Migration and Mission in Christian History

A Joint Conference of the
American Society of Church History and the Ecclesiastical History Society

April 3-5, 2014
Oxford Brookes University (Harcourt Hill Campus)

REGISTRATION & ENQUIRIES: 9:00 AM-6:00 PM – Room BG26

Session 1: Thursday Morning, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM (2 hours)

1a. Christian Mission in London in the late Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries
Room AG09

Chair: TBD

Sarah Flew, Open University
The Mission to the Foreigner: The Evangelisation of the Migrant Worker, Refugee, Traveller and Sailor in London in the Late Nineteenth Century

Nazneen Ahmed and Alana Harris, University of Oxford
“The Orient at Our Doors”: Christian Mission and the Machinations of Imperialism in 1920s London

John Maiden, Open University
‘The Vicar…doesn’t want us in his Church hall’: Black Majority Congregations and the Search for Space in London during the 1970s

Kristian Girling, Heythrop College
Between Baghdad and Detroit: The Chaldean Catholic community in Great Britain 1967-2013

1b. Immigration and Christian Mission in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century America
Room F112

Chair: TBD

Philipp Gollner, University of Notre Dame
“Americanize – Evangelize:” Religion and Assimilation among Scandinavians and Anglo-Protestants in late 19th Century Chicago

Erin Bell, University of Lincoln
“A land where they can eat bread to the full”: Quaker migration from and missions in C19th Norway

Scott Kenworthy, Miami University (Oxford, Ohio)
Archbishop Tikhon Bellavin and Orthodox Church Unity Among Diverse Immigrants in Early Twentieth-Century America
LUNCH: 12:00-1:00 PM – Refectory

Plenary 1: Thursday Afternoon, 1:10-2:30 PM – Chapel

Jon F. Sensbach, University of Florida
Indigenous Itinerants: Re-Centering Mission in the Early Modern Atlantic

Session 2: Thursday Afternoon, 2:40-4:20 PM (1.5 hours)

2a. The Migration of Relics in Medieval and Early Modern Europe

Chair: TBD

Danielle Park, Royal Holloway, University of London
'Sacred Sacrilege' on the Fourth Crusade: Relic Migration and Unholy Mission

*Helen Parish, University of Reading
'Scattered to the wind?': The Migration of Relics in Reformation England

Anna Campbell, University of Reading
The Bones of Saints: Religious Persecution and the Translation of the Relics of St Colette of Corbie (1381-1447)

Response: The Audience

2b. The Missionary and the Mission: Modern Case Studies of the Roman Catholic Missionary Impulse and Cultural Assumptions Brought to the Missions

Chair: Salvador Ryan, St Patrick’s College, Maynooth

*Kenneth L. Parker, Saint Louis University
The Kenrick Brothers, Irish Gallicanism, and the American Missions: The Irish influence on the nineteenth-century American Roman Catholic ecclesial tradition

Katharina Stornig, Leibniz Institut für Europäische Geschichte
Nuns and missions: Gendered dimensions of Catholic missionary migration in the late 19th and early 20th centuries

Colm Ó Siochrá, University of Oxford
Contesting ‘Spiritual Empire’: The Vaughans and the globalisation of English Catholicism, c.1860-1914

Respondent: Donal Lowry, Oxford Brookes University

2c. Missions, Migrations, and Motivations in China and its Diaspora

Chair and Respondent: Nanlai Cao, Renmin University of China in Beijing

Christie Chui-Shan Chow, Princeton Theological Seminary
“Migrants and Morality: Turning to Seventh-day Adventism in Wenzhou”

*David William Scott, Ripon College
“Religious Organizations as Migratory Systems: Methodist Chinese in Malaysia”

Rachel Erickson-Rui, Independent Scholar
“Chinese Christians Overseas: Overlapping Motivations in Migration, Mission, and Business”

2d. The Advance and Decline of Christian Mission in late Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Migrations in America

Chair: TBD

Christopher G. Petrovich, Independent Scholar
Preserving the Old Order in a New Land: The Amish of Allen County, Indiana, 1853-1909

Lloyd Barba, University of Michigan
Dust and Denominations: Pentecostalism and Migration in Farm Labor Communities of California’s Valleys 1917-1964

