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Southern Religion in Global Contexts: Lectures at Stetson University

Paul Harvey to present three lectures on religion in American history

DELAND, Florida, Feb. 22, 2018 – Paul Harvey, Ph.D., distinguished professor of history and Presidential Teaching Scholar at the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, will visit Stetson University next week to present three talks as part of The George H. Shriver Lectures on Religion in American History. The events are free and open to the public and will take place Tuesday, Feb. 27 and Wednesday, Feb. 28 in Allen Hall Auditorium, on the Stetson University campus, 508 N. Woodland Blvd, DeLand, FL 32720.

Southern Religion in Global Contexts: lecture schedule

Ask What Makes You Come Alive: Howard Thurman as Mentor of the Movement
Tuesday, Feb. 27, 7 p.m.

Lost in Translation: Frank Price, Chiang Kai-Shek, and Liberal Protestant Visions of China
Wednesday, Feb. 28, 12 p.m.

The Blues and Gospel Train: Rosetta Tharpe, Johnny Cash, and the Global Reach of Southern Sounds
Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7 p.m.

Paul Harvey grew up in rural northwestern Oklahoma, received his B.A. from Oklahoma Baptist University, and his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. From 1993 to 1995 he was a postdoctoral fellow with the Lilly Fellows Program in Humanities and the Arts at Valparaiso University, and in 1996 was a Pew Program Fellow in Religion and American History. Since 1996, he has taught at the University of Colorado, and in 2017 was named a Distinguished Professor, the highest honor given to faculty members in the University of Colorado system.

Harvey's career has focused on the study of race and religion in American history, with a particular focus on the American South in his first two books *Redeeming the South: Religious Cultures and Racial Identities Among Southern Baptists, 1865-1925* (1997) and *Freedom's*

Coming: Religious Cultures and the Shaping of the South from the Civil War through the Civil Rights Movement (2005). More recently, together with Edward J. Blum of San Diego State University, he co-authored *The Color of Christ: The Son of God and the Saga of Race in America* (2012), a book named by *Choice* as one of the top 25 academic books in all fields published in 2012. He also has published, for Rowman and Littlefield, a text on African American religious history entitled *Through the Storm, Through the Night: A History of African American Christianity* (2011), named a *Choice* “outstanding academic title” in 2012.

Harvey is a prolific author who writes about religious history of the American South. Most recently, he has published *Christianity and Race in the American South: A History* (2016). In addition to his published works, Paul Harvey is the creator and for many years the administrator of the group blog “Religion in American History.”

Endowed by 1953 Stetson graduate George Shriver, an emeritus professor of history at Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, the Shriver Lectures explore various aspects of religion in American history. They are jointly sponsored by Stetson’s Religious Studies and History departments.

For more information, please contact the Department of Religious Studies at Stetson at (386) 822-8930.

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