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# Intersections

Where Church Meets Academy: News and resource information for pastoral and academic leaders seeking to enrich the religious life of American Christians.

## Welcome!

Welcome to the latest issue of *Intersections* Newsletter. In this issue, we have some exciting news to share about changes in both our staff and programs. We also report on several recent events at the Institute and share news from a number of our grantees.

First of all we welcome Dr. Terry Muck as Interim Executive Director of the Louisville Institute. As noted in this issue, Terry begins his work on July 1st.

In January we welcomed over twenty grantees (both pastors and academics) to our annual Winter Seminar, a time to share and critique work in progress and, more importantly, to get to know some valuable new professional colleagues.

In February we hosted our final class of Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders grantees as they prepared for their upcoming sabbaticals. These forty-five SGPL grantees were selected in late 2011 along with fifteen Pastoral Study Project (PSP) grantees. All of them are listed in this issue. In 2012, as reported in this issue, the PSP program expands to twenty-four grantees.

We briefly describe the Institute's two new programs slated to begin in the coming months—the Vocation of the Theological Educator Initiative and Collaborative Inquiry Teams program. Finally, we share the latest news and accomplishments from alums of the Louisville Institute, including a number of publications related to Institute grants, completed dissertations, promotions and more.

As I look forward to retirement this summer, this is my last issue of *Intersections* as Executive Director. I will then join the rest of you as a reader of *Intersections*, in order to keep up with the work of the Louisville Institute as it continues to work at the crucial intersection of church and academy.

We hope you enjoy this issue of *Intersections*!

James Lewis

## Terry Muck appointed Interim Executive Director

Dr. Terry C. Muck has been appointed to serve as Interim Executive Director of the Louisville Institute for two years, beginning July 1, 2012. He will succeed Jim Lewis, who is retiring June 30 after 21 years as the first Executive Director of the Louisville Institute.

"I am pleased to welcome Dr. Terry Muck to the exhilarating work that is ahead of us. His entrepreneurial gifts and energy will be invaluable at this moment in the history of the Louisville Institute as we launch the new Vocation of the Theological Educator Initiative and select the first Collaborative Inquiry Teams, in addition to our established grant programs supporting research in religion," said Louisville Seminary President Michael Jenkins, in announcing the appointment. He added: "I have been impressed by the ways in which he, as a generous evangelical scholar, has built ecumenical and interfaith bridges."

Terry Muck has served full-time in theological education since 1990, first as a professor at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Currently he serves as Dean of the E. Stanley Jones School of World Mission and Evangelism and Professor of Mission and World Religion at Asbury Theological Seminary, where he began teaching in 2000. He will retire from that position at the end of the academic year.

Terry earned degrees from Bethel College (BA); Bethel Theological Seminary (MDiv); National College of Education (MBA); and Northwestern University (PhD). He served as Executive Editor and Senior Vice President of Publishing



for Christianity Today, Inc., and has contributed regularly to *Leadership: A Practical Journal for Church Leaders*. He has published ten books, including *Those Other Religions in Your Neighborhood* (2011, Kindle Edition); *The Mysterious Beyond: A Basic Guide to Studying Religion* (Baker, 2004); and *Christianity Encountering World Religions: The Practice of Mission in the Twenty-first Century* (Baker, 2009), which he co-authored with his spouse and Louisville Seminary professor, Frances Adeney.

In responding to his appointment Terry noted that "the Louisville Institute's mission of enabling conversations among local church pastors and academic scholars has never been more important. It is an honor and privilege to help continue the remarkable contributions the Institute has made over the past 20 years to the North American church."



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## Louisville Institute's Winter Seminar

For over twenty years, the Louisville institute's Winter Seminar has provided hospitable space in which an interdisciplinary and intergenerational group of grantees share with each other (and with us) their grant-supported research projects. As we have learned from grantees, we have also encouraged them to consider how their research might be of service to the church as well as the academy.

In addition to our Dissertation Fellows and First Book for Minority Scholars grantees, this year's seminar involved selected grantees from three other grant programs: Project Grants for Researchers, Sabbatical Grants for Researchers, and Pastoral Study Projects. We were privileged to learn about diverse, innovative research that takes seriously the relationship between Christian faith and various aspects of contemporary life in North America, including popular culture, immigration, the environment, evangelical book publishing, marriage, authority in several contexts, religious affiliation and disaffiliation, and everyday religious life.

