

## **INAUGURATION**

# JONATHAN EDWARDS CENTER AFRICA UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE

8-10 MARCH 2010

You are cordially invited to attend the inauguration of the *Jonathan Edwards Center Africa*. This event is organized in collaboration with the Jonathan Edwards Center Yale University, USA. The Jonathan Edwards Center Africa was established in 2009 in terms of an agreement between the University of the Free State, Faculty of Theology and the Jonathan Edwards Center Yale University. As a result the University of the Free State has developed a structured Master's Degree in Jonathan Edwards Studies. At the same time Prof dr Adriaan Neele (Yale University) was appointed Extraordinary Professor of Jonathan Edwards Studies at the University of the Free State. A number of international and African post-graduate students have already joined the Center. In addition prof Neele is teaching an on-line undergraduate course on the life and theology of Edwards at the UFS (web: <a href="http://edwards.yale.edu/files/JE%20Course%20UFS.htm">http://edwards.yale.edu/files/JE%20Course%20UFS.htm</a>). The Jonathan Edwards Center Africa forms part of a network of international Edwards centra and aims to enhance Edwards research and scholarship in Africa. It operates as a hub and is in the process of establishing agreements with a number of interested partners and institutions in Africa.

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## **PROGRAM**

#### **MONDAY 8 MARCH 2010**

Venue: CR Swart Building: Auditorium & Foyer

- 17h00: Opening: Dean of the Faculty of Theology
- 17h05: Official Opening Address: Prof JD Jansen, Vice-chancellor, UFS
- 17h20: Response: Prof Harry S. Stout, Yale University, USA
- 17h30: Short Statement: Jonathan Edwards Center Africa: Prof Dolf Britz, Director
- 17h40: Juice in the Foyer
- 18h00: Inaugural Address: Prof Adriaan Neele, Extraordinary Professor, UFS: A Transitional Moment in Theology
- 19h00: Reception

#### **TUESDAY 9 MARCH 2010**

#### Venue: HMS 10

- 09h00-10h00: Prof Adriaan Neele: Coram Deo. Devotions Faculty of Theology
- 14h15: Opening
- 14h20-14h50: Prof Harry S. Stout, Yale University: Edwards in a Global Context
- 14h50-15h20: Rev Jan Lubbe, UFS: Abraham Kuyper, Brighton and Evangelical Theology
- 15h20-15h45: Coffee & Tea
- 15h45-16h15: Prof Rian Venter, UFS: Trinity and Beauty: The Theological Contribution of Jonathan Edwards
- 16h15-16h45: Prof Kenneth P. Minkema, Yale University: Jonathan Edwards Scholarship: an Overview.

## Venue: CR Swart Building: Auditorium & Foyer

- 17h00-18h00: Refreshments in the Foyer and Reflection
- 18h00: Inaugural Address: Prof Hoffie Hofmeyr, Extraordinary Professor, UFS: Transformation in Theological Education: Jonathan Edwards and his Relevance for South Africa
- 19h00: Reception

## **WEDNESDAY 10 MARCH 2010**

## Venue: HMS 10

- 14h15: Opening
- 14h20-15h30: Prof Kenneth P. Minkema, Yale University: Workshop: Reading an Edwards Text
- 15h30-15h35: Closing: Prof RM Britz
- 15h35-16h00: Coffee & Tea