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MAJOR AREA OF STUDY: New Testament Exegesis and Theology.

DISSERTATION TITLE: Christ Jesus, Wisdom, and Spirituality: An Exegetical Study of 1 Corinthians 1-4 in Light of Jewish Wisdom Traditions (Available through UMI Dissertation Services, Ann Arbor, Michigan).

EDUCATION:

M.S. (Environmental Science), Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK (present).
Ph.D. (New Testament Studies), Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL, 1995.
M.Div., Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK, 1990.
B.S. (Mathematics), University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK, 1983.

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE: Biblical Studies, Ecotheology, and Wesleyan Studies.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Professor of New Testament, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK, 2007-Present.
Granted Tenure, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK, 2006.
Visiting Instructor, Southern California Christian College, Rancho Mirage, CA, 2005-Present.
Associate Professor of New Testament, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK, 2003-2007.
Assistant Professor of New Testament, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK, 2000-2003.
Adjunct Professor of Biblical Studies, Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK, 1997-2000.
Fellow in Methodism, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL, 1994-1995.
Taught Methodist History, Wesleyan Theology, United Methodist Polity.
Instructor, Huntington Learning Center, Westmont, IL, 1992-1995.
Tutored mathematics, study skills, and ACT preparation to students, grades 1-12.
Adjunct Instructor, Trinity College, Deerfield, IL, 1993.
Taught Linear Algebra.
Computer Programming Instructor, Bryan Institute, Tulsa, OK, 1985.
Taught business programming languages and applications.

PUBLICATIONS:

Monographs

First Corinthians 1-4 in Light of Jewish Wisdom Traditions: Christ, Wisdom, and Spirituality.
Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press, 2000.
The Greening of Hebrews? Ecological Readings in the Letter to the Hebrews. Eugene, OR:
Pickwick (2012).

Articles in Edited Volumes

"Biblical Interpretation in the Star Trek Universe: Going Where Some Have Gone Before." In
Star Trek and Sacred Ground: Explorations of Star Trek, Religion, and American

Culture, edited by Jennifer Porter and Darcee McLaren (Albany: SUNY Press, 1999): 193-214.

"Religious Diversity and Popular Culture: A Survey of the Visions of Religious Diversity in *Star Trek* and *The Da Vinci Code*." In *The Language of Diversity: Restoration Toward Peace and Unity*, edited by Mary Alice Trent (New Castle, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2007), 4-12.

"The Sisko, The Christ: A Comparison of Messiah Figures in the *Star Trek* Universe and the New Testament." In *Star Trek as Myth: Essays on Symbol and Archetype at the Final Frontier*, edited by Matthew Wilhelm Kapell (Jefferson, NC: McFarland Press, 2010), 112-28.

"A Review of Robert Jewett's Romans *Hermeneia* Commentary." In *From Rome to Beijing: Symposia on Robert Jewett's Commentary on Romans*, edited by K. K. Yeo (Lincoln, NE: Kairos Studies, 2013), 199-203.

Dictionary Articles

"Apollos," "Heresy," "Hope," "Perfection," "Sapphire." In *Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible*, edited by David Noel Freedman (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2000): 77-78, 577, 605-6, 1028-29, 1167.

"Perfection." In *New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible*, edited by Katharine Doob Sakenfeld (Nashville: Abingdon, 2009): 4:443-44.

"Environmental Ethics," "Gifts of the Spirit," "Greek," "Logos," "Roberts, Granville Oral," "Tongues in Pentecostal Experience," in *Encyclopedia of Christian Civilization*, edited by George Kurian (Oxford: Blackwell, 2011): 2:836-38, 1019-20, 1058-59, 1380-81; 3:1999; 4:2392-94.

"Environmental Ethics," "Oral Roberts University," in *Encyclopedia of Christian Education*, edited by George Kurian and Mark Lamport (New York: Scarecrow Press, forthcoming).

Journal Articles

"Wisdom in Colossians 1:15-20: Contribution and Significance," *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 41 (March 1998): 45-53.

