

THE IDS SERIES ON “DIASPORA MISSIOLOGY”

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BACKGROUND OF IDS-USA AT WESTERN SEMINARY - PORTLAND, OREGON

What is IDS?

- The Institute of Diaspora Studies (“IDS”) at Western Seminary is a joint effort of researchers and practitioners seeking to understand and minister to the people of diaspora
- Those who are working through the diaspora

What for?

- The “mission” of IDS is to investigate the effective communication of the Gospel among the people of diaspora and through their networks to regions beyond.
- Co-sponsored “Global Diaspora Missiology Consultation”
- Nov. 2006 in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

When was it launched?

- IDS-Asia was launched in June 2007 in Manila at the commencement of the Alliance Graduate School in Manila by Enoch Wan and Sidiri Joy Tira.
- IDS-USA was launched at Western Seminary *by way of offering two summer courses at Western Seminary in 2007*. The two courses are as follows:
 - 1) “Case Studies of Diaspora Missiology: Jew, Chinese and Filipino on the Move”
- Dr. Enoch Wan., Dr. Twovya Zaretsky and Dr. Joy Tira
(D.Miss. level – 3 credits)

2) “Business as Transformation: Principles and Practice of Holistic Mission”

-- Dr. Ted Yamamori (M.A. or D.Miss. level – 3 credits)

- Hosted the ASSOCIATES FOR DIASPORA, LCWE, January 3-5, 2008 in Portland, OR
- “The Mission to Hindus in Diaspora” – Dr. Atul Aghamkar, summer 2009 (D.Miss. 3 credits)

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LAUNCHING THE IDS SERIES

(Available @ www.amazon.com - CreateSpace Store / BOOK)

- It began in 2009 with Enoch Wan’s [*Diaspora Missiology: Theory, Methodology and Practice*](#) (2011, AVAILABLE AT @ www.amazon.com)_ which is the foundational piece of the series. While broad in scope and inclusive of theoretical underpinnings of the field, it also seeks to provide practical tools in research and practice with illustrative case studies. (Note: In the revised edition of 2014, there is extensive discussion on “managerial missiology” and in comparison to “diaspora missiology”)
- Other entries in the series are designed to build upon the 1st book in three distinct ways:
 1. Add in-depth knowledge and ministerial understanding of specific diaspora group as case study;
 2. Practically illustrate the theory, research method and ministry strategy delineated in the 1st volume of the series;
 3. Explore new strategy and practice in diaspora ministry and diaspora missions beyond the 1st volume of the series.
- [*Scattered Africans Keep Coming*](#) by Yaw Attah Edu-Bekoe and Enoch Wan
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FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS

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Other entries are listed below, including published words and those in progress:

