Studies

Victoria Anne Turner (AFHEA)

PhD Candidate, Centre for the Study of World Christianity, School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh.

Victoria’s PhD studies explore how missional theology from the non-Western has affected missional practice in the UK by tracing the histories of the Iona Community and its witness towards class reconciliation and the Council for World Mission and its work towards overcoming coloniality. Her wider interests explore ecumenism, justice and peace-making- especially in the area of Palestine, youth studies, and public/political theology.

PhD Candidate: Supervised by Professor Brian Stanley and Dr Emma Wild-Wood. <http://www.cswc.div.ed.ac.uk/people/research-students/>. Plan to submit December 2022.

PhD thesis: *Overcoming Classism and Coloniality: The Radical Missional Paradigms of the Iona Community and the Council for World Mission.*

Mth with Merit: World Christianity, 2018-2019. School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh, with *School of Divinity Masters Scholarship*.

BA (Hons) 1:1, Religion and Theology, 2015-2018. University of Bristol.

Awards

World Communion of Reformed Churches 2022 *Lombard Prize* for the essay ‘Structural Flourishing or Life Flourishing? A Critical Response to the Popular Tool of Receptive Ecumenism.’ <https://wcrc.ch/news/lombard-prize-winners-announced>

Edited Books

V. A Turner, ed., *Young, ‘Woke’, Christian: Listening to the Mission Generation* (London: SCM Press, 2022).

B. Aldous & V. Turner eds., *Ecumenical Mission in 21st Century Britain* (SCM Press- in progress).

Peer Reviewed Articles

V. A. Turner, ‘Interrogating Whiteness Through the Lens of Class in Britain: Empire, Entitlement and Exceptionalism,’ *Practical Theology* (Vol.15, No.1-2, 2022) <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/1756073X.2021.2023946>.

V. A. Turner, ‘Non-Committed Consumers or Theologically Engaged Ecumenists? Thinking Differently About Church Membership for Young People,’ *Journal of Youth and Theology* [accepted- forthcoming].

V. A. Turner, ‘Baron George MacLeod of Fuinary: Lived Faith, Scottish Identity, and Working-Class Culture during World War One,’ *Scottish Archives* [accepted- forthcoming].

Academic Articles

V. A. Turner, ‘Transformative Ecumenism as Reverting, Re-Routing, and Re-Balancing the Ecumenical Movement,’ *Reformed World* (Vol.69, 2, 2021). <http://wcrc.ch/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/ReformedWorld-69-2.pdf>.

V. A. Turner, *Gifford Lectures Blog 2021* and *2022* <https://blogs.ed.ac.uk/gifford-lectures/>.

V. A. Turner, ‘In God’s Image: Anthropology- Called to Freedom,’ *University of Edinburgh Gifford Lectures 2019 Blog Contributor*  <https://giffordsedinburgh.com/2019/11/04/lecture-4-called-to-freedom/>

Book Chapters

V. A. Turner, ‘The Tensions of Exploring the Legacies of Slavery Through the Methods of Theology and History,’ in A. Reddie, C. Troupe, P. Cruchley and M. Jagessar ed., *Deconstructing Whiteness, Empire and Mission* (SCM Press, forthcoming Summer 2023).

V. A. Turner ‘Poverty in Working Classes and Christian Social Movements in Britain’ in D. Hiebert ed., *Routledge International Handbook of Sociology and Christianity* (Abingdon: Routledge, forthcoming 2023).

V. A. Turner, ‘Learning from Community: Lessons of Class Solidarity from the Iona Community,’ in L. Larner ed., *Confounding the Mighty: Stories of Church, Social Class, and Solidarity* (London: SCM Press, forthcoming 2022.

Teaching

Employed as a Tutor with the University of Stirling, academic year 2022-2023, teaching ‘Religion in the Modern World’ Semester 1 and ‘Religion Colonialism and Nationalism’ Semester 2.

Employed as a Tutor by the School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh 2020-2023 teaching ‘Religion in Modern Britain,’ ‘Religion, Violence and Peacebuilding’ and ‘Introduction to Christian Theology: Approaches and Themes.’

Associate Fellowship (AFHEA) of the Advance HE achieved 15/02/2022. Feedback included that my Reflective Account was ‘exemplary.’

Associate Tutor for Westminster College, Cambridge. Teaching topics on missiology, mission history, liberation theology, and methods of reflexivity in research.

Other

Work with the Religion department with BBC Scotland- including radio and television. Project with the National Trust for Scotland about decolonising museum education. International conference speaker and organiser with the United Reformed Church, World Communion of Reformed Churches, Tearfund and the Council for World Mission.