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Research Interests

- American Religious History
- Global Pentecostalism
- Spirit-Empowered Leadership

Education

University of Kansas	Lawrence, Kansas
• B.A. History	
North Park Theological Seminary	Chicago, Illinois
• M.Div.	
Pacific School of Religion	Berkeley, California
• M.A. Historical Studies	
Regent University Divinity School	Virginia Beach, VA
• Ph.D. History	

Academic Employment

2011—current Oral Roberts University Tulsa, OK
Senior Professor of Theological and Historical Studies
Former Associate Director, PhD Theology

2006—2015 Regent University Divinity School Virginia Beach, VA
Adjunct Instructor of Christian History and Practical Theology

2008-2010 Alphacrucis (Southern Cross) College Chester Hill, NSW, AU
Senior Lecturer, Head of Pastoral Theology

2004-2008 Regent University School of Divinity Virginia Beach, VA
Ph.D. Program Coordinator, Teaching Fellow

Service to the University – Oral Robert University

- PhD Committee & Admissions Committee (current)
- Academic Council (2015-2017)
- Study Abroad in Israel (2014, 2016, & 2018)
- Admissions Committee for PhD (Theology)

- ATS/HLC Accreditation Committees
- Hiring Committee, College of Education (2023-24)
- Assessment Specialist

Publications

Books:

- *Paradigms of Global Spirit-Empowered Leadership* (forthcoming in 2024).
- *Charles G. Finney and the Civil War: How Evangelical Religion Affects Politics* (Lewiston, NY: Edwin Mellen, 2018).
- Co-editor, *Children of the Calling: A Festschrift in Honor of Drs. Stan and Ruth Burgess* (Portland: Pickwick, 2014).
- *The Pentecostal Mission in Palestine: The Legacy of Pentecostal Zionism* (Portland: Pickwick, 2012).

Chapter in Books

- “The Indomitable Margaret Gaines,” in *Two Millennia of Memorable Christian Women*, ed. Stanley M. Burgess (New York: Harper-Collins, WestBow, 2020), 212-217.
- “Global Poverty and Transnational Pentecostal Evangelization in the Middle East,” in e21 book. (forthcoming in 2020)
- “Diverse Contours of Pentecostalism in Israel Palestine,” *Global Renewal Christianity, vol. 4*, (Lake Mary, FL: Charisma House, 2016).
- “Philip Jacob Spener’s Vision for Church Reform,” *Servant Leadership, vol. 1* (Chicago: Covenant Press, 1994).

Book Reviews:

- *A Short History of Christian Zionism* by Donald Lewis. Downer’s Grove: IVP Academic, 2021. *Studies in Christian-Jewish Relations* 17, 1 (Fall, 2022): 1-3.
- *Between Dixie and Zion: Southern Baptists and Palestine before Israel* by Walker Robins. Tuscaloosa, Alabama: University of Alabama Press, 2020. *Journal of Church and State* (Fall, 2020).
- *Azusa, Rome, and Zion: Pentecostal Faith, Catholic Reform, and Jewish Roots* by Peter Hocken. Eugene: Pickwick, 2016. *Religious Studies Reviews* (2018)
- *Christians in South Indian Villages, 1959-2009: Decline and Revival in Telangana* by John B. Carman and Chilkuri Vasantha Rao. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2014. *Nova Religio*, (November 2016), 135-37.
- *The New Testament Case Against Christian Zionism* by Paul Pomerville. Seattle: CreateSpace, 2015. *Pneuma Foundation Online Journal* (Summer 2015).

- *An Unusual Relationship: Evangelical Christians and Jews* by Yaakov Ariel. New York: New York University Press, 2013. *Religious Studies Reviews* (June 2014), 316.
- *Messianic Religious Zionism Confronts Israeli Territorial Compromises* by Motti Inbari. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012. *Nova Religio: The Journal of Alternative and Emergent Religions* (May 2015), 112-114.
- *The Bible and Zionism: Invented Traditions, Archaeology, and Post-Colonialism in Israel-Palestine* by Nur Masahla (London: Zed Books, 2007) in *Religious Studies Review* 37, 2 (June 2012): 118.
- *God's Strange Work: William Miller and the End of the World* by David Rowe (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2008) in *Nova Religio: The Journal of Alternative and Emergent Religions* 15, 1 (August 2011): 127-129.
- *The Dynamics of Christian Mission: History through a Missiological Perspective* by Paul Pierson (Pasadena: William Carey Library, 2009) in *Pneuma* 33, 3 (2011): 449-450.

