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**The Sociology of Religion:  
Constructing an Agenda**

**Sixty-fifth Annual Meeting  
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THE SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION:  
CONSTRUCTING AN AGENDA

*Sociologists of religion have a common aim: to understand better the interrelationships between religion in all its diverse forms and the contexts of which it is part. How this aim is realized, however, has not only evolved over time, but is manifestly different in different parts of the world. The aim of this conference is to look more carefully at the agenda of the sociology of religion—it should not be taken for granted. It should, rather, be scrutinized with the aim of discovering who dictates the agenda, and how and why it has shifted over time. Is it primarily reactive or proactive, for example? Is it, should it, or can it be value free? Particular attention will be paid to the comparative nature of this task, asking why sociological communities from different parts of the world have taken up different aspects of the work, and how each might contribute more fully to the common task.*

**CALL FOR PAPERS**  
**ASSOCIATION FOR THE SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION**  
2004 Annual Meeting  
San Francisco, August 13-15, 2004

**THE CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCIES OF CONTEMPORARY MORALITIES**

Let us shift the agenda, at least briefly, from religion to morality. Today there is no moral consensus. Why? What are the consequences? The tie between religion and morality has been weakening. Why? What are the consequences? Some believe the United States is experiencing moral decline. Is this an accurate assessment? Some believe that morality plays only a minor role in the political-economic arena. Is this true? If it is true, why is this the case and what are the consequences?

Papers are invited over a broad range of themes in the social scientific study of religion, some of which are listed below.

Globalization and global ethics  
Post-Communist transitions and morality  
Competing moralities in the world system  
Politics and morality  
Justice and the economy  
Moral education and schools  
Discourses of moral decline  
Humanism and morality  
New technologies and morality  
Morality, gender, and "family values"  
The war on terrorism and morality  
Environmental issues and morality  
Political failure of liberal morality  
Personal consequences of the absence of moral consensus  
Religion and morality in non-western societies  
The role of nonwestern religious bodies in global moral discussions

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Deadlines      Submission of Session proposals: 15 January 2004  
                    Submission of Abstracts (*150 word maximum*): 15 February 2004

## **OVERVIEW\***

### **Thursday, August 14**

5:00 p.m.

"Old" Council Meeting — CNN 4

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Registration — Atrium Foyer

9:00-10:00 p.m.

Welcoming Reception — Atrium Terrace B  
Cosponsored by ASR and Darton-Longman-Todd Publishers

### **Friday, August 15**

7:00-8:15 a.m.

*Sociology of Religion* Editorial Board Breakfast — CNN 2

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Registration — Atrium Foyer

8:30-10:15 a.m.

1. Church Leadership—New Developments Among the Clergy — Birch
2. Religion in Post-Soviet Russia — Spruce
3. Well-being and Healing Spiritualities — Maple A
4. Immigrant and Minority Experiences — Maple C

10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

5. Islam and the West — Birch
6. Attitudes in Catholicism — Spruce
7. The Regulation of Religion and Church-State Relations in Europe — Maple A
8. Religion in the Mind of the Terrorist — Maple C

12:00-5:00 p.m.

Book Exhibit — Pine

12:15-12:45 p.m.

Authors' Reception — Atrium Terrace A

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1:00-2:45 p.m.

9. Generations in the Sociology of Religion (Joint ASR/ISSR) — Birch
10. Critical Theory of Religion — Spruce
11. Religious Exceptionalism — Maple A
12. Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. I: Pre-visit Lecture and Visit to the MLK Historic Site — Maple C

3:00-5:00 p.m.

13. The Stained Glass Ceiling: Women and Religious Authority — Birch
14. The Relationship of Theology to Sociology — Spruce
15. Author Meets Critics: Ram Cnaan's *The Invisible Caring Hand—American Congregations and the Provision of Welfare* — Maple A
16. Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. II: Visit to the MLK Historic Site (continuation of Session 12) — Maple C

5:30 p.m.

Presidential Address — CNN 5/6/7

6:30 p.m.

Presidential Reception — Atrium Terrace A

### Saturday, August 16

7:15-8:25 a.m.

New Attendees Welcoming Breakfast — Atrium Terrace B

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

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24. Secularization and Political Change: International Reflections — Maple C



12:30-2:15 p.m.

- 25. The Softening of Christianity (Joint ASR/ASA) — Birch
- 26. Urban Modernities and Religion II: Comparative Approaches — Spruce
- 27. Historical Approaches to the Sociology of Religion — Maple A
- 28. Authors Meet Critics—Jean-Paul Willaime and Danièle Hervieu-Léger's *Sociologies et religion: Approches classiques* — Maple C

2:30-4:30 p.m.

- 29. Religion, Politics, and the Analysis of Culture II: Community Organizing and Local Political Culture (Joint ASR/ASA) — Birch
- 30. Urban Modernities and Religion III: Space and Urban Theory — Spruce
- 31. Death in a Social Context — Maple A
- 32. Future Directions in the Sociology of Religion: Informal Session for Graduate Students — Maple C (Informal reception for attendees and speakers following — Capital Suite)

5:00 p.m.

