

**CURRICULUM VITAE**  
**KENNETH L. WATERS, Sr.**

**Emeritus Professor of New Testament**, Azusa Pacific University, June 24, 2022-present.

**Professor of Homiletics**, Asbury Theological Seminary, July 1, 2023-August 16, 2024.

**EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Philosophy in Theology**, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California. Major concentration: New Testament. Minor concentration: Old Testament. Dissertation topic: “The Salvation of Israel in Paul’s Thought and Experience: A Post-Radical Literary Investigation of Romans 9-11 and its Context.” Degree conferred: April 1999.

**Master of Theology**, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. Degree conferred: May 1979.

**Bachelor of Arts**, Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas. Major: Social Work. Minor: Religion. Degree conferred: May 1975.

**ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS**

**Associate Dean of Personnel, Contracts, and Undergraduate Studies**, School of Theology, Azusa Pacific University, September 2017-July 2022.

**Associate Dean of the Division of Religion and Philosophy**, School of Theology, Azusa Pacific University. July 2008-August 2017.

**OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS**

**Interim Chair, Department of Biblical and Religious Studies**, Azusa Pacific University, Fall 2016.

**Interim Chair, Department of Biblical Studies**, Azusa Pacific University. Spring – Summer 2007.

## **SERVICE APPOINTMENTS**

**Academic Editor and Editorial Board Member**, *Religions*, an MDPI open-access journal. December 10, 2024-present.

**Guest Editor** (with Sandra Morgan and Richard Rose), *Religions*, Special Issue on Critical Issues in Christian Ethics. July 2023-present

**Faculty Lead**, Lilly Foundation, Pathways to Tomorrow Grant, Phase 1, July 7, 2021-August 2022.

**Chair**, Provost-led Workgroup on Spiritual Formation and Faith Integration, Azusa Pacific University, January 2021-May 2022.

**External Reviewer**, Department of Religion and Philosophy 5-year Program Review, University of La Verne, April 18-May 2, 2019.

**University Associate Chaplain**, Azusa Pacific University, August 2014-2019.

**President**, Pacific Coast Region Society of Biblical Literature, 2015

**Program Chair**, New Testament Epistles and Apocalypse Section of the Pacific Coast Region of the Society of Biblical Literature, November 2008-May 2022.

## **FULL-TIME ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

**May 2007-August 2022, Professor of New Testament**, Azusa Pacific University.

**May 2004-May 2007, Associate Professor of New Testament**, Azusa Pacific University.

**Sept 1999-May 2004, Assistant Professor of New Testament**, Azusa Pacific University.

## **ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

**April 22, 2024-present, Adjunct Professor of New Testament**, Azusa Pacific University & Seminary.

**January 15, 2024-present, Adjunct Professor**, Aldersgate School of Ministry.

**May 2022-December 30, 2024. Adjunct Professor/PhD Mentor**, Columbia International University and School of Ministry.

**January-April 1999, Adjunct Professor of New Testament**, Azusa Pacific University.

## **EXPERTISE**

New Testament Studies  
 Pauline Studies  
 Historical Jesus Studies  
 Biblical eschatology and apocalyptic literature  
 Biblical and Christian ethics  
 Christian apologetics  
 Second Temple Judaism  
 Greco-Roman world  
 African American religious history and thought  
 Preaching and Homiletics

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

### *Azusa Pacific University*

BMGT 306: The Bible and Business Ethics.  
 BMGT 411: A Christian Worldview and the Professions.  
 GBBL 511: Seminar in Biblical Interpretation.  
 GBBL 512: The Gospels' Witness to Christ.  
 GBBL 531: The Kingdom of God.  
 GBBL 532: Paul the Pastor and Theologian.  
 GBBL 622: The Church of the First Century.  
 GDMN 730: Church Renewal.  
 GDMN 782: Scripture: Its Spirituality and Proclamation.  
 GINS 507: The Bible and Preaching.  
 GINS 542: Gospels and Christology.  
 GMIN 628: Preaching in the African American Tradition.  
 UBBL 230: Luke-Acts  
 UBBL 330: Life and Teachings of Jesus  
 UBBL 340: Romans and Galatians  
 UBBL 341: Thessalonian and Corinthian Epistles  
 UBBL 350: Geographical and Historical Setting of the Bible.  
 UBBL 430: Johannine Literature.  
 UBBL 442: Prison and Pastoral Epistles.  
 UBBL 461: Theology of the New Testament.  
 UBBL 496: Senior Seminar: Biblical Theology and Ethics.

