



**Rev. Linn & Betty Self Symposium**  
**“Call for Papers”**

In an effort to highlight theological scholarship in our region, the South Texas School of Christian Studies invites students and alumni to submit papers for presentation at the annual Self Symposium, September 25-26, 2008. Generally the phrase “Call for Papers” is used to notify interested individuals about the opportunity to present a research paper at a regional conference. Specifically, papers submitted for the SCS call will receive a thorough review by the Symposium Committee, and then a general announcement will be made concerning those papers chosen for presentation.

Papers should be submitted as a PDF or Microsoft Word document to [amcdonald@stscs.org](mailto:amcdonald@stscs.org). Individuals may submit multiple papers on various topics. The environment of such a presentation is one of academic and theological exploration and intellectual stimulation.

**Paper Topic:** Submitted papers should fit the 2008 Self Symposium theme of the *21<sup>st</sup> Century Church* and may fall under any applicable sub-topic, such as biblical studies, practical ministry, Christian ethics, contemporary pastoral leadership, politics and religion, poverty and economic justice, medical ethics, global economy and health care, or the relationship between art and religion.

Papers should reflect scholarly research and will be read aloud in the presentation session. Papers should be 10-12 pages, double spaced, excluding footnotes or endnotes. Papers of this length should result in a 20-25 minute presentation. Presenters will have the opportunity to answer questions from the audience after the presentation. To prepare, presenters may read the paper aloud to SCS faculty, peers, or others to ensure that the paper flows well when presented orally.

**Paper Submission Deadline:** August 29, 2008

**Meeting Date and Location:** September 25-26, 2008 at the School of Christian Studies, presentation schedule TBA

**Presenter Award:** Chosen presenters will receive a monetary award from SCS in recognition of their scholarship.