In addition, the Seminar included an informative presentation by Louisville Institute Board member, Verity Jones, on the issue of "Translating Research on the Web," which was followed by a lively discussion about writing in a digital world. Associate Director Don Richter led a service of morning prayer, assisted by grantees Kimberly Long and John Moulder. In addition to Verity Jones, Louisville Institute Board member Ed Aponte also participated in the Seminar. In our concluding session, participants expressed appreciation for the opportunity of discussing their work in relationship to both church and academy. They also praised the Winter Seminar's genuinely interdisciplinary and intergenerational character.

The following list of participants and projects suggests the richness and diversity of the gathering.

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| <b>Fred F. Bahnson</b><br>(Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy)<br><i>The Good Land Project - Extending Practical Charity to the Soil</i>  | <b>Letitia M. Campbell</b><br>(Emory University)<br><i>Encountering the Other, Engaging the World: Christian Short-Term Mission as Ordinary Ethics and Vernacular Cosmopolitanism</i> |
| <b>Thomas M. Beaudoin</b><br>(Fordham University, Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education)<br><i>Varieties of Deconversion in Roman Catholicism</i>                                   | <b>Victor Carmona</b><br>(University of Notre Dame)<br><i>The Challenge of Partiality in Neighborly Love</i>  |
| <b>Adam L. Bond</b><br>(Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology, Virginia Union University)<br><i>Revivalists and Educators: Black Baptist Preachers and the Salvation of America, 1920-1970</i> | <b>Jessica N. DeCou</b><br>(University of Chicago Divinity School)<br><i>Parables of Freedom: A Barthian Pneumatology of Culture for Engaging Popular Culture in the 21st Century</i> |



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| <b>Teresa Delgado</b><br>(Iona College)<br><i>Loving Sex Latina/menta: Envisioning a Relevant Catholic Sexual Ethic</i>   | <b>Ian B. Oliver</b><br>(Yale University)<br><i>Protestant Identity in Secular Higher Education</i>   | <b>Daniel Vaca</b><br>(Columbia University)<br><i>Book People: Evangelical Books and the Making of Contemporary Evangelicalism</i>                            |
| <b>Rebekah Eklund</b><br>(Duke Divinity School)<br><i>Lord, Teach Us How to Grieve: Jesus' Laments and Christian Hope</i>                                       | <b>Janet L. Parker</b><br>(Rock Spring Congregational United Church of Christ)<br><i>Becoming Human Again: A Pastoral Theology for a Changed Planet</i> | <b>Heather H. Vacek</b><br>(Duke Divinity School)<br><i>Concealed Insanity: Protestant Conceptions of Mental Illness in Modern America</i>                    |
| <b>Kimberly B. Long</b><br>(Columbia Theological Seminary)<br><i>A Practical Theology of Christian Marriage</i>   | <b>L. Edward Phillips</b><br>(Candler School of Theology, Emory University)<br><i>Christ and Mammon: A Liturgical History</i>                           | <b>Chanequa J. Walker-Barnes</b><br>(Shaw University Divinity School)<br><i>Too Heavy a Yoke: Black Women and the Burden of Strength</i>                      |
| <b>Mandy E. McMichael</b><br>(Duke University)<br><i>Religion, Miss America, and the Construction of Southern Womanhood</i>                                     | <b>Priscilla Pope-Levison</b><br>(Seattle Pacific University)<br><i>After the Altar Call: Women's Institution Building</i>                              | <b>Andrea C. White</b><br>(Candler School of Theology, Emory University)<br><i>Black Women's Bodies and God Politics: A Womanist Theological Anthropology</i> |
| <b>John Moulder</b><br>(Arts Alliance of the Archdiocese of Chicago, IL)<br><i>The Improvised Life: A Conversation between Pastoral Ministry and Jazz Music</i> | <b>Michael A. Schuler</b><br>(First Unitarian Society of Madison)<br><i>The Conundrum of Authority in Contemporary Life</i>                             | <b>Claire Elizabeth Wolfteich</b><br>(Boston University)<br><i>Bridging the Gap: Spiritual Traditions and the Quotidian Practices of Lay Women</i>            |



## 2012 Pastoral Leaders Consultation

February 27-29, forty-eight pastoral leaders from across the United States and Canada gathered at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary to enjoy ecumenical fellowship, to worship, and to prepare for sabbatical leaves supported by the Sabbatical Grants for Pastoral Leaders (SGPL) program.

