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VITA / PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

I. CAREER AND GENERAL INFORMATION:

2011 to present PROFESSOR OF CHURCH HISTORY & DIRECTOR OF UNITED
METHODIST STUDIES Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School
2010 to 2011 PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY (1/2 time) United Theological Seminary
2010 to present PASTOR (1/2 time) Arcade United Methodist Church
2010 PROFESSOR OF METHODIST STUDIES (adjunct) Colgate Rochester Divinity School
1979 to 2010 PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY Houghton College
1997 to 2003 PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY (adjunct) United Theological Seminary
2006 to present PROFESSOR OF THEOLOGY & CHURCH HISTORY UMC Course of Study

Born: Pittsburgh, PA June 9, 1952

Married: Jill Kingdon Tyson

Children: Lorelee (23), Randal (20), Jessie (16) and Joe (13)

Affiliation: United Methodist Church (Elder, in Full Connection, Upper New York Annual Conference)

Dossier: The Graduate School, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey 07940

II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

A.B. Grove City College, Grove City, PA (1974)
Majors in History and Religion (high honors)

M. Div. Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY (1977)
Elected to Theta Phi.

M. Phil. The Graduate School, Drew University, Madison, NJ (1980).
Comprehensive exams in Reformation Era, John Wesley, The Doctrine of the Atonement and
Reinhold Niebuhr. French and German.

Ph.D. *Ibid.* Theological and Religious Studies (1983)
Dissertation: "Charles Wesley's Theology of the Cross: An Examination of the
Theology and Method of Charles Wesley as Seen in His Doctrine of the Atonement".

III. COLLEGIATE COURSES TAUGHT:

Christian Apologetics
Christian Spirituality
Contemporary Theology
Contours of Wesleyan Theology (Graduate Course)
General Epistles
Introduction to Biblical Literature

III. COLLEGIATE COURSES TAUGHT: (continued)

Introduction to Christian Doctrine
Introduction to Christianity

History of Christianity, Part I (to 1490)
History of Christianity, Part II (1490 to present)
Judeo-Christian values in the Work Place (PACE)
Major Figures in Protestant Theology: Luther to Wesley
Major Figures in Theology – Historical Survey
Systematic Theology
The Reformation Era (interdisciplinary, team taught)
The Theology of Film
Theology of the New Testament
Theology of the Old Testament

IV. SEMINARY COURSES TAUGHT:

American Religious History
Augustine of Hippo
Church History I, (to 1490)
Church History II, (1490 to present)
Introductory Theology
Life and Thought of John Wesley
Reformed Tradition
Systematic Theology
Women In Church History

V. EQUIPPING FOR MINISTRY COURSES TAUGHT:

General Church History
Advanced Theology
The Doctrine of Holiness

VI. UMC COURSE OF STUDY COURSES TAUGHT:

Christian Heritage: Ancient and Medieval Church
Reformation Era
Theology in the Wesleyan Spirit

VII. ON-LINE COURSES TAUGHT:

History of Christianity, Pt. I (Ancient & Medieval), United Theological Seminary
History of Christianity, Pt. I (Ancient & Medieval), Asbury Theological Seminary
Augustine's Life and Thought , United Theological Seminary
Christian Apologetics, Houghton College

VIII. ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL HONORS:

Elected as a "John Wesley Fellow" by A Foundation for Theological Education (AFTE), an internationally competitive scholarship program for Evangelical United Methodist Ph.D. candidates. I received a scholarship from AFTE from 1977 to 1979 and participated in conferences and fellowship programs.

Elected to the Eighth Oxford Institute of Methodist Theology, July 27-Aug. 6, 1987. Selected as a member of the Wesley Studies Working Group, chaired by Drs. Thomas Langford and Richard Heitzenrater.

IX. ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL HONORS: (continued)

Elected to the Ninth Oxford Institute on Methodist Theology, July 27-Aug. 7, 1992, held at Sommerville College, Oxford, England. Selected to serve on the Wesley Studies Working Group, chaired by Drs. Richard Heitzenrater and Ted Campbell.

Research Award:

I was awarded a competitive research grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities to collect the letters and papers of Selina Hastings, Countess of Huntingdon.

