

*Public Health and Theism: An African Approach to Evil and Religious Beliefs in the After-Life*

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Religious beliefs may significantly impact on the effectiveness of health policies. In this article, I analyze how Theistic beliefs about evil in the world in connection with beliefs about the after-life have unreasonable ethical implications, if one takes African epistemologies into consideration. Further, I will contend that such Theistic implications have a negative impact on health policies, especially during the current pandemic. I will then offer an alternative inspired by Afro-communitarianism, which I argue is convincing.