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Teaching Experience

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| Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University | 2005 - current |
| McCreless Professor of Evangelism | |
| Promoted to Full Professor, Spring 2013 | |
| Director, the Center for Missional Wisdom (renamed Center for Evangelism and Missional Church Studies, 2013) | 2005 - 2013 |
| Ashland Theological Seminary | 2003 - 2005 |
| Director, the Doctor of Ministry Program | |
| Assistant Professor of Spiritual Theology | |

Ordination, Pastoral Experience, and other Service to the Church

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| Elder, The United Methodist Church | 2001 - current |
| Founder, New Day and the Epworth Project | 2008 - current |
| (networks of new monastic & missional communities) | |
| Co-Founder, the Missional Wisdom Foundation | 2010 - current |
| Pastor, Woodland Park UMC, McDonald, OH | 1999 - 2003 |
| Pastor, Elkton Charge UMC, Elkton-Rogers-Negley, OH | 1995 - 1997 |

Education

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| Duquesne University | 2002 |
| Ph.D. Systematic Theology | |
| Ashland Theological Seminary | 1995 |
| M.Div. | |
| Oakland University | 1990 |
| B.A., English | |

Forthcoming Publications

God is Bigger Than We Knew (Nashville: Upper Room, 2016).

Gospel Bearing: The Theory and Practice of Apostolic Life (Eugene: Cascade, 2015).

“Eucharist and Evangelism,” *Eucharist, Theology, and Ministry*, Jason Vickers, ed. (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2015).

Recent Publications

“Credo,” *Currents in Theology and Mission*. Summer, 2015. *Missional.Monastic.Mainline. A Guide to Starting Missional Micro-Communities in Historically Mainline Traditions*. (Eugene: Cascade, 2014).

“Prayer, Hospitality, and Justice: Spiritual Formation for the Academy and the Church,” *Celebrations and Convictions: The Life and Legacy of Dr. Luke Keefer, Jr.* Eds. Wyndy Corbin Reuschling and J. Robert Douglass. Grantham, PA: Brethren in Christ Historical Society, 2014.

“Reading Scripture for Christian Formation,” *The Word Written on Our Hearts: Wesley and Wesleyans on Scripture*, Joel B. Green and David Watson, eds. (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2012).

The Gospel According to Twilight: Women, Sex and God (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 2011).

We Were the Least of These: Reading the Bible with Survivors of Sexual Abuse (Grand Rapids: Brazos, 2011).

“Disciple-Making in a Post-Christendom U.S.A.” in *Making Disciples for a World Parish*, Paul W. Chilcote, ed. (Eugene, OR: Pickwick, Fall 2011).

“A New Day Rising in the Church,” in *The Hyphenateds: How Emergence Christianity is Re-Traditioning Mainline Practices*, Phil Snider, ed. Foreward by Phyllis Tickle (St. Louis: Chalice, 2011).

“Methodist Spirituality,” “Community,” and “Women in the History of Spirituality,” *Dictionary of Christian Spirituality*. Glen Scourgie, ed. (Grand Rapids: Zondervan Academic, 2011).

“What Would Phoebe Do?” *Catalyst* (Spring, 2010).

Longing for Spring: A New Vision for Wesleyan Community, co-authored with Scott Kisker, (Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2010).

Naked Faith: The Mystical Theology of Phoebe Palmer, Princeton Theological Monograph Series, (Eugene, OR: Pickwick, 2010).

Theological perspectives on Propers 7, 8, and 9 (Luke 8:26-39, Luke 9:51-62, Luke 10:1-11, 16-20), *Feasting on the Word*, Lectionary Commentary Series (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2009).

“The Quest for Holiness,” *Oxford Handbook on Methodism*, William J. Abraham and James Kirby, eds. London: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Snake Handling and Speaking in Tongues: Mysticism and Mission in the Wesleyan Tradition,” *Radical Grace* (Fall, 2009).

The Mystic Way of Evangelism: A Contemplative Vision for Christian Outreach (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2008).

“Head Over Heels: A Theology of Leadership in Marriage,” *Priscilla Papers* (Fall, 2006), 17-20.

“The *Via Negativa* in the Life and Thought of Phoebe Palmer,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* (Fall, 2006), 87-111.

“Prophetic Women and the People of God,” *Priscilla Papers* (Winter, 2006), 25-2.

“The Emerging Holiness Movement,” *Quarterly Review* (Summer 2005).

“Grace in the Pentateuch,” *Dictionary of the Old Testament: Pentateuch*, Co-Editors David W. Baker and T. Desmond Alexander, Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2003.

More Light on the Path: Daily Scripture Readings in Hebrew and Greek, co-authored with David Baker, with a Foreword by Eugene Peterson, (Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1999; electronic version published by Logos Bible Software, 2006).

