

# 8<sup>th</sup> Preconference on Religious and Spiritual Development

## The Role of Cultural Processes in Religious and Spiritual Development


**Date:** Wednesday, April 5, 2017

**Time:** 9:30am – 5pm

**Location:** Room 18 A, Level 4 of the Austin Convention Center

- 9:30 – 9:45 Arrive [coffee & light snacks provided]
- 9:45 – 10:15 Welcome (Chris Boyatzis, Pamela Ebstyn King, & Rebekah Richert)
- 10:15 – 11:15 Culture & Religious Cognition  
*Does the Body Survive Death? Cultural Variation in Beliefs about Life Everlasting*  
Dr. Cristine Legare (University of Texas at Austin)  
*The Role of Religious Exposure and Culture on Children and Adult's Reasoning about What Is Real and What Is Possible*  
Dr. Kathleen Corriveau (Boston University)
- 11:15 – 11:30 Break
- 11:30 – 12:15 Spirituality & Thriving  
*Spirituality and Thriving: A Developmental and Personality Interdisciplinary Approach*  
Dr. Pamela Ebstyn King & Dr. Sarah Schnikter (Fuller Theological Seminary)
- 12:15 – 1:00 Lunch (provided)
- 1:00 – 1:45 Socialization of Religious Cognition  
*Parents' Direct & Indirect Influences on Religious Concept Development*  
Dr. Rebekah Richert (University of California, Riverside)
- 1:45 – 2:00 Funding for Research (Dr. Nicholas Gibson, The John Templeton Foundation)
- 2:00 – 2:15 Break
- 2:15 – 3:15 Developing Religious Identity  
*"Church" and State: Integrating Cultural Funds of Knowledge and Religious and Spiritual Dimensions of Self into Education*  
Dr. Mona Abo-Zana (University of Massachusetts, Boston)  
*Seeking Knowledge and Becoming Inspired: Religious Practices as Cultural Tools in American Muslim Adolescents*  
Dr. Kathleen Cain (Gettysburg College)
- 3:15 – 3:45 Round Table Discussions (light snacks provided)
- 3:45 – 4:15 Research Snap Chat Presentations (see reverse)
- 4:15 – 4:45 Poster Session (see reverse)
- 4:45 – 5:00 Concluding Thoughts (Chris Boyatzis)

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## Snap Chats

*Purpose Cultivation: Leading Youth Towards Self-Efficacy and Away from Fear of Failure*

Christa Nelson (Fuller Theological Seminary)

*Using Purpose Support to Increase Students' Feelings of Respect and Motivation* [poster title]

Fortunato Nick Medrano & David Yeager (The University of Texas at Austin)

*How Do You Know God Can't Forget? Source Monitoring in the Development of God Concepts*

Kirsten Lesage (University of California, Riverside)

*Social Cognition and the Transmission of Religious Concepts during the Preschool Years*

Anondah Saide (University of California, Riverside)

## Posters

*Measuring the Indirect Effects of Religiosity on Well-Being Outcomes Through Purpose in Life*

Sarah Schnitker, Madison Gilbertson, Nathaniel Fernandez & Benjamin Houlberg (Fuller Theological Seminary)

*"It Feels Like a Renewal": Religious Identity and Spirituality in American Muslim Adolescents*

Kathleen Cain, Amy Violante, Taylor Nadine Ward & Colleen M. Kolb (Gettysburg College)

*Children's Developing Conception of God's Reality Status: Age and Religious Context Factors*

Anondah R. Saide, Nicholas J. Shaman, Kirsten A. Lesage, & Rebekah A. Richert (University of California, Riverside)

*Theory-of-Mind Moderates Cultural Transmission during the Preschool Years: The Case of Religious Concepts*

Anondah R. Saide & Rebekah A. Richert (University of California, Riverside)

*The Relationship Between Counterfactual Reasoning, Religious Supernatural Causality, and Religious Exposure*

Kirsten A. Lesage, Christina L. Stream, Anondah R. Saide, Nicholas J. Shaman, Rebekah A. Richert (University of California, Riverside)

*Longitudinal Links between Adolescent Religious Behavior and Problematic Youth Outcomes*

Rebecca Olson & Aaron Metzger (West Virginia University)

*The Temporal Relation between Youths' Perceived Spirituality and Indicators of Positive Development*

Anthony James & Rose Marie Ward (Miami University)

*Using Purpose Support to Increase Students' Feelings of Respect and Motivation*

Fortunato Nick Medrano (University of Texas at Austin)

*Who Can Pray and To Whom Can I Pray?: Children's Concept of Prayer and Mental-State Reasoning*

Nicholas J. Shaman, Anondah R. Saide, Kirsten A. Lesage, Christina L. Stream, Rebekah A. Richert (University of California, Riverside)