

MIKKO LOUHIVUORI MEMORIAL SYMPOSIUM

16 September 2017, at 13.15-17.30

ÅBO AKADEMI UNIVERSITY, INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY
AUDITORIUM THEOLOGICUM
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Mikko Louhivuori 27.7.1952-16.9.2016

Mikko Louhivuori was a Finnish theologian, archaeologist, author and a Lutheran pastor, who spent most of his active years of work and family life in the Holy Land, living in Beit Jala and working for the benefit of archaeological research. In 1988 he achieved his first doctorate in the Hebrew University, Jerusalem. In November 2010 he defended his second thesis, this time in the academic discipline of theology at Åbo Akademi University, Turku/Åbo. The title of the thesis was “Understanding Neolithic Southern Levant: Case Studies of Archaeological Semiosis in Action”. Mikko Louhivuori passed away untimely after a severe illness on September 16th, 2016. Exactly one year later a memorial symposium will take place at Åbo Akademi University with colleagues and friends as speakers.

13.15 Opening (Antti Laato and Lauri Louhivuori)

13.30-15.30 Sessions, part I; 15.30 Coffee break; 16.00-17.30 Sessions, part II

Lauri Louhivuori	Mikko Louhivuori: A Theologian's Quest for the Truth: From the Inner Workings of the Atom to the Edges of the Universe.
Eero Junkkaala	The Tension between Biblical Creation and the Scientific World View in Mikko Louhivuori's Thought
Anni Maria Laato	Passion of Saint Perpetua, Saint Felicitas, and their Companions
Pekka Lindqvist	The Dialogue Document “To Do the Will of Our Father in Heaven”: A Controversial Voice from the Judean Hills
Dan Hautakoski	Beit Jala: Its People, Places and History
Raz Kletter	Changes on the Road to Small-Change: from Barter to Money
Antti Laato	Monolatry and Early Israelite Religion

Everybody is warmly welcome! No participation fee. Coffee 10 euros. Registration per e-mail before Sept. 10th to pekka.lindqvist@abo.fi. At 19 p.m. there will be an open hour of devotion with spoken word and music in Luther Church / Lutherin kirkko, Puutarhakatu 8a (coffee and salty snack from 18.30).