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A Yale Divinity professor and prolific author on religious and historic subjects will deliver a lecture next week at the University of Dayton on the relationship between the Catholic world and Islam and the role of Catholicism in a post-Western era.

Lamin Sanneh, the D. Willis James Professor of Missions and World Christianity and professor of history at the Yale Divinity School, will present "The Fall of Constantinople and the Fall of the Twin Towers: Religion in a Post-9/11 World," at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, in the Kennedy Union

ballroom at the University of Dayton.

The talk is free and open to the public. It is the final installment of a three-semester lecture series sponsored by the University of Dayton's Forum on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition Today commemorating a century of the U.S. Catholic Church.

Sanneh is the author of more than 100 articles and books. His most recent books include *Disciples of All Nations: Pillars of World Christianity*; *Abolitionists Abroad: American Blacks and the Making of Modern West Africa*; *Faith and Power: Christianity and Islam in "Secular" Britain* (with Lesslie Newbigin and Jenny Taylor); and *Whose Religion is Christianity? The Gospel Beyond the West*.

Sanneh is a member of the Council of 100 Leaders of the World Economic Forum. Pope John Paul II appointed him to the Pontifical Commission of the Historical Sciences, and Pope Benedict XVI appointed him to the Pontifical Commission on Religious Relations with Muslims.

The Forum on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition Today was created in 1990 to foster and enhance Catholic intellectual tradition at the University of Dayton. The forum includes members from all academic areas and sponsors speakers, seminars and national conferences, coordinates the Marianist Award, holds book discussions and awards research grants. The "Pro Deo et Mundo: For God and the World," series commemorates the 1908 removal of the U.S. Catholic Church from mission status.

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