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Education

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) 2010
Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX
Areas of Specialization: Evangelism, Church History, American History
Dissertation Title: “Pure American Evangelism: The Theory and Practice of Evangelism in the Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1865-1920”

Doctor of Ministry (DMin) 2006
Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC
Areas of Specialization: Stewardship, Church Leadership
Project Title: “Developing a *Praxis* of Financial Stewardship for the Serbian Orthodox Church in Conversation with the Church in North America”

Master of Divinity (MDiv) 2000
Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC
Graduated Summa cum Laude

Bachelor of Arts (BA) 1995
The American University, Washington, DC
Major: International Studies
Minor: Japanese Language and Culture
Graduated Magna cum Laude

Clergy Status

Ordained Elder in Baltimore-Washington Conference of The United Methodist Church 2003

Ordained Deacon in Baltimore-Washington Conference of The United Methodist Church 2000

Academic Employment

E. Stanley Jones Associate Professor in Evangelism
Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL

2008 – Present

Courses taught:

- Theology of Evangelism (online and in classroom)
- Empowering the Congregation for Evangelism
- UM Studies: Wesley and the 19th Century (online and in classroom)
- UM Studies: 20th Century to the Present (online)
- UM Studies: History (online)
- Planning and Planting Congregations
- Current Trends in Evangelism
- The History of Christian Witness
- Methodist Evangelism in 19th Century America
- Survey of Modern and Postmodern Thought
- Stewardship and Institutional Development
- Vocational Formation and Church Leadership – integrative component

Course of Study Faculty
Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and
Wesley Theological Seminary

2009 – Present

Courses taught:

- “Mission from God: Evangelism”

Adjunct Faculty
Perkins School of Theology, Dallas, TX

2008

Courses taught:

- “Evangelism” for the DMin Program

Assistant to the Director
Center for the Advanced Studies and Practice of Evangelism
Perkins School for Theology, Dallas, TX

2005 – 2008

Academic Service

Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL	2009 – Present
Chair of the Practical Theology Area Garrett-Evangelical-Theological Seminary	2012 – 2014
Chair of Congregational Leadership Field Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL	2009 – 2013
Distance Learning Committee Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL	2009 – 2011

Academic Guild Leadership

Editor of <i>Witness: Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education</i>	2011 – Present
Member of Board of Publications American Society of Missiology	2014 – Present

Book

Methodist Evangelism, American Salvation. Pickwick, 2014

Articles

“Editor’s Note: Evangelism as Bridge Building”
Witness: Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 28, 2014.

“The Contribution to Missiology by United Methodist Scholarship on Evangelism”
Missiology: An International Review vol. 42, no. 2, October 2013.

“Editor’s Note: Church Planting”
Witness: Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 27, 2013.

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel: Enduring Shame as a Baseline for Conversion”
The Journal of Christian Ministry vol. 5, 2013

“Evangelism and Identity in Early American Methodism”
Wesleyan Theological Journal vol. 47, no. 2, Fall 2012.

“Editor’s Note: Evangelism and Spiritual Formation,”
Witness: Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 26, 2012.

“Reclaiming Montanans: The Evangelistic Endeavours of Brother Van”
Wesley and Methodist Studies vol. 4, 2012.

“Growth or Declension: Methodist Historians’ Treatment of the Relationship Between the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Culture of the United States”
Theological Librarianship: An Online Journal of the American Theological Library Association vol. 3, no. 2, December 2010

Articles “Saint Sava” and “Serbian Christianity”
Blackwell Encyclopedia of Christian Civilization, 2008

“Peter Cartwright and the Emerging National Identity in Antebellum America”
Methodist History vol. 46, no. 2, Jan. 2008

Book Reviews

Heath, Elaine A. and Larry Duggins, *Missional. Monastic. Mainline.* (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2014).
Witness: The Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 28, 2014

Grudem, Wayne and Barry Asmus, *The Poverty of Nations: A Sustainable Solution* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2013).
Witness: The Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 28, 2014

Richardson, Rick, *Reimagining Evangelism: Inviting Friends on a Spiritual Journey* (Downers Grove, IL: IVP, 2006).
The Journal of Christian Ministry no. 6, 2014.

Kevin M. Watson, *A Blueprint for Christian Discipleship: Wesley’s General Rules as a Guide for Christian Living* (Nashville, TN: Discipleship Resources, 2009).
The Journal of Christian Ministry no. 3, 2011.

Norman Geisler and David Geisler. *Conversational Evangelism: How to Listen and Speak so You Can Be Heard* (Eugene, OR: Harvest House Publications, 2009).
The Journal of Christian Ministry no. 3, 2011.

James F. Miller, *Go Grow Your Church! Spiritual Leadership for African American Congregations* (Cleveland, OH: The Pilgrim Press, 2008).
The Journal of Christian Ministry no. 3, 2011.

Douglas Estes, *SimChurch: Being the Church in the Virtual World.* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2009).

The Journal of Christian Ministry no. 3, 2011.

