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Education

PhD in Theology, minor in New Testament, 2007
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX
“The Spiritual Condition of Infants: A Biblical-Historical Survey
and Systematic Proposal,” supervised by Paige Patterson

MDiv with Biblical Languages, 2001
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX

Bachelor of Arts in History Education, 1996
University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK

Teaching Experience

Fall 2019-Present, Professor of Theology
McFarland Chair of Theology
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

Fall 2013-Summer 2019, Associate Professor of Theology
McFarland Chair of Theology
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

Research Doctorate Reading Colloquiums Taught: Systematic Theology, Baptist Theologians.
Research Doctorate Seminars Taught or Co-Taught: The Doctrine of the Work of Christ; The
Doctrine of the Church; Theology of the Major Reformers; Christianity in the United States;
Revelation, Scripture, and Authority.

Professional Doctorate Seminars Taught: Doctrinal Foundations for Contemporary Ministry,
The Bible and Contemporary Issues, Issues in Baptist Life, and The Southern Baptist
Convention and Cooperative Program at Work.

Master’s Courses Taught: Systematic Theology I & II, Spiritual Formation, The Doctrine of
Salvation, The Doctrine of Humanity, Theological Research and Writing.

Undergraduate Courses Taught: Contemporary Theological Issues, Christian Doctrine.

Fall 2009-Summer 2013
Assistant Professor of Christian Studies
Truett-McConnell College, Cleveland, GA



Courses Taught: Bible Survey, New Testament Survey, Hermeneutics, Spiritual Formation, Biblical Preaching, General Epistles and Revelation, Theology Survey I & II, Supervised Ministry Experience, Capstone.

Fall 2010-Summer 2103
Adjunct Professor of Theology
Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA

Online courses taught: Theology I, Christian Doctrine.

Fall 2006-Summer 2009
Adjunct Professor of Theology
The College at Southwestern, Fort Worth, TX

Courses Introduced and Taught: Theology Survey I & II, Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Salvation.

Academic Administration

June 2022-Present
Divisional Associate Dean, Theological and Historical (T&H) Studies at NOBTS
Supervises six full-time residential T&H faculty and all T&H adjunct faculty, coordinates academic scheduling for all T&H graduate and doctoral courses, participates in the Graduate Dean's Council and the Academic Leadership Council, and leads T&H division meetings. Serves as the Program Coordinator for the PhD in Theology and MA (Theology).

Fall 2013-Fall 2022
Directed the Baptist Center for Theology & Ministry. Organized three academic conferences and published 22 issues of the academic, peer-reviewed journal. Served on the following committees: Research Doctorate Committee, Assessment Oversight Committee, Enrollment Management Committee, Faculty Juries for various NOBTS degrees.

Fall 2011-Spring 2013
Academic Degree Program Coordinator, Christian Studies
Truett-McConnell College, Cleveland, GA

Military Ministry Experience

February 2017-Present
Chaplain, Louisiana Army National Guard
Ecclesial Endorser: North American Mission Board
Served with 205th Engineering Battalion, Bogalusa, LA; 769th Brigade Engineer Battalion, Baton Rouge, LA; 2-156 Infantry Battalion, Abbeville, LA; and 256 Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Lafayette, LA.



Military Education: Graduate of Chaplains Basic Officer Leaders Course (2018), Chaplains Captains Career Course (2021), and Intermediate Level Education (2025).

Rank: O-4, Major.

Combat deployment: Nov. 2020-Oct. 2021 as Base Chaplain in Baghdad, Iraq, in support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

Church Ministry Experience

Fall 2013-Present

Bible Study Teacher & Ministry Volunteer, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, LA

Pulpit Supply at various churches in LA, MS, and AL

2009-2013

Small Group Leader & Deacon, Lakewood Baptist Church, Gainesville, GA

2002-2009

Associate Pastor, Tate Springs Baptist Church, Arlington, TX

2000-2002

Sunday School Teacher, Wedgwood Baptist Church, Fort Worth, TX

1998-2000

Youth Pastor, Emmaus Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, OK

1994-1998

College and Singles Ministry Associate, Henderson Hills Baptist Church, Edmond, OK

Participated in short-term mission trips to China, Cuba, Croatia, Guatemala, India, Malta, Mexico, Tanzania, and the United States.

Publications

Books

[*Christian Theology: Biblical, Historical, and Systematic*](#). Bellingham, WA: Lexham Academic, 2022.

