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Wishing you all the Best for the Holiday Season From all of us at the United Centre for Theological Studies

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Thank you to everyone who attended the conference sponsored by the United Church Research Chair in Contemporary Theology. con't on page 5



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Knowles Woodsworth Lecture

Featuring: JIM WINKLER

President and General Secretary of the National Council of Churches in the USA Faithful Resistance and Prophetic Persistence

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THURSDAY FEB 8 7:00 pm

THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall

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Dear friends and colleagues:

Many of you are aware that over the past few years, I have enjoyed the great privilege of having worked with my distinguished colleague, Prof. Paul Mojzes on his comprehensive book, The North American Churches and the the Cold War. The nature of the work is such that we deemed it wise to identify a Canadian section and an American. In addition to having happily contributed two modest pieces to the project, I have also served as a kind of coordinator for the Canadian section, which includes chapters by Bill Blaikie and Lois Wilson, colleagues and friends to many of us. The book will be released on August 23rd, 2018, and what follows are links both to Eerdmans and to Amazon's prepublication announcements.

https://www.eerdmans.com/Products/7526/north-american-churches-and-the-cold-war.aspx

https://www.amazon.com/North-American-Churches-Cold-War/dp/0802875262/ref=sr_1_5? s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1509998711&sr=1-5&keywords=paul+mojzes&dpID=41Oa2NRwayL&preST=_SY291_BO1,204,203,200_QL40_&dpS rc=srch&pldnSite=1

Paul and I would be delighted if you shared the following with your networks.

Thanks and cheers, Jim

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University of Winnipeg Graduate Student Writing Workshops 2018

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Citation Management: Friday, January 12th , 5-7pm, 3G11

Proposal Writing: Thursday, January 25th - 5-7 pm, 3G11

Navigating Scholarly Publishing: Monday, February 5th, 5-7pm, 3G11

Reading Strategies: Tuesday, February 13th , 5-7pm, 3G11

Adapting your Writing for Presentation/3MT: Monday, March 5th, 5-7 pm, 3G11

Managing Writing Projects: Tuesday, March 20th, 5-7pm, 3G11



The conference was featured on the religion pages of the Winnipeg Free Press in an article by Brenda Suderman (https://www.winnipegfreepress.com/arts-and-life/life/faith/creature-comforts-449861373.html)

Some of Arthur Walker-Jones' research as part of the Human Distinctiveness Project (<u>http://ctshf.nd.edu/research/human-distinctiveness/</u>) was published this month in an article entitled "Naming the Human: Genesis 1-3 and Other Animals in Human Becoming" in Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science (<u>http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/zygo.12375/abstract</u>). The article explores recent developments in evolutionary anthropology, the prominence of other animals in Genesis 1-3, and their implications for our understanding of what it means to be human.



Thank you to Brenda Suderman and Phil Hossack for the great coverage in the Winnipeg Free Press for our Conference.

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University of Winnipeg professor Arthur Walker-Jones and local theologians and academics will be hosting a conference Oct. 13-14 on religion and animal rights titled Polar Bears, Ponies, and Pets.

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