

American Society of Church History Winter Meeting 2016

Reform as Remedy: Medieval Real World Challenges

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Patrick Harris, Western Michigan University

Papers:

Processions, Alms, and Arms: Reform and Crusade in the Thirteenth Century
Lydia Walker, University of Tennessee at Knoxville

It Depends on How You Look at the Glass: Reform or Persecution of Beguines in Fourteenth-Century Carcassonne
Amanda DesLauriers, University of Wisconsin-Parkside

An Example for Heretics: The Connection between Reform and Heresy in Observant Literature
Jamie McCandless, Western Michigan University

Comment: Teresa Pugh Rupp, Mount St. Mary's University

The Nineteenth-Century American Scriptural Imagination: Three Case Studies

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: James Byrd, Vanderbilt University

Papers:

Presidential Death and the Bible: 1799, 1865, 1881
Mark A. Noll, University of Notre Dame

A Rushing Mighty Wind: Tornadoic Pentecosts and Apocalypses in Nineteenth-Century America
Peter J. Thuesen, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

The Abraham Mythos and Mormon Marriage, Early and Late
Kathleen Flake, University of Virginia

Comment: Philip Goff, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Reforming Eastern Europe: The Impact of Protestantism in Catholic and Orthodox Lands (Prussia, Poland-Lithuania, and the Early Russian Empire)

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: Howard P. Louthan, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Papers:

Textual Marginalia in the East European Reformation: An Unknown Book from Szymon Budny's Library

Maria Ivanova, University of Virginia

Early Reform in Divided Prussia: Dialogue and Influence Across Religious Lines, 1525–48

Bryan Kozik, University of Florida

A Russian Reformation? Protestant Influence in the Eighteenth Century Church Reforms of Peter I and Catherine II, 1689–1796

Andrey Ivanov, University of Wisconsin-Platteville

Comment: David M. Goldfrank, Georgetown University

The Legacies of Slavery in Reconstruction-Era Christianity

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: John Michael Giggie, University of Alabama

Papers:

Reforming the Past: Slavery, History, and the Problem of Reunion in the Reconstruction-Era Churches

April Holm, University of Mississippi

"The Slave Issue Still Drags On": Midwestern Lutherans and the Post-Civil War Slavery Debates

Timothy D. Grundmeier, Baylor University

"A Long Way from Yankeedom": Race and Regionalism in Post-Civil War Southern Missions

Zachary Dresser, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

A Shared View of Freedom: African American Collectivist Preachers after the Civil War

Timothy Wesley, Austin Peay State University

Comment: Luke E. Harlow, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Are the Culture Wars History? New Comments on an Old Concept

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Hilton Atlanta, Salon A

Co-Sponsor(s): American Historical Association

Chair: Andrew G. Hartman, Illinois State University

Panel:

Andrew G. Hartman, Illinois State University

Adam Laats, Binghamton University (State University of New York)

Natalia Mehlman-Petzrela, The New School

Stephen R. Prothero, Boston University

Leo P. Ribuffo, George Washington University

Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Room L501

New Approaches to Religious Biography: Reexamining American Protestant Life-Writing

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Catherine Brekus, Harvard Divinity School

Papers:

Charles Francis Adams and the Burden of New England Church History

Sara Georgini, Massachusetts Historical Society

Autobiography under Jim Crow: African American Christians' Life Writing

Elizabeth Jemison, Clemson University

The Biography of a Working Pastor: Washington Gladden's Ministry and Theology

David Mislin, Temple University

Comment: David Holland, Harvard Divinity School

Reforming World Christianity: Conflict, Negotiation, and National Leadership in Student Movements

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: Dana L. Robert, Boston University

Papers:

“To Promote the Cause of Christ’s Kingdom”: Student Associations and the “Revival” of Middle Eastern Christianity

Deanna Womack, Princeton Theological Seminary

“Trembling with Indignation”: Rivalry, Reform, and the Path towards Latin American Theological Independence

David Kirkpatrick, University of Edinburgh

Reviving and Reforming the Missionary “Call”: Intersarsity Christian Fellowship and the Urbana Student Missions Conference

Amber Thomas, University of Edinburgh

Incarnational: The Politics and Promise of Intersarsity’s Global Urban Trek

Kimberly Pendleton, George Washington University

Comment: Dana L. Robert, Boston University

Teaching the Reformation and Early Modern Christianity

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: Vincent Evener, Gettysburg Seminary

