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Education

- 2003 Southern Methodist University, Dallas TX
Ph.D., Religious Studies (Systematic Theology)
Dissertation: “Yves Congar’s Vision of Ecclesiality: Pneumatological
Development and Ecumenical Promise”
Advisor: Dr. William J. Abraham
- 1998 Duke University Divinity School, Durham, NC
M.Div., *magna cum laude*
- 1995 Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA
B.A., Theological Studies and Sociology, *magna cum laude*

Teaching Experience

- Professor of Theology, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA, September 2015-Present
- Associate Professor of Theology, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA, 2009-2015
- Assistant Professor of Theology, Seattle Pacific University, 2004-2009
- Instructor in Theology, Seattle Pacific University, 2001-2004
- Adjunct Instructor, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University,
Dallas, TX, 2000-2001.

Administrative Experience

- Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, School of Theology, Seattle Pacific University,
2012-Present
- Chair of the Department of Theological Studies, Seattle Pacific University, 2008-2011

Publications

Books

Calling and Clarity: Discerning What God Wants for Your Life (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2015).

Ecclesiality and Ecumenism: Yves Congar and the Road to Unity (Milwaukee, WI: Marquette University Press, 2008).

(Co-Editor, with Paul L. Gavriluk and Jason E. Vickers) *Immersed in the Life of God: The Healing Resources of the Christian Faith* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2008).

Articles in Journals with Blind, External Peer Review

“But Who Laid Hands on Him?” Apostolicity and Methodist Ecclesiology,” *Pro Ecclesia*, Winter, 2011, Volume XX, Number 1.

“The Divine-Human Tension in the Ecclesiology of Yves Congar,” *Ecclesiology: The Journal for Ministry, Mission, and Unity*, September, 2007, Volume 4, Number 1.

Articles and Book Chapters Reviewed by Editor or Editorial Committee

“John Wesley,” in *The Oxford Handbook of the Epistemology of Theology*, edited by William J. Abraham and Frederick D. Aquino (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017).

“Holiness and Catholicity: A Fruitful Tension for the Wesleyan Tradition,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Spring 2014, Volume 49, Number 1.

“Discipline and Polity,” in *The Cambridge Companion to American Methodism*, edited by Jason E. Vickers (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013).

“A Wesleyan Understanding of the Authority of Scripture,” in *Wesley, Wesleyans, and Reading the Bible as Scripture*, edited by Joel B. Green and David F. Watson (Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, 2012).

“‘And Ever Toward Each Other Move’: Holiness as a Communal Reality,” in *Holiness as a Liberal Art*, edited by Daniel Castelo (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2012).

“Personal Holiness,” *Wesley Study Bible* (Nashville, TN: Abingdon, 2009).

“The Healing Practice of Ecclesial Reconciliation,” in *Immersed in the Life of God: The Healing Resources of the Christian Faith*, edited by Paul L. Gavriluk, Douglas M. Koskela, and Jason E. Vickers (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2008).

“‘Crucified to the World’: Suffering, Itinerancy, and Transitions in American Methodist Ecclesiology,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Spring, 2008, Volume 43, Number 1.

“The Authority of Scripture in its Ecclesial Context,” in *Canonical Theism*, edited by William J. Abraham, Jason E. Vickers, and Natalie B. Van Kirk (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2008).

“Toward a Distinctively Wesleyan Recovery of the Canonical Heritage,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Spring, 2006, Volume 41, Number 1.

Other Publications

“The New Birth and the Knowledge of God,” 2016 Presidential Address, *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Spring, 2017, Volume 52, Number 1.

“Right Where You Are: Living Into Calling at Every Stage of Life,” *Response*, Autumn 2015.

“Theological Themes” essays on Matthew 7:21-29, Matthew 9:9-13 and 9:18-26, Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23), Matthew 10:24-39, and Matthew 10:40-42, *Lectionary Homiletics*, June, 2008.

“Remembering the Future: Jürgen Moltmann’s Theology of Hope,” *Response*, Spring, 2008.

“A Call to Holy Listening,” *Response*, Autumn, 2003.

Presentations

“The New Birth and the Knowledge of God,” Presidential Address of the Wesleyan Theological Society, Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, CA, March 11, 2016.

“‘I Knew When Written on My Heart:’ Experience and the Knowledge of God,” Paul T. Walls Lecture in Wesleyan Theology, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA, May 6, 2015.

Invited Panel Participant, “Roundtable Discussion: *The Cambridge Companion to American Methodism*,” Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting, Nampa, ID, March 7, 2014.

“Holiness and Catholicity: A Fruitful Tension for the Wesleyan Tradition,” Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, March 22, 2013.

