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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER (2010 – 2014): **PhD in Theology**

Thesis: “The Relationship of the Fall to Christ’s Humanity: Patristic Theology as an Arbiter of the Modern Debate”

Student Lecturer, Modern Christology, 2013

WESLEY BIBLICAL SEMINARY (1996 – 2000): **Master of Divinity** (with honors thesis)

KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN BIBLE COLLEGE (1992 – 1996): **BA in Religion**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

OKLAHOMA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY: **Adjunct Professor** (2009 –), undergraduate and graduate programs; **Professor of Christian Thought** (2011 –); *Excellence in Teaching Awardee* (2018, 2024); **Dean of the School of Ministry and Christian Thought** (2019 – 2022)

WESLEY SEMINARY AT INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY (2021 –): **Adjunct Professor**

KINGSWOOD UNIVERSITY (2020 – 2023): **Adjunct Professor**, graduate program

WESLEY BIBLICAL SEMINARY (2018 – 2021): **Adjunct Professor**

WILLIAM PENN UNIVERSITY (2011): **Adjunct Instructor**

OHIO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY (2009 – 2011): **Adjunct Instructor**

FREE METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA (2009 – 2011): **Adjunct Ministerial Educator**

WESLEY COLLEGE (2009 – 2010): **Old Testament, Theology Professor**; *2009 Outstanding Faculty*; *2010 Teacher of the Year*.

VENNARD COLLEGE (2000 – 2008): **Asst. Professor of Bible, Theology, Philosophy, and History**

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Books

Editor, *Reclaiming the Order of Salvation: Evangelical Wesleyan Perspectives* (Francis Asbury, forthcoming).

The Creed We Need: Nicene Faith for Wesleyan Witness (Aldersgate, 2025).

The Judas We Never Knew: A Study on the Life and Letter of Jude (Seedbed, 2023).

Co-editor, *Methodist Christology: From the Wesleys to the Twenty-First Century* (Wesley's Foundery, 2020).

Christ's Humanity in Current and Ancient Controversy: Fallen or Not? (T&T Clark, 2017).

Chapters in Edited Volumes

“Transpositions: The Notes of the Church in Trinitarian and Wesleyan Keys” in Jacob Lett and Jonathan M. Platter, eds., *Sanctifying Theology: At the Intersections of Wesleyan Theology, Dogmatics, and Practice* (Pickwick, 2023).

“Reading Barth on Jackson’s Set: Threefold Salvation in the *Lord of the Rings* Trilogy” in Douglas Estes, ed., *Theology and Tolkien: Practical Theology* (Lexington Books/Fortress Academic, 2023).

“Torrance and Christ’s Assumption of Fallen Human Nature: Toward Clarification and Closure,” in Myk Habets and R. Lucas Stamps, eds., *Thomas F. Torrance and Evangelical Theology: A Critical Analysis* (Lexham Press, 2023).

“Holy Love and Church History: The Curious Case of Edward Irving,” in Diane Ury, ed., *Holy Love: Essays in Honor of Dr. M. William Ury* (Salvation Army Southern Territory, 2022).

“Sin and Sam Raimi’s Spider-Man: A Spider-Hamartiology” in George Tsakiridis, ed., *Theology and Spider-Man* (Lexington Books/Fortress Academic, 2022).

“Who’s on Third? (Re)locating the Spirit in the Triune *Taxis*,” co-authored with Joshua M. McNall in Oliver D. Crisp and Fred Sanders, eds., *The Third Person of the Trinity: Explorations in Constructive Dogmatics* (Zondervan, 2020).

“‘Not I, but Christ’: Thomas F. Torrance on the Christian Life” in Paul D. Molnar and Myk Habets, eds., *T&T Clark Handbook of Thomas F. Torrance* (T&T Clark, 2020).

“Old Testament Models for Leading the Wesleyan Way,” in Aaron Perry and Bryan Easley, eds., *Leadership the Wesleyan Way: An Anthology for Forming Leaders in Wesleyan Thought and Practice* (Emeth, 2016).

“Convergence in the ‘Reformed’ Theologies of T. F. Torrance and Jacobus Arminius: A Preliminary Survey,” in Keith D. Stanglin, Mark G. Bilby, and Mark H. Mann, eds., *Reconsidering Arminius: Beyond the Reformed and Wesleyan Divide* (Abingdon, 2014).

Professional Journal Articles (selected)

“Mary Amongst Methodists: An Historical Survey and Analysis,” *Wesley and Methodist Studies* (forthcoming).

“A Nicene Theology of Suffering,” *Journal of Christian Studies* 3.3 (2024): 7–16.

“Lamb and Lion, Eyes and Horns: Spirit Christology in the Apocalypse of John,” *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 18.1 (2024): 117–30.

“Out from Everest: Directions for a Global Wesleyan Christology,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 58.2 (2023): 92–107.

“Wrestling with an Angel: T. F. Torrance’s Reception of Edward Irving Reappraised,” *Participatio* 10 (2022): 57–81.

“Wesleyan Evangelicals and the *Filioque*: A Constructive Account,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 57.2 (2022): 23–42.

