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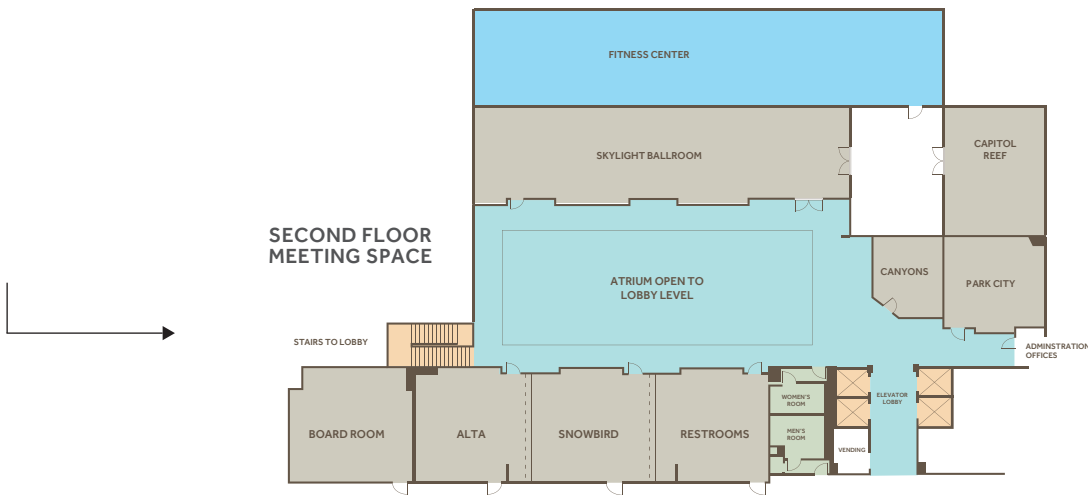
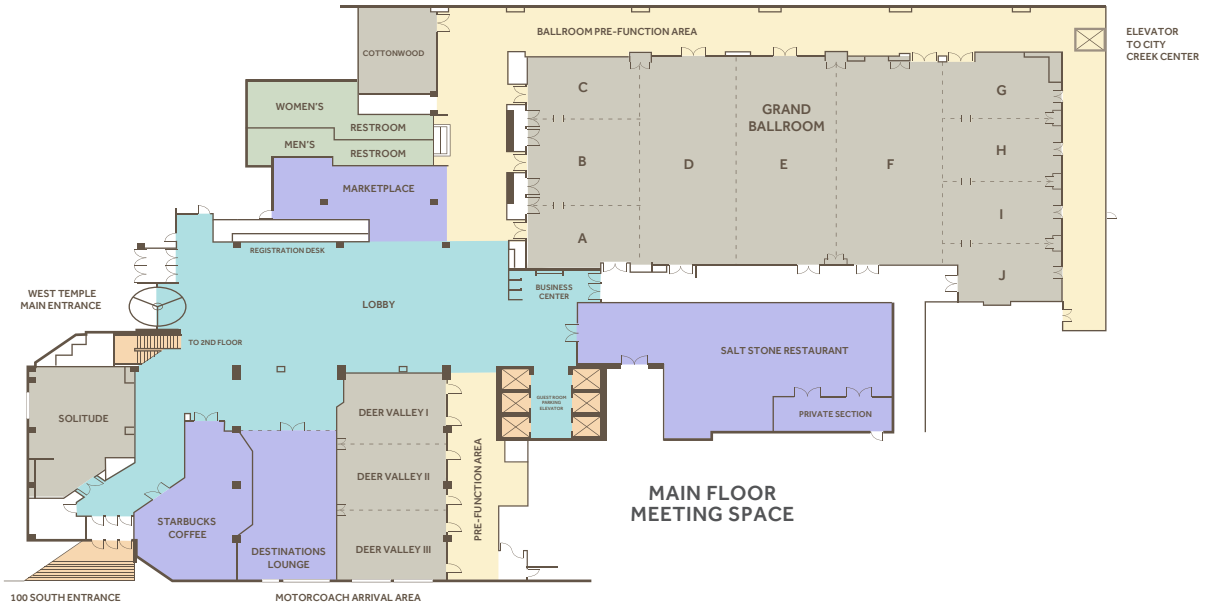


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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH | OCTOBER 20-22, 2023



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SSSR + RRA 2023 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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The World Christian Database provides comprehensive statistical information on global Christianity, other world religions, and Christian activities in all 237 countries. Extensive data are available on thousands of Christian denominations, ethnolinguistic people groups, cities, and provinces.

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World Religion Database

Gina A. Zurlo, ed.



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It offers best estimates at multiple dates for each of the world's religions for the period 1900 to 2050. The WRD is regularly updated with new sources of data, such as estimates of religious affiliation at the province level within countries and religious freedom information for all countries.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

11:00 am – 5:00 pm	SSSR Council Meeting	Cottonwood
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	RRA Board Meeting	Alta-Snowbird
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Registration Open	Grand Ballroom Foyer

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:00 am – 8:50 am	RRA Business Meeting	Cottonwood
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Morning Coffee, Sponsored by RRA	Grand Ballroom Foyer
8:30 am – 4:00 pm	Registration Open	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Paper Session A	
9:30 am – 5:30 pm	Book Exhibit	Skylight Ballroom
10:40 am – 12:10 pm	Paper Session B	
12:10 pm – 1:10 pm	Lunch Break	
1:10 pm – 2:40 pm	Paper Session C	
2:50 pm – 4:20 pm	Paper Session D	
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	New Books Reception	Skylight Ballroom
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Graduate Student Meet and Greet	Snowbird
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	RRA Douglass Lecture	Salons E-F
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	RRA Reception	Salons A-D
8:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Affinity Group and Research Network Meetings	See program for specific rooms for each meeting.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

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8:30 am – 4:00 pm	Registration Open	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Paper Session E	
9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Book Exhibit	Skylight Ballroom
10:40 am – 12:10 pm	Paper Session F	
12:15 pm – 1:10 pm	Networking Lunch	Salon D
12:20 pm – 1:10 pm	Mormon Social Science Association Business Meeting	Solitude
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	SSSR Presidential Panel	Salons E-F
2:20 pm – 3:50 pm	Paper Session G	
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Paper Session H	
5:45 pm – 7:00 pm	SSSR Awards and Presidential Address	Salons E-F
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	SSSR Presidential Reception	Salons A-D

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Morning Coffee, Sponsored by RRA	Grand Ballroom Foyer
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Registration Open	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Paper Session I	
10:40 am – 12:10 pm	Paper Session J	

SSSR STUDENT PAPER AWARDS

The SSSR Student Paper Awards recognize the best papers – published and unpublished – scheduled for presentation by students at the Annual Meeting. After students present their papers, they are eligible to apply for these awards, which will be presented at the following year's Annual Meeting. The awards include a plaque and \$500 for the winner of the published paper and \$500 for the winner of the unpublished paper.

The winners of the 2023 Student Paper Awards will be announced at the SSSR Awards and Presidential Address on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at 5:45 pm in Salons E-F.

Nominations may be submitted through the SSSR website (sssreligion.org). Any current member of SSSR may nominate worthy student papers to the Student Paper Awards Committee. Students may also self-nominate.

More information about the Student Paper Awards is available on the SSSR website.

RECENT AWARDEES

2022

Iman Said (Pennsylvania State University)
Kimberly M. Davidson (Florida State University),
"A Mixed Method Evaluation of the Role of Religion
in Desistance and Reentry" *[Published]*

- AND -

Anthony Albanese (Pennsylvania State University),
"Perceived Threat and Reactive Identification:
Right-Wing Secularization in Germany, 1999-2017"
[Unpublished]

2021

Claire Gilliland (University of North Carolina-
Chapel Hill), "Getting Permission to Break The Rules:
Clergy Respond to LGBTQ Exclusion in the United
Methodist Church"

2020

Michael Rotolo (University of Notre Dame), "Moral
Religiosities: How Morality Structures Religious
Understandings During the Transition to Adulthood."

2019

Laila H. Noureldin (University of Chicago),
"American v Muslim? Religiosity as a Marker
of Fragmented Identification among American
Muslims."

2018

Di Di (Rice University), "Navigating Gender Norms:
Gender Agency in Buddhist Temples in Mainland
China and the US."

2017

Not awarded due to a transition in the timing for
the award.

2016

Dane R. Mataic (Pennsylvania State University),
"Spatial Diffusion of Governmental Restrictions on
Religion"

2015

Grahm Hill (University of California, Berkeley),
"Reclaiming the Secular: A Charismatic Christian
Brotherhood's Interventions on Secularism in Mexico
City."

2014

Landon Schnabel (Indiana University),
"The Gender Pray Gap."

2013

Grad Fulton (Duke University), "Network Ties and
Organizational Action: Explaining Variation in Social
Service Provision among Congregations."

2012

Rachel Ellis (University of Pennsylvania),
"Marketing to Whom? Desired Members and Jewish
Denominational Niches, 1913-1920."

2011

**Katie E. Corcoran, David Pettinicchio, and Blaine
Robbins** (University of Washington),
"Religion and the Acceptability of White-Collar
Crime: A Cross-National Analysis."

2010

Christopher A. Bail (Harvard University), "Terrified:
Social Movements, Emotions,
and the Collective Identity of Muslims in the US
Media, 2001-2008."