Along with Louisville Institute staff, members of the SGPL selection committee attended the consultation, welcomed our guests, and facilitated small groups. Holly McKissick planned and presided at a lovely Tuesday evensong service, assisted by Gary Rand from LaSalle Street Church (Chicago). LaVerne Gill preached and led Wednesday morning worship in Laws Lodge instead of Caldwell Chapel, modeling graceful, adaptable leadership when a sudden storm forced a change in venue. LI Board member Edwin Aponte noted that although this was the final SGPL consultation for all of us, it was also a capstone event for Jim Lewis who has provided leadership throughout the 18-year history of this grant program (1994-2011).

We were honored to have as our guest presenter Craig Barnes, Robert Meneilly Professor of Leadership and Ministry at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and Pastor of Shadyside Presbyterian Church (Pittsburgh, PA). Barnes shared pastoral wisdom from his book *The Pastor as Minor Poet: Texts and Subtexts in the Ministerial Life*. Tuesday morning Barnes preached on "The Danger of the Rabble" (Numbers 11), a fitting theme to address leader anxiety as pastors anticipate sabbatical leave. In his final session Craig introduced the group to his current work in progress: an exploration of the Prodigal Son parable for pastoral ministry.\*



Participants were deeply grateful for Craig's sermon and his lectures. One grantee remarked, "I've been blessed by the material we worked through with Craig Barnes; it's reminding me about the heart of my ministry."

Grant recipients benefitted from informal conversations as much as the scheduled, content-oriented sessions. These pastors remarked how life-affirming and call-confirming it was to be in a clergy gathering not dominated by church business and politics. Many commented that the consultation occurred at an opportune time to prepare for and launch their sabbatical leaves.

The February consultation reminded participants of the Institute's larger goal in offering the SGPL program: to cultivate a cadre of ambassadors across the ecumenical spectrum to promote the Christian practice of Sabbath keeping. In their post-event evaluation comments, many pastors pledged to take up the mantle for this cause.

*"The fact that this entire gathering exists is a huge affirmation of the counter-cultural way of Sabbath—it has strengthened my commitment to the ethics of Sabbath, not just for me, but for others as well."*

*"I realize I am not alone on this journey. More clergy than I realize across cultural lines are in the same boat. I will become an advocate to help other clergy realize the need for clergy renewal."*

*"I plan to implement sabbatical leave into my church budget for the future. I will inform other ministers and churches in my area of the importance of sabbaticals."*

\*An essay based on Barne's writing project appeared in the March 21, 2012 issue of the Christian Century:

<http://www.christiancentury.org/article/2012-03/prodigal-s-brother>

## Vocation of the Theological Educator Initiative

As noted in the last issue of Intersections, two new initiatives will enhance the Institute's work beginning in 2013. First, building on its longstanding work at the intersection of church and academy, the new Vocation of the Theological Educator Initiative will partner with seminaries and graduate schools to support sustained conversation, collegiality, and companionship among new scholars, senior scholars, and wise pastors. As a formation program for emerging seminary faculty, the Vocation of the Theological Educator Initiative will identify and nurture groups of advanced doctoral students and recent graduates who wish to develop their vocations as theological educators.

The VTE Initiative thus represents important new opportunities for current Ph.D. students and recent graduates. Selected Ph.D. students in their 2nd or 3rd year of doctoral study will be eligible to apply for two-year Louisville Institute Doctoral Fellowships. Perhaps even more importantly, recent graduates will be eligible to apply for Louisville Institute Postdoctoral Fellowships, which will place them in two-year seminary internships as they prepare for careers in theological education. Applications for both Fellowships will be due in the late fall of 2012, and selections will be made in early winter. Additional details and application information will be available on our web site later this spring.

## Collaborative Inquiry Team

Beginning in 2013-14 the Institute will launch its Collaborative Inquiry Team program.

