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Academic Experience

2014- present

Evangelische Theologische Faculteit

Leuven, Belgium

Doctoral Faculty; Associate Professor of New Testament
Supervising or co-supervising two doctoral students

2014-present

Fellow in Amsterdam Centre for New Testament Studies – Vrije Universiteit

Amsterdam, the Netherlands

2005-2018

Tyndale Theological Seminary

Badhoevedorp, the Netherlands

Chair of the Biblical Studies Department (2014-present); Accreditation Officer (2014-2015) Vice-President of Academic Affairs & Academic Dean (2008-2014) & Interim Academic Dean (2007-2008) – Accreditation and Recognition for the school achieved with the NVAO (Nederlands Vlaamse Accreditatie Organisatie) and with the European Evangelical Accrediting Association (EEAA).

Chairman of the Examination Board, Initiated Convocation ceremony and Saturday seminars. Master handbook and faculty handbook created. Faculty leading, recruitment, organization, training, and guidance given.

Partnerships formed with FTA – Gießen, Germany, Zaporozhye Bible College and Seminary – Zaporozhye, Ukraine and Theologisches Seminar Rhineland – Wolmersen, Germany

Professor of New Testament Language and Literature. Classes taught: Elementary Greek, Intermediate Greek, Exegesis of Luke-Acts, Exegesis of Romans, Exegesis of the Corinthian Epistles, New Testament Theology, New Testament Survey, Influential books outside of the New Testament, Apostolic Fathers, Thesis Prospectus, and Preaching.

Successful supervision of 7 master thesis students from countries of Germany, Ghana, Romania, Cameroon, Albania, and Armenia.

Director of Admissions– Enrollment doubled

2014-present

Bucharest State University

Bucharest, Romania

Visiting Professor of New Testament

Erasmus Grants received for teaching - 2016, 2017, 2019

2014-2017

Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary

Hamilton, MA

Online instructor and classroom professor for Semlink Program

2002-2005

Palmer Theological Seminary
Philadelphia, PA
Adjunct Faculty

Education

1995-1999

University of Aberdeen
Aberdeen, Scotland
Ph.D. in New Testament granted November 1999

1991-1995

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
S. Hamilton, Massachusetts
M. Div. degree (Magna Cum Laude); Phi Alpha Chi Society

1983-1987

University of Delaware
Newark, Delaware
B. A. History, B. S. Chemistry

Church and Denominational Experience

2018-2019
1998-2000

Central Schwenkfelder Church
Worcester, Pennsylvania
Minister of Theology and Mission (2018-2019)
Minister of Spiritual Enrichment and Outreach and Youth (1998-2005)

January 2013-June
2015

Interim Pastor – Trinity International Church
Leidschendam, the Netherlands
Preaching, advising, counseling, youth

2008-present

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference
Credentials Committee Member – evaluating ordained and licensed standings for ministers

2005-2018

Christ Church Heiloo
Heiloo, Netherlands
Preaching, small group leadership, and youth leadership

2002-2005

Chairman of the Mission Board of the Schwenkfelder General Conference
Worcester, Pennsylvania

Ministerial Standing

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference and Schwenkfelder Conference
Ordained Standing –June 13, 1999

Speaking Engagements

- 2014-present **Forum of Christian Leaders with the European Leadership Forum.**
Special online Lectures on topics relating to canonicity, divinity of Christ, Gospel of Thomas, role models, martyrdom, refugees, technology, and pseudonymity
- May 2013 **L'Abri Netherlands – “Why the Four Canonical Gospels?”**
Eck en Wiel, Netherlands
- June 2012 **Leadership Forums – “Leadership Then and Now: Ideas from Corinthians for Today”**
Central Schwenkfelder Church – Worcester, PA
First Congregational Church - North Collins, NY
- 2011, 2013 **Convocation Speaker**
Tyndale Theological Seminary
- 2010 **Main Bible Hour Speaker at the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference Family Conference**
Springfield, MA

Mission & Fund Raising Experience

- 2005-present **European Christian Mission**
Badhoevedorp, the Netherlands
- 2016, 2014, 2010, 1997 **Teaching Stints**
Marseilles, France, Almaty, Kazakhstan and Ambale Cate, India
- 1991-1995 **Campus Crusade for Christ, Intl.**
Boston, Massachusetts, San Bernardino, California and Newark, Delaware

Academic Projects

- 2012-present Chairman of the Seria de Comentarii Exegetice Romanesti. The series is for Romanian commentaries for students and pastors.
- 2013-present Consulting Editor for *Journal of Global Christianity*. 6 editions published

Language Ability

Limited Proficiency: Dutch (B1), Romanian (A2)
Reading Proficiency: French, German, Biblical Greek, Hebrew, and Aramaic.

