

## CH8012W The Story of Christianity Part 2 (CH8712W – Online)

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**Offered:** 2018: Semester 2

(Also offered online Semester 2 – as CH8712W)

This unit will introduce students to the main features of the development of Western Christianity from the late Middle Ages to the present. Topics will include 16th century Reformation movements, 17th century Puritanism and Pietism, the impact of the evangelical revivals, the Enlightenment, industrialization, and revolution upon the church, the development of Christianity in North America and Australia, the rise of the modern missionary and ecumenical movements, and the emergence of Pentecostalism.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. outline some key aspects of the Christian story in the West from the 16th century to the present day;
2. identify some of the social, political, and cultural factors influencing the development of Christianity;
3. demonstrate basic skills in interpreting selected historical documents;
4. assess the significance of selected movements and personalities for the church's history;
5. describe the contribution of the study of church history to the development of Christian identity; and
6. critically evaluate historical evidence and the construction of historical accounts.

**Prerequisites:** Nil

**Class Time:** Three hours per week

<b>Assessment:</b>	One document study (1,000 words)	(15%)
	One tutorial paper of 1,500 words	(20%)
	Five 200-word forum posts	(15%)
	One essay (2,500 words)	(50%)

**Faculty:** Marita Munro

### **Recommended Reading:**

\* = set texts recommended for purchase

Bettenson, Henry (ed.). *Documents of the Christian Church*. London: Oxford University Press, 1999.

Blainey, Geoffrey. *A Short History of Christianity*. Camberwell: Viking, 2011.

Chadwick, Owen. *The Christian Church in the Cold War*. London: Penguin, 1992.

Chidester, David. *Christianity: a global history*. London: Penguin, 2001.

Hastings, Adrian (ed.). *A World History of Christianity*. London, Cassell, 1999.

Jensen, De Lamar. *Reformation Europe: Age of Reform and Revolution*. 2nd edn. Lexington: D C Heath & Co, 1992.

\* Gonzalez, Justo L. *The Story of Christianity, Volume 2*. Rev edn. New York: HarperOne, 2010.

McGrath, Alister. *Christian History: An Introduction*. New York: Wiley, 2012.

MacCulloch, D. *A History of Christianity*. London: Penguin, 2010.

Matheson, Peter (ed.) *Reformation History (A People's History of Christianity, Volume 5)* Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2007.

Noll, Mark A. *Turning Points: Decisive Moments in the History of Christianity*. 3rd edn. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2012.

Noll, Mark A. *The New Shape of World Christianity*. Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic, 2009.

Shelley, Bruce L. *Church History in Plain Language*. 4th edn. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 2013.