Tributaries, Eddies, and Cross-Currents: Religion Outside the Mainstream

75th Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion

August 10-12, 2013
Doubletree Metropolitan Hotel
New York, New York
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THEME: When operating in the mode of “normal science,” the sociology of religion has been dominated by studies of mainstream religious institutions, beliefs and practices. But there is much to be learned in science by exploring anomalies. Global changes in recent decades have dramatically increased religious pluralism and innovation in local and regional settings, raising serious questions about the character, relevance, perhaps even the very existence of the “mainstream.” Research in the sociology of religion has begun to reflect these shifts, challenging previously dominant theories of religion via studies of new religious movements, new immigrant/transnational religion, lived religion, and/or new spiritualities. The 2013 Annual Meeting will explore what we may learn by turning our attention to religious forms, practices and beliefs existing outside the mainstream, in both institutional and noninstitutional expressions.
Program at a Glance

Saturday, August 10, 2013

2:30-4:10 p.m.: Special Session: Contemporary Transformations in the Forms and Content of Religion - Beekman, Second Floor, Hilton New York Midtown (co-sponsored by ASR and ASA)

4:30-6:10 p.m.: Special Session: Religious Practices and Social Inequalities - Beekman, Second Floor, Hilton New York Midtown (co-sponsored by ASR and ASA)

6:30-9:00 p.m.: ASR Executive Council Meeting, President Fred Kniss presiding - Empire, Penthouse

7:00-9:30 p.m.: Registration – Mezzanine Level

8:00-9:00 p.m.: Memorial to Celebrate the Life of Otto Maduro – Metro II

8:15-9:00 p.m.: Memorial to Celebrate the Life of Andrew Greeley – Concourse C, Hilton New York

9:15-10:15 p.m.: Welcoming Reception - Chrysler I & II, Penthouse (Co-sponsored by ASR and Brill)


- Presentation of this year’s McNamara Student Paper Award by Kevin McElmurry

-Toast in honor of the lives and contributions of Otto Maduro, Andrew Greeley, and Robert Bellah

Sunday, August 11, 2013

7:00-7:50 a.m.: New Attendees’ Welcoming Breakfast – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level

(Attendance by preregistration only)

7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m.: Registration desk open – Mezzanine Level

8:00-9:50 a.m.: Regular Sessions A1-A4 (see full program for locations)

10:00 a.m.-11:50 a.m.: Regular Sessions B1-B6

12:00-5:00 p.m.: ASR Book Exhibit – Metro III, Mezzanine Level

(light refreshments available from 12:30-1:00 p.m.)

12:30-2:20 p.m.: Regular Sessions C1-C5 (see full program for locations)

2:30-4:20 p.m.: Regular Sessions D1-D5

4:30-6:20 p.m.: Regular Sessions E1-E4

6:30 p.m.: ASR Presidential Address – Fred Kniss – Metro I & II, Mezzanine Level

7:30-9:00 p.m.: ASR Presidential Reception – Chrysler I & II, Penthouse Level

(Co-sponsored by ASR and the new SAGE journal Critical Research on Religion)

Monday, August 12, 2013

7:00-8:00 a.m.: ASR General Business Meeting, Fred Kniss presiding – Board Room II, 2nd floor

7:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m.: Registration desk open – Mezzanine Level

8:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.: ASR Book Exhibit – Metro III, Mezzanine Level (Reserve book pick-up from 11:55 a.m.-12:10 p.m., followed by a Close-out Sale from 12:10-12:30 p.m.)

8:00-9:50 a.m.: Regular Sessions F1-F6 (see full program for locations)

10:00 a.m.-11:50 a.m.: Regular Sessions G1-G6

12:30-2:20 p.m.: Regular Sessions H1-H5

2:30-4:20 p.m.: Regular Sessions I1-I6

5:00-6:00 p.m.: The Paul Hanly Furfey Lecture – Nancy Ammerman – Metro I & II, Mezzanine

6:00-8:00 p.m.: The Paul Hanly Furfey Reception – Chrysler I & II, Penthouse (Co-sponsored by ASR and Oxford University Press, the publisher of ASR’s journal Sociology of Religion)

Tuesday, August 13, 2013

7:15-8:25 a.m.: ASR Executive Council Meeting, Chris Ellison presiding – Empire, Penthouse
SPECIAL SESSIONS

Saturday, August 10, 2:30-4:10 p.m.

Special Session: Contemporary Transformations in the Forms and Content of Religion - Beekman, Second Floor, Hilton New York Midtown (co-sponsored with the American Sociological Association)

Session Organizer: Fred Kniss (Eastern Mennonite University)
Presider: Kelly Haesung Chong (University of Kansas)

What’s Old and Social about ‘Spirituality’ and Why It Matters for Sociology
Courtney J. Bender (Columbia University)

Lived Religion in the Senate: An Analysis of Chaplains’ Prayers
Wendy Cadge (Brandeis University), Margaret Clendenen (Brandeis University), Laura R. Olson (Clemson University)

Majority versus Minority Religious Status and the Ethno-Religious Activism of Indian Americans
Prema Ann Kurien (Syracuse University)

Civil Religion in the Neoliberal Moment: National Identity and Political Conflict
Rhys H. Williams (Loyola University-Chicago)

Abstract: This session will explore significant transformations in contemporary religion resulting from trends such as globalization, international migration, organizational decline, and new spiritualities.

