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## Teaching Experience

### Professor of Pastoral Theology & Spiritual Formation

2003-present

Northwest Nazarene University – Nampa, Idaho  
School of Theology & Christian Ministries

Awarded 2007 Outstanding Graduate Theological Online Professor of the Year – Spiritual Formation

Awarded 2006 Outstanding Graduate Theological Online Professor of the Year – Spiritual Formation

### Administration:

Director, Graduate Theological Online Education

Director, Master of Arts in Religion: Missional Leadership Program

Director, Master of Arts in Religion: Pastoral Ministry Program

Director, Master of Arts in Religion: Spiritual Formation Program

Co-Director, Wesley Center Conferencing

### Graduate Teaching:

Master of Arts in Religion: Pastoral Ministry

PT523 Preaching & Worship

Master of Divinity / Master of Arts in Religion: Christian Education

CE513 Postmodern Ministry

Master of Divinity / Master of Arts in Religion: Missional Leadership

PT5XX Missional Practicum

Master of Divinity / Master of Arts in Religion: Spiritual Formation

PT511 Introduction to Spiritual Formation

PT514 Topics in Spiritual Formation: Spiritual Formation in the Emerging Church

### Undergraduate Teaching:

BL111 Introduction to Biblical Studies

BL112 Survey of the Bible

CE494 Topics in Specialized Ministries: Cross-Cultural Orientation

CE494 Topics in Specialized Ministries: Digital Storytellers

CE494 Topics in Specialized Ministries: Worship, Media & the Arts

PT171 Introduction to Christian Ministries

PT172 Introduction to Evangelism

PT321 Spiritual Formation & Christian Discipleship

PT322 Worship Theory & Development

PT324 Worship Leadership & Practice

PT471 Church Growth & Health

PT476 Communicating the Gospel

PT494 Topics in Pastoral Theology

## Education

<b>Doctor of Ministry</b>	2004	Beeson Center for Biblical Preaching & Church Leadership Asbury Theological Seminary – Wilmore, Kentucky
Dissertation: <i>The Graphic Gospel: Preaching In a Postliterate Age</i> .		
Committee: Ken Boyd, advisor; Joel Green, reader; Leslie Andrews.		
Mentored under the teaching ministries of Dale Galloway, Ellsworth Kalas, George Hunter, Darrell Whiteman, Haddon Robinson, Eugene Peterson, Ben Witherington, Reg Johnson, Ken Kinghorn, Maxie Dunnam, and Steve Seamands.		
Hands-on observations of models of church renewal in leading-edge ministries across America and South Korea, including Willow Creek, Saddleback, and Yoido Full Gospel churches.		
Course work included emphases on preaching, worship, and ministry; anthropology for American church ministry; biblical interpretation for life and ministry; and theology of ministry.		
<b>Master of Divinity, <i>magna cum laude</i></b>	1993	Nazarene Theological Seminary – Kansas City, Missouri
<b>Bachelor of Arts, <i>magna cum laude</i></b>	1989	Northwest Nazarene University – Nampa, Idaho
Outstanding Religion Student Award		
Elementary Greek Student Award		
Dooley Essay Award		

## Post-Doctoral Studies

<b>Calvin Theological Seminary</b>	2007	“Imaginative Reading for Creative Preaching” - Dr. Neal Plantinga
<b>Mars Hill Graduate School</b>	2005	“Orthodoxy, Catholicity & Missionality” - Brian McLaren
<b>Mars Hill Graduate School</b>	2005	“Mission in a Postmodern World” - Brian McLaren

## Publications

- Akkerman, Jay. “Broadening Your Bandwidth: Called to Speak in a Visual Age.” *The Preacher’s Magazine* Lent/Easter 2002: 48.
- . “Broadening Your Bandwidth: See and Say.” *The Preacher’s Magazine* Pentecost 2002: 49.
- . “Broadening Your Bandwidth: Paint By Numbers.” *The Preacher’s Magazine*. Advent/Christmas 2002-2003: 47.
- . Rev. of *Design Matters: Creating Powerful Imagery for Worship*. By Len Wilson and Jason Moore. Nashville: Abingdon, 2006. Back cover. ISBN 068749446X.
- . Cover design of *Good & Mad: Learning the Value of Anger & Becoming Free From Its Unhealthy Clutches*. By Ray Burwick. Birmingham: Ebsco, 2006. Front and back covers. ISBN 142430056A.
- . “Ideas That Work.” *Leadership Journal*. Summer 1996: 74.
- . “In Praise of Basic Training.” *Under Orders* Summer 1997: 1-2.
- . “Kids of the Kingdom.” *Christian Reader* March/April 1997: 13-14.
- . *The Graphic Gospel: Preaching In a Postliterate Age*. Diss. Asbury Theological Seminary, 2004. BV4227.A34 2004.
- . “Old NNU Friends Meet for First Time.” *Idaho Press Tribune* 15 June 2004: C3.
- . “Saved... To Tell Others.” *Herald of Holiness* October 1997: 27-31.
- . “Significance.” *Fresh Illustrations for Preaching & Teaching*. Ed. Ed Rowell. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1997. ISBN 0801091482.
- . “Stress.” *Fresh Illustrations for Preaching & Teaching*. Ed. Ed Rowell. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1997. ISBN 0801091482.
- . “To Illustrate...” *Leadership Journal*. Spring 1997: 71.
- Fenske, Sarah. “The Last Supper.” *Phoenix New Times* Jul. 21-27, 2005: 17+.
- Hathaway, Daniel, et al. “Sermons for the Season After Pentecost.” *The Preacher’s Magazine* Pentecost 2007: 7-30.
- Who’s Who In American Education*. 8<sup>th</sup> ed. New Providence, NJ: Marquis, 2007.

## Presentations

<b>Keynote Speaker &amp; Workshop Presenter</b>	Eastern Nazarene College Region AONT Conference
"Picture This..."	June 2007
<b>Preaching Specialist</b>	Northwest District Pastors' Enrichment
"Pruning Back My High Hopes... Preaching to Preachers on John 15"	May 2007
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	Nazarene M7 Conference
"Formative Technologies: Spiritual Formation & Information Technologies"	February 2007
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	Nazarene M7 Conference
"Escalation: Taking Your Worship, Preaching & Media Planning to the Next Level"	February 2007
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	Revisoning Holiness Conference
"Improving Our Table Manners"	February 2007
<b>Lunch Presenter</b>	NNU Faculty Food Fight
"The World Is Flat"	November 2006
<b>Conference Presenter</b>	Nazarene Theological Seminary Missional Leaders in an Emerging Culture Conference
"Room at the Table"	October 2006
<b>Missional Cohort Leader</b>	Allelon Center for Missional Leadership
"Ministry in a Postmodern Context"	June 2006
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	MidAmerica Nazarene University Region AONT Conference
"Getting the Ball Rolling"	March 2006
<b>Paper Presenter</b>	Association of Nazarene Sociologists & Researchers
"The Digital Church: Opening Viewers' Ears"	March 2006
<b>Paper Presenter</b>	Oxford Fellowship
"Preaching in a Postliterate Age"	February 2006
<b>Seminar Presenter</b>	Narnia at NNU
"The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe: Theological Perspectives"	February 2006
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	Worship, Media & the Arts Conference