Professional Memberships

Studio Novi Testamenti Conventus, Society of Biblical Literature, Tyndale Fellowship

Family

Wife - Andrea
Children - Henry (22 years), Abigail (18 years), Samuel (16 years)

Publications

Academic Books Authored or Edited:

Caspar Schwenckfeld: Eight Writings on Christian Beliefs. Kitchener Ontario: Pandora, 2006.

The Wisdom of the Wise: the presence and function of Scripture in 1 Cor. 1:18-3:23. AGJU 49. Leiden: E J Brill, 2001.

Books for Church Issues:

Jesus Tried and True: Why the four canonical Gospels provide the best picture of Jesus. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2013.

Making Sense of the Bible: A Study of Ten Key Themes Traced through the Scriptures. Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2006. Republished through Wipf and Stock, 2013.

Coedited with Thomas Marinello. *Blessed are the Peacemakers, but how does a Christian make and Preserve Peace: Peacemaking in Nigeria and Rwanda.* Badhoevedorp: Tyndale Theological Seminary, 2018.

Coedited with Thomas Marinello. *My Brother's Keeper: Essays in Honor of Ellis R. Brotzman.* Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2009.

Coedited with Thomas Marinello. *Not Weary in Well Doing: Essays in Honor of Cecil Stalnaker.* Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2013.

Joy of the World: 31 International Christmas Devotionals. Create Space, 2012.

Books in other languages

(In Hindi) *Making Sense of the Bible: A Study of Ten Key Themes Traced through the Scriptures.* Bangalore: SAIACS, 2017.

Want zie, ik verkondig u grote blidschap: 31 Internationale Kerstoverdenkingen. Create Space, 2015.

Academic Articles:

“Pointing to a Paragon in Early Christian Communities: Considering prototypical behavior in the letters which Ignatius of Antioch wrote” in *Drawing and Transcending Boundaries in the New Testament and Early Christianity.* Edited by K. Kok et. al. Berlin: LIT, 2019 (pending).

“Scriptural Literacy within the Corinthian church from the Corinthian Epistles to 1 Clement: Considering a Trajectory” Edited by J. R. Norton. Cambridge: CUP (2019 anticipating).

“From the Perspective of the Writer or the Perspective of the Reader: Coming to Grips with a Starting Point for Analyzing the Use of Scripture in 1 Corinthians” in *Paul and Scripture.* Edited by Stanley Porter, 153-72. Leiden: Brill, 2019.

“Encountering suffering and torture: Ignatius' hope in contrast to a Stoic approach proposed by Nancy Sherman” in *Driven by Hope: Economics and Theology in Dialogue.* Edited by S. van den Heuvel and P. Nullens, 185-97. CPLSE 5. Leuven: Peeters, 2018.

“Imitate Me as I Imitate Christ: Considering the Jewish Perspective in Paul’s Use of Imitation in 1 Corinthians” in *The Crucified Apostle: Essays on Peter and Paul*. Edited by Paul House and Todd Wilson, 209-224. WUNT. Tübingen: Mohr (Siebeck), 2017.

“Evaluating a Response to the Refugee Crisis through a Biblical Theological Lens: Perspectives from the Epistle of James” *Journal of Global Christianity* 2.1 (2016): 9-21.

“Comparing Three Romanian Translations with the Greek translation of 1 Corinthians 1:17-31” *Jurnal Teologic* 14.1 (2015): 15-40

“‘Imitate Me’: Interpreting imitation in 1 Corinthians in relation to Ignatius of Antioch” *Perichorēsis* 11.1 (2013): 75-94.

“Honoring Epaphroditus: a suffering and faithful servant worthy of admiration” in *Paul and his Social Relations*. Edited by Stanley E. Porter and Christopher D. Land, 333-56. PSAT 7. Leiden: Brill, 2012.

“Light Giving Sources: Examining the Extent of Scriptural Citation and Allusion Influence in 1 Corinthians” in *Paul: Jew, Greek, or Roman*. Edited by Stanley E. Porter, 7-38. PS 5. Leiden: Brill, 2008.

“The Psalms in 1 and 2 Corinthians” in *The Psalms in the New Testament*. Edited by Maarten Menken and Steve Moyise, 163-180. Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 2003.

