

# THE SIXTIES AND BEYOND

**DECHRISTIANIZATION in NORTH AMERICA  
and WESTERN EUROPE, 1945–2000**

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In the decades following the Second World War, North America and Western Europe experienced widespread secularization and dechristianization; many scholars have pinpointed the 1960s as a pivotally important period in this decline. *The Sixties and Beyond* examines the scope and significance of dechristianization in the western world between 1945 and 2000.

A thematically wide-ranging and interdisciplinary collection, *The Sixties and Beyond* compares the social and cultural experiences of North America with those of Western Europe during this period. The internationally based contributors examine the dynamic place of Christianity in both private lives and public discourses and practices by assessing issues such as gender relations, family life, religious education, the changing relationship of church and state, and the internal dynamics of religious organizations. *The Sixties and Beyond* is an excellent contribution to the burgeoning scholarship on the 1960s as well as to the history of Christianity in the western world.