[*Infants and Children in the Church: Five Views on Theology and Ministry*](#). Edited by Adam Harwood and Kevin Lawson. Nashville: B&H Academic, 2017.

[*Anyone Can Be Saved: A Defense of "Traditional" Southern Baptist Soteriology*](#). Edited by David L. Allen, Eric Hankins, and Adam Harwood. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2016.

[*The Spiritual Condition of Infants: A Biblical-Historical Survey and Systematic Proposal.*](#)

Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2011.

Book Chapters

“The Approach of Systematic Theology.” In *The Bible & Theological Methods*, edited by Ronnie Campbell and Joshua Waltman. Bellingham: Lexham Academic, Forthcoming, 2026.

“Baptist Beliefs on Original Sin, the Age of Accountability, and Infant Salvation.” In *Children and Salvation: Biblical, Theological, and Practical Considerations*, edited by Karen Kennemur, Kelly A. King, Shelly Melia, and Donna B. Peavey. Brentwood: B&H Academic, 2025.

“Society and Entity-Based Missions Funding in the SBC, 1845–1925.” In *A Unity of Purpose: 100 Years of the SBC Cooperative Program*, edited by Tony Wolfe and W. Madison Grace II. Brentwood: B&H Academic, 2025.

“God’s Attributes.” In *A Handbook of Theology* (Theology for the People of God), edited by Daniel Akin, David Dockery, and Nathan Finn. Brentwood: B&H Academic, 2023.

“A Critique of Total Depravity.” In *Calvinism: A Biblical and Theological Critique*, edited by David L. Allen and Steve W. Lemke. Nashville: B&H Academic, 2022.

Co-Authored with Lawson, Kevin E. “Comparing Five Theological Views and Ministry Practices.” In *Bridging Theory and Practice in Children’s Spirituality*, edited by Mimi Larson and Robert Keeley. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2020.

“A Biblical Theology of Salvation.” In *Engage: Tools for Contemporary Evangelism*, edited by Wm. Craig Price. Hoover, AL: Iron Stream, 2019.

“The Person and Work of Jesus: From New Testament Portraits to Theological Statements.” In *Recovering Historical Christology for Today’s Church*, edited by Marvin Jones. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2019.

Journals

Fall 2013–Fall 2022

Editor, *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry*

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

[Vol. 19, No. 2](#) (Fall 2022) Unthemed

[Vol. 19, No. 1](#) (Spring 2022) Unthemed

[Vol. 18, No. 2](#) (Fall 2021) Biblical Ministry Principles; guest editor, Lloyd Harsch

[Vol. 18, No. 1](#) (Spring 2021) Unthemed; guest editor, Lloyd Harsch

[Vol. 17, No. 2](#) (Fall 2020) NOBTS & Leavell College; guest editor, Rex Butler

[Vol. 17, No. 1](#) (Spring 2020) Complementarianism; guest editors, Nathan Finn & Amy Whitfield

[Vol. 16, No. 2](#) (Fall 2019) Unthemed
[Vol. 16, No. 1](#) (Spring 2019) Unthemed
[Vol. 15, No. 2](#) (Fall 2018) Unthemed
[Vol. 15, No. 1](#) (Spring 2018) Unthemed
[Vol. 14, No. 2](#) (Fall 2017) NOBTS Centennial
[Vol. 14, No. 1](#) (Spring 2017) Preaching the Bible (Part 2); co-edited with Dennis Phelps
[Vol. 13, No. 2](#) (Fall 2016) Preaching the Bible (Part 1); co-edited with Dennis Phelps
[Vol. 13, No. 1](#) (Spring 2016) Theology of Youth Ministry
[Vol. 12, No. 2](#) (Fall 2015) Unthemed
[Vol. 12, No. 1](#) (Spring 2015) Bible Translation as Missions
[Vol. 11, No. 2](#) (backdated to Fall 2014) The Gospel & Evangelism; co-edited with Preston Nix
[Vol. 11, No. 1](#) (backdated to Spring 2014) Unthemed
[Vol. 10, No. 2](#) (backdated to Fall 2013) Unthemed
[Vol. 10, No. 1](#) (backdated to Spring 2013) Essays on the “Traditional Statement” (Part 2)
[Vol. 9, No. 2](#) (backdated to Fall 2012) Essays on the “Traditional Statement” (Part 1)
[Vol. 9, No. 1](#) (backdated to Spring 2012) Chaplaincy: Ministering in Caesar’s House; co-edited with Steve Lemke

Articles/Essays

[“Divine Simplicity and the Boundaries of Orthodoxy.”](#) *Religions* 15, no. 8 (2024): 1012.