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RRA BUSINESS MEETING **AGENDA**

Cottonwood Room | Friday, October 20, 8:00–8:50 am

CALL TO ORDER

PRESIDENT'S REPORT | Elaine Howard Ecklund

TREASURER'S REPORT | Matt Manion

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT | Gina Zurlo

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Awards Committee | Courtney Irby

Nominating Committee | Deborah Coe

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Outstanding Applied Research Award Committee | Patricia Wittberg

Publication Committee | Katie Corcoran

Editor's Report | Patricia Snell Herzog

Membership Committee | Mark Killian

Applied Internship Committee | Erica Dollhopf

OLD BUSINESS

Membership rate change as of November 2023

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of RRA finances and Board

Annual H. Paul Douglass Lecture

Religious Leaders Track

Accessibility of the *Review of Religious Research*

ADJOURNMENT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:00AM - 10:30AM

PAPER SESSION A

A-1 SSSR: RELIGION, IDEOLOGY, AND PUBLIC ATTITUDES

► Room: Salon A

CONVENER: Tyler Lefevor, Utah State University (tyler.lefevor@usu.edu)

Religion and Public Opinion American Military Action, 2012-2020

James Guth, Furman University (jim.guth@furman.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: Brent Nelsen, Furman University

The Influence of Religiousness on the Political Views of LGBT Americans

Tyler Lefevor, Utah State University (tyler.lefevor@usu.edu)

CO-AUTHOR 1: Sydney Sorrell, Utah State University

CO-AUTHOR 2: Kelsey Burke, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Converging in the Pews: How Political Affiliation and Religious Practice Contribute to (Discordant) Support for Capital Punishment

Joshua Davis, University of New Hampshire (profjoshdavis@gmail.com)

Can religiosity cause more liberal ethical positions?: Canada compared to the US, UK, and Australia.

Sam Reimer, Crandall University (sam.reimer@crandallu.ca)

CO-AUTHOR: Galen Watts, KU Leuven

A-2 SSSR: LEADING FROM THE FRONT: RELIGION AND POLITICAL MOBILIZATION

► Room: Salon B

CONVENER: Ernesto Fiocchetto, Florida International University

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Religious Political Mobilization and the In/Exclusions of LGBT+ Individuals in European 'Risk Societies'

Ernesto Fiocchetto, Florida International University (efioc001@fiu.edu)

The Role of Religious Leadership in Black Social Movements, 1994-2010

Anna Milewski, University of Wisconsin-Madison (aomilewski@wisc.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: Chaeyoon Lim, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Strategic Alliances: The Political Efficacy of Religious-Secular Ties

Richard L Wood, University of New Mexico (rlwood@unm.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: Rebecca Sager, Loyola Marymount University

A-3 RRA+SSSR: TRENDS IN EMERGENT RELIGIOUS GROUPS

► Room: Salon C

CONVENER: Ryan Cragun, University of Tampa (ryantcragun@gmail.com)

"Who's that then?": Demographic Differences Between New Religious Movement Members and Non-Members

Ryan Cragun, The University of Tampa (ryantcragun@gmail.com)

CO-AUTHOR: Nichell M. Glover, The University of Tampa

Schism in the Unification Church:

Religious Organization Ecology as Explanation

Heewon Yang, Baylor University (heewon_yang1@baylor.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: Steven Foertsch, Baylor University

Oriental Orthodox Christian Churches:

fast growing newcomers in the American religious landscape

Alexei Krindatch, National Census of Orthodox Christian Churches

/ 2020 US Religion Census (akrindatch@aol.com)

A-4 RRA: RELIGIOUS LEADER TRACK - FAITH AT WORK: WHAT CHRISTIANS EXPERIENCE AND WHAT THEY WISH THEIR PASTORS KNEW ABOUT LIVING ONE'S FAITH IN THE WORKPLACE

► Room: Salon G

ORGANIZER: Kerby Goff, Rice University (kerby.goff@rice.edu)

CONVENER: Elaine Howard Ecklund, Rice University (ehe@rice.edu)

Taking Work to Faith: Tensions, Support, and Role of the Workplace in Christians' Experience of Faith at Work

Kerby Goff, Rice University (kerby.goff@rice.edu)

Taking Faith to Work: How Christians Practice their Faith at Work and See their Work as Calling

Rachel Schneider, Rice University (rsv2@rice.edu)

Pastoring the Faithful at Work: The Support Christians Receive from their Pastor and Congregation and the Support They Want to Receive

Elaine Howard Ecklund, Rice University (ehe@rice.edu)

A-5 SSSR: RELIGION AND FAMILY

► Room: Salon H

CONVENER: Cathy Holtmann, University of New Brunswick

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"What Do They Got That I Ain't Got?":

How Friends and Faith Impact Feelings about Family Formation

Rudra Chakraborty, Baylor University (rudra_chakraborty2@baylor.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: James Malo, Baylor University

Church with Whom?

Trends and Predictors of Church Accompaniment

Ken Arsenault, University of Massachusetts, Boston

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Muslim Family Safety: Exploring Ethno-religious Vulnerability and Resiliency

Catherine Holtmann, University of New Brunswick (cathy.holtmann@unb.ca)

Transmission of Religious Affiliation from Mother to Offspring in Nurses' Health Study II and the Growing Up Today Study

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CO-AUTHOR: Yue Gu, Harvard Medical School

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:00AM - 10:30AM

**A-6 SSSR: RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND CHANGE I:
NEW TOOLS AND NEW INSIGHTS**

► **Room: Salon I**

ORGANIZER: Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University and the Center for Mind and Culture (wwildman@bu.edu)

CONVENER: David Voas, University College London (d.voas@ucl.ac.uk)

The Assumption Relative Religious

Demographics Information System (ARDEMIS)

Wesley J. Wildman, Boston University and the Center for Mind and Culture (wwildman@bu.edu)

Commentary on ARDEMIS:

Conrad Hackett, Pew Research Center (chackett@pewresearch.org)

Jörg Stolz, University of Lausanne (joerg.stolz@unil.ch)

Marcin Stonawski, Cracow University of Economics (mstonaw@gmail.com)

**A-7 SSSR: EXPLORING THE PANDEMIC IMPACT ON
CONGREGATIONS: FAITH + FINANCES, POLITICIZED
THEOLOGIES, AND CHANGING MODES OF WORSHIP
AND COMMITMENT**

► **Room: Salon J**

ORGANIZER: Allison Norton, Hartford Institute for Religion Research (anorton@hartfordinternational.edu)

CONVENER: Scott Thumma, Hartford Institute for Religion Research (sthumma@hartfordinternational.edu)

***Faith, Finances, and Flourishing in U.S. Latinx Congregations:
Analyses from EPIC and FACT***

Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, Iliff School of Theology (klizardy@iliff.edu)

***Time Shall Come When They Will Worship in Virtual Space:
Pandemic and Changing Modes of Christian Worship***

Amidu Elabo, Hartford Institute for Religion Research (aelabo@hartfordinternational.edu)

***Loving Your Neighbor Means Wearing a Mask:
Politicized Theology in the COVID-19 Pandemic***

Hannah Evans, Hartford Institute for Religion Research (hevans@hartfordinternational.edu)

***Post-Pandemic Church Involvement and Commitment:
Emerging Patterns***

Allison Norton, Hartford Institute for Religion Research (anorton@hartfordinternational.edu)

A-8 SSSR: SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH

► **Room: Deer Valley 1**

CONVENER: Rachel Kraus, Ball State University (rmkraus@bsu.edu)

***Religious Beliefs and Attitudes toward End-of-Life Care
among U.S. Religious Leaders: A National Survey***

Eric Aglozo, Arizona State University (eaglozo@asu.edu)

***Being Divided Community by Vaccinations and Religions:
In-depth Interview in the US and Japan***

Tatsushi Hirono, Austin Peay State University (hironot@apsu.edu)

CO-AUTHOR 1: Takase Akinori, Taisho University

CO-AUTHOR 2: Yukan Ogawa, Taisho University

***Making the ordinary extraordinary:
Religious and Spiritual Practice in the everyday
lives of women with metastatic breast cancer***

Rachel Kraus, Ball State University (rmkraus@bsu.edu)

Yoga and Sufism in India

Rajnish Chandra Tripathi, Government Girls' Degree College, DLW, Varanasi, India (rajnishtripathi82@gmail.com)

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**A-9 SSSR: LOSING OUR RELIGION:
THE STUDY OF RELIGIOUS EXITING AND DECONVERSION 1**

► **Room: Deer Valley 2**

CONVENER: Elaine Schnabel, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (eschnab@live.unc.edu)

Walking on Eggshells:

The Role of Church Norms in Shaping Christian Identity

Elaine Schnabel, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (eschnab@live.unc.edu)

***Using AI Language Models to Collect, Analyze,
and Visualize Data: Applications to the Study of
Adolescent Religious Deconversion***

Alejandro Rodriguez, Brigham Young University (rdrgz.alex.a@gmail.com)

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CO-AUTHOR 2: David Wingate, Brigham Young University

When Everyone Loses: Grief Narratives and Power Plays

Lynette Moran, University of Pittsburgh (lsm46@pitt.edu)

**A-10 SSSR: MEANING, BELONGING, & STRENGTH: WHAT
GOD ATTACHMENT, INTERPERSONAL ACCEPTANCE, AND
WORSHIP ACCESSIBILITY OFFER MARGINALIZED GROUPS**

► **Room: Deer Valley 3**

ORGANIZER: Megan Haggard, Francis Marion University (mhaggard@fmarion.edu)

***Racial Differences in the Role of Secure God Attachment
as Moderator in the Relationship Between Stress Resilience
and Mental Health Outcomes***

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CO-AUTHOR: Anna Caroline Chinnes, Francis Marion University

