

Drawing on two years of ethnographic research, Naomi Haynes explores Pentecostal Christianity in the kind of community where it often flourishes: a densely populated neighborhood in the heart of an extraction economy. On the Zambian Copperbelt, Pentecostal adherence embeds believers in relationships that help them to “move” and progress in life. These efforts give Copperbelt Pentecostalism its particular local character, shaping ritual practice, gender dynamics, and church economics. Focusing on the promises and problems that Pentecostalism presents, *Moving by the Spirit* highlights this religion’s role in making life possible in structurally adjusted Africa.

“A fantastic book. In the tradition of the best work on the Zambian Copperbelt, Naomi Haynes gives us an up-to-date account of the literature’s enduring themes, including how urbanization, economic development, and modernity are faring in the post colony.”

Matthew Engelke

Professor of Anthropology, London School of Economics

“This detailed ethnography of life in Pentecostal communities on the Zambian Copperbelt offers a close view and a meaningful appreciation of both leaders and members, especially with respect to the concepts of charisma and prosperity. *Moving by the Spirit* is a very rich case study of what has become a growing movement in the wider world.”

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