



Panel-Presentation on Christian Peacemakers' Interaction with South Asian Muslims in the Post 9/11 Era

Date/Time: Tuesday August 1, 2017 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Venue: St Andrews UCC, 2608 Browns Ln, Louisville, KY 40220

MODERATOR: Professor Dr. Riffat Hassan will provide the background to “*Islamic Life in the U.S.*” (2002 – 2006) and “*Religion and Society: A Dialogue*” (2006-2009), two major Peace-Building Programs sponsored by the U.S. Department of State through grants awarded to U of L. Each Program included four Exchange Visits between Muslim religious scholars, preachers and community activists from South Asian countries and their American counterparts. The panel presenters are Louisville-based scholars who travelled to Bangladesh, India and Pakistan as part of the U.S. delegations.

PANEL-PRESENTERS and THEIR PRESENTATIONS :

Professor Dr. John McLeod (Ph.D. in History, University of Toronto) is Professor of History at U of L, specializing in the history of the Indian subcontinent. **DR. Mary Hora** (Ph.D. in History, University of Toronto; JD, U of L) has served as a Senior Staff Attorney at the Kentucky Court of Appeals for the past 14 years. Both **Professor McLeod** and **DR. Hora** were delegates in two Exchange Programs: “*Islamic Life in the U.S.*” (2004) and “*Religion and Society: A Dialogue*” (2009). In his presentation **Professor McLeod** will share his view on the short-term and long-term results of such programs. In her presentation **Dr. Hora** will speak about the experience of visiting a girls’ school in a village in Chakwal, Pakistan.

Professor Dr. Mary Ann Stenger (Ph.D. in Religion, University of Iowa)is Professor Emerita in Humanities at U of L where she taught Religious Studies and Women’s Studies for 35 years. **Professor Robert L. Stenger** (Ph. D in Theology, Catholic University of America; JD, University of Iowa) is Professor Emeritus in Law at U of L where he taught constitutional law, domestic relations, and medical-legal issues for 35 years. **Professor Mary Ann Stenger** and **Professor Robert Stenger** participated in “*Islamic Life in the U.S.*” Exchange Program (2004) and visited Pakistan, India and Bangladesh. In their presentations they will speak on *Breaking through Stereotypes and Fake News*.



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