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## **Coming Event**

On the occasion of the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the publication of the first edition of the King James Version of the Bible published in 1611, the single most influential literary publication ever produced, we are pleased to announce a commemorative lecture.

On Tuesday, October 4, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the DeVos Center for Arts and Worship in Grand Rapids, **IBTS** is pleased present to commemorative lectures by Dr. Gerald Bilkes, Professor of New Testament and Biblical Theology for the Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, and featuring Rev. Malcolm Watts, General Secretary of Trinitarian Bible Society, London. The lecture is co-sponsored by the Institute for Biblical Textual Studies (IBTS) and the Trinitarian Bible Society - USA (TBS/USA). A reception and refreshments will follow the lecture in the atrium of the DeVos Center for Arts and Worship for you to meet with the lecturers as well as staff members of the Trinitarian Bible Society from both the United States and Great Britain. Both the Trinitarian Bible Society and IBTS will have literature tables open as well.

The DeVos Center for Arts and Worship is located at 2300 Plymouth Avenue, S. E. just South of the corner of Burton and Plymouth. The DeVos Center is a new state of the art performing arts auditorium and is complete with hearing impaired loops, handicap access and accommodation for those with walking impairments. There is ample free parking at the facility. This is a public lecture and there is no charge to attend.

Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us for these dynamic lectures. You will be encouraged as together we commemorate God's rich blessing through His Holy Word.

## The Lecturers

Gerald Bilkes is a Professor of New Testament and Biblical Theology. He completed a Ph.D. from Princeton Theological Seminary. He was recipient of the United States Information Agency Fellowship at the Albright Institute (ASOR) in Jerusalem during the 1997-1998 year. He has written several articles on biblical-theological themes and given addresses at several conferences. His areas of special interest include hermeneutics, the history of interpretation, and conversion in the Bible.

Featured lecturer, **Malcolm Watts**, trained at London Bible College from 1967-70. Pastor Watts has been the minister of Emmanuel Church, Salisbury since 1971. At present, he is Chairman of the General Committee of the Trinitarian Bible Society, and Chairman of the Bible League Trust, which publishes the *Bible League Quarterly*. Pastor Watts is a visiting Lecturer at the London Reformed Baptist Seminary and the Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary. He has spoken at conferences throughout the United Kingdom and abroad. He is the author of *The Lord Gave the Word: A Study in the History of the Biblical Text*, and he has co-authored *The Worship of God* and *The Government of the Church*.

400th Anniversary of the King James Bible Commemorative Lectures.

"Heart-felt Love: Aim of the Authorized Version." Dr. Gerald Bilkes.

"The Authorized Version: The Climax of English Translations." Rev. Malcolm Watts

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