"Paul, the Law, Jews, and Gentiles: A Contextual and Exegetical Reading of Romans 2:12-16," *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 42 (March 1999): 37-51.

"Is Paul Anti-Jewish? Testament of Levi 6 in the Interpretation of 1 Thessalonians 2:13-16," *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 65 (July 2003): 408-27.

"Appearance Language in Titus: A Semantics of Holiness," *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 40 (Spring 2005): 93-109.

"The Rhetoric of Righteousness: An Overview of Paul's Argument in Romans 5-8," *Asbury Theological Journal* 60 (Fall 2005): 55-66.

"Friendship with the World: Social Accommodation and the Evangelistic Imperative in 1 Timothy," *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 42 (Spring 2007): 87-102.

"Creational Christology: A Rationale for Wesleyans to Care for the Created Order," *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 44 (Spring 2009): 91-103.

"An Alternative Explanation for the Alleged 'Imperative' Participles of Romans 12:9-21," *Tyndale Bulletin* 61 (2010): 311-16.

"The Spirit and the Story: Some Pentecostal Musings on Robert W. Jenson's View of Scripture," *Journal of Pentecostal Theology* 20 (2011): 5-14.

Book Reviews

Sophia and Logos by Stephen M. Pogoloff, *Trinity Journal* n.s. 16 (Spring 1995): 115-18.

The Openness of God by Clark Pinnock and Others, *Wesleyan Theological Journal* (Spring 1996): 229-31.

Conflict and Community in Corinth by Ben Witherington, III, *Trinity Journal* n.s. 17 (Spring 1996): 101-4.

St. Paul's Theology of Proclamation by Duane Litfin, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 39 (December 1996): 667-69.

Romans (Westminster Bible Companion) by David L. Bartlett, *Ashland Theological Journal* 29 (1997): 154-55.

Colossian, Ephesians, 1 and 2 Timothy, and Titus (Westminster Bible Companion) by Lewis R. Donelson, *Ashland Theological Journal* 30 (1998): 138-40.

Paul & the Salvation of the Individual by Gary W. Burnett, *Review of Biblical Literature* [<http://www.bookreviews.org>] (2003).

Life in Christ: A Spiritual Commentary on the Letter to the Romans by Raniero Cantalamessa, *Review of Biblical Literature* [<http://www.bookreviews.org>] (2003).

101 Questions & Answers on Paul by Ronald D. Witherup, *Review of Biblical Literature* [<http://www.bookreviews.org>] (2004).

He Loved Them Until the End: The Farewell Materials in the Gospel According to John by John Christopher Thomas, *Pneuma* 26 (2004): 379-81.

The Pentecostal Commentary on 1 Peter, 2 Peter, Jude (The Pentecostal Commentary: New Testament) by Rebecca Skaggs, *Review of Biblical Literature* [<http://www.bookreviews.org>] (2005).

The Drama of Scripture: Finding Our Place in the Biblical Story by Craig G. Bartholomew and Michael W. Goheen, *Review of Biblical Literature* [<http://www.bookreviews.org>] (2005).

The People's New Testament Commentary by M. Eugene Boring and Fred B. Craddock, *Review of Biblical Literature* [<http://www.bookreviews.org>] (2005).

Christianity at Corinth: The Quest for the Pauline Church edited by Edward Adams and David G. Horrell, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 48 (2005): 657-59.

Called to Be Church: The Book of Acts for a New Day by Anthony B. Robinson and Robert W. Wall and *The Way according to Luke: Hearing the Whole Story of Luke-Acts* by Paul Borgman, *Pneuma* 29 (2007): 327-28.

Biblical Perspectives on the Integrity of Creation by Dianne Bergant, *Catholic Biblical Quarterly* 72 (2010): 560-61.

Lukan Authorship of Hebrews by David L. Allen, *Pneuma* 33 (2011): 300-1.

The Tongues of Angels by John C. Poirier, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 54 (2011): 853-55.

CURRICULUM:

"Signposts on the Way to Just Peace—Is Justice for Just Us?" In *An Ecumenical Call for Just Peace: An Adult Curriculum*, edited by Rachel E. Stacy (Geneva: World Council of Churches, [forthcoming]).