### *Asbury Theological Seminary*

PR 610: The Theology and Practice of Preaching.  
 PR 662: Narrative Preaching.  
 PR 650: Preaching in the African American Tradition  
 WO510: The Theology and Practice of Worship

*Aldersgate School of Ministry*

BIBL 202: Scripture Interpretation and Social Location.

*Perkins School of Theology/Southern Methodist University.*

NT-8302: The Gospel of Matthew.

### **CERTIFICATION**

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI), Institutional Review Board, *first term* 2014-17, *second term* 2017-20, *third term* 2020-23.

### **ACADEMIC MENTORSHIPS**

First mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Graduate School of Theology. December 2008.

Second mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Graduate School of Theology. May 2013.

Third mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. December 2014.

Fourth mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. December 2014.

Fifth mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. May 2016.

Sixth mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. May 2016.

Seventh mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. December 2016.

Eighth mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. November 2022.

Ninth mentee (PhD). Columbia International University. November 2024.

Tenth mentee (DMIN). Azusa Pacific Seminary. November 2025.

### **FULL-TIME PASTORAL EXPERIENCE**

1990-99: Pastor, Vermont Square United Methodist Church, Los Angeles, CA.

1988-90: Pastor, Calvary United Methodist Church, Los Angeles, CA.

1985-88: Pastor, First United Methodist Church, Compton, CA.

1982-85: Pastor, Rice Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Dallas, Tx.

1975-80 Pastor, St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church, Denton, Tx.

1974-75 Pastor, Simms Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Carrollton, Tx.

1973-75 Pastor, Dallas Howard African Methodist Episcopal Church, Waco, Tx.

1972-73 Pastor, Salters Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Mt. Calm, Tx.

1972-73 Pastor, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Axtel, Tx.

1971-72 Pastor, St. James African Methodist Episcopal Church, Dawson, Tx.

1971-72 Pastor, Virden Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Babylon, Tx.

#### **OTHER PASTORAL AND MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCE**

2024 (April 28-present) Associate Minister, Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, Moreno Valley, CA.

2023 (Mar 5-Sept 3) Interim Assistant Pastor, Westside Baptist Church, Fontana, CA.

2021-2023 Associate Minister, Westside Baptist Church, Fontana, CA.

2018-2020: Associate Minister, Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, Pomona, CA.

2012 (Apr 1-Jun 24) Interim Pastor, Olivet Lutheran Church, Hawthorne, CA.

2010-2017: Associate Minister, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, San Bernardino, CA.

2001-2010: Elder appointed to extension ministry, California-Pacific Conference of the United Methodist Church.

2000-01: Interim Pastor, Christ Church, Los Angeles, CA.

1998-99 Interim Pastor, St. Paul United Methodist Church, Los Angeles, CA.

## **DENOMINATIONAL LICENSING, ORDINATION, AND MEMBERSHIP**

Ordained Minister and member, Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, Moreno Valley, CA. April 28, 2024-present.

Ordained Minister and Member, West Side Baptist Church, Fontana, September 18, 2022-present

Ordained Minister and Member, Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, Pomona. July 2018-Sept 2020.

Ordained Minister and Member, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, San Bernardino. 2010-2017.

Ordained Elder and Full Member, California-Pacific Conference of the United Methodist Church 1985-2010.

Ordained Elder, North Texas Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, 1975-85.

Ordained Deacon, Northwest Texas Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church 1973-75.

Licensed Minister, Northwest Texas Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church 1971-73.

Licensed Minister, Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, El Paso, Tx 1971.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

**Women, Salvation, and Childbearing: The Mystery of 1 Timothy 2:11-15.** Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2022.

**I Saw the Lord: A Pilgrimage Through Isaiah Six.** Nashville: Upper Room Books, 1996.

**Afrocentric Sermons: The Beauty of Blackness in the Bible.** Valley Forge: Judson Press, 1993.

### **Journal Articles**

A Preservationist Christian Sexual Ethic: Verifying and Vindicating a Contested Perspective. **Religions** 16/7 (June 22, 2025):1-20. <https://doi.org/10.3390/rel16070814>.

Jesus and the Passover in Mark 14:1-12: A Chronological Confusion? **Studia Biblica Slovaca** 14/2 (2022): 180-210.

Jesus in the Heart of the Earth: Deciphering the Jonah Saying (Matthew 12:39-41). **Sage Open** 11/2 (April-June 2021): 1-11. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21582440211014178>.

Empire and the Johannine Epistles. **Review and Expositor** 114/4 (November 2017): 542-557.

