

Soul Travel: Spiritual Journeys and Sacred Voyages in Early Modern Europe



[Woodcut of St Michael, from Pierre Le Charpentier, *Instructions pour la confrérie des pellerins du Mont St Michel érigée en la paroisse de St Niçaise en Rouen* (Rouen, Jacques Hérault, 1668)]

September 14th 2017

Clephan Building 0.01, De Montfort University, Leicester.

Programme

08.45 Registration and Coffee.

09.00-10.45 Welcome and Session 1. Medieval Spirituality and Soul Travel.

Mark Peterson, (Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library), Reading as a Spiritual Journey – St Bridget of Sweden.

Kathryn Hurlock, (MMU), Performing Pilgrimage in Late Medieval Wales.

Claudia Wardle, (University of York), Spiritual Landscapes of Fifteenth-Century Ferrara

10.45-11.00 Coffee Break.

11.00-12.15 Session 2: Life Writing and Spiritual Travel

Paula Almeida Mendes, (University of Oporto – CITCEM), Spiritual experiences in Portuguese hagiographies and sacred biographies in XVIth-XVIIth centuries

Jenny Hillman, (University of Chester), Imagined Landscapes: Spiritual (Auto) Biography and Virtual Pilgrimage in 17c France.

12.15-13.00 Lunch Break

13.00-15.15 Session 3 Spiritual Journeys in 17th & 18th century Protestant traditions

Laurel Lied, (Aarhus University), Flat globe, flat time and flat man: Reflecting upon the purpose of pilgrimage for the Pietist convert in Eric Pontoppidan's *Menoza: An Asian Prince who traveled around the world and sought Christians, especially in India, Spain, Italy, France, England, Holland, Germany, and Denmark, but found little of what he sought* (1742)

Jennifer Adams-Massmann, (University of Heidelberg), *Journeying into the Wounded Body of Christ: Early Moravian Women Reconstruct the Self, 1740-1760*

Catie Gill, (Loughborough University), 'That all may know the dealings of the Lord with me': Quaker Spiritual Autobiography (Fox 1691, 1).

15.15-15.30 Tea Break

15.30- 16.45 Session 4: The Camino and other Journeys

Antonella Palumbo (G. D'Annunzio" University of Chieti Pescara), The Camino de Santiago and the Via dell'Angelo: historical and anthropological contexts in their routes

Elizabeth Tingle (DMU), Sacred Journeys, Spiritual Travel: Confraternities and Long-Distance Pilgrimage in Catholic- Reformation France.

Tom Wilson, (St Philip's Centre, Leicester), Pilgrims or Tourists?

16.45-17.30 Discussion and Conclusions.