COFFEE BREAK: 4:20-4:40 PM – Refectory

Session 3: Thursday Afternoon, 4:45-6:25 PM (1.5 hours)


Chair and Respondent: TBD

Tania Boster, Oberlin College
Translating morality: Jeremy Collier the younger and the Great Historical Dictionary (1701)

*Peter Foley, University of Arizona
Seditious Anglicanism: Mission Bishops for the American Colonies

Kieran German, University of Strathclyde
Why the Nonjurors’ Mission weakened Jacobite Commitment

3b. Missionary Hagiography and American History: The Marketing of America and Protestantism

Chair and Respondent: Barbara Reeves-Ellington, Siena College

Scott Libson, Emory University
The Romance of Missionary Heroism: Or, the Masculinization of American Missionary Pioneers, 1890-1910
Colin Reynolds, Emory University  
The Martyr and his Faith: John Birch and American Religious Nationalism

*Anne Blankenship, Washington University in St. Louis  
Starting from Scratch: The Shift away from Hagiography in Short-Term Missions

3c. Mission and Migration in Christian and Academic Reflection

Chair: TBD

Timothy Larsen, Wheaton College  
Anthropologists and Missionaries

David C. Kirkpatrick, University of Edinburgh  
Revolutionary Ferment and the Latin American University: Migration, Radicalism, and the Origins of Integral Mission

Kyo Seong Ahn, Presbyterian College and Theological Seminary, Seoul  
From a Diaspora Church to a Diaspora Church: An Interpretation of the Korean Missionary Movement Mission, with Special Reference to the Relationship between Migration and Mission

3d. Patterns of Mission and Migration in Modern Africa

Chair: TBD

Emmanouil G. Chalkiadakis, University Ecclesiastical Academy of Heraklion, Crete  
The Patriarch Meletius Metaxakis (1871-1935) and the Greek-Orthodox Migration and Mission in Africa

Emma Wild-Wood, Henry Martyn Centre, Westminster College, Cambridge  
African migration and Anglican mission, 1890-1930

Jason Bruner, Arizona State University  
Migration, Integration, and the Fellowship Networks of the East African Revival

**DINNER: 6:30-7:30 PM – Refectory**

**Plenary 2: Thursday Evening, 7:40-8:30 PM – Chapel**

J. R. Watson, University of Durham  
Missionary Hymns: The Canterbury Dictionary of Hymnology

**BREAKFAST: Friday Morning, 7:30-8:45 AM**
Session 4: Friday Morning, 9:00-11:00 AM (2 hours)

4a. Religious Exile and the Reformation
Chair: TBD

Angela Ranson, University of York
Religious Exile and Protestant Self-Identity in the English Reformation

Andrew Spicer, Oxford Brookes University
'Shooteth at this marke, to give us the knowledge of Salvation': Catechising and sustaining the faith in the French exile churches.

Liesbeth Corens, University of Cambridge
Exiles, Missionaries, and Apostles: A Reconfiguration of Early Modern English Catholics Abroad

4b. State of the Field – Social Gospel Studies: A Roundtable Discussion
Chair: Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University

Panelists:
*Heath W. Carter, Valparaiso University
Wendy J. Deichmann, United Theological Seminary
Christopher Evans, Boston University
Ralph E. Luker, Independent Scholar
Eugene McCarraher, Villanova University
Rima Lunin Schultz, Independent Scholar

4c. Early Methodist and Moravian Mission: From the Old to the New World
Chair: TBD

Peter Forsaith, Oxford Brookes University
The Methodist debt to Huguenots

Mark Dixon, Princeton Theological Seminary
Peter Böhler and the Moravian Mission to the African Slaves in Colonial South Carolina, 1738-1740
Christopher C. Jones, The College of William and Mary
Itinerant Preachers and Ecclesiastical Borderlands: Methodist Missionaries in British North America and the Caribbean, 1784-1815

Jennifer Adams-Massmann, University of Heidelberg
Wherever you go I will go, my people will be your people and my God your God...": Women Missionaries, Indian Converts and Migration in the Moravian Mission to the Indians in 18th-Century Pennsylvania