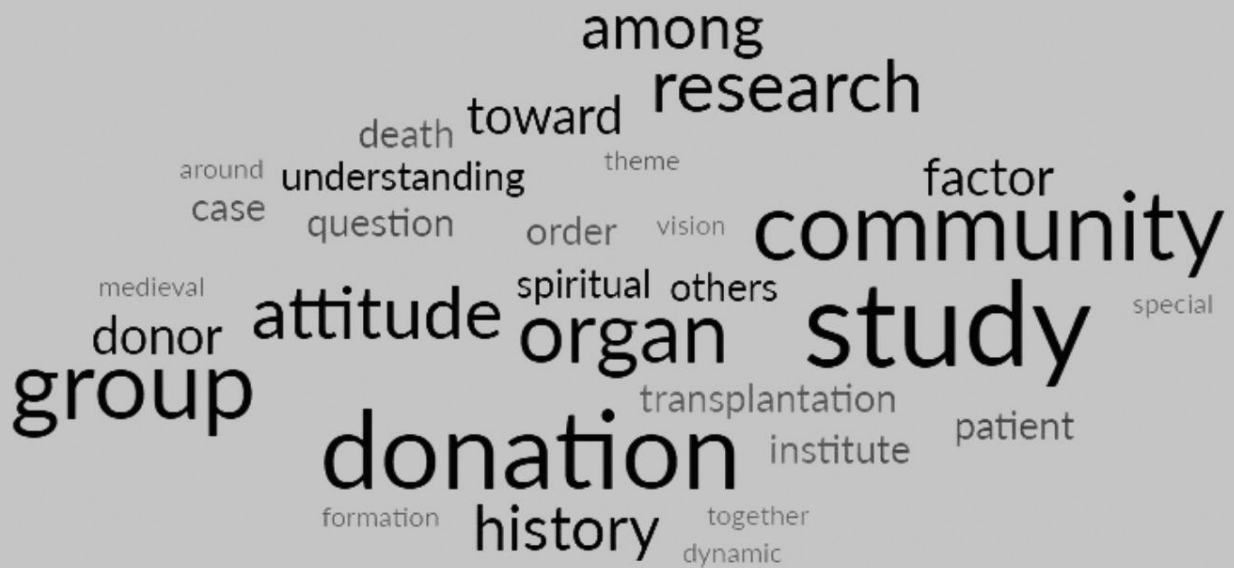
***Interpersonal Disclosure of Sexual Orientation Impacts
Views about Religious Support and Conflict***

Will Hunter, Francis Marion University (will.hunter@fmarion.edu)

Exploring Practices of Accessibility:

Religious Congregations Supporting Individuals with Disabilities

Jared Stewart-Ginsburg, Francis Marion University (jstewart@fmarion.edu)



MOST COMMON THEMES IN A BIBLIOMETRIC ANALYSIS OF PUBLICATIONS ON RELIGION AND COOPERATION

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

10:40AM - 12:10PM

PAPER SESSION B

B-1 SSSR: RELIGIOUS RESPONSES TO RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

► **Room: Salon A**

CONVENER: Kevin Dougherty, Baylor University (Kevin_Dougherty@baylor.edu)

"Tell Us What to Do": Desires and Dilemmas of Racial Justice in a Progressive Protestant Denomination

Kevin Dougherty, Baylor University (kevin_dougherty@baylor.edu)

CO-AUTHOR 1: Gerardo Marti, Davidson College

CO-AUTHOR 2: Mark Mulder, Calvin University

Finding the way forward: Spirituality as anti-racist resistance

Meredith Hope, College of Wooster (mhope@wooster.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: Seanna Leath, Washington University in St. Louis

Race and Faith: The Role of Congregations in Racial Justice

Rebecca Glazier, University of Arkansas at Little Rock (raglazier@ualr.edu)

CO-AUTHOR: Gerald Driskill, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

I'm antiracist but...: A comparative analysis of racial justice efforts in four Twin Cities churches

Daniel Cueto-Villalobos, University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

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B-2 SSSR: RELIGION AND REPRODUCTION: NEW INSIGHTS INTO ABORTION POLITICS IN A POST-DOBBS WORLD

► **Room: Salon B**

ORGANIZER/CONVENER: Melissa Deckman, Public Religion Research Institute

(mdeckman@prri.org)

Generation, Religion and Abortion Attitudes:

A View From American Values Atlas

Melissa Deckman, PRRI (mdeckman@prri.org)

The Hidden Side of Abortion Funding Attitudes:

News Comments Sections as Data

Ruth Braunstein, University of Connecticut (ruth.braunstein@uconn.edu)

"Rights" and What's "Right": Seeing Morality in Religious Americans' Legal Positions on Abortion

Tricia Bruce, University of Notre Dame (tbruce@nd.edu)

Are Abortion Bans a Violation of Religious Liberty?

A View from the Data

Andrew Lewis, University of Cincinnati (lewis2a5@ucmail.uc.edu)

B-3 RRA BOOK PANEL - STUCK: WHY CLERGY ARE ALIENATED FROM THEIR CALLING, CONGREGATION, AND CAREER ... AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

► **Room: Salon C**

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B-4 RRA: CULTURE AND IDENTITY FORMATION AMONG RELIGIOUS AND NON-RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES

► **Room: Salon G**

CONVENER: Joel Thiessen, Ambrose University (jathiessen@ambrose.edu)

Congregational Storytelling and Culture Building: Navigating Transitions in One Catholic Parish

Joel Thiessen, Ambrose University (jathiessen@ambrose.edu)

Beyond Doctrine: Examining the Cultural Identity of Religious Congregations

Aimee Leukert, La Sierra University (aleukert@lasierra.edu)

Exit, and Then What? Uncovering Post-Protestant Processes

Clara Gaddie, University of Notre Dame (cgaddie@nd.edu)

Welcoming the Native-Born: Balancing Various Groups' Needs in a Maronite Parish where Lebanese Have Become a Minority

Sean Thomas, Palm Beach Atlantic University (stempiricaltheology@gmail.com)

B-5 RRA: RELIGIOUS LEADER TRACK - TRACKING THE PANDEMIC'S IMPACT #1: FAITH COMMUNITIES TODAY 2020 TO 2023

► **Room: Salon H**

ORGANIZER/CONVENER: Scott Thumma, Hartford Institute for Religion Research (sthumma@hartfordinternational.edu)

What Difference Does Three Years and a Pandemic Make? A Comparison of Faith Communities Today 2020 and 2023 Results

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Technology Use by Congregations in 2023

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

10:40AM - 12:10PM

What Has Changed in Church Finances Since 2020?

Warren Bird, Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability
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The Young and the Restless:

How Young Adults Advance Congregational Life

Petr Činčala, Institute of Church Ministry Andrews University
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B-6 SSSR: THE EBB AND FLOW OF SECULARIZATION

► **Room: Salon I**

CONVENER: John Melton, Baylor University (jgordon_melton@baylor.edu)

Pentecostalism: The Cutting Edge of American Religion

John Gordon Melton, Baylor University (jgordon_melton@baylor.edu)

The Religious China Shock:

Impact of China Imports on US Religions

Kenny Miao, University of Texas at Austin (kenny.miao@utexas.edu)

Is the secular transition a worldwide phenomenon?

Jörg Stolz, University of Lausanne (joerg.stolz@unil.ch)

CO-AUTHOR 1: Nan Dirk De Graaf, University of Oxford

CO-AUTHOR 2: Conrad Hackett, Pew Research Center

B-7 SSSR BOOK PANEL: MEASURING RELIGION IN CHINA

► **Room: Salon J**

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**B-8 SSSR: DANGEROUS DEVOTION:
CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM AND RACISM**

► **Room: Deer Valley 1**

CONVENER: Joseph Baker, East Tennessee State University (bakerjo@etsu.edu)

Defending "White Israel": British-Israelism and the Sacralization of Racism, Anti-Semitism, and Christian Nationalism

Joseph Baker, East Tennessee State University (bakerjo@etsu.edu)

CO-AUTHOR 1: Niki Dolfi-Hall, East Tennessee State University

CO-AUTHOR 2: Olivia Summers, East Tennessee State University

***White Resentment, Evangelicals, and Republican Party Voting:
An analysis using Google Trends***

Jonathan Hill, Calvin University (jph27@calvin.edu)

***Christian Nationalism and Perceptions of Asian Foreignness:
Evidence from Project Implicit***

Christopher Seto, Purdue University (setoc@purdue.edu)

B-9 SSSR: ENCOUNTERING LGBTQIA+ PEOPLE OF FAITH

► **Room: Deer Valley 2**

CONVENER: Jonathan Coley, Oklahoma State University
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Religious Individualism among

LGBTQ Faith Leaders in the United States

Jonathan Coley, Oklahoma State University (jonathan.s.coley@okstate.edu)

CO-AUTHOR 1: Joseph Anthony, SUNY Cortland

CO-AUTHOR 2: Taline da Silva, Oklahoma State University

"We All Have Our Own Trials": Latter-day Saint perceptions of factors influencing the development of queer sexualities

Bethany Gull, Utah Tech University (bethanygull@yahoo.com)

CO-AUTHOR: Ryan Cragun, University of Tampa

What is a Catholic Man? Masculinity, homosexuality, and the conservative Catholic response to LGBT Advocacy

Michael Ryan, Baylor University (michael_ryan1@baylor.edu)

Catholic Priest's Understandings of Homosexuality in the Priesthood and Church Today: Findings from the National Study of Catholic Priesthood

Lucas Sharma, University of California San Diego (lsharma@ucsd.edu)

B-10 SSSR: RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN LATIN AMERICA (1)

► **Room: Deer Valley 3**

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The Society of Jesus in San Luis de la Paz, Mexico

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Thinking About Social, Political and Bodily Relations Among Beings Through Coinherence and Animism

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A New Network of Religion Scholars in Central America: Central America after 1990 and the Red Centroamericana de Investigadores del Fenómeno Religioso (RECIFRE)

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Involvement of Religious Leaders and Churches in the recent Peruvian Turmoil: Exploratory Reflections on a Change of Attitude

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B-11 SSSR: ETHNORACIAL VARIATIONS IN RELIGION EXPERIENCES AND SPIRITUALITY

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***Spiritual DNA and Epigenetic Harm:
"Blood" and the "Casino Indian" Stereotype***

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Indigenous ethics and aesthetics of the Yup'ik human being

Nina Shultz, Atla-Collectors and Connectors in Religion and Theology
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***Women Priestly Ordination: The Oppression and
Discrimination by the Orthodox Churches in Nigerian Nation***

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***The Gradual but Steady Progression of the Implementation
of United Nations Declaration on Women in Ikwere Society
of Rivers State Nigeria***

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**B-12 SSSR: SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER:
CLERGY ENGAGEMENT WITH SOCIAL ISSUES**

► **Room: Park City**

CONVENER: Leah Schade, Lexington Theological Seminary
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***The Theopolitical Impact of Asian American Women Pastors in
the Aftermath of COVID-19***

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***Preaching Hot Topics During the U.S. Midterm Elections:
Abortion, Gun Violence, Race***

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***Clergy Empowerment from the Pulpit
Regarding Social Justice Engagement***

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**B-13 SSSR: NEW EMPIRICAL APPROACHES
TO THE STUDY OF RELIGIOUS NATIONALISM**

► **Room: Solitude**

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The Measurement of Christian Nationalism in Surveys

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A Christian Society or Christian State?

