

2010 ASM Annual Meeting

The title of the program for the 2010 ASM annual meeting is "Colorful Initiatives: North American Cultures in Mission." The meeting will convene June 18–20 at Techny, Illinois.

Ethnic diversity is increasing across the continent. So are ethnic churches. Yet mission — cross-cultural witness and service — initiated by communities of Christians from diverse heritages has received little documentation. This program will explore that topic.

Theoretical concepts will include ethnicity, culture, identity, globalization, diaspora, hegemony, revitalization, power, journey, pilgrimage, strangers, legality, white privilege, ethnotheology, ethnic youth ministry, and ethnic leadership training.

Cases will be presented by an Asian Indian-American, a Filipino-American, an African-American, a Guatemalan-American, and a First Nations Canadian. The keynote address will be given by ASM president Miriam Adeney.

Short Paper Proposals

Beyond this topic, two multiple-track sessions will feature voluntary papers. Members are encouraged to present papers on any missiological subject. Each presenter will have 30 minutes. Each graduate student presenter will have 15 minutes. Proposals should be submitted by April 15 in the form of a paragraph to Robert Gallagher (Robert.L.Gallagher@wheaton.edu). A brief description of the author's missiological research qualifications should be attached.

Officer Nominations

As well, nominations are invited for the office of Second Vice-President (Conciliar Protestant). Also invited are nominations for the following three-year Board of Directors positions: Roman Catholic, Conciliar Protestant, and Independent Protestant. For the Board of Publications, four-year terms will be opening for one Roman Catholic, one Conciliar Protestant, and two Independent Protestants. Please include a brief biography describing the nominee's missiological qualifications. Send your nomination to Gary Simpson at gsimpson@luthersem.edu or at Luther Seminary; 2481 Como Ave., St. Paul, MN 55108.