

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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#### Education

- B. A. (English and Math), Valparaiso University, 1969. Named Stephen Sommerfield Scholar.
- Th. M. (Systematic Theology), Dallas Theological Seminary, 1973. Named Lorain Chafer Scholar. Thesis: *The Militant Church in the Theology of Jürgen Moltmann* (Dallas: Dallas Theological Seminary, 1973).
- Th. D. (Biblical Theology), Dallas Theological Seminary, 1979. Dissertation: *The Nature of Obedience in the Ethics of Paul* (Dallas: Dallas Theological Seminary, 1979).
- Post-graduate (STM) studies in Wesleyan Studies, Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University, 1974-75.

#### Church

- Elder, Free Methodist Church of North America, Pacific Northwest Conference, 1983-present; chairperson of the Board of Social Action (Pacific Northwest Conference, 1983-85).
- Interim Senior Pastor, The Tolt Congregational (UCC) Church (Carnation, Washington), 1981-82
- Senior Pastor, The Village Church (Dallas, Texas), 1976-78
- Associate Pastor, First United Methodist Church (Carrollton, Texas), 1973-76

#### Academy

- Professor of Scripture, Seattle Pacific University (Seattle, Washington), 1987-present; Co-Dean, School of Theology, 2001-2003, 2006-07.
- Editorial Board, *Journal for the Study of the New Testament Supplements* (Sheffield), 1996-2004; *Library of New Testament Studies* (T&T Clark), 2005-present.
- Co-Editor, *Two Horizons New Testament Commentary* (Eerdmans).
- Member, *Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas*, 1992-present; co-chair, "Catholic Epistles and Apostolic Traditions" seminar, 2000-2005.
- Member, Society of Biblical Literature, 1978-present; chair, "Hebrews, General and Pastoral Epistles, Apocalypse Section" 1984-90.
- Member, Wesleyan Theological Society, 1983-present. Vice-president (2008-10); President (2010-2011).
- Member, Society for Pentecostal Studies, 2010-present.
- Member, Oxford Institute for Methodist Studies

- Member, World Methodist Council.

## Publications

- ***Forthcoming Manuscripts***

“What’s ‘Catholic’ and the NT’s Catholic Epistles Collection?,” in *Scripture, Theology, and Culture: Acts of Interpretation* (T. Cummins and J. Zimmerman, eds., Eerdmans, in press).

“Canonical Criticism,” in *Global Wesleyan Dictionary of Biblical Theology* (R. Branson, ed., Beacon Hill, in press).

“The Johannine Epistles,” in *The Wesleyan One-Volume Commentary of the Bible* (J. Green and K. Collins, Abingdon, forthcoming).

“What if no 2 Peter?: 2 Peter’s Contribution to NT Theology,” in *Appendix oder Herzstück? Der Zweite Petrusbrief und das Neue Testament* (W. Grünstäudl and M. Nicolaci, eds., WUNT, Mohr-Siebeck, in press).

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“*To the Hebrews*”: *A Theological Reading* (RNT, Smyth & Helwys, forthcoming in 2020), in preparation.

“1 Timothy, 2 Timothy & Titus,” in *Baylor University Annotated Bible* (Baylor University Press, 2018). In preparation.

- ***Published Books, Collections, Chapters, and Journal Articles (peer-reviewed)***

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“Atonement in the Letter of James,” in (Adam Johnson, ed., *T & T Clark Companion to the Atonement* (London: Bloomsbury, 2017), pp. 577-80.

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*Why the Church?* (RNTT Nashville: Abingdon, 2015).

“Canon,” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Bible and Theology* (S. E. Balantine, ed, Oxford University Press, 2015) I:111-121.

“On Reading Canonical Collections: Our Response” (co-authored with D. R. Nienhuis), *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 9.1 (2015) 149-160.

(2014)

*A Compact Guide to the Whole Bible: Learning to Read Scripture’s Story* (and D. R. Nienhuis, eds., Baker Academic Press).

“Catholic Epistles” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Bible and Ethics* (R. Brawley, ed., Oxford, 2014) 1:

(2013)

*The Church's Guide for Reading the Catholic Epistles: The Shape and Shaping of a Canonical Collection* (co-authored with D. R. Nienhuis, Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2013).

Introduction and notes to 1-2-3 John for the *Common English Version (CEV) Study Bible* (Abingdon Press, 2013)

"Waiting on the Holy Spirit ('Acts 1:4): Extending a Metaphor to Biblical Interpretation," *Journal of Pentecostal Theology* 22 (2013) 37–53.

(2012)

*1-2 Timothy & Titus* (with three case studies by R. B. Steele, Two Horizons New Testament Commentary; eds. Joel Green and Max Turner, Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012). Winner of the 2013 Smith/Wynkoop Book Award.

"Reading Scripture, the Analogy of Faith, and the Literal Sense," in *The Word Written on our Hearts: Wesley and Wesleyans in Scripture* (J. B. Green and D. F. Watson, eds., Dallas: Baylor University Press).

*Called to Lead: Paul's Letters to Timothy for a New Day* (co-authored with A. B. Robinson, Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012).

"The Canonical Approach," in *Biblical Hermeneutics: Five Views* (B. Stovell and S. E. Porter, eds., InterVarsity Press, 2012).

"Empire, Church, and *Missio Dei*: On Praying for Kings (1 Timothy 2:1-2)," *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 47/1 (2012) 7-24.

"Salvation's Bath by the Spirit: A Study of Titus 3:5b-6 in its Canonical Setting," in *The Spirit and Christ in the New Testament and Christian Theology* (Max Turner FS, I. H. Marshall, V. Rabens, C. Bennema, eds., Eerdmans, 2012), pp. 198-212.

"James's Theological Grammar," *Christian Reflection: The Letter of James* (Spring, 2012) 36-45.

(2011)

"Scripture and the Church: A Précis for an Alternative Analogy" (co-authored with Daniel Castelo), *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 5.2 (2011) 197-212.

"John's John: A Wesleyan Theological Reading of 1 John," *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 46/2 (2011) 105-41.

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"Wesley as Biblical Interpreter" in *Cambridge Companion to John Wesley* (R. L. Maddox and J. E. Vickers, eds., Cambridge: University Press) 113-28. Winner of the 2010 Smith/Wynkoop Book Award.

"James" in *The New Interpreter's Bible Commentary* (Beverly Gaventa and David Peterson, eds., Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2010) 894-99.

"A Canonical Approach to the Unity of Acts and Luke's Gospel" in *Rethinking the Reception and Unity of Luke-Acts* (A. Gregory and K. Rowe, eds. University of South Carolina Press, 2010) 172-91.

(2009)

*The Catholic Epistles and Apostolic Traditions* (R. W. Wall and K-W Niebuhr, eds., Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, 2009). Authored four chapters of this collection.

*Wesley Study Bible*, NT Editor; Introduction and study notes for 1-2 Timothy and Titus (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2009).

"The Wisdom of James," *Christian Reflection* (Winter, 2009), pp. 27-37.

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"The Jerusalem Council (Acts 15:1-21) in Canonical Context," in *From Biblical Criticism to Biblical Faith* (W. H. Brackney and C. E. Evans, eds. Atlanta: Mercer University Press, 2007), pp. 93-101.

(2006)

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