Saturday, August 10, 4:30-6:10 p.m.

Special Session: Religious Practices and Social Inequalities - Beekman, Second Floor, Hilton New York Midtown (co-sponsored with the ASA)

Session Organizer: Fred Kniss (Eastern Mennonite University)
Presider: Fred Kniss (Eastern Mennonite University)

Religion as a Vehicle for Improving Racial Inequalities: An Exploration of Opportunities and Limitations
Korie L. Edwards (Ohio State University)

Religious Practices Bridge Class Inequalities: Ethnographic and Survey Data from a Social Movement Sector
Richard L. Wood (University of New Mexico), Ruth Lauren Braunstein (New York University), Brad Fulton (Duke University)

Gender, Inequality, and the Conceptualization of Lived Religion
Mary Jo Neitz (University of Missouri)

Opiate or Elixir? Religion in Queer Communities
Melissa M. Wilcox (Whitman College)

Abstract: This session will explore the intersection and relationship between religious practices and social inequalities in race, class, gender, and sexuality.

Saturday, August 10, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

ASR Executive Council Meeting – Empire, Penthouse Level
Presiding: Fred Kniss (Eastern Mennonite University)
Saturday, August 10, 7:00-9:30 p.m.

Registration – Mezzanine Level

Saturday, August 10, 8:00-9:00 p.m.

Memorials: To Celebrate the Life of Otto Maduro – Metro II
To Celebrate the Life of Andrew Greeley – Concourse C, Hilton New York

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Welcoming Reception - Chrysler I & II, Penthouse (Co-sponsored by ASR and Brill)
- Presentation of this year’s McNamara Student Paper Award by Kevin McElmurry
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REGULAR SESSIONS

Sunday, August 11, 7:00-7:50 a.m.

New Attendees’ Welcoming Breakfast – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level
(Attendance by preregistration only)

Sunday, August 11, 8:00-9:50 a.m.

Session A1: Vietnamese Americans: Religious Ritualization and Renovation in Domestic, Digital, and Transnational Spaces – Metro I, Mezzanine Level
Organizer and Convener: Thien-Huong T. Ninh (Williams College, ttn1@williams.edu)
Crossing and Placing: A Vietnamese American Catholic Experience
Linh Hoang (Siena College)
Connected by Faith: Religion and Transnational Ties in Three Vietnamese-American Enclaves
Jennifer Huynh (Princeton University)
Vietnamese Americans: Religion in the Digital Era
Xuan Truong T. Nguyen (Washington State University)
Sacralizing the Diasporas: Transnationalism among Vietnamese American Catholics and Caodaists in Comparative Perspective
Thien-Huong T. Ninh (Williams College)
Searching for the Spirit(s) of Diasporic Viet Nam: Appeasing the Ancestors and Articulating Cultural Belonging
Linda Ho Peche (University of Texas at Austin)
Discussant: Peter Phan (Georgetown University, pcp5@georgetown.edu)

Session A2: Flexible Identities – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Organizer and Convener: Giuseppe Giordan (University of Padova, giuseppe.giordan@unipd.it)
New Virtual Identities and Aged-Old Traditions
Enzo Pace (University of Padova, Italy)
Challenging Catholic Monopoly: The “Orthodox Effect” in Italy
Giuseppe Giordan (University of Padova, Italy)
Discussant: William H. Swatos, Jr. (Baylor University, William_Swatos@baylor.edu)
Session A3: Religious Movements and Research Methods – Metro II, Mezzanine
Organizer and Convener: Torang Asadi (University of Kansas, torangasadi@yahoo.com)

Religious Violence in America: Religion and Violence in the Anti-Abortion Movement
Megan McBride (Brown University)
The Ritualization of Sexual Violence in the Congo
Torang Asadi (University of Kansas)
Evolving Evangelical Attitudes toward Zionism in the 20th century
Jason Olson (Brandeis University)

Discussant: Erin Augis (Ramapo College, eaugis@ramapo.edu)

Session A4: Author Meets Critics – Empire, Penthouse Level
Of Virgins and Martyrs: Women and Sexuality in Global Conflict (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2013), by David Jacobson (University of South Florida)
Organizer and Convener: James Cavendish (University of South Florida)
Respondents: Fauzia Ahmed (Miami University of Ohio)
Orit Avishai (Fordham University)
Roland Robertson (University of Pittsburgh and University of Aberdeen)
John Torpey (City University of New York, Graduate Center)

Sunday, August 11, 10:00 a.m.-11:50 a.m.