"For Peace with the Earth." In *An Ecumenical Call for Just Peace: An Adult Curriculum*, edited by Rachel E. Stacy (Geneva: World Council of Churches, [forthcoming]).

EDITORSHIPS:

Co-editor, Studies in Bible and Early Christianity Series, The Edwin Mellen Press.

Translator and editor, Romans and Pastoral Epistles, *The Leader's Bible*, edited by Jim Linzey.

General editor, Hebrews and General Epistles, Synoptic Gospels and Acts (co-editor), *The Leader's Bible*, edited by Jim Linzey.

MEMBERSHIPS IN SCHOLARLY SOCIETIES:

Society for Pentecostal Studies (SPS), 1992-2001, 2007-

American Academy of Religion (AAR), 1994-2000

Evangelical Theological Society (ETS), 1994-2003

Society of Biblical Literature (SBL), 1994-

Wesleyan Theological Society (WTS), 1994-

Institute for Biblical Research (IBR), 2002-

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS:

"The Wesleyan Quadrilateral: An Evangelical Theological Model?" ETS, Lisle, IL, 1994.

"Response to 'Inspiration and 2 Timothy 3:16,' by Mark Wilson," SPS, Wheaton, IL, 1994.

"Rhetoric and Gospel in 1 Corinthians 1-4," ETS, Philadelphia, PA, 1995.

"The Spiritual Christian: A Matter of Degree or Definition? (1 Corinthians 2:6-3:4)," ETS, Jackson, MS, 1996.

"*Testament of Levi 6:11*: An Interpretive Clue for 1 Thessalonians 2:13-16?" ETS, Colorado Springs, CO, 2001.

"A Biblical Evaluation of the Role of 'Benevolence Giving' Within the Mission of the United Methodist Church," WTS, Hobe Sound, FL, 2002.

"Holiness and New Life in Christ: A Rhetorical Overview of Romans 5-8," WTS/SPS Joint Meeting, Lexington, KY, 2003.

"'Greek in a Week': Teaching First-Year Biblical Greek in a Master of Divinity Modular Program," ETS, Atlanta, GA, 2003.

"'Appearance' Language in Titus: A Semantics of Holiness," WTS, Rochester, NY, 2004.

"The 'Imperative' Participles of Romans 12:9-21 Revisited," SBL, San Antonio, TX, 2004.

"Friendship with the World: Social Accommodation and the Evangelistic Imperative in 1 Timothy," WTS, Kansas City, MO, 2006.

"Religious Diversity and Popular Culture: A Survey of the Visions of Religious Diversity in *Star Trek* and *The Da Vinci Code*," Conference on Christianity, Culture, and Diversity in America, Tulsa, OK, 2006.

"A Review of Rebecca Skaggs' *1 Peter, 2 Peter, Jude* in the Pentecostal Commentary (Pilgrim)," SPS, Cleveland, TN, 2007.

"A Review of Robert Jewett's *Romans* in the Hermeneia Commentary Series," SPS, Cleveland, TN, 2007.

"Recovering the Christological Voice of Creation (Hebrews 1:2-3a)," SBL, San Diego, CA, 2007.

"The Sisko, The Christ: A Comparison of Messiah Figures in the *Star Trek* Universe and the New Testament," SBL, San Diego, CA, 2007.

"Christ, Wisdom, and Spirit: Paul and Pop Spirituality," SBL, San Diego, CA, 2007.

"Christology And Creation: A Rationale for the Care of the Created Order (Hebrews 1:2-3a)," WTS/SPS Joint Meeting, Durham, NC, 2008.