Research Award:

I was awarded a competitive national research grant by the Institute for the Study of American Evangelicalism for my research proposal for an historical study of "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing," and its role in the development of American Methodism. This award was a part of the larger ISAE project studying the impact of American hymnody on the formation of American Evangelicalism.

Excellence in Teaching Award:

I was awarded the "Excellence in Teaching" award sponsored by the Council of Independent Colleges and Universities of New York, for the 2000-01 academic year.

Election:

Elected to the Eleventh Oxford Institute on Methodist Theology, August 2002, held at Christ Church College, Oxford. Participated in the Wesleyan Studies Working Group chaired by Drs. Ten Campbell and Elaine Robinson. I presented a paper entitled: "Christian Liberty and the New Creation: A Wesleyan Approach".

Meritorious Service:

"Faculty Appreciation Award," given by the Houghton College Student Government Association for meritorious service (2004-05).

Book Award:

June 12, 2007, my book, *In the Midst of Early Methodism: Lady Huntingdon and Her Correspondence* was selected for the "Saddlebag Selection" Award, by Historical Society of the United Methodist Church. The award honors "the best book published in 2006 on the history, biography, polity or theology of the United Methodism or its predecessor bodies".

X. PUBLICATIONS:

A. Articles:

"John Wesley and William Law: A Reappraisal", *The Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 17, No. 7, (Fall 1982), pp. 58-79.

"Charles Wesley, Pastor: A Glimpse Inside the Shorthand Journal," *The Methodist Quarterly Review*, Vol. 4, No. 1, (Spring 1984), pp. 9-22.

"Charles Wesley and the German Hymns," *The Hymn*, Vol. 35, No. 3, (July 1983), pp. 153-158.

"Charles Wesley -- A Man of Singing Faith", *Challenge to Evangelicalism Today*, Vol. 17, No. 2, pp. 10-11.

"Charles Wesley's Sentimental Language", *The Evangelical Quarterly*, Vol. LVII, No. 3, (July 1985), pp. 269-275.

"God's Everlasting Love: Charles Wesley and the Predestinarian Controversy", *Evangelical Journal*, Vol. 3, No. 2, (Fall 1985), pp. 47-63.

X. PUBLICATIONS:

A. Articles: (continued)

“Charles Wesley Evangelist: The Unpublished Newcastle Journal”, *Methodist History*, Vol. XXV, No. 1 (Oct. 1986), pp. 41-61.

“Charles Wesley’s Theology of Redemption”, *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 20, No. 2, (Fall 1985), pp. 7-29.

“Luther the Preacher,” *Christian Scholars Review*, 15, No. 1 (1986), pp. 98-99.

“Charles Wesley: Preacher, Teacher and Singer of Revival”, *The Preacher’s Magazine*, June-August, 1987, pp. 54-60.

“Essential Doctrines and Real Religion: Theological Method in Wesley’s Sermons on Several Occasions”, *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 23, No. 1 & 2, (Fall 1988), pp. 163-80.

“Charles Wesley and Edward Young: Eighteenth Century Poetical Apologists”, *Methodist History*, Vol. XXVII, No. 2, (January 1989), pp. 110-119.

“Sin, Self and Society: John Wesley’s Hamartiology Reconsidered”, *The Asbury Theological Journal*, Vol. 44, No. 2, (Fall 1989), pp. 77-91.

“John Wesley’s Works, Vol. 1-3, Sermons 1-114”, *The Asbury Theological Journal*, 44, (Fall 1989), pp. 77-89.

I contributed the following articles to the *Dictionary of Christianity in America*, (InterVarsity Press, 1990), “Anointing”, “Assurance of Salvation”, “Communion of Saints”, “Ellyson, Edger”, “Eternal Security”, “Holiness”, “Laying on of Hands”, “O’Kelly Schism” “Pope, William Burt”, “Regeneration”, “Salvation”, “Sunderland”, “LaRoy”, “Shinn, Asa”, “Terry, Milton, S.”, “Tillet, Wilbur, F.” and “Wiley, H. Orton”.

“The Grace of God, The Will of Man: A Case for Arminianism”, *The Christian Scholar’s Review*, 20, no. 3, (1991), pp. 375-76.

“An Instrument for Sally: Charles Wesley’s Shorthand Biography of an Early Methodist Layman, John Davis”, *Methodist History*, Vol. XXX, No. 2, (Jan. 1992), pp. 103-108.

