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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Biblical Studies (Concentration: New Testament), **ASBURY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. May 2020. Dissertation: *Revisiting the Riddle in Samaria: A Social-Scientific Investigation of Spirit Reception in Luke-Acts in Historical Perspective*. Supervisors: Dr. Craig Keener and Dr. Sue Russell. External Examiner: Dr. Scot McKnight.

M. Div., Academic Track. **ASBURY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY**, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. May 2012.

B.A., Mathematics. **UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI**, Cincinnati, OH, U.S.A. June 2004.

Additional Bible and Theology Training (via correspondence):

VINEYARD LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE, Columbus, Ohio, U.S.A., 2004–2006

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND ACTIVITIES

Academic Posts

- Interim Director of Seminary Now 3.0, Seminary Now, Lisle, IL, U.S.A. Feb 2023–Present.
- Director of Library Services and Educational Technology, Northern Baptist Seminary, Lisle, IL, U.S.A. June 2022–Present.
- Affiliate Professor of New Testament, Northern Baptist Seminary, Lisle, IL, U.S.A. June 2022–Present.
- Greek Teaching Fellow, Faculty Position, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. June 2016–2019.

Sessional and Guest Lecturing

- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Spring Semester 2023.
- Adjunct Professor for “MIN506: Portraits of Jesus in the New Testament.” Vineyard College. Online Course.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Summer Semester 2022.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT622/722: The Gospel of Mark.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Spring Semester 2022.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Spring Semester 2022.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT418: Greek Tools and NT Interpretation.” Northern Seminary. Online Course. Spring Semester 2022.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT307: The Gospels and Acts.” Northern Seminary. Online Course. Fall Semester 2021.

- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Fall Semester 2021.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Summer Semester 2021.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. 2 Sections. Online Course. Spring Semester 2021.
- Adjunct Professor for “NT503: Reading the New Testament.” NYACK/Alliance Theological Seminary. Online Course. Fall Semester 2020.
- Lecturer for “Demonstrating the Kingdom: Kingdom Theology.” Vineyard Institute. Online Course. November 2017.

Teaching Assistant and Research Assistant Positions

- Teaching Intern to Dr. David Bauer for “NT(IBS) 636: The Book of Acts.” Asbury Theological Seminary. Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Spring Semester 2015.
- Distance Education Course Grader. Vineyard Institute, Columbus, OH, U.S.A. Fall 2012–2013.
- Teaching Assistant to Instructor Brad Johnson for “NT 501: Comprehensive Greek I.” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Fall Semester 2009–2013.
- Teaching Assistant to Instructor Brad Johnson for “Growth of the New Testament Church.” Asbury University, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Summer Semester 2012.
- Teaching Assistant to Instructor Jason Jackson for “OT 501: Elementary Hebrew I.” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Summer Semester 2012.
- Teaching Assistant to Instructor Brad Johnson for “NT 502: Comprehensive Greek II.” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Fall Semester 2012.
- Teaching Assistant to Dr. David Bauer for “NT(IBS) 646: Hebrews.” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Spring Semester 2011.
- Teaching Assistant to Instructor Brad Johnson for “NT 502: Comprehensive Greek II.” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Spring Semester 2010.
- Teaching Assistant to Dr. Fred Long for “NT 520: New Testament Introduction.” Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Fall Semester 2009–2010.

Editing and Research Experience

- Article Peer Reviewer for *Journal of Evangelical Theological Society*, June 2022–Present.
- Contract Copy Editor for GlossaHouse Publishing, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Fall 2020–Present.
- Editorial Assistant to Editor Dominick Hernández for *Bulletin of Biblical Research*, Winter 2022–Present.
- Editorial Assistant to Editor Nijay Gupta for *Bulletin of Biblical Research*, Fall 2019–2022.
- Editorial Assistant to Editor Craig Keener for *Bulletin of Biblical Research*, Fall 2014–2019.
- Copy Editor of Biblical Languages for *Journal of Inductive Bible Study*, Fall 2014–2015.
- Research Data Entry Assistant to Craig Keener, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, U.S.A. Fall 2013–2014.
- Library Research Peer Mentor for Library Services, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH, U.S.A. Fall 2001–2004.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

