The Finkelstein Institute, JTS
Byron Johnson, Baylor University
Nancy Isserman, Temple University

1:05-3:00 p.m.  Panel One

What Do Evangelicals Think About Jews?
John Green, Director, Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics, University of Akron

How Wide is the Social Distance Between Jews and Evangelicals?
Barry Kosmin, Director of the Institute for the Study of Secularism in Society and Culture, Trinity College

Respondent  Jack Wertheimer, Provost, JTS
Moderator  Byron Johnson, Professor of Sociology; Director, Center for Religious Inquiry Across the Disciplines, Baylor University

3:20-5:00 p.m.  Panel Two

The Organized Jewish Community and the Evangelical Community
Lawrence Grossman, Coeditor of the American Jewish Year Book; Associate Director of Research; American Jewish Committee

Respondent  George Mamo, Executive Vice President, International Fellowship of Christians and Jews
Moderator  Bob Guzzardi, Vice Chair, Advisory Board, Feinstein Center

5:00-7:30 p.m.  Dinner Break

7:30-9:00 p.m.  Panel Three

Conversation on Current Issues
Alan Wolfe, Professor of Political Science; Director, Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life, Boston College
David Neff, Editor, Christianity Today

Moderator  W. Bradford Wilcox, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia

Thursday, December 1, 2005

8:30-9:00 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00-10:30 a.m.  Panel Four

Evangelicals and Israel
Gerald R. McDermott, Professor of Religion, Roanoke College

Respondent  Rabbi Yehiel Poupko, Judaic Scholar, the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago
Moderator  Shari Dollinger, The Donor Forum, Assistant Director

10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  Panel Five

Christian America?
Yaakov Ariel, Professor of Religion, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Respondent  Richard Cizik, Vice President of Governmental Affairs, National Association of Evangelicals
Moderator  Shuly Rubin Schwartz, Dean, Albert A. List College of Jewish Studies; Acting Dean of Academic Affairs, Associate Professor of Jewish History, JTS

12:15-1:30 p.m.  Lunch Break

1:30-3:30 p.m.  Panel Six

Jews and Evangelicals in American Public Life: Looking to the Future
Gary Dorrien, Reinhold Niebuhr Chair of Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary
Mark Silk, Professor of Religion; Director, The Leonard E. Greenberg Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life, Trinity College

Respondent  Michael Cromartie, Director, Evangelicals in Civic Life, Ethics and Public Policy Center
Moderator  Michael Alexander, Murray Friedman Professor in American Jewish History; Director, Feinstein Center for American Jewish History, Temple University

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