Revisiting Virtues as Children: 1 Timothy 2:15 as Centerpiece for an Egalitarian Soteriology. **Lexington Theological Quarterly** 42/1 (Spring 2007): 37-49.

Matthew 28:1-6 as Temporally Conflated Text: Temporal-Spatial Collapse in the Gospel of Matthew. **The Expository Times** 116/9 (June 2005):295-301.

Saved Through Childbearing: Virtues as Children in 1 Timothy 2:11-15. **The Journal of Biblical Literature** 123/4 (Winter 2004): 703-735.

Matthew 27:52-53 as Apocalyptic Apostrophe: Temporal-Spatial Collapse in the Gospel of Matthew. **The Journal of Biblical Literature** 122/3 (Fall 2003): 489-515.

Eucharist and Global Reconciliation: A Liturgical Vision of Social Transformation. **The Quarterly Review: A Journal of Theological Resources for Ministry** 22:3 (Fall 2002): 248-60. Reprinted in **Quarterly Review Classics**, ed. Hendrik R. Pieterse, 34-46. Nashville: General Board of Higher Education and Ministry, 2007.

Liturgy, Spirituality, and Polemic in the Hymnody of Richard Allen. **The North Star: A Journal of African American Religious History** 2/2 (Spring 1999). <http://cypress.barnard.columbia.edu/~north/volume 2/waters.html>. Reprinted in **The A.M.E. Church Review** 119/389 (January-March 2003): 25-37.

The Myth of Reverse Racism (Or Can Black People Be Racists, Too?). **The Journal of the Interdenominational Theological Center** 19 (Fall 1991/Spring 1992): 130-150.

### **Book Chapters**

The Incarnation of the Word in the Johannine Situation: Reframing the Historical Jesus. **Jesus Remembered in the Johannine Situation**, John, Jesus, and History 4, SBL Early Christianity and Literature Series 34, 211-229. Edited by Paul Anderson, Felix Just SJ, and Tom Thatcher. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2024.

Jesus and the Spirits in Prison: Deciphering the Petrine Noah Passage (1 Peter 3:18-20). **Afrocentric Interpretations of the New Testament Epistles Hebrews, James, Jude, Peter, John, and Revelation: Things Black Scholars see that White Scholars do not**, Vol.3, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater, 67-85: Lewiston and Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press, 2021.

Ordering Chaos: Style and Structure in the Apocalypse of John. **Afrocentric Interpretations of the New Testament Epistles Hebrews, James, Jude, Peter, John, and Revelation: Things Black Scholars see that White Scholars do not**, Vol.3, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater, 107-124: Lewiston and Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press, 2021.

Paul and Predestination: The Rhetoric of Impersonation in Romans 9:11-33. **Afrocentric Interpretations of Paul and Pauline Tradition: Things Black Scholars see that White Scholars do not see**, Vol.2, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater, 39-97. Lewiston and Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press 2018.

Politics and Polemic: Hidden Strategy in Paul's Rhetoric of Empire (Romans 13:1-7). **Afrocentric Interpretations of Paul and Pauline Tradition: Things Black Scholars see that White Scholars do not see**, Vol.2, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater, 99-133. Lewiston and Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press 2018.

No Cursing in the Church: Anathema in the Corinthian Congregation (1 Cor 12:3) and the Letters of Paul. **Afrocentric Interpretations of Paul and Pauline Tradition: Things Black Scholars see that White Scholars do not see**, Vol.2, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater, 159-204. Lewiston and Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press 2018.

The Holiness Stream in Biblical and Historical Context (co- author Barry L. Callen). **The Holy River of God: Celebrating the Wesleyan-Holiness Stream**, ed. Barry L. Callen, 13-19. Aldersgate Press, 2016.

Suppressed but not Silenced: Women and History in the Lukan Resurrection Narrative. **Afrocentric Interpretation of Jesus and the Gospel Tradition: Things Black Scholars see that White Scholars Overlook**, 131-163, ed. Thomas Bowie Slater. Lewiston and Lampeter: Edwin Mellen Press, 2015.

Holiness in New Testament Perspective. **The Holiness Manifesto**, ed. Kevin Mannoia and Don Thorsen, 38-56. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co, 2008.



The Academic Side of New Testament Studies (co-author Keith Reeves). **Christian College, Christian Calling: Higher Education in the Service of the Church**, ed. Steve Wilkens, Paul Schrier, Ralph P. Martin, 69-81. New York: AltaMira Press, 2005.

