

Mexico, Past and Present

Course #	19FME
Format:	Seminar
Moderator(s):	Jim Harvey
Date and Time:	Monday, 1:30-3:30 10 weeks, starting September 23
Location:	Wesley United Methodist Church, Hadley
Maximum number of participants:	17
Auditors accepted:	Yes, up to 2

Purpose: The purpose of this seminar is to gain a better understanding of Mexico and its citizens.

Description: Mexico is much in the news these days as we debate immigration policy at our southern border – often with more heat than light. This seminar is intended to shed light on the many facets of Mexican life.

We will explore Mexico’s rich history, including that of the Mayan and Aztec civilizations. In addition, we will look at various features of present-day Mexico, such as politics, religion, economics, and a variety of topics concerned with culture and everyday life.

Role of participants: Participants will be asked to read the resource book, research and present a topic for approximately 30 minutes, lead discussion on their own presentation and join in the discussion of others’ presentations.

Resources: *A Brief History of Mexico, 4th Edition*, by Lynn Foster

About the Moderator: Jim has been moderating seminars for sixteen years. He was born in India, lived in Pakistan, and has a lifelong interest in other countries’ histories and cultures.