Speaker(s):

Amy Nelson Burnett, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Constance Furey, Indiana University Bloomington

David Whitford, Baylor University

Jill R. Fehleison, Quinnipiac University

Comment: The Audience

Teaching Doctrine, Reforming Beliefs in the Age of Augustine: Case Studies from Italy, Spain, and North Africa

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 3:30 PM-5:30 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Erika Hermanowicz, University of Georgia

Papers:

Benign Beliefs or Perilous Paganism? Changing Attitudes toward Superstition in the Fourth Century

Robert McEachnie, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Orosius of Braga: A Vessel of the Lord against False and Pernicious Doctrines
Rebecca A Devlin, University of Florida

"Diem Natalis Domini Celebremus": Augustine's Explanation of the Incarnation in His Christmas Sermons

Jonatan Simons, Wheaton Graduate School

Comment: Erika Hermanowicz, University of Georgia

Imperialists, Internationalists, and Spies: New Directions for Missionary Studies

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 3:30 PM-5:30 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Room A706

Co-Sponsor(s): American Historical Association

Chair: Heather Curtis, Tufts University

Panel:

Emily Conroy-Krutz, Michigan State University
Gale Kenny, Barnard College, Columbia University
Charles T. Strauss, Mount St. Mary's University
Matthew Avery Sutton, Washington State University

Comment: Heather Curtis, Tufts University

Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 5:30 PM-7:00 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Room L501

Council Meeting

Thursday, January 7, 2016: 7:30 PM-9:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Room L402

Women's Breakfast

Friday, January 8, 2016: 7:00 AM-8:30 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 9

Tour of Religious Sites of Atlanta

Friday, January 8, 2016: 8:30 AM-12:00 PM

Hilton Atlanta, Convention Registration Area

Presiders: David Bains, Samford University; Daniel Sack, Washington, D.C.

The Confluence of Race, Religion, and Society: The Subversive Politics of Racial and Religious Minorities in the Progressive Era

Friday, January 8, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: W. Paul Reeve, University of Utah

Papers:

Whiteness, Christianity, and Civilization: Western Culture at a Black University, Howard University, 1900–30

Matthew Bowman, Henderson State University

Liquor and Liberty: African American Preachers, Poll Taxes, and Anti-Prohibition in Early Twentieth Century Texas

Brendan Payne, Baylor University

The "Evil of Race Suicide Now Sweeping Like a Blight": Eugenics and Racialized Religion in the Progressive Era

Joseph Stuart, University of Utah

Comment: Elizabeth Jemison, Clemson University

Religious Change and Local Context: Calvin and Calvinism in the Swiss Cantons

Friday, January 8, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College

Papers:

Poor Relief and Communal Wealth: Early Swiss Reformed Interpretation of Acts

Esther Chung-Kim, Claremont McKenna College

Lex Orendi, Lex Credendi: Junctures in Early Modern Genevan and Zurich Prayer Practices

Rebecca Giselsbrecht, University of Zurich

Less Than a Prophet: Prophetic Self-Awareness, Psychohistory, and the End of Calvin Studies

Adam Asher Duker, University of Notre Dame

Comment: The Audience

Converts, Nuns, and Daughters: Gender and Religious Identity in the Long Nineteenth Century

Friday, January 8, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: Sarah Williams, Regent College

Papers:

Confessing Priests, Authentic Narratives, and Roman Recantations: Gender and Anti-Catholic Sentiment in Jacksonian America

Paul Gutacker, Baylor University

Greater Reconstruction: Catholic Sisters as Government Employees, Women, and Nuns

Danae Jacobson, University of Notre Dame

Unity, Charity, and the United States: The Founding Years of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, 1903–07

Natalie Sargent, University of Notre Dame

Comment: Sarah Williams, Regent College

The Politics of Reform in the Ancient and Medieval World

Friday, January 8, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Robert McEachnie, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Papers:

The Politics of Reform in Southern Gaul: Cassian, Lérins, and the East
Ralph Patrello, University of Florida

Religious Conflict and the Creation of the Late Antique State
Laurent Jean Philippe Cases, Pennsylvania State University

"Los Cors De Jhesu Christ": Eucharistic Devotion and Royal Power in the Fourteenth-Century Kingdom of Aragon
Alana Lord, University of Florida

Comment: Harold A. Drake, University of California, Santa Barbara

The Uses of Propaganda in American Religious History: Catholicism, Mormonism, Protestantism

