SIX CLASSES

Hospitality & Hurricane Katrina Responses

Rock of Ages Cleft for Me: Southern Traditions Revisited

Brand New Start: Southern Religious Innovations

Southern Christianities in Harmony and Conflict
BRAND NEW START: FOUR TOPICS

- Megachurches and the Reinvention of Southern Church Life
- The Changing Face of the Catholic South
- Christian Homeschoolers
- Southern, Christian, and Gay
MEGACHURCHES AND THE REINVENTION OF SOUTHERN CHURCH LIFE
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THOMAS ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

FOUNDED BY JERRY FALWELL, 1956
MINISTRIES FOR EVERYONE
ADDICTS, UNWED MOTHERS,
FINANCIAL LITERACY, FIFTH GRADERS
LIBERTY UNIVERSITY
CAMPUS CHURCH
SAINT ANDREW AME, MEMPHIS — THE SAINT
MEANING AND IMPACT

TRAITS

- Wired churches
- Multisite locations
- Steady growth, constant newcomer orientation
- They are Big and small
- Self-perception: Vital
- Evangelical, not liberal or fundamentalist
- No serious financial woes
- Similar staffing costs
- Not independent
- DBA
Four Waves of Southern Catholic Settlement

1. Ethnic Industrial Wave
2. The Midwest Missionary Wave
3. Rust Belt Transplants
4. Hispanic Immigrant Wave
ETHNIC INDUSTRIAL WAVE

• Cullman, Alabama—founded by John Gottfried Cullman, connected with L&N starts bringing Bavarians to Alabama in 1873

• Saint Bernard Abbey—Benedictines from Latrobe, Pennsylvania brought to minister to Catholic minority
Our Lady of Fatima at Ave Maria Grotto
Cullman, Alabama
IN MEMORY
OF THE ST. BERNARD BOYS
KILLED IN WORLD WAR
1941-46 R.I.P.
Glenmary Missioners founded in Ohio in 1939 to address “priestless” counties and Catholics without access to the sacraments
MOTHER ANGELICA

Cleveland Poor Clare told she might never walk again, she bargains with God “If I can walk after this operation I will start a mission in the South for you.”

Leads to:
Selling fishing lures.
Tapes and books in Irondale
Eternal Word Television Network
Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Rust Belt Follows her with auto jobs
GOD’S TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. You shall have no other gods before Me.
2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
5. Honoring your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet.

YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND THE SECOND IS LIKE THIS: YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.

MATTHEW 22:37-39

THE BEATITUDES

BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL, FOR THEY SHALL obtained mercy.
BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS, FOR THEY SHALL BE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF GOD.
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MATTHEW 5:3-11
## States with Fastest Growing Hispanic Populations 2000-2010

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Sagrado Corazón Celebrating its new home for Easter vigil in the former Twin Rivers megachurch site. April 4, 2015
Virgin of Guadalupe with Juan Diego surrounded with lighted rosary
Iglesia Catolica Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe, Nashville, Tennessee