### **Dictionary and encyclopedia articles**

Humility. **The Global Wesleyan Encyclopedia of Biblical Theology**, 189-90. Ed. Robert Branson. Kansas City: Foundry Publishers, 2020.

New Testament Christology. **The Global Wesleyan Dictionary of Theology**, 106-8. Ed. Al Truesdale, Henry H. Knight III, Karen Strand Winslow, Kent E. Brower. Kansas City: Beacon Press, 2013.

New Testament Ecclesiology. **The Global Wesleyan Dictionary of Theology**, 166-67. Ed. Al Truesdale, Henry H. Knight III, Karen Strand Winslow, Kent E. Brower. Kansas City: Beacon Press, 2013.

Principalities and Powers (co-author, Davide Cantarella). **The Global Wesleyan Dictionary of Theology**, 431-32. Ed. Al Truesdale, Henry H. Knight III, Karen Strand Winslow, Kent E. Brower. Kansas City: Beacon Press, 2013.

### **Book reviews**

Review of **Afro-Pentecostalism: Black Pentecostal and Charismatic Christianity in History and Culture**. Ed. Amos Yong and Estrela Y. Alexander. New York, NY: New York University Press, 2011. x + 261 pp. \$30.00 (paper). **Christian Scholar Review** 42/3 (Spring 2013): 300-04.

Review of **The Diffusion of Ecclesiastical Authority** by Darin H. Land, Princeton Monograph Series 90. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2008. Pp.ix +245. Paper \$24.00. **Religious Studies Review** 36/1 (22 March 2010): 75.

**Blogs, Meditations, and other publications**

Thoughts on Isaiah 53. University Passage Reflections, Office of the Chaplain, email distribution (September 17, 2018).

Patience and Politics. Fruit of the Spirit and Politics Series. **APU Articles** (October 3, 2016)

Curbless Love for a Boundless God. A series of meditations and prayer prompts for the Azusa Pacific University Community at Prayer Day (May 26, 2016).

Reflections on Charleston. **APU Articles** (June 25, 2015).

Living Our Identity as the People of God. A series of meditations and prayer prompts for the Azusa Pacific University Community at Prayer Day (May 21, 2015).

Summoned to Salvation, Sustenance, and Security. A series of meditations and prayer prompts for the Azusa Pacific University Community at Prayer Day (June 27, 2014)

Does the Bible Predict the 'Blood Moon'? or What's all this about the Blood Moon? CNN Belief Blog. Ed. Daniel Burke and Eric Marraodi, April 14, 2014.

Time and Biblical Authority. The Voice Blog. Ed. David B. Capes. [www.hearthevoice.com/blog](http://www.hearthevoice.com/blog). June 11, 2013.

Community—A Call to Live a Worthy Life (co-authored with Jon Wallace and Kevin Mannoia). **APU Life** 26/4 (Winter 2013): 12-13.

For the Bible Told Us So: A Critical Analysis and Theological Response to the Economic Crisis (co-authored with Stuart Strother). **APU Life** 22/1 (Spring 2009):14-17.

A Cure for the Crisis, a series of seven meditations, 33-39. **The Upper Room Disciplines**. Nashville: Upper Room Books, 2008.

Scripture—Truth and Authority. **APU Life** 19/2 (Summer 2006): 23.

Would You Repeat That, Please? (Acts 2:1-21). **The African American Pulpit** 3/3 (Summer 2000): 63-67.

The Gospel of Human Transformation. **Circuit Rider** 22/3 (May-June 1998): 5-6.

A Refuge for the Redeemed, a series of seven meditations. **The Upper Room Disciplines**. Nashville: Upper Room Books 1997.

Change your mind, Change your life. **From One Brother to Another: Voices of African American Men**, 235-237, ed. William J. Key and Robert Johnson-Smith II. Valley Forge: Judson Press, 1996.

Blended Worship. **Contemporary Worship for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Worship or Evangelism?**, 96-104, ed. Daniel C. Benedict and Craig Kennet Miller. Nashville: Discipleship Resources, 1994.

### **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS**

The Chronology of the Passover in Mark 14:1-12: Pluralism in Ritual Practice. A paper presented in the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Gospel of Mark section, San Diego, California, November 25, 2024.

Irony and Paradox in the Gospel of John: Truth beyond the limits of Language. The Western Regional Conference on Christianity and Literature, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa California, March 17, 2023.