Eddie Gibbs and Ryan K. Bolger, *Emerging Churches: Creating Christian Community in Postmodern Cultures* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2005)

Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 22, 2006 - 2007

Carl Raschke, *The Next Reformation: Why Evangelicals Must Embrace Postmodernity* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2004)

Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education vol. 21, 2005 - 2006

Academic Presentations

“Quality of Life and Mission”

American Society of Missiology Annual Meeting, Northwestern University, St. Paul, MN, 2014

“A Heuristic Model for Teaching Evangelism”

Association of Professors of Mission Annual Meeting, Northwestern University, St. Paul, MN, 2014

“Diverse Perspectives, Authentic Evangelists: The Art of Teaching Evangelism in Seminary”

Keynote Speaker for the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education’s Annual Meeting, Wheaton University, June 2013

“The Holiness of War: The Sanctification of the First World War by the Methodist Episcopal Church”

Wesleyan Theological Society historical section presenter, Seattle Pacific University, March 2013

“The United States as Mission Field for Methodists”

Plenary Presenter at Vital Congregations Conversation, Garrett-Evangelical, June 2012

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel: A Theory of Conversion”

Workshop Presenter, Association of Doctor of Ministry Educators, March 2012

“Millennials as Church Leaders: What It Really Means to Rethink Church”

Continuing Education Seminar, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, October 2011

Teaching Initiative Gathering sponsored by the Wabash Center

Panelist, Southern Methodist University, February 2011

“Civilizing Montana: The Evangelistic Preaching of Brother Van”

Panel Presenter on Evangelical Preaching in the 19th Century, AAR, October 2010

“How We Got Here and Where We Can Go from Here: Missional Leadership and American Methodism”

Northern Illinois Conference on Evangelism, September 2010

“The Holy Spirit and Indigenous Christianity: The Unexpected Legacy of Colonial Missions in Africa”

First United Methodist Church, Evanston, IL, March 2010

“The Messages of Miracles: The Meanings Assigned to Miracles by the Patristic Fathers”

Christmas Conference of A Foundation for Theological Education, Perkins School of Theology, December 2007

“Theological and Ethical Reflections on the Incarnation”

Advent Lecture Series, Ridgewood Park United Methodist Church, Dallas, TX, December 2007

Academic Honors

Barnabas Award for Leadership in the Doctor of Ministry Program Awarded by the Association of Doctor of Ministry Education	2014
Received a “High Pass” on dissertation and “Honors” on defense Awarded by Southern Methodist University dissertation committee	2010
Harry S. Denman Fellowship for Doctoral Studies in Evangelism Awarded jointly by AFTE and FFE	2005 - 2009
C. C. Goen Student Research Fellowship in the History of Christianity Awarded by History Faculty at Wesley Theological Seminary	2000
Methodist History Award Awarded by Methodist Studies Faculty at Wesley Theological Seminary	2000
Winters Scholarship Recipient Awarded by faculty at Wesley Theological Seminary for promising first year students	1996
Inducted into Phi Beta Kappa	1995

Ecclesial Employment

Senior Pastor Rockland United Methodist Church, Ellicott City, MD Church attendance in 2001: 35, Church attendance in 2005: 110	2001 - 2005
Associate Pastor First United Methodist Church, Laurel, MD	1996 – 2001
Youth Minister Mt. Oak United Methodist Church, Mitchellville, MD	1993 – 1995

Ecclesial Consulting

In my role as an E. Stanley Jones Professor of Evangelism I have consulted with the following congregations regarding evangelism, discipleship, leadership, and related matters:

Madison UMC, Madison, AL	2014
Sugar River UMC, Verona, WI	2014
Glenview UMC, Glenview, IL	2013
Irving Park UMC, Chicago, IL	2013
First UMC, Whitefish Bay, WI	2013
Grace UMC, Naperville, IL	2011
Edison Park UMC, Chicago, IL	2011
Barrington UMC, Barrington, IL	2011
Hilltop Ministry Center, Roscoe UMC, Manchesney Park, IL	2010
First UMC, Evanston, IL	2010

Ecclesial Teaching

“The Traditions of The United Methodist Church Concerning Homosexuality” Connectional Table of The United Methodist Church	2014
“Compelling Life in the Face of Death” Madison UMC, Madison, AL	2014
“Wesleyan Spirituality for Congregational Vitality” Glenview UMC, Glenview, IL	2013
Adult Sunday School Class Leader, Trinity UMC, Wilmette, IL	2011 – 2013
“Leadership Lectionary” online presentations, http://www.transformativaleaders.org/leadership-lectionary	2011
Paid Sunday School Teacher Two classes, an older adult class and a young adult class Highland Park United Methodist Church, Dallas, TX	2006 – 2008

Disciple Bible Study Teacher Ridgewood Park UMC, Dallas TX	2007-2008
Mentor for Ministry Candidates, Baltimore-Washington Conference	2002 – Present
Lay Leader Trainer, Baltimore West District	2003 – 2005

Denominational Boards and Committees

Baltimore-Washington Conference Board of Christian Education Chairman, Sunday School Subcommittee	2003 – 2005 2004 – 2005
Baltimore West District Committee on Ordained Ministry	2002 – 2005
Baltimore-Washington Conference Board of Evangelization	1998 – 2001
Washington-Columbia District Youth Coordinator	1997 – 2001

International Experience

Consultant for Methodist Church (Lower Myanmar) 2012
I was invited by Bishop Zothan Mawia of the Methodist Church (Lower Myanmar) to lead his cabinet in a four-day seminar in Myanmar on the topics of discipleship, Wesleyan theology, stewardship, and fundraising. During my time in Myanmar I also preached at four churches, addressed two small groups, and spoke to the students at the Methodist Theological Institute in Yangon.

Study Tour of Serbia 1998
I traveled Serbia for two weeks as part of an independently designed course for Wesley Seminary. I visited numerous medieval monasteries, with the opportunity to interview the Mother Superior of the convent at Zicha and the head librarian at Archangel Monastery.