“Pope on Progress: A Constructive Conversation with W. B. Pope’s *Compendium* Vol. 1,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 55.2 (2020): 59–68.

“Introduction to Theology: Using the Duck Test to Teach New Concepts,” *Didaktikos* 3.5 (2019): 32.

“Deschner’s Wesley and the Monophysite Meme,” *Wesleyan Theological Journal* 54.2 (2019): 37–55.

“All of Him for All of Us: Christ’s Person and Offices in John Wesley and T. F. Torrance,” *Participatio* 4 (2018): 11–38.

“Pelagian or Procrustean? Weighing Hugh Rock’s Reading of George Fox and James Arminius,” *Quaker Studies* 23.2 (2018): 179–90.

“‘Ye Worship Ye Know Not What’? The Apophatic Turn and the Trinity,” *International Journal of Systematic Theology* 19.4 (2017): 401–420. Awarded “Top Downloaded Article 2017-2018.”

“Why Protestant Christians Should Not Believe in Mary’s Immaculate Conception: A Response to Mulder,” *Christian Scholar’s Review* 46.3 (2017): 233–47.

“John Walton’s *Lost Worlds* and God’s Loosed Word: Implications for Inerrancy, Canon, and Creation,” *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 58.4 (2015): 679–91.

“For Clarity and Charity: A Wesleyan Response to the Scripture Study Committee’s Report on Article IV (The Holy Scriptures),” *Didache: Faithful Teaching* 15.1 (2015).

Book reviews for *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, *Trinity Journal*, *Firebrand*, and *Participatio*.

Presentations and popular-level pieces (selected)

Regular contributor to daily devotional *Light from the Word* (Wesleyan Publishing House).

Contribute twice a year on average to *Firebrand* e-magazine and *Christian Scholar’s Review* Blog.

Presenter for several podcasts, two webinars, and an OKWU onsite community event on *The Judas We Never Knew* (2023 – 2024).

Interviewee on the relationship of justification and regeneration. Seminary Unboxed Podcast (2025).

“Grace Upon Grace.” *Silver Trumpet* 28.2 (2024): 4–5.

“The hero we need” (on the Wesleyan article of religion on Christology). www.wesleyan.org (2023).

Panelist on “Setting the Agenda,” Wesleyan Dogmatics Working Group (2023).

“John 1:1-14 with Jerome Van Kuiken Christmas Day.” Fresh Text Podcast (2022).

Annual presenter on the intersection of science and religion, OKWU Science/Math Capstone course.

Panelist for a review of *Methodist Christology* at joint Wesleyan Historical Society-Wesleyan Dogmatics Working Group session (2022).

Invited response to Axel Kazadi, “The Kenosis of Christ in Balthasar’s Thought: The Objective Ground of Human Obedience.” Free Methodist-Wesleyan Graduate Student Theological Seminar (2022).

“The Doctrine of Grace in Calvinism, Arminianism and Beyond.” Wesley Biblical Seminary (2021).

“Conflict, Culture, and Christ’s Command: Interpreting Matthew 18:15–17 for Indirect-Conflict Settings.” The Facilitator M Blog (2020).

Panelist and commentator for Torrance Theological Fellowship Virtual Workshop-Retreats (2020, 2021).

“When the Acolyte Fell: Wesleyan Hermeneutics and the Eucharist.” Anglican Studies section of Evangelical Theological Society (2019).

“Challenges to Biblical Authority.” Plenary address, Josh McDowell Institute at OKWU (2019).

“Superheroes And The Human Nature Of Christ.” Wesley Seminary Podcast Episode 48 (2018).

“Did Jesus Have a Human Nature?”; “Was Jesus More Than Just a Man?”; and “Errors to Avoid When Talking About the Trinity.” Seven Minute Seminary; www.seedbed.com (2017).

“Wesley on Education.” Presented annually at OKWU new faculty orientation since 2020.

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed: A Call to Embrace the Kingdom Hope.” Cantata at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary (2007). Narration and lyrics mine.

“Forgiveness: A Cross Examination.” *Light & Life* magazine and reprinted by AsburyOnline (2004).

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Co-supervisor of a PhD student’s research on Mariology at Nazarene Theological College.

Preach and lead Bible studies multiple times a year at churches, OKWU and Christian school chapel services, and occasionally at camp meetings, youth camp, and a local rescue mission.

Volunteer children’s worker, teller, and board member, Sooner Park Wesleyan Church, Bartlesville, OK.

Board member, *Firebrand* e-magazine.

Associate editor and book review editor, *Participatio* e-journal.

Drafting committee member, the Next Methodism Summit II: Holiness.

Associate editor for The Wesleyan Church’s “Articles of Religion” series of online articles.

Manuscript Reviewer for Oxford University Press (2014, 2015), *International Journal of Systematic Theology* (2017), Bloomsbury T&T Clark (2024), and Routledge (2024).

Associate Pastor, Pennsylvania Ave. Free Methodist Church, Ottumwa, IA (2001 – 2008).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

The Wesleyan Church (ordained)

Evangelical Theological Society (former Wesleyan Studies section co-chair)

Torrance Theological Fellowship (co-vice president)

Wesleyan Theological Society