Friday, January 8, 2016: 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Seth Perry, Princeton University

Papers:

"So Many Foolish Virgins": True Womanhood, Nuns, and Propaganda in Antebellum America
Cassandra Leigh Yacovazzi, University of Missouri-Columbia

Religious Outsiders and the Catholic Critique of Protestantism in America
Bradley Kime, University of Virginia

Part Serendipity, Part Strategy: The Public Image Boost of the 1936 Mormon Welfare Plan as an Exception to America's "Religious Depression"
J. B. Haws, Brigham Young University

Comment: Seth Perry, Princeton University

American Women Missionaries, Personal Relationships, and Social Reform in China, Turkey, and Japan

Friday, January 8, 2016: 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: Tisa Wenger, Yale Divinity School

Papers:

"An Entirely New Idea for Chinese Women": Conceptualizations of Relationships Between American Missionaries and Chinese Christians in the Context of American Missionary Medical Education for Chinese Women in Guangzhou, 1879-1915"

Connie Shemo, Plattsburgh (State University of New York)

"By Love, Serve One Another": The YWCA of the USA and the Challenge of World Fellowship in Japan and Turkey, 1900s-1930s

Amanda Izzo, Saint Louis University

Leaven of Love Beyond Empires: Visions of Egalitarianism and Cultural Pluralism in the American Women's Missionary Enterprise, Japan, 1930s-40s

Noriko Ishii, Sophia University

Comment: Emily Conroy-Krutz, Michigan State University

Language and Rhetoric in the Work of Martin Luther

Friday, January 8, 2016: 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: David Whitford, Baylor University

Papers:

Rhetorical Personae in Martin Luther's Ninety Five Theses

Garth Pauley, Calvin College

Luther and the Magnificat: Mysticism and Mary as Theologian

Beth Kreitzer, Belmont Abbey College

Turks in the Postils: Islam and Rhetoric in the Sermons of Luther

Gregory J. Miller, Malone University

Comment: The Audience

When Empires Collide: Reform and Conflict on the Frontiers of the Catholic World, 1450–1650

Friday, January 8, 2016: 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Carla Gerona, Georgia Institute of Technology

Papers:

Observance, Schism, Heresy, and Crusade: John of Capistrano on the Road to Belgrade
James Mixson, University of Alabama

Rhetoric, Reform, and Rome: Anticlericalism and Religious Change in Reformation Poland
Howard P. Louthan, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Crusade and Commerce in the Spanish Presidios of North Africa
Benjamin Ehlers, University of Georgia

Comment: Daniel L. Riches, University of Alabama

Lunch Honoring the Career and Contributions of Mark Noll

Friday, January 8, 2016: 12:15 PM-2:15 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 8/9

Presider: Heath W. Carter, Valparaiso University

Speaker(s):

Heath W. Carter, Valparaiso University

Nathan Hatch, Wake Forest University

Bruce Hindmarsh, Regent College

Laura Porter, University of Florida

Grant Wacker, Duke University

Discussion of Robert Bartlett, *Why Can the Dead Do Such Great Things?: Saints and Worshippers from the Martyrs to the Reformation* (Princeton, 2013)

Friday, January 8, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Andrea Sterk, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Speaker(s):

Claudia Rapp, University of Vienna

Richard Kieckhefer, Northwestern University
Euan K. Cameron, Union Theological Seminary

Comment: Robert Bartlett, University of St. Andrews

The Intellectual Legacy of Mark Noll

Friday, January 8, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chairs: Laura Porter, University of Florida; Heath W. Carter, Valparaiso University

Speaker(s):

Douglas A. Sweeney, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School
Catherine Brekus, Harvard Divinity School
Philip Jenkins, Baylor University

Comment: Mark A. Noll, University of Notre Dame

Women and Religious Change: From Early Modern England to Modern America

Friday, January 8, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College

Papers:

Women Be Silent? The Impact of the Reformation on Pauline Writings about Women in English Sermons

Beth Allison Barr, Baylor University

"The Lyftyngge Uppe of a Pure Mynde": Reforming Women and Women's Prayers in Sixteenth-Century England

Taylor Sims, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

The Housewife's "Frustrations": Southern Baptist Women and the Feminine Mystique
Adina Johnson, Baylor University

Comment: The Audience

From Missionization to Indigenization: Seventh-Day Adventists and Religious Print in China

