Editorial

The contributions in this issue of *Exchange* take us to several contexts, but the issue's overall theme is Africa.

In the first article, Hans Olsson explores Pentecostal-Charismatic teachings of growth and success as taught in the City Christian Center, a church belonging to the Tanzania Assemblies of God; the CCC is a church that attracts many Christian labor migrants, coming from Tanzania's mainland, who strive to attain 'the good life' by working in the predominantly Muslim society of Zanzibar. Olsson's findings show that in the CCC neo-Pentecostal ideas of realization and growth intersect with classic Pentecostal teachings on striving and hard work. Olsson also found that in the CCC these ideas are addressed through a discourse of spiritual maturity. Based on these outcomes, Olsson contends that scholars studying Charismatic-Pentecostal churches in Africa need to be sensitive to the diverse ways in which prosperity is taught in these communities. The post-colonial history of presidential contenders in Zimbabwe is the topic of Joram Tarusarira's article. He analyses how the strategy of the current leader of the Movement for Democratic Change, Nelson Chamisa, who identifies himself simultaneously as a politician and a pastor, to use religious rhetoric while rallying for support, is received by Zimbabweans. Using digital ethnography, Tarusarira analyses how Chamisa's call for a week of fasting and prayer for the nation from 29th July to 4th August 2019 was received by those who responded on Twitter and what these responses tell about perceptions of religious politics in Zimbabwe. In the final article, J. Kwabena Asamoah-Gyadu pays tribute to the late Lamin O. Sanneh, one of the pioneering authors in the field of World Christianity, who passed away unexpectedly in January 2019. While presenting a broad overview of Sanneh's main contributions to Mission Studies, African Studies and the field of World Christianity, Asamoah Gyadu gives specific attention to the role of 'Africa' and African Independent Churches in Sanneh's works.

As always, this issue is complemented with a series of book reviews on new publications in the field of contemporary Christianities.

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