Invited Panel Participant, “The State of Wesleyan and Methodist Studies,” Wesleyan Studies Group, American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA, October 31, 2010

“Revelation and Formation: Sketches of a Pneumatology of Holy Scripture,” Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting, Azusa, CA, March 5, 2010.

“The Holy Spirit and Church Structures in the Ecumenical Ecclesiology of Albert Outler,” Albert Outler and the Wesleyan Spirit: A Scholarly Conference on the Occasion of the Centennial of the Birth of Albert Cook Outler, Dallas, TX, January 29, 2008

“The Future of Evangelical-Roman Catholic Ecumenism,” Symposium with Prof. David Yeago and Fr. Charles Morerod, Blessed Sacrament Parish Centennial Year Lecture Series, Seattle, WA, January 18, 2008

“Challenge and Promise: Apostolicity and the Methodist Vocation to ‘Serve the Present Age’,” The Twelfth Oxford Institute of Methodist Theological Studies, Oxford, U.K., August 12-21, 2007

“‘Crucified to the World’: Suffering, Itinerancy, and Transitions in American Methodist Ecclesiology,” Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting, Bourbonnais, IL, March 2-3, 2007

“Returning the Vessel to the Fountain: Toward a Distinctively Wesleyan Recovery of the Canonical Heritage,” Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, March 4, 2005

“*Dominus Iesus* and the Redefinition of Protestant Ecclesiality,” Pacific Northwest Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Eugene, OR, May, 2002

“Analogy and Discontinuity: Social Trinitarian Readings of Gregory of Nyssa,” Graduate Program in Religious Studies Student Colloquy, Southern Methodist University, March, 2001

“Innovation and Authentication: The Holy Spirit and John Wesley’s Practical Ecclesiology,” Free Methodist Graduate Student Theological Seminar, Indianapolis, IN, November, 1999

Awards and Honors

SERVE Grant, Seattle Pacific University, 2013

Faculty Teacher of the Year, Seattle Pacific University, 2010-11

Seattle Pacific University Faculty Research Grant, 2004

Schubert M. Ogden Fellowship for Academic Excellence in Theology, 2002

Graduate Program in Religious Studies Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, 1998-2002

The Duke Scholarship, Duke University Divinity School, 1995-1998

Other Work Experience

Research Assistant, Theology and Ethics Division, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Spring 1998

Student Associate Pastor, Boiling Springs United Methodist Church, Summer 1997;
Zion United Methodist Church, Summer 1996

Institutional Service

Assessment Committee, 2012-2015

Faculty Status Committee, 2010-2013

Work and Faith Collection Advisory Committee, 2009-Present

Chair, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2009-2010

Graduate Program Committee, 2007-2009

Advisor, Theology Student Union, Seattle Pacific University, 2004-2007

Undergraduate Policies and Evaluation Committee, Seattle Pacific University, Replacement Appointment—Spring 2004; Elected Appointment, 2005-2008

USEM Assessment Committee, Seattle Pacific University, 2005-2006

Barnabas Scholarship Evaluator, Seattle Pacific University, 2005-2009

Regular Guest Lecturer (once per quarter), GS 2001: Major and Career Exploration, 2004-2010

Community Involvement

Ordained Elder, Free Methodist Church of North America, Pacific Northwest Conference

Ministerial Education and Guidance Board, Pacific Northwest Conference of the Free Methodist Church, 2008-2014 (Chair 2012-2014)

Committee on Free Methodist History and Archives, Indianapolis, IN, 2008-2015

Presenter, Ministry in the Wesleyan Spirit Conference, Seattle Pacific University/Pacific Northwest Conference of the Free Methodist Church, 2006-2008, 2010

Bible Teacher, Warm Beach Family Camp, Pacific Northwest Conference of the Free Methodist Church, August 4-8, 2009

Presenter, Classical Christianity Conference, Pacific Northwest Conference of the Free Methodist Church, Stanwood, WA, March 6, 2006

Regular Celebrant, Friday Morning Communion Service, Seattle Pacific University, 2003-Present

Children's Ministry Volunteer, Timberlake Church, 2015-Present

Occasional Liturgist, First Free Methodist Church, 2001-10

Nursery Volunteer, First Free Methodist Church, 2007-08, 2009-10

Presenter and Co-Organizer, "*Now and Then: A Response* Book Forum," April 14, 2004

Chair, Scholarship Committee, Young Alumni Council, Seattle Pacific University, 2002-2004

Instructor, Various Adult Education Classes, First Free Methodist Church, Seattle, WA, and University Park United Methodist Church, Dallas, TX

Summer Youth Director, First United Methodist Church, Pearsall, TX, Summer 1999

Professional Memberships

American Academy of Religion

Wesleyan Theological Society (2015-16 President)