

2019 John Main Seminar Registration Form

Mail to: WCCM-Canada, 4775 Woodgreen Drive
West Vancouver, BC V7S 2Z9 Canada

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email address _____

Name on badge _____

REGISTRATION

(After June 21 please add \$100)

All rooms are single and feature a private bath (PB) or a shared bath (SB) with the neighbouring room.

- Retreat registration: SB \$550, PB \$700
 Seminar registration: SB \$700, PB \$850
 Retreat + Seminar: SB \$1250, PB \$1550
 Commuter (Seminar only + Saturday dinner): \$475

My room preference is Shared Bath Private Bath

Bathroom shared with _____

Dietary restrictions _____

Bus transportation to Quest University on

- Monday, August 5 from Vancouver airport at 1 pm
 downtown Vancouver Hyatt Regency Hotel at 1:30 pm
returning August 11: \$40 return

I wish to make a donation of \$ _____ to assist another to attend

Total amount in Canadian \$ _____

Make cheque payable to Christian Meditation Community

I am paying by credit card: Visa MC DISC

Card number _____

Expiry date _____

To register online with a credit card: www.jms2019.org or
www.wccm-canada.ca/events

The Retreat is not open to commuters

Cancellation Policy

Telephone cancellations are not eligible for a refund. If you need to cancel your registration and request a refund, please email registration@jms2019.org by June 20, 2019.

A \$75 administration fee will be charged on all cancellations. Cancellations received after June 20, 2019 will not receive a refund, regardless of circumstances.

Register early, as residential spaces are limited.

Discounted early registration until June 20.

Registration closes July 15, 2019

A limited number of partial scholarships are available. Inquire by email: registration@jms2019.org

Special Needs and Accommodation Information

Rooms are allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please indicate if you require a special diet or need an elevator.

For questions, send an email to registration@jms2019.org.

Meal Plan

Retreat: All meals from Monday evening through Thursday lunch.

Seminar: All meals from Thursday evening to Sunday lunch.

Check in

Silent Retreat

August 5, 2019, 2 pm to 6:30 pm

Opening session begins at 7 pm

Silent Retreat concludes August 8, 2019 at 1 pm

Seminar

August 8, 2019, 2 pm to 6:30 pm

Opening session begins at 7 pm

Seminar concludes August 11, 2019 at 12:15 pm

JOHN MAIN SEMINAR 2019

AUGUST 8-11

QUEST UNIVERSITY
SQUAMISH, BRITISH COLUMBIA



A Contemplative Christianity for Our Time

Presented by
Rev. Dr. Sarah Bachelard

Preceded by
Sources of Wisdom
Pre-Seminar Silent Retreat with
Laurence Freeman, OSB
August 5-8



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A Contemplative Christianity for Our Time

Rev. Dr. Sarah Bachelard

Contemplative experience increasingly looks like our best hope for the world. But what does that mean for Christianity itself? In an age where many say 'just meditate', who needs religion?

In this year's John Main Seminar, Sarah Bachelard explores this challenge and will lead us to fresh insights for the church and society at large.

Contemplation and the transformation of consciousness have been claimed as the only real solution to the urgent questions and overwhelming issues of our time. And yet, the notion of 'contemplative Christianity' can be seen as problematic from two perspectives.

From the point of view of 'Christianity', some struggle to recognize the legitimacy and significance of contemplation. Over the past thirty years, a considerable focus for the WCCM and others has been to re-introduce meditation to the life of Christian communities.

From the point of view of a contemplative mind, however, 'Christianity' itself can be seen as a problem. Meditation, mindfulness, contemplative pedagogy and programs of conscious leadership are widely touted in the West, yet are often detached from their roots in faith. The fruits of contemplative practice are understood to be accessible independently of religious belief or devotion.

The question then arises: what is the meaning and point of faith, and of Christian identity? Why not just meditate, leaving behind the problematic dogmatic and textual trappings of a tradition whose use-by date has been reached in a world come of age?

This John Main Seminar seeks to explore the meaning of a contemplative Christianity and its significance for the world and the church. It will focus on issues such as the relationship between faith and practice, the notion of 'religionless Christianity' and the form and mission of a contemplative church.



Rev. Dr. Sarah Bachelard is an internationally respected theologian, retreat leader and priest. She is the founder and leader of Benedictus Contemplative

Church in Canberra, Australia and an honorary fellow at the Australian Catholic University. Sarah was a Rhodes scholar at Oxford University where she studied theology with former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams. She is the author of two books, *Experiencing God in a Time of Crisis* and *Resurrection and Moral Imagination*.

Sources of Wisdom

Pre-Seminar
Silent Retreat

Laurence Freeman, OSB

August 5-8



Through talks and times of silence, **Laurence Freeman, OSB** will reinforce the power of meditation and reflect on sources of wisdom in our time. His talks will explore the sources to be found in Spirit, Failure, Scripture and Silence.

Fr. Laurence is the spiritual guide and Director of the World Community for Christian Meditation, an international and ecumenical network of meditators, groups and centers.



Quest University

3200 University Boulevard
Squamish, British Columbia, Canada

The venue for the 2019 JMS is Quest University located 45 minutes north of Vancouver in the Sea to Sky Corridor on the way to Whistler Ski Resort. Quest University is surrounded by beautiful forest and offers stunning views of the mountains.

To register online with a credit card for the seminar and/or retreat, go to:
www.jms2019.org or www.wccm-canada.ca/upcoming-events

For more information email:
registration@jms2019.org