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Education:

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. Ph.D., near eastern studies, 1992.

Wesley Biblical Seminary, Jackson, Miss. M.A.R., biblical literature, 1984.

Hobe Sound Bible College, Hobe Sound, Fla. B.A., ministerial studies, 1981.

Teaching Positions:

Professorial Lecturer in Religion, George Washington University, Washington, D.C. (2000-)

Online Professor of Religion, Saint Leo University, Tampa, Fla. (2000-)

Adjunct Professor [literature, philosophy], Coppin State University, Baltimore, Md. (2007-)

Online Adjunct [humanities], William Woods University, Fulton, Mo. (2022-)

Professorial Lecturer [theology], Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. (2016-17)

Professor of Biblical Studies, Saint Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md. (1988-2014 [Dunning distinguished faculty lecturer, 1997-98])

Adjunct Associate Professor [religion], George Mason University, Fairfax, Va. (2003-13)

Distributed Learning Professor in Old Testament Studies, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky. (2004-13)

Faculty in Religion, Harford Community College, Bel Air, Md. (2010-13)

Adjunct Lecturer in Philosophy and Religious Studies, McDaniel College, Westminster, Md. (2000-12)

Affiliate Professor of Theology, Loyola University, Baltimore, Md. (1997-2011)

Lecturer of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Morgan State University, Baltimore, Md. (1998-2007)

Adjunct Instructor [bible], Frederick School of Religion, Frederick, Md. (2005-6)

Professorial Lecturer [philosophy, religion], American University, Washington, D.C. (2001-5)

Part-time Instructor of Philosophy and Religious Studies, Towson University, Towson, Md. (2002-3)

Adjunct Lecturer [bible], Notre Dame of Maryland University, Baltimore, Md. (1995-2002)

Affiliate Professor in Theology, Mount Saint Mary's University, Frederick, Md. (2000-2002)

Adjunct Instructor [philosophy, religion, sociology], Potomac College, Washington, D.C. (2000-2002)

Visiting Assistant Professor of Old Testament, Wesley Biblical Seminary, Jackson, Miss. (1997-98)

Adjunct Instructor [bible, history, language, mythology, religion], Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. (1987-97)

Instructor [bible, language], Arlington Bible College, Baltimore, Md. (1987-90; part time)

Adjunct Lecturer [religion], Community College of Baltimore County, Catonsville, Md. (1989-90)

Instructor [bible, language], Penn View Bible Institute, Penns Creek, Pa. (1986-87; part time)

Instructor of Bible, Theology, and Greek, Wesley College, Florence, Miss. (1985-86)

Teacher, Christian Learning Academy, Severn, Md. (1981-82)

Teacher, Wesleyan Christian Academy, West Bay, Grand Cayman Island, BWI (1979-80)

Related Experience:

Project Concierge Team Lead, Trinity Solar, Hanover, Md. (2018-)

Program Specialist, Fuel Fund of Maryland, Baltimore, Md. (2015-18)

Executive Director, Forty West Assistance & Referral Center, Baltimore, Md. (2013-15)

Consultant, Civilizations Exchange and Cooperation Foundation, Baltimore, Md. (2004-13)

Director of Research, Prison Fellowship Ministries, Reston, Va. (1992-2000)

Member, Editorial Board, Bulletin for Biblical Research, Wheaton, Ill. (1999)
Assistant, Office of Academic Advising, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. (1990-92)
Graduate Assistant, Comprehensive Aramaic Lexicon Project, Baltimore, Md. (1988)
Pastor, Holiness Wesleyan Church, Baltimore, Md. (1981-82)

Publications [books/articles/reviews]:

An Elementary Grammar of Biblical Hebrew, Biblical Languages: Hebrew, vol. 1 (Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 2000)

editor, The Micah Mandate: To Do Justice, by Kristin A. Dubbeling, Proceedings from the Theological Symposium on Justice (Washington: Prison Fellowship Ministries, 2000)

with William T. Preston and Greg D. Richardson, "JUS230 Restorative Justice," typewritten curricular manuscript, Institute of Correspondence Studies, Taylor University, Fort Wayne (5 February 1996)

editor, Family & Corrections Network Report [issue title: "The Spiritual Impulse behind Family Programming"], no. 6 (September 1995)

