CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education & Degrees

Ph. D. in New Testament Exegesis, Kings College, Aberdeen University, 1987

Thesis title: "The Pauline Proclamation of the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Christ within its New Testament Context"

M. Div., M. A. in New Testament, High Honors, Biblical Theological Seminary, 1983
B. S. in Bible Pastoral Studies, Honors, Philadelphia College of Bible (Cairn University), 1980
Diploma in Spanish as a Second Language, Instituto de Lengua Española, San José, Costa Rica, 1999.

Experience

Professor of New Testament Director of Graduate and Postgraduate Programs

1999-present 1999-2020

Seminario ESEPA, San José, Costa Rica

- Wrote books, including commentaries on 1 Corinthians, 1-2 Thessalonians, Romans
- Taught a full range of courses in New Testament, on graduate and undergraduate levels
- Helped to create three MA degrees, in Theology, Old Testament, and Pastoral Leadership
- Oversaw 40-50 people enter and study in the MA programs

President 2005-2008

Seminario ESEPA, San José, Costa Rica

- Directed the process of seeking accreditation from the Costa Rican government
- Brought ESEPA through successful negotiations concerning our use of the property
- Cleared the way for construction to begin anew on our education center, receiving grants to finish that project
- Supervised the launching of ESEPA Virtual, to offer ESEPA courses and degrees by internet

Vice President for Academics

2002-2003, 2004-2005, 2014-2016

Seminario ESEPA, San José, Costa Rica

- Reorganized the policies and the academic processes, producing a complete manual for the division
- Oversaw curriculum revision in 2015

Editor for Zondervan Publishing

2014-present

Regular editing and proofreading of new publications

'Biblical Scholar' and Translation Editor, Wycliffe Associates 2015-present

Served on the Door 43 team to produce New Testament Bible Translation guides for 50 Gateway Languages. These in turn will be used to render the Scriptures into hundreds of dialects by local Christians. Also served as editor for the open-source Greek New Testament and content-writing of their open-source commentary of 1-2 Timothy, 2 Corinthians. Since 2021, the final editor of the Bible in Symbolic Universal Notation (SUN), a constructed language for deaf non-readers.

Professor of New Testament and Research Supervisor

2012-2018

Cuban seminaries Los Pinos Nuevos, Las Palmas, and Eastern Baptist Cuban Seminary

Part-Time Missionary for Global Missionary Outreach

2014-2016

Served as evangelistic, discipler, and mentor for new and growing believers online.

Associate Professor of New Testament

1995-1998

Assistant Professor of New Testament

1990-1995

Biblical Theological Seminary, Hatfield, PA

• Chaired Academic Self-Study for regional and ATS accreditation, 1993-95

Professor of New Testament

1988-90

Conservative Baptist Seminary of the East, New England Branch, Worcester, MA

Pastor 1986-90

Penacook Bible Church, Penacook, NH

Blogging

Since 2009, maintained two theology blogs, in Spanish (razondelaesperanza.com) and in English (openoureyeslord.com). They contain about 700 articles, which receive from 12-16 thousand hits per month.

Other Experience

- Ordained a Baptist minister in 1983
- President, Evangelical Theological Society Eastern Region, 1997-98; ETS Northeastern Region, 1989-90
- Served as associate pastor in two churches, emphasizing biblical teaching
- Formulated and twice taught a three-part course on Greek essentials for the Timotheus Bible University, Bucharest, Romania, 1994-1996
- Actively engaged in ministries to discover how the biblical message may be applied to different tasks, such as: began an advocacy program for local needy, started addiction recovery support groups, chaired the board of a crisis pregnancy center

Current Projects

- Managing an English-language version of my *Iceberg Ahead! When God's Servants Crash into Cold, Hard Reality*, a book on how to handle disappointment in Christian ministry
- Editing the Symbolic Universal Notation of the New Testament for Wycliffe Associates
- Creating and teaching New Testament courses in Spanish for Seminario ESEPA
- Regular conference speaker, focusing on the themes of Bible prophecy; the messianic movement of Latin America; "Can I Trust my Bible?"

Honors Received

- Greek Award, Philadelphia College of Bible
- Senior Preaching Award, Biblical Theological Seminary
- Research grants from Tyndale Fellowship, Cambridge

Membership in Scholarly Societies

- Evangelical Theological Society
- Society of Biblical Literature
- Tyndale Fellowship