Friday, January 8, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Kristopher C. Erskine, Southern Adventist University

Papers:

Circulating Prophecies: Seventh-Day Adventist Print Culture in Modern China

Joseph Tse-Hei Lee, Pace University

The Adventist Print and Schism in China Today

Christie Chui-Shan Chow, Princeton Theological Seminary

Power, Print, and Martyrdom in the Development of Seventh-Day Adventist Missions, 1916–36

Michael W. Campbell, Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies

Forging Connections with the Rich and Famous: Adventist Institution Building in Nationalist China

Ruth Crocombe, Pacific Adventist University

Comment: Xi Lian, Duke Divinity School

Graduate Student Reception

Friday, January 8, 2016: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Presider: Keith A. Francis, University of Maryland University College

Extraordinary Business Meeting

Friday, January 8, 2016: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Membership Committee Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 7:30 AM-8:45 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Room L501

From Jan Hus to Jacob Panhausen: Diverse Approaches to Reform in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Christine Kooi, Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge

Papers:

To Convince a Council: Jan Hus, the Sermon on Peace, and a Last Chance for Reform

Reid S. Weber, Fitchburg State University

“Ins Thal, Ins Thal Mit Mutter Und All”: Implementing Reform on the Saxon-Bohemian Frontier

Jan Volek, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Humanism and Monastic Reform in Sixteenth-Century Germany: The Case of Premonstratensian Abbot Jacob Panhausen of Steinfeld

William Hyland, University of St. Andrews Divinity School

A Sixteenth-Century Camaldolese “Libellus” for Reform

James G. Kroemer, Concordia University

Comment: Christine Kooi, Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge

Discussion of Grant Wacker, *America's Pastor: Billy Graham and the Shaping of a Nation* (Harvard, 2014)

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: E. Brooks Holifield, Emory University

Speaker(s):

Anthea Butler, University of Pennsylvania

Darren Dochuk, University of Notre Dame

Marie Griffith, Washington University in St. Louis

Jon H. Roberts, Boston University

Comment: Grant Wacker, Duke Divinity School

Semper Reformanda: German Protestantism and Cultural Change in the Nineteenth Century

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: Thomas Albert Howard, Valparaiso University

Papers:

Reinventing the Reformation after 1817: Nation, Identity, and Scholarship

Zachary Purvis, University of Edinburgh

The Evolution of "Ein Feste Burg: From Reformation Hymn to National Rallying Cry

Ruth Dewhurst, Georgia State University

German Evangelical Scholarship in Nineteenth-Century America: August Tholuck's Reception

Annette Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary

Comment: Thomas Albert Howard, Valparaiso University

Calvin, Calvinism, and the Bible

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

This session is part of the Reformation Research Consortium initiative for the Reformation Quincentenary

Chair: Esther Chung-Kim, Claremont McKenna College

Papers:

Reformed Readings of Old Testament Prophecy: Commonalities and Distinctions Between Geneva, Zurich, and Basel

Sujin Pak, Duke Divinity School

The Development of Calvin's Commentary on Romans as a Development of His Polemic against Merit

Charles Raith II, John Brown University

The Reformed Apocrypha

Jennifer McNutt, Wheaton College

Calvin and Calvinism: The Question of the Development of a Theological Tradition

R. Ward Holder, Saint Anselm College

Comment: The Audience

Making a Place for Women: The YWCA's Quest to Create Christian Community, 1890–1970

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Nancy Marie Robertson, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Papers:

Building a Space for Christian Women: YWCA Buildings and the Creation of Global Community
Karen E. Phoenix, Washington State University

Compromising Situations: Fundamentalism and Modernism in the Early Twentieth-Century YWCA

Andrea L. Turpin, Baylor University

“Total Desegregation and Integration” : The YWCA and Christian Women's Fellowship in the 1950s and 1960s

Abigail Sara Lewis, Barnard College, Columbia University

Comment: Nancy Marie Robertson, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Rethinking the Social Gospel(s)

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: Heath W. Carter, Valparaiso University

Papers:

“In One Bundle of Life” : The Social Gospel and Racial Brotherhood
Curtis Junius Evans, University of Chicago Divinity School

La Pasionera: Emma Tenayuca, Religion, and the San Antonio Pecan Shellers Strike of 1938
Arlene M. Sánchez-Walsh, Azusa Pacific University

Whose Social Gospel? Contested Social Christianities in the Midwest
Paul Putz, Baylor University