Nations Mightier and More Numerous: The Biblical View of Palestine's Pre-Israelite Peoples, BIBAL Dissertation Series, vol. 3 (Fort Worth: BIBAL Press, 1995)

Old Testament Introduction, IBR Bibliographies, vol. 11 (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1995)

"Agriculture in Ancient Egypt," "Betrothal of Yarikh and Nikkal-Ib," "Gezer Calendar," "In Praise of the Scribal Art," "Mesha Stela," "Mursili's Accusations against Tawannanna," and "Royal Hymn of Hammurabi," The Power of Poetry: Resisting Injustice with Language, National Museum of Language (website, 2022), language-museum.org

"Nations, Peoples, and Empires (Part 1)," in The Eerdmans Companion to the Bible, ed. Gordon D. Fee and Robert L. Hubbard Jr. (Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2011), 384-87

"Habakkuk," in The Women's Study Bible, ed. Catherine Clark Kroeger and Mary J. Evans (New York: Oxford University Press, 2009), 1079-84

"Reason," in The New Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible, ed. Katharine Doob Sakenfeld (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2009), 4:739

"Introduction: A Sense of Community," Ergo Est 1 (2007), <http://www.gw-ergo-est.com>

"Beersheba," in Dictionary of the Old Testament: Historical Books, ed. Bill T. Arnold and H. G. M. Williamson (Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2005), 113-16

"Muslim-Christian Dialogue over Jesus and Muhammad," Encounter (Rome), no. 312 (2005): 1, 3-10

"Religious Studies and Crime," in Understanding Crime: A Multidisciplinary Approach, ed. Susan Guarino-Ghezzi and A. Javier Treviño, with a foreword by Albert K. Cohen (Cincinnati: Anderson Publishing, 2005), 213-35

"Significant Noncanonical Books," in Scripture: An Ecumenical Introduction to the Bible and Its Interpretation, ed. Michael J. Gorman (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 2005), 91-101

"The Antitheodicy of a Man in the Land of Uz," Expository Times 116 (2004-5): 334-35

"Buddhism" and "Christianity," in Encyclopedia of Crime and Punishment, ed. David Levinson (Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications, 2002)

"Habakkuk," in IVP Women's Bible Commentary, ed. Catherine Clark Kroeger and Mary J. Evans (Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2002), 478-83

"Enosh," "Giants," "Girgashite," "Hagrites," "Hiram," "Hivites," "Javan," "Kenaz, Kenizzite," "Nahor," "Perizzites," and "Simeon," in Eerdmans' Dictionary of the Bible, ed. David Noel Freedman (Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2000)