Session B1: Religion in/and Global Culture – Metro I, Mezzanine Level
Organizer: Roland Robertson (University of Pittsburgh and University of Aberdeen)
Convener: John Simpson (University of Toronto, hermanjs@sympatico.ca)

Jesuits, Connectivity and the Uneven Development of Global Consciousness since the Sixteenth Century
Jose Casanova (Georgetown University)
Teilhard de Chardin and Robert Bellah: Kindred Souls?
Edward Tiryakian (Duke University)
The Axial Age: World Enough and Time?
John Torpey (City University of New York, Graduate Center)
Religious Reform and the Axial Age Religions: The Case of Buddhism
Bryan S. Turner (City University of New York, Graduate Center)

Discussant: Roland Robertson (University of Pittsburgh and University of Aberdeen)

Session B2: Author Meets Critics – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level
Religion on the Move! New Dynamics of Religious Expansion in a Globalizing World (Brill, 2012), edited by Afe Adogame (Univ. of Edinburgh) and Shobana Shankar (Georgetown University)
Organizer and Convener: Rebecca Y. Kim (Pepperdine University)
Respondents: Mary Jo Neitz (University of Missouri)
Richard Flory (University of Southern California)
Thien-Huong Ninh (Williams College)
Prema Kurien (Syracuse University)

Session B3: Author Meets Critics – Empire, Penthouse Level
Blacks and Whites in Christian America: How Racial Discrimination Shapes Religious Convictions (New York University Press, 2012), by Jason E. Shelton (University of Texas at Arlington) and Michael O. Emerson (Rice University)
Organizer and Convener: Ryon J. Cobb (Florida State University)
Respondents: Shayne Lee (University of Houston), Jerry Z. Park (Baylor University), Richard Pitt (Vanderbilt University), Korie Edwards (Ohio State University)
Session B4: Women and Islam – Metro II, Mezzanine Level
Convener: Erin J. Augis (Ramapo College of New Jersey, eaugis@ramapo.edu)

Ultra-Orthodox Women Lead Change in Society
Anat Feldman (Achva Academic College, Israel)

Women, Islam, and Preaching in Malaysia
Mimi Hanida Abdul Mutalib (National University of Malaysia)

Islamic Feminism in Kuwait: The Politics and Paradoxes
Alessandra L. Gonzalez (Princeton University)

Session B5: Catholicism – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Convener: Melissa Cidade (CARA at Georgetown University, mac288@georgetown.edu)

The Influence of College Experiences on Vocational Discernment to Catholic Priesthood and Religious Life
James Cavendish (U. of South Florida), Ryan Muldoon (Georgetown University)

Religious Affiliation at the Intersection of Generation and Gender: A Case Study of American Catholicism
Patricia Wittberg (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis)

Diffused Religion and Civil Society
Roberto Cipriani (Third University of Rome)

Session B6: Emotion, Charisma, and Music – Board Room II, 2nd floor
Convener: David A. Gay (University of Central Florida, David.Gay@ucf.edu)

Genres of Worship: The Aesthetic and Emotional Dimensions in the Study of Ritual Practices
Kevin L McElmurry (Indiana University Northwest)

A Global Church Wrestles with both Inter-cultural and Inter-generational Issues: Conflict over Music within Seventh-day Adventism
Ronald Lawson (Queens College, CUNY)

Locating Urban Pentecostalism in Culture: The Vitality of Charisma in a Brooklyn Pentecostal Tongue-Speaking Church
Peter Marina (University of Wisconsin-La Crosse)

Sunday, August 11, 12:00-5:00 p.m.

ASR Book Exhibit – Metro III, Mezzanine, Light refreshments from 12:30-1:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 11, 12:30-2:20 p.m.

Session C1: Author Meets Critics – Empire, Penthouse Level
American Catholics in Transition (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2013) by William D’Antonio (The Catholic University of America), Michele Dillon (University of New Hampshire), and Mary Gautier (CARA at Georgetown University)
Organizer and Convener: Melissa Cidade (CARA at Georgetown University)
Respondents: Jerome Baggett (Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University)
Milagros Peña (University of Florida)
Gabriel A. Acevedo (The University of Texas at San Antonio)

Session C2: Toward a Critical Sociology of Religion – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level
(Sponsored by the new SAGE journal Critical Research on Religion)
Organizer and Convener: Rhys Williams (Loyola University Chicago, rwilliams7@luc.edu)

Insiders, Outsiders, Advocates and Apostates and the Religions They Study: Location and the Sociology of Religion
Mary Jo Neitz (University of Missouri, Columbia)
Session C3: Religion and Homosexuality – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Convener: JoAnn Chirico (Penn State University, jxc64@psu.edu)

Religion, Spirituality, and Attitudes toward Same-Sex Marriage
David A. Gay, Patrick Smith, and John P. Lynxwiler (University of Central Florida)

Outside and Inside the Mainstream: Race and the Politics of Inclusion in the SPI
Melissa M. Wilcox and Luis Alba-Sanchez (Whitman College)

Lutheran Exodus: Congregations Leaving the ELCA and the Controversy About Sexual Orientation of Clergy
Wayne Luther Thompson (Carthage College)

An Ecological Examination of Religion and Race in Explaining Tolerance for Homosexuality
Amy Adamczyk, Brittany Hayes, and Katharine Boyd (CUNY)

Session C4: Jewish Experiences Outside the Mainstream – Metro I, Mezzanine
Organized by the Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry and the Berman Jewish DataBank
Organizers: Arnold Dashefsky (University of Connecticut) and Harriet Hartman (Rowan University and the Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry (ASSJ))
Convener: Arnold Dashefsky (University of Connecticut, arnold.dashefsky@uconn.edu)