- "What's with Cutting up All Those Animals?: Reading the Sacrifice of Christ in Hebrews from the Perspective of the Animals," SBL, Boston, MA, 2008.
- "What Are We Fighting for?: The Function of the Image of the Christian's Armor in Ephesians 6:11-17," SBL, Boston, MA, 2008.
- "N. T. Wright—Right or Wrong for Pentecostals? A Survey of His Thought and Its Implications for Pentecostals," SPS, Eugene, OR, 2009.
- "The Promise of God's Rest (Hebrews 4:1-11): Joshua, Jesus, Sabbath, and the Care of the Land," SBL, New Orleans, LA, 2009.
- "He Has Prepared a City for Them' (Hebrews 11:16): Escapist Eschatology or Ecological Expedience?" SBL, New Orleans, LA, 2009.
- "Realized Eschatology or Eschatology in the Process of Realization?: A Pentecostal-Charismatic Engagement with N. T. Wright's View of the Present Mission of the Church in the World," SPS, Minneapolis, MN, 2010.
- "We Have an Altar' (Hebrews 13:10): The Reclamation of the Eucharist for Ecological Responsibility," SBL, Atlanta, GA, 2010.
- "A Whispered Voice in the Choir: Toward an Ecological Pneumatology in Hebrews," SPS, Memphis, TN, 2011.
- "The Poor Will Always Be with You': A Strategic Second Look at the Criteria of Ecological Hermeneutics," SBL, San Francisco, CA, 2011.
- "New Heavens and New Earth: Early Pentecostal Soteriology as a Foundation for Creation Care in the Present," SPS, Virginia Beach, VA, 2012.
- "42? What Was the Question? Science Fiction in a Biblical Studies Classroom," Science and Science Fiction Conference, Tulsa, OK, 2012.
- "Jesus and Jubilee: An Ecological Reading of Luke 4:16-21 through the Frame of Environmental Justice," SBL, Chicago, IL, 2012.

MEDIA, SEMINAR, AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS:

- Panelist, "Sovereignty, Foreknowledge, and Freewill," ORU Theological Society (3/14/12).
- Presentation, "Who's Talking to Whom? Science and Theology at Table Are Sat Down," ORU Chapter American Scientific Affiliation (1/17/12).
- Presentation, "Living What We've Always Known: Pentecostals and the Care of Creation," Spirit & Culture: A Conversation on the Christian Life in the Contemporary World Conference, Divine Life Church, Oklahoma City, OK (10/21/11).
- Panelist, "Miroslav Volf's *Allah: A Christian Response* as a Paradigm for Christian-Muslim Dialogue," Interfaith Dialogue (9/27/11).
- Presentation, "Creational Christology: Foundations for Christian Ecology," ORU Honors Program HPSpeak (2/24/11).
- Magazine Interview, "Heavenly Minded," *Charisma* 35:12 (July 2010): 28-34.
- Presentations, "A Green Reading of the Bible?: Reading the Bible from the Perspective of Earth" and "Foundations for Christian Ecology: An Ecological Reading of the Apostles' Creed," in the "Having an Answer II: More Reasons for Hope" seminars, Believers Church, Tulsa, OK (4/16-17/2010).
- Panelist, "Christian Responses to Capitalism," ORU Theological Society (1/29/2010).
- Panelist, "Is God Real?" ORU Student Association (11/17/2009).
- Panelist, "Sexuality, Gender, and Embodiment," ORU Theological Society (9/16/2009).

Panelist, Review of *The Da Vinci Code* (movie), Central Church of the Nazarene, Tulsa, OK (5/21/2006).

Newspaper Interview, *The Da Vinci Code* (movie), *Urban Tulsa Weekly* (5/11-17/2006).

Presentation, "Pluralism and the Post-Modern World," ORU Christian Philosophers Society (11/17/2005).

Presentation, "Creation in Christian Thought," ORU Board of Regents (11/5/2005).

Seminar, "Hermeneutics for the Rest of Us," Life Connection Church, Jenks, OK (2/2005).

Presentation, "The Supremacy of God in Preaching," ORU Theological Society (10/5/2004).

Television Interview, *The Da Vinci Code* (book), KJRH-2, Tulsa, OK (2/6/2004).

Panelist, Review of *The Da Vinci Code*, Barnes & Noble, Tulsa, OK (1/29/2004).

Presentation, "Making It Real: Preparing for the Job Search," ORU Theological Society (2/26/2004).

Presentation, "Building Balanced Theological Perspectives," ORU Theological Society (9/7/2003).

