

Muslims and Christians in Dialogue at the Founding of Islam: Presentations/Panel

Date/Time: Sunday, September 17, 2017, 3.00 - 4.30 p.m.

<u>Venue:</u> Fourth Avenue Methodist Church, 318 W. St. Catherine, Louisville, KY 40203. Please enter on St. Catherine's Street, the event is in the parlor.

This event is being co-sponsored by the Fourth Avenue United Methodist Church, the Central Presbyterian Church, the Guiding Light Islamic Center, St Williams Catholic Community and the Cathedral of the Assumption.

The Presenters:

Dr. Bradley Bowman is Assistant Professor of History, Middle East and Islamic Studies at U of L. He received his Ph. D. from the University of Chicago in Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations and specializes in early Islamic history.

Dr. Gregory S. Hutcheson who has a Ph. D. from Harvard University, is Associate Professor of Spanish in the Department of Classical and Modern Languages at U of L. He has published widely on gender and sexuality in the multicultural context of medieval Iberia.

The Subject:

Drs. Bowman and Hutcheson will explore moments of negotiation and dialogue between Muslims and Christians at the time of Islam's founding and through the first century of its expansion. Contested is the notion that Islam and the West are enduringly and inescapably locked in a "clash of civilizations."

The Moderator:

Rev. Dr. Donna T. Morton, J.D. (U of L), M.A. and D.Min.. from the Louisville Presbyterian, Theological Seminary, who is a retired attorney-at-law and United Methodist minister.

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