Pastors and scholars will form 8-10 person teams who, with guidance from the Louisville Institute, will design a three-year project on an area of genuine importance for the church in North America. As a rule, teams will meet for three years and will receive up to \$45,000 to support their projects. By involving both groups at the outset, the Collaborative Inquiry Teams will make it possible for pastors and academics to bring their distinctive perspectives to bear in a collegial way on an important critical issue and thus to contribute to the practices of vital congregations.



# Renewal through Study: Pastoral Study Project Grants

In 2012 the Louisville Institute will award up to 24 grants in its expanded Pastoral Study Project (PSP) grant program. “Study projects may be independent or collaborative,” notes Don Richter, the Institute’s Associate Director. “With adequate time and support, scholarly pastors can develop and share their distinctive wisdom on important issues for Christian life and practice and thus extend their leadership in ways that can benefit the broader church and culture.”

The PSP program complements the Institute’s other research grant programs, which are often situated within academic contexts and calendars. PSP grantees may take their study leave as a single block of time or weave shorter periods of study into their normal schedule. Either way, the goal of PSP is to validate and strengthen habits of pastoral study and reflection. The grant program enables pastoral leaders to bracket daily work routines in order to pursue a pressing and significant question for the life of faith. Fruitful study may entail travel and immersion in alternate contexts, but with the explicit goal of sharing what is learned with a wider audience.

To date the Institute has awarded fifty PSP grants for a total of \$702,951. (See abstracts of Previously Awarded Grants on Institute website under Grants/Fellowships.) The PSP grant does not fund basic program support for organizations, regular salary support for religious workers or church consultants, expenses related to pursuit of a degree (such as the D.Min.), or capital expenditures beyond what may be necessary to conduct research. Because this program seeks to foster primary scholarship by grantees, continuing education offerings and conferences do not typically count as legitimate study expenditures. If appropriate, budgets may include a stipend for supply ministers who fill in while pastors are completing their projects.

The Louisville Institute is confident that many pastors yearn for vocational renewal through study. “Scholarly pastors are reflective practitioners who read widely and think deeply about Christian faith, the contemporary world, and the challenge of pastoral ministry,” observes Richter. “For such pastors, grants can mobilize their attention, galvanize their thinking, validate their questions, and support their research. We are privileged to offer them this opportunity.” The next application deadline for PSP proposals is September 1, 2012.

# 2011 Pastoral Study Project Grantees

The Louisville Institute is pleased to announce the award of fifteen grants in its 2011 Pastoral Study Project grant program. This year’s grantees were selected from a pool of 103 applicants from across the United States and Canada. Through its PSP program, the Institute offers pastoral leaders the opportunity to engage in thoughtful study and inquiry about issues related to Christian faith and practice, religious institutions, and the practice of ministry.

**Stephen Faller**  
Capital Health  
Hopewell, NJ  
*Symposium for Spiritual Midwifery*

**Theodore V. Foote**  
First Presbyterian Church  
Bryan, TX  
*Public Schools and Public Communities of Faith: Unapologetic for Common Values, How Two Threatened Species Might Dance Toward Vitality*

**Cathy H. George**  
Diocese of Massachusetts  
Jaffrey, NH  
*Stories of God at Work*

**Carolyn W. Gillette**  
Limestone Presbyterian Church  
Wilmington, DE  
*Hymn Writing for the Church and the World*

**Elizabeth E. Hagan**  
Washington Plaza Baptist Church  
Arlington, VA  
*Reclaiming God’s Hope in Infertility*

**Christopher S. Hoke**  
Tierra Nueva Missoula, MT  
*Thicker Than Blood: Gangs, Trauma and the New Family of God*

**Cynthia Jarvis**  
Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill  
Philadelphia, PA  
*In the Cells of San Marco: the Preacher as Theologian*

**Peter W. Marty**  
Saint Paul Lutheran Church  
Bettendorf, IA  
*A No-Nonsense Guide to the Christian Life*

**John P. Moulder**  
Arts Alliance of the Archdiocese of Chicago  
Chicago, IL  
*The Improvised Life: A Conversation between Pastoral Ministry and Jazz Music*

**Frank Portee**  
The Church of the Good Shepherd UMC  
Willingboro, NJ  
*When the Saints Go Marching In*

**Mark W. Radecke**  
Susquehanna University  
Selinsgrove, PA  
*We Had the Experience, but Missed the Meaning ~ Reflective Practices for Short-term Missions*