“C.S. Lewis’s Eschatology”, in *The Newsletter of the C. S. Lewis Centre*, No. 14, (Summer 1992), pp. 2-5.

“The Transfiguration of Scripture: Charles Wesley’s Poetical Hermeneutic”, in *The Asbury Journal*, Vol. 47, No. 2, (Fall 1992), pp. 17-42.

“A Protestant City Handbook from the Mid-Sixteenth Century”, in *The Sixteenth Century Journal*, Vol. XXIV, No. 1, (Spring 1993), pp. 3-20.

“John Wesley’s Sunday Service”, in Robert Webber, ed. *Twenty Centuries of Christian Worship*, Vol. II, *Twenty Centuries of Christian Worship* (Star Song Publishing Group, Nashville, TN. 1994), pp. 236-45.

“The Wesleyan Hymns - Then and Now”, in *Challenge for Evangelism Today*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (Summer 1993), p. 5.

X. PUBLICATIONS:

A. Articles: (continued)

“The Divine Dramatist: George Whitefield and the Rise of Modern Evangelicalism”, *Critical Review of Books in Religion*, 6, (1993), pp. 397-98.

“The Lord of Life is Risen: Theological Reflections on Hymns for our Lord’s Resurrection (1746)”, *Charles Wesley Society Newsletter*, Vol. 4, No. 1 (May 1994), pp. 4-25.

“Lady Huntingdon’s Reformation”, in *Church History*, Vol. 64, No. 4, (Dec. 1995), pp. 580-94.

“Methodist Societies, Evangelical Economics and Social Change”, *Oxford Notes*, Vol. 4, No. 4, (May 1996), pp. 3-6.

I contributed articles on “Shinn, Asa,” and “Terry, Milton S.” to *The Dictionary of National Biography* forthcoming by Oxford University Press.

“Why Did John Wesley ‘Fail’?: A Reappraisal of Wesley’s Evangelical Economics”, *Methodist History*, Vol. 35, No. 3, (April 1997), pp. 176-188.

“ ‘A Poor, Vile Sinner’: Lady Huntingdon’s Vocabulary of Weakness and Deference”, *Methodist History*, Vol. 37, No. 2, (January 1999), pp. 107-119.

“Lady Huntingdon and the Church of England”, *Evangelical Quarterly*, Vol. 72, No. 1 (January 2000), pp. 23-35.

“Charles Wesley”, in the *Dictionary of Evangelicalism* (Great Britain: InterVarsity Press, 2003), pp. 710-12.

“Christian Liberty as Full Redemption: Charles Wesley’s Approach”, in *The Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 38, No. 2, pp. 143-175.

“John Wesley Remembered, And More”, *The Churchman*, Vol. 117 (No. 3), Autumn 2003, pp. 201-217.

“Introduction” to *The Imitation of Christ, by Thomas A Kempis* (New York: Barnes and Noble Books, 2004), xv-xxii.

“Wesley, Charles”, in the new, revised edition of *Religion in Geschichte und Gegenwart*, published by F.C. Mohr Press, Tübingen, Germany.

I have written a column, four times a year, for the Houghton College alumni/ae magazine: *The Milieu* on themes pertinent to the Wesleyan Tradition.

“Wesley’s Small Groups”, *Wesleyan Life* (Summer 2005), p. 13.

“John Wesley’s Critique of Liberal Democracy”, *Wesleyan Theological Journal* Vol. 40, No. 2 (Fall 2005), pp. 102-22.

“Charles Wesley and the Language of Evangelical Experience”, *The Asbury Journal* Vol. 61, (No. 1 Spring 2006), pp. 25-47.

X. PUBLICATIONS:

A. Articles (cont).

“Charles Wesley: An Overview and Significant Dates in Charles Wesley’s Life”, in Maxine Beach, ed. *Prints and Imprints of Love Divine* (Pt. Loma University Press, 2007), pp. 91-97.

“Charles Wesley and the Church of England: A Commemorative Essay”, in *Anglican and Episcopal History*, Vol. 76, No. 4, (Dec. 2007), pp. 464-488.

“Nothing in My Hands I Bring: The Evangelical Conversion Narrative”, in *Books In Culture* (Nov/Dec, 2007), Vol. 17, No. 6, 18.