How civic Christian nationalism is radicalized

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The Meaning and Measurement of Christian Nationalism

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**B-14 SSSR: TIES THAT BIND:
STATE REGULATION AND RELIGIOUS ACTIVITY**

► **Room: Snowbird**

CONVENER: Mingui Gao, Purdue University (gao700@purdue.edu)

***The Aerodynamics of Faith: Persecution, Secularism, and the
Disparate Trajectories of Christianity in China and Taiwan***

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Understanding 'Religions' as Vestigial States:

The Example of Mormonism

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***How does religious market position and state sanction shape
the societal harm or benefit of Chinese Protestant groups?***

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Faith communities as advocates for the common good.

A study on the legal status of the churches in Germany

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LUNCH BREAK

12:10 – 1:10 PM

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PAPER SESSION C

C-1 SSSR: SPREADING THE GOOD AND NOT SO GOOD NEWS ONLINE

► Room: Salon A

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Religious Content Consumption and Expression through New Media among U.S. Adults

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Christian Nationalism in Official Communication from the Far-Right Social Media Platform Gab

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Tweet, Tithe, and Testify:

Black Pastors on Digital Media Post-George Floyd

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Black Women Faith Leaders Redefining Ecclesial Spaces Online

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C-2 SSSR: RELIGION & PHYSICAL SPACE

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Welcome to Death Café -

Community Connection and Death Positivity in Informal Spaces

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It Takes a Village to Keep the Dead Alive: Energizing the Ancestor Memorial [祭祀] in the K-Drama Hometown Cha-Cha-Cha

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Spaces of urban religion as public spaces. A comparative study with cases from Germany and the United States

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Spirituality in the City: A Comparative Analysis of Spirituality in City Dwellers and Rural Dwellers

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C-3 SSSR: RELIGIOUS AND THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

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A Relational Spirituality Model of Spiritual Formation in Seminary: Overview of Research and Future Directions

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'I don't see things in black and white anymore, but they are crystallizing...': How Students at a Mainline Seminary Talk about the Impact of Seminary on their Theological Views

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Understanding the Impact of COVID-19 on New Seminary Students: Insights from the ATS Entering Student Questionnaire, 2020-2023

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Beyond Sunday Schools and Toward a Sociology of Religious Knowledge

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C-4 SSSR + RRA: RELIGION, CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, AND PLACE

► Room: Salon G

CONVENER: R. Drew Smith, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (rsmith@pts.edu)

Disembodiment: White Evangelical Embodiment at the Expense of Others

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John Rawls, Fairness, and Obeah:

Distribution and Retribution in Caribbean Magic

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Empowering Internal and External Community-Building in Congregations: An Ethnographic Study of Five Suburban American Churches

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C-5 SSSR + RRA: CHALLENGING OR REPRODUCING RACIALIZED BOUNDARIES?

► **Room: Salon H**

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Organizational Racial Logics and Identity

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Reading Justice, Remembering Difference: Race, Representation, and the Dividing Lines in New Monastic Life and Writing

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Regional Religious Fields and

Black/White Residential Segregation in the U.S.

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Linking Community-Based Research and Faith-Based Racial Justice

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C-6 SSSR + RRA: RELIGION AND ATTITUDES AND EXPERIENCES TOWARDS SCIENCE AND MENTAL HEALTH

► **Room: Salon I**

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How Mental Health Treatment Approaches Dis/Empower Schismatic Segments: Scientific vs. Evangelical vs. Local Leader Therapy among the Amish

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Faculty Perceptions of Training on Religion and Spirituality across Mental Health Disciplines

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Relationships between religion and science in the interpretation of mystical experiences by Chinese Daoist monks and nuns

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C-7 SSSR: WORKSHOP: ACCESSING RELIGION DATA AND USING IT EFFECTIVELY

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C-8 SSSR BOOK PANEL: RELIGION, SPIRITUALITY AND SECULARITY AMONG MILLENNIALS

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C-9 SSSR: SHIFTS IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND BELIEFS

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The Forgotten B: Beliefs and their Political Influence

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Mormonism In Extremis: Threats Along the Covenant Path

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Beyond disenchantment and disaffiliation: Meaning-making for women after Mormonism

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A Formal Theory of Scripture

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C-10 SSSR: PERSECUTION AND PROTECTION OF RELIGIOUS MINORITIES: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

► **Room: Deer Valley 3**

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New Normal Atrocity against Minorities: Understanding Religious-Rumor Violence in Bangladesh

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Prevention Is Better Than Cure: Good Practices to Prevent Religious Discrimination

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Religious minorities in the public discourse in Poland

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**C-11 SSSR: INTERPLAY BETWEEN RELIGION
AND GENDER ROLE ATTITUDES**

► **Room: Alta**

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God Given Parts: The Role of Religion in Gendered Sexual Scripts

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One God, Multiple Egalitarianisms:

Accounting for Nonlinearity in Christian Gender Role Attitudes

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***Did Gender Egalitarianism Weaken Religiosity in Baby-Boom
Women as They Aged? A Developmental-Historical Approach***

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***Tensions of Masculinity: How Married Muslim Men
Perceive the Role of the Househusband in Malaysia***

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C-12 SSSR: PUBLIC RELIGIONS

► **Room: Park City**

CONVENER: Valentina Cantori, University of Southern California
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***Styles of Public Islam: Public Religious Expressions
among American Muslim Advocates***

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***Catholic Foundations and Their Relationships
to the Dioceses They Serve***

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American Evangelical Christians and the Politics of Sharia Law

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**C-13 SSSR: NAVIGATING RELIGIOUS
AND POLITICAL IDENTITIES**

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***In the Spirit of the Gospel Swamp: Latino Pentecostalism
and Political Action in Orange County, California***

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Gender and Religion on the Campaign Trail

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Participation of Christians in the Sandinista Revolution

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***Ideology First, but Unity through Religious Pluralism?
Negotiating Religious and Ideological Tensions in a U.S.***

Christian Democratic-inspired Political Party

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**C-14 SSSR: OPEN SCIENCE AND QUALITATIVE RELIGION
RESEARCH: INTERESTS, ETHICS, AND EPISTEMICS**

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The Open Science Movement:

Funders, Foundations, and Federal Regulations

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Perspectives of Qualitative Researchers:

Finding Middle Ground in Opening Data

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Perspectives of Editors and Publishers:

Issuing Helpful Qualitative Data Guidelines

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BOOK EXHIBIT

9:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Skylight Ballroom

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PAPER SESSION D

**D-1 SSSR + RRA: RACE, RELIGION, CRIMINOLOGY,
& SOCIAL JUSTICE**

► **Room: Salon A**

CONVENER: Shaonta' Allen, Dartmouth College (shaonta.allen@dartmouth.edu)

Ethno-Racial Variation in Black Christian Politics

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***Examining the Relationship between Race, Places of Worship,
and Crime within Midwestern Urban Neighborhoods***

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***Religion and Police Engagement at Black Protest Events,
1994-2010***

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***Asian American Christians, Perceived Discrimination
and StopAAPIHate: A View from Recent Surveys***

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**D-2 SSSR: EXPOSING AND CHALLENGING
THE PERSISTENCE OF PATRIARCHY**

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Salvation, Children, and Co-Mission:

Evangelical Missionaries and their Women

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***Religious leaders and sexuality: A case study of young girls given
to marriage with the white garment churches in Zimbabwe***

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***By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them: Male Leadership Practices
and Catholic Charismatic Covenant Community Structures***

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D-3 SSSR: EVOLVING RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP

► **Room: Salon C**

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***Build a Network, Yield a New Spirit: Training Seminarians
for Empowering and Collaborative Leadership***

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Which Congregational Leaders Also Work as Chaplains?

