APPL/THEO 565: PALESTINIAN THEOLOGY IN CONTEXT

Yohanna Katanacho July 18–22; 8:30 – 11:30 am 1 or 2 graduate credit hours; or 1 audit hour

In-person, live online & Recorded

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course introduces major Palestinian theological contributions in the last 30 years. It describes not only the sociopolitical realities that contemporary Palestinians encounter, but it also reflects on these realities from a Palestinian evangelical perspective. After unpacking some of the big questions related to theology in the Palestinian context, it provides contextual theological reflections of major theopolitical concerns. These include but are not limited to, the theology of the land, the Kairos document, the relationship between the two testaments in Israel-Palestine, peacemaking, and reading scriptures in Israel-Palestine today. By the end of the course, students should be aware of how Palestinian Christians reflect on the future of the Middle East, on their missional commitments, on Old Testament prophecies that are related to "Israel," and on how they offer a Christ-centered theology.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the successful completion of this course, students should have a clearer understanding of:

- 1. Identify the main questions and characteristics of contemporary Palestinian theology.
- 2. Develop an understanding of the Palestinian Christian response to Christian Zionism.
- 3. Interact in a theological and missional way with Palestinian theology.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1 July 18 Identity and Backgrounds

Day 2 July 19 Theology of the Land

Day 3 July 20 A Palestinian Biblical Theology of John

Day 4 July 21 Theology of Tears and The Kairos Document

Day 5 July 22 Orthopathos and Peacemaking

REQUIRED TEXTS

Ateek, Naim. Palestinian Theology of Liberation: The Bible, Justice, and the Palestine-Israel Conflict. Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2017.

Awad, Bishara and Mercy Aiken. Yet in the Dark Streets Shinning: A Palestinian Story of Hope and Resilience in Bethlehem. Arizona: Cliffrose Press, 2021.

Isaac, Munther. The Other Side of the Wall: A Palestinian Christian Narrative of Lament and Hope. Downers Grove: IVP, 2020.

Rabeb, Mitri. Faith in the Face of Empire: The Bible through Palestinian Eyes. New York: Orbis Books, 2014.

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