

# Christian Sociological Association 2009-2015 Paper Presentations

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## 2015 Conference Presentations at Eastern University:

- Presidential Address: "There's No Such Thing as Alone": Matthew Vos
- Individuals, Structures, and Socio-Cultural Systems in Community Development: 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
- 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 Conference Presentations at Trinity Christian College:

- Sociology in the Public Square: Dr. Mark Regnerus, University of Texas
- 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
- 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
- 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 Conference Presentations at Covenant College

- Presidential Address: The Community, Courage, and Compassion of the Christian Sociologist: Dennis Hiebert
- An Evangelical Sociologist's Critical Evaluation of the Model Minority Thesis: Henry Kim
- Prizes and Consumables: The Superbowl as an Implicit Theology of Women Matt Vos, Covenant College
- 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
- Characteristics of Urban Christians in Taiwan: A Case Study of Denominational Switching: Jacob Huang
- Can Short-Term Mission Trips Reduce Prejudice? Lindsey A. Johnson
- Teaching Self-Socialization of Racial Ideologies: A Multi-Method Approach of Examining YouTube Videos: Alicia Brunson
- Gay Space in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania: John Sommerville
- 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
- A Case Study from the Future: Virtual Coalition – One Scenario of the Future of Christian Engagement: Joshua Davis
- Bulletin Boards & Focused Reading Groups: Scott Monsma
- Videos for Sociology Classes: Dennis Hiebert

## 2011 Conference Presentations at St. Olaf College

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

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

## 2010 Paper Presentations at Eastern University

- Those Who Mourn: Matt Vos
- Interfaith Dialog: Ideas Drawn from Experience: Scott Monsma
- Faith Going Public: Christians' Civic Engagement in Transitional China, Li Ma and Jin Li
- Class Disparity in Youth Civic Engagement: Melody Boyd
- May I Borrow Your Glasses?: Seeing Life Through the Lens of Five African American Girls, Adrienne Saxon
- Watches and the Grip of Time: Symbols of Power and Control in the Alienated West: Caleb Mask
- The Solidarity House Project: Brittany Melinger
- That's Amore: An Exploration of Italian Identity: Toni Chiareli
- The Riddle of Amish Culture: A Socio-religious Perspective Donald Kraybill
- The Marketization of Nonprofit Arts and Culture Organizations: Jason Martin
- The Consumer Church: Reinventing Theology in the Age of Self: Hans Tokke
- Towards a Social Bonding Perspective on 'Culture War' Issues: Donald Gray
- Forward, Not Backward: The Extent of and Reasons Behind Academia's Mistrust of Conservative Protestants: George Yancey

- The Centrality of Diversity in the Construction of Christian Academic Community: John Hawthorne
- Tzomma Shoffa – Laboring Together: Mike Mtika
- Practicing What I Teach: No longer Willing to Count Another Cowman's Herd: Michael Leming

## **2009 Paper Presentations at Northwestern College**

- The Biblical Call for Social Justice: Dennis Hiebert
- Social Justice at a Christian University: Susan Warner
- Classroom Advocacy: A Pacifist's Dilemma: Mike Yoder
- Voluntary Simplicity: Val Hiebert
- Defining Marriage: Changes and Challenges: Scott Monsma
- Human Trafficking: Dennis Hiebert
- Holiness: The Biblical Basis for the Concept of Boundaries: Bob Daniels
- Restorative Justice: Dale DeWild
- The Christian Karen Funeral: Mike Leming
- Postmodern Social Theory: Matt Vos
- Short Term Service and Personal Growth: Jennifer Feenstra
- First-Generation College Students: Joseph Comeau
- Interactional Reflections on Social Justice: Brad Breems