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***Leadership Orientation among Religious Leaders
and its Impacts on Health and Well-Being***

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***The Future of Work: Professionalization of Clergy
and Nonprofit Collaborations***

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**D-4 RRA: RELIGIOUS LEADER TRACK - DISPELLING MYTHS
AND GENERATING DIALOGUE ON SCIENCE AND RELIGION**

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What Scientists Think about Religion

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What Religious People Think about Science

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How to Have Dialogue about Science

and Religion in Congregations

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**D-5 SSSR: PAPERS ON RELIGIOUS SWITCHING FROM
MEMBERS OF SWITCHING SEMINAR WORKING GROUP**

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***The dimmer switch: Religious disaffiliation
as a gradual compound process***

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Measuring religious switching in Israel: Challenges and pitfalls

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***Explaining religious revival: Mechanisms linking long-term
secularization with transitory religious upswings***

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***Modeling religious change via switching in
global projections of religion***

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D-6 SSSR: THE PARTY FAITHFUL: RELIGION, IDEOLOGY, AND POLITICAL ALIGNMENT IN AMERICAN POLITICS

► **Room: Salon I**

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The Changing Political Alignment of American Catholics

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Godless and Radical? The Legacy of Communist Institutions and Left-Wing Affinities in Eastern Germany

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The Partisan Sorting of Christian Nationalism (1996-2021)

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Redirecting the Arrow: Religion and Political Party Switching in the 21st Century United States

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D-7 SSSR: RELIGION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVISM

► **Room: Salon J**

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Watershed determines climate approach: An analysis of EcoPreacher participant climate concerns based on location

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A Blues Gospel for Anthropocene? Sacred Rivers of Human Ecology Cross Global Roads of Disposable Commodities

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Freedom and Constraint: American Catholic Sisters Engaging in Environmental Activism

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It's Not Easy Preaching "Green": Bridging the Gap between Preachers and Listeners with Environmental Sermons

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D-8 SSSR: THE 2023 ASBURY REVIVAL: RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION IN A DIGITAL AGE

► **Room: Deer Valley 1**

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Geography, Theology, and Memory:

The 2023 Asbury Revival in Historical Perspective

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"God is Doing Something Here": Religious Language and Constructing Spiritual Experience at the 2023 Asbury Outpouring
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"Like a Forcefield over Wilmore":

Material and Digital Space during the Asbury Revival

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D-9 RRA BOOK PANEL - NO CONGREGATION IS AN ISLAND: HOW FAITH COMMUNITIES NAVIGATE OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES TOGETHER

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D-10 SSSR: FAR-RIGHT CONSERVATIVE MORMONISM IN THE UNITED STATES

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Fissures, Factions, and Fault Lines? Death Penalty Support among Latter-day Saints Reconsidered

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"This is Not an Official Site": Theological Speculation and Discussion on the LDS Freedom Forum"

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Navigating Boundaries in Mormon Spaces on Far-Right Social Media

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Far-Right Sympathies Among US Mormons: Demographic and Ideological Factors That Predict Support for DezNat and Christian Nationalism

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**D-11 SSSR BOOK PANEL: GOD'S RESISTANCE:
MOBILIZING FAITH TO DEFEND IMMIGRANTS**

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D-12 SSSR: RELIGION, SPIRITUALITY, AND WELLBEING

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***Holistically Healthy: A Person-Centered Estimation of
Religious Mosaics and Incident Chronic Disease in Midlife***

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***How Workplace Support of Religious Faith Buffered
Burnout during the Height of the COVID-19 Pandemic***

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***Anticipating Sabbath Predicts Higher Quality Sleep.
A Longitudinal Adventist Study***

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What Discrimination?

Microaggressions Against Nontheists Categorized

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D-13 SSSR: (RE)IMAGINING THE MUSLIM WORLD

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Is there a 'Muslim world'? A network analysis approach

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***Nation-State and Ummah; A Study of the
Post-Colonial Indian Muslim Political Discourses***

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***Classifying Muslims: Contextualizing Religion and Race in the
United Kingdom and Germany***

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***Islam as Minority or Majority Religion: Comparative
Case Study of African Americans and Bosnian Muslims***

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**D-14 SSSR: COMING HOME ON CAMPUS:
FINDINGS FROM THE LANDSCAPE STUDY OF CHAPLAINCY
AND CAMPUS MINISTRY IN THE UNITED STATES**

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***All Are Welcome (But Not Affirmed): LGBTQ Responses as
a Divided Line in Contemporary College Campus Ministry***

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Creating Safe Spaces for Religious Minorities on Campus

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***Racial Deficits in Belonging in the
Evangelical Campus Landscape***

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***A Comparative Portrait of Religious
Leaders Serving Congregations and Colleges***

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**D-15 SSSR: WHERE HAVE ALL THE CLERGY GONE?:
DISTRESS AND BURNOUT IN PUBLIC MINISTRY**

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***Gender, Power, Harm: Clergywomen's
Experiences with Workplace Harassment***

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***Adapting to Clergy Shortage in American Zen Communities:
Four Case Studies***

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***Questioning their call -
Study of the Lutheran clergy exiting ministry***

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Risk Factors for Clergy Distress and Well-being

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NEW BOOKS RECEPTION

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BRAD CHRISTERSON

God's Resistance

(NYU Press, November 2023)

PETR ČINČALA

Quantitative Research for Practical Theology

(Department of World Mission, Andrews University, 2023)

JACK DELEHANTY

*Making Moral Citizens: How Faith-Based
Organizers Use Vocation for Public Action*

(University of North Carolina Press, 2023)

RACHEL ELLIS

In This Place Called Prison:

Women's Religious Life in the Shadow of Punishment

(University of California Press, April 2023)

PETER S. HENNE

Religious Appeals in Power Politics

(Cornell University Press, September 2023)

AIMEE LEUKERT

Thriving: 31 Stories on the Impact of Adventist Education

(Pacific Press, July 2023)

KRISTINA LIZARDY-HAJBI

Explore: Vocational Discovery in Ministry

(co-edited with Matthew Floding)

(Rowman & Littlefield, Fall 2022)

JENNIFER MCCLURE HARAWAY

No Congregation Is an Island

(Rowman & Littlefield, September 2023)

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*Making Christianity Manly Again: Mark Driscoll,
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RRA DOUGLASS PANEL

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 | 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | Salons E-F

*Addressing Religion and Science,
Faith at Work, Race and the Pandemic*

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RRA RECEPTION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Salons A-D

AFFINITY GROUP AND RESEARCH NETWORK MEETINGS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023, 8:30 PM – 10:00 PM

CATHOLIC RESEARCH NETWORK

► **Room: Salon G**

The meeting of the Catholic Research Network will include a discussion of the topics of interest to those attending.

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NON-RELIGION GROUP

► **Room: Salon H**

This is a group for those interested in the myriad ways that non-religion shows up in the United States and globally.

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ISLAM RESEARCH NETWORK

► **Room: Salon I**

This is an informal discussion and networking opportunity for researchers who study Islam.

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MORMON SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION (MSSA)

► **Room: Salon J**

MSSA exists for the purpose of promoting and sharing the scholarly study of Mormon life. We provide contact and association among researchers and educators working in both academic and applied settings, and are both interdisciplinary and international in scope and purpose.

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SCHOLARS OF COLOR NETWORK

► **Room: Deer Valley 1**

This networking event is for Scholars of Color within the SSSR. We believe the more robust and vibrant connections are made when genuine relationship is the foundation; therefore, we seek to provide an environment where Scholars of Color can discuss and enhance the visibility of their work, receive support, and unwind.

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CONGREGATIONAL SCHOLARS NETWORK

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This is an opportunity for those interested in congregational research to meet and get acquainted.

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SOCIAL SCIENCE OF SCIENCE AND RELIGION GROUP

► **Room: Deer Valley 3**

This group promotes empirical social science research on the relationship between science and religion.

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RELIGION AND CIVIC LIFE

► **Room: Cottonwood**

This is a group for scholars interested in the intersection of religion with politics, voluntarism, and other forms of civic life.

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SATURDAY

OCTOBER 21

8:00 am – 8:50 am	SSSR Business Meeting	Cottonwood
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8:30 am – 4:00 pm	Registration Open	Grand Ballroom Foyer
9:00 am – 10:30 am	Paper Session E	
9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Book Exhibit	Skylight Ballroom
10:40 am – 12:10 pm	Paper Session F	
12:15 pm – 1:10 pm	Networking Lunch	Salon D
12:20 pm – 1:10 pm	Mormon Social Science Association Business Meeting	Solitude
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	SSSR Presidential Panel	Salons E-F
2:20 pm – 3:50 pm	Paper Session G	
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Paper Session H	
5:45 pm – 7:00 pm	SSSR Awards and Presidential Address	Salons E-F
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	SSSR Presidential Reception	Salons A-D

SSSR BUSINESS MEETING **AGENDA**

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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF OFFICERS

STRATEGIC PLAN OVERVIEW AND PROGRESS REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

JOURNAL EDITOR'S REPORT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00AM - 10:30AM

PAPER SESSION E

E-1 SSSR: LGBTQIA+ IN/EXCLUSION WITHIN FAITH COMMUNITIES

► Room: Salon A

CONVENER: Veronica Timbers, University of Utah
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***"Everything God Creates is Beautiful":
A Phenomenological Study of Pride and Harm among
LGBTQIA+ People with Christian Backgrounds***

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***"If God says you're ok": Rejection and spiritual
self-determination among LGBTQ African Americans
in Birmingham Alabama***

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***You Can't Break My Spirit:
How Black LGBTQ People Navigate the Church***

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***"Fearfully and Wonderfully Made:" Queerness
and the Sacred in Affirming Christian Institutions***

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E-2 SSSR: GLENN VERNON LECTURE BY PEGGY FLETCHER STACK (MORMON SOCIAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION)

► Room: Salon B

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***Covering an Evolving Mormonism: A Journalist's Barometer of
Prophets, Problems, and Progress***

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E-3 SSSR: CLERGY HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

► Room: Salon C

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***The Impact of Polarization on the Health
and Wellbeing of Mainline Protestant Clergy***

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***Exploring the Relationships between Work-Family
Conflict and Mental Health in the Clergy Profession***

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To Heal the Wounded Soul:

Serving BIPOC Pastors Amidst Difficult Times

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***Adverse Childhood Experiences Among Seminarians: Personal
Experiences of Trauma and Selection into Pastoral Ministry***

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E-4 RRA: RESPONDING TO FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES FACING PASTORAL LEADERS

► Room: Salon G

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***Predicting Parishioner Donations: A Study Comparing Lifetime
Value Models on a Robust Sample of Catholic Donation Data***

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***Post Seminary Financial Liabilities for
Diocesan Catholics Pursuing Ordination***

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***Response to Food Crisis: A Review of Models of Food
Distribution in Catholic Parishes in Westchester County, NY***

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***What Happened to Parishioner Giving During & After COVID?
Estimating the Effects of COVID using the PDO framework***

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E-5 RRA: RESEARCH AND PROGRAM EVALUATION IN RELIGIOUS SPACES: OPPORTUNITIES AND NEW DIRECTIONS