“Living as Christ Crucified: The Cross as a Foundation for Christian Ethics in 1 Corinthians” *EvQ* 75.2 April 2003: 117-31.

“Of Rags and Riches: The Benefits of Hearing Jeremiah 9:23–24 within James 1:9–11” *Tyn Bul* 53.2 (2002): 273-82.

“The Wisdom of the Wise: the presence and function of Scripture in 1 Cor. 1:18-3:23” *Tyn Bul* 52.2 (2001): 315-17.

Papers recently presented

“The Will to Give it All: Ignatius as an example of a Personal Hero of Service acceptable to Many. given at” The Will to Serve” European SPES Institute/ Institute of Leadership and Social Ethics. ETF Leuven, Belgium, May 2018.

“Commenting on a Lament of David: Caspar Schwenckfeld, Psalm 102, and the Body of Christ” given at the *Ecclesia Semper Reformanda: Renewal and Reform Beyond Polemics* Conference at Leuven Encounters in Systematic Theology XI, Katholiek Universiteit Leuven 11-14 October 2017.

“Scriptural Literacy within the Corinthian church from 2 Corinthians to 1 Clement: Considering a Trajectory” given at the ETF doctoral colloquium. Evangelische Theologische Faculteit, Leuven, Belgium 8 September 2017.

“Scriptural literacy in the Corinthian congregation from 2 Corinthians to *1 Clement*” at Heythrop College Colloquium on Bookish Circles Part II: Teaching and Learning in the Ancient Mediterranean, November 2016.

“From the Perspective of the Writer or the Perspective of the Reader: Coming to Grips with a Starting Point for Analyzing the Use of Scripture in 1 Corinthians” at the Annual British Old

Testament in the New Seminar in Hawarden, Wales, March 2016 and ETF doctoral colloquium September 2016.

“Jewish Imitation in 1 Corinthians” at the Annual British Old Testament in the New Seminar in Haarwden, Wales, March 2015.

“Imitation and the *Martyrdom of Polycarp*” at Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. March 2015.

“Imitation, *the Letter of Diognetus*, and 1 Corinthians” at Evangelische Theologische Faculteit Doctoral Colloquium in Leuven, Belgium September 2014.

“‘Imitate Me’: Interpreting imitation in 1 Corinthians in relation to Polycarp’s *Letter to the Philippians*” Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. November 2013.

“How much Scripture did the Corinthians know? A consideration of the knowledge of the original readers of 1 Corinthians” Emanuel University in Oradea, Romania October 2013.

“Imitate Me”: Interpreting imitation in 1 Corinthians in relation to Ignatius of Antioch at the SBL international conference in Amsterdam, the Netherlands (2012).

Academic Conferences Attended 2018

ETF Doctoral Colloquium (September).

Institute of Leadership and Social Ethics at ETF (May).

Pastoral Articles

“Editorial: A Perspective on Christian Leadership Theory: Supporting More Voices from Europe, Africa, and Asia for a Change” *Journal of Global Christianity* 4.1. (2018): 4-9.

“Three influences in the training of Paul, the missionary apostle” *Journal of Global Christianity* 1.1 96-101(2015).

“Obstacles for a church planter: Paul’s greatest struggles in planting the church at Corinth” in *Not Weary in Well Doing: Essays in Honor of Cecil W. Stalnaker*. Edited by T. J. Marinello and H. H. D. Williams, III, 43-62. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2013.

“Further Encouragement to Pray: Examining James 5:16b in relation to Context” in *My Brother’s Keeper*. Edited by T. J. Marinello and H. H. D. Williams, III, 78-90. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2009.

“Encouragement to Persevere: An Exposition of 1 Corinthians 15:58” *Evangelical Review of Theology* 32.1 (2008): 74-81.

“‘Let God be Proved True’: Paul’s View of Scripture and the Trustworthiness of God” in *The Trustworthiness of our God*. Edited by P. Helm and C. Trueman, 98-120. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2001.

“Mystery” in *New Dictionary of Biblical Theology* (Leicester: IVP, 2000).

“1 Corinthians and “2 Corinthians” written for translation into a Kazakh - Russian commentary.

Webinars Presented with Forum of Christian Leaders

“Texts from the Heart: How the emotions of the epistles compare to social media today” (March 2019).

Jesus, James, and the Refugee Crisis” (October 2018).

“What do the Martyrs Mean for Us Today?” (February 2018).

“Where have all the Heroes Gone: Ancient Christian Role Models for Today” (October 2017).

