

Editors' Introduction: Spring/Summer 2022 Issue #6

WE are pleased to share with you the sixth mini-issue of the *PHRS Bulletin*. In this issue, we feature an interview with Barbara Baylor, the current Chair of the American Public Health Association's Caucus on Public Health and Faith Community and former Minister for Health Care Justice at the United Church of Christ's National Settings, Cleveland, OH. Through this interview, she reminds us of how faith/health collaboration is crucial for public health activities ranging from impacting health through local and community initiatives to legislative policy change. In our second article, Doug Oman explores the often-ignored dimension of spiritual contributions to smallpox eradication, commonly lauded as one of public health's greatest historical triumphs. He uncovers both familiar and unexpected roles of religious motivation, as recounted in recent memoirs by distinguished public health leaders — Larry Brilliant and William Foege. Finally, in our resources article, we present some of the latest research at the intersection of religion, spirituality, and public health, as well as upcoming conferences and funding opportunities.

We are also very glad to be joined by a new co-editor, Ashley Meehan. Ashley is a graduate of Emory University's Master in Public Health program and this fall will begin doctoral studies at John Hopkins School of Public Health.

We wish you all a wonderful summer and look forward to sharing with you our next mini-issue, currently targeted for publication in late September.

Warmly,

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