



2023 Mondays in May: A DOTAC Seminar Series on DIAKONIA Perspectives on the Diakonia of All Believers

May 1: Deacon **Darryl W. Stephens**, PhD

May 8: Deaconess **Norma Dollaga**

May 15: Pâsteur **Parfait Ekoume**

May 22: **Man-Hei Yip**, PhD

May 29: Deacon **Mary Elizabeth Moore**, PhD

Session Process

Welcome, Opening, and Introduction (5-10 minutes)
Introduction to Presenter

Speaker's Presentation (15 minutes)

Breakout "Rooms"/Small Group (15 minutes)

- *Introduce yourself – name, location, diaconal association/community*
- *Question:*

What stood out for you in the presentation? (e.g. something meaningful or challenging or new idea for you or that you need to think more about)

- *Discussion: What is one question or comment that the group can bring back to the whole group?*
- *Post your one question or comment in the chat when you get back to plenary*

Plenary (15 minutes)

Announcements, Thanks, and Closing Prayer (5-10 minutes)

To register, send an email to dotacmondaysinmay@outlook.com

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All sessions will last just slightly over an hour and
begin at 1 pm Central Daylight Time.

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“Perspectives on the Diakonia of All Believers”



May 1: Deacon Darryl W. Stephens, PhD.

Darryl W. Stephens holds a PhD in Christian ethics from Emory University, teaches at Lancaster Theological Seminary, and serves as chair of the Order of Deacons in the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church. His research and writing focuses on ethics and leadership at the juncture of church and society. He maintains the blog <http://www.ethicsconsidered.com/>.



May 8: Deaconess Norma P. Dollaga

Norma P. Dollaga is a deaconess of the United Methodist Church whose episcopal appointment is at KapatirangSimbahan Para sa Bayan (KASIMBAYAN) or the Ecumenical Center for Development. She is re-born every now and then through the hopes and struggles of the suffering people and her spirituality is nourished by tears, joys and unstoppable hope of people who are dreaming and working for justice and peace. She is ecumenically involved with networks and organizations doing justice and peace work like the Promotion of Church People's Response (PCPR), and Association of Women in Theology (AWIT).



May 15: Pâsteur Parfait Ekoume

An ordained Pastor in the Eglise Evangélique du Cameroun (Evangelical Church of Cameroon) a reformed church, Parfait Ekoume is currently a PhD student in the Catholic University of Central Africa. His research focuses on Ecumenical diaconia against corruption in Cameroon between catholic and protestant church organisation. He holds a Master degree in practical theology with the topic of Ecumenical diaconia. He holds an International Master of Art in Diaconal Management from Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal. At ESSEC DE DOUALA, he studied Company Social Politic. And at Douala University, he focused on anthropology. Pastor Parfait Ekoume is also a leader of a Big parish with 1500 parishioners where diaconia is a daily priority.

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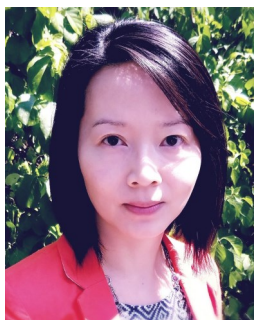
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May 22: Man-Hei Yip, PhD



Man-Hei Yip is Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology at Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa. She holds a PhD in Theology of Mission at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia (now United Lutheran Seminary). Her appointments have included Visiting Researcher at Boston University School of Theology in connection with the Center for Global Christianity and Mission, and work for the offices of the Lutheran World Federation in Geneva, Switzerland and Phnom Penh, Cambodia. She is author of *Interrogating the Language of "Self" and "Other" in the History of Modern Christian Mission: Contestation, Subversion, and Re-imagination* (2020). She is also a contributor to *Global Lutheranism: Vitality and Challenges* (2018) and *Luther's Small Catechism: An Exposition of the Christian Faith in Asian*



May 22: Mary Elizabeth Moore, PhD

Mary Elizabeth Moore is Professor Emerita of Theology and Education and Dean Emerita of the School of Theology, Boston University. Her passion is to journey with others to build compassionate and prophetic communities, and a more just, peaceful, and sustainable world. Her many books include: *Teaching as a Sacramental Act; Covenant and Call; Ministering with the Earth; Teaching from the Heart: Theology and Educational Method; Called to Serve: The United Methodist Diaconate* (co-authored). She has engaged actively in justice work in the church and in intercultural, interreligious relationship-building in local, professional, and academic settings. She is presently working on a teaching project in interreligious leadership, alongside research projects to produce a book of poetry and meditations and a monograph on sacrality and revolution.



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