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Research Can Be Fun and Board Games

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***Program Evaluation in Religious Domain:
A Systematic Mapping and Analysis of Academic
Literature on Program Evaluation in the Field of Religion***

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

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100 Years of Denominational Data

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**E-6 SSSR BOOK PANEL: BEYOND DOUBT:
THE SECULARIZATION OF SOCIETY**

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**E-7 SSSR: YOUTH & RELIGION: HOW YOUNG PEOPLE
LEARN TO ENGAGE IN CIVIL SOCIETY & VOLUNTARY
ORGANIZATIONS [SSSR COUNCIL-ORGANIZED SESSION]**

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**Youth, Religion, and Civil Society: Religiosity in
Volunteering, Charitable Giving, and Helping**

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Youth, Religion, and Education:

Religiosity in Concerted Efforts to Teach Civic Orientations

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Youth, Religion, and Identity:

Intergroup Dynamics for Religious and Ethnic Minorities

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E-8 SSSR: NAVIGATING GENDER AND FAITH

► **Room: Deer Valley 1**

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Identity between Materiality and Subjectivity:

The Quest for Individuality, Autonomy, and Agency in

Muslim Women's Narratives of Headscarf Removal

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**"I Cry A Lot, Emotionally Eat, and Sometimes Refuse To
Read My Bible": Black Women and the Religion Paradox?**

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**Sacred Sororities: Mega-Churches, Religious Commodification
and the Re-Imagination of African Womanhood**

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**Days of Darkness: Gender, Trauma and Apocalyptic
Thought in Catholic Charismatic Culture**

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E-9 SSSR: RELIGION AND MIXED MARRIAGES

► **Room: Deer Valley 2**

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**Longitudinal differences in marital commitment
and satisfaction after marriages diverge in faith:
The mediating role of shared goals**

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**How do we build resilience in a relationship? A grounded theory
study of finding common ground in a mixed-faith marriage**

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**Moral Community and Religious Identity:
A Multilevel Exploration of Whites' Attitudes
toward Interracial Marriage with Asians**

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E-10 SSSR: RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN LATIN AMERICA

► **Room: Deer Valley 3**

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**Pluralization as the new paradigm in Mexican religious context:
The sacred places as a tool to apprehend religious plurality**

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Liberation Theology as Critical Theory in Latin America

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Concerns for a new kind of catholic parish in Latin America

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The Society of Jesus in San Luis de la Paz

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E-11 SSSR: RELIGION, SCIENCE, AND EDUCATION

► **Room: Alta**

CONVENER: Kate Johnson, Brigham Young University
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***How Christian Teachers Frame Students,
Teaching Identity, and the Purpose of Education***

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***Religious Transhumanists:
Understanding the Fusion of Faith and Futurism***

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Social Work Students from Religious Backgrounds

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***Aesthetic Experience, Religiosity, and Spirituality in Science:
A Four-Country Study***

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**E-12 SSSR: CATHOLICISM'S CROSSROADS:
AUTHORITY, CITIZENSHIP, AND RACE**

► **Room: Park City**

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Polarization? A Closer Look at Catholic Political Commitments

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U.S. Catholics' Deference to Church Teaching on Sexual Morality

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***The Distinct Beliefs, Practices, and Expectations of Catholics
of Color, and How Church Leaders Envision Responding***

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**E-13 SSSR: HOW NEW RELIGIONS RETAIN OR LOSE THEIR
CHILDREN: INTERNAL CONTROL AND STATE INTERVENTION**

► **Room: Solitude**

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***State-Sponsored Child Abuse in Raids on Religious Minorities:
The Branch Davidians and the FLDS***

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"Hiding from Herod":

Children in sectarian new religions and state interventions

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Defecting or Remaining?

The Second Generation in the Unification Church

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**E-14 SSSR: RELIGION AND THE WELLBEING
OF EMERGING ADULTS**

► **Room: Snowbird**

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***Young, Black, and Spiritual: Demographic correlates of
spirituality for African American and Caribbean Black
emerging adults***

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***Criminal and Delinquent Behaviors and Religiousness:
A Longitudinal Exploration of Religion's Role in
Emerging Adulthood***

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Religion, Life Goals, and Life Satisfaction Amongst Young Adults

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E-15 SSSR: NOT YOUR TYPICAL RELIGIOUS PRACTICE

► **Room: Capitol Reef**

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Reinventing Religious Practice in a Gentrifying Neighborhood

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***Church, Football, or Both: Exploring Religious and
Denominational Variation in Sport Fandom***

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The Case for Tattoos as Religious Practices

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E-16 SSSR: THE FUTURE OF CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITIES

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Human Sexuality and Culture Wars in Christian Higher Ed

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***What's Giving Them Life? An Exploration of Spiritual Formation
and Religious Beliefs of College Students at a Christian College***

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"Don't Make it About Race":

White Censorship at a Christian College

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Centralizing the Tensions

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

10:40AM - 12:10PM

PAPER SESSION F

F-1 SSSR: POLITICS OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS: NEW RESULTS FROM THE NATIONAL STUDY OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS

► Room: Salon A

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The Community Pressures Affecting Clergy and Congregational Politicking

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The Role of Congregation-Level Factors for Explaining Variation in Religious Leaders' Political Activism

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Race/Faith, Religion, and Environmental Activism

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Clergy Talk: Do Catholic Priests Discuss Political Issues?

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F-2 SSSR BOOK PANEL: THE SPIRITUAL TURN: THE RELIGION OF THE HEART AND THE MAKING OF ROMANTIC LIBERAL MODERNITY

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F-3 SSSR: RELIGION IN HIGHER EDUCATION

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Racialized Belonging and the Omission of Racialized Religion from Campus Diversity Efforts

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A Critical Realist Analysis of First Year University Students Sustaining Their Faith

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Evaluating Evangelical and Secular University Diversity Statements

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How Greeley's prophecy's failed: Where are the Catholics among elite academics?

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F-4 RRA: GENDER AND THE EXPERIENCES OF WOMEN IN MINISTRY

► Room: Salon G

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Boundary Training:

Women in Ministry and Abuse in the White Church

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"Policy Over Person Every Time": Adventist Female Pastors Experiences with Organizational Policy Clashes

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Subjugated Identity among Women of Color Clergy

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Growing Gender Parity among Clergy Serving Congregations? An Analysis of Congregational-Level Data in Four Christian Denominations

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F-5 RRA: TRACKING THE PANDEMIC'S IMPACT #2: FAITH COMMUNITIES TODAY 2020 TO 2023

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Small Can be Vital: Lessons from Congregations in The Episcopal Church and The United Church of Christ

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To Everything There is a Season:

Changes and Emerging Trends in the UCC from 2020-2023

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***The State of Churches of Christ:
Insights from the 2023 FACT Survey***

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***Who the winners are: a collective portrait of the Orthodox
Christian parishes which surged in vitality post-pandemic.***

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**F-6 SSSR: ON THE GENESIS OF THE SOCIOLOGY OF
MORMONISM AND THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH**

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F-7 SSSR: DISCOVERING RELIGION - LEAVING RELIGION

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***Taking up religion and maintaining
religious ties in a secular context***

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***Seeking belonging (again): The lonesome limits of
an online deconstruction community for ex-Evangelicals***

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***(Not) following my family - Continuity and discontinuity of
religion in families and happiness in childhood and youth***

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Young Romanians Grow Up between National and Religious Identity

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**F-8 SSSR: RELIGIOUS VIEWS ON
CLIMATE AND ENERGY CRISES**

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Religion and Attitudes about Renewable Energy in 20 Countries

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***Dominionism, Stewardship, and Perceptions
of the Problem of Climate Change***

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***Shaping Ecologically-Imagined Leadership
Using Religious and Spiritual Frameworks***

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***Differences between highly religious Americans who are
concerned about climate change and those who aren't***

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**F-9 SSSR: RELIGION & SOCIETY GROUP
AT WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY**

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***Predictors of Adopting an Atheistic Worldview: An Analysis of
Survey Data Containing a Retrospective Measure of Belief in God***

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Strictness and Structure:

How Orthodoxy Shapes Amish Population Pyramids

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***In the best interest of children: Influences on vaccination
decisions among the Amish and Old Order Mennonites***

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**F-10 SSSR: LATTER-DAY SAINT SELF-RELIANCE
AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

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The Self-Reliance Initiative:

A Method of Revelatory Liberal Capitalism

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***How Mormons Are Building Zion Among the Poor Worldwide:
Sustainable Grassroots Strategies with Social Impacts***

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The LDS Self-Reliance Initiative in Peru and Utah

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**F-11 SSSR: HIGH ON FAITH:
RELIGION AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE**

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***Spiritual but Not Religious and Marijuana Use:
Substance Using Peers, Self-control, Thinking about
the Future, and Antisocial Rule Breaking***

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Does substance use reduce religiousness?