“Theology of Charles Wesley’s Hymns,” in *The Wesleyan Theological Journal*, Vol. 44, No. 2 (Fall 2009), 58-75.

“The One Thing Needful: Charles Wesley on Sanctification,” *The Wesleyan Theological Journal* (Fall 2010), Vol. 45, No. 3, pp. 177-95.

“Charles Wesley” and “Hymns” Glen Scrogie, ed. *The Zondervan Dictionary of Christian Spirituality* (Zondervan Publishing Company, 2011), pp. 517-18, 831-33.

“Wesley: A Heart Transformed Can Change The World,” a film review, *Brethren In Christ History and Life*, Vol. 34 (No. 2) August 2011, 305-310.

“Lady Huntingdon, Religion, and Race,” *Methodist History*, Vol. 50 (No. 1), Oct. 2011, 28-40.

B. Chapters in Books:

“The Lord’s Supper in the Wesleyan Tradition”, in *Basic United Methodist Beliefs*, edited by James Heidinger, Good News Books, 1986, pp. 80-90.

“H. Orton Wiley”, a chapter in *Evangelical Theologians*, edited by Walter Elwell (Baker Book House, 1993), pp. 113-28.

“The Methodist National Anthem: ‘O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing’ and the Development of American Methodism”, in *Sing Them Over Again To Me* (Tuscaloosa: The University of Alabama Press, 2006), edited by Mark A. Noll, and Edith Blumhoffer, pp. 20-43.

“I Preached at the Cross, As Usual: Charles Wesley and Redemption”, in *Charles Wesley: Life, Witness, Legacy*, edited by Kenneth Newport and Ted Campbell, (London: Epworth Press, 2007), pp. 204-229.

“John and Charles Wesley on Sanctification”, in *Be Holy: God’s Invitation to Understand, Declare, and Experience Holiness*, edited by Joseph Coleson (Indianapolis, Wesleyan Publishing House, 2008), pp. 57-73.

“The Wesleys and Paul: The John and Charles Wesley’s use of Pauline Texts” *Blackwell’s Companion to the Study of Paul*, edited by Stephen Westerholm Ch. 26, pp. 406-23. (Blackwell Publishing Co., 2011).

C. Books:

Charles Wesley On Sanctification, (Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1986), reprinted 1989.

Charles Wesley: A Reader, (New York: Oxford University Press, 1989), second edition 1999.

Invitation to Christian Spirituality: An Ecumenical Anthology (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999).

In the Midst of Early Methodism: Lady Huntingdon and Her Correspondents (Meuthen, NJ: Scarecrow Press, 2006). A "Saddlebag Selection" award winner from the Methodist Historical Society.

Who Is God in Three Persons? (Nashville: Abingdon Press, March 2005).

Assist Me To Proclaim: The Life and Hymns of Charles Wesley (William B. Eerdmans Publishing House, 2007).

Faith, Doubt and Courage (Abingdon, Press, 2008).

Edited, with Richard Heitzenrater, *Charles Wesley's Journal Letters* (Nashville: Abingdon/Kingswood, forthcoming).

The Wesleyan Way: A Short Summation of Wesleyan Thought (Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing House, 2014) forthcoming.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES:

Research:

On site research: in England summer 1982, at the Methodist Archives, John Rylands Library, Manchester; also at Cambridge, Wesley's Chapel London, Essex, and Oxford.

Read a paper:

"A Crucified God: Jurgen Moltmann's Theology of the Cross", at the Society of John Wesley Scholars, Dec. 15, 1978.

Guest speaker:

"Our Methodist Heritage", weekend at the Woodlands United Methodist Church, Houston, TX, with Dr. Albert Outler, October 1981.

Guest speaker:

"Charles Wesley, a Man of Singing Faith", at the Southern Tier (UMC) Districts' Celebration, Nov. 1982.

Guest speaker:

"Methodist Piety", at the Spiritual Life Forum, St. Bernard's Institute, at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, NY, Feb. 28, 1983.

Guest speaker:

"Methodist Piety", at the Theological Forum of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL, March 10, 1983.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

Guest speaker:

“Charles Wesley”, at Williamsville United Methodist Church, Buffalo, NY, May 10, 1983.

Read a paper:

“The Transfiguration of Scripture: Charles Wesley’s Poetic Biblical Hermeneutic”, at the American Academy of Religion, Eastern International Regional Meeting, Hamilton, Ont., May 4, 1984.