- "Three Strikes against Inmates' Families," Corrections Now, November 2000, 1-3
- "Epigraphic Light on the Old Testament: Palestine and Egypt," in The Face of Old Testament Studies: A Survey of Contemporary Approaches, ed. David W. Baker and Bill T. Arnold (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1999), 45-58
- "White-Collar Violence in America," Prism (Wynnewood, PA), July/October 1999, 36-37
- "'āmîr," "bikkûrâ," "bls," "gābîa'," "kad," "kôs," "kěli," "s'p," "ābôt," "pag," "pěrūdôt," "prh," "prch," "tswts," "šō'ār," and "tě'ēnâ," in New International Dictionary of Old Testament Theology and Exegesis, ed. Willem A. VanGemeren (Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1997)
- "Mistranslation in Cant 1:5," Andrews University Seminary Studies 34 (1996): 35-36
- "Geographic Distribution of the Pre-Israelite Peoples of Ancient Palestine," Biblische Zeitschrift, n.s., 38 (1994): 81-86
- "Prophetic Attitudes toward Violence in Ancient Israel," Criswell Theological Review 7 (1994): 83-89
- "Is American Justice Color-Blind?" ESA Advocate, May 1993, 1-4
- "Azaliah," "Bethuel," "Hamor," "Hazo," "Jerioth," "Jidlaph," "Mishraites," "Oholiab," "Pildash," "Puah," "Puthite," "Puti-el," "Raham," "Regem," "Reumah," "Shaaph," "Sheber," "Shechem," "Shiphrah," "Shumathite," "Sithri," "Sucathites," "Tahash," "Tappuah," "Tebah," "Tirathites," and "Tirhanah," in The Anchor Bible Dictionary, ed. David Noel Freedman (New York: Doubleday, 1992)
- review of *Ritual Words and Narrative Worlds in the Book of Leviticus*, by Bryan D. Bibb, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 72 (2010): 334-36
- review of *Leviticus*, by Ephraim Radner, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 71 (2009): 389-90
- review of *Idolatry and the Hardening of the Heart*, by Edward P. Meadors, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 70 (2008): 116-17
- review of *Metaphysics and the God of Israel*, by Neil B. MacDonald, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 70 (2008): 577-78
- review of *Linguistic Evidence for the Pre-exilic Date of the Yahwistic Source*, by Richard M. Wright, in Expository Times 119 (2007-8): 464
- review of *The Triumph of Grace in Deuteronomy*, by Paul A. Barker, in Expository Times 119 (2007-8): 480
- review of *Rhetoric and Social Justice in Isaiah*, by Mark Gray, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 69 (2007): 322-23
- review of *Buddhism and Christianity in Dialogue*, edited by Perry Schmidt-Leukel, in Expository Times 118 (2006-7): 611-12
- review of *"I Have Written to the King, My Lord,"* by Roger Tomes, in Expository Times 118 (2006-7): 161
- review of *Histoire de la langue hébraïque: Des origines à l'époque de la Mishna*, by Mireille Hadas-Lebel, in Journal of Biblical Literature 117 (1998): 131-32
- review of *A Call to Hope: Living as Christians in a Violent Society*, by Vera K. White, in Good News (Wilmore, KY), September/October 1997, 24-25
- review of *Ephraim: Studien zur Geschichte des Stammes Ephraim von der Landnahme bis zur frühen Königszeit*, by Heinz-Dieter Neef, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 59 (1997): 745-4
- review of *Old Testament Interpretation: Past, Present, and Future*, edited by James Luther Mays, David L. Petersen, and Kent Harold Richards, in Near East Archaeological Society Bulletin 42 (1997): 61-63
- review of *Sage, Priest, Prophet: Religious and Intellectual Leadership in Ancient Israel*, by Joseph Blenkinsopp, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 59 (1997): 336-37

- review of *Deuteronomy and the Death of Moses: A Theological Reading*, by Dennis T. Olson, in Interpretation 50 (1996): 305-6
- review of *The Origins of the Bible: Rethinking Canon History*, by John W. Miller, in Catholic Biblical Quarterly 58 (1996): 322-23
- review of *The Preacher Sought to Find Pleasing Words: A Study of the Language of Qoheleth*, by A[ntoon] Schoors, in Journal of Biblical Literature 113 (1994): 524-25
- review of *The Books of Amos & Hosea*, by Harry Mowvley, in Ashland Theological Journal 25 (1993): 142-44
- review of *Exodus*, by Terence E. Fretheim, in Ashland Theological Journal 24 (1992): 108-10
- review of *Biblical Hebrew: A Text and Workbook*, by Bonnie Pedrotti Kittel, Vicki Hoffer, and Rebecca Abts Wright, in Critical Review of Books in Religion 4 (1991): 130-31

Public Talks:

- reciter, "Plowing and Sowing," "Reaping," and "Threshing," An Exploration of Social Justice Themes in Song and Verse from Africa and the Diaspora, Prince George's County Memorial Library System, Greenbelt, Md. (May 20, 2023)
- panelist, "Religion in South Asia: An Overview and How It Affects the Disapora," George Washington University, Washington, D.C. (March 7, 2019)
- panelist, "World Interfaith Harmony Week Luncheon," Universal Peace Federation, Washington, D.C. (February 8, 2018)
- "Use Only Village Articles" Greater Baltimore Hindu-Jain Temple, Finksburg, Md. (October 1, 2017)
- panelist, "Symposium on Christian Faith, Reason, and Vocation," Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. (February 18, 2017)
- "What Would Gandhi Do about Toilets in Gujarat?" Greater Baltimore Hindu-Jain Temple, Finksburg, Md. (October 4, 2015)
- "Transformative Experiences of Ordinary Folks in the Bible," Fairhaven, Sykesville, Md. (March 14, 2014)
- panelist, "World Interfaith Harmony Week Luncheon," Universal Peace Federation, Washington, D.C. (February 27, 2014)
- "International Interfaith Relations," Fairhaven, Sykesville, Md. (October 17, 2012)
- panelist, "Practicing Tolerance in Today's World," Greater Baltimore Hindu-Jain Temple, Finksburg, Md. (October 7, 2012)
- "Judaism, Islam, and More," Lydia Circle, Catonsville United Methodist Church, Catonsville, Md. (May 16, 2012)
- "Afterlife in World Religions," Stella Maris, Timonium, Md. (September 27, 2010)
- "Health Beliefs and Values," GWish Spirituality and Healthcare Summer Institute, Washington, D.C. (July 7, 2009)
- moderator, Fourth Interfaith Dialog: Interreligious Marriages, Greater Baltimore Hindu-Jain Temple, Finksburg, Md. (April 26, 2009)
- "Wisdom Literature: Proverbs," Saint James' Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square, Baltimore, Md. (October 8, 2008)
- "Understanding Other Religions--and Ours," Catonsville United Methodist Church, Catonsville, Md. (March 12, 2008)
- "A True Muhammad and a Superhuman Jesus," Muslim Community Cultural Center, Baltimore, Md. (January 27, 2008)
- "Islamic Allegiance to God," Open Forum, Broadmead, Cockeysville, Md. (March 15, 2007)
- "Decoding the Da Vinci Code," St. John Baptist Church, Columbia, Md. (June 19-23, 2006)