Strong Currents in the Mainstream: Ascribed and Achieved Concepts of Jewish Identity
Shirah Hecht (Gratz College)

Identity Formation in Emerging Adulthood: Religious and Professional Selves Compared
Bethamie Horowitz (NYU Steinhardt)

Claiming Conscience: The Military Chaplaincy, the American Rabbinate and the Vietnam War
Ronit Stahl (University of Michigan)

Outside the Mainstream of Judaism: An Empirical Examination of American Jewish Secularism
Arnold Dashefsky (University of Connecticut) and Ira Sheskin (U. of Miami)
Discussant: Harriet Hartman (Rowan University, hartman@rowan.edu)

Session C5: Religion in Asia I – Metro II, Mezzanine
Convener: William H. Swatos, Jr. (Baylor University, William_Swatos@baylor.edu)

The Plausibility of Religions among Chinese Students in Beijing
Fenggang Yang (Purdue University), Miao Li (Purdue University), and Shangyang Sun (Peking University)

Catholicism and Civic Engagement: Case Studies of the Catholic Church in Hong Kong, Macau, Taipei, and Shanghai
Zhidong Hao (University of Macau), Shun Hing Chen (Hong Kong Baptist University), Wen-ban Kuo (Taipei University), Yik Fai Tam (Hong Kong Baptist University), and Lianming Xu (East China Normal University)

Korean Confucian Culture and Women’s Fertility Issues in South Korea
Ha Jung Lee (Boston University)

Interviewing Buddhist Clergy in Fukushima, Japan: Buddhist Clergy’s Disaster Relief Efforts from Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant Accident
Tatsushi Hirono (Austin Peay State University)
Session D1: Religious Diversity, Pluralism, and Conflict – Metro I, Mezzanine
Convener: Anthony J. Blasi (University of Texas at San Antonio, ablasi@clear.net)
  Canada, Israel, and the Jews: The 41st General Council of the United Church of Canada  
  John Simpson (University of Toronto)
  Archives and Specters in the Briefs of the Commission on Religion in School (1999) and  
  the Bouchard-Taylor Commission (2008)  
  Louis-Charles Gagnon-Tessier (University of Montreal)
  Religion in the Public Space: Religious Dress Codes in the Italian Context  
  Sabrina Pastorelli (Groupe Sociétés, Religions, Laïcités (GSRL/CNRS))
  Managing Religious Identities in the School Context in Europe and North America  
  Robert Ludovic (University of Montreal)

Session D2: Islam in the U.S. – Metro II, Mezzanine Level
Convener: Zacharias P. Pieri (University of South Florida, zpieri@usf.edu)
  Being Black in American Mosques: Congregational Ethnic Composition, Racial Identity,  
  and American Islam  
  Christine Soriea Sheikh (University of Denver)
  Hustling with the Grace of Allah: The Interplay of Culture and Structure in an African  
  American Muslim Community  
  Pamela Prickett (University of California Los Angeles)
  “Keepin’ It Halal”: Muslim American Youth and Secret Islamic Dating  
  John O’Brien (New York University Abu Dhabi)
  Lived Religion: Islam in a West African Take-out Restaurant  
  Bethany Weed (University of Pennsylvania)

Session D3: Author Meets Critics – Empire, Penthouse Level
Organizer and Convener: Kelly H. Chong (University of Kansas)
Respondents: Michele Dillon (University of New Hampshire), Roger Finke (Pennsylvania State University), Cheryl Townsend Gilkes (Colby College), Jay Demerath (University of Massachusetts at Amherst)

Session D4: Religion, Health, and Well-Being – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Convener: Barbara Denison (Shippensburg University, bjdeni@ship.edu)
  Religion and Health: Is Participation Enough?  
  Matthew May (University of Georgia)
  “God is My First Aid Kit”: The Cognitive Strategies of Christian Scientists in Negotiating  
  Health and Wellbeing  
  Rebecca Steckler (University of Texas at San Antonio)
  Inmate Mental Health and Disability Theology  
  Fernando E. Linhares (Drew University)
  The Influence of Religion on Sexual HIV Risk  
  Stacey Shaw (Columbia University School of Social Work)
  Religion as a Coping Resource among Resilient Foster Care Alumni  
  Sarah Shah, Christopher Ellison, and Harriett Romo (U. of Texas at San Antonio)

Session D5: Methodology and Theory in the Sociology of Religion – Chrysler II
Convener: Kevin McElmurry (Indiana University N.W., kmcelmur@iun.edu)
  Social Network-Based Approaches in Religion  
  Gábor Dániel Nagy (University of Szeged, Hungary)
Beyond Mainstream Methods: Photo Elicitation and the Visual Sociology Religion
Roman R. Williams (Calvin College)

Hermeneutical Neglect: Segal, Kepnes, and Ricoeur on the Understanding-Explanation Divide in the Scientific Study of Religion
Adam Valerio (Temple University)

Matthew T. Riley (Drew University)

Sunday, August 11, 4:30-6:20 p.m.