Guest speaker:

“Charles Wesley and His Hymns”, at Heritage Weekend, Olean and Jamestown Districts (UMC), Hornell, NY, May 5, 1984.

Read a paper:

“Charles Wesley’s Theology of Redemption: A Study in Scripture and Method”, at the American Academy of Religion, Wesley Studies Group, Chicago National Meeting, Dec. 1984.

Respondent:

Theological Studies section of the Society of John Wesley Studies, with Dr. Frank Baker, at Duke University, Durham, NC, Dec. 1984.

Guest speaker:

“United Methodist Roots and Trajectories”, at Canisteo United Methodist Church, Canisteo, NY, with Dr. Charles Yrigoyen, May 19, 1985.

Guest speaker:

“The Teachings of Charles Wesley’s Hymns” and “The Presence of the Sacred”, at Fairport United Methodist Church, Rochester, NY, Sept. 29, 1985.

Read a paper:

“The Transfiguration of Scripture: Charles Wesley’s Poetical Hermeneutic”, at the Society of John Wesley Fellows, Dec., 15, 1985.

Read a paper:

“Charles Wesley and Edward Young: Eighteenth Century Poetical Apologists”, at the Eastern International Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Rochester, NY, April 18, 1986.

Guest speaker:

“United Methodist Spirituality”, a renewal weekend at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, East Brunswick, NJ, May 9-11, 1986.

Respondent:

“Our Evangelical Heritage”, Houghton College summer alumni weekend, with Dr. Timothy Smith, June 21-22, 1986.

Guest speaker:

“The Teachings of Charles Wesley’s Hymns”, at Sandy Lake United Methodist Church, and “Sixteenth Century Reformations and Renewal Today”, at Sandy Lake (PA) Regional Ministerial Association, Feb. 14-16, 1987.

Read a paper:

“John Wesley’s Essential Doctrines: A Study in Theological Method”, at the Eighth Oxford Institute on Methodist Theology, Sommerville College, Oxford, England, July 29, 1987.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

On site research in England:

Summer of 1987, I spent six weeks at the British Museum (London), Cheshunt College Archives, and Cambridge U. Library (Cambridge), Methodist Archives, and John Rylands Library (Manchester).

Established a Colloquium:

In 1987 I established “The King Colloquium” an urban ministries, inter-faith conference sponsored by Houghton College, various churches and private foundations. It functioned for five years and invited speakers like Drs. Louis Charles Harvey, Robert Fluker, H. Dean Trulear and James H. Cone to Buffalo to address the needs of the Urban Community.

Serve on the Board of Governors of the P.C.M.P.

The P.C.M.P. is an urban ministry educational project sponsored by Houghton College, and operated in Buffalo, NY, for equipping urban pastors for the work of the ministry (1987—present)

Read a paper:

“Hymns in Theology and Worship: An Historical Survey”, at the Houghton College Institute of Theology, a continuing education experience, Mar. 8, 1988.

Chaired a session:

Section on Historical Theology, at the Eastern International Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, held at St. Bonaventure University, Olean, NY, April 22-24, 1988.

Read a paper:

“An Early Sixteenth Century Protestant City Handbook”, in the History of Christianity Section of the National Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Chicago, IL, Nov. 18, 1988.

Read a paper:

“John Wesley’s Theological Method, Then and Now”, at the Theological Institute of Houghton College, a continuing education experience, Mar. 9, 1989.

Dissertation committee:

I served on the Ph.D. dissertation committee for Wilma Quantrell’s work on “Charles Wesley’s Doctrine of the Trinity”, at the Graduate School of Drew University, May 1990.

Chaired a session:

At the Charles Wesley Publications Project Colloquium, held at the Center for Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, Sept. 22-24, 1990.

Guest lecturer:

“A Protestant Burger’s Handbook from the First Decade of the Reformation”, at the Theological Forum of the School of Theology at Claremont, CA, Feb. 7, 1991.

On site research:

The Huntingdon English Ms. Collection of the Huntingdon Research Library and Museum, San Marino, CA, Feb. 1991.