Publications

- “The Rhetoric of Redaction: A Rhetorical Analysis of Redaction in Luke 8:40–56,” in *Essays Exploring New Testament Texts*. Wilmore, KY: GlossaHouse (Forthcoming).
- “The Holy Spirit” in *Dictionary of Paul and His Letters*. 2nd Edition. Edited by Scot McKnight, Lynn Cohick, and Nijay Gupta. Downers Grove: IVP, 2023.
- “Highway to Hell: A Biblical Theological Survey of Hell and Final Judgement in the New Testament,” in *Atonement and the Gospel of the Kingdom: Vineyard Perspectives on the Atoning Work of Jesus*. Bergvliet, South Africa: Vineyard International Publishing, 2022.
- “Praxis, Phenomena, and Spirit Reception in Luke-Acts,” in *Asbury Journal*, 71/1:109–127.
- “Interpretation and Structure in Joel,” in *Journal of Inductive Bible Study*, 1.1:80–104.

Academic Conference Leadership

- Member, Steering Committee, Society of Vineyard Scholars, September 2017–Present.
- Conference Coordinator, Society of Vineyard Scholars Annual Conference 2018, June 19–21, 2018.
- Member, Program Committee, Society of Vineyard Scholars, September 2018–2019.
- Chair, Program Committee, Society of Vineyard Scholars, September 2017–2018.
- Moderator, “Holy Spirit, Scripture, and Hermeneutics” Panel. Society of Vineyard Scholars, Annual Meeting 2019, Minneapolis, MN, May 2–4, 2019.

Conference Presentations and Responses

- “Jezebel’s *Porneia*, Our *Porneuo*: The Historical Development of *Porneia* (and its cognates) within Judeo-Christian Traditions and Relevant New Testament Pastoral Responses,” Biblical Languages Colloquium, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky, April 23, 2021.
- “Returning to the Riddle of Samaria,” Biblical Studies Seminar, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky, March 11, 2020.
- “A Response to ‘Officially Enacting Vineyard Ecclesiology’ by Jon Stovell,” Society of Vineyard Scholars, Annual Meeting 2016, Raleigh, NC, April 21–23, 2016.
- “Praxis, Phenomena, and Spirit Reception in Luke-Acts,” Asbury Interdisciplinary Colloquium 2015, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, KY, October 10, 2015.
- “Inaugurated Eschaton: A Dialogue with N.T. Wright on Church Discipline and Eschatology,” Society of Vineyard Scholars, Annual Meeting 2015, Media, PA, April 2015.
- “Authorities for Discernment: The Wesleyan Quadrilateral in the Ministry of John Wimber,” Society of Vineyard Scholars, Annual Meeting 2013, Anaheim, CA, April 18–20, 2013.
- “Birthed of Renewal: An Exploration of the Vineyard and the American Holiness Movement,” Society of Vineyard Scholars, Annual Meeting 2012, April 2012.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Institute for Biblical Research, Fall 2016–Present.
- Society of Biblical Literature, Fall 2011–Present.
- Society of Vineyard Scholars, Fall 2009–Present.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Church Leadership and Service

- VUSA Representative, Vineyard International Theology Task Force, 2019–2021. I served as one of three Vineyard USA representatives on an international Vineyard Theology Taskforce led by Derek Morphew. This taskforce provided theological reflection and support for a handful of national associations within the Vineyard movement globally.
- Theological Consultation, Vineyard Indonesian Partnership, Jakarta, Fall 2019.
- Theological Consultant, School of Kingdom Ministry, Spring 2018.
- Conference Coordinator, Vineyard USA Great Lakes South Regional Conference 2018, Indianapolis, IN, October 19–20, 2018.
- Theological Consultation, Vineyard USA with Phil Strout, Maine, April 3–6, 2018.
- Prayer Ministry Team, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, 2017–2020.
- Theological Consultation, Vineyard USA with Derek Morphew, Wilmore, April 20–21, 2014.
- Discipleship Leadership Team, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, 2009–2020. I served as one of the discipleship leadership team members and helped give shape and vision to the small group and continuing education ministries of the church.
- Lifegroup Leader, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, 2009–2019. Led and multiplied three distinct lifegroups over ten years.
- Ministry Assistant, Sugar Land Vineyard Fellowship, Stafford, TX, Fall 2004–Summer 2008. I provided support for the Assimilation, Hospitality, Mercy and Young Adult Ministries of the church, including managing a volunteer team of 150 for the Hospitality and Assimilation ministries.

