THEO 594 - Pentecostal Theology of Missions

Teacher	Dr. B. Waltrip		
Semester	Fall	Duration	8 Weeks
Frequency	Every three years		
Credits	5 ECTS	Workload	150 Hours
Module format	Intensive		
Applicability	This course is intended to help the graduate student develop a personal theology of missions from a Pentecostal perspective.		
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	TBA	40%
Critiques of required reading	TBA	40%
Phase 2	40	20%
Participation	40	20%
Phase 3	TBA	40%
Research Paper	TBA	40%
Total	**150**	**100%**

Content of the Module	This course will consider a theology of missions from a Pentecostal/Charismatic perspective. The course will specifically explore the missional understanding of the Trinitarian God and His Church. The role of the Holy Spirit in mission is a major feature of Pentecostal theology of mission. Therefore, the course will specifically address such topics as the role glossolalia/xenolalia, signs and wonders (power evangelism), spiritual gifts, and prophetic evangelism. Because Early Pentecostals had an eschatological urgency, the course will seek to develop a contemporary theology on the topic. Since mission happens in context, a theological understanding of culture from a Pentecostal perspective will also be explored. Finally, the course will consider a Pentecostal theology of missions and revival, which has missiological and eschatological implications.
Learning Objectives	A. General Learning Objectives • This course seeks to: • construct a theological understanding of the missional nature of God, including a Pentecostal perspective of the Missio Dei • construct a theological understanding of the missional nature of the Church and Her apostolic role in the world • identify the contours of the Holy Spirit's role in the Missio Dei from a Pentecostal perspective • analyze theologically how Pentecostal/Charismatic eschatology relates to the Missio Dei • establish a Pentecostal/Charismatic theology of harvest and culture that considers the Church's missional role in context • analyze the theological connection between mission and revival • identify our place in history and the eschatological significance for revival and mission B. Specific Learning Objectives As a result of the activities and study in this course, students should be able to: • define and defend theologically the missional nature of God and His Church from a Pentecostal/Charismatic perspective • defend the Missio Dei from Biblical perspectives from the Old and New Testaments • describe the role of the Holy Spirit in the Missio Dei from a Pentecostal perspective • recognize and defend the eschatological significance of mission for today's historical and cultural reality • articulate their theology of culture from a Pentecostal/Charismatic perspective and identify the implications for missional engagement • identify the missional implications of revival • defend our place in history from an eschatological and missional understanding • research and write your theology of mission

Outline	• The Missio Dei = what is it? • The Missional nature of the Trinitarian God • Christ, Harvest, and the Great Commission • The Missional Church • The Apostolic Church • Biblical perspectives of mission from the Old Testament • Biblical perspectives of mission from the New Testament • The Role of the Holy Spirit in Mission • Spiritual Gifts • Signs and Wonders in Mission (Power Evangelism) • The Role of the Prophetic in Mission • Theologies of culture and the implication for mission • Incarnational mission • Where the Harvest is today – global trends in missions • Pentecostal passion and urgency for mission due to eschatology • The Kingdom of God and Eschatology • Mission, revival and awakening – what is next?
Examination	See Evaluation
Core Literature	**Textbooks:** Ott, Craig, Stephen J. Strauss and Timothy Tennent. Encountering Theology of Mission: Biblical Foundations, Historical Developments, and Contemporary Issues. ISBN: 978-0-8010-2662-1 Baker Academic, 2010 Wright, Christopher J. H. The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible’s Grand Narrative ISBN-13: 978-0-8308-2571-4 InterVarsity Press, 2006
Other information	