Guest speaker:

“Renewal in the United Methodist Tradition”, at the Wesleyan Renewal Fellowship of the North Central New York Annual Conference, June 13, 1991.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

Chaired a session:

Directed the Theology Section working group at the second annual meeting of the Charles Wesley Society, Princeton, NJ, Oct. 11-13, 1991. I also presented research on “The Theological Values of Charles Wesley’s *Hymns on the Nativity of Our Lord*”.

Presented a paper:

“Methodist Societies, Evangelical Economics and Social Change”, at the Ninth Oxford Institute, Sommerville College, Oxford, England, Aug. 5, 1992.

Guest preacher:

“God in All Things: Charles Wesley’s Witness,” and “The Teachings of Charles Wesley’s Hymns”, at Geneseo United Methodist Church, Geneseo, NY, Heritage Sunday, April 25, 1993.

Read a paper:

“The Lord of Life is Risen! Theological Values in Charles Wesley’s *Hymns on the Resurrection*”, at the annual meeting of The Charles Wesley Society, October 14-17, 1992, Princeton, NJ.

Presented a paper:

“Rekindling the Flame: Spiritual Formation in the Wesleyan Tradition”, at the Houghton Institute of Theology, a continuing education experience, Mar. 16, 1993.

Led a Seminar:

I led a seminar on “United Methodist Spirituality and Equipping the Laity”, at October Blest, Christ United Methodist Church, Olean, NY, Oct. 15, 1993.

Ministerial Education:

Taught the “General Church History” course for the Equipping for Ministry Program, an ordination course of The Wesleyan Church, Nov. 12-17, 1995.

Taught a seminary course:

“Church History I, II” for the United Theological Seminary, West Seneca M. Div. program in the spring semester, 1997.

Presented a seminar:

“Theological Foundations for Ministry”, for candidates for ordination in the Western New York Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. It was sponsored by the Board of Ordained Ministry, and held at Batavia UMC, Nov. 13, 1996.

Taught a seminary course:

“Church History I, II” for the United Theological Seminary, West Seneca M. Div. program in the spring semester, 1997.

Presented a paper:

“Life in the Epworth Manse: Susanna Wesley as a Partner in Dialogue about Parish Life”, to the Spouses’ Luncheon, Western New York Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, June 12, 1999.

Taught a seminary course:

“Church History, I, II” for the United Theological Seminary, West Seneca M. Div. program in the summer of 1999.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

Featured Preacher:

Served as discipleship preacher in residence at the United Methodist Camp, Findley Lake, NY, July 26-Aug. 1, 1999. I presented a five-sermon series on “Spirituality of the Heart”.

Taught a seminary course:

Taught Church History I, II in the United Theological Seminary, West Seneca M. Div. program, 1999-2000.

Presented a paper:

“ ‘O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing,’ and the Development of American Methodism”, at the Hymnody in American Protestantism Conference, held at the Billy Graham Center, Wheaton College, May 15-20, 2000.

Taught a seminary course:

I taught DEN 111, The Reformed Tradition, at United Theological Seminary, West Seneca, Summer 2000.

Taught a seminary course:

Church History, I & II, at United Theological Seminary West Seneca, 2000-01.

Research travel:

Spring break, 2001, I traveled to Wittenberg, Germany, to do on-site research, visit important reformation sites, and to do the leg work for an “in-context” May term course: “Martin Luther in Context”.

Research institute:

I participated in “The Houghton Institute of Integrated Studies”, June 2001. Led by Dr. Glenn Tinder, of U. Mass., we studied the topic: Liberty. I presented a paper entitled: “The Political Meaning of Christian Liberty: John Wesley’s Approach”.

Key Note Speaker:

Houghton College Faculty Retreat, August 29, 30, 2001. The focus of the retreat both in Faculty Lectures, Working Groups and Worship was “Our Wesleyan Heritage”. I presented two Faculty Lectures: “Our Wesleyan Heritage” and “Trajectories of Wesleyan Theology for Christian Higher Education”.

On-site research:

In the England, and France, July-August, 2002, at London, Bath, Bristol, Cambridge, Oxford, and Paris, France.

Attended the annual meeting:

The Charles Wesley Society, held at Lincoln College, Oxford, and attended two meetings of the Board of Directors. (August 2002)

Taught a seminary course:

THE-101, Introduction to Christian Theology, at United Theological Seminary (West Seneca), Fall 2002.