The Incarnation of the Word in the Johannine Situation: The Interface of Faith, History and Doctrine. John, Jesus, and History Pre-conference, Society of Biblical Literature Additional Meetings, Denver, Colorado, Thursday, November 17, 2022.

Publishing my Biblical Studies Book: The Quest for a Paradigm Shift. Post-Sabbatical Presentation, Azusa Pacific University, April 19, 2022.

No longer invisible: Afrocentric Biblical Interpretation. The Peter Rhea and Ellen Jones New Testament Lecture Series, McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University, Atlanta, GA, March 18, 2019.

Reconciliation in New Testament Perspective. The Bible Speaks: A Celebration of the Bible: Exploring and Considering the Role of the Bible in the Life of the Believer in Commemoration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. Glendale Presbyterian Church with sponsorship from Biblica and the New Theological Seminary of the West, Glendale, California, October 28, 2017.

Matthew on my Mind: The First Gospel as Storm Center in Contemporary Scholarship. Presidential Address, Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California, March 13, 2016.

The Historicity of Jesus: A Response to Richard Carrier. A debate with Richard Carrier in the Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, California, March 9, 2015.

Paul and the Powers: The Problem of Romans 13:1-7 in the Shadow of Institutionalized Injustice. Sabbatical Leave Presentation. Azusa Pacific University, February 2, 2015.

Apocalypse Later: Harold Camping vs. the End of the World by filmmaker Zeke Piestrup. Plenary session. Pacific Coast Region Society of Biblical Literature, Hope International University, Fullerton, California. March 30, 2014.

Jesus in the heart of the earth: Deciphering the Jonah Logion. A paper presented in the International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, University of St. Andrews, Scotland. July 9, 2013, and the Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Hope International University, Fullerton, California, March 25, 2013.

Ordering Chaos: Revisiting Style and Structure in the Apocalypse of John. A paper presented in the Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, California. March 25, 2012.

Tradition and Intratextuality in the Apocalypse of John: A Reassessment of Style and Structure in the Book of Revelation. A paper presented in the International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, King's College, London, England. July 5, 2011.

The Message of Paul the Apostle for his times and ours. A presentation in the Southern California School of Ministry, Inglewood, California. May 21, 2011

Why Biblical and Theological Studies? A presentation in the Southern California School of Ministry, Inglewood, California. Feb 19, 2011.

No Cursing in the Church: *Anathema* in the Corinthian Congregation (1 Cor 12:3) and the Letters of Paul. A paper presented in the International Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Pontifical Biblical Institute, Rome, Italy. July 01, 2009 and the Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena. March 31, 2008.

Politics and Polemic: Hidden Strategy in Paul's Rhetoric of Empire. A paper presented in the Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona. March 14, 2010 and the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Boston, Massachusetts. November 22, 2008.

The Pauline Collection Reconsidered: A panel review discussion of *The Offering of the Gentiles: Paul's Collection for Jerusalem in its Chronological, Cultural, and Cultic Contexts* by David J. Downs. WUNT 11/248. Mohr Siebeck, 2008. A paper presented in the Pacific Coast Regional Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, California. March 22, 2009.

Revisiting Virtues as Children: 1 Timothy 2:15 as Centerpiece for an Egalitarian Soteriology. A paper presented in the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, San Diego, California. November 19, 2007.

Paul and the Challenge of Religious Pluralism: The Epistle to the Romans in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Sabbatical Leave Presentation. Azusa Pacific University. January 24, 2007.

Paul and Predestination: The Rhetoric of Impersonation in Romans 9:11-33. A paper presented in the International Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Singapore, Republic of Singapore, June 29, 2005.

Saved Through Childbearing: Virtues as Children in 1 Timothy 2:11-15. A paper presented in the International Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, Groningen, The Netherlands, July 25-28, 2004.

Matthew 27:52-53 as Apocalyptic Apostrophe: Temporal-Spatial Collapse in the Gospel of Matthew. A paper presented in the Society of Biblical Literature/Pacific Coast Region Annual Meeting, University of California at Davis, Davis, California, March 23, 2003.

Paul and Interreligious Dialogue. A paper presented in the Visions of God Seminar Series. California State University at Dominguez Hills, Dominguez Hills, California, March 12, 2003.

Wrestling with the Irrepressible: Women in the Lukan Resurrection Narrative. A paper presented in the Society of Biblical Literature/Pacific Coast Region Annual Meeting, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, California, April 16, 2000.

Paul and Predestination: A Literary-Rhetorical Approach to Romans 9:11-33 and its Context. A paper presented in the Society of Biblical Literature/Pacific Coast Region Annual Meeting, University of San Francisco, San Francisco, California, March 14, 1999.

