UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM Committee on Churches and the Holocaust Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies

2009 Seminar for Seminary Faculty and Professors of Religious Studies Christianity and the Holocaust: History, Analysis, Implications

June 15-19, 2009

The Committee on Church Relations and the Holocaust (CRC) of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum announces a seminar for professors of theology, ethics, and religion at theological schools and other institutions of advanced education. The seminar is scheduled for June 15-19, 2009. Using the history of the Catholic and Protestant responses to Nazism and the Holocaust as a starting point, the seminar will trace the emergence of post-Holocaust Christian thought and analyze the legacy of this history. There will be presentations on new research and scholarship in the field; the Holocaust's impact on Jewish-Christian relations; syllabi and curriculum resources for the development of new courses; and the relevance of this history for related fields, such as peace and conflict studies. Participants will also have the opportunity to consult and interact with Museum staff and visiting scholars. Information about the CRC program can be found on the Museum's website at www.ushmm.org/research/center/church/.

The seminar will be led by Victoria Barnett, Staff Director, CRC. She has helped create public programs, panels, and symposia on Christianity and the Holocaust with institutions around the country. Her publications include *Bystanders: Conscience and Complicity during the Holocaust* (1999) and *For the Soul of the People: Protestant Protest against Hitler* (1992). She is also a prominent Bonhoeffer scholar and one of the general editors of the *Dietrich Bonhoeffer Works English Edition*, the complete English translation of Bonhoeffer's works.

Candidates must be faculty members at accredited, degree-awarding institutions in North America. Applications must include: (1) a curriculum vitae; (2) a statement of the candidate's specific interest and purpose for attending the seminar; and (3) a supporting letter from a departmental chair or dean addressing the candidate's qualifications and the institution's potential interest in having Holocaust-related courses taught.

Admission will be decided without regard to age, gender, race, creed, or national origin. A maximum of twenty applicants will be accepted. For non-local participants, the Center will defray the cost of (1) direct travel to and from the participant's home institution and Washington, DC, and (2) lodging for the duration of the course. Incidental, meal, and book expenses must be defrayed by the candidates or their respective institutions. All participants must attend the entire seminar.

Applications must be postmarked, emailed, or faxed no later than Monday, March 17, 2009 and sent to: University Programs, Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW, Washington, DC 20024-2150 (Email: <u>university_programs@ushmm.org</u>; Fax: 202-479-9726). For questions, contact Victoria Barnett at 202-488-0469 or vbarnett@ushmm.org. All applicants will be notified of the results of the selection process by Friday, April 3, 2009.

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