



Syllabus

Course: The Church and Missions in History

Tuesday, Oct 1, 2023, 7:30pm – 9:30pm (Open lecture)

Saturdays, Oct 12, Nov 2, Nov 23, Dec 14, 10 am – 4:00 pm

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1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

What is God's expectation for His people and how has God's people understood God's mission? Has the understanding of God's mission by God's people changed throughout the history? If so, what caused the changes and what were the implications to God's mission? This course provides an opportunity to critically review the understanding of mission by churches in OT periods, NT periods, Pre-Christendom, Christendom, and Post-Christendom. This review will ultimately lead us to the deeper reflections of the nature of churches we desire to form in multicultural GTA today and in the future.

2. COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Articulate answers to the questions: How is the relationship between Church and Mission understood throughout the history? When did the Church's Mission begin? What is missional hermeneutic of the Bible and why is it so important to the understanding of Church and Mission?
- Explain the mission expected to the chosen people by God in OT periods
- Understand the continuation of OT mission in NT periods
- Identify the changes of church mission before and after Christendom
- Gain confidence and passion to recover the essence of church in God's mission in Post-Christendom

3. COURSE SCHEDULE

Class	Date	Topics	Assignments
1	Oct 1 (Tues, 7:30pm – 9:30pm)	Open lecture: Church and Mission in History	
2	Oct 12 (Sat, 10 am – 4 pm)	Foundation of discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trinity and Mission • Temple Narrative and Mission throughout the Bible • Missional Hermeneutic of the Bible 	To Be Announced
3	Nov 2 (Sat, 10 am – 4 pm)	Church and Mission in OT Periods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God’s People: Chosen for Blessing and Chosen for All • The Life of God’s Missional People • Holiness of God’s People and Mission 	To Be Announced
4	Nov 23 (Sat, 10 am – 4 pm)	Church and Mission in NT periods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus and the Israelites • Jesus and the disciples • The Early Church in Acts Church and Mission in Pre-Christendom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Odd but Intriguing • Push and Pull • Spiritual Power and Life-Giving Deviance • Living and Talking • Becoming a Christian: Forming the Habitus • Worship and Mission 	To Be Announced
5	Dec 14 (Sat, 10 am – 4 pm)	Church and Mission in Christendom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change of Conversion • From Patience to Impatience • Change of Worship • From Orthopraxy to Orthodoxy Church and Mission after Christendom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missio Dei • Worship Forms Mission • Life As Mission: Mission of God’s People Final Exam	To Be Announced

4. TEXT BOOKS

Primary Texts

크리스토퍼 라이트 (Christopher J. H. Wright), *하나님의 선교 (Mission of God)*, IVP, 2010.

알랜 크라이더 (Alan Kreider), *초대교회에 길을 묻다 (Resident but Alien)*, 하늘씨앗, 2019.

Alan Kreider and Eleanor Kreider, *Worship and Mission after Christendom*, Herald Press, 2011

References

그레고리 K. 비일, *성전 신학 (The Temple and the Church's Mission)*, 새물결플러스, 2014

알랜 크라이더 (Alan Kreider), *초기교회와 인내의 발효 (The Patient Ferment of the Early Church)*, IVP, 2021.

크리스토퍼 라이트 (Christopher J. H. Wright), *하나님 백성의 선교 (Mission of God's People)*, IVP, 2012.

크레이그 바르톨로뮤 (Craig G. Bartholomew), 마이클 고헨 (Michael Goheen), *성경은 드라마다 (The Drama of Scripture)*, IVP, 2009.

5. ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING GUIDELINE

a. Reading and small group discussion – 20 % of Grade

- Before come to class, read the sections of the books to be discussed
- Class is divided into small groups to discuss on the main arguments of the readings

b. Personal Reflection Papers - 30 % of Grade

- 2 page (single space, 12 font size) reflection paper on 2 topics discussed during the previous class

c. Final Exam - 50% of Grade

- Students are given a list of questions to answer. It will be an open book and open references exam.