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Education

Ph.D. **McMaster Divinity College**, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, 2010–2015 (Christian Theology). Dissertation: *Of Conflict and Concealment: The Gospel of Mark as Tragedy*. Supervisors: Stanley E. Porter (Biblical Studies, New Testament), Christopher Land (Biblical Studies, New Testament).

Comprehensive Exam Areas: 1. Philosophical Hermeneutics
2. Pauline Theology
3. Mimesis Criticism

Master of Divinity. **Acadia University**, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada, May 2010.

Master of Arts. Biblical Studies (New Testament) **Acadia Divinity College**, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada, October 2008. Thesis: *Does the New Testament Imitate Homer?* Supervisor: Craig A. Evans.

B.A. Classics (Honours) and Psychology (Major). **University of New Brunswick**, June 2005.

Employment and Professional Activities

The following section provides a conspectus of my recent employment and professional activities under the following categories:

- (1) Academic Employment
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 - (4) Professional Associations and Affiliations
 - (5) Teaching Experience, Administrative Positions, and Guest Lectures
 - (6) Church-Related Experience
 - (7) Preaching Experience
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1. Academic Employment

Horizon College and Seminary

March 2014–Present. **Resident Adjunct Professor of New Testament at Horizon College and Seminary.** I am responsible for teaching undergraduate level students a number of courses in Biblical Studies and Theology in both New and Old Testaments (see teaching experience below), including the Koine Greek language which I developed into an online format. I am also responsible for teaching graduate level courses to students from **Providence Seminary.**

In addition to my responsibilities as a New Testament professor, I hold the position of **Assistant Dean of Students and College Tutor.** The office of Assistant Dean permits me to work with the male population of the college with regard to their spiritual and academic development. As a result, I have been involved with creating policy for student life, creating policy with regard to Horizon's new CBE curriculum (Competency Based Education), and developing several events with regard to student life.

With regard to being the College Tutor, I work with students to help develop their academic confidence with regard to paper writing, communication and reading comprehension, pertaining to a variety of subjects including Biblical Studies, English Literature, Theology, and Christian History.

More recently, I have also had the privilege of creating and organizing two different colloquies for Horizon College. These colloquies have centred around different holidays in the Christian tradition, namely, Christmas and Easter, and have featured papers from several of our faculty.

McMaster Divinity College

May 2013–August 2013. **Contracted worker** for the creation of McMaster Divinity College's online Greek course. My responsibilities include creation of the College's online Greek course: filming, video editing, creating syllabi, online course management.

September 2012–April 2013. **Teaching Assistant** for Dr. Lois Dow at McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Text: Porter, Reed, O'Donnell, *Fundamentals for New Testament Greek* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2010). My responsibilities included creating and maintaining an online "Greek blog" on which students could interact with one another and with

me as the teaching assistant. I was also responsible for teaching class while Dr. Dow was absent. Other responsibilities included video recording each of Dr. Dow's lectures for the preparation of McMaster Divinity College's online Greek course.

October 2011–April 2012. **Tutor** for Greek **NT1B03** - Greek 1 for Dr. Lois Dow, McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Text: Porter, Reed, O'Donnell, *Fundamentals for New Testament Greek* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2010). I created this tutorial after several students approached me for help with their Greek course. Having extensive experience reading ancient Greek allowed me to work with Dr. Lois Dow to create an environment, upwards to 8 hours per week, that allowed students to practice their Greek under my supervision. I answered any questions that they had, as well as provided them with helpful examples from the Greek New Testament and Church Fathers.

Acadia Divinity College

September 2007–June 2009. **Teaching assistant** for Dr. Craig A. Evans, Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Canada. During my time as teaching assistant for Dr. Evans, I was responsible for aiding him with research by searching for books and articles, marking essays and examinations, teaching classes and indexing an academic volume.

2. Academic Publications

This section will be divided into “Monographs,” “Essays and Articles,” and “Academic Book Reviews.”