Session E1: ASR Presidential Panel – Reflections on the 75th Anniversary of ASR – Empire, Penthouse Level
Convener: Fred Kniss, 2013 ASR President
Past ASR Presidents Nancy Ammerman (1996), Michele Dillon (2009), James Richardson (1986), and Rhys Williams (2010) will reflect on where ASR has been and where it is going. Past ASR Presidents in the audience will be recognized for their contributions to ASR over the years.

Session E2: Trends in American Religion – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level
Convener: Barbara Denison (Shippensburg University, bjdeni@ship.edu)
The Implications of Prosperity Beliefs for Entrepreneurial Activity
Kevin Dougherty (Baylor University)
Non-Affiliation, Non-Denominationalism, Religion Switching, and Denomination Switching: A Longitudinal Analysis of the Effects on Religiosity
Daniel Suh and Raymond Russell (University of California, Riverside)
Religiosity of American Professors: An Empirical Comparison of Professors to other Highly Educated Americans
Cyrus Schleifer (Duke University)
American Sociology of Religion, 1959-1984
Anthony J. Blasi (University of Texas at San Antonio)
“God Built This”: Religion Entrepreneurship, Church-Founding, and Risk Perception
Richard Pitt (Vanderbilt University)

Session E3: Religion and Politics – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Convener: Richard L. Wood (University of New Mexico, rlwood@unm.edu)
The Republicanization of Evangelical Protestants in the United States: The Role of Views of Homosexuality and Abortion in Promoting Intra-Cohort Change
Philip Schwadel (University of Nebraska—Lincoln)
Selection into Activist Churches: A Test Using First Time Church Attenders
Marion Coddou (Stanford University)
From Religious Ideology to the Bottom of the Chain
Michael D. Royster (Prairie View A&M University)
Religion in the Public Sphere: The Case of Pentecostals in Brazilian Presidential Elections, from 1989 to 2010
Janine Trevisan (University of Ottawa/ PUCRS- Brazil)

Session E4: Spirituality and the Sacred – Board Room II, 2nd floor
Convener: Richard Flory (University of Southern California, rflory@usc.edu)
Religious Belief in a “Post-Christian” Country: Australians and the Afterlife
Andrew Singleton (Monash University, Australia)
The Cemetery as a “Sacred” Space: Insights from Sociology Students
Allison Kirkman (Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand)
Sunday, August 11, 6:30 p.m.

**ASR Presidential Address – Metro I & II, Mezzanine Level**
Convener: James Cavendish (University of South Florida)
Presider: Roger Finke (Pennsylvania State University), Past President of ASR
*Against the Flow: Learning from New, Emergent, and Peripheral Religious Currents*
President: Fred Kniss (Eastern Mennonite University)

**Sunday, August 11, 7:30-9:00 p.m.*

**ASR Presidential Reception – Chrysler I & II, Penthouse Level**
(Co-sponsored by ASR and the new SAGE journal *Critical Research on Religion*)
*Time approximate: reception to open upon the conclusion of the address.


Monday, August 12, 7:00-7:50 a.m.

**ASR General Business Meeting – Board Room II, 2nd floor**
Presiding: Fred Kniss, Eastern Mennonite University

Monday, August 12, 7:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

**Registration – Mezzanine Level**

Monday, August 12, 8:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**ASR Book Exhibit – Metro III, Mezzanine Level**

Monday, August 12, 8:00-9:50 a.m.

**Session F1: Religious Entrepreneurship, Civic Role and Democratic Political Cultures in Africa and African Diaspora – Metro II, Mezzanine Level**
Organizer and Convener: Afe Adogame (University of Edinburgh, UK, a.adogame@ed.ac.uk)
*Prayer as a Technology of Governance? State and Society in the Shadow of Pentecostalization*
    Ebenezer Obadare (University of Kansas)
*Prophets of Doom or Deluded Subjects? Religious Entrepreneurs, Prophetic Engagement and Theocractic Imaginaries in a Democratic Political Culture in Kenya*
    Damaris Parsitau (Egerton University, Kenya)
*“I am Austro-Ghanaian” - Citizenship and Belonging of Ghanaians in Austria*
    Michael P.K. Okyerefo (University of Ghana, Legon)
*Religion and Politics in Ghanaian Christianity*
    Michael Perry N.O. Tettey (The University of Edinburgh, UK)
Discussant: Janice Mclean-Farrell (City Seminary of New York, janice@cityseminaryny.org)
Session F2: The ‘In-Betweens’: Not Amish, Not Mennonite, but Amish-Mennonite – Board Room II, 2nd floor
Organizers and Conveners: Cory Anderson (Ohio State University, dranderson@beachyam.org) and William L. Smith (Georgia Southern University, wmlsmith@georgiasouthern.edu)

Situating the Amish-Mennonites Religiously, Historically, and Spatially
Cory Anderson (Ohio State University)

Continuity and Change in a Southern Beachy Amish-Mennonite Congregation
William L. Smith (Georgia Southern University)

Amish-Mennonite Religious Change and Language Shift
Joshua R. Brown (University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire)

How Evangelical Theology Made Beachy Amish-Mennonite Community Roles Undermine Community: The Cases of Women’s Domesticity and Church Leadership
Cory Anderson (Ohio State University)