PUBLICATIONS

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Books

- New Testament Greek Insert and NT Greek Card-Guide. Stylus Publishing, 1995. Thorough revisions of these useful works of Benjamin Chapman. The NT Greek Insert is also a component of Logos Bible Software, both in English and in Spanish.
- Running in Circles: How to Find Freedom from Addictive Behavior, in the Strategic Christian Living Series. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House (May, 1995). Translated and published in Korean. Available on Amazon.
- Corriendo en Círculos: cómo encontrar la libertad del comportamiento adictivo. Spanish version of Running in Circles, published electronically.
- Addictive Behavior (co-authored with Edward T. Welch). Grand Rapids: Baker Book House (May, 1995). Also published in Korean.
- 1 Corinthians: an exegetical-pastoral commentary. Logos Bible Software, 2012; Publicaciones Kerigma, 2021.
- 1-2 Thessalonians. Zondervan Exegetical Commentary. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2012.
- 1-2 Tesalonicenses. Comentario Exegético-Práctico del Nuevo Testamento. Barcelona: Andamio, 2019. Also published in 2019 in Korean.
- "Romans", in the *Comentario Bíblico Contemporáneo*, Buenos Aires: Kairos, 2019; also forthcoming in English from Zondervan.
- 1 Corintios: un comentario exegético-pastoral. Barcelona: CLIE, 2021; Logos Bible Software.
- ¡Témpano por Delante!: Cuando los obreros de Dios chocan con la fría y dura realidad (Iceberg Ahead! When God's Servants Crash into Cold, Hard Reality). Salem, Oregon: Publicaciones Kerigma, 2021.
- El Don del Espíritu: ensayos de investigación exegética, teológica e histórica. (The Gift of the Spirit: Exegetical, Theological, and Historical Research Essays). Barcelona: CLIE, 2023.
- Christian Beliefs. A catechism for deaf non-readers, composed in Symbolic Universal Notation (SUN). Orlando: Wycliffe Associates, 2023.
- Los mitos que los cristianos creen. Y comparten. (The myths that Christians believe. And share.) Barcelona: CLIE, 2024.
- Myths that Christians accept and pass along to others. Amazon, 2025.
- Iceberg Ahead! When God's Servants Crash into Cold, Hard Reality. Pending publication.

Contributed Chapters

Strangers to Fire: When Tradition Trumps Scripture. Woodstock, GA: Foundation for Pentecostal Scholarship, 2014: "The gift of tongues in the post-apostolic church: a

- rejoinder to Cleon Rogers"; "Christian prophecy and canon in the second century: A response to B. B. Warfield."
- Notes on James. In *Biblia de Estudio Cristianismo Primitivo: La sabiduría de la Iglesia primitiva y patrística (s.I-s.VI) (Study Bible of Early Christianity: the Wisdom of the Early Patristic Church, 1st-6th centuries).* Barcelona: CLIE, 2023.
- Notes on 1 Corinthians. *Biblia de Estudio Cultural (Historical-Cultural Bible Commentary)*. Barcelona: CLIE. Pending publication.
- Theology of Romans. *Teologia del Nuevo Testamento (Theology of the New Testament)*. Salem, Oregon: Publicaciones Kerigma.

Edited Books

Ladd, George E., *La teología del Nuevo Testamento*, trad. José-María Blanch *et al.*, ed. Gary S. Shogren. Barcelona: CLIE, 2002.

Copyedited and proofread a number of works for Zondervan Publishing.

Articles

- "Presently Entering the Kingdom of Christ (Col 1:13)." JETS 31 (1988): 173-80.
- "Will God Heal Us (James 5:14)?" EQ 61 (1989): 99-108.
- "Will God Heal Us (James 5:14)?" (reprint) *The Best in Theology 1989*, published by *Christianity Today*.
- "Will God Heal Us (James 5:14)?" (translated into Korean) *Ministry and Theology*, Seoul, Korea, 1992.
- "Election," "Redemption," "Grace," "Forgiveness," and several smaller articles. *Anchor Bible Dictionary*. Doubleday, 1992.
- "Authority and Power." Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels. IVP, 1992.
- "Recovering God in the Age of Therapy." *Journal of Biblical Counseling* 12, No. 1 (Fall 1993): 14-19.
- "Anger," "Age, Ages," "Consolation," and "Justice." *Baker Dictionary of Biblical Theology*. Baker Book House, 1996.
- "Hell, Abyss, Eternal Punishment," "Life and Death," and "Mortality and Immortality," in *Dictionary of the Later New Testament and its Developments*. IVP, 1997.
- "Christian Prophecy and Canon in the Second Century: A response to B. B. Warfield," in *JETS* 40/4 (December 1997): 609-26.
- "How Did they Suppose the 'the Perfect' Would Come? 1 Cor. 13:8-12 in Patristic Exegesis." *Journal of Pentecostal Theology* (Sheffield) 15 (1999): 97-119.
- "The 'Wretched Man' of Romans 7:14-25 as *Reductio ad absurdum*." *Evangelical Quarterly* 72/2 (April, 2000): 119-134.
- "Is the Kingdom of God about Eating and Drinking or isn't it?" (Romans 14:17). *Novum Testamentum* 42/3 (2000): 238-256.
- "Anathema," "Bema," "Mammon," "Tribunal, "Wrath." Eerdmans Dictionary of the Bible.

- Eerdmans, 2000.
- "The 'Ultracharismatics' of Corinth and the Pentecostals of Latin America as the religion of the disaffected." *Tyndale Bulletin* 56.2 (2005): 91-110.
- "Una Ofrenda para los Pobres." (An Offering for the Poor) Apuntes Pastores 23/4 (2006): 18-24.
- "The Wicked will not Inherit the Kingdom of God': A Pauline Warning and the Hermeneutics of Liberation Theology and of Brian McLaren." *Trinity Journal* 31 NS (2010): 95-113.
- "1-2 Tesalonicenses," in Gran Diccionario Enciclopédico de la Biblia. CLIE, 2013.
- "Were the Thessalonians 'meddling in divine matters'?: A rereading of 2 Thessalonians 3:11." *JETS* 63.4 (2020): 703-20.
- "¿Es el Reino de Dios cuestión de comida y bebida o no?" *Biblia y Teología Hoy* 5.2 (2025): 45-69.