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## CURRICULUM VITA

### EDUCATION:

Ph.D. July, 1996, O.S.U. Stillwater, OK  
Department of History. Concentration in Modern European, Latin American, U.S. History, and Spanish. Emphasis in area of the history of ideas, ethics, and the role of the Church and theology in national development. Dissertation entitled, "The Prophetic Call and Message of Bartolome de Las Casas." Emphasis on the ethics and historical development of the theology of this Dominican priest in the intellectual milieu of the sixteenth century, especially relating to Spanish colonization in New World.

Master of Divinity (M.Div.) May 1989, (with highest honors). Recipient of Outstanding M. Div. Student Award, 1989. Oral Roberts University Seminary, Tulsa, OK. Concentration in ethics, theology, and Hebrew.

Completed 30 graduate semester hours, University of Southern California, Overseas Extension, Baumholder, Germany, 1971-73. Concentration in methods and curriculum.

Graduate, Torchbearers Bible School, Holsbybrunn, Sweden, May, 1974. Seven month course taught by Bible scholars from around Europe. -

M.A. International Relations, 1970, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL  
Concentration in Latin American area studies; history, government, and Spanish.

B.A. Inter-American Studies and Spanish, 1969, Florida State University. Concentration in history, government and Spanish.

*Languages:* In addition to being fluent in German and Spanish, I have a reading knowledge of Portuguese, Italian, French, and biblical Hebrew.

Awards: 2005: ORU Teacher of the Year  
2013: ORU Scholar of the Year

### TEACHING

### EXPERIENCE:

February 2014 to present: Interim Chair, History, Humanities, Government Department, ORU.

Fall 1992 - Present: Professor, Department of History, Oral Roberts University. Received tenure Fall, 2000. I teach U.S., Latin American, and Military History. Supervisor, Dr. Michael Hirlinger. I have also led study tours around the world for ORU students.

Spring 1989 - Present: Adjunct Professor, Oral Roberts University Seminary. I have taught Christian ethics and systematic theology. Supervisor, Dr. Thomas

Mathew. I have taught not only in the Tulsa Seminary, but also in the extensions in Tulsa, California, South Korea, and England.

Fall 1987 - Present: Adjunct Instructor, Tulsa Junior College, Tulsa, OK, both at Metro and Southeast Campus. I have taught Humanities. Western Civilization, Cultural Geography, and U.S. History.

Fall 1988 - 1989: Instructor, Oral Roberts University, Department of History, Humanities, and Government and. I taught International Relations, Political Science, and American Federal Government. Supervisor, Dr. David Poteet.

Fall 1986 -1989: Teaching Assistant, Oral Roberts University. I taught theology and the role of the Holy Spirit. Supervisor, Dr. James Tollett.

1981 - 1986: Founder and Headmaster. Christian Covenant Church and Academy, Deland. FL. In addition to general oversight, I taught Spanish and Bible. I also conducted mission trips to Guatemala as well as many local outreach projects.

1976 - 1981: Headmaster, South Broward Christian Academy. Hollywood, FL.

1974 - 1976: Attucks Middle School, Hollywood, FL. I taught Civics. Florida History, and Spanish. The Principal of the school was Mr. Donald Williams.

#### PUBLICATIONS & ARTICLES

The Life of H.L Mencken," Arts and Humanities Council of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK. Companion Reader, June, 1995.

"Senator Joe McCarthy: Politician and Symbol of an Era," Arts and Humanities Council of Tulsa, Companion Reader, June, 1997

"Bishop Francis Asbury: America Was His Parish" Arts and Humanities Council of Tulsa. Companion Reader, June 1998.

"Henry Ford: The Man with a Better Idea" Arts and Council of Tulsa, Companion Reader. June 1999

*"From Tramp Reporting to Pulitzer Prize: Enid's Own Marquis James."* The Chronicles of Oklahoma, Vol. LXXXI, Number 3, Fall, 2003. Oklahoma City, OK.

"Ethical Consistency in the Life and Message of Bartolme de las Casas," Accepted for publication in *Hispania Sacra*, Journal of Spanish Church History, Madrid, Spain. To be published.

"Bartolome de las Casas: Prophet of the New World," *Mediterranean Studies Association Journal*, 2000.

"Woodrow Wilson: The Reluctant Warrior." Arts and Humanities Council, Tulsa, OK. Companion Reader, May, 2014.