Session F3: Evangelicalism – Empire, Penthouse Level
Convener: Jerry Park (Baylor University, Jerry_Park@baylor.edu)

What’s so “Evangelical” about the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America? How local innovations and emerging church currents are transforming the ELCA
Maren Freudenberg (Freie Universitaet, Berlin, Germany)

Selective Permeability: Evangelical Boundary Maintenance in an Age of Religious Pluralism
Jared Bok (Emory University)

When Prayers Fail; How an Evangelical Church Dealt with Post-Election Crisis 2012
Fredrik Gregorius (Pennsylvania State University)

Session F4: Understanding the South American Religious Field – Metro I
Organizer and Convener: Ana Lourdes Suarez (Pontificia Universidad Catolica Argentina, alsuarez@fibertel.com.ar)

New Ecclesial Movements in Argentina and Brazil
Ana Lourdes Suarez (Pontificia Universidad Catolica Argentina/CONICET)

Catholic Pentecostalism of Exportation in Brazil
Brenda Carranza (Pontificia Universidade Catolica de Campinas, Sao Paolo)

The Argentine Religious Field Today: Belief, Self-Ascription, and Religious Practice: An approach through aggregated data
Juan M. Lopez Fidanza (Pontificia Universidad Catolica Argentina)

Discussant: Jerome Baggett (Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, jbaggett@jstb.edu)

Session F5: Islam Across the Globe – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Convener: Roger Finke (Pennsylvania State University, rfinke@psu.edu)

Re-framing the London Mega-Mosque: The Contentious Politics of Mosque Construction
Zacharias P. Pieri (University of South Florida)

Islam and Modernity: Critical Reflections on a Master Narrative after the “Arab Spring”
Dietrich Jung (University of Southern Denmark)

With and Against the Current: Tensions between Religious and Civil Discourse in Egyptian Rights Advocacy
Martin Rowe (Boston University)

Session F6: Author Meets Critics – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level

Testing Pluralism: Globalizing Belief, Localizing Gods (Brill, 2013, as part of the Religion and the Social Order series), edited by Giuseppe Giordan (University of Padova, Italy) and William H. Swatos, Jr. (Baylor University)

Organizer and Convener: Kevin J. Christiano (University of Notre Dame)
Respondents: Peter Kivisto (Augustana College), John Simpson (University of Toronto)
Edward A. Tiryakian (Duke University)
Monday, August 12, 10:00 a.m.-11:50 a.m.

Session G1: Sociology of the Parish – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level
Organizer and Convener: Brian Starks (University of Notre Dame, brian.starks.2@nd.edu)
Whither Parish Research?
Tricia C. Bruce (Maryville College)
Varying Models of Pastoral Leadership: Impacts on Parishioners’ Attitudes of Parish Life
Melissa A. Cidade and Mary L. Gautier (CARA at Georgetown)
How do Parish Leaders Handle Conflict and Shape Identity?
Brian Starks (University of Notre Dame)
Catholic Parish Organizational and Ethnic Change Since the 1990’s
Gary Adler (IFACS at University of Southern California)

Session G2: Religion in the Asian American Community – Chrysler I, Penthouse
Convener: Rebecca Y. Kim (Pepperdine University)
Father School as Gender Boot Camp: Distant Patriarchy and the “New Father” Conversion Process
Allen J. Kim (University of California, Irvine)
K. Kale Yu (Nyack College)
Complementarianism as Doctrine and Governance: Women’s Leadership among Asian American Evangelicals
Esther Chan (Rice University)
Mobilizing Korean-Americans: The Works of Korean Church Coalition for North Korea Freedom
Hien Park (Vanguard University)

Session G3: Religion and Women – Empire, Penthouse Level
Convener: Torang Asadi (University of Kansas, torangasadi@yahoo.com)
Patterns of Resistance and Compliance among Mormon Women
Reid Leamaster and Daniel V.A. Olson (Purdue University)
Fundamentalist Christianity, Gender Roles, and Distress
J. Guillermo Villalobos and Marta Elliott (University of Nevada, Reno)
Gendered Poverty/Gendered Religion: Can a Woman Survive?
Sarah A. Neeley (Iliff School of Theology/University of Denver)
Women out of the Sidelines. Rehabilitation Experiences in Religious Contexts
Gloria Galaviz (El Colegio de la Frontera Norte)

Session G4: Varieties of Religious Experience: Center and the Margins – Metro II
Convener: Mary Ellen Konieczny (University of Notre Dame, MaryEllen.Konieczny.1@nd.edu)
The Not Quite Infinite Varieties of Religious Experience: What Difference Might Being New Make?
Eileen Barker (London School of Economics /Inform)
Lay Experts: Religious Capital and Reading Nonscriptural Texts
Emily Ronald (Boston University)
Urgency and Agency on the “Religious Rim”
Laura M. Leming (University of Dayton)
Liturgy as Explicit and Implicit Religious Vision
Barbara R. Walters (City University of New York)
Session G5: Religion and Older Adults – Board Room II, 2nd floor
Convener: William D’Antonio (The Catholic University of America, Dantonio@cua.edu)
- Silver Spirituality: Recreational Religion and Aging in the Rogue River Valley
  Madeline Duntley (Bowling Green State University)
- Determinants of Congregational Support in Late Life: Investments, Health and Demographic Predictors
  Andrea L. Ruiz (University of Texas at San Antonio)
- Race, Religious Involvement, and Changes in Self-Esteem in Late Life
  Jinwoo Lee (The University of Texas at Austin), Christopher G. Ellison, and Xiaohe Xu (The University of Texas at San Antonio)