**Danny Román-Gloró**  
Sunset Congregational Church,  
Miami, FL  
*Listening to the Hispanic Sermon Listener*

**Jason A. Storbakken**  
Radical Living  
Brooklyn, NY  
*Toward a Radical Spirituality: Discipleship on the Margins*

**Deborah E. Warren**  
Second United Presbyterian Church  
Pittsburgh, PA  
*Intentional Team Ministry: Enjoying God Together*

**William Wylie-Kellermann**  
St Peter’s Episcopal Church  
Detroit, MI  
*Living Humanly: the Spirituality of William Stringfellow*

# 2011 Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders Grantees

The Louisville Institute is pleased to announce the award of forty-five grants in its 2011 Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders (SGPL) program. This year’s grantees were selected from a pool of 434 applicants from across the United States and Canada.

**Anita Amstutz**  
Albuquerque Mennonite Church  
Albuquerque, NM  
*The Peace of Wild Things, Women Clergy, Wilderness and Writing*

**Hilary J. Barrett**  
Pleasantville United Church of Christ  
Chalfont, PA  
*A Different Ordering of Time*

**Suzanne H. Barrow**  
St. Andrews Episcopal Church and Munfordville Presbyterian Church  
Munfordville, KY  
*Getting Grounded...Again!*

**Richard C. Choe**  
Kingston Road United Church  
Toronto, ON  
*Developing & Creating a Common Language of Faith*

**Rod Dickson-Rishel**  
First United Methodist Church  
Long Beach, MS  
*Water and Oil: The Power of Place and the Gift of Grace*

**Johnie K. Dollarhide**  
Christian Methodist Episcopal Church  
Lewisville, TX  
*Recapturing Pastoral Passion*

**Mark Elsdon & Erica Liu Elsdon**  
Presbyterian House (Presbyterian Student Center Foundation)  
Madison, WI  
*Resting in Our Roots*

**Jacquelyn L. Foster**  
Compton Heights Christian Church  
St. Louis, MO  
*Listening for Life: A Process for Reconciliation and Healing*

**Paul D. Fromberg**  
St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church  
San Francisco, CA  
*The Image of the Unseen: Manifesting Justice and Beauty*

**Don Y. Gordon**  
Yates Baptist Church  
Durham, NC  
*Third Timothy*

**Daniel M. Griswold**  
Trinity Reformed Church  
Rochester, NY  
*Calling in Counterpoint: A Musical Exploration of Pastoral Vocation*

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**Dennis L. Hall**  
Briar Creek Road Baptist Church  
Charlotte, NC  
*Finding Shalom Through the Ministry of Reconciliation*

**Jong Heon Ham**  
The Korean Church of Champaign-Urbana  
Savoy, IL  
*Step Back for a While*

**Raymond H. Hargrove**  
Florida Conference United Church of Christ  
Port Orange, FL  
*Spiritual Renewal: Re-connecting To My Roots*

**Marshall Hatch**  
New Mount Pilgrim M.B. Church  
Chicago, IL  
*Maximum Impact for Christ*

**Reginald High**  
Beavers Chapel Christian Church  
Wendell, NC  
*Reconnecting, Reconstructing, Recreating, and Renewing*

**Arthur L. Hilson**  
New Hope Baptist Church  
Portsmouth, NH  
*Journey Towards Reflection, Reconnection and Renewal*

**Nicole S. Janelle**  
St. Michael's University Church & Episcopal Campus Ministry at UC-Santa Barbara  
Goleta, CA  
*Simplicity, Compassion, Courage: A Pilgrimage of Inspiration in the Heart of the Gospel*

**Michael Karunas**  
Central Christian Church  
Decatur, IL  
*Running on a Thin Line: The Pursuit of a Balanced Life in Ministry*

**Jacqueline J. Lewis**  
Middle Collegiate Church  
New York, NY  
*Restorying My Soul*

**Edward A. McLeod**  
First Presbyterian Church  
Raleigh, NC  
*Chapter Two: Staying in Place Without Running In Place*