Law and Israel: A Radical Reconsideration of the Letter to the Romans. A paper presented in the Society of Biblical Literature/Pacific Coast Region Annual Meeting, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California, March 15-17, 1998.

### **CROSS-DISCIPLINARY PRESENTATIONS**

The Revival of Preaching: The Art at the Heart of Worship, Angelus Worship Summit, Azusa Pacific University, Saturday, January 29, 2022.

Lessons from the Life of Martin Luther King Jr. An APU Chapel Service Message, Upper Turner Campus Center, Wednesday, January 19, 2022.

The Black Church and the Urban Poor in America: A Response to Dwight N. Hopkins. 2019 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, William E. Pannell Center for African American Church Studies, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena. Wednesday, January 23, 2019.

Diversity, Moving Forward: Seven Rules for Promoting Diversity. Leadership Summit, Azusa Pacific University, Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Racial Justice in Public Safety. Theology in the Hood Institute, Bethel A.M.E. Church, Los Angeles. Monday, January 12, 2015.

Transgenderism and the Bible, APU Board of Trustees Ad Hoc Committee on Transgenderism, Wednesday, May 14, 2014. Azusa Pacific University.

Roe v. Wade: Theological and Ethical Concerns, Contemplating 40 years of Roe v. Wade, Wednesday, January 23, 2013. Azusa Pacific University.

The Colonized Classroom: A Critical Challenge for the Christian Academy (with Pamela Christian, Angela Danielly, and Philip Powell)- First Annual National Conference of Christians on Diversity in the Academy, Sheraton Suites, Fairplex Hotel, Pomona, California. Friday, April 25, 2008.

African Historical Consciousness as Pivotal for an Afrocentric Global Mission. (with Pamela Christian, Angela Danielly, and Philip Powell)-a panel presentation in the 36th Annual National Conference of the National Association for Ethnic Studies, *the Politics of Ethnicity*, Westin Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia. Friday, April 4, 2008.

The Poor and the APU Community: Defining the Relationship (with Mary A. Rawlings)- APU Board of Trustees Annual Meeting and Retreat, Santa Barbara, California, January 24, 2008.

### **PANEL DISCUSSIONS, SEMINARS, AND WEBINARS**

Where are the Black People in the Bible: A Six-Week Series (CTS-305, Zoom Conference), Eastvale Bible Church, 2191 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Norco, CA 92860-1965, August 7-September 11, 2024.

Where are the Black People in the Bible: An Eight-Week Series (Zoom Conference), Abundant Life A.M.E. Church, Dallas, Texas, February 15-April 5, 2023.

The Conversation on Racial Unity in the Church. *Facebook Live* with Bishop Kenneth Ulmer. Tuesday, May 18, 2021. 4:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Where are the Black People in the Bible: An Eight-Week Series (CTS-305, Zoom Conference), Eastvale Bible Church, 2191 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Norco, CA 92860-1965, February 3-March 24, 2021.

The Church as Ally: Putting an End to Covid-19 Inequities and Racialized Police Brutality, APU Webinar (Moderator), Thursday, June 25, 2020, 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Equity and Justice Forum: A Critical Conversation about a Nation in Crisis, APU Webinar, Wednesday, June 10, 2020, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Moral Knowledge Symposium, knowing what's true, doing what's good. Oaks Christian School, Westlake Village, California; with Westmont College and Dallas Willard Ministries. Monday and Tuesday, February 3-4, 2020.

KKLA 99.5 Impact 2019 Pastor's Conference, Felix Event Center, Azusa Pacific University, Thursday, October 10, 2019.

African American Biblical Interpretation with Mitzi Smith and Thomas Slater. McAfee School of Theology/Mercer University, Atlanta, Georgia. Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

The Black Church and the Urban Poor in America with Clifton Clarke, Alexis Abernathy, Dwight N. Hopkins, and Oscar Owens. 2019 Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, William E. Pannell Center for African American Church Studies, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena. Wednesday, January 23, 2019.

KKLA 99.5 Impact 2018 Pastor's Conference, Felix Event Center, Azusa Pacific University, Tuesday, October 30, 2018.

Intercampus Symposium on Gene Editing: Dialogue on the Intersection of Science, Ethics, and Faith. Center for Research in Science, Azusa Pacific University, Tuesday, June 12, 2018.

Holiness and Social Justice Symposium 2018, City of Hope International Church and Azusa Pacific University, 4999 Holly Drive, San Diego, CA 92113. Wednesday, April 4, 2018.

