

Jim Cook Seminar Information

Dates: June 14th, 2019 to June 16th, 2019

Speaker: David Howlett, PhD

Seminar Theme: Sacred Space in Global Restoration Traditions

Overview of Seminar:

Unlike many traditions with Protestant origins, the nineteenth-century Restoration movement created set apart spaces in America where the divine was said to be more accessible or part of a redemptive narrative. Early church members sacralized buildings (temples) and entire lands (Jackson County, Missouri; the Americas in general). As the Restoration movement evolved, fractured, and globalized in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, so, too did its sacred spaces. Some churches created endowment houses and tabernacles. Others created reunion grounds and historic sites. Some created site-centered pilgrimages, while others created journey-centered pilgrimages. All of them reimagined sacred space and scriptural narratives. And they created temples that shared few things in common other than the name for the place. This seminar traces the evolution of these divergent sacred spaces with an empathetic and critical eye, paying special attention to sacred spaces in Community of Christ, the LDS Church, and Fundamentalist LDS groups. To do so, we will contextualize these traditions within their American and global cultural settings, using select primary sources and secondary literature. The seminar format will include lecture, discussion, and small-group activities.

To find out more about our Speaker search online for books he has authored. <http://www.press.uillinois.edu/.../kirtland-temple-author-da.../>

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We hope to see you on the 14th of June.

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