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## **Lutheran University Press to Publish “Encounters In World Christianity” Series with Luther Seminary**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN - A new book series, “Encounters in World Christianity” is published by Lutheran University Press and Luther Seminary according to the Rev. Leonard Flachman, publisher.

The series will be an important forum for scholars from Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Oceania. Two thirds of all volumes will be contributions by scholars from these regions. Younger scholars and women will be encouraged to submit manuscripts. The editors of the series will consider research work of the Schiotz Visiting Professors, of Luther Seminary’s international Ph.D. graduates, and of Luther Seminary faculty focusing on world Christianity with its diverse cultural, religious and political contexts will be considered for publication in the series.

The “Encounters in World Christianity” series grows out of Luther Seminary’s commitment to world Christianity and the mission of God in the contemporary world of many cultures, religions, and political systems. The exposure the series will provide for churches of the global South and international scholars is important at a time when North American congregations are becoming more and more global in their mission interest and where there are many new immigrant congregations. Luther Seminary has a unique emphasis on world Christianity, mission, Islam, and issues of justice with three faculty members dedicated to these areas: Professors Charles Amjad-Ali, Frieder Ludwig, and Mark Swanson.

The books in the series will be published in two categories: The first, “Encounters in World Christianity” will include scholarly works that reflect developing or representative theological thought on a global scale or on an ethnic or geographic plane. Included will be the work of scholars who are gaining international prominence. The second, “Contemporary Issues in Mission and World Christianity” will include occasional papers which reflect ecclesial / Christian life subjects.

“In our congregations we pray for and proclaim our communion with ‘all the saints’,” says publisher Flachman. “This series should open more widely the door to that communion, and remind us that the church was involved in globalization long before the concept became common language.”

To view the new books in the series, visit [www.lutheranupress.org/catalog](http://www.lutheranupress.org/catalog).

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