BOOKS:

*Bartolome de las Casas: Great Prophet of the Americas.* Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 2006.

*George Washington: A Legacy of Leadership.* Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishing, 2011.

*Andrew Jackson: The Iron Willed Commander.* Nashville: Thomas Nelson, July, 2012.

CONFERENCE  
PAPERS:

"Anticolonialism in the Message of Bartolome de Las Casas," Annual Meeting of the Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, April 27-30, 1996.

"Ethical Consistency in the Life and Message of Bartolome de Las Casas." Presented September 18, 1997, at Mid American Historical Society Conference, held at Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

In-character presentation of C.S. Lewis, at the conference entitled "C.S. Lewis and the Inklings," at Oral Roberts University, February, 1999. This was the plenary meeting.

"Bartolome de Las Casas: Prophet for the New World," annual international meeting of the Mediterranean Studies Association (MSA), Coimbra, Portugal, May 1999.

"The Changing Nature of the Portuguese Slave Trade," annual meeting of the MSA, Universidade Federal Do Bahia, Salvador, Brazil, May, 2000. Also chaired a session at this meeting.

Since 2000, I have presented academic papers at universities in international conferences in Hungary, France, Sicily, Portugal, and Spain, as well as numerous papers around the US, for such organizations as the MSA, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Studies, Fides et Historia, Midwestern Historical Society, and SW Social Studies Assoc.

Since 2000, I have spoken at both Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, Preservation of English Language Society, This Land Press, and many other civic and patriotic organizations in the Eastern OK area. In 2014 I was a featured speaker at the annual Theodore Roosevelt Symposium at Dickinson State University, ND.

Since 2005, I have lectured as a destination speaker on cruise ships, including Princess, Azamara, Silver Seas, and Royal Caribbean Lines, concerning the history, culture, geography, and art in the Caribbean, South America, and the Mediterranean.

OTHER -  
EXPERIENCE:

Fall 1997, taught the US History Telecourse for the School of Life Long Education, ORU. This program to be televised on ORU television network.

Fall 1996 to present, founding member of History Alive! Program sponsored by Oklahoma Foundation for Humanities. I have portrayed historical characters in approximately 50 schools around OK and KS. I have also appeared on Rogers State College's TV, "Center for Poets and Writers," program and Enid's Pegasys Cable TV for presentations of characters.

Summer 1995 to present, I have portrayed the characters of H.L. Mencken, Sen. Joseph McCarthy, Henry Ford, Marquis James, C.S. Lewis. Bartolome de las Casas, Tate Brady, Woodrow Wilson, and Bishop Francis Asbury in Chautauqua events in Tulsa, Enid, Ponca City, Lawton, and Seminole, OK, and in several states around the country and England. I have also presented these characters in churches, libraries, universities, and meeting halls around the US.

January, 1994 - Present: Pastor, Haskell-Porter United Methodist Churches, Porter and Haskell, OK.

1989 - 1993: Associate Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Bartlesville, OK. My area of emphasis included evangelism, preaching, and Bible teaching.

I was responsible for beginning and preaching at the "Good News Saturday Night" service. I have also led and been involved in mission teams to Costa Rica, Guatemala, Ethiopia, and Russia.

1970 - 1974: U.S. Army, Military Intelligence, Reid Office Commander, Baumholder, Germany. I was involved with back-ground investigations and liaison with U.S - German agencies. I was also responsible for the counter-intelligence effort for nine counties in Germany. Attended U.S. Army language School, Oberammergau, Germany, fluent In German. Achieved rank of Captain, U.S. Army Reserve.

GRANTS:

Spring 2000, grant from ORU Faculty Assembly to pursue research on the life of Marquis James, Pulitzer Prize winning historian from Enid, Oklahoma combined with a grant from the Oklahoma Humanities Council and the Sons and Daughters of the Cherokee Strip.

Spring 1997, a grant from the Sons and Daughters of the Cherokee Strip, Enid, OK, for the purpose of portraying Francis Asbury to small rural churches in the Northwest OK area.

Fall 1996 to present, a grant from Oklahoma Foundation for Humanities to visit public schools in the OK area to present historical characters. Also to appear in Chautauqua events around state and nation.

Summer 1995, Fall 2005, grants from Sons and Daughters of the Cherokee Strip, Enid, OK, to participate in a re-creation of the Scopes Monkey Trial.