**William (Brad) Munroe**  
First Presbyterian Church  
Pueblo, CO  
*Discovering the Latino Heart*

**Margaret G. Newswanger**  
First Presbyterian Church of Maple Plain  
Maple Plain, MN  
*Imagination and Meaning: Sitting at the Feet of C.S. Lewis*

**Orea G. Parker**  
Saint Paul A.M.E. Church  
Decatur, GA  
*Grounded and Rejuvenated*

**Tyrone Partee**  
Olivet Lutheran Church  
Hawthorne, CA  
*Refresh, Refocus, Renew in the Potter's Hand*

**Jane P. Pauw**  
Rainier Beach Presbyterian Church  
Seattle, WA  
*The Morphing Mosaic: Shaping Community in America's Most Diverse Zip Code*

**Timothy A. Philips**  
King of Glory Lutheran Church  
Fountain Valley, CA  
*Renewing Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength*

**Drew S. Phillips**  
Christian Activity Center  
East St. Louis, IL  
*Walking in the Desert*

**Teresa Pleins**  
Catholic Community at Stanford University  
Santa Clara, CA  
*Dwelling by the Sea of Stories*

**Linda G. Popham**  
Fern Creek Baptist Church  
Louisville, KY  
*Regaining the Vision of Excellence*

**Gary E. Rand**  
LaSalle Street Church  
Chicago, IL  
*Back to the Basics*

**Sergio Romero**  
Nevada-Utah Conference of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church  
Kearns, UT  
*Loving Luther, Living Luther: Relationship Over Rules*

**Margaret Schultz-Akerson and Reginald Schultz-Akerson**  
Faith Lutheran Church  
Chico, CA  
*Long-Term Clergy-Couple Ministry: Preparing for the Fruitful Years*

**Daniel A. Smith**  
First Church in Cambridge, Congregational  
Cambridge, MA  
*Practicing Havruta: Befriending Self, Others and God*

**Susan Sparks**  
Madison Avenue Baptist Church  
New York, NY  
*Remembering How to Laugh*

**Rochelle A. Stackhouse**  
Church of the Redeemer  
Hamden, CT  
*Relationships One on One*

**John Mark Stanley**  
Trinity Presbyterian Church  
Hendersonville, NC  
*Eden in Peril: A Photographic Exploration*

**Paul A. Stanosz**  
St. Matthias Catholic Church  
Milwaukee, WI  
*Sabbath Time with the Chosen People*

**Keith A. Tyson**  
Ashland Brethren in Christ Church  
Ashland, OH  
*Learning From the Other Two-Thirds*

**Stephen T. Um**  
Citylife Presbyterian Church  
Boston, MA  
*Renewal in the City: Finding Rest in the Urban Center(s)*

**Martha Sylvia O. Vasquez**  
St. Paul's Episcopal  
Walnut Creek, CA  
*Reconciliation: Peace, Love, and Joy in the Midst of Differences*

**Evelyn I. Vigil**  
Correctional Institutions Chaplaincy, Inc.  
San Jose, CA  
*Fey Familia*

**Mary E. Westfall**  
Community Church of Durham  
Lee, NH  
*A Sustainable Spirituality for the 21st Century: Embracing the Wisdom Within*

**Raewynne J. Whiteley**  
Saint James Episcopal Church  
Saint James, NY  
*Pilgrimage: Path to Life*

**Lynn Williamson**  
Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church  
Casper, WY  
*Discovering Place*

**Alum Updates Spring 2012**

**Jennifer Ayres** (Dissertation Fellowship 2006) has recently published *Waiting for a Glacier to Move: Practicing Social Witness* (Pickwick Publications, 2011).

**Sr. Kathleen Bryant RSC** (Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders 2005) gave a workshop on her sabbatical project, "Being Contemplative in a Digital World," at the Spiritual Directors' International. The workshop produced a YouTube video (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w-BvQhTw3b8>) in which she describes some of what she learned.

**Christopher Cantwell** (Dissertation Fellowship, Honorary Grantee, 2009) completed his dissertation: "The Bible Class Teacher: Piety and Politics in the Age of Fundamentalism" (Cornell University, 2011).

**Mark Chaves** (Summer Stipend Program 1992; General Grant 1993, 1997, 2004, 2005; Project Grant for Researchers 2012) received the 2012 Christianity Today Book Award for *American Religion: Contemporary Trends* (Princeton University Press, 2011) in the Christianity and Culture category.

