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Bibliography of the Integration of Sociology and Christianity

This bibliography is intended to become as comprehensive a collection as possible of all written materials that explore the intersection of, or conversation between, sociology and Christianity. It does not include other sociological theory, research, or analysis produced by Christians, which is a much larger body of work that would be unidentifiable and therefore uncollectable.

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An additional section is devoted to unpublished papers presented at ACTS/CSA conferences, and is therefore not limited to works of integration, but is representative of the range of scholarship presented at the annual meetings. Copies can be obtained by contacting the authors directly.

[E. Papers Presented at ACTS Conferences \(by year\)](#)

A. Books

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E. Papers Presented at ACTS Conferences (by year)

2015: Eastern Universtiy, St. Davids, Pennsylvania

Friday's Sessions:

- ACTS Presidential Address: "There's No Such Thing as Alone" Matthew Vos
- Individuals, Structures, and Socio-Cultural Systems in Community Developmen Mike Njalayawo Mtika
- Interactions Between the Self and Community in the Holy Suburb of Wheaton, Illinois Brian Miller
- The Self and the Commodification of American Religion: The Role of Socially Defined "Alternative Gospels" J. B. Watson, Jr.
- An I for an I: Rethinking the Autonomous Self Timothy Epps
- Christian Culture Making in American Higher Education Nina Heckler

Saturday's Sessions:

- The Embodied Self, Part I – Theory: I Feel and Act, Therefore I Am: Dennis Hiebert
- The Embodied Self, PART II - Case Study - Intersex Realities and the Church: Val Hiebert
- "Faithful Betrayal": The Social Construction of Reality and Postmodernism: Scott Monsma
- Avoiding Merchants of Morality: A Qualitative Study of Professional Ministers Relationship Toward their Idealized Role: Scott Hamilton
- "New South Africa" at 20: A Society on the Verge: Brad Breems
- Five Ways to View the Integration of Sociology and Theology: Bob Daniels

2013: Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights IL

Keynote Address , Dr. Mark Regnerus, University of Texas "Sociology in the Public Square"

Session 1: Theme Papers I – Sociology in the Public Square

- Religion Re-Positioned for Peace? Sharon Sarles
- Sociology, the Web, and the Future of Public Discourse, Richard Walters and Thomas Stapleford
- Religious Soft Power in International Relations: Dual Streams or Theoretical Bias?, Sherrie Steiner

Session 2 Theme Papers II – Sociology in the Public Square

- Reflections on the Compatibility of Sociology and Christianity, Dale DeWild
- Sustainable development in a Tribal village, Michael Leming
- "I was a Target for Muslim 'Evangelism'", David Moberg
- Sweet Surrender: How Cultural Mandates Shape Christian Marriage, Dennis Hiebert
- Reflections on Teaching Principles of Sociology as a Hybrid, Robert A. Daniels

Session 3 Theme Papers III – Sociology in the Public Square

- Light, Bright, and Out of Sight: Students' perceptions of historical stereotypes in film, Alicia Brunson
- The Racial and Ethnic Habitus: Implications from short-term mission trips, Lindsey A. Johnson
- Bringing 19th Century Documents into the 21st Century via Social Network Analysis, Henry H. Kim
- Healthcare Access and Utilization among Asian Elders in the United States, Chao-Lun (Jacob) Huang
- Social Development, Disruption, and Displacement: Critical Teaching of the Social Consequences of the Second World War, Robert Rice

2012: Covenant College, Lookout Mountain GA

Presidential Address:

- *The Community, Courage, and Compassion of the Christian Sociologist* Dennis Hiebert, Providence University College

Session 1: Theme Papers I - Transcendent Meaning: Invisible Religion in the 21st Century

- *An Evangelical Sociologist's Critical Evaluation of the Model Minority Thesis* Henry Kim, Wheaton College
- *Prizes and Consumables: The Superbowl as an Implicit Theology of Women* Matt Vos, Covenant College

Session 2 – Graduate Student Focus I

- *Slacktivism: Exploring New Trends in Today's Activism* Rachael Jones, Covenant College
- *Short-Term Missionaries and the Poor: Contradictions, Confusion, and Legitimizing Poverty* Bill Taylor, University of Tennessee