Session G6: Religion and Activism – Metro I, Mezzanine Level
Convener: Sandra Barnes (Vanderbilt University, sandra.l.barnes@vanderbilt.edu)
- Soup Kitchens and Subways: Investigating the Effect of Urban Environment on Evangelical Women’s Activism in New York City
  Adriane Bilous (Fordham University)
- Religion and Environmental Justice Activism in the U.S.
  Laurel Kearns (Drew University)
- A Season of Storms: How Christian Leaders Talked about the Environment and Climate Change after Superstorm Sandy
  Adam Murphree (New York University)
- An Ever Present Help: How Black Megachurches Respond to HIV/AIDS and Poverty
  Sandra L. Barnes (Vanderbilt University)

Monday, August 12, 11:55-12:10 p.m.

Reserve Book Pick-up – Metro III, Mezzanine Level

Monday, August 12, 12:10-12:30 p.m.

Book Exhibit Close-out Sale – Metro III, Mezzanine Level

Monday, August 12, 12:30-2:20 p.m.

Session H1: Sociological Perspectives on Islam, Gender and Sexuality – Metro I
Organizer and Convener: Rachel Rinaldo (University of Virginia, rar8y@virginia.edu)
- “Where does Heaven Lie?” Masculinity, Islam, and Sanctification in Rural Bangladesh
  Fauzia Ahmed (Miami University of Ohio)
- Seduction and Submission: Sunnite Women’s Narratives on Becoming and Being Pious Wives
  Erin Augis (Ramapo College)
- Subjects of Rights and Subjects of Cruelty: The Production of an Islamic Backlash against Homosexuality in Turkey
  Evren Savci (Northwestern)
- The Fluid Boundaries between the “Religious” and the “Secular”: The Islamization of Public Spaces in Iran
  Nazanin Shahrokni (UC Berkeley)
Discussant: Rachel Rinaldo (University of Virginia, rar8y@virginia.edu)
Session H2: Religion and Young Adults – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level
Convener: Kevin D. Dougherty (Baylor University, Kevin_Dougherty@baylor.edu)
Being Thankful: Examining the Relationship between Young Adult Religiosity and Gratitude
Rachel Kraus (Ball State University), Scott A. Desmond (Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis), and Zachary Palmer (Ball State University)
Pathways to Purpose: The Role of Religion in Shaping Meaning and Purpose during College
Jonathan P. Hill (Calvin College) and Perry Glanzer (Baylor University)
Religion and the Ideal Age of Marriage
Jade Avelis (University of Notre Dame)
Religion, Race, and Volunteering Among Youth: Exploring Patterns of Formal and Informal Volunteering
Bohyeong Jane Lee (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

Session H3: Secularism and Religious Change – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level
Convener: Mary Jo Neitz (University of Missouri, NeitzM@missouri.edu)
Functionalist Understandings of Religion as an Explanation of Organizational Variety in the Secular Movement
Joseph Blankholm (Columbia University)
What Encourages the Nonreligious to Organize?
Alfredo García (Princeton University) and Joseph Blankholm (Columbia University)
The Secularization of Western Christian Leadership during the Modern Era
Don Swenson (Mount Royal University, Alberta, Canada)

Session H4: Author Meets Critics – Empire, Penthouse Level
Place of Faith: A Road Trip across America’s Religious Landscape (Oxford University Press, 2012, by Christopher P. Scheitle and Roger Finke (Pennsylvania State University)
Organizer and Convener: Kelly H. Chong (University of Kansas)
Respondents: Melissa Wilde (University of Pennsylvania)
Prema Kurien (Syracuse University)
Mary Ellen Konieczny (University of Notre Dame)
Richard Flory (University of Southern California)

Session H5: “Extraordinary” Religions – Metro II, Mezzanine Level
Convener: Eileen Barker (London School of Economics, E.Barker@lse.ac.uk)
Authoritative Nuances in NRMs: An Ethnographic Examination of Informal Authority Structures in the Twelve Tribes
Amelia Blume and Seth Abrutyn (The University of Memphis)
The Failed Prophecies and Continuing Believers of Harold Camping
Christin Moreland (University of New Mexico)
Making the Ideal Family Possible: Practicing the Arranged Marriage in the Unification Church
Andrea Belanova (Masaryk University, Czech Republic)
Who Wants to Join the Plain Mennonites or Amish? And Why?
Cory Anderson, Ohio State University
Monday, August 12, 2:30-4:20 p.m.