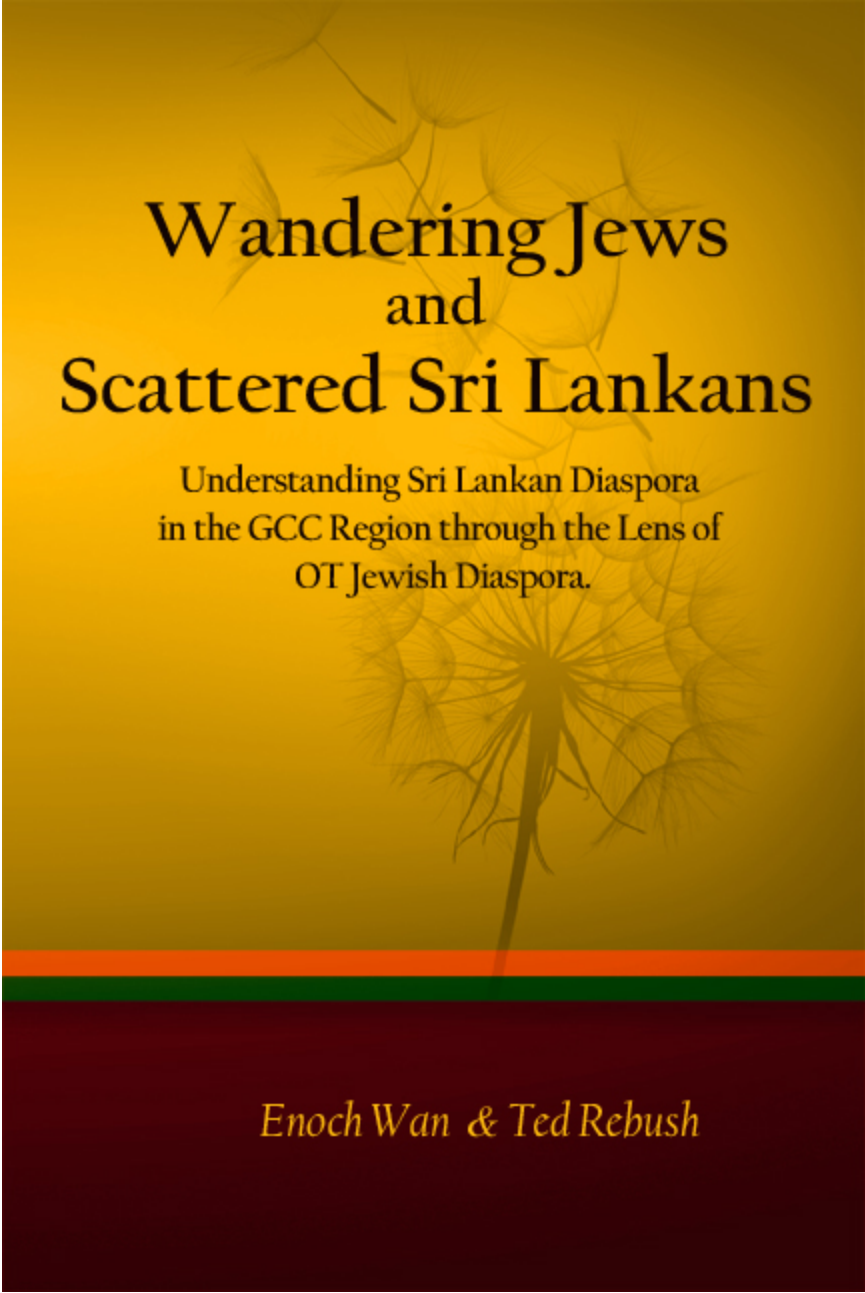
- *Mobilizing Vietnamese Diaspora for the Kingdom* by Enoch Wan and Thanh Trung Le
- *The 2011 Triple Disaster in Japan and the Diaspora: Lessons Learned and Ways Forward*. By Enoch Wan and Elton S. L. Law
- *Church Planting among Immigrants in US Urban Centers: Engaging Chinese Diaspora in the Ministry of Bible Translation*. By Enoch Wan & Anthony Casey
- *Wandering Jews and Scattered Sri Lankans: Understanding Sri Lankan Diaspora in the GCC Region Through the Lens of OT Jewish Diaspora*. By Enoch Wan & Ted Rubesh.
- *Missional Ecclesiology for Korean Diaspora*. By Enoch Wan & Paul Choi
- *Engaging Chinese Diaspora in the Ministry of Bible Translation*. By Enoch Wan & Jeremiah Chung.



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of Ghanaian Diaspora and Congregations in the USA

The purpose of this book is to provide an ethnographic description of Ghanaian Diaspora and Protestant congregations in the USA. This book on African diaspora is a "case study" of diaspora missiology in action. Two African diaspora congregations in Europe and five Ghanaian Presbyterian congregations in the USA are highlighted to showcase how "diaspora missiology" is strategically supplementary to the "traditional mission paradigm" in the new demographic reality of the 21st century.

Two major considerations compose this case study on Ghanaian diaspora and congregations in the USA: an academic ethnographic description with regard to the distinctive markers of diversity, identity, and receptivity of the Gospel in the multicultural USA society, followed by practical missiological understanding of the formation, development, and mobilization for mission of the USA Ghanaian Protestant Churches.



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A special social phenomenon of the 21st century is movement of people spatially at an unprecedented scale. Among these people on the move are those who take up residence away from their place of origin—the “diaspora”—who are the focus of this study. This book is an interdisciplinary study on the 21st century demographic reality that led to the development of “diaspora missiology” as a new missiological paradigm, and the need to practice “diaspora missions” as a new mission strategy. This book is an introductory study on the theory, methodology, and practice of “diaspora missiology.”

This book begins with an introduction of preliminary matters in Part 1 and phenomenological descriptions of global trends of increasing demographic significance of diaspora and the shifting of the Christian church’s center of gravity in the 21st century. In response to these factual data, new theoretical framework and methodological considerations are proposed in Parts 2 and 3. Several case studies are presented to illustrate the necessity and viability of diaspora missiology and diaspora missions in Part 4.

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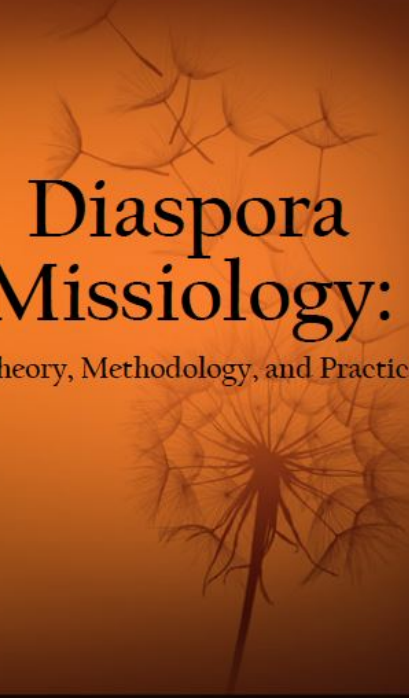
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