(1) Monographs

Of Conflict and Concealment: The Gospel of Mark as Tragedy. NovT Supplement Series; Leiden: Brill, 2016. (Forthcoming)

(2) Essays and Articles

“Recognizing Jesus: A Study of Recognition Scenes in the Gospel of Mark.” *Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism* 10 (2014) 174–93.

“Detecting Allusions in the Pauline Corpus: A Method” in *Paul and Gnosis*, edited by Stanley E. Porter (Pauline Studies 9; Leiden: Brill, 2015).

“The Parable of the Mustard Seed: Evidence for Independent Gospel Composition?” in *Christian Origins and the Establish of the Jesus Movement*, edited by Stanley E. Porter and Andrew W. Pitts (EHC 4; TENTS; Leiden: Brill, 2015).

“Historiography and Gospel Origins,” in *The Origins of the Gospels*, edited by Stanley E. Porter, Hughson T. Ong, and David I. Yoon. (Forthcoming)

(2) Academic Book Reviews

David E. Aune and Frederick E. Brenk (eds.), *Graeco-Roman Culture and the New Testament: Studies Commemorating the Centennial of the Pontifical Biblical Institute*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Maren R. Neihoff, *Jewish Exegesis and Homeric Scholarship in Alexandria*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Karl Olav Sandnes, *The Gospel ‘According to Homer and Virgil.’* **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Richard Finn, *Asceticism in the Graeco–Roman World*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Mary Ann Beavis, *Mark*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Martin Hengel, *Jesus und die Evangelien: Kleine Schriften V*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Charles H. Talbert, *Matthew*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Jo-Ann Brant, *John*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Wenhua Shi, *Paul’s Message of the Cross as Body Language*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

James P. Ware. *Paul and the Mission of the Church: Philippians in Ancient Jewish Context*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Julien Smith. *Christ the Ideal King*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

Tom Holmén. *Jesus in Continuum*. **Journal of Graeco-Roman Christianity and Judaism (JGRChJ - Available online)**.

3. Presentations at Academic Conferences

“Significant Differences in the Synoptics and Their Meaning.” Horizon College and Seminary Christmas Colloquy. Horizon College and Seminary, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. December 7th, 2015.

“Has the Synoptic Problem Been Solved and Where Do We Go From Here? A Linguistic Analysis of the Parable of the Mustard Seed in the Synoptic Gospels.” Evangelical Theological Society (ETS), San Diego, CA. November 21st, 2014.

“Roman Crucifixion and Jewish Burial Practices.” Horizon College and Seminary Easter Colloquy. Horizon College and Seminary, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. April 16th, 2014.

"The Imaginative Spirit: A Study of Memory and Imagination in John." Theological Research Seminar (TRS), McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. October 22nd, 2013.

"The Imaginative Spirit: A Study of Memory and Imagination in John." Regional Evangelical Theological Society (ETS), Kitchener, Ontario. September 14th, 2013.

“Recognizing the Christ: A Study of Recognition Scenes in the Gospel of Mark.” Eastern Great Lakes Society of Biblical Literature (EGLBS), Erie, Pennsylvania. April 4–5, 2013.

“Jesus as a Mask? A Study of Recognition Scenes in the Gospel of John.” Theological Research Seminar (TRS), McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. October 2nd, 2012.

4. Professional Associations and Affiliations

Member, Society of Biblical Literature, 2011–present

Member, Evangelical Theological Society, 2011–present

Member, McMaster Divinity College Linguistics Circle, 2012–present

Co-chair, McMaster Divinity College New Testament Guild, 2013–2014

5. Teaching Experience, Administrative Positions, and Guest Lectures

1. Teaching Positions

Horizon College and Seminary (2014–present; Saskatoon, SK, Canada)