[“Did the Incarnation Introduce Change among the Persons of the Trinity?”](#) *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 16.2 (Fall 2019): 37–46.

“Theological Review of the *CSB Study Bible* Notes,” *Bible Review Journal* 4.2 (Fall 2017): 3–11.

[“Did Millard Erickson Revise His View of General Revelation and Human Responsibility in *Christian Theology, Third Edition \(2013\)*?”](#) *Luther Rice Journal of Christian Studies* 2 (Spring 2017): 42–54.

[“Conversion and Baptism in a Baptist \(or baptistic\) Youth Ministry,”](#) *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 13.1 (Spring 2016): 53–60.

[“Is the Gospel for All People or Only Some People?”](#) *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 11.2 (Fall 2014): 16–33.

“Sanctity of Life” Lesson for Lifeway’s [The Gospel Project](#) (Winter 2014).

[Born Guilty?: A Southern Baptist View of Original Sin.](#) Carrollton, GA: Free Church Press, 2013.

[“Is the Traditional Statement Semi-Pelagian?”](#) *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 10.1 (Spring 2013): 47–56; translated into German by Georg Walter, August 2020, available at

<http://www.calvinismus-check.de/die-lehre-des-heils-und-der-semipelagianismus/>.

“What About Those Who Haven’t Heard? Part 2: The Unreached,” *The Christian Index*, November 1, 2012.

“What About Those Who Haven’t Heard? Part 1: The Uncondemned,” *The Christian Index*, October 18, 2012.

“Your Bible Is Not a Copy of a Copy of a Copy,” *The Christian Index*, October 4, 2012.

“Do All Paths Lead to God?” *The Christian Index*, September 20, 2012.

“[Commentary on Article 2: The Sinfulness of Man](#),” *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 9.2 (Fall 2012): 28–40.

Multimedia Resources

DVD: “The Christian Worldview and Ethics” for “Foundations” Series. Cleveland, GA: Truett-McConnell College, 2010.

Reviews

Craig S. Keener, *Miracles Today: The Supernatural Work of God in the Modern World*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 19.1 (Spring 2021): [190–92](#).

Thomas H. McCall, *Against God and Nature: The Doctrine of Sin*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 16.2 (Fall 2019): [74–77](#).

John C. Peckham, *Theodicy of Love: Cosmic Conflict and the Problem of Evil*. In *Midwestern Journal of Theology* 18.1 (Spring 2019): [156–61](#).

Charles H. Kraft, *Dealing with Demons*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 16.1 (Spring 2019): [73–75](#).

John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue, ed. *Biblical Doctrine: A Systematic Summary of Bible Truth*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 15.1 (Spring 2018): [107–13](#); translated into German by Frank Schönbach (March 2020), available at <http://www.calvinismus-check.de/neu-rezension-von-biblical-doctrine-john-macarthur/>.

Pier Franco Beatrice, *The Transmission of Sin: Augustine and the Pre-Augustinian Sources*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 14.2 (Fall 2017): [112–14](#).

Robert Letham, *The Message of the Person of Christ: The Word Made Flesh*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 14.1 (Spring 2017): [131–33](#).

Tony Lane, *Exploring Christian Doctrine: A Guide to What Christians Believe*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 14.1 (Spring 2017): [99–101](#).

W. Brian Shelton, *Prevenient Grace: God's Provision for Fallen Humanity*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 13.2 (Fall 2016): [174–76](#).

Hans Madueme and Michael Reeves, ed. *Adam, The Fall, and Original Sin: Theological, Biblical, and Scientific Perspectives*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 13.2 (Fall 2016): [114–19](#).

Ronald E. Osborn, *Death Before the Fall: Biblical Literalism and the Problem of Animal Suffering*. In *Luther Rice Journal of Christian Studies* 1 (Spring 2016): [91–93](#).

David and Jonathan Gibson, ed. *From Heaven He Came and Sought Her: Definite Atonement in Historical, Biblical, Theological, and Pastoral Perspective*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 11.2 (Fall 2014): [92–96](#).

Jeremy A. Evans, *The Problem of Evil: The Challenge to Essential Christian Beliefs*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 11.1 (Spring 2014): [127–28](#).