Session 5: Friday Morning, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM (1.5 hours)

5a. Caring for Souls in Eighteenth-Century England: Gender, Genre, Mind, Matter
Chair and Respondent: Deborah Madden, University of Brighton

John Coffey, University of Leicester
Soul care in the diaries of William Wilberforce

*Cindy Aalders, University of Oxford
‘A soul under my care in like state’: Eighteenth-century women’s letters as sources of spiritual care

Mark Lee, Regent College
The divine physician: The experience and treatment of religious melancholy and madness in eighteenth-century England

5b. Historicizing ‘Sin’ in Nineteenth-century America
Chair and Respondent: TBD

Joshua Guthman, Berea College
"Big Spring: Sin & Redemption Among Black Primitive Baptists in the Post-Civil War South"

Margaret Abruzzo, University of Alabama
"The Slavery of Sin and the Sins of Slavery"

*Laura Rominger Porter, Collège universitaire de Sciences Po, Campus Euro-Américain
“Church Discipline and the Secularization of Sin in the Nineteenth-century Upper South”

5c. Beyond Britain, Beyond North America, and into the Twenty-First Century: The Next Stages in Sermon Studies
Chair and Respondent: Frances Knight, University of Nottingham

William Gibson, Oxford Brookes University
“A Word on Manuscript Sermons”
*Keith A. Francis, University of Maryland University College  
“The Sermon goes Viral? Twentieth-century Approaches to an Ancient Form”

Robert H. Ellison, Marshall University  
“One Launching a Sermon Studies Journal”

5d. Attitudes to Migration in the Twentieth Century

Chair: TBD

Anthony O’Mahony, Heythrop College  
Migration to established presence: the Italian Albanian Church in modern Italy

Carolyn Sanzenbacher, University of Southampton  
Forced Migration and ‘Unparalleled Opportunity’: Protestant Ecumenical Planning of Jewish Missions During the Hitler Years

Amber Thomas, University of Edinburgh  
The Divine Missionary Call in the Age of Migration

LUNCH: 1:00-2:00 PM – Refectory

Session 6: Friday Afternoon, 2:05-3:50 PM (1.75 hours)

6a. German Catholicism and the Nazi Regime: Negotiating the Borders

Chair and Respondent: Beth Griech-Polelle, Bowling Green State University

*Martin Menke, Rivier University  
Growing Cynicism: The Holy See’s Negotiations with Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany, 1929-1934

Kevin Spicer, Stonehill College  
‘It Never Went Away’: Catholic Antisemitism in Nazi Germany

Martina Cucchiara, Bluffton University  
Between Cooperation and Coercion: German Nuns in World War II

6b. Exile and Mission in Ancient Christianity

Chair and Respondent: Christine Walsh, Independent Scholar

Jonathan Stanfill, Fordham University  
Cast Out, But Carrying On: John Chrysostom’s Oversight of the Phoenician Mission from Exile
Simon Ford, University of Oxford  
Ruling the Exilic Church: the Rise and Fall of the Anti-Chalcedonian Diaspora in Sixth-Century Constantinople

Miriam Jones, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam  
A chosen people on the move: Anglo-Saxon mission and ethnic election

6c. Migrations Remembered in Narratives and Letters

Chair: TBD

Benjamin Lindquist, University of Chicago  
Mission, Migration, and Memory: Childhood and the Latter-Day Saints' Trek to Salt Lake City

Laura Mair, University of Edinburgh  
'For I shall never forget you': Happiness and homesickness in the letters of ragged school emigrants, 1850-1870

Cindy Wesley, Wesley House, Cambridge  
The ‘End’ of Protestant Home Missions: Exploring the Conflicts in Baptist Home Missions to German-speaking Immigrants

6d. The Word in Motion: Textual and Human Migrations in Asian Missions

Chair and Respondent: Emily Manktelow, University of Kent

*Christopher Daily, SOAS, University of London  
Peoples, Texts, and Reimagined Communities: Mission and Migration at the Ultra Ganges Mission Station

Edward Andrews, Providence College  
Cotton Mather’s Other Indian Bible: Tamil Testaments and the Shaping of an Eighteenth Century Global Protestant Community