ASR Business Meeting — Birch

6:00 p.m.

Paul Hanly Furfey Lecture — CNN 5/6/7

7:00 p.m.

Paul Hanly Furfey Reception (Joint ASR/ASA Sociology of Religion section) — Atrium A

### Sunday, August 17

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Registration — Atrium Foyer

8:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Final book sale — Pine

8:30-10:15 a.m.

- 33. New Theoretical Approaches to the Study of New Religious Movements — Birch
- 34. Globalization and Christianity — Spruce
- 35. Alternative Methodologies in the Sociology of Religion: The Use of Text as Data — Maple A

10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

- 36. Remembering Jeff Hadden — Birch
- 37. Islam and Muslim Diasporas — Spruce
- 38. New Geographical Areas: Mexican-American Religiosity — Maple A

12:30-2:15 p.m.

- 39. Author Meets Critics—David Martin's *Christian Language and Its Mutations—Essays in Sociological Understanding* — Birch
- 40. The Centennial of W.E.B. DuBois on the Black Church (Cosponsored by ASA History of Sociology section) — Spruce
- 41. Religion in China — Maple A

2:30-4:30 p.m.

- 42. Author Meets Critics—Jere Cohen's *Protestantism and Capitalism: The Mechanisms of Influence* — Birch
- 43. Religion, Social Service, and Civic Engagement — Spruce
- 44. New Religious Movements Across the World — Maple A
- 45. Changing and Emerging Theoretical Perspectives — Maple C

5:00 p.m.

"New" Council Meeting — CNN 2

**Monday, August 18**

8:30-10:15 a.m.

- 46. The Question of Contemporary Jewish Culture: Results from NJPS 2000 (Cosponsored ASR/ASA) — Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Thames Room

10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

- 47. Workshop on Teaching Sociology of Religion (Cosponsored ASR/ASA) — Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Thames Room



## SESSIONS

Friday, August 15, 8:30-10:15 a.m.

### Session 1: Church Leadership—New Developments Among the Clergy — Birch

Convener and Discussant—Nancy T. Ammerman, Boston University School of Theology

- ▶ *The Means-End Dilemma in an Anglo Denomination: The Bias against Affirmative Action and Increasing the Proportion of Minority Clergy*  
Adair T. Lummis, Hartford Seminary
- ▶ *Modernization, Commodification, and the Call to Ministry in African-American Protestant Traditions*  
James Bryant, College of the Holy Cross
- ▶ *Pastoral Tenure Trends in Texas Baptist Churches*  
Tillman Rodabough, Jeter Basden, Baylor University, and Clay Price, Baptist General Convention of Texas

### Session 2: Religion in Post-Soviet Russia — Spruce

Organizer—Vyacheslav Karpov, Western Michigan University

Convener—Jerry Pankhurst, Wittenberg University

- ▶ *Perceptions of Islam and Orthodox Christianity by Muslims and Christians in Russia*  
Kimmo Kääriäinen, Research Institute of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland, and Vyacheslav Karpov, Western Michigan University
- ▶ *Religion and Tolerance in Russia*  
Vyacheslav Karpov, Western Michigan University, and Kimmo Kääriäinen, Research Institute of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland
- ▶ *Orthodox Christianity in Russian Schools: Political Struggles and Public Opinion*  
Vyacheslav Karpov, Elena Lisovskaya, Western Michigan University, and Kimmo Kääriäinen, Research Institute of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland
- ▶ *Women's Involvement and Roles in the Russian Orthodox Church and Near-Orthodox Communities:*  
Olga Tchepournaia, European University of St. Petersburg

### Session 3: Well-being and Healing Spiritualities — Maple A

Convener—Albert A. Herzog, Jr., Ohio State University

- ▶ *Spiritual Profits: An Ethnographic Study on Contemporary Shamanism in Northern California*  
Sara C. Sutler-Cohen, University of California, Santa Cruz
- ▶ *Religion and Emotions: Exploring the Roles of Religious Identification and Belief in an Afterlife*  
Christopher G. Ellison and Amy M. Burdette, University of Texas
- ▶ *Hope for Healing: The Vitality of Traditions of Religious Healing in the Netherlands since 1850*  
Sipco Vellenga, University of Amsterdam
- ▶ *Sacred Surgeons: Religio-Therapeutic Legitimation in Contemporary New Religious Movements*  
Kathleen E. Jenkins, Clark University

### Session 4: Immigrant and Minority Experiences — Maple C

Convener—Peter Kivisto, Augustana College

- ▶ *Christianized Asian Immigrant Adolescents? How Immigration Background and Parental Religiosity Affect Asian Adolescents' Religiosity in the United States*  
Jiexia Elisa Zhai, University of Texas
- ▶ *Maintaining Identity: An Examination of Coptic Orthodox Young Adults*  
Richard Rymarz and Marian de Souza, Australian Catholic University
- ▶ *A New World Faith? Tempering Claims of Mormon Church Growth*  
Rick Phillips, University of North Florida
- ▶ *Religion and the Korean American Volunteer*  
Elaine Howard Ecklund, Cornell University

