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3:30-5:15 P.M.

SESSION 7: Religion as a Social Problem: Jonestown and the Cults (Joint with SSSP) — Room 436

Presider: *Doyle Paul Johnson, University of South Florida, Tampa*

"The Social Construction of the Cult Problem" — *Julie G. Wolfe-Petrusky, University of Utah*

"Explaining Away Jonestown: Social Myths and Sociological Forgetfulness" — *Karen Hopkins-Paul, SUNY, Brockport*

"Informing the Public: Social Scientists and Reactions to Jonestown" — *Barbara Hargrove, Iliff School of Theology*

"A Demographic Profile of the Jonestown Victims" — *David Wiencek, University of Virginia*

"Scientology: To Be Perfectly Clear" — *William Sims Bainbridge and Rodney Stark, University of Washington*

Discussant: *Armand L. Mauss, Washington State University*

SESSION 8: Women in Ministry: Catholic and Episcopal — Room 406

Presider: *Barbara P. Payne, Georgia State University*

"A Comparison of the Attitudes of Religious Women Toward Ordination: 1967-1979" — *Marie Augusta Neal, Emmanuel College*

"Catholic Women in Ministry: Ideological and Functional Origins" — *Florence Rafman Rosenberg, CABA, Washington, D.C.*

"Conflict Theory and the Ordination of Women in the Episcopal Church" — *Shirley Sartori*

"Lead Indicator of Social Change: The Episcopal Example" — *Mary Lou Steed, Duke University*

Discussant: *Charles V. Willie, Harvard University*

8:15-10:00 P.M.

SESSION 9: PAST PRESIDENTS' PLENARY SESSION — Room 406

The American Catholic Sociological Society/Association for the Sociology of Religion and Social Problems: Historical Analysis and Reflection

Presider: *Jeffrey K. Hadden, University of Virginia*

"Secularization, Social Change and Organizational Dilemmas in ACSS/ASR: An Historical Analysis of Institutional Affiliations and Intellectual Emphases" — *George Loper, Robert P. Kelleher and Amy Aldred, University of Virginia*

Panelists: *Joseph P. Fitzpatrick, Fordham University*

Marie Augusta Neal, Emmanuel College

Paul J. Reiss, Fordham University

Francis Jerome Woods,

Our Lady of the Lake College

Gerald J. Schnepf, Saint Mary's University

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

10:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. REGISTRATION

8:30-10:15 A.M.

SESSION 10: Religion and Social Problems: Historic and Analytic Dimensions — Room 407

Presider: Joseph Michael Ryan,
Gwynedd-Mercy College

"Religion and the Response to Social Problems"
— Paul Sites, Kent State University

"Sociology's Rapprochement with Philosophy and Theology in P. H. Furley's Study of Social Problems" —
Norma Scavilla, State University College, Geneseo,
and Robert O'Shea, SUNY, Buffalo

"Equality and Inequality: Religion and Economics in Resolving Social Problems" — Daniel F. Collins,
Jack Dill Associates, Hartford

"The Religion of Social Problems: Toward Understanding the Non-Rational Foundations of Social Problems" —
Todd C. Hanson, University of Virginia, and Arthur S. Wilke,
Auburn University

Discussant: Charles C. Lemert,
Southern Illinois University, Carbondale

SESSION 11: Religious vs. Secular Approaches to Problems: Professionals and World Views — Room 406

Presider: Michael R. Leming, Saint Olaf College

"'Cults' vs. 'Shrinks': Psychiatry and the Control of Religious Movements" — Thomas Robbins, Post-Doctoral Fellow,
Yale University, and Dick Anthony,
Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley

"Religion, Psychiatry and Problems of Everyday Life: A Case Study" — Andrew Abbott, Rutgers College

"Medicalization and Sacralization" —
Juanne Clarke, Wilfrid Laurier University

"Time, Identity and the Spiritual Needs of the Old" —
Michael C. Kearl, Trinity University

"The Clergyman and the Funeral Director II: An Exploration in Role Conflict" — Cecil D. Bradfield and R. Ann Myers,
James Madison University

Discussant: Edgar W. Mills, University of Texas,
San Antonio

10:30 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

SESSION 12: Religion and the Control of Deviance
and Crime — Room 406

Presider: Donald N. Barrett, *University of Notre Dame*

"Born-Again Alcoholics" — Joseph H. Fichter,
Loyola University, New Orleans

"Religion and Drug Abuse in a National Sample of Adolescents in
Drug Treatment Programs" — Yoav Santo, *Polydrug Research
Center, Philadelphia Psychiatric Center*

"The Effect of Religion as a Form of Social Control on Adolescent
Drug Use in Rural Areas" — Starla D. Fitch, *Texas A&M
University*; J. Branton Wilson, *Washington University*; William
Alex McIntosh and Kenneth L. Nyberg, *Texas A&M University*

