

LET US REMEMBER

"I am a Canadian,
free to speak without fear,
free to worship in my own way,
free to stand for what I think right,
free to oppose what I believe wrong, or
free to choose those who shall govern my country.
This heritage of freedom I pledge to uphold
for myself and all mankind."

-John Diefenbaker, (1895-1979) Prime Minister of Canada

3rd Parliamentary Forum

on

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Hosted by:

David Anderson, MP Cypress Hills-Grasslands
Government Conference Centre, Main Hall
2 Rideau Street, Ottawa, ON



SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2012

7:00pm-8:30pm

SCHEDULE

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7:00pm - 7:15pm

Welcome

David Anderson, MP and Dr. Andy Bannister

7:15pm - 8:00pm

Religious Freedom: Shari'a Law and its Implications

Dr. Tanya Walker

8:00pm - 9:00pm

Open Discussion

Facilitators: Dr. Andy Bannister and Dr. Tanya Walker

SPEAKERS

Dr. Tanya Walker is a guest lecturer for the Oxford Centre for Christian Apologetics based at Wycliffe Hall, University of Oxford. Following her undergraduate degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from Christ Church, Oxford University, Tanya worked in the charity sector in a variety of public policy and media communications roles. More recently, she gained an MA in Islamic studies. Her PhD research at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) in London has focused on the political implications of Islamic law in the West; questions of power and authority, the limits of multiculturalism, and the notion of group rights, through an extensive ethnographic study of the Shari'a councils in Britain. Dr. Walker is also a speaker for Ravi Zacharias International Ministries in Europe.

Dr. Andy Bannister is the Canadian Director of Ravi Zacharias International Ministries. Before coming to Canada, Andy was based in Europe, where he completed his PhD in Islamic Studies at London School of Theology (Brunel University) in 2011. Andy is a visiting lecturer for Wycliffe Hall, Oxford University and has spoken in a wide range of settings — from churches to universities, business forums to TV, radio and online debates. Andy regularly addresses audiences of all faiths on issues relating to faith, culture, politics and society. When not travelling, speaking, or writing, Andy is a keen hiker, mountain climber and photographer. He is married to Astrid and lives in Toronto.