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'Mission-Colonialism Revisited' webinars

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Participation free o	Participation free of charge.		
Thu, March 16 12.15-13.30 h online	"Mission and Colonial Violence in the First World War" With Iris Leung Chui-Wa, MA & PhD cand., Hong Kong Chinese researcher Iris Leung focuses on the Basel Mission's China experience in WW1, particularly its relationship with the Hong Kong colonial government. She discusses how international missionary cooperation prevented the permanent expulsion of the Basel Mission from Hong Kong		
Thu, May 4 19.15–20.45 h online	"Swiss Colonial Trade and the Basel Mission Trading Company" With Dr. Lea Haller, author of the study "Transithandel", Editor in Chief of the NZZ History magazine Two hundred years ago, Switzerland already played an important role in the international transit trade in raw materials and goods from European colonies In this online conversation, historian Lea Haller explores the mechanisms of world trade at the time of Imperialism. What part did the Basel trading families and the Basel Mission Trading Company – one of the largest Swiss trading companies at the time – play in Swiss colonial trade?		
Thu, June 15 19.15–20.45 h online	"Childhood between Cultures: Missionary Children in the Colonial Era" With Dr. Dagmar Konrad, author of the book "Mission Brides", lecturer at the University of Basel Until the 1950s, children from missionary families usually lived separately from their parents. At the age of 6, the children of Basel missionaries were usually sent to school in Europe. Parents and children lived in different cultural contexts and could only communicate through letters. How did they experience this separation across continents? How did the children cope with the move from the mission areas in Africa and Asia to unknown Europe?		
Wed, Oct. 18 12.15–13.30 h online	"Voices from the Archives: Indian Bible Women in Colonial Times" A new look at the testimonies of indigenous "Bible women" (catechists) in India as key players in the Basel mission at the end of the 19 th century. How did they manage to walk the tightrope between indigenous and European ideals of femininity? How did they move between the hierarchic caste system and Christian lifestyles? What kind of emancipation was possible in India at the time of the British Empire?		
Wod Nov 22	"Anti-Slavery Movements Colonial States and Christian Missions"		

Wed, Nov. 22 18.15–19.45 h online

"Anti-Slavery Movements, Colonial States and Christian Missions"

The attitude of the Christian missionary societies towards slavery and their role in its abolition was ambivalent. While the leadership of the Basel Mission strictly rejected slavery, some of its missionaries demanded that slavery in African countries be viewed differently from the transatlantic slave trade. What role did the mission play in the international anti-slavery movement? Did it come into conflict with the colonial authorities?



Meetings - Conversations - Exchange - Culture

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Mon, Feb. 13 17.00-18.00 h Mission 21, Basel (Spalenkeller)	"The World on our Sofa" in the Spalenkeller On the red sofa today: Professor Bouba Mbima from Cameroon, Rector of the Université Protestante d'Afrique Centrale. What is happening in Cameroon in terms of climate change? Is Cameroon one step ahead in terms of ecotheology? In German and French. Followed by snacks and drinks. Free admission.	
Fri, March 24 17.30–18.45 h Mission 21, Basel	"Voices from the Archives: Women's Voices" With Andrea Rhyn, archivist Mission 21 Using documents from the Mission Archive, the voices of women from Europe and from the mission areas in Africa and Asia in the 19th and early 20th centuries will be brought to life: they will talk about their tasks, their motivation and their commitment to gender justice. In German. Contribution towards expenses CHF 20 (registration see above).	
19.00-20.00 h Mission 21, Basel (Spalenkeller)	"The World on our Sofa" in the Spalenkeller Women's voices today: How do young women with new and different ideas find their places in the church, what do they hope to change through their church involvement? What role do gender and generational issues play? On the red sofa: Vera Schaffer and Barbara Heer (both Mission 21), Salome Hengartner (Youth Ambassador) and a youth delegate from a partner country (live broadcast). Followed by snacks and drinks. Free admission, collection.	
Thu, May 11	Historic Documents from the Basel Mission Trading Company	

18 15-19 30 h Mission 21 Basel

With Dr. Patrick Moser archivist at Mission 21

In addition to the webinar on 2023/05/04, the Mission Archive shows original documents from the holdings of the Mission Trading Company. These range from the beginnings on the Gold Coast to the UTC supermarkets in Nigeria in the 1960s and the company's connections to Switzerland. In German. Contribution towards expenses CHF 20.- (registration see above).