Session 3 Graduate Student Focus II

- *Characteristics of Urban Christians in Taiwan: A Case Study of Denominational Switching* Jacob Huang, University of North Texas
- *Can Short-Term Mission Trips Reduce Prejudice?* Lindsey A. Johnson, University of North Texas
- *Teaching Self-Socialization of Racial Ideologies: A Multi-Method Approach of Examining YouTube Videos* Alicia Brunson, University of North Texas
- *Gay Space in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania* John Sommerville, Messiah College

Session 4 Theme Papers II Transcendent Meaning: Invisible Religion in the 21st Century

- *Invisible Religion in Vietnam* Tom Moore
- *Africa Fares in the Globalization Project: A Saga Continues and Transforms, with Special Reference to South Africa* Brad Breems, Trinity
- *A Case Study from the Future: Virtual Coalition – One Scenario of the Future of Christian Engagement* Joshua Davis

Session 5 – Sociology & The Classroom

- *Bulletin Boards & Focused Reading Groups* Scott Monsma, Northwestern College
- *Videos for Sociology Classes* Dennis Hiebert, Providence University College

2011: St. Olaf College, MN

Session 1: Current Writing and Research: Christianity and the Academy

- *Christianity and Spirituality Research* David Moberg, Marquette University
- *The Cultures of a Liberal Arts College* Mike Yoder, Northwestern College
- *Religiosity and the Misuse of Computers by Students in Christian College Classrooms* David Ayers, Grove City College
- *The Struggle for Human Rights Under Neo-liberal Socio-economic Order and Evangelical Christianity: A Sociological and Faith-Based Assessment* Samuel Zalanga, Bethel University

Session 2 Graduate Student Focus: Poster Presentations

- *Short-Term Mission Trips: An Evaluation in Light of Integral Mission* Lindsey a. Johnson, University of North Texas
- *Pentecostalism in the African City: The Spirit's Working from Below* Darin M. Mather, University of Minnesota
- *Latino Familialism and College Selection* Joseph Comeau, University of North Texas

- *Neighborhood Disorder and Withdrawal: A Comparative Study of Black, White and Latino Children* Yawo Bessa, University of North Texas

Session 3: Current Writing and Research: New Religious Movements

- *Something Old, Something New: A Comparative Analysis of 19th Century Utopian Groups with Contemporary New Religious Movements* Ron Enroth, Westmont College
- *Religious Movements in Contemporary Thailand and Parallel Christian Movements in America* Mike Leming, St. Olaf College, Apinya Feungfusakul, Chaing Mai University

Session 4: Theme Papers

- *(Re)reading the Text: (Re)telling the Fragmented Story of Michal Scott* Monsma, Northwestern College
- *Weber Meets Durkheim: Meaning and Facticity in the Social Construction of Reality* Brad Breems, Trinity University
- *Sociology + Theology = Multifractal Theology* Henry Kim, Wheaton College

Session 5: Theme Papers

- *My Bergerian Imagination: Utopias and Social Change* Don Opitz, Geneva College
- *Stranger Still* Matt Vos, Covenant College
- *Things Are Not as They Seem: Dilemma, Paradox, and Perplexity in the Work of Peter Berger* Robert A. Clark, Whitworth University
- *Prophetically Incorrect: Problems and Possibilities of Sociology as Prophetic* Dennis Hiebert, Providence College University

Keynote Presentation

- Russ Heddendorf Lecture Series Keynote Address: **Dr. Peter L. Berger**, *A Non-Prophetic Approach to Sociology as a Christian Vocation*

2010: Eastern University, St. Davids PA

Session 1:

Devotional, Michael Leming, St. Olaf College
 Those Who Mourn, Matt Vos, Covenant College
 Interfaith Dialog: Ideas Drawn from Experience, Scott Monsma, Northwestern College

Session 2:

Faith Going Public: Christians' Civic Engagement in Transitional China, Li Ma and Jin Li, Cornell University
 Class Disparity in Youth Civic Engagement, Melody Boyd, Temple University

Session 3: Undergraduate Focus

May I Borrow Your Glasses?: Seeing Life Through the Lens of Five African American Girls, Adrienne Saxon, Covenant College

[Watches and the Grip of Time: Symbols of Power and Control in the Alienated West](#) Caleb Mask, Covenant College

The Solidarity House Project, Brittany Melinger, Eastern University

Session 4:

That's Amore: An Exploration of Italian Identity, Toni Chiareli, Covenant College

