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Education:

Doctor of Ministry (D.Min) Contextual Theology, Northern Seminary, Lisle, IL, 2019.

Master of Divinity (M.Div), Harding School of Theology, Memphis, TN, 2007.

Bachelor of Ministry (B.Min), Harding University, Searcy, AR, 2002.

Experience:

Lead Minister/Pastor, Newark Church of Christ, Newark, DE, April 2018 - Present.

Minister/Preacher, Chillicothe Church of Christ, Chillicothe, MO, Oct 2016 - Aug 2017.

Minister/Preacher, Columbia Church of Christ, Columbia, MD, Oct 2011 - June 2015.

Minister/Preacher, Randolph Church of Christ, Dover, NJ, Jul 2010 - Oct 2010.

Minister/Preacher, Kandiyohi Church of Christ, Kandiyohi, MN, Jul 2008 - July 2009.

Domestic Missionary, Ithaca Church of Christ, Ithaca NY, Jan 2007 - June 2008.

Part-Time Intern, Berclair Church of Christ, Memphis, TN, Jan 2006 - Dec 2006.

Presentations:

Academic

“Reading Scripture: A Missional Hermeneutic for the Local Church,” a paper presented at *ASPEKT Conference*, Manhattan Christian College, Manhattan, KS. November 3, 2017.

Non-Academic

“Living Words: The Bible Everyone’s Reading,” a class taught at *Pepperdine Bible Lectures*, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA, May 5, 2017.

“God’s Masterpiece: The Church as the Magnum Opus of God,” a class taught at *Pepperdine Bible Lectures*, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA, May 2, 2013.

“Pentecost Today: When the Church Welcomes this Message (Acts 2.32-42),” a keynote address at *Hearts of Fire Retreat*, Denver Metro House Churches, Denver, CO, May 22, 2010.

“Tell Me the Story of Jesus: And Give Me Hope in My Suffering,” an address delivered to the *Harding School of Biblical Studies Lectures*, Harding University, Searcy, AR, September 27, 2005.

Publications:

Dissertation

“Reading Scripture *Again*: A Missional Hermeneutic for a Contextual Embodiment of the Gospel as a Local Church,” D.Min diss., Northern Seminary, 2019.

Book

“Lost Son, Finding Hope,” in *Surrendering To Hope: Guidance For The Broken*, ed. John Mark Hicks, Christine Fox Parker, and Bobby Valentine, Abilene, TX: Leafwood Publishers, May 2018.

Articles - Non Academic

“Preaching and Politics: Give to God, Give to Caesar,” in *Wineskins* 22 (March 2019).

“Mourning With Those Who Mourn,” in *Wineskins* 19 (October 2016).

“Acts 2 and Pentecost: Our Story, Our Way,” in *Wineskins* 19 (April 2016).

“Reconciliation: Gospel Living in a Racially Divided and Politically Polarized Culture,” in *Wineskins* 18 (July 2015).

“Disband with Dignity” in *Christian Chronicle* 72 (April 2015).

“Change Requires Grace” in *Wineskins* 18 (February 2015).

“Story Tellers: Reading and Performing Scripture” in *Wineskins* 17 (October 2014).

“I Still Believe in the Church” in *Wineskins* 17 (April 2014).

“Living The Way of Jesus” in *Wineskins* 16 (March 2013).

“My Advent Story” in *Wineskins* 15 (December 2012).

“The Ministry of Reconciliation Still Matters” in *Wineskins* 15 (September 2012).

“Repentance and Baptism...and the Jesus Movement” in *Wineskins* 15 (June 2012).

“The Foolishness of Believing” in *Wineskins* 15 (April 2012).

“Incarnational Living” in *Wineskins* 15 (January 2012).

“The Future of the Churches of Christ,” in *Wineskins* 14 (January-February 2010).

“Enduring Life in the Mystery of God’s Goodness,” in *Wineskins* 13 (July-August 2009).

Book Reviews - Academic

“Transforming Conversions: Rethinking the Language and Contours of Christian Initiation,” by Gordon T. Smith, *Restoration Quarterly* 54:2 (Jan 2012): 132-133.

“Pastor: The Theology and Practice of Ordained Ministry,” by William H. Willimon. *Restoration Quarterly* 49:1 (Jan 2007): 57-58.

Book Reviews - Non Academic

“Seven Disciplines Can Help Us Reach Our Shifting Culture.” A Review of *Faithful Presence: Seven Disciplines That Shape the Church for Mission*, David E. Fitch. *Christians Chronicle* 74 (April 2017).