Presented two seminars:

“The Theology of Charles Wesley’s Hymns” for clergy and laity at “Catch the Spirit”, a Continuing Education event, , sponsored by the Buffalo District of the United Methodist Church. (Sept. 2002)

Taught a seminary course:

THE-302, Systematic Theology, at United Theological Seminary (West Seneca), Spring 2003.

Taught a course:

I taught a ministerial training course for the Wesleyan Church’s Equipping For Ministry: “The Doctrine of Holiness”, May 19-23, 2003.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

Taught a seminary class:

A session of History of Christianity Pt. II, at Northeastern Theological Seminary, Rochester, New York, May 17, 2004 on “The Theology of Charles Wesley’s Hymns”.

Served as Bible Teacher in Residence:

At United Methodist Family Camp and Retreat, Camp Findley Lake, New York, July 19-25, 2004. I presented five sermonic lectures on “Christianity According to St. James”.

Taught a course:

I taught a Ministerial training course for the Wesleyan Church’s Equipping for Ministry Program; “The Doctrine of Holiness”, May 20-26, 2005.

Taught a lay-training course:

On “Spiritual Renewal in the Wesleyan Tradition”, at Wellsville United Methodist Church, September 7, 2005.

Taught a course:

I taught a ministerial training course for the Wesleyan Church Equipping for Ministry Program: “Advanced Theology”, November 14-19, 2005.

Taught a seminary class:

A session of History of Christianity, Pt. II, at Northeastern Theological Seminary, Rochester, New York, February 14, 2006, on “The Theology of Charles Wesley Hymns”. I also preached a sermon characteristic of the Wesleyan tradition on the text, “Blessed Are the Pure in Heart”.

Dissertation Supervisor:

Supervising the Ph.D. dissertation of Patrick Eby, “One Thing Needful: The Image of God in the Theology of Charles Wesley”, at the Casperson Graduate School of Drew University (2006 – present)

Guest preacher:

May 21, 2006, I preached on “The Mysterious Math: the doctrine of the Trinity”, at Christ United Methodist Church, Amherst, New York (twice), and led a workshop on the Trinity based on my book *Who Is God In Three Persons?*

On-site research:

June 2006, participated in the “Wesley Summer Research Seminar”, hosted by Drs. Richard Heitzenrater and Randy Maddox at Duke University. I did primary and secondary source research in support of my popular biography on Charles Wesley.

Guest Speaker:

June 11, 2006, I preached the baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class (2006) of Wellsville High School. “Through the Wardrobe and Into the World”, the message was based on C. S. Lewis’s *Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*.

Guest Speaker and Teacher:

At “Imprints of Divine Love”, a tri-centenary celebration for Charles Wesley, held at the Center for Wesleyan Studies for the 21st Century, Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, CA. I presented the keynote lecture on “Charles Wesley’s Views on Sanctification”. I also taught a graduate class on the same topic, February 20-23, 2007.

Guest Speaker:

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

April 12, 2007. Wesley Colloquium at Evangelical School of Theology, Meyerstown, PA. "Saved by Faith Which Works By Love: The Ministry and Legacy of Charles Wesley". Keynote speaker, with Dr. Randy Maddox, I delivered two lectures: "Charles the OTHER Wesley" and "Singing Our Theology: The Theology of Charles Wesley's Hymns".

Led a seminar:

June 4-6, 2007, Second Annual Houghton College Conference on Preaching. I presented a seminar on "Preaching Holiness" to about 60 ministers.

National Meeting:

July 20-22, 2007, attended the annual meeting of the Historical Society of the United Methodist Church, in Chevy Chase, Md. to address the conference and received the "Saddlebag Selection" award.

Guest Speaker:

October 5, 2007. Inaugural Colloquium at Houghton College: "Fixing up this World: Houghton College and the Wesleyan Imperative for Personal Transformation And Global Engagement". I presented a paper entitled: "Holiness of Heart And Life as a Means for Transformation: John and Charles Wesley as Theological Mentors", as well as serving on a panel of nationally known scholars.

Featured Speaker:

At the "John Wesley Theological Institute," held at Darien, IL., February 24-26, 2007. Delivered lectures on: "Charles the Other Wesley", "The Theology of Charles Wesley's Hymns", "Charles Wesley on Sanctification" and "Charles Wesley and the Church of England".