Friday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

### Session 5: Islam in the West — Birch

Organizer—John H. Simpson, University of Toronto

Convener—Grace Davie, University of Exeter

Panelists  
 Mansoor Moaddel, Eastern Michigan University  
 Roland Robertson, University of Aberdeen  
 John H. Simpson, University of Toronto

### Session 6: Attitudes in Catholicism — Spruce

Organizer—Paul Perl, Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate

Convener—Mary L. Gautier, Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate

- ▶ *Father Knows Best: Parishes, Priests, and American Catholic Parishioners' Attitudes toward Capital Punishment*  
 Thoroddur Bjarnason, SUNY Albany, and Michael R. Welch, University of Notre Dame
- ▶ *Attitudes Across Borders: Shared Conceptions of Catholicism*  
 Mark M. Gray, Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate
- ▶ *Attendance of Catholic College and Political Attitudes of U.S. Catholics*  
 Paul Perl, Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate
- ▶ *Catholic Bishops' Support of Married "Pastors"*  
 Ruth A. Wallace, George Washington University

### Session 7: The Regulation of Religion and Church-State Relations in Europe — Maple A

Organizer and Convener—Fabienne Randaxhe, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique-École Pratique des Hautes Études

Discussant—Peter Beyer, University of Ottawa

- ▶ *Religion, State and Society in Germany and France*  
 Jean-Paul Willaime, GSRL/CNRS, ÉPHÉ
- ▶ *The Role of Religion in National-EU Relations*  
 Effie Fokas, London School of Economics
- ▶ *The Regulation of Religious Diversity by the Institutions of the European Union: The Emergence of a European Model*  
 Bérengère Massignon, GSRL/CNRS, ÉPHÉ

### Session 8: Religion in the Mind of the Terrorist — Maple C

Organizer—T. Jeremy Gunn, Emory University

Convener—Joseph B. Tamney, Ball State University

Panelists:  
 Eileen Barker, London School of Economics  
 T. Jeremy Gunn, Emory University  
 James T. Richardson and Ted Oleson, University of Nevada, Reno

Friday, August 15, 12:00-12:45 p.m.

### Authors' Reception — Atrium Terrace A

The Authors' Reception is cosponsored by the ASR, Aldine de Gruyter, Rowman & Littlefield, the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Work, and the University of Maryland Baltimore County.

Friday, August 15, 1:00-2:45 p.m.

### Session 9: Generations in the Sociology of Religion — Birch

Organizers and Co-conveners—James T. Richardson, University of Nevada, Reno, and James A. Beckford, University of Warwick (Joint ASR/ISSR Session)

- ▶ *Mindful Bodies: Religion and Embodiment in the Sociology of Religion*  
 Philip A. Mellor, University of Leeds
- ▶ *Classical Theory and Global Religion: Arguments and Evidence*  
 Frank J. Lechner, Emory University
- ▶ *The New Paradigm After Ten Years*  
 R. Stephen Warner, University of Illinois at Chicago
- ▶ *Problematizing Generation and Secularization*  
 N. J. Demerath III, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

**Session 10: Critical Theory of Religion — Spruce**

Organizers—Warren S. Goldstein, University of Central Florida, and George Lundskow, Grand Valley State University

Convener—Warren S. Goldstein, University of Central Florida

- ▶ *The Open Dialectic between Religious and Secular Values and Norms: Their Universalization through Public Discourse*  
Rudolf J. Siebert, Western Michigan University
- ▶ *Max Horkheimer's Critical Theory of Religion*  
Michael R. Ott, Grand Valley State University
- ▶ *Defying the Rational: The Appeal of New Religion in Late Modernity*  
George Lundskow, Grand Valley State University
- ▶ *Hegemony Lost: Understanding Islamic Fundamentalism*  
Lauren Langman, Loyola University Chicago

**Session 11: Religious Exceptionalism — Maple A**

Organizer—Fabienne Randaxhe, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique-École Pratique des Hautes Études

Convener—William H. Swatos, Jr., ASR Executive Office

- ▶ *Exceptionalism as an Interpretive Concept: Another Look at a Controversy*  
Fabienne Randaxhe, GSRL (CNRS-ÉPHÉ)
- ▶ *Europe and Religion: Toward a Less Exceptional Exception*  
Yves Lambert, GSRL (CNRS-ÉPHE)
- ▶ *Evangelical Protestantism in France: An Example of a "Denominational" Restructuration*  
Sébastien Fath, GSRL (CNRS-ÉPHÉ)
- ▶ *Why is Sociology of Religion Not Developing in Israel? A Look at the Rituals that Support Israeli-Jewish Identity*  
Ezra Kopelowitz, The Jewish Agency, Jerusalem, and Yael Israel, Tel Aviv University

**Session 12: Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr., I — Maple C**

Organizer—Lina Molokotos-Liederman, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, École Pratique des Hautes Études

