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PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Troeltsch In Context, *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, Winter 2002. http://constancebenson.com/publications-and-lectures.php

God and Caesar: Troeltsch's 'Social Teaching' as Legitimation. (Piscataway, New Jersey: Transaction Publishers, 1999. Foreword by Cornel West. A critical examination of the role of the Protestant churches in the ideological politics of Imperial Germany using Ernst Troeltsch (1865-1923) as a case study.

PAPERS AND LECTURES

select papers and lectures available at: constancebenson.com

Dysfunctional Management in the NYC Department of Education: Report of an Actual ESL Meeting, 1 November 2017 http://constancebenson.com/esl-teacher-portfolio.php

From the Coconut Groves to Harvard: A Christian-Humanist Faith Journey, presented at "Faith Journeys in Pluralist America" conference, Center for Applied Judaism, 20 August 2017.

Jerusalem: Multicultural Psychohistory and Healing, presented to the International Psychohistorical Association, New York University, New York University, 1 June 2017.

Unfinished Business: From Punitive to Humane Parenting in the Bible and Contemporary Christianity, presented to the International Psychohistorical Association, New York University, 2 June 2016.

Mary Baker Eddy and the Origins of Jewish Science. Lecture to the Society of Jewish Science, Center for Applied Judaism, New York City, 9 August 2015

High Frequency Vocabulary: Revolutionizing TESOL Curricula. Paper presented to the 2013 NYS TESOL Annual Conference, White Plains, NY, November 15-16, 2013.

Key Words with Ladybird for ELLs. Lecture presented at Professional Development for Assistant Principals and Bilingual Coordinators, Region 10, New York City Department of Education (at PS 189), April 5, 2006.

Beyond Religious Apartheid: A Critique of Ernst Troeltsch on World Religions. Lecture at the 1999 Parliament of the World's Religions. Cape Town, South Africa, December 1-8, 1999.

The Focolare Spirituality of Unity. Lecture at the 1999 Parliament of the World's Religions. Cape Town, South Africa, December 1-8, 1999.

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An Ethical Analysis of Deutsche Bank. Memorandum submitted to the Executive Director of Hadassah, July 19, 1999.

Letter to the Editor: Reply to Steven Plaut, 'The PC Makeover of Passover,'" *Midstream* 44:6 (September/October, 1998): 47.

The Lotus and the Firebrand: Combining Eastern Spirituality and Prophetic Action. Lecture to the Fourth Universalist Society, New York City, December 4, 1994.

The Role of Race in Ernst Troeltsch's Analysis of World Religions. Lecture to the History of Religions Section of the annual Mid-Atlantic meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Philadelphia, March 1993.

Mainstreaming the Radical Right: Ernst Troeltsch's Appropriation of Paul de Lagarde. Lecture to the Religious Ethics Section of the annual Mid-Atlantic meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Philadelphia, March 1993.

The Early Church in the Social Teaching: Troeltsch's Reply to Kautsky. Lecture to the Church History Section of the annual national meeting of the American Academy of Religion, New Orleans, November 1990.

Die Alte Kirche in der Soziallehren: Die Antwort von Troeltsch an Kautsky. Lecture to the Congress of the Ernst Troeltsch Society, Augsburg, Germany 1988.

COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Lecturer of Social Science, LaGuardia Community College, The City University of New York, Queens, New York. Taught course on "Religion and Social Change" in the Social Science Division. Examined case studies of major leaders of 20th century progressive religious movements, in particular, Malcolm X, Imam Warith Deen Mohammed, Rabbi Arthur Waskow, the Dalai Lama, Mohandas K. Gandhi, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and Chiara Lubich, foundress of the Focolare, a Roman Catholic Ecclesial Movement. Fall 1998.

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Comparative Religion, Fordham University at Lincoln Center, New York City. Taught courses on "Religion and Culture" and "Belief and Unbelief." Topics included Latin American and African American theologies, Christian fundamentalism, Vedic spirituality and the new physics, religion and politics, religion and psychology, and Unitarian-Universalism. Fall 1991 to Spring 1994.

Adjunct Instructor of Comparative Religion, Manhattan College, Riverdale, New York. Taught two sections of "The Nature and Experience of Religion." Fall 1990.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Teacher, **New York City Department of Education**. Teach English as a Second Language, grades K to 12, beginner to advanced. Utilize skill-building exercises and activities while engaging the interests of students and celebrating their countries and cultures of origin. Developed pedagogy that systematically builds linguistic competence through sequential exposure to high frequency vocabulary. 2003 to present.

Research Associate, Center on Violence and Human Survival, The City University of New York, New York City. Write, lecture and conduct research; Center founded and directed by Professor Robert Jay Lifton. 1995 to 2000.

Minutes Editor, Hadassah: the Women's Zionist Organization of America, National President's Office. Wrote and edited official minutes of the National Board meetings. Composed correspondence and speeches for the National President addressed to top government officials, Jewish agency executives and board members. January 1996 to 2002.

Board Member, The Generation After, A Holocaust Survivors' Association, Brooklyn New York, 1991-2001.

Steering Committee Member, Emancipation from Poverty Program, **The Riverside Church.** Co-authored program's statement of goals and objectives. February 1997 to May 1998.

Administrative Assistant, Eden, Rand, and Aubrey Thomas Office Temporaries; Saul L. Victor, P.C., New York City. Assisted corporate and foundation executives and attorneys with writing, editing and text processing. 1985 to 1996.

AWARDS

Who's Who in the World
Who's Who in America
Who's Who in the East
Who's Who of American Women

Columbia University Academic Merit Scholarship
Ernst Troeltsch Society Travel Grant
Union Theological Seminary Fellowship

Magna cum laude, Wheaton College

EDUCATION

M.Phil., Department of Religion, **Columbia University**; Department of Christian Ethics, **Union Theological Seminary**.

M.Div., Biblical Studies, **Harvard Divinity School**. Program featured ancient Near Eastern languages and literatures.

B.A., English Literature, magna cum laude, Wheaton College, IL.

MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion

Society of Biblical Literature