Sue Gronewold, Kean University, New Jersey  
Pilgrim’s Chinese Progress: Old Texts/New Meanings in Mission Fields

Plenary 3: Friday Evening, 5:00-6:00 PM – Oriel College Senior Library

Kenneth Parker, Saint Louis University  
A Demonstration of the John Henry Newman Bibliography Project

Enter the College at the Porter’s Lodge on King Edward Street, off the High Street  
Please plan to arrive by 4:55 PM

Note: there is a long staircase leading to the Senior Library – no elevators/lifts are available
DINNER: 7:00-8:30 PM – Wadham College

The College entrance is on Parks Road (approximately 200m from the traffic lights on Broad Street.)
Please plan to arrive at the College entrance by 6:45 PM at the latest.

BREAKFAST: Saturday Morning, 7:30-8:45 AM – Refectory

REGISTRATION & ENQUIRIES: 8:30 AM-3:00 PM – Glasgow Room

Session 7: Saturday Morning, 9:00-11:00 AM (2 hours)

7a. Mission and Conversion in the Thirteenth Century

Chair: TBD

Zachary Matus, Boston College
The Physiology of Conversion in the Thirteenth Century

Steven Watts, University of St Andrews
'The Perilous Way': Mission and its attendant anxieties in the letters of Jordan of Saxony (d. 1237) to Diana d'Andalò (d. 1236) and the nuns of S. Agnese in Bologna

Jan Vandeburie, University of Kent
Jacques de Vitry's Changing Attitudes Concerning Mission in the East in the Early Thirteenth Century

7b. (Re-)Creating Communities: Missionary Periodicals and Communication Networks in the New World

Chair: Oliver Scheiding, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz

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Early Missionary Periodicals in the Atlantic World: The Ebenezer Communication Network Reconsidered

*Anja-Maria Bassimir, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz
Domesticating the Circumference: Missionary Spirit, the American West, and the Creation of a Methodist Community

Respondent: Felicity Jensz, University of Münster

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Siloah. Inner mission and the construction of a German-American religious identity
Ashley E. Moreshead, University of Delaware
Transatlantic Evangelical Identities in the Periodical Promotion of Early American Foreign Missions

Respondent: Anja-Maria Bassimir, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz

7c. Anglicans at Home and Abroad in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries
Chair: TBD

Michael Girkin, Oxford Brookes University
"Mr. Caswall’s Predicament" – Nineteenth-Century Anglican Migration and its Impact

Rowan Strong, Murdoch University, Perth, Australia
The Anglican Emigration Chaplaincy network and the British Empire: 1846-c.1900

Sara Slinn, University of Nottingham
Banished for life?: reflections of Anglican status anxiety in colonial clergy legislation, 1819-1874

Jane Shaw, Grace Cathedral, San Francisco
The migration of ‘English Use’ and Prayer Book revision in the early twentieth-century Anglican Communion

7d. Cooperation, Competition and Change among Denominations in Nineteenth-Century Missions
Chair: TBD

Andrew Holmes, Queen’s University Belfast
Migrants, missions, and money: Presbyterian fundraising and the evangelisation of the Irish Catholic diaspora, c. 1840-70

Amanda Russell-Jones, University of Birmingham
The Salvation Army join Josephine Butler- nineteenth century women find their own way in developing mission strategies

Ana María Bidegain, Florida International University
A Forgotten History of Waldensian and Swiss Colonies in Uruguay in the 19th century: The Leadership of European Christian Women’s Migration to South America and the Building of Pacifist and Prosperous Communities

Martin Wellings, Independent Scholar
Migration and Methodist Mission in Victorian Oxford

COFFEE BREAK: 11:00-11:25 AM – Glasgow Room
Plenary 4: Saturday Morning, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM – Chapel

Closing Panel
  Brian Stanley, University of Edinburgh
  John Wolfe, The Open University
  Richard Heitzenrater, Duke University
  Bruce Hindmarsh, Regent College

LUNCH: 1:00 PM – Refectory

TOUR OF OXFORD: 2:00 PM

Tour Leaders
  Richard Heitzenrater, Duke University
  Peter Forsaith, Oxford Brookes University