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Education

1969 B.A. (Religion), The American University
1976 M.Div., *summa cum laude*, Wesley Theological Seminary
1989 Ph.D. (Old Testament), Yale University

Ecclesiastical History

1974 Ordained Deacon, Baltimore Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church
1977 Ordained Elder, Baltimore Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church
Current status: Full member of the Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference under Appointment
Beyond the Local Church to the School of Theology

Related Employment

1976-78 Minister, Sleepy Creek Charge (United Methodist), Sleepy Creek and Cherry Run, WV
1978-81 Minister, Wesley United Methodist Church, Hampstead, MD
1980-81 Supervising Pastor (Candidacy program), Baltimore Northwest District
1979- Teacher, Course of Study School, Wesley Theological Seminary
First year course [required]: "The Pastor as Interpreter of the Bible"
Fourth year course [required]: "Word of God: Old Testament -- Genesis, Jeremiah, Deutero-Isaiah, Job, Psalms"
Supervisor for the Enrichment Program in years 3, 4, and 5 through 2005
2011- Enrichment Course in Biblical Hebrew
1980-81 Field Education Staff Supervisor, Wesley Theological Seminary
1982-85 Teaching Assistant, Yale Divinity School
1982-84 Introduction to the Old Testament
1984-85 Elementary Biblical Hebrew
Intermediate Hebrew: Poetry
1983-84 Interim Co-Minister: Windham County Country Parish [5 UM Churches], North Grosvenordale, CT
1985-88, 90-91 [Unofficial] Co-Minister: Portland and Moodus United Methodist Churches, Portland and Moodus, CT
1988-90 Co-Minister: Portland and Moodus United Methodist Churches, Portland and Moodus, CT
1989-90 Adjunct Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible, Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT
1990-94 Assistant Professor of Old Testament, School of Theology, University of the South, Sewanee, TN
1994-2004 Associate Professor of Old Testament, School of Theology, University of the South, Sewanee, TN
2004- Professor of Old Testament, School of Theology, University of the South, Sewanee, TN

Publications

- 1989 *Biblical Hebrew: A Text and Workbook* New Haven: Yale University Press. With Vicki Hoffer, based in part on work with Bonnie Pedrotti Kittel.
- 1989-95 Exegetical essays for *Exegetical Review* --2 to 4 each quarter.
- 1990 Review of Paul Hanson, *The People Called: The Growth of Community in the Bible*, in *Exegetical Resource* 18.
- 1992 "Inclusive Language: Why Does it Matter Now?" *INCITE Journal* 1: 60-2.
- 1993 "The Holiness of the Ordinary," *Sewanee Theological Review* 36:391-5.
- 1994 "A Jewish and Christian Reading of Jonah: How (Dis)Similar?" *Sewanee Theological Review* 37:144-150. With Vicki Hoffer.
- 1994 *Journey Through the Bible*. Vol 2: Exodus-Deuteronomy. Nashville: Cokesbury. Adult education curriculum: student's book and leader's guide.
- 1994-95 Interim editor, *Exegetical Resource*.
- 1995-2002 Exegetical section [continuation of *Exegetical Resource*] editor, *Australian Ministry Digest*
- 1995-98 Exegetical essays for *Australian Ministry Digest* -- 2 to 5 each quarter: 15-25,000 words per year. Continued by *Tuesday Morning*.
- 1998 "History, Remembrance, and God's Future: Reinvigorating the Hebrew Bible Lessons for Lent," *Quarterly Review* 17:407-427.
- 1998 "Genesis:Beginnings" in *The New International Lesson Annual, September 1998-August 1999*(Nahsville:Abingdon Press, 1998), 368-486. 13 lessons for Adult Sunday School.
- 1998- President, *Tuesday Morning: Resource for ministry and lectionary preaching*
- 1998- Exegetical essays for *Tuesday Morning* – 2 to 5 each quarter
- 1999 Revision study, "Hebrew Bible," Year 1 of *Education for Ministry*
- 1999-2000 *International Lesson Annual*, Abingdon Press. 13 lessons. "From Slavery to Conquest."
- 2000-2001 *International Lesson Annual*, Abingdon Press. 13 lessons. "Becoming God's People"
- 2001 "The Impossible Commandment," in *Engaging the Spirit: Essays on the Life and Theology of the Holy Spirit*, ed. Robert Boak Slocum. New York: Church Publishing, 2001. pp. 209-214. (Also published in *Anglican Theological Review*, Summer 2001.)
- 2004 *International Lesson Annual*, Abingdon Press. 13 lessons. "The Covenant"