Convener—Marie Friedmann Marquardt, Emory University

- ▶ *Local Knowledge: An Introduction to Martin Luther King, Jr.*  
Alton B. Pollard III, Emory University
- ▶ Visit to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Historic Site

Friday, August 15, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

**Session 13: The Stained Glass Ceiling — Birch**

Organizers—Barbara R. Walters and Susan Farrell, City University of New York at Kingsborough

Convener and Discussant—James H. Mahon, William Paterson University

- ▶ *Mysticism within the Thirteenth Century Ecclesia*  
Barbara R. Walters, CUNY Kingsborough
- ▶ *Sect or Church? Franciscans, Waldensians, and Other Groups at the Fringe of Orthodoxy in the Middle Ages*  
Lutz Kaelber, University of Vermont
- ▶ *Women-Church Strategies for Equality in the Roman Catholic Church*  
Susan A. Farrell, CUNY Kingsborough
- ▶ *Indigenous Religious Orders of Women in Mainland China: Power and Authority*  
Patricia Wittberg, Indiana University/Purdue University, Indianapolis

**Session 14: The Relationship of Theology to Sociology — Spruce**

Organizer and Convener—Ian Markham, Hartford Seminary

- ▶ *Learning from Radical Orthodoxy: Challenging Sociological Assumptions*  
Ian Markham, Hartford Seminary
- ▶ *Congregational Sociology and Theology: Making Data Work for Congregations*  
Cynthia Woolever, Hartford Seminary
- ▶ *When Theology is the Causal Variable*  
Scott Thumma, Hartford Seminary
- ▶ *Mind the Gap: Debating Sociology and Theology in Modern Ecclesiology*  
Martyn Percy, University of Manchester

**Session 15: Author Meets Critics—Ram Cnaan's *The Invisible Caring Hand—American Congregations and the Provision of Welfare* — Maple A**

Organizer and Convener—Nancy L. Eiesland, Emory University  
 Panelists        Michael Emerson, Rice University  
                      Elizabeth Bounds, Emory University  
                      Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago

**Session 16: Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr., II**

Organizer—Lina Molokotos-Liederman, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, École Pratique des Hautes Études  
 Convener—Marie Friedmann Marquardt, Emory University  
 Continuation of Session 12: Visit to Martin Luther King, Jr., National Historic Site

Friday, August 15, 5:30 p.m.

**ASR Presidential Address — CNN 5/6/7**

Convener—Fileen Barker, London School of Economics

- ▶ *Creating an Agenda in the Sociology of Religion: Common Sources, Different Pathways*  
 Grace Davie, University of Exeter

Friday, August 15, 6:30 p.m.

**ASR Presidential Reception — Atrium Terrace A**

The Reception is cosponsored by the ASR, Candler School of Theology of Emory University, the Center on Religion and Ethics of Emory University, and the Department of Sociology of the University of Georgia

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Organizer and Convener—Rhys H. Williams, University of Cincinnati

- ▶ *Running the Risk of Exclusion: A Comparative Analysis of Religious Freedom*  
 Lori G. Beaman, Concordia University, Montréal
- ▶ *Is American Religion Politicized? Symbolic Affirmation vs Religious Hegemony*  
 Gene Burns, Michigan State University
- ▶ *Religion, Politics and Culture in a Global Age*  
 José Casanova, New School for Social Research
- ▶ *Religion's Quiet Influence on Civic Engagement*  
 Paul Lichterman, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Session 18: Studying Catholic Institutions: Institutional Pressures and Identity Responses — Birch**

Organizer and Convener—John A. Coleman, Loyola Marymount University

- ▶ *The Idea of a Catholic University: Institutional and Cultural Pressures on Its Realization*  
 Michele Dillon, University of New Hampshire
- ▶ *Congregational Studies and Catholic Parishes: Pressures for Innovation*  
 Jerome Baggett, Jesuit School of Theology and Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley
- ▶ *Sponsoring Catholic Hospitals: An Effective Basis for Ministry*  
 Patricia Wittberg, Indiana University/Purdue University, Indianapolis
- ▶ *Catholic Social Services and Shifts in Welfare Policy*  
 John A. Coleman, Loyola Marymount University



**Session 19: Religion and Social Attitudes – Spruce**

Convener—Barbara Denison, Shippensburg University

- ▶ *Religious Affiliation and Attitudes toward Euthanasia: Charting the Outcomes of 23 Years of Discourse*  
Benjamin Moulton and Terrence Hill, University of Texas
- ▶ *Issues of Homosexuality in Congregational and Denominational Realignment*  
O. Kendall White, Jr., Washington and Lee University, and Daryl White, Spelman College
- ▶ *Two Faces of Faith: How Religion Promotes and Reduces Support for Punitive Crime Policies*  
Christopher G. Ellison, University of Texas, and James D. Unnever, Radford University
- ▶ *Delinquency and Religious Behavior: A Retrospective Self-Report*  
Robert E. Beckley, West Texas A&M University, and Dustin P. Johnson, University of North Texas

