New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary’s Moskau Institute of Archaeology and Tel Aviv University are excavating ancient Tel Hadid in Israel. The dig begins June 14 and concludes on July 3. Volunteers working the first week should arrive in Israel no later than June 12 to participate in the pre-dig Jerusalem tour, and those working the last week should plan departures for July 4 or after.

THE DIG
Join in the archaeological excavation of Tel Hadid, ancient city that was resettled by the Assyrians after the fall of Israel in 722 BC. The site was also home to Hebrew people who returned to Israel after the Exile (Ezra 2:33; Nehemiah 7:37; Nehemiah 11:34). Visit hadidexpedition.org for more about the site history and the reasons for the excavation.

WEEKEND TRAVEL
The expedition will arrange field trips to important archaeological sites and regions of Israel (i.e. Caesarea Maritima, Galilee, Hazor, Jerusalem, Lachish, Masada, Megiddo, and others). Trips are $50 per day and participants will be responsible for meals during the tours. The June 13 tour of Jerusalem is free for participants.

ACADEMIC CREDIT
Up to 9 credit hours of undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral coursework is available during the dig. Standard tuition and fees apply. The Tel Hadid excavation provides a great opportunity for Ph.D. students or faculty members at other schools to earn credit in the field of archaeology. Contact Dr. Dennis Cole (rdcole@nobts.edu) for details.

TRIP COST
The trip cost is $750 for 1 week; $1400 for 2 weeks; and $2100 for 3 weeks (extra days $100 / day) + airfare. Costs cover room, board, transportation to and from the airport, and the June 13 tour of Jerusalem. Preference will be given to two-week participants.

TRAVEL TO ISRAEL
Participants will arrange and pay for their own flights to and from Tel Aviv’s Ben Gurion Airport. The dig will arrange airport pickup upon arrival and drop off for departure.

ACCOMMODATIONS
Volunteers will stay in air-conditioned rooms at the Neve Shalom Guest House, with three to four persons per room. Neve Shalom, located near Latrun Junction (between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem), is a short drive from Tel Hadid.