Turning the World Upside Down: The Social Gospel as Global Christian Order
Cara Burnidge, University of Northern Iowa

Comment: Heath W. Carter, Valparaiso University

Witches, Ghosts, and Portents of Evil: Encountering the Supernatural in Reformation Europe

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Co-Sponsor(s): American Academy of Research Historians of Medieval Spain

This session is part of the Reformation Research Consortium initiative for the Reformation Quincentenary

Chair: David Whitford, Baylor University

Papers:

Portents of Destruction and Poisonous Devils: The Supernatural in Hermann Von Kerssenbrock's Narrative of the Anabaptist Madness

Joshua Smith, Baylor University

The Reformation and Ghosts: A Reappraisal

Kathryn Edwards, University of South Carolina Columbia

Unhappy Concord: The Interplay of Official and Popular Discourse in the Bamberg Witch Trials

William Bradford Smith, Oglethorpe University

Comment: The Audience

Hagiography, Prophecy, and Apocalypse: Unconventional Approaches to Reform in Medieval and Byzantine Texts/Contexts

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 11:30 AM-1:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Anne T. Thayer, Lancaster Theological Seminary

Papers:

Hagiography as a Mode of Reform: Hrosvit's Sainly Educators

Sarah Bogue, Emory University

Gorze Monasticism and Reforming for the Apocalypse

Bailey Poletti, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Fighting the Turk through Prophecy: Venice, the Ottoman Empire, and the Byzantine Apocalyptic Tradition

Christopher Bonura, University of California, Berkeley

Comment: Nina Caputo, University of Florida

Do New Histories of Slavery Mean New Histories of Southern Evangelicalism? A Roundtable Discussion

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Robert Elder, Valparaiso University

Speaker(s):

Charles F. Irons, Elon University

Laura Porter, University of Florida

Beth Barton Schweiger, University of Arkansas

Luke E. Harlow, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Jon Sensbach, University of Florida

Comment: The Audience

Commemorating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation in 2017? Looking Forward by Looking Back

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Co-Sponsor(s): Conference on Faith and History

This session is part of the Reformation Research Consortium initiative for the Reformation Quincentenary

Chair: Beth Allison Barr, Baylor University

Papers:

Commemorating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation in 2017? Looking Forward by Looking Back

Thomas Albert Howard, Valparaiso University

Comment: John M. Frymire, University of Missouri-Columbia; Ronald K. Rittgers, Valparaiso University; Annette Aubert, Westminster Theological Seminary

Between East and West: History, Hagiography, Mission, and Politics in Late Antique and Medieval Christianity

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: Claudia Rapp, University of Vienna

Papers:

Church and Empire in Late Antique History Writing: Reassessing East-West Connections
Anna Lankina, University of Florida

East and West in Ravenna's Hagiographic Landscape
Edward Schoolman, University of Nevada, Reno

Strategies of Mission, East and West
Andrea Sterk, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Between East and West: Rome and Constantinople in the Religious Politics of Southeastern Europe, Ninth-Thirteenth Century
Vlada Stanković, University of Belgrade

Comment: The Audience

Discussion of John Corrigan, *Emptiness: Feeling Christian in America* (Chicago, 2015)

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Kate Bowler, Duke University

Speaker(s):

John C. Seitz, Fordham University
Amy DeRogatis, Michigan State University
Matthew Avery Sutton, Washington State University
Peter J. Thuesen, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Comment: John Corrigan, Florida State University

Textual Communities and Religious Networks in Eighteenth-Century British America

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 2:30 PM-4:30 PM
Hilton Atlanta, Room 311/312

Co-Sponsor(s):

- American Historical Association
- North American Conference on British Studies

Chair: Kate Carté Engel, Southern Methodist University

Papers:

Religion and Social Networks in New England, 1680–1765

Jessica M. Parr, University of New Hampshire at Manchester

“All My Books Printed and Wrote”: Handley Chipman’s Religious Texts and Networks in Revolutionary-Era Nova Scotia

Keith Grant, University of New Brunswick

“Savages Abroad, Savages at Home”: Triangulating Evangelical Missions in New England, Northern England, and the Colonial South

Jennifer Snead, Texas Tech University

Comment: Kate Carté Engel, Southern Methodist University

Business Meeting

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 4:45 PM-6:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 4

President’s Address

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 4

Chair: Ronald K. Rittgers, Valparaiso University

Papers:

History, Time, and Tradition in the Fundamentalist Imagination

Margaret Bendroth, Congregational Library

Presidents’ Reception

Saturday, January 9, 2016: 7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 5

Presider: Ronald K. Rittgers, Valparaiso University

Reframing Religious Reform through Childhood: From Sixteenth-Century England to Nineteenth-Century America

Sunday, January 10, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:30 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Jonathan Yeager, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Papers:

Parents as Educators on the Eve of the Reformation: Richard Whitford and His "A Werke for Householdiers" (1530)

Bryan Maine, Baylor University

The Religion of Children and Families in the Nineteenth-Century United States

Lincoln Mullen, George Mason University

"Bringing Little Ones to Christ": The Evangelical Transformation of American Sunday Schools and Changing Attitudes toward Childhood Conversion, 1790–1824

Elise Leal, Baylor University

Comment: Rick A. Kennedy, Point Loma Nazarene University

What's in a Name? Debating Keywords in the Study of American Protestantism

Sunday, January 10, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:30 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: Mark Thomas Edwards, Spring Arbor University

Speaker(s):

Mark Thomas Edwards, Spring Arbor University

Gene Zubovich, University of California, Berkeley

Elesha Coffman, University of Dubuque

Matthew Hedstrom, University of Virginia

Curtis Junius Evans, University of Chicago Divinity School

Comment: The Audience

Reform, Mission, and Governance in Colonial Spanish America

Sunday, January 10, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:30 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 2

Chair: Jose Luis Ramos, Valparaiso University

Papers:

Thwarting the Inquisition: Local Elites and the Establishment of the Holy Office in Cartagena De Indias, 1610-1630

Brian Hamm, University of Florida

Reforming the Caribbean: The Regular Clergy in the Administration of Early Spanish America

Lauren E MacDonald, Johns Hopkins University

A Would-Be Chiriguana Missions Frontier: Tarija, 1605–11

Jonathan Scholl, University of Florida

Comment: Jose Luis Ramos, Valparaiso University

Mysticism in Early Modern Protestantism

Sunday, January 10, 2016: 8:30 AM-10:30 AM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 3

Chair: Denise Kettering-Lane, Bethany Theological Seminary

Papers:

“How Bitter and Harsh the School of Christ Is”: Andreas Bodenstein Von Karlstadt’s Reception and Use of the Theologia Deutsch

Vincent Evener, Gettysburg Seminary

Valentin Weigel (1533–88): Mediator of Mysticism and Toleration to an Embattled Protestantism

Douglas Shantz, University of Calgary

“The Secret and Mystic Death:” Mystical Vocabulary and Spiritual Practice at Ephrata

Jeffrey A. Bach, Elizabethtown College

Comment: Denise Kettering-Lane, Bethany Theological Seminary

Faith and Humanitarian Development: Defining Need, Seeking Change

Sunday, January 10, 2016: 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 1

Chair: Heather Curtis, Tufts University

Papers:

Religious and Secular Missions in Kennedy’s Peace Corps

Thomas Carty, Springfield College

Combating Injustice: Christian Support for Global Change
Gregory Witkowski, Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy

Religious Identity and International Development: The Rise of Evangelical Agencies, Private Philanthropy, and the Recasting of U.S. Foreign Aid
David King, Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy

Comment: Maribel Morey, Clemson University

Do We Live in a Secular Age? Reports on Religion from the Heartlands of Secularity

Sunday, January 10, 2016: 11:00 AM-1:00 PM
Atlanta Marriott Marquis, International Ballroom 10

Chair: Hugh McLeod, University of Birmingham

Papers:

Interfusing Sacrality into Secularity in Contemporary Japanese Society
Steven Heine, Florida International University

The Invisibility of Liberal Christianity: Religious Education in German and British State Schools
Jeffrey Cox, University of Iowa

The Mystery of Czech Secularism
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“To Suppose That the Heathen Can Go to Heaven”: Salvation and Second Chances in Nineteenth-Century America

Kathryn Gin Lum, Stanford University

“Biography Is Prized in Heaven”: The Millennium and the Problem of History in Antebellum America

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J. Warren Smith, Duke Divinity School

The Iconoclasm Controversy within the Eighth-Century Graeco-Roman Church and the Monastic Character of Syriac Christianity in Tang Dynasty China, 617–907

Todd Godwin, University of London

Comment: Daniel L. Schwartz, Texas A&M University