"Religion and Crime Control: Temporal and Regional
Differences" — Roy L. Austin, *Pennsylvania State University*,
and Lois E. Houser, *Children's Services, Bellfonte, Pennsylvania*

"Comparative Analysis of Therapeutic Models Using
the Teen Challenge Paradigm" — LeRoy Gruner,
Northern Kentucky University

Discussant: Peter L. Sissons, *Fordham University*

SESSION 13: Theoretical Issues in the Sociology of
Religion: Mistakes and New Departures —
Room 407

Presider: Benton Johnson, *University of Oregon*

"The American Civil Religion: Not Uniquely American" —
Samuel A. Mueller and Beth May, *University of Akron*

"Charisma and Power: The Hebrew Prophets" —
S. Daniel Breslauer, *University of Kansas*

"Dualistic and Monistic Religion" —
R. Stephen Warner, *University of Illinois, Chicago Circle*

"An Alternative Typology of Religious Groups" —
M. G. Dunn, *University of Maryland, Overseas Branch*

Discussant: Jere M. Cohen, *University of Maryland,
Baltimore County*

1:45-3:15 P.M.

SESSION 14: PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS — Room 406

Presider: *Thomas M. Gannon,
Loyola University, Chicago*

Address: "Religion and the Construction of
Social Problems" — *Jeffrey K. Hadden,
University of Virginia*

3:30-5:15 P.M.

**SESSION 15: PLENARY SESSION IN HONOR OF
JOSEPH H. FICHTER — Room 436
Religious Vocation and Social Problems**

Presider: *Carroll J. Bourg, Fisk University*

"The Professional Calling and its Practical Impact:
A Theme in Fichter's Studies of Religious Roles" —
Edward B. Arroyo, Loyola University, New Orleans

"NFPC at the Crossroads:
Cosmopolitan Visions Without Grassroots Commitments" —
James H. Stewart, Saint Olaf College

Panelists: *John J. Egan, University of Notre Dame
Philip J. Murnion, National Conference of
Catholic Bishops' Parish Project
John Seidler, Ohio State University*

6:30-7:30 P.M.:

**PRESIDENTIAL RECEPTION —
Emmanuel College**

Honored Guests: *Joseph H. Fichter
Past Presidents of ACSS/ASR*

7:45 P.M.

**SESSION 16: BANQUET IN HONOR OF
JOSEPH H. FICHTER — Emmanuel College**

Presider: *William V. D'Antonio,
University of Connecticut*

Keynote: "On the Functionality of Marginality:
The Case of Joseph H. Fichter" —
Ruth Wallace, George Washington University

Tributes: *Friends of Joe Fichter*

MONDAY, AUGUST 27

8:30-10:15 A.M.

SESSION 17: Religion and Community — Room 407

Presider: Edward C. Lehman,
State University College, Brockport

"Personal, Social, National and Religious Attitudes Among
Kibbutz and Non-Kibbutz Students" —
Joel A. Reisberg, Indiana Institute of Technology

"The Renaissance Church and Community:
A Communal-Revitalization Movement" —
Karol H. Borowski, Sacred Heart University

"Spirituality and Religion in Two Secular Communities" —
Robert C. Hauhart, University of Virginia

"Spiritualism Today: A Study of Lily Dale, N.Y." —
Michel P. Richard, State University College, Geneseo,
and Albert Adato, Center for Policy Research

Discussant: Richard E. Adams, Lewis and Clark College

SESSION 18: Religion and Race — Room 406

Presider: Gordon F. Streib, University of Florida

"New South or Old: Racial Attitudes in Rural
Churches" — Robert C. Thompson,
Gonzaga University

"Religion and Political Protest in the Afro-
American and Afro-Brazilian Experiences" —
Robert J. Cottrol, Emory University

"From Salvation To Sass: A Sociohistorical
Account of Soul in Black America" —
William P. Nye, Hollins College

"An Interpretation of the People's Temple and
Jonestown: Implications for the Black
Church" — Archie Smith, Jr.,
Pacific School of Religion

Discussant: William M. Newman,
University of Connecticut

10:30 A.M. -12:15 P.M.