Conference Presentations:

- "Pentecostal Views of the Other in Palestine: 1908-48," American Society of Church History, Chicago, IL, January 3, 2019.
- "Anointing of Donald Trump," Response to Papers, American Academy of Religion, Denver, CO, November 20, 2018
- "Global Poverty and Transnational Pentecostalism in the Middle East," Paper presented to the 47th Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Cleveland, Tennessee, March 11, 2018.
- "Charles Finney and the Legacy of Progressive Evangelical Social Engagement," Spring Meeting of the American Association of Church History, Berkeley, CA, April 6, 2017.
- "Diverse Contours of Pentecostalism in Israel/Palestine," Paper presented to the 46th Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, St. Louis, MO, March 10, 2017.
- "Edward Said and Interfaith Attitudes of Christian Missionaries in Palestine," Paper presented to the 45th Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Pomona, CA, March 15, 2016.
- "Pentecostals in Palestine," Paper presented at the E-21 Jerusalem 2015 Conference, Jerusalem, Israel, May 21, 2015.
- "Edward Said and the Inter-faith Attitudes of Pentecostal in Palestine," Paper presented at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Lakeland, FL, March 14, 2015.
- "Stanley M. Burgess and the Artifacts of Renewal," Paper at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Springfield, MO, March 7, 2014.
- "Early Pentecostal Missionary Call Narratives," Paper at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Seattle, WA, March 21, 2013

- “Theology in Color: Ecumenical Significance of Icons of the Spirit,” Paper Presented at the 41st Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Virginia Beach, VA, March 22, 2012.
- “Pentecostals and Peace in the Holy Land,” Paper Presented at the 40th Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, Memphis, TN, March 8, 2011.

Journal and Encyclopedia Articles:

- “Paradigms of Global Spirit-Empowered Leadership.” *Spiritus; ORU Journal of Theology*. (Forthcoming in Fall 2022).
- “Pentecostals in Palestine,” *Brill Encyclopedia of Global Pentecostalism*, online (Nov., 2020) http://dx.doi.org/10.1163/2589-3807_EGPO_COM_033786>
- “History of Christianity in the Gaza Strip,” “Pentecostalism in Israel/Palestine,” *Encyclopedia of Christianity in the Global South*, Rowman and Littlefield (2019)
- “Pentecostalism in West Asia,” *Companion to Atlas of Global Christianity*, University of Edinburgh (2019).
- “Oral Roberts and the Hebrew Bible.” *Spiritus: ORU Journal of Theology* 3, 2 (2018): 199-219.
- “Said’s Orientalism and Pentecostal Views of Islam in Palestine,” *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 36, 4 (October 2012):196-199.
- “The Palestine Missionary Band and the Azusa-Jerusalem Connection,” *Journal of the European Pentecostal Theological Association* 31, 1 (2011): 81-92.
- “Pentecostals and Peace in Israel/Palestine,” *Australasian Pentecostal Studies* 13 (August 2011), <http://webjournals.alphacrucis.edu.au/journals/aps/issue-13/>.
- “Edward Said and the Interfaith Attitudes of Christian Missionaries,” *The Expository Times* 122, 12 (2011): 582-590.

Professional Associations

- American Academy of Religion
- American Society of Church History
- European Pentecostal Theological Association
- Society for Pentecostal Studies

Teaching

- **PhD**
History of Christian Doctrine
History of Global Spirit-Empowered Movements

Contemporary Issues in Global Spirit-Empowered Christianity

References:

- Stanley M. Burgess, ORU Trustee Emeritus, Retired Distinguished Professor of Christian History, Regent University School of Divinity, 6871 Farm Road, P.O. Box 248, Strafford, MO 65757. 417-833-0728. rvburgess@earthlink.net
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