"Dead Sea Scrolls," St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Point of Rocks, Md. (June 9 & 16, 2006)
panelist, "Religions of the World: Uniting Hearts in Faith," Bahais of Baltimore County West,
Gwynn Oak, Md. (January 15, 2005)
"Abraham, Father of Faith, and Three Great Religions," Adult Lecture Series, Immaculate Heart of
Mary Church, Baltimore, Md. (October 11, 2004)
"Heaven Allows Use of Punishments': Religious Studies on Crime," Academy of Criminal Justice
Sciences, Boston, Ma. (March 6, 2003)
synthesizer, "The Role of Programs and Practices in Supporting Fathers and Families before,
during, and after Imprisonment," National Center on Fathers and Families Roundtable,
Philadelphia, Pa. (November 16, 2001)
team presenter, "Visioning Better Communities," Connecting Communities for Reconciliation and
Justice, Washington, D.C. (June 22, 2001)
"Governmental Funding of Faith-based Organizations," Department of Philosophy and Religious
Studies Symposium, Western Maryland College, Westminster, Md. (October 27, 2000)
convener, Theological Symposium on Justice, Center for Justice Initiatives, Herndon, Va. (April
22-23, 1999)
"Justice according to the Bible," Towson Unitarian Universalist Church, Lutherville, Md. (February
28, 1999)
moderator, "Funding Family Programs: The Grantmakers' Perspective," Fifth North American
Conference on the Family and Corrections, Bethesda, Md. (September 15, 1998)
chair and discussant, "Religious Experiences in Prison," Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences,
Albuquerque, N.M. (March 13, 1998)
Devotions, Institute for Biblical Research, San Francisco, Cal. (November 22, 1997)
Lent/Easter Preaching Forum, Institute for Christian and Jewish Studies, Baltimore, Md. (February
11, 1997)
"Albert Schweitzer's Historical Jesus," Towson Unitarian Universalist Church, Lutherville, Md.
(May 19, 1996)

Community Service:

coordinator, United Religions Initiative of Greater Baltimore, Arbutus, Md. (2009-)/Leadership
Council member, URI North America, Johnson City, Tenn. (2009-10)
chair/member, Commission on Christian Unity and Interreligious Concerns, Baltimore-Washington
Conference of the United Methodist Church, Fulton, Md. (2003-08, 2010-19)
board director, Catonsville Emergency Assistance, Catonsville, Md. (2015-16)
board director, Graduate Institute of Christian Philosophy, Baltimore, Md. (2014)
board treasurer/director, Central Maryland Ecumenical Council, Baltimore, Md. (2007-13)
member, Baltimore Interfaith Coalition, Baltimore, Md. (2010-13)
board director, Center for Social Change International, Elkridge, Md. (2000, 2007-08)
board chair/director, Family and Corrections Network, Palmyra, Va. (1995-2003)
member, Call to Community/Walk through History/Week of Healing committees, Interfaith Action
for Racial Justice, Baltimore, Md. (1997-2002)
community advisory board secretary, Guide Family Support Center, Seat Pleasant, Md. (2000-02)