James M. Hamilton Jr, *God's Glory in Salvation Through Judgment: A Biblical Theology*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 10.2 (Fall 2013): [105–6](#).

John Piper, *Does God Desire All to Be Saved?* In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 10.2 (Fall 2013): [99–102](#).

Edward W. Klink III and Darian R. Lockett, *Understanding Biblical Theology*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 10.1 (Spring 2013): [83–85](#).

Trevin Wax, *Counterfeit Gospels: Recovering the Good News in a World of False Hope*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 9.1 (Spring 2012): [72–73](#).

Ronnie W. Rogers, *Reflections of a Disenchanted Calvinist: The Disquieting Realities of Calvinism*. In *Journal for Baptist Theology & Ministry* 9.1 (Spring 2012): [70–72](#).

Ben Quash and Michael Ward, eds. *Heresies and How to Avoid Them: Why it Matters what Christians Believe*. In *Southwestern Journal of Theology* 52.2 (Spring 2010): [218–19](#).

Mark Baker, ed. *Proclaiming the Scandal of the Cross*. In *Southwestern Journal of Theology* 50.2 (Spring 2008): [239–41](#).

Academic Presentations

"The Possible Relationship between the Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit in the Gospels and the Warning in Hebrews 6:4–6," Annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Boston, Massachusetts, November 2025.

"Engaging the Biblical Reasoning for Divine Simplicity," Annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, California, November 2024.

["Divine Simplicity and the Boundaries of Orthodoxy,"](#) Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Shawnee, Oklahoma, April 2024.

"The Doctrine of Inhumanity: A Theological Assessment of Contemporary Reports of Human Rights Abuses in North Korea and China," Annual meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Antonio, Texas, November 2023.

"'The kingdom of God belongs to such as these.' Baptist Beliefs about the Spiritual Condition of Infants and Young Children: Original Sin, the Age of Accountability, and Infant Salvation," Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Fort Worth, Texas, March 2023.

"Doctrines as Diamonds: A New Model for Ranking Doctrinal Questions," Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Denver, Colorado, November 2022.

"Can a Person be Saved through Christ by Responding to General Revelation Only?" Baptist Heritage Lecture at Campbellsville University, Campbellsville, Kentucky, March 2020.

"Contextualism: A Proposed Category for Assessing Contemporary, Miraculous Gifts," Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Denver, Colorado, November 2018.

"Weighing the Books: A Model for Evaluating Competing Canonical Traditions," Houston Baptist University Theology Conference: "How the Bible Came into Being," Houston, Texas, March 2017.

["Did the Incarnation Introduce Change among the Persons of the Trinity?"](#) Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Antonio, Texas, November 2016.

Co-presented with Archie England, "I Saw Satan Fall: A Biblical & Systematic Investigation of the Possible Intertextual Reference in Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 27-28 to the Satanic/Adamic Fall," Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, New Orleans, LA, April 2015.

["Did Millard Erickson Revise His View of General Revelation and Human Responsibility in *Christian Theology*, Third Edition \(2013\)?"](#) Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, CA, November 2014.

“Justification Without Faith? The Special Case of Infants,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Atlanta, GA, November 2010.

“Rethinking Inherited Guilt: The ‘Knowledge of Good and Evil’ in the Pentateuch as a Key to Understanding Sin, Guilt, and Death,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, California, November 2007.

“Grudem on Infant Guilt: A Critique of Wayne Grudem’s Proposed Solution to the Dilemma of Inherited Guilt for People Who Die in Infancy,” Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Fort Worth, Texas, March 2006.

“Dividing the Question: A Critique of Clark Pinnock’s Theology Proper,” Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, November 2005.

“First-Century Jewish Messianic Expectations: A Survey of the Pertinent Texts,” Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, Dallas, Texas, March 2004.

Awards

Southwestern Journal of Theology Book of the Year, 2022

James Leo Garrett Jr. Award, SWBTS, 2022

Outstanding Research Professor, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2022

Outstanding Faculty Churchman, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2021

Faculty Tenure, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2018

Faculty Excellence Award, Truett-McConnell College, 2013

Vulcan Materials Award, Truett-McConnell College, 2011

Memberships

First Baptist New Orleans, 2013-Present

Evangelical Theological Society, 2003-Present

Personal

Spouse: Laura

Children: Anna, Nathan, Jonathan, and Rachel

Ordained: Emmaus Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, OK, 2000