“The Existence of Jesus: A Look at Non-Christian and Early Christian Sources” (March 2017).

“Forgery: Were Some of the New Testament Letters Written by Someone Other than Whom They Said” (March 2016).

“The Gospel of Thomas” (September 2015).

Reviews

With *Review of Biblical Literature*

(published 2019). K. M. Hogan, M. Goff, and E. Wasserman, editors. *Pedagogy in Ancient Judaism and Early Christianity*. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2017.

(published 2019) T. S. de Bruyn, Theodore S., D. G. Hunter, and S. A. Cooper. *Ambrosiaster's Commentary on the Pauline Epistles: Romans*. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2017.

(published 2018). S. Porter, *The Apostle Paul: His Life, His Thought and Letters*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2016.

(published 2018). G. H. Guthrie, *2 Corinthians*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2015.

(published 2018). Still, T. D. and D. E. Wilhite, eds. *The Apostolic Fathers and Paul*. London: Bloomsbury, 2017.

(published 2017) R. Hakalo, N. Nikki, and U. Tervahauta, *Others and the Construction of Early Christian Identities*. Helsinki: Finnish Exegetical Society, 2013.

(published 2017) P. Coutsoumpos, *Paul, Corinth, and the Roman Empire*. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2015.

(published 2017) M. Harmon and J. E. Smith, eds. *Studies in the Pauline Epistles: Essays in Honor of Douglas J. Moo*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2014.

(published 2017) *Where is the Wise Man?: Graeco-Roman Education as a Background to the Divisions in 1 Corinthians 1-4*. LNTS 536. London: Bloomsbury, 2015.

(published 2016) J. Draper and C. Jeffords, eds. *The Didache: A Missing Piece of the Puzzle in Early Christianity*. ECL 14. Atlanta: Scholars, 2014.

(published 2016) R. P. Martin, *2 Corinthians*. WBC 40. Second Edition. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2011.

(published 2015) R. Bieringer, editor. *Theologizing in the Corinthian Conflict: Studies in the Exegesis and Theology of 2 Corinthians*. BTS 16. Leuven: Peeters, 2013.

- (published 2015) Steve Mason and Tom Robinson. *Early Christian Reader: Christian Texts from the first and second centuries in contemporary English translations including the New Revised Standard Version of the New Testament*. Atlanta: Society of Biblical Literature, 2013
- (published 2015) Pheme Perkins, *First Corinthians*. Paideia. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2012.
- (published 2015) Luise Schottroff, *Der erste Brief an die Gemeinde in Korinth*. Stuttgart: Kolhammer, 2013.
- (published 2014) Yung Suk Kim editor, *1 and 2 Corinthians*. Texts @ Contexts. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2013.
- (published 2014) George T. Montague, SM. *First Corinthians*. Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2011.
- (published 2014) Markus Vinzent, *Christ's Resurrection in Early Christianity and the Making of the New Testament*. Surrey: Ashgate, 2011.
- (published 2013) David Alan Black, *Paul Apostle of Weakness: Astheneia and its Cognates in the Pauline Literature*. Revised edition. Eugene: Pickwick, 2012.
- (published 2013) Christopher D. Stanley, *Paul and Scripture: Extending the Conversation*. Paul and Scripture 9. Atlanta: Scholars, 2012.
- (published 2013) J. Brian Tucker, "*Remain in Your Calling*": *Paul and the Continuation of Social Identities in 1 Corinthians*. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2011.
- (published 2010) Anthony C. Thiselton, *The Living Paul: An Introduction to the Apostle's Life and Thought*. Downers Grove: IVP, 2009.
- (published 2009) Michael Knowles. *We Preach Not Ourselves: Paul on Proclamation*. Grand Rapids: Brazos, 2008.
- (published 2009) Bryan Litfin. *Getting to Know the Church Fathers: An Evangelical Introduction*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2007.
- (published 2009) Christopher Stanley and Stanely Porter editors. *As it is Written: Studying Paul's Use of Scripture*. Atlanta: Scholars, 2008.
- (published 2008) J. G. van der Watt, *Identity, Ethics, and Ethos in the New Testament*. Berlin: de Gruyter, 2006.
- (published 2008) Brian S. Rosner, *Greed as Idolatry: The Origin and Meaning of a Pauline Metaphor*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007.
- (published 2007) D. H. Williams, *Tradition, Scripture, and Interpretation: A Sourcebook of the Ancient Church*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2006.
- (published 2007) Anthony C. Thiselton, *1 Corinthians: A shorter Exegetical and Pastoral Commentary*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2006.
- (published 2006) Francois Bovon. *Studies in Early Christianity*. Tübingen: Mohr (Siebeck), 2005

(published 2005) David Warren, A. G. Bock, and D. W. Pao (editors) *Early Christian Voices in Texts, Traditions, and Symbols*. Leiden: Brill, 2004.