SESSION 19: Religion and the State — Room 406

Presider: Robert J. Wuthnow, Princeton University

"Dangerous, Dependent and Depraved: The Relationship of
Theology, Political Power and Alternate Structures of Criminal
Justice" — Esther Heffernan, Boys Town Center,
Catholic University

"Religion and Courts in Crisis: Catholic Radicals and the
Criminal Trials of the Vietnam Peace Movement" —
Steven E. Barkan, University of Maine, Orono

"Religion and the State: Aspects of Conflict Between Religious
and Non-Religious Jews in Israel" —
Ephraim Tabory, Bar-Ilan University, Israel

"The Discovery of Objective Moral Values and Social Policy
Formation" — Rosemary S. Bannan, DePaul University

Discussant: Richard Quinney, Brown University

- SESSION 20:** Religious Ritual and Social Change —
Room 407
- Presider:** Joseph F. Zimmerman, Quincy College
- "A Comparison of Two Episcopal Rituals" — Judith Castle
- "New Types of Religious Ritual and Social Change" —
Joseph B. Tamney, Ball State University
- "Religious Ritual and Social Change: A Theoretical Argument
Developed in Relation to the Study of Contemporary Religious
Movements" — Frederick Bird, Concordia University
- "The Dysfunctions of Ritual Innovation" —
Donald L. Metz, Marquette University
- "Symbolic Aspects of Ritual Life" —
Frances Westley-Bird, University of Western Ontario
- Discussant:** W. Clark Roof, University of Massachusetts

1:00-3:00 P.M. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, 1979-80 — Room 410

1:30-3:15 P.M.

- SESSION 21:** Religious Influence on Attitudes Toward
Social Issues — Room 407
- Presider:** Gail A. Shea, University of Rhode Island
- "Socioeconomic Status, Religious Affiliation, and Social Issues:
Racial Acceptance" — H. Paul Chalfant, Texas Tech University
- "Religion and Attitude Toward Abortion:
The Unfolding of a Complex Relationship" —
Thomas J. Duggan, Wayne State University
- "Utopian Beliefs and Religious Affiliation in a College Student
Sample" — Orlando J. Goering and Thomas B. Priest,
University of South Dakota
- "Catholic Charismatics and the Conservative Backlash:
Some Negative Evidence" — Pierre Hegy, Adelphi University
- "Sin to Crime to Orientation: The Secularization of
Homosexuality" — Roger D. Irle
- Discussant:** Donald A. Clelland, University of Tennessee,
Knoxville

1:30-3:15 P.M.

- SESSION 22:** Religious Perspectives on the World of
Problems and Politics — Room 406
- Presider:** Ronald J. McAllister, Northeastern University
- "Social Problems Consciousness and Religious Constructions of
the World" — Arthur S. Wilke, Auburn University and
Todd C. Hanson, University of Virginia
- "The Gospel's Ethic of Absolute Ends or the Ethic of Political
Responsibility" — Rex Friend and Richard E. Hilbert,
University of Oklahoma
- "Social Problems and Roman Catholic Involvement" —
R. John Kinkel, Ohio State University
- "Religion, Social Problems, and Inequality in the Work of
Paul Furfey" — Edna M. O'Hern, St. Francis College
- Discussant:** Jack O. Balswick, University of Georgia

2:30-4:15 P.M.

SESSION 23: Sociology of Religion (Joint with ASA) — Boston-Sheraton

Organizer: Patrick H. McNamara,
University of New Mexico

Presider: Tamar Becker,
California State University, Northridge

"Rational Capitalism and Calvinist Salvation Doctrine: A Re-Evaluation" — Jere Comen, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

"The Synagogue Havurah - An Experiment in Restoring Adult Fellowship to Jewish Communal Experience" — Daniel J. Elazar, Center for Jewish Studies and Temple University, and Rela Geffen Monson, Center for Jewish Community Studies and Gratz College

"Upward Mobility Through Movement Within and From the Hindu Caste System" — Bradley R. Hertel, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

"Changes in Theological Beliefs of Protestant Ministers, 1928 to 1978" — Dean R. Hoge and John E. Dyble, Catholic University

"Eastern Orthodox Exogamy and 'Triple' Melting Pot Theory" — Philip M. Kayal, Seton Hall University

"New Evidence on the Religion and Educational Attainment Relationship" — Charles W. Mueller, University of Iowa

Discussant: William Silverman, C. W. Post College

4:30-6:15 P.M.

SESSION 24: The Relationship Between Theory and Research in the Sociology of Religion (Joint with ASA) — Boston-Sheraton

Presider: Robert J. McNamara,
Loyola University, Chicago

Panelists: Phillip E. Hammond, University of California, Santa Barbara
Andrew M. Greeley, University of Arizona
Benton Johnson, University of Oregon

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28**8:30-10:15 A.M.**

SESSION 25: Contemporary Religious Movements (Joint with ASA) — Boston-Sheaton

Organizer: Thomas Robbins, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Yale University

"The Sociology of Religious Movements: Shifts In Analytic and Empirical Foci" — Roland Robertson, University of Pittsburgh

"Apocalypse at Jonestown" — John Hall, University of Missouri

"Hasidism and Moonism: Religion and Idolatry in the Counterculture" — Alan Berger, Syracuse University

"Religious Ferment and World Order" — Robert Wuthnow, Princeton University

Discussants: Meredith McGuire, Montclair State College and Dick Anthony, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley

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