

## Jacques B. Doukhan

Today, the recipient of the John Nevins Andrews Medallion is Jacques B. Doukhan, whose Biblical scholarship and contributions to the Jewish-Christian dialogue have distinguished him among his colleagues.

Doukhan is a senior research professor of Hebrew and Old Testament exegesis at Andrews University. He holds a bachelor's degree in Hebrew from the University of Strasbourg, as well as master's degrees in theology from the Adventist Seminary, Collonges-sous-Salève, Hebrew from the University of Strasbourg, and Egyptology from the University of Montpellier. In 1973, he obtained a doctoral degree in Hebrew language and literature from the University of Strasbourg, and in 1978, he completed a Doctor of Theology in theological studies at Andrews University.

From 1970–1973 and from 1978–1980, Doukhan worked as a professor of Hebrew and biblical studies at the Adventist Seminary, Collonges-sous-Salève. He served as a pastor in Strasbourg and Mullhouse, France, from 1974–1976 and became an ordained minister in 1978. Later, in 1980, he became president of the Adventist Seminary at Mauritius, where he also taught Hebrew and Old Testament.

In 1984, Doukhan became a professor at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University, where he also served as director of the Institute of Jewish-Christian studies for a time. He has made rich and unique contributions to the Department of Old Testament, where his insightful views on scripture have set an example for his students and peers. Known for his thoughtful, kind and generous modeling of Christian scholarship, he has brought vast knowledge, passion and philosophical depth to his role.

A prolific scholar and writer, Doukhan's incisive writings and thought-provoking lectures on a multitude of biblical topics have influenced millions. In addition to numerous published articles and reviews, Doukhan has written more than twenty books, some of which have been translated into several languages. They include "Daniel 11 Decoded," "On the Way to Emmaus" and "Israel and the Church."

Additionally, Doukhan has served as associate editor of Restore! magazine; editor of the journal Shabbat Shalom; editor of the journal L'Olivier; and leader of the Hebrew-Adventist congregation Beit B'nei Shalom for the Institute of Jewish-Christian studies.

He has also edited several collective books and written entries in the Seventh-day Adventist International Bible Commentary on the books of Genesis, Ecclesiastes and Daniel. Currently, he is serving as the general editor of the new Seventh-day Adventist International Bible Commentary series.

Doukhan is married to Lilianne, former professor and chair of the Andrews University Department of Music. They have one daughter, Abigail, a philosophy professor at Queens College, City University of New York.

For ongoing contributions in interfaith dialogue and his faithful example of biblical scholarship, the faculty of Andrews University are proud to present Jacques B. Doukhan with the John Nevins Andrews Medallion.