Papers and Presentations

World Council of Churches Webinar on Evangelism among Poor and Marginalized People, co-presenter with Bishop Mark MacDonald, North American President of World Council of Churches, June 16, 2015

Plenary Speaker, Wisconsin Annual Conference, June 12-14, 2015

Plenary Speaker, Louisiana Annual Conference, June 7-10, 2015

Retreat Leader, New England Conference Clergy Retreat, New Hampshire, May 16, 2015

Plenary Speaker, Uniting Church of South Australia Presbytery and Synod, March 2015

Retreat Leader, Speaker, Eta Iota Sigma annual retreat, Oklahoma, February 2015

Consultation and Lecture, Bishop and Cabinet retreat, Louisiana Conference United Methodist Church, February 2014

Faculty, Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation, Alexandria, Louisiana, February 2014

Plenary Speaker, North Carolina Conference Commission on Evangelism event, “Ministry with Young Adults,” January 2015

Plenary Speaker, Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference Clergy Retreat, September 2014

Seminar Leader, Speaker, Missouri UMC Leadership Summit, Columbia, MO, August 2014

Plenary Speaker, School for Congregational Development, August, 2014

Faculty, Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation, Sophia, NC, August 2014

Pilgrimage Leader, Celtic Pilgrimage in Scotland and Northern England, Missional Wisdom Foundation, June-July 2014

Plenary Speaker, West Virginia Annual Conference of the UMC, June 2014

Plenary Speaker, Alabama/West Florida Annual Conference of the UMC, June 2014

Plenary Speaker, Upper New York Conference New Church Start Conference, Syracuse, April 2014

Retreat Leader, New England Conference UMC Clergy Retreat, Andover, MA, April 2014

Preacher and Lecturer on Missional Ecclesiology, St. Saviour Cathedral, Goulburn, Australia, March 2014.

Plenary Speaker, Seminar on Theological Responses to Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse, Duke Divinity School, February 2014

Guest Lecturer, Masters of Spiritual Formation and Leadership Program, Spring Arbor University, Malibu, CA
January 2014

Faculty, Academy for Spiritual Formation, Birmingham, AL, January 2014

Plenary Speaker, Heafner Preaching Mission, Lincolnton, NC, October 2013

Plenary Speaker, Oregon/Idaho Clergy Symposium, Portland, OR, October 2013

Plenary Speaker, Episcopal House of Bishops, Nashville, TN, September 2013

Paper: "A Case Study of a Multi-Cultural, Missional Community in North Dallas," Oxford Institute for Methodist Theological Studies, August, 2013

Plenary Speaker, Western North Carolina Annual Conference, Lake Junaluska, June 2013

Plenary Speaker, School for Contemplative Living, New Orleans, LA, May 2013

Plenary Speaker, Iowa School of Ministry, Des Moines, IA, April 2013

Presented 3 papers, Wesleyan Theological Society/Society for Pentecostal Studies, Seattle Pacific University, March, 2013

Plenary Speaker, Goddard UMC, Little Rock ARK city wide missions conference February, 2013

Plenary Speaker, Texas Conference UMC Order of Elders annual retreat, February 2013

Keynote Speaker, Congress on Evangelism, Dunwoody, SC, January 2013

Plenary Speaker, Pacific Northwest Conference Bishop Symposium, Portland, WA, Oct 4-5, 2012

Keynote Speaker and Presenter, Abilene Christian University Summit Conference, Abilene, TX, Sep 17-18, 2012

Plenary Speaker and Presenter, Duke Divinity School, Convocation on the Rural Church, Myrtle Beach, SC
Sep 4, 2012:

Faculty, Mississippi Conference Residents in Ministry Seminar, Aug 13-16, 2012

Presidential Address, Wesleyan Theological Society, March, 2012.

Plenary Speaker, Light the Fire Conference, United Seminary, Dayton, OH, March, 2012.

Plenary Speaker, Western Jurisdiction UMC Clergywomen's Convocation, February, 2012.

Faculty, Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation, San Antonio, Texas, January 2012.

Seminar Presentation, Refresh Campus Ministry Conference, SMU, Dallas, Texas, December 2011.

Retreat Leader, New Church Start Academy, East Ohio United Methodist Conference, November 2011.

Retreat Leader, Texas/Oklahoma Academy for Missional Wisdom, Osage, Oklahoma, October 2011.

Retreat Leader, Alaska Academy for Missional Wisdom, Anchorage, October 2011.

Plenary Speaker, Preacher, Upper Room Companions in Ministry Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, October 2011.

Plenary Speaker, Wesleyan Leadership Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, October 2011.

Retreat Leader, Texas Methodist Foundation Clergy Retreat, October 2011.

Plenary Address, Catapult Conference, Mobile, Alabama, September 2011.

Guest Speaker, “A Contemplative Vision for Outreach,” Northaven UMC, Dallas, Texas, August 2011.

Plenary Speaker, Evangelism Training Event, Ardmore, Oklahoma, August 2011.

Plenary Speaker, 2011 National School of Congregational Development, Dallas Texas, July 2011.

Keynote Speaker, the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education, Techny Towers, IL, June 2011.

“Evangelism in a Culture of Violence Against Women,” Wallace Chappell Lecture, Perkins School of Theology, February 2011.

Longing for Spring Clergy Retreat Leader: Alaska Missionary Conference UMC, February 2011.

Instructor: Five Day Academy in Spiritual Formation, Oklahoma, October 2010.

Plenary Address: “New Monastic New Church Starts,” New Church Leadership Institute West, Seattle, WA, October 2010.

Plenary Address: “Five Critical Challenges to the Disciple-making Church of the Future,” Perkins School of Theology Master of Sacred Music Program 50th Anniversary Celebration, September 27, 2010.

Plenary Address: “Missional, Monastic, Emergent, Methodist,” Christianity21 Conference, Minneapolis, October 2009.

Recent Honors and Awards

- Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award, 2015
- Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award, 2013
- Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award, 2010
- Wesleyan Theological Society, President 2011-2012
- Wabash Summer Research Fellowship, 2008
- Sam Taylor Fellowship, 2008

- Wabash Fellowship for Pre-Tenure Faculty, 2007
- Dr. Virgil Howard Affirming Women Award, Perkins School of Theology, 2007

Memberships

- Wesleyan Theological Society, President 2011 - 2012
- American Society of Missiology
- American Academy of Religion