Evening presentation

The Riddle of Amish Culture: A Socio-religious Perspective Donald Kraybill, Elizabethtown College

Session 5:

The Marketization of Nonprofit Arts and Culture Organizations Jason Martin, Temple University

The Consumer Church: Reinventing Theology in the Age of Self Hans Tokke, New School for Social Research/Eastern University

Towards a Social Bonding Perspective on 'Culture War' Issues, Donald Gray, Eastern University

Session 6:

Forward, Not Backward: The Extent of and Reasons Behind Academia's Mistrust of Conservative Protestants, George Yancey, University of North Texas

The Centrality of Diversity in the Construction of Christian Academic Community, John Hawthorne, Point Loma Nazarene University

Tzomma Shoffa – Laboring Together, Mike Mtika, Eastern University

Session 7:

Practicing What I Teach: No longer Willing to Count Another Cowman's Herd, Michael Leming, St. Olaf College

2009, Northwestern College, Orange City Iowa

Session 1: Christian Perspectives of Social Justice

Dennis Hiebert "The Biblical Call for Social Justice" Dennis.Hiebert@prov.ca

Susan Warner, "Social Justice at a Christian University" warners@cedarville.edu

Mike Yoder, "Classroom Advocacy: A Pacifist's Dilemma" yoder@nwciowa.edu

Session 2: Issues in Social Justice

Val Hiebert, "Voluntary Simplicity" val.hiebert@prov.ca

Scott Monsma "Defining Marriage: Changes and Challenges" monsmas@nwciowa.edu

Dennis Hiebert, "Human Trafficking" Dennis.Hiebert@prov.ca

Session 3: Teaching Sociology: Ideas & Resources – Val Hiebert, Facilitator

Session 4: Papers Outside the Theme, Part I

Bob Daniels, "Holiness: The Biblical Basis for the Concept of

Boundaries" danielr@bethelcollege.edu
Dale DeWild, "Restorative Justice" DeWildD@central.edu
Mike Leming, "The Christian Karen Funeral" leming@stolaf.edu

Session 5: Papers Outside the Theme, Part II

Matt Vos, "Postmodern Social Theory" vos@covenant.edu
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Joseph Comeau, "First-Generation College Students" Joseph.Comeau@unt.edu

Session 6: Interactional Reflections on Social Justice

Brad Breems, Facilitator Brad.Breems@trnty.edu

2008, St. Olaf College, Minnesota

Russell Heddendorf, Covenant College, "The Power of Paradox: Problems and Possibilities." r.heddendorf@att.net

2007, Campbellsville University, Kentucky

Dennis Hiebert, Providence College, "Purity and the Marriage Bed: Disembedding Christian Concepts of Marriage from Culture." dennis.hiebert@prov.ca

Val Hiebert, Providence College, "Female Genital Removal in Africa: The Semantic Tug of War." val.hiebert@prov.ca

2006, Covenant College, Georgia

Russell Heddendorf, Covenant College, "Sociology as a Calling for the Christian." r.heddendorf@att.net

Michael Yoder, Northwestern College, "Value-Free vs. Value-Full Teaching: Musings on an Old Dilemma." yoder@nwcsiowa.edu

2005, Wheaton College, Illinois

Scott Monsma, Northwestern College, "Critical Integration: Christianity and Sociology." monsma@nwcsiowa.edu

2004, Union University, Tennessee

Russell Heddendorf, Covenant College, "The Hidden Threads Model: A Paradigm for the Integration of Faith and Sociology." r.heddendorf@att.net

2003, Summer Institute of Linguistics, Texas

Russell Heddendorf, Covenant College, "Middle-Range Theory and the Idea of Christian Education." r.heddendorf@att.net

Dennis Hiebert, Providence College, "Integration Revisited and Renewed: What Christian Psychologists Are Saying." dennis.hiebert@prov.ca

Scott Monsma, Northwestern College, "Teaching with my mouth half shut." monsma@nwcsiowa.edu

2002, Asbury College, Kentucky

Michael Yoder, Northwestern College, "The Protestant Ethic vs. Limitations of Climate and Tropical Disease: A Macro-Level Analysis of Economic Prosperity." yoder@nwcsiowa.edu

2001, Indiana Wesleyan University, Indiana

Michael Yoder, Northwestern College, "Gender and Attitudes Toward Violence: A Preliminary Assessment." yoder@nwcsiowa.edu

2000, Lee University, Tennessee