The Gospel of John. School of Christian Mission, University of Hawaii, Honolulu. Plenary Session 1: August 1-4, 1991. Plenary Session 2: August 5-9.

The Gospel of John. School of Christian Mission, Biola University, La Mirada. Plenary Session 1: July 18-21, 1991. Plenary Session 2: July 22-25.

## **HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITIONS**

Recipient, MDPI 2024 Top 1000 Reviewers Award, October 16, 2025.

Recipient, *Religions* 2023 Outstanding Reviewer Award. MDPI Academic Open Access Publishing, St. Alban-Aniage 66, 4052 Basel, Switzerland. March 2024.

Recipient, June 2020 Faculty Research Council, Publication Assistance Grant, Azusa Pacific University.

Recipient, 2019 University Leadership Award from Azusa Pacific University.

Recipient, 2005 Undergraduate Scholarly Achievement Award from Azusa Pacific University.

## **TERM TENURE AND SABBATICALS**

First five-year contract, 2007-12; second five -year contract, 2012-17; third five- year contract, 2017-22.

First sabbatical, Fall 2005; second sabbatical, Fall 2013; third sabbatical, Fall 2020.

## **TELEVISION AND RADIO APPEARANCES**

*Holy Marvels with Dennis Quaid*, The History Channel television network Mondays, June 3-22 2024. Episode 4: Apocalypse How? Monday, June 24, 2024. Six appearances.

*It is Written Oceania* hosted by Gary Kent, Thursday, July 25, 2013. Australian Christian Channel. “Miracles and History.” A discussion about Christian apologetics, the historicity of the Gospels, and the significance of Paul the Apostle.

*A Show of Faith* hosted by Dr. David B. Capes, 1070 AM KNTH Houston, Texas. Sunday, December 9, 2012. I participated in a discussion about contemporary forms of apocalypticism.

*Countdown to Apocalypse: Part 2: The Four Horsemen*. H2, More 2 History, History Channel television network. Original air date: Friday, November 16, 2012. I made six appearances providing information about the Book of Revelation.

*Today's Religion* hosted by Truman Jacque, ABC-TV in Los Angeles, January 8, 1991. Topic “Today's Religion: 1990 in Review.”

*Religion on the Line* hosted by Dennis Prager. KABC-Radio (AM). 1985-86.



## **VIDEO INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA**

**Paid in Full: Philippians 4:10-23. Mobile Ed: Reflecting on the Word: Video Devotionals.** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2020.

**The Unity of the Faith: Ephesians 4:1-16. Mobile Ed: Reflecting on the Word: Video Devotionals.** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2020.

**Birth of Christ: Matthew 25:31-46. Mobile Ed: Reflecting on the Word: Video Devotionals (Year A).** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2018.

**Christ Revealed: Luke 4:14-21. Mobile Ed: Reflecting on the Word: Video Devotionals (Year A).** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2018.

**Resurrection of Christ: John 21:1-19. Mobile Ed: Reflecting on the Word: Video Devotionals (Year A).** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2018.

**Christ's Road to the Cross: Matthew 21:1-11. Mobile Ed: Reflecting on the Word: Video Devotionals (Year A).** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2016.

**Mobile Ed: NT225: Survey of the Pastoral Epistles.** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2015-16.

**Mobile Ed: Paul's Letters Bundle.** Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2015-16.

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

**Member,** MDPI Travel Award Evaluation Committee, December 5, 2025-January 31, 2026.

**Member,** Judson Press Authors' Club, January 10, 2025-present.

**Moderator,** Best Practices of our Tradition, a panel with Pastor Stephen "Cue" In-Marie, Rev. Dr. Stanley Talbert, and Rev. Dr. Mark E. Whitlock Jr, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Ecumenical Center for Black Church Studies, Friday, October 18, 2024, University of La Verne, California.

**Instructor,** Wednesday Night Bible Study, Trinity Baptist Church, 29175 Ironwood Avenue, Moreno Valley, California 92555. September 25, 2024-present.

**Moderator,** The Vocation of Lament, A panel with Haein Park, Thomas Allbaugh, and Aiden Foster Evans, The Western Regional Conference of Christianity and Literature, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, California, March 17, 2023.

**Curriculum Committee member,** Aldersgate School of Ministry, June 2022-present.

**Member, Dissertation Committee (Th.D.),** Evangelical Theological Seminary/Kairos University, October 11, 2022-present.