**Session 20: Emerging Fields in the Sociology of Religion: Image and Music – Maple A**

Convener—Richard McCarthy, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

- ▶ *Seeking the Sacred: Communion and Transcendence in the Lives of Two Artists*  
Sally Gradle, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- ▶ *Fandom as "Religious Modernity": A Case Study of Religiously Themed Television Drama*  
Steve Zafirau, University of Southern California
- ▶ *Brazilian Movies—A "Menace" to Catholic Standards*  
Maria de Lourdes Beldi de Alcântara, University of São Paulo
- ▶ *The "Free Monks" Musical Phenomenon*  
Lina Molokotos-Liederman, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, École Pratique des Hautes Études

Saturday, August 16, 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

**Session 21: The "Cultural Turn" in Social Theory: Implications for the Sociological Study of Religion (Joint ASR/ASA Session) – Birch**

Organizer and Convener—Grace Davie, University of Exeter

Discussant—Nancy T. Ammerman, Boston University

- ▶ *Religion, Culture, and Representation in the Information Society*  
Philip Mellor, University of Leeds
- ▶ *French Perspectives on the Turn to Culture*  
Jean-Paul Willaime, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique-École Pratique des Hautes Études
- ▶ *Gender, Sexuality, and Culture: A Feminist Approach to Religion*  
Mary Jo Neitz, University of Missouri
- ▶ *Pentecostalism as Cultural Revolution*  
David Martin, University of London

**Session 22: Urban Modernities and Religion I: Religious and Ethnic Pluralism – Spruce**

Organizers—Lowell W. Livezey, Harvard University, and Martin Stringer, University of Birmingham

Convener—Martin Stringer, University of Birmingham

- ▶ *Shalom Y'all: Pluralism in the New South*  
Kathryn McClymond, Georgia State University
- ▶ *From Fishing Village to Ethnic Enclave: Chinese Immigrants Construct Rural to Urban Transnational Religious Networks*  
Kenneth Guest, Baruch College CUNY
- ▶ *Pluralism and Urbanism: A South African Perspective*  
Pratap Kumar, University of Durban-Westville
- ▶ *Global Catholicism in Chicago Neighborhoods: Ethnic Conflict and Social Integration*  
Elfriede Wedam, University of Illinois at Chicago
- ▶ *Islamic Revival and Pluralism in the Middle Eastern Urban Context*  
Malika Zeghal, Centre d'Études Interdisciplinaires des Faits Religieux, Centre Nationale de la Recherche Scientifique-École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales

**Session 23: Authors Meet Critics—Lutz Kaelber's Translation of Max Weber's *The History of Commercial Partnerships in the Middle Ages* — Maple A**

Organizer—William H. Swatos, Jr., ASR Executive Office

Convener—David Smilde, University of Georgia

Panelists  
 William H. Swatos, Jr., ASR Executive Office  
 Peter Kivisto, Augustana College  
 Stephen Turner, University of South Florida

**Session 24: Secularization and Political Change: International Reflections — Maple C**

Convener—Jean-Paul Willaime, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique—École Pratique des Hautes Études

- ▶ *The Role of the State in the Shaping of Religious and Secular Jewish Identity in Israel*  
 Ezra Kopelowitz, The Jewish Agency, Jerusalem
- ▶ *Left Out: Secularization and the Structuring of the Liberation Theology Movement in Mexico and Latin America, 1920-1973*  
 Robert S. Mackin, University of Wisconsin
- ▶ *Hindu Revivalist Social Engineering in India: Their Concept of Secularism*  
 Santosh Ch. Saha, Mount Union College
- ▶ *Political Change and Secularization: An Examination of the Germanic Nations*  
 Tim Bower, Western Michigan University

Saturday, August 16, 12:30-2:15 p.m.

**Session 25: The Softening of Christianity (Joint ASR/ASA Session) — Birch**

Organizer—Linda Woodhead, Lancaster University

Convener and Discussant—William H. Swatos, Jr., ASR Executive Office

- ▶ *Softening in Interfaith Discourse*  
 Kajsa Ahlstrand, Church of Sweden Research Department
- ▶ *The Softening of Conservative Protestantism*  
 Joseph B. Tamney, Ball State University
- ▶ *How Soft is Liberal Christianity? Why Humanization is Not the Same as Subjectivization*  
 Linda Woodhead, Lancaster University

**Session 26: Urban Modernities and Religion II: Comparative Approaches — Spruce**

Organizers—Lowell W. Lavezey, Harvard University, and Martin Stringer, University of Birmingham

Convener—Grace Davie, University of Exeter

- ▶ *Comparative Perspectives on Religion and Urban Civil Society: South Africa, Kenya, Ghana, Brazil, Thailand, and Vietnam*  
 Robert Franklin, Emory University
- ▶ *Redefining Urban: Religions and Transnational Migrations*  
 Peggy Levitt, Wellesley College
- ▶ *Pentecostal Presence in the City*  
 David Martin, University of London
- ▶ *Christianity in Eight Chinese Cities: An Ethnographic Study*  
 Fenggang Yang, Purdue University