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Religion and Smoking Related Disease:

Individual Response to Institutional Health Policy

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**F-12 SSSR: RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND CHANGE II:
NEW DATASETS AND NEW INSIGHTS**

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Recent Pew Research Center International Religion Datasets

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The RICH-USA Dataset:

Harmonizing Dozens of US Religion Datasets

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The DIM-R+ Dataset, a Harmonization of ESS, EVS, WVS, ISSP with Five Dimensions of Religiosity

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Changes in religiosity over the life course in comparative perspective: USA, Ireland, Poland, and Czech Republic

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**F-13 SSSR: THE SUPPORTING CAST OF RELIGION
AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS**

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Faith-Based Community Organizing

Beyond Religious Congregations

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The use of affiliated groups to support a religious institution: A case study involving the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

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Christmas Tree or Something Else? Local Holiday Displays and Government Officials' Preferences for Religion in Public

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**F-14 SSSR: RETHINKING HOW WE CONDUCT
QUALITATIVE RESEARCH**

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Conducting Qualitative Research in a Covid-19 Era: Challenges and Possibilities

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Researcher Positionality in Research on the Religious Identities of Public School Teachers

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A Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Audit of the American Families of Faith Project

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In their own words:

using voice diary to study religion in daily life

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**F-15 SSSR: SECULARIZATION AND RELIGIOSITY IN
NIGERIA & TURKEY**

► **Room: Cottonwood**

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"In my father's house"! Religious entrepreneurial activities among some African Pentecostal/Charismatic churches

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Perplexity of Megachurches as Panacea to African Problems: Perspectives from Kenya

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Is Islamic Decoloniality Possible?:

The Case of Ibn Khaldun University in Turkey

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Political Backlash and Period Effects:

Examining Secularization in Turkey

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Religion - Empowering, Oppressing, or Both?: Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives

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PAPER SESSION G

G-1 SSSR: RELIGION, PEACE, AND VIOLENCE IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

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Uncertain Faith in Uncertain Times:

How Religious Conflict Shapes Religious Peacebuilding

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Religion and its Ambivalent Role for Social Cohesion and Political Support for Liberal Democracies.

Evidence from Germany and Switzerland.

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Divided Loyalties: Allegiance to Orthodox Patriarchs and Political Division in Pre-war Ukraine

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Taming the 'Monster' and Preserving the Future: Religious Fundamentalism and the Soul of the Nigerian Nation

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G-2 SSSR: EXPLORING THE PANDEMIC IMPACT ON CONGREGATIONS: PASTORAL CHALLENGES, RESOURCE DISPARITY, AND POLITICAL ORIENTATION

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Pastoral Challenges and Transitions in the Pandemic Era

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The "Haves" and the "Have Nots": Adaptation, resources, and disparities in post-COVID congregational life

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Congregational Identity, Culture, and Resources:

A Comparative Analysis of Five Central Texas Churches

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G-3 SSSR: NEW APPROACHES TO THE STUDY OF NONES

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An exploration of Latino Nones in America

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The 1960s Drop in Catholic Commitment and the 1990s Increase in U.S. Nones: Are There Parallels?

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The Nones and the Nons:

A Dualistic Theory of Declining Religious Authority

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G-4 RRA: CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND OPERATIONS TODAY

► Room: Salon G

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The Rhetoric of Pastoral Leadership: Agency of "I", "We" and "They" in Narratives of Congregational Transformation

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Impact of COVID-19 on U.S. Catholic and Protestant Giving

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How Churches Use Technological Tools

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G-5 RRA+SSSR: RELIGION, GENDER, AND FAMILY

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Correlates of Muslim Family Law Reform:

A Global and Historical Exploration

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Therapeutic Silence as Presence:

Pastoring Involuntary Childless Couples

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Parenting Styles & Levels of Religiosity among Latter-Day Saint Millennials

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Impact of Religiosity on Relational Equality, Virtues, and Couple's Satisfaction

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G-6 RRA: RECENT RESEARCH ON CATHOLIC SISTERS GLOBALLY

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Rising to the Challenge of Aging:

A Case Study of Catholic Sisters' Communities

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Congregations of Women Religious in México: Distressed Organizations

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Catholic Sisters in Vietnam: Hopes and Challenges

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Support and Care of Elderly and Infirm Sisters in India

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G-7 SSSR: SILL LOSING OUR RELIGION: THE STUDY OF RELIGIOUS EXITING AND DECONVERSION 2

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Why do people leave religion?

Examining religious exiting in the US

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Predictors and Processes of Adolescent Religious Deconversion

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Transitioning Out of Religion:

Factors Influencing LDS Faith Transitions

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G-8 SSSR: FEMINIST APPROACHES TO THE SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

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The Sacred and the Secular: Examining the Intersection of Feminist Christian Identification and Progressive Social Issues

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"Cleaning feet is 'haram', we don't do it:" How Muslim immigrant women workers in the low-wage ethnic beauty salons negotiate religious and gender identities

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Magic and Feminism in the Study of Religion and Social Life

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G-9 SSSR: CHURCH ATTENDANCE BEFORE AND AFTER COVID-19

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Modeling Worship Attendance Before and After the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Patterns in U.S. Religious Service Participation over the Course of the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Streamable Services: Affinities for Streaming in Pre-Pandemic Congregational Worship

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Aging, Health, and Religious Attendance Change among older Mexican Americans

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G-10 SSSR: RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN LATIN AMERICA (2)

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The Participation of Christians in the Sandinista Revolution in Nicaragua

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The Other Skeleton Saint:

Rey Pascual from Guatemala and Chiapas

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The Political and Conversion Career of Daniel Ortega in Nicaragua

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Migrating with Santos: From Colombia to Europe, Regla de Ocha

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G-11 SSSR: RELIGION IN THEORY & PRAXIS

► **Room: Alta**

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Hindering/Fostering Integration or Vice Versa?

The Dynamic Role of Participation in Religious Communities for Five Dimensions of Immigrant Integration in Germany

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It Doesn't Have To Be Loud: Volume, Mood, and Other Fluctuating Attributes of Religious Effervescence

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Isolation, religion, and immigration in the northern plains:

How immigrant populations find resources and avoid cultural alienation

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Comparative Analysis of Oathtaking Method, Strategy and Impact on the Victim-centered Approach

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G-12 SSSR BOOK PANEL: INTERPRETING CHILD SACRIFICE NARRATIVES: HORROR AND REDEMPTION

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G-13 SSSR: RELIGION AND SCIENCE PANEL 1: THE CONTENT OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RELIGION AND SCIENCE

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Religious Identity and Perceptions of Conflict between Scientific and Religious Leaders

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Navigating social ties when discussing science and religion on social media

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Belief in Paranormal Phenomena and Skepticism toward Scientific Issues

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Being Non-Religious in Tech:

How Do Tech Workers in China and the US Relate to Religion?

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G-14 SSSR: NEW PERSPECTIVES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT: SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE RESEARCH

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Attitudes toward War Refugees and Other Immigrants: The Role of Religion and Xenophobia in Three Nationally Representative German Samples 2015, 2016, and 2022

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Religious, Spiritual, and Therapeutic Ways toward Healing: Following Master Narratives and (Emerging) Alternative Narratives in Consecutive Autobiographical Interviews on God and the World

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Falling from what?

Secular Disaffiliation as a Form of Deconversion

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Idiographic and Nomothetic Evidence for Depth and Breadth of Religious Worldviews and their Relationship to Religious Styles

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G-15 SSSR: UNDERSTANDING MAJOR TRENDS AND TURNING POINTS IN RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND BEHAVIOR

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A Fresh Look at Flourishing:

A Review of Sociological Perspectives and New Directions

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Shocks and Solidarity:

Exploring the Evolutionary Foundations of Faith

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Looking Backward: The retrospective approach to estimating long-run religious trends

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Explaining religious revival in the context of long-term secularization

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G-16 SSSR: RELIGIOUS PRAXIS ACROSS CONTEXTS

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The Impact of Catholic Religious Sisters on Country-level Life Expectancy

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"Dear God": Hip Hop Songs of Prayer and Their Reactors

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How to Change the World:

Religious Grassroots Global Innovations

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BOOK EXHIBIT

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PAPER SESSION H

H-1 SSSR: CAREER PATHS IN SOCIAL SCIENCE AND RELIGION

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H-2 SSSR: BOOK PANEL: GOOD NEWS FOR COMMON GOODS: MULTICULTURAL EVANGELICALISM AND ETHICAL DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA

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H-3 SSSR + RRA: SPIRITUALITY & HEALTH: COPING IN STRESS AND ILLNESS

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Multi-Dimensional Scaling Reveals Relationships Among the New Testament Epistles

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African American adolescent girls' expressions of spirituality in response to stressful life experiences

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Religious and Spiritual Practice Associations with Dementia Progression

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H-4 SSSR + RRA: CLERGY: VOCATION AND CALLING

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The Spirituality of Deconstruction in North American Seminaries

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Findings from the Religious Workforce Project:

Patterns in Call Stories of Religious Leaders

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The Dynamics of Clergy Supply and Demand in The Episcopal Church

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Impacts of Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth Movement on the Faith Life of U.S. Catholic Youth

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H-5 SSSR + RRA: CREATING HEALTHY AND EMPOWERED RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES

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It's About Power and It's Done in the Name of God: Understanding Spiritual Abuse and Creating Healthy Christian Cultures

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Empowerment of (Church) Communities – An Interdisciplinary Approach on Vitality

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Bridging the Gulf Between Work and Church: A Catholic Gulf Migrant Worker Initiative to Go from Deprivation toward Flourishing

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Multiracial In Disguise:

Disaggregating multiracial congregations by skin tone

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H-6 SSSR: STUDYING RELIGION: REFLECTION, CASE STUDIES, AND SURVEYING HARD TO REACH POPULATIONS

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A Hospital Chaplain in Training: A Study of Religion in Context

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Communal Survival in "The Last Days" of Pandemics and Economic Decline: Kibbutzniks, Hutterites, and Native Americans

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Nationwide Quantitative Study of a Minority Religious Community in Post-Genocide Rwanda, Part 1:

Accounting for Digital Literacy and Accessibility

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Nationwide Quantitative Study of a Minority Religious Community in Post-Genocide Rwanda, Part 2: Transcending Digital Boundaries, Maintaining Data Integrity

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H-7 SSSR: HOW DOES RELIGIOSITY AND RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCE IMPACT GIVING?: A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF U.S. GIVING ACROSS FAITH TRADITIONS AND ACROSS PARTICULAR THEMES

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Categorizing Religious Giving Beyond Congregations and Comparing Across Faith Traditions

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Biased Toward Giving?

