

Temple Beth El's 18th Annual Comparative Religion Series

7:00 PM – Presentation
7:50 PM – Break
8:05 PM – Q & A
8:45 PM - Adjourn

RELIGION and SCIENCE **Can They Coexist?**

The 2015 Series will be held from 7 to 9 pm on six successive Tuesday evenings, January 20 through February 24 at Temple Beth El, 5101 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28226.

Our Speakers:

January 20:

Reform Jewish Perspective - Rabbi Judy Schindler, Temple Beth El

Orthodox Jewish Perspective - Rabbi Chanoch Oppenheim, Charlotte Torah Center

January 27:

Buddhist Perspective - Ryusho Jeffus, Shonin, Myosho-Ji, Wonderful Voice Buddhist Temple

February 3:

Roman Catholic Perspective - Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ, Vatican Observatory

February 10:

Islamic Perspective - Amad Shakur, Founder and Director of the Center for the African Diaspora

February 17:

Baptist Perspective - Reverend Russ Dean, Co-Pastor, Park Road Baptist

February 24:

Medical/Religious Perspective - Panel Discussion

Dr. Derek Raghavan, President of the Levine Cancer Institute, cancer researcher and medical oncologist

Rabbi Jonathan Freirich, Temple Beth El

March 3: Snow Date

All speakers will address:

How does your religion respond to scientific advances?

How do your sacred texts align and conflict with scientific developments?

What are some of the current scientific developments or discoveries with which you are grappling, and what teachings or texts in your tradition will you employ to deal with these challenges?

What teachings, religious text or stories do you call upon to help your congregations to adapt to changes in the world brought about by scientific development?

*Sandra Gold Weinstein, a long time Temple Beth El member, has been a fan of the Temple's Comparative Religion Series and other community programs we host. She has established the **Sandra Gold Weinstein Fund for Community Hospitality** to provide refreshments to our guests at various Temple programs to which we invite the community at large. Donations may be made to this fund by making checks payable to **Temple Beth El -Sandra Gold Weinstein Fund for Community Hospitality**. Thank you.*