Panelist, "Theodicy: A Good God, Yet an Evil World," ORU Christian Philosophers Society (4/15/2003).

FACULTY SERVICE AND AWARDS:

Faculty Member of the Year, Undergraduate Theology Department (2012-2013).

Participant, NCA Accreditation Criterion 4 (Knowledge) Committee (2010-11).

Faculty Service Award, School of Life Long Education (2008-2009).

Keynote Speaker, "Holy Discontentment," Undergraduate Theology Department Hooding Ceremony (2008).

Faculty Member of the Year, Undergraduate Theology Department (2007-2008).

Participant, NCA Accreditation Criterion 4 (Knowledge) Committee (2005-07).

Site Visitor, Program Review for Studio Art (2005).

Department Nominee, ORU Scholar of the Year (2005).

Department Nominee, ORU Scholar of the Year (2004).

Chair, Sub-committee of General Education e-Portfolio Rubric Committee (2004).

Administrator, ORU/Zondervan Greek Student of the Year Award (2003-Present).

Mentor, New Faculty Mentor Program (2003-2004).

Participant, Homecoming Activities Committee, Undergraduate Theology Department (2003).

Faculty Advisor, ORU Theological Society (2002-Present).

Participant, 21st-Century Delivery Systems Committee, Graduate School of Theology (2002-2003).

Department Nominee, ORU Scholar of the Year (2002).

Keynote Speaker, "A People of Hope," Undergraduate Theology Department Hooding Ceremony (2001).

Faculty Member of the Year, Undergraduate Theology Department (2000-2001).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

IPads and Mobile Devices Workshop, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (8/2011).

SmartPodium Basics, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (8/2010).

BlackBoard Online Learning Series, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (Fall 2003).

PhotoShop 6.0: An Introduction, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (7/2003).

PowerPoint: Hyperlinks, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (7/2003).

FrontPage 2000: Web Page Development, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (7/2003).
Library of Congress: Utilizing the Website, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (7/2003).
Intel Teaching for the Future, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (7/2002).
Lead Teacher Training, Eighth Floor Technology Consortium (7/2001).

COURSES TAUGHT:

Graduate

Pentateuch (Hebrew)
Methodist History
Wesleyan Theology
United Methodist Polity
New Testament Greek Hermeneutics and Exegesis
Cross and Resurrection in the New Testament (Greek)
Greek Synthesis I (Modular)
Greek Synthesis II (Modular)
New Testament Greek Hermeneutics and Exegesis (Modular)
Biblical Hermeneutics (Modular)
Synoptic Gospels (Modular)
Wisdom Literature (Modular)

Undergraduate

Biblical Greek I
Biblical Greek II
Greek Exegesis I
Greek Exegesis II
Survey of New Testament Literature
New Testament Introduction
Hermeneutics
Pauline Epistles
Hebrews and General Epistles
Pentateuch
Old Testament Introduction
Research Methodology
Sermon Preparation and Preaching
Church Administration
Special Topic—Issues in Pauline and Philosophical Anthropology
Global Development and Sustainability

Distance Education

Survey of New Testament Literature (Online)
Pauline Epistles (Online)
Hermeneutics (Online)
Hebrews and General Epistles (Online)
Hermeneutics (Correspondence)
Pauline Epistles (Correspondence)
Hebrews and General Epistles (Correspondence)

Visiting Instructor

Romans

New Testament Survey

Corinthian Correspondence

Galatians

MINISTRY CREDENTIALS AND EXPERIENCE:

Transferred Elder, Free Methodist Church of North America, Mid-America Conference, 2005.

Ordained Elder, United Methodist Church, Oklahoma Annual Conference, 1999-2005.

Ordained Deacon, United Methodist Church, Oklahoma Annual Conference, 1991-2005.

Teaching Pastor, The Bridge Community Church, Tulsa, OK, 2005-2006.

Pastor, Big Cabin United Methodist Church, Big Cabin, OK, 2002-2004.

Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Spiro, OK, 1995-2000.

Minister of Christian Education, Bristol Hill United Methodist Church, Kansas City, KS, 1990-1991.