The Book of Acts (B261) - Horizon College and Seminary

Hebrews (B264) - Horizon College and Seminary

Old Testament in the New Testament (B214) - Horizon College and Seminary

1 & 2 Corinthians (B263) - Horizon College and Seminary

Johannine Literature (B264) - Horizon College and Seminary

Synoptic Gospels (B260) - Horizon College and Seminary

Introduction to the New Testament (B115) - Horizon College and Seminary

Introductory Greek (B205) - Horizon College and Seminary

Romans and Galatians (B362) - Horizon College and Seminary

Hellenistic Philosophy and the New Testament (B291) - Horizon College and Seminary

Providence Theological Seminary (2014–2015; Winnipeg, MB, Canada)

NT 5310 Hebrews: These Last Days (Graduate Level)

NT 5316 Paul's Letters: Corinthians (Graduate Level)

McMaster Divinity College (2013; Hamilton, ON, Canada)

Introductory Greek 1 (NT 1G03 - Online) - McMaster Divinity College

Introductory Greek 2 (NT 1H03 - Online) - McMaster Divinity College

2. Administrative Positions

Assistant Dean of Students (Horizon College and Seminary; September 2014–present)

Academic Tutor (Horizon College and Seminary; October 2015–present)

**This includes tutoring students in works by Shakespeare, Bronte, and William Blake. It also includes aiding students in topics of Theology and Christian History.

3. Guest Lectures

An Introduction to Paul and His Letters - Pleasant Hill Mennonite Church, Saskatoon, SK, Canada (January–February 2016).

An Introduction to Health and Wellness - Horizon College and Seminary, Saskatoon, SK, Canada (November 24th, 2015).

Introduction to the Synoptic Gospels - Pleasant Hill Mennonite Church, Saskatoon, SK, Canada (November 2014).

Introduction to the Synoptic Gospels - Church on the Rock, Hamilton, ON, Canada (September–December 2013).

Greek Prepositions (NT1B03) - McMaster Divinity College (November 13th, 2013).

6. Church-Related Experience

My teaching duties at various academic institutions have led to various teaching opportunities in local churches (see section 5.3 above). These are lecture-based appointments that serve to educate the church about various topics relating to New Testament research. These appointments also involve a level of pastoral responsibility because congregants often stay in touch after the lectures in order to follow-up on their questions.

Worship Team (drumming), McMaster Divinity College. September 2010–May 2014. Each week, I have been assisting the worship team under the guidance of Dr. Wendy Porter (McMaster Divinity College).

During my studies at McMaster Divinity College, I was given the task to lead and prepare a number of worship services for our weekly chapel meetings. May 2013–June 2013. Under the supervision of Dr. Wendy Porter, my responsibilities included preparing and playing music, creating Power-Point presentations and organizing the order of service. I was also responsible for leading the congregation during the services.

Worship Team (drumming), Church on the Rock, Hamilton, Ontario. September 2012–May 2014. Under the guidance of the leadership at Church on the Rock, I have assisted with playing music for worship.

Youth Pastor/Assistant Pastor, Aldershot Baptist Church, Aldershot, Nova Scotia. October 2009–April 2010. As a part of the requirements for the M.Div program at Acadia University, I was responsible for various tasks and ministries at Aldershot Baptist: Preaching; organizing the Youth Ministry; visitation; counselling the youth; leading a weekly adult bible study.

Drumming lessons for church youth, New Minas Baptist Church, New Minas, Nova Scotia. September 2008–April 2010. Each week, I taught a number of students how to read music, play drums, and incorporate themselves into a worship setting.

Worship Team (drumming), New Minas Baptist Church, New Minas, Nova Scotia. September 2007–April 2009. Under the guidance of Paul Fowler, I assisted with the music for worship at New Minas Baptist Church.

7. Preaching Experience

“To know Oneself is Divine.” Skyline Baptist Church, Fredericton, New Brunswick. August 5th, 2012.

“To Know Oneself is Divine.” Mountsberg Baptist Church, Campbellville, Ontario. September 2nd, 2012.

8. Referees

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