**Session I1: Author Meets Critics – Empire, Penthouse Level**
Pray the Gay Away: The Extraordinary Lives of Bible Belt Gays (New York University Press, 2012), by Bernadette Barton (Morehead State University)
Organizer and Convener: Dawne Moon (Marquette University)
Respondents: Nancy Tatoom Ammerman (Boston University), Thomas J. Linneman (College of William and Mary), Jodi O’Brien (Seattle University), Melissa Wilcox (Whitman College)

**Session I2: Religion and Inequality – Chrysler I, Penthouse Level**
Convener: Richard Flory (University of Southern California, rflory@usc.edu)
*God is Colorblind: How Religion Compounds the Problem of Race and Racial Joking in a Diverse Christian Fraternity*
Benjamin Gurrentz (Pennsylvania State University)
*The One Friend Rule and Social Deficits: Understanding the Impact of Race on Social Capital in an Interracial Church*
Christopher W. Munn (Ohio State University)
*Attitudes toward Racial Inequality in Very Large Congregations*
Ryon J. Cobb (Florida State University), Kevin Dougherty (Baylor University), Jerry Z. Park (Baylor University), Samuel L. Perry (University of Chicago)
*The Tyranny of the Majority: Why all Political Frameworks can Fail Minorities*
Jonathan Fox (Bar-Ilan University), Roger Finke (Penn State University), and Robert R. Martin (Penn State University)
*The Social Mobility of American Jews*
Stephen Cranney (University of Pennsylvania), Rachel Ellis (University of Pennsylvania), Steve Viscelli (Swarthmore College), and Melissa J. Wilde (University of Pennsylvania)

**Session I3: Religion and Family/Parenting – Metro III, Mezzanine Level**
Convener: Ana Lourdes Suarez (Pontificia Universidad Catolica Argentina, alsuarez@fibertel.com.ar)
*Religion, Parenting Stress, and Parenting Satisfaction*
Jeremy E. Uecker (Baylor University), Samuel Stroope (Louisiana State University), and W. Matthew Henderson (Baylor University)
*Preparing for a Marriage: The Intersection of Religion and Expertise in Evangelical Premarital Counseling*
Courtney Ann Irby (Loyola University Chicago)
*Divided Bedfellows: The Management of Relationships When a Spouse Becomes Religiously Observant*
Ephraim Tabory and Ziona Bar-el (Bar Ilan University, Israel)

**Session I4: Religion, State, and National Identity – Chrysler II, Penthouse Level**
Convener: JoAnn Chirico (Penn State University, jxc64@psu.edu)
James T. Richardson (University of Nevada)
*The Subject-ification Process of Religious Minority: The Nationalism of Coptic Orthodox Christian in Egypt from 1922-2011*
Hyun Jeong Ha (University of Texas at Austin)
*Conversion, Violence and the Control of Religious Capital: What Pierre Bourdieu Can Tell us about Muslim Conversions to Catholicism in Early Sixteenth-Century Spain*
E. J. Hernandez (Temple University)
*Christian America? Religious Pluralism in the 21st Century*
Eric Tranby, Samantha Zulkowski, and Brandie Pugh (University of Delaware)
Session I5: Religion in Asia II – Metro II, Mezzanine Level
Convener: Laura Leming (University of Dayton, lleming1@udayton.edu)
   The Birth and Development of an Ethnic God in Taiwan
       Pen-Hsuan Lin, National United University, Taiwan
   The Symbolic Interactionism of the Sacred Relationship of Guru Devotion
       Elijah G. Ward (Saint Xavier University)
   Spirituality from Sunrise to Sunset
       Carmen R. Alviar and Jose Y. Carlos (University of Santo Tomas, Philippines)

Session I6: Authenticity and Change: Developments and Issues in Contemporary Western Paganism over the last Twenty Years – Board Room II, 2nd floor
Organizer and Convener: Michael York (Bath Spa University and the Academy of Cultural and Educational Studies in London, exchange@michaelyork.co.uk)
   Gender and the Gods in Contemporary Paganism
       Michelle Mueller (Graduate Theological Union and Cherry Hill Seminary)
   Challenges to and from Paganism in Interreligious Dialogue: The Contemporary Western Pagan Presence in the Parliament of the World’s Religions
       Phyllis Curott (Council for the World Parliament of Religions)
   The Vampire Renaissance and Human Self-Deification in Paganism
       Margot Adler (National Public Radio)
   Paganism as a Movement; Paganism as a Religion: Changes in Contemporary Western Paganism since the Late 1980s
       Michael York (Bath Spa University)

Monday, August 12, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

The Paul Hanly Furfey Lecture – Metro I & II, Mezzanine Level
Convener: James Cavendish (University of South Florida)
Presider: Fred Kniss (Eastern Mennonite University), ASR President
   Finding Religion in Everyday Life
       Nancy Ammerman (Boston University), Furfey Lecturer

Monday, August 12, 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

The Paul Hanly Furfey Reception – Chrysler I & II, Penthouse Level
(Co-sponsored by ASR and Oxford University Press, the publisher of ASR’s journal Sociology of Religion)
*Time approximate: reception to open upon the conclusion of the lecture.

Those who are members of the ASA Religion Section may wish to proceed from this reception to the reception of the ASA Religion Section, which lasts until 8:30 p.m.in Central Park West, Second Floor, Sheraton New York Hotel & Towers

Tuesday, August 13, 7:15-8:25 a.m.

ASR Executive Council Meeting – Empire, Penthouse Level
Presiding: Chris Ellison (University of Texas, San Antonio)