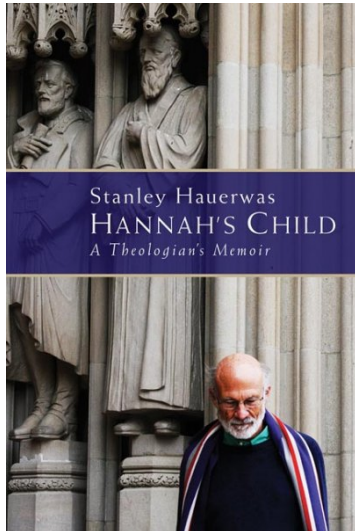


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Stanley Hauerwas Hannah's Child

A Theologian's Memoir

Published by SCM Press October 2010 £19.99
Book Launch at Kings College London,
Monday 18th October, 5pm

Stanley Hauerwas, one of the greatest Christian minds of our time and named by *Time Magazine* in 2001 as "*America's best theologian*" was the keynote speaker at this year's *Greenbelt Festival* and is taking part in a number of high profile events in London for the UK launch of his autobiography this October.

St Paul's Cathedral: *Public Debate on Death* (All welcome)

19 Oct 2010 6:30pm - 8pm. Admission is free and unticketed, doors open at 6.00pm.

Death is the great contemporary taboo as well as the great universal. Life must be prolonged at any cost, and some say the new temples in our cities are the great hospitals. But have we lost the art of dying well? And if we found it, how would it change the way we live?

Stanley Hauerwas, Professor of Theological Ethics, Duke Divinity School will debate with Sr Frances Dominica, founder of the children's hospice movement.

Houses of Parliament: *Debate on Politics and Religion*

20 Oct 2010 6.30pm - 8pm. Invitation only, contact Tory Lyne-Pirkis for press passes.

BBC journalist Christopher Landau will interview Stanley Hauerwas on his life and understanding of politics and religion for 45 minutes followed by a Q&A for 15-20 minutes. The sponsoring MP is Stephen Timms (former Chief Secretary to the Treasury).

Kings College London:

Stanley Hauerwas John Milbank and Luke Bretherton in Conversation

18th Oct 2010 5.30pm – 7pm Admission is free. Contact anita@hymnsam.co.uk for guest list.

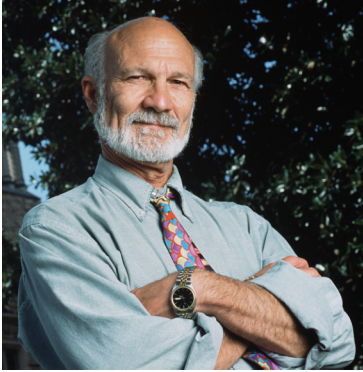
Stanley will discuss his moving autobiography *Hannah's Child* with the UK's leading Theologian and director of the Centre for Philosophy and Theology John Milbank and Luke Bretherton.

All events will be followed by signings of Stanley Hauerwas' autobiography *Hannah's Child*



About the Author

Hauerwas is a contrarian critic of America's moral life, using his current post as the Gilbert T. Rowe Professor of Theological Ethics at Duke Divinity School to make Christian ethics more accessible and relevant to society. An outspoken Christian pacifist, he is an expert on just war theory and an opponent to American Patriotism. Hauerwas is a staunch critic of America's "War on Terror" and remains decidedly pessimistic not only about American prospects, but also American morality.



He was born in 1940 to a working class family that he describes as 'dirt poor Mississippi folk' Hauerwas started working as a bricklayer for the family business aged seven. He often cites his bricklaying 'work ethic' as the reason for his success, rather than due to any intellectual capacity. Coming from a staunchly religious family Hauerwas chose to train for the ministry. Deciding that most of what Christians believed could not be credible; he rejected the ministry in favor of a degree in philosophy, which in turn led him to study theology at Yale where he started his quest to find out if what Christians believed could be argued as true. He fell in love with the theology of Karl Barth and has now spent a life time thinking about God.

He has been married twice. His experience of living with his first wife has led to Hauerwas becoming a leading medical ethicist. He met his second wife Paula when he started working at Duke and they have been together ever since. In 2001 he was asked to give the Gifford Lectures at St. Andrews University which are among the most prestigious lectures that philosophers and theologians can give.

**Stanley Hauerwas is available for comment and interview.
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