**Commencement Speaker,** Do What You Care About. Azusa Pacific University, Saturday, May 7, 2022.

**Speaker,** Commissioning/Hooding Ceremony. Azusa Pacific Seminary. December 18, 2021.

**Chair,** The Black Theology Lecture Planning Committee, Azusa Pacific University and Seminary, 2020-2022.

**Speaker-Presenter,** A Change of Space (John 8:1-11) and A Change of Perspective (Matthew 15:21-28). Theology Week at Life Pacific College, San Dimas, California, April 9-10, 2019.

**Chair,** 2020-21 School of Theology/College of Liberal Arts and Sciences-Humanities Trustee Scholarship Committee, Azusa Pacific University, December 3, 2019-January 15, 2020.

**President,** Men's Ministry of the Antioch Missionary Baptist Church of Pomona, California, January 1, 2019-Sept 30, 2020.

**Instructor,** Primacy of Scripture and Christology. Pastoral Ministry: A Primer. Murrieta Regional Campus of Azusa Pacific University & Seminary. February 7, 2019.

**Member,** Advisory Committee & University Friends of the Imago Dei Missions Special Collections, University Libraries, December 2018-2022.

**Speaker,** Commissioning/Hooding Ceremony. Azusa Pacific Seminary, May 04, 2018.

**Member,** Black Faculty, Staff, and Administrator's Association (BFSAA), Azusa Pacific University, 2017-2022.

**Speaker,** Commissioning/Hooding Ceremony. Azusa Pacific Seminary, December 16, 2017.

**Facilitator,** Christ in the Workplace I: Faculty and Staff workshop. March 31, 2015, Azusa Pacific University.

**Facilitator,** Christ in the Workplace I: Faculty and Staff workshop. March 10, 2015, Azusa Pacific University.

**Advisor, Mentor, Fellow,** Black Male Success Initiative, Azusa Pacific University, February 17, 2014-2016.

**Member**, Institutional Review Board, Azusa Pacific University, 2014-2022

**Moderator of Ordaining Council**, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 1575 W. 17<sup>th</sup> Street, San Bernardino, California, Pastor Robert L. Fairley, Ordinand Rev. Lori Fairley Green, October 12, 2014.

**Instructor**, Jesus and the Gospels. International School of Theology and Leadership in Zurich. June 25, 2013, Azusa Pacific University.

**Presenter**, Identity of a Christian Leader. Haggard International Scholars. April 19, 2013. Azusa Pacific University.

**Keynote speaker**, God-Honoring Excellence. Alpha Chi Honor Society, California Gamma Chapter, Induction Ceremony. January 29, 2013, Azusa Pacific University.

**Member**, Associate Deans Council, Azusa Pacific University, 2012-2022.

**Jury Foreman**, San Bernardino Superior Court, Judge John P. Vander Feer, Presiding, San Bernardino County Courthouse, April 21-22, 2011.

**Presenter**. Is the Bible True? Living Spring Christian Fellowship, 9851 Bixby Ave., Garden Grove, CA, Sunday, November 14, 2010.

**Instructor**. CTI-001: Christian Training Institute Seminar in Biblical Studies (Inland Empire Regional Center, San Bernardino, Tuesdays, Sept 7-Oct 12, 2010.

**Consultant**, *The Voice* Bible translation project of Ecclesia Bible Society and Thomas Nelson, Publishers. 2005-2012.

**Instructor and travel Coordinator**, Turkey-Greece Study Tour -14 days in the footsteps of Paul the Apostle and the Seven Churches of the Book of Revelation, May 16-29, 2006.

**Chair**, Peer-Review Team for the Department of Computer Science, Azusa Pacific University, 2004-2006.

**Program Advisor**, The Urban/African American Program of the Haggard School of Theology, 2003-2004.

**Recording Secretary**, Undergraduate Division of the Haggard School of Theology, 2001-2004.

**Member**, Spiritual Emphasis Committee, Azusa Pacific University, 2008-2019.

**Member**, Undergraduate Studies Council, Azusa Pacific University, 2003-2006, 2006-2009.

**Member**, Faculty Senate, Azusa Pacific University, 2001-2002.

**Member**, Committee on Committees, Azusa Pacific University, November 2000-2002.

**Member**, Diversity Committee, Azusa Pacific University, September 2000-2002.

### **LANGUAGES**

Greek, Hebrew, Coptic, German, French. Translation and reading proficiency.

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Society of Biblical Literature. 1995-present.

American Academy of Religion. 1995-2008.