

COS 423 – Mission
Teacher: Rev. Dr. Michael Linger

Please read everything in this document. If you agree to all of this information, you may register for the class.

STEP 1: Check your calendars

Below are the five live Zoom class sessions required for you to attend. Please check your personal and professional calendars. If you are not able to attend all five sessions (note: there are two sessions on one day), please do not register for the class.

- Saturday, August 21, 9:00–11:00 a.m. (EST)
- Saturday, September 11, 9:00–11:00 a.m. (EST)
- Saturday, September 25, 9:00–11:00 a.m. **and** 1:00–3:00 p.m. (EST)
- Saturday, October 9, 9:00–11:00 a.m. (EST).

STEP 2: Check your calendars.... again!

This is what the full Summer Online session will look like. You will be working on classwork consistently throughout this time period.

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| PRE-CLASS WORK: | Begins August 13 |
| CLASS | August 21 – October 8 |
| POST-CLASS WORK: | October 9 – October 30 |

STEP 3: Understand the requirements to be in an online class at the WV Extension.

- You must have access to a high-speed internet connection for each Zoom class session (*No dial-up connections*)
- Each student must have their own electronic device with which to participate (desktop computer or laptop; no tablets). One student per device.
- You must have audio and video capabilities on your computer (we need to be able to SEE and HEAR you).
- You must participate in and pass a Zoom practice session conducted by COS Director Greg Markins or other designated person. You will receive an invitation approximately 2 or 3 weeks prior to first class Zoom.

STEP 4: Register

If you understand and agree to steps 1-3, you are ready to register! [Click here](#). *Note, if registering for two courses, you still need to access Pre-Registration form for both courses but need only submit one registration form.*

STEP 5: Buy the required textbooks so you're ready to go when the syllabus is posted

Required Texts:

1. Robert, Dana, *Christian Mission: How Christianity Became a World Religion*, Blackwell Publishing, West Sussex, 2009; 9780631236207.
2. Volf, Miroslav, *A Public Faith: How Followers of Christ Should Serve the Common Good*, Brazos Press, Grand Rapids, 2011; 9781587433436
3. Jennings, Theodore W., *Good News to the Poor: John Wesley's Evangelical Economics*, Abingdon Press, 1990; 9780687155286.
4. McNeal, Reggie, *Kingdom Collaborators: Eight Signature Practices of Leaders Who Turn the World Upside Down*, InterVarsity Press, 2018: 9780830841431

Supplemental Texts:

1. Outler, Albert C. and Heitzenrater, Richard, *John Wesley's Sermons: An Anthology*, Abingdon Press, Nashville, 1991; Print 068720495; E-book 9780687204953
2. Francis, Leah Gunning, *Ferguson and Faith: Sparking Leadership and Awakening Community*, Chalice Press, St. Louis, 2015; 9780827211056
3. Romero, Oscar, Carolyn Kurtz, ed., *The Scandal of Redemption: When God Liberates the Poor, Saves Sinners and Heals Nations*: Plough Publishing House, Walden, NY, Print 978-0-87486-141-9, E-book 978-0-87486-142-6
4. McNeal, Reggie, *Mission Renaissance*, Jossey-Bass, San Francisco, 978-0-470-24344-3