Exploring Possible Links between Experiences of Discrimination, Religio-ethnic Identity and Household Philanthropy

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Giving in the United Church of Christ:

20 Years of Trends Within and Beyond the Institution

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H-8 SSSR: PREACHING POLITICS FROM THE PULPIT

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Christian Nationalism from the Pulpit:

Survey Evidence of Clergy Rhetoric in American Congregations

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Speaking up or Opting out:

Analyzing Clergy Engagement with Social Issues

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Heretics and Hypocrites:

Seeing Religious Guidance Through a Partisan Lens

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H-9 RELIGION, RACE, AND SCHOOLING

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Does segregation work the same at 11:00 on Sunday morning as it does on Monday? Reviewing theories on racial diversity in congregations and schools

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The role of youth religious education on racial attitudes

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The Metaphorical Fruit of White Christian Nationalism: Christian Teachers in Public Schools

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Parental Religiosity and Adolescent Grades and College Aspirations: The Role of Parenting Characteristics, Adolescent Social Settings, and Adolescent Personality

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**H-10 SSSR: OUT OF THIS WORLD:
CONSPIRACY, RELIGION, AND POLITICS**

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Paranormal Britain: Initial Survey Findings

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The Beast Computer of Brussels:

An American Invention that Conquered the World

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QAnon: Religion, Politics, or Both?

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American Power and the Paradoxical Politics of UFO Belief

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**H-11 SSSR: THE NEXT GENERATION OF BELIEVERS:
INVESTIGATING YOUTH RELIGIOSITY AND FAITH
DEVELOPMENT**

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***Religious Social Identity, Doctrinal Faith, and Denominational
Self-Esteem: The Case of Adventist Adolescents***

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***The Highs and Lows of Church Life: How Adventist Youth
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***Exploring the Role of Teachers and Personal Religiosity
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Diversity in Spiritual Expression:

How Protestant Youth Express Spirituality

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**H-12 SSSR: RELIGIOUS APPROACHES TO
ABORTION & SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

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Religion and Emotional Responses to Abortion among US Adults

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***Roe v. Wade and Media Disinformation:
The Biggest Challenge for Evangelical Churches***

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***Has the History of SS Anti-Semitic Group Ritual and Group
Identity During the Holocaust Anything to Teach Us About
Sexual Assault on Campus and How to Prevent It?***

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Victims of Sexual Assault and Religion

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**H-13 SSSR: ETHICAL CONCERNS IN RESEARCH
ON OLD AND NEW RELIGIONS**

► **Room: Solitude**

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***A Case Study of West Virginia and Efforts
to Criminalize the Handling of Serpents***

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***The historical origins of collaborationism with NRMs:
A sympathetic view***

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**H-14 SSSR: PATTERNS OF RELIGIOUS
IDENTITY AND COMMITMENT**

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Religious identity, affinity, and practice among Asian Americans

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***Religious fundamentalism among Israeli Arab
Muslims and Israeli Jews: A Comparative Analysis***

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***Natural Law, Human Fallibility, and the Transcendence of God:
Religious Commitment in Islam, Christianity, Judaism***

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SSSR AWARDS AND PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

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The Social Betrayal of Religion

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SUNDAY

OCTOBER 22

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00AM - 10:30AM

PAPER SESSION I

I-1 SSSR: ENVISIONING EMPOWERMENT AND OPPRESSION

► **Room: Salon A**

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Religious Density, Group Identity and Religious Resentment in Utah

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Neophytes and Lamanites:

Handsome Lake and the Book of Mormon

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'Oh! slavery how I hate thee!': Perspectives of European Latter-day Saint emigrants on American slavery

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I-2 SSSR: BEYOND THE DOSE IN THE MEDICINE: EXAMINING MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE IN SHAMANIC PRACTICE, EXISTENTIAL RESTORATION, AND PSYCHEDELIC-ASSISTED THERAPY

► **Room: Salon B**

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Mystical experiences in Shamanic practices:

A pluralistic view of the unity

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Religion and Spirituality in the Anxiety Buffer Reparation Model of Psychedelic Psychotherapy

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Integrating Spiritual, Existential, Religious, and Theological Components in Psychedelic-Assisted Therapy: applications in a trial of psilocybin for demoralization in cancer survivors

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I-3 SSSR: HOW TO NOURISH A STARVING JEWISH IDENTITY [SSSR COUNCIL-ORGANIZED SESSION]

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Bernie Sanders remembers the Holocaust

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Who we don't talk about when we talk about Jews

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Tracking Religious and Secular Identity Formation with a Longitudinal Study

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I-4 RRA: FAITH TRANSMISSION AND RELIGIOSITY AMONG YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

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What Factors Buffer the Effects of Parent-Adolescent Religious Discrepancy to Preserve Parent-Child Connectedness?

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Intergenerational Faith Transmission in the Flourishing Congregation

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9:00AM - 10:30AM

Christian Discipleship and Formation Programs: An Overview

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I-5 RRA: INTERNAL RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS: WHAT DATA IS GATHERED? COULD IT BE MADE AVAILABLE TO EXTERNAL RESEARCHERS?

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I-6 SSSR BOOK PANEL: WE GOD'S PEOPLE: CHRISTIANITY, ISLAM AND HINDUISM IN THE WORLD OF NATIONS

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I-7 SSSR: WHERE ARE THE GOOD SAMARITANS?: DIVERGENT EFFECTS OF RELIGION ON PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOR

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Altruistic Atheists

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Compassionate affect and the experience of God: Converging evidence from neuroscience and comparative theology

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Does the Christianity in Indonesia Perpetuating Ableism or Dismantling Ableism? The Role of the Church in the Life of People with Disabilities in Indonesia

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I-8 SSSR: PERSPECTIVES AND STUDIES OF CATHOLICISM TODAY

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A Snapshot of Cultural Catholics: Beliefs, Practice and Identity

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Transforming Beauty:

Examining US Catholic Priests' Aesthetic Experiences at Work

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Towards a Post-Secular Sociology of Catholicism

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The Staying Power of Catholic Sexual Discourses on Formerly Catholic Gay Men

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I-9 SSSR: PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACHES TO THE STUDY OF RELIGION

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Relationship with Soul:

A Short Excursion in Psychology and Religion

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Recent Psychological Perspectives on Antisemitism:

A Review of the Literature

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Polyvagal Theory, the Syncretization of Patriarchy, and Religious Disaffiliation

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I-10 SSSR: LATTER-DAY SAINT SEXUAL MINORITIES: WHEN IS RELIGION HELPFUL? WHEN IS IT HARMFUL? HOW DOES IT WORK?

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The Various Ways Being Latter-day Saint Relates to Health for Sexual Minorities

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How Religiousness Promotes (and Does not Promote) Flourishing among Latter-day Saint Sexual Minorities

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Establishing the Temporal Relationship Between Religious Commitment, Sexual Identity Struggles, and Religious Struggles Among Sexual Minority Latter-day Saints

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I-11 SSSR: QUALITATIVE PERSPECTIVES ON RELIGION IN NIGERIA

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The Double-Edged Sword called Religion: A Case Study of the Three Major Religions in Nigeria - Christianity, Islam and African Traditional Religion

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Thanksgiving, Religious Ritual Development, and Socioeconomic Precarity in Nigeria

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Sacred Natural Spaces and Interfaith Experiences in Nigeria: A Paradigmatic Study of Sobi Hill, Ilorin

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"One Family Under God": An Autoethnography of Religious Co-existence at a Multireligious Sacred Space in Nigeria

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I-12 SSSR: INTERFAITH RELATIONS IN DIVERSE CONTEXTS

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How to Treat Other People: A Comparison of Buddhists, Christians, Hindus, and Muslims in the United States and India

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Still in the Broom Closet: The Role of Christian Boundary Maintenance in Discrimination Against Pagans

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Hindu-Muslim Relations in Diverse Contexts of India

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Local Governance of Religious Diversity in Hamburg and Washington, DC: A Transatlantic Perspective

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I-13 SSSR: RELIGION AND SCIENCE PANEL 2: RELIGION, SCIENCE AND THE HUMAN BODY

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"Whose Design? Gene Editing, Gender Beliefs, and the 'Givenness' of the Body"

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Islam, Science, and Healing:

A case study of jinn possession in Morocco

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Divine and Supernatural Healing: Variations Within Mormonism

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I-14 SSSR: CONTESTED CATHOLICISM

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Church and evaluation - change, resistance and measures against the abuse of power

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Catholic tensions of authority over practice of the virtual mass during the COVID-19 pandemic

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Is the Pope Catholic?

Talking about Pope Francis in Catholic Media

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Between empowerment and oppression: the transformation of the public attitude toward the Catholic Church in Poland

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

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PAPER SESSION J

J-1 SSSR: NOT YOUR USUAL FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

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Discursive Strategies of Dissenting Religious Organizations

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Exploring the roles of Faith-Based Organisations (FBOs) in the socio-economic empowerment of its members in Afikpo community, Ebonyi State Nigeria

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Creating Civically Engaged Communities! Women of Faith, Religious Activism and the Quest for Social Justice in Kenya.

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J-2 SSSR: UPS AND DOWNS OF SPIRITUALITY ON MENTAL HEALTH

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Is Religion Beneficial or Detrimental for Mental Health During Adverse Shocks such as The Great Recession and the COVID-19 Pandemic?

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A Pooled Analysis of the Study on Psychosocial Stress, Spirituality, and Health: Perceived Stress, Religious Coping, & Health

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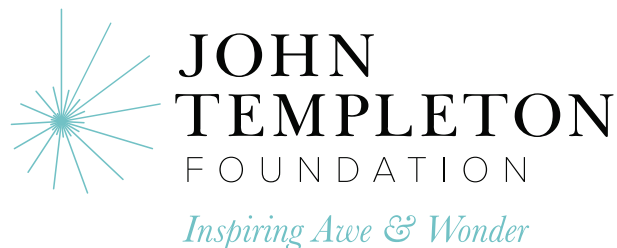
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