Church Teaching and Preaching

- Speaker, “The Star of Bethlehem” Video Devotional, GCF Vineyard, December 30, 2020.
- Teacher, “How to Study the Bible,” 4 Week Class, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, Spring 2020.
- Preacher, “Joy in the Midst of Unspeakable Loss,” Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, December 1, 2019.
- Creator and Coordinator, ““Compassionate Life in Christ” Church Discipleship Curriculum, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, Fall 2017.
- Creator and Coordinator, ““In Christ” Church Discipleship Curriculum, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, Fall 2016.
- Guest Speaker, “American Exiles: Purity and Holiness, A Dialogue with Thomas Lyons on Sexuality” Sermon, GCF Vineyard, Wilmore, KY, November 1, 2015.
- Teacher, “Digging Deeper: Revelation,” 7 Week Class, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, Fall 2014.
- Teacher, “Digging Deeper: Ephesians,” 7 Week Class, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, Ky, Spring 2014.
- Teacher, “The Story of God: Reading Scripture, Living the Story” Workshop, Lexington Vineyard, Lexington, KY, April 29–30, 2011.

Media, Interviews, and Church Resources

- “When a Christian Revival Goes Viral.” *TheAtlantic.com*, February 23rd, 2023.
- “What is Really Happening at Asbury? With Thomas Lyons, Part 2.” *Faith in the Folds*, February 20th, 2023.
- “Is There an Awakening at Asbury? With Thomas Lyons, Part 1.” *Faith in the Folds*, February 17th, 2023.
- “The Asbury Outpouring w/Dr. Thomas Lyons.” *The Sacramental Charismatic* Episode #33, February 15th, 2023.
- “Asbury Revival: Answers to Help Us Understand What God Might Be Up to.” *SeminaryNow.com*, February 14th, 2023.
- Author, “The Christ of Israel” Christmas Experience, Fall 2022, Blue Creek, Ohio.
- Cohost, “Theological Ecumenism in the Vineyard and Beyond,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #16, October 28, 2019.
- Cohost, “Reading Romans Backwards w/Scot McKnight,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #14, August 26, 2019.
- Cohost, “Vineyard Conferences, History, and Global Experience,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #13, August 20, 2019.
- Cohost, “Reflecting on the Atonement w/Dr. Steve Burnhope,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #12, August 12, 2019.
- Cohost, “What is the Spirit Empowered Church?” *The Vineyardists* Episode #10, July 16, 2019.
- Cohost, “Truth-Telling as a Theological Task,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #9, May 9, 2019.
- Cohost, “What We’re Reading, Recommended Resources, and Technology,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #7, December 4, 2018.
- Guest Speaker, *Hope is Here*, WJMM 99.1, Radio Show and Podcast, Nov 2018. My wife and I were invited on this local radio show to talk about grief and finding hope after the loss of our son.
- Cohost, “The Bible and Its Interpretation,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #6, October 26, 2018.
- Cohost, “Whose Kingdom is this?” *The Vineyardists* Episode #4, August 4, 2018.
- Cohost, “Bubba Justice, Continuing Education, and the Art of Reading,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #3, July 24, 2018.
- Cohost, “Regional Conferences, Local Churches, and Women in Leadership,” *The Vineyardists* Episode #2, July 16, 2018.
- Cohost, “Who, Why, and What are the Vineyardists?” *The Vineyardists* Episode #1, July 12, 2018.
- “On the Road Between Ephesus and Thyatira: An Alternative Model to Ken Wilson’s in ALTMC, Part 3.” *Thinktheology.org*, July 7, 2014.
- “On the Road Between Ephesus and Thyatira: An Alternative Model to Ken Wilson’s in ALTMC, Part 2.” *Thinktheology.org*, June 9, 2014.
- “On the Road Between Ephesus and Thyatira: An Alternative Model to Ken Wilson’s in ALTMC, Part 1.” *Thinktheology.org*, June 2, 2014.

LANGUAGE READING PROFICIENCIES

Ancient:

Greek, Hebrew, Aramaic

Modern:

English, French, German, Spanish

