



# MCCLURE LECTURES IN WORLD MISSION AND EVANGELISM

Join us for the annual W. Don McClure Lectures Mon., Sept. 26, and Tues., Sept. 27, 2016. Keynote speaker **Stephen Bevans**, Louis J. Luzbetak, SVD Professor of Mission and Culture, Emeritus at Catholic Theological Union, will address the topic of **"Transforming Mission."** These lectures and discussions, held in the Chapel Auditorium, are free and open to the public.

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## DINNER REGISTRATION

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## SPEAKER BIO

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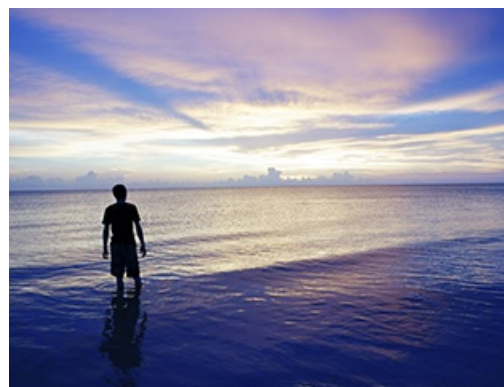
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