THEO 577 - Theology Seminar Wesley

Teacher	Dr. G. Sommer		
Semester	Spring	Duration	8 Weeks
Frequency	Every three years		
Credits	5 ECTS	Workload	150 Hours
Module format	Intensive		
Applicability	There is a focus on the special German history of the Holiness Movement leading to Pentecostalism; in particular, their specific political and social parameters in this country. It is a necessary preparation for THEO 593 Jonathan Paul and the German Pentecostal Movement.		
Course structure	See module and courses		
Contact time	40 Hours	Self-Study	110 Hours
Participation requirement	See access to the program		

Evaluation

Evaluation	Hours	Weight
Phase 1	60	20%
Required Reading & Journal	60	20%
Phase 2	40	40%
Participation	30	20%
Presentation	10	20%
Phase 3	50	40%
Research Paper	50	40%
Total	**150**	**100%**

Content of the Module

This course offers a survey of the history and contents of the Holiness movement from John Wesley and the Methodist Church; Holiness preachers in Britain and the USA; the Keswick Higher Life Movement; the Welsh Revival as precursors to the Pentecostal movement.

Learning Objectives

- To give a presentation on the development of the Holiness movement.
- To explain the present-day situation of the Pentecostal movement considering the history of the Holiness movement.
- To analyze certain theological positions, which are important for the development of the Holiness movement.
- To consider the life of selected people, who are important for the Holiness movement.
- A detailed study of two different churches and movements, which the Holiness movement has strongly influenced.
- To reflect on the lessons of the history of the Holiness movement for present-day Christian ministry.

Outline	• 1. Introduction • 2. John Wesley and the Methodist church • 3. The Keswick Movement • 4. The Holiness Movement and its Impact on Society • 5. Three Voices Wake a Sleeping Church (1854) • 6. Moody, Terry and Gray • 7. Methodists and the Holiness Movement • 8. The most important representatives of the Holiness movement in the German-speaking area, Jellinghaus, Jonathan Paul, Baroness von Brasch, Hedwig von Reden etc • 9. The Evangelization and Mission movement in the German-speaking area • 10. Theological problems of the Holiness movement. • 11. The Fellowship movement (“Die Gemeinschaftsbewegung”) • 12. The specific difficulties of free churches (“Freikirchen”) in Prussia and the German Empire. • 13. The end of the classic Holiness movement and the formation of Pentecostalism.
Examination	See Evaluation
Core Literature	**Textbooks:** • Dieter, Easterday Melvin, The Holiness Revival of the Nineteenth Century Metuchen 1980. • Synan, Vinson, The Holiness-Pentecostal Tradition. Charismatic Movements in the Twentieth Century, Grand Rapids/ Cambridge2 1997. • Voigt, Karl Heinz, Freikirchen in Deutschland (19. und 20. Jahrhundert) (KGE III/6), Leipzig 2004. **Reading List:** • Geldbach, Erich, Freikirchen – Erbe, Gestalt und Wirkung (BenshH 70), 2. völlig neu bearbeitete Auflage, Göttingen 2005. • Heimbucher, Kurt: Dem Auftrag verpflichtet – Die Gnadauer Gemeinschaftsbewegung, Gießen, 1988 • Holthaus, Stephan: Heil - Heilung - Heiigung, Gießen, 2005 • Raedel, Christoph, Methodistische Theologie im 19. Jahrhundert. Der deutschsprachige Zweig der Bischöflichen Methodistenkirche, Göttingen 2004. • Smith, Timothy L., Called Unto Holiness. Volume One. The Story of the Nazarenes—The Formative Years, Kansas City 1962. • Sommer, Gottfried: Die “Belowianer” In Hinterpommern – Ihr Weg vom enthusiastischen Aufbruch zur Bildung einer Freikirche, Heverlee (Leuven), 2010 • Vetter, Ekkehart: Jahrhundertbilanz – erweckungsfasziniert und durststreckenerprobt, Bremen 2009. • Voß, Klaus Peter: Ökumene und freikirchliches Profil. Beiträge zum zwischenkirchlichen Gespräch (FBTh 14), Berlin 2008. • Zimmerling, Peter, Die Charismatische Bewegung, Göttingen 2009.
Other information	