**Session 27: Historical Approaches to the Sociology of Religion — Maple A**

Convener—Barbara Denison, Shippensburg University

- ▶ *Religions and Axial Ages: From Hunter-Gatherers to High Modernity*  
 Yves Lambert, GSRL/CNRS, ÉPHÉ
- ▶ *Clarity and Charisma in the Early Church*  
 Martin Wenglinsky, Quinnipiac College
- ▶ *Objectifying Religious Beliefs, Practices, and Representations: Dio Chrysostom (40-120), Lucian (120-180) and the Constructionist Motif*  
 Robert Prus, University of Waterloo
- ▶ *Converting the Heathen ... On Anthony Street!*  
 Richard McCarthy, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

**Session 28: Authors Meet Critics—Jean-Paul Willaime and Danièle Hervieu-Léger's *Sociologies et religion: Approches classiques* — Maple C**

Convener—Lina Molokotos-Liederman, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, École Pratique des Hautes Études

Panelists  
 Pauline Côte, Université Laval  
 James A. Beckford, University of Warwick  
 Kevin J. Christiano, University of Notre Dame  
 Peter Beyer, University of Ottawa

Saturday, August 16, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

**Session 29: Religion, Politics, and the Analysis of Culture II: Community Organizing and Local Political Culture (Joint ASR/ASA Session) — Birch**

Organizer and Convener—Rhys H. Williams, University of Cincinnati

- ▶ *Community Organizing and Public Education: Rebuilding the Foundations for Democratic Life?*  
Mark R. Warren, Harvard University
- ▶ *Sustaining a Movement: Congregational Development as Cross-Institutional Flow*  
Richard L. Wood, Lora Stone, and Mozafar Barihashemi, University of New Mexico
- ▶ *The Politics of Revitalization in a Religious District: The Four Corners Case*  
Omar McRoberts, University of Chicago

**Session 30: Urban Modernities and Religion III: Space and Urban Theory — Spruce**

Organizers—Lowell W. Livezey, Harvard University, and Martin Stringer, University of Birmingham

Convener—Lowell W. Livezey, Harvard University

- ▶ *Particular Places: Religious Response to Crisis in Three Metro-Atlanta Communities*  
Nancy Hiesland, Emory University
- ▶ *The Great Urban Escape: How Religion Alters the Delinquent Behavior of At Risk City Adolescents*  
Byron R. Johnson, University of Pennsylvania
- ▶ *The City, Space and Social Practices*  
Anthony Orum, University of Illinois at Chicago
- ▶ *Pluralism and the Recent Religious History of Leicester*  
Gurharpal Singh, University of Birmingham

**Session 31: Death in a Social Context — Maple A**

Organizer and Convener—Curt Dahlgren, Lund University

- ▶ *Separated by Death: Anonymity and Individualization in Death Notices, 1945-1999*  
Curt Dahlgren, Lund University
- ▶ *Professionalization without the Dead Body: The Case of Swedish Funeral Directors*  
Anna D. Bremborg, Lund University
- ▶ *Cremation and Disposal of Remains: Customs in Sweden in the Late 1990s*  
Jan Hermanson, Lund University
- ▶ *The Function of Hymns in Funeral Services in Sweden Today*  
Anna J. Evertsson, Lund University

**Session 32: Future Directions in the Sociology of Religion: An Informal Session for Graduate Students — Maple C (Informal reception for speakers and attendees following — Capital Suite)**

Organizer and Convener—Marie Friedmann Marquardt, Emory University

Panelists  
 Nancy T. Ammerman, Boston University  
 Eileen Barker, London School of Economics  
 José Casanova, New School for Social Research  
 R. Stephen Warner, University of Illinois at Chicago

Saturday, August 16, 5:00 p.m.

ASR Business Meeting — Birch



Saturday, August 16, 6:00 p.m.

**Paul Hanly Furfey Lecture — CNN 5/6/7**

Convener—Grace Davie, University of Exeter

- ▶ *Language in Religion, the Academy, and Politics*  
David Martin, University of London

Saturday, August 16, 7:00 p.m.

**Paul Hanly Furfey Reception — Atrium Terrace A**

The Reception is cosponsored by the ASR, the ASA Sociology of Religion Section (which will present its annual awards during the reception), and the Center for Research on Religion and Urban Civil Society, University of Pennsylvania

Sunday, August 17, 8:30-10:15 a.m.