Thu/Fri. Aug. 17/18 online

International Forum on Interfaith and Transcultural Peacebuilding Several of Mission 21's partner churches and organisations live in regions where there are violent conflicts and crises. Therefore, Mission 21's cooperation focuses on interfaith and transcultural peacebuilding. The platform explores how peace initiatives from different contexts can support and learn from each other.

Sun, Aug. 27 9.30-17.00 h Zwingli House. Basel	Interfaith Women's Parliament Since 2014, women of different religious affiliations have been meeting in the Interfaith Women's Parliament to network and strengthen each other's efforts. The Women's Parliament 2023 is dedicated to the topic of faith and health.
	Info and registration > interrel-frauenparlament.ch
Sun, Sept. 17 17.00-18.00 h Mission 21, Basel, (garden pavilion)	"World Arts" in the Garden Pavilion A musical and poetic journey around the world: Rebecca Hagmann and Priska Stampfli will be inspired by melodies and songs from Mission 2' project countries, along with garden poetry on growing and becoming from different cultures. In German. Followed by snacks and drinks, garden walk. Free admission, collection.
Sun, Nov. 5 16.00-17.30 h Meeting point: Mission 21, Basel (main entrance)	Mission and Colonialism in Basel: City Tour With Claudia Buess, historian; Dr. Christian Weber, church historian Various places in Basel recall the special mission history of the city and its international involvement with colonialism: the tour makes the colonia history of the city visible and its points of contact with the Basel mission Which implications of the past continue to have an effect today? Contribution towards expenses CHF 20.—
Sun, Dec. 3 15.00–16.15 h Mission 21, Basel	Discoveries in the Basel Mission Archives With Andrea Rhyn, archivist Mission 21 On a journey through time in the Mission Archive, you will gain insight into the history of the Basel Mission and its entanglements with global and colonial history through historical documents. In German. Contribution towards expenses CHF 20 (registration see above)
17.00-18.00 h Mission 21, Basel (Spalenkeller)	"World Arts" in the Spalenkeller A musical and poetic introduction to Advent: Rebecca Hagmann and Priska Stampfli play melodies and songs from all over the world. Accompanied by poems and thoughts on waiting and hoping from different cultures. In German. Followed by snacks and drinks. Free admission, collection.



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How to find Mission 21 in Basel: From the Basel SBB or Basel Badischer Bahnhof railway station, take bus 30 to the Spalentor stop. Four minutes' walk to Missionsstrasse 21 (Hotel Odelya).



More information, registration and application forms > mission-21.org/young

Sat, April 22 12.00–16.00 h online	Youth Summit The international online event is hosted on an interactive platform, organised by young adults for young adults, together with the young@mission21 team.
Sat, May 4 Mission 21, Basel	Meeting Point The annual meeting for all who are interested in the young@mission21 programme and want to meet others who have already participated in it.
Starting summer 2023	International Youth Ambassador Programme 2023–2025 The three-year programme includes workshops (online and twice a year in person), a visit by international youth ambassadors to Switzerland (2024) and a study trip abroad (2025).
All year round	PEP! operations Placement opportunities for young professionals (up to 29 years) in Chile, Peru, Hong Kong or Tanzania, between 6 and 12 months (depending on the position).



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Thematic workshops for groups

You can book us for workshops to go with the events, whether with adult or groups of young adults. These can be held on your premises or at the Basel Mission House, for example on the following topics:

- Religions Cause of Conflict or Potential for Peace? Examples from Indonesia, Nigeria, South Sudan and Switzerland
- Does climate change lead to a new lifestule?
- Mission and colonialism: between racism and respect
- Decolonize Aid! How to reduce the power imbalance in development cooperation
- Biblical texts read worldwide

Costs: CHF 250.- up to 2 hours, additional hour CHF 100.-

A programme for your event

Are you looking for a programme for your event with adults or young people, for a church council retreat, a senior citizens' afternoon or a confession day? We will be happy to plan the topic and format with you and guide you through the programme, on your premises or at the Mission House in Basel.

Costs: CHF 250.- up to 2 hours, additional hour CHF 100.-

Book "World Arts"!

"World Arts" is a one-hour musical and poetic journey around the world, which you can book as an event in your parish. This year and next, Rebecca Hagmann and Priska Stampfli will be inspired by melodies and songs from all continents and take us around the world with cello and accordion. Poems from other cultures allow new insights and open up new approaches to a fascinating learning community. Thematically, this hour of art moves between growing and becoming, waiting and hoping: in nature, in creation, in life. In German.

Events can be booked starting September 2023, costs: collection for Mission 21

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