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Dr. Dana L. Robert is the Truman Collins Professor of World Christianity and History of Mission at the Boston University School of Theology. In her twenty-five years of teaching she has directed approximately sixty doctoral dissertations in mission studies and the history of world Christianity. Former students hold teaching and ministry positions around the world. At Boston University, Robert also directs the Center for Global Christianity and Mission (http://www.bu.edu/cgcm/) and is affiliated with the African Studies Center.


With her husband Marthinus L. Daneel, a leading scholar of African Indigenous Churches and African Traditional Religions in Southern Africa, Robert co-edits the book series *African Initiatives in Christian Mission*, published by the University of South Africa Press. She serves on the editorial boards of major journals, including the *International Bulletin of Missionary Research, Church History*, and *Missionalia*. In 2006 she launched the online History of Missiology website to provide resources in the history of nineteenth- and twentieth-century mission thought (http://digilib.bu.edu/mission).

Robert is a lifelong lay United Methodist from Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She serves on the Committee on Faith and Order for the denomination, and for many years has chaired the denominational professors of mission. She received her bachelor’s degree in history from Louisiana State University, and her masters’ and doctorate in religious studies from Yale University. In support of her husband’s ministry among African Indigenous Churches, she travels regularly to Masvingo, Zimbabwe. She has two grown sons and lives mostly in Somerville, Massachusetts. As a visible reminder of the forgotten lay women who have supported missions over the past century, Robert is carrying a piece of her hundred year old grandmother’s handmade quilt to all the 2010 events she attends.
REV. DR. YOUNG-HOON LEE
Yoido Full Gospel Church

Rev. Young-Hoon Lee’s great-grandfather was converted to Christianity by one of the first missionaries at Pyongyang, North Korea. Since then, each generation of his family has believed in Christ. Born in Seoul, Korea, on November 19, 1954, and raised by devout Christian parents, Lee learned how to please God and how to serve the Lord from his early childhood.

In April 1964, Lee joined the Full Gospel Central Church (now Yoido Full Gospel Church) in Seodaemun where Rev. Yonggi Cho preached. There, Lee had a personal experience with the living God by receiving the baptism in the Holy Spirit and speaking in tongues. Called to ministry, Lee went to Yonsei University to study theology. After graduation, he attended Full Gospel Theological Seminary (now Hansei University), and then on to United Graduate School of Theology, Yonsei University, graduating with a Master of Theology.

In 1977, Lee began his ministry at the Yoido Full Gospel Church in Seoul, Korea as the Editor-in-Chief for Youngsan Publishers (now Seoul Logos) and as the first editor of the Full Gospel Newspaper. He also was one of the founding members of the Institute for Full Gospel Education (now International Theological Institute). After his ordination in 1982, Lee completed a Master of Theology at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. He received an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Philosophy of Religion at Temple University. During this time of study, Lee served as Senior Pastor at Full Gospel First Church of Washington.

When Lee returned to Korea, he systematized and theologized Rev. Yonggi Cho's pastoral principles as the executive director of the International Theological Institute at Yoido Full Gospel Church. Lee has served as the Senior Pastor of Full Gospel Tokyo Church, as a professor at Hansei University (Korea), as the President of Bethesda Christian University (USA), as the President of Japan Full Gospel Bible College, as the Chairman of the Theological Committee for the National Council of Churches in Korea, as a Theological Committee member of Asia Pacific Theological Association (APTA), as the Senior Pastor of Full Gospel LA Church, and as the Vice-Chairman of the Council of Korean Churches in Southern California. Currently, Lee serves as the Senior Pastor of the Yoido Full Gospel Church, as the Co-President of Christian Council of Korea, and as the General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God of Korea.

In 2008 he succeeded Rev. Cho as the Senior Pastor of the Yoido Full Gospel Church. Anticipating the second revival of the Yoido Full Gospel Church, he is now leading the Holy Spirit Movement and the Church Unity Movement. Lee’s faith is characterized by the fullness of the Spirit, absolute positivity, Christ-centered life, and by a faithful life of early-morning prayer. He emphasizes Christian sanctification, inner healing, and fruit-bearing life. He also urges his people to live by Spirit-filled faith, centered on the Cross of Jesus. Under the leadership of servanthood within the church, he aims to steer the church in the direction of serving the underprivileged, bringing about change in society.

Lee and his wife, In-Ja Baik, have one daughter, Grace Sung-Eun.
DR. ANTONIOS KIREOPOULOS  
National Council of the Churches of Christ

Dr. Antonios Kireopoulos is Senior Program Director for Faith & Order and Interfaith Relations at the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA. In this capacity he is responsible for the theological work done among both ecumenical and interfaith partners. Previously Kireopoulos directed the Council’s work in international affairs. An Orthodox Christian theologian, he holds degrees from Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service, Thunderbird School of Global Management, St. Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary, and Fordham University.


Teresa Francesca Rossi is Associate Director of the Centro Pro Unione, Rome (Franciscan Friars of the Atonement). Rossi received a Baccalaureate in Philosophy in 1988, a Baccalaureate in Theology in 1991, a Licence in Theology in 1994, and a Doctorate in Theology, with a specialisation in ecumenism, all from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome.

Rossi has served as Professor of Ecumenical Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome since 1998; at the Pontifical Athenaeum St. Anselm, Rome, since 2008; and at the Istituto Filosofico Teologico Viterbese since 1997. She teaches courses on ecumenism, the Pentecostal Movement, the World Council of Churches, and the question of lay ministry and women in ministry from an ecumenical perspective. She has lectured on ecumenism both in Italy and abroad extensively. Rossi’s many publications include Il Ministero della donna nella Chiesa (Rome, 1998) and the revised edition of The New Directory of Ecumenical Research Centres and Publication (online at www.prounione.urbe.it).

Rossi has also served as Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Theology of the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome (2001-2007); as a member of the “Comitato di Referenti per il Master in Teologia Ecumenica” of the Istituto di Studi Ecumenici San Bernardino, Venezia, affiliated to the Pontifical University Antonianum, Roma (since 2009); and as author and coordinator of the project “Ecumenismo in erba” (Budding Ecumenism), an initiative of Ecumenical Reception at grassroots level for children (3-13 years old) at the Centro Pro Unione, Rome (since 2003).

Rossi’s many ecumenical responsibilities have included membership in the Joint Working Group between the Catholic Church and the World Council of Churches (mandate 1999-2006, reconfirmed for the mandate 2007-2013); membership in the International Baptist-Catholic dialogue (International Theological Conversations between the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the World Baptist Alliance for the mandate 2006-2011); and participation in the Edinburgh Study Group within the the Edinburgh 2010 Study Process since 2008.

Rossi has also held a number of offices for the diocesis of Rome and for various ecumenical organizations such as the Permanent Joint Working Group on Petrine Ministry, a study project of the International Bridgettine Center in Farfa (2005-2010). She is involved at the pastoral level as former catechist and member of the Liturgical Group in the Parish Santissimo Nome di Maria alla Caffarelletta and as missionary for the Great Jubilee for the Diocese of Rome, among other activities and organizational responsibilities.
FIDON R. MWOMBEKI
United Evangelical Mission

Fidon R. Mwombeki is General Secretary of United Evangelical Mission (July 2006-present). He holds a Bachelor of Divinity (Makumira/Tanzania, 1987), a Master of Sacred Theology (Trinity Lutheran Seminary/USA, 1994), a Master of Business Administration (California Coast University/USA, 1997), and a Ph.D. from Luther Seminary, USA (1997). His dissertation was entitled "Biblical Interpretation in a Current African Situation: The Case of Blood."
