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#### IV. SCHEDULE

- Sept. 2 - The Challenge of Religious Pluralism
- Sept. 7, 9 – Bible: Three Approaches - Read Plantinga, pp. 1-25
- Sept. 14, 16 – Theology  
14: Denominational  
16: Personal - Read Hiebert, pp. 1-67
- Sept. 21, 23 - Theology  
21: Philosophical Read Hiebert, pp. 68-116  
23: Wesleyan - Read Wesley Pluralism reading packet
- Sept. 28, 30, Oct. 5 - NO CLASS: Writing Week  
Write paper on your approach to religious pluralism: **Due Oct. 7**
- Oct. 7 - Practices - Read Plantinga, pp. 29-89  
7: The Apostle Paul
- Oct. 12, 14 - Practices - Read Plantinga, pp. 93-125  
12: Patrick  
14: Methodius-Cyril
- Oct. 19, 21 - Practices - Read Plantinga, pp. 129-165  
19: Aquinas  
21: Ricci
- Oct. 26, 28 - Practices - Read Plantinga, pp. 169-266  
26: Carey  
28: Shepherd
- Nov. 2, 4 - Practices - Read Plantinga, pp. 267-370  
2: Bartholome de la Casas  
4: Wesley
- Nov. 9, 11 - Practices -  
9: Booth  
11: Theresa
- Nov. 16 - Gift I - Read Bosch, pp. 9-90  
16: History of Gift
- Nov. 18, 23, 25 - NO CLASS: Reading Week
- Nov. 30, Dec. 2 - Gift II  
30: Gift as Missional Metaphor  
2: Exchanging Gifts: The Hermeneutical Circle

#### **Wesley Pluralism Packet**

## LETTERS

“Letter to John Burton” October 10, 1735

## SERMONS

Sermon 61: “The Mystery of Iniquity” (2 Thessalonians 2:7) March 7, 1783

Sermon 63: “The General Spread of the Gospel” (Isaiah 11:9) April 22, 1783

Sermon 69-70: “The Imperfections of Human Knowledge: The Case of Reason Impartially Considered” (1 Corinthians 13:9) March 5, 1784; (1 Corinthians 14:20) July 6, 1781

Sermon 91: “On Charity” (1 Corinthians 13:1-3) October 15, 1784

Sermon 106: “On Faith” (Hebrews 11:6) April 9, 1788

Sermon 119: “Walking by Sight and Walking by Faith” (2 Corinthians 5:7) December 30, 1788

Sermon 122: “Causes of the Inefficacy of Christianity” (Jeremiah 8:22) July 2, 1789

Sermon 130: “On Living Without God” (Ephesians 2:12) July 6, 1790

## COMMENTARY

Randy Maddox, “Wesley and the Question of Truth or Salvation through Other Religions,”  
*Wesleyan Theological Journal* 27 (Spring-Fall 1992): 7-29.

John Sanders, No Other Name: An Investigation into the Destiny of the Unevangelized (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1992), 249-251.

S. Mark Heim, ed. Grounds for Understanding: Ecumenical Resources for Responses to Religious Pluralism (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Eerdmans, 1998), 93-106.

Jerry Walls, The Problem of Pluralism: Recovering United Methodist Identity (Wilmore, Kentucky: Good News, 1986), chapter 3.

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**Christian Witness and Other Faiths**  
*Reading Interaction Form*

**Fall 2004**

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Chapter/Article/Page  
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Evaluation: 1 (low) to 10 (high) \_\_\_\_\_

Summary/Key Idea:

What new insights have you gained from reading this material?

What are the missiological applications of these insights?

What are some issues, concerns, etc., that have been raised that you would like to discuss in our class?