Taught a Course of Study Course (COS):

"The Early Church", for Wesley Theological Seminary in the Course of Study Program. It was hosted in Buffalo, New York, August 10-11, and September 14-15, 2007

Taught an Adult Education Course:

"Judeo-Christian Values in the Workplace", ADC-441-1, a seminar for non-traditional students in Jamestown, NY. Fall semester 2007.

Taught a Course of Study Course (COS):

"The Early Church", for Wesley Theological Seminary in the Course of Study Program. It was hosted in Buffalo, New York, Apr. 24, 25 and May 29, 30, 2009

Featured Speaker:

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing: A Symposium on the Theology and Hymns of the lead Charles Wesley", held at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY, March 10-11, 2008. I presented plenary addresses on: " 'When Shall My Wondering Soul Begin?' – Conversion in the Wesleyan Tradition" and " 'Love Divine All Loves Excelling', Charles Wesley's View of Holiness".

Taught an On-line Course:

"Christian Apologetics" an 8 week summer course for Houghton College. Summer 2009.

Taught an On-line Course:

"The Early Church" a hybrid course for United Theological Seminary, Fall semester 2010.

Taught a Course of Study Course (COS)

"Theology in the Wesleyan Spirit," for Wesley Theological Seminary in the COS Program. It was hosted in Buffalo, New York, Fall 2010.

XI. SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORK RELATED EXPERIENCES: (continued)

Taught an On-line Course:

“The Life and Thought of Augustine of Hippo” for United Theological Seminary, Spring 2011.

Taught a Course of Study Course (COS)

“The Early Church” for Wesley Theological Seminary in the COS Program. It was hosted in Buffalo, New York, Spring 2011.

Taught an On-line Course:

“The Early and Medieval Church,” for Asbury Theological Seminary, Spring 2011.

Lead a “Spiritual Pathways Retreat”

“Charles The OTHER Wesley,” five sessions for the United Methodist Church, hosted at Camp Asbury, Perry, New York, on July 16-18, 2012.

Lead a Lay Instructional Course:

Taught a “Lay Servants Course” on the “The Life and Thought of John Wesley,” for the Genesee District, of the Upper New York Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. November 2-4, 2012.

Taught a Course of Study Course (COS)

“The Reformation Era” for Wesley Theological Seminary in the COS program. It was hosted at Kenmore, UMC, in Kenmore, NY. Fall 2012.

Lead a Lay Instructional Course:

Taught “Denominational History” for Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, in the Life Long Learning Program, hosted at Notre Dame Retreat Center, Canandaigua, N.Y. November 16-17, 2012.

Lead a Seminar for the UMC Board of Ordained Ministry:

“Wesleyan Theology – an Overview” at Camp Casowasco, Moravia, NY. October, 2012, for candidates for ordination in the UMC.

Taught A Course of Study Course (COS)

“The Reformation Era” for Wesley Theological Seminary, at Kenmore UMC, Spring 2013.

Taught a Course of Study Course (COS)

“The Early and Medieval Church” for the UMC Course of Study, sponsored by Wesley Theological Seminary, hosted at Kenmore UMC, Buffalo, NY. Fall 2013

Led A Lay-Instructional Seminary

“Catch the Spirit” – January 2014 – “The Theology of Charles Wesley’s Hymns,” at Clarence UMC, Clarence, New York.

Taught a Course for UMC Lay Pastors:

“United Methodist History and Doctrine,” for UMC Liscencing School, Camp Casowasco, Moravia, NY., June 12, 2014.

XII. CHURCH INVOLVEMENT:

Pastor Arcade United Methodist Church (1/2 time), in Arcade, New York . (July 1st, 2010—present)

Minister of the United Methodist Church, ordained by Bishop Roy C. Nichols, June 15, 1975 (Pittsburgh, PA.). Elder in Full Connection, Upper New York Annual Conference (June 2, 2010).

Interim Pastor: Janes United Methodist Church, New Kensington, PA. 1977

Assistant Pastor: First United Methodist Church, Cocoa, FL. 1975

XIII. PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

American Academy of Religion

American Society of Church Historians

Phi Alpha Theta -- International honorary in history

Society of Biblical Literature

Society of Sixteenth Century Studies

Theta Phi -- National Society of Theological Studies

The Charles Wesley Society (formerly served on the Board of Directors)

The Wesleyan Theological Society