**Session 33: New Theoretical Approaches to the Study of New Religious Movements — Birch**

Organizer and Convener—Janja Lalich, California State University, Chico

- ▶ *The Sociology of American New Religious Movements: An Analytic Literature Review*  
J. Anna Looney, Rutgers University
- ▶ *Life-Course vs Episodic Approaches to the Study of New Religious Movement Careers*  
Benjamin Zablocki, Rutgers University
- ▶ *Bounded Choice: A New Approach to Charismatic Commitments and the True Believer Phenomenon*  
Janja Lalich, California State University, Chico
- ▶ *Becoming Promiscuous: Examining the Social Reconstruction of Identity in a New Religious Movement*  
Miriam Williams Boeri, Emory University

**Session 34: Globalization and Christianity — Spruce**

Convener and Discussant—William R. Garrett, St. Michael's College

- ▶ *Riches to Rags: Globalization, Moral Discourses, and Organizational Shifts in Multinational Denominationalism*  
Paula D. Neshitt, University of California, Berkeley
- ▶ *Religion and Globalization: African Christians in the United States*  
A. Ezekiel Olagoke, University of Denver
- ▶ *Coming to Terms with Global Christianity*  
Robert L. Montgomery, Ridgewood, New Jersey

**Session 35: Alternative Methodologies in the Sociology of Religion: The Use of Text as Data — Maple A**

Convener and Discussant—Richard McCarthy, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

- ▶ *Secular Humanism's New "Evangelical" Strategy*  
Richard Cimino, New School for Social Research
- ▶ *(Mis)Representations of the Religion-Family Connection in Sociology of the Family Textbooks*  
Christopher G. Ellison, Gretchen Webber, University of Texas, and Penny Edgell, University of Minnesota
- ▶ *More Meaning: New Age Books from the Readers' Perspectives*  
Michallene McDaniel, Gainesville College
- ▶ *Myth and Science in Freudo-Marxism: Religious Themes in the Writings of Wilhelm Reich, Erich Fromm, and Herbert Marcuse*  
Donald A. Nielsen, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

Sunday, August 17, 10:30a.m.-12:15 p.m.

**Session 36: Remembering Jeff Hadden — Birch**

Organizers—Theodore E. Long, Elizabethtown College, and Eileen Barker, London School of Economics

Convener—Theodore E. Long, Elizabethtown College

- Panelists
- Eileen Barker, London School of Economics
  - William R. Garrett, St. Michael's College
  - William V. D'Antonio, Catholic University of America
  - Douglas E. Cowan, University of Missouri, Kansas City

**Session 37: Islam and Muslim Diasporas – Spruce**

Convener—Lina Molokotos-Liederman, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, École Pratique des Hautes Études

- ▶ *Muslims in the U.S. and in Europe: What Has Changed since September 11, 2001?*  
Jocelyne Cesari, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique-École Pratique des Hautes Études
- ▶ *Muslims in the Prisons of Britain and France*  
James A. Beckford, University of Warwick
- ▶ *Evangelical Discourse on Islam after September 11, 2001*  
Richard Cimino, New School for Social Research
- ▶ *Islam as an Organic Religion: Structural Weakness and Methodological Strength*  
Kamel Ghozzi, Central Missouri State University

**Session 38: New Geographical Areas: Mexican-American Religiosity – Maple A**

Convener and Discussant—Robert Beckley, West Texas A&amp;M University

- ▶ *Latino/a Ministry: The Challenge for Its Leadership*  
Milagros Peña, University of Florida, Edwin Hernandez, University of Notre Dame, and Melissa Mauldin, University of Florida
- ▶ *Spiritual Experiences at the Border: Narratives of Mexican-American Students*  
Catherine A. Faver, University of Texas-Pan American, Mary Ellen Cox, University of Tennessee, and Brian Trachte, University of Texas-Pan American
- ▶ *Engendering Conversion: Religious Transformation as Gender Reconfiguration for Mexicans in the U.S. South*  
Marie Friedmann Marquardt, Emory University

Sunday, 17 August, 12:30-2:15 p.m.

**Session 39: Author Meets Critics—David Martin's *Christian Language and Its Mutations: Essays in Sociological Understanding* – Birch**

Convener—Lina Molokotos-Liederman, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, École Pratique des Hautes Études

Panelists  
 Grace Davie, University of Exeter  
 Linda Woodhead, University of Lancaster  
 Ian Markham, Hartford Seminary  
 José Casanova, New School for Social Research

**Session 40: The Centennial of W.E.B. DuBois on the Black Church (cosponsored by the ASA History of Sociology section) – Spruce**

Organizer—Anthony J. Blasi, Tennessee State University

Convener—Robert Wortham, North Carolina Central University

- ▶ *W.E.B. DuBois: Toward a Sociology of the Black Church*  
Andrew Billingsley, University of Maryland
- ▶ *The Gift of the Spirit: W.E.B. DuBois and a Sociology of Religious Knowledge*  
Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Colby College
- ▶ *On the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of DuBois's *Negro Church**  
Phillip J. Zuckerman, Pitzer College, and Sandra Barnes, Purdue University
- ▶ *Meditation on DuBois's Critical Fifty Years of Black Religion*  
Anthony J. Blasi, Tennessee State University