**Jill K. Gill** (Summer Stipend Program 2003) recently published *Embattled Ecumenism: The National Council of Churches, the Vietnam War, and the Trials of the Protestant Left* (Northern Illinois University Press, 2011).

**Mark Gornik** (Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders 1997, Religious Institutions 2007) received the 2012 Christianity Today Book Award for *Word Made Global: Stories of African Christianity in New York City* (Eerdmans, 2011) in the Missions/Global Affairs category.

**Benjamin Houston** (Dissertation Fellowship 2005) is currently lecturer in US history at Newcastle University. He has recently published: "'The Aquinas of the Rednecks': reconciliation, the southern character, and the bootleg ministry of Will D. Campbell," in *The Sixties: A Journal of History, Politics and Culture*, Vol. 4, No. 2 (December 2011), pp. 135–150.

**David Mellott** (Dissertation Fellowship 2002) has been appointed Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Seminary at Lancaster Theological Seminary.

**Amy Plantinga Pauw** (Louisville Institute Board Member) has been named as one of six Henry Luce III Fellows in Theology for 2012-13 by The Association of Theological Schools. The award will support her project entitled, "Wisdom Ecclesiology."

**Rubén Rosario-Rodríguez** (First Book Grant for Minority Scholars 2005) was selected by Alpha Sigma Nu, the Honor Society of Jesuit Colleges and Universities, to receive their 2011 Book Award in the discipline of Theology for his book *Racism and God-Talk: A Latino/a Perspective* (New York University Press, 2008).

**John E. Senior** (Dissertation Fellowship 2009) has been appointed as Assistant Professor of the Practice of Religion and Society and Director of the Art of Ministry Program at the Wake Forest University School of Divinity.

**Ann M. Svennungsen** (Pastors Working Group) was elected February 18, 2012 to a six-year term as bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). She is the first woman to serve as bishop in any of the ELCA's six synods in Minnesota.

**Phyllis Zagano** (Summer Stipend Program 1998) has co-authored with Gary Macy and William T. Ditewig, *Women Deacons: Past, Present, Future* (Paulist Press, 2012)





## Grant-Related Publications

The following publications related to Louisville Institute grants have been received since our last newsletter:

### Books

#### Fred Bahnson

(Project Grant for Researchers 2011) and **Norman Wirzba**  
*Making Peace With the Land: God's Call to Reconcile With Creation* (Intervarsity Press, 2012)

#### Candie Blankman

(Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders 2009)  
*Forged by War: A Daughter Shaped by a WWII POW Story* (Create Space: 2011)

#### Arthur Boers

(Christian Faith & Life 2007)  
*Living Into Focus: Choosing What Matters in an Age of Distractions* (Brazos Press, 2012)

#### Lee C. Camp

(Christian Faith & Life 2009)  
*Who Is My Enemy? Questions American Christians Must Face About Islam—and Themselves* (Brazos Press, 2011)

#### Mark Chaves

(General Grants 1997 and 2005)  
*American Religion: Contemporary Trends* (Princeton, 2011)

#### Stacey Floyd-Thomas

**Juan Floyd-Thomas**  
**Nancy Lynn Westfield**  
**Carol B. Duncan**  
**Stephen G. Ray**  
(General Grant 2003)  
*Black Church Studies: An Introduction* (Abingdon, 2007)

#### Gary Neal Hansen

(Christian Faith & Life 2007)  
*Kneeling with Giants: Learning to Pray with History's Best Teachers* (InterVarsity Press, 2012)

#### Maria Poggi Johnson

(Christian Faith & Life 2009)  
*Making a Welcome: Christian Life and the Practice of Hospitality* (Cascade Books, 2011)

#### Gerardo Marti

(Religious Institutions 2005)  
*Worship Across the Racial Divide: Religious Music and the Multiracial Congregation* (Oxford University Press, 2012)

#### Timothy Matovina

(Christian Faith & Life 2009)  
*Latino Catholicism: Transformation in America's Largest Church* (Princeton University Press, 2012)

#### Bonnie Miller-McLemore, ed.

(Sabbatical Grant for Researchers 2010)  
*The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Practical Theology* (Wiley/Blackwell, 2012)

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