(published 2004) Simon Gathercole, *Where Then is Boasting?: Early Jewish Soteriology and Paul's Response in Romans 1-5*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002.

(published 2003) Karl O. Sandnes, *Belly and Body in the Pauline Epistles*. Cambridge: CUP, 2002.

With Themelios:

(published 2015) Simon Gathercole, *The Composition of the Gospel of Thomas: Original Language and Influences*. SNTMS 151. Cambridge: CUP, 2012.

(published 2014) Matthew R. Malcolm, *Paul and the Rhetoric of Reversal in 1 Corinthians: The Impact of Paul's Gospel on His Macro-Rhetoric* Society for New Testament Studies Monograph Series 155 Cambridge: CUP, 2013

(published 2014) Clayton Jefford, editor. *The Epistle to Diognetus (With the Fragment of Quadratus) Introduction, Text, and Commentary*. Oxford Apostolic Fathers. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013.

(published 2014) Paul Hartog, editor. *Polycarp's Epistle to the Philippians and the Martyrdom of Polycarp: Introduction, Text, and Commentary*. Oxford Apostolic Fathers. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013.

(published 2014) Yulin Liu, *Temple Purity in 1-2 Corinthians*. WUNT 11/343. Tübingen: Mohr (Siebeck), 2013.

(published 2013) John Goodrich, *Paul as an Administrator of God in 1 Corinthians*. SNTMS 152. Cambridge: CUP, 2012.

(published 2012) Harm-Jan Inkelaar, *Conflict of Wisdom: the Theme of 1 Corinthians 1-4 rooted in Scripture*. Contributions to Biblical Exegesis and Theology 63. Leuven: Peeters, 2011.

(published 2012) Paul W. Barnett. *The Corinthian Question: Why Did the Church Oppose Paul?*. Nottingham: Apollos, 2011.

(published 2011) R. E. Ciampa and B. S. Rosner, *The First Letter to the Corinthians* PNTC. Grand Rapids/Cambridge: Apollos, 2010.

(published 2011). Stanley E. Porter editor. *Paul's World*. Pauline Studies 4. Leiden: Brill, 2008.

(published 2010) L. M. McDonald. *The Biblical Canon: Its Origin, Transmission, and Authority*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 2007.

(published 2010) Stanley E. Porter and Sean A. Adams, editors. *Paul and the Ancient Letter Form*. Pauline Studies 6. Leiden: Brill, 2010.

(published 2010) Lee Martin McDonald, *The Biblical Canon: Its Origin, Transmission, and Authority*. Peabody: Hendrickson, 2007.

(published 2010) A. C. Gregory and C. M. Tuckett, editors. *Trajectories through the New Testament and the Apostolic Fathers*, edited by A. Gregory and C. M. Tuckett, 45–68. Oxford: OUP, 2005.

(published 2009) A. C. Gregory and C. M. Tuckett, editors. *The Reception of the New Testament in the Apostolic Fathers*. Oxford: OUP, 2005.

(published 2009) A. C. Gregory and C. M. Tuckett, editors. *Trajectories through the New Testament and the Apostolic Fathers*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005.

Other book reviews before 2005 have appeared in *Evangelical Quarterly*, *Horizons in Biblical Theology*, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, *Evangelical Review of Theology*, *Emmaus Journal*, and *Faith and Mission*.

Conferences Attended in 2017

“*Being Human in a Technological Age: Rethinking Theological Anthropology*,” Institute of Leadership and Social Ethics Conference. ETF Leuven, Belgium, February 2019.

“The Will to Serve” European SPES Institute/ Institute of Leadership and Social Ethics. ETF Leuven, Belgium, May 2018.

“Driven by Hope.” Institute of Leadership and Social Ethics Conference. ETF Leuven, Belgium, February 2017.

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 2017.

Annual ETF Doctoral Colloquium. ETF Leuven, Belgium, September 2017.

Leuven Encounters in Systematic Theology. *Ecclisia Semper Reformanda: Renewal and Reform Beyond Polemics*. Katholiek Universiteit Leuven, Belgium October 2017.