**Session 41: Religion in China – Maple A**

Convener and Discussant—T. Jeremy Gunn, Emory University

- ▶ *Confucianism, Politics, and Human Rights in the People's Republic of China Since Tiananmen*  
William R. Garrett, St. Michael's College
- ▶ *The Uses and Limitations of the Sociology of Religion in Research on Falun Gong*  
Chuck Ditzler, University of Wisconsin
- ▶ *Regulating Religion in Communist China*  
Fenggang Yang, Purdue University

Sunday, 17 August, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

**Session 42: Author Meets Critics—Jere Cohen's *Protestantism and Capitalism: The Mechanisms of Influence* — Birch**

Organizers—Lutz Kaelber, University of Vermont, and William H. Swatos, Jr., ASR Executive Office

Convener—William H. Swatos, Jr., ASR Executive Office

Panelists  
Lutz Kaelber, University of Vermont  
William R. Garrett, St. Michael's College  
Donald A. Nielsen, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

**Session 43: Religion, Social Service, and Civic Engagement — Spruce**

Convener and Discussant—Nancy L. Eiesland, Emory University

- ▶ *Women in Congregations and Social Service Provision: Findings from the Philadelphia Census*  
Ram A. Cnaan, Andrea L. Helzer, and Jill W. Sinha, University of Pennsylvania
- ▶ *Fire in Atlanta: Love, Empowerment and Transformation*  
Margaret M. Poloma, University of Akron
- ▶ *Interfacing Faith-based and Secular Programs: Considering American and Eastern European Strategies*  
Lanette Ruff, University of New Brunswick, Barbara Fisher-Townsend, St. Thomas University, and Nancy Nason Clark, University of New Brunswick
- ▶ *Exploring the Effect of Politicized Religious Congregations on African Americans' Participation in Low-Risk/ Cost and High-Risk/Cost Activism*  
Kraig Beyerlein, University of North Carolina, and David Rodgers, East Carolina University
- ▶ *Getting a Piece of the Faith Based Pie*  
Christine D. Chapman and Stephen C. Razor, Interdenominational Theological Center

**Session 44: New Religious Movements Across the World — Maple A**

Convener—Eileen Barker, London School of Economics

- ▶ *Neo-Hinduism in France and in the United Kingdom: A Comparative Point of View*  
Véronique Altglas, Groupe de Sociologie des Religions et de la Laïcité, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique-École Pratique des Hautes Études
- ▶ *The Raelians' "Religion of Science": A New Response to Secularization*  
Susan Palmer, Dawson College
- ▶ *Civil Religion Aspects of Neo-Paganism*  
Michael York, Bath Spa University College
- ▶ *Religiosity, Race, and the Construction of a Global Identity: The Case of Two Bahá'í Communities*  
Stephen Cherry, University of Texas, and Mike McMullen, University of Houston-Clear Lake
- ▶ *Religious Movements and Their Second Generation: Is Adaptation Sectarian Suicide?*  
Amanda van Eck Duymaer van Twist, London School of Economics

**Session 45: Changing and Emerging Theoretical Perspectives — Maple C**

Convener—Warren S. Goldstein, University of Central Florida

- ▶ *Integrating New Social Movement Theory into the Sociology of Religion: Social Movement "Framing" among Religious Reform Groups in Iran*  
Stephen Poulson, Washington and Lee University
- ▶ *Disability, Society, and Religion: Constructing an Agenda for the Sociology of Religion*  
Albert A. Herzog, Jr., Ohio State University
- ▶ *An Examination of the Limitations to the Rational Choice Approach to Religion*  
Walter Bower, University of Kentucky
- ▶ *Testing Berger's Ideas: Are Analytical and Measurement Criticisms of Research on Plausibility Structures Justified?*  
Larry R. Petersen and Gregory V. Donnerwerth, University of Memphis
- ▶ *Spatial and Racial Variations in North Carolina Religious Adherence Rates, 1926*  
Robert A. Wortham, North Carolina Central University

Sunday, 17 August, 5:00 p.m.

**New Council Meeting – CNN 2**

Monday, 18 August, 8:30-10:15 a.m.

**Session 46: The Question of Contemporary Jewish Culture: Results from NJPS 2000 (cosponsored by ASA) – Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Thames Room**

Organizer and Convener—Harriet Hartman, Rowan University

Discussant—Moshe Hartman, Ben Gurion University

- ▶ *Diverging or Converging Identities: American and Israeli Jews*  
Uzi Rebhun and Shlomit Levy, Hebrew University
- ▶ *The First National Jewish Population Survey-1890 (Yes, 1890)*  
Barry Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago
- ▶ *The Economics of American Jewish Family Life*  
Carmella Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago
- ▶ *Gender Equality Among American Jews: An Update*  
Harriet Hartman, Rowan University, and Moshe Hartman, Ben Gurion University
- ▶ *Cultural Contexts for Mixed Marriages Among American Jews*  
Sylvia Barack Fishman, Brandeis University

Monday, 18 August, 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

**Session 47: Teaching Sociology of Religion Workshop (cosponsored by ASA) – Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Thames Room**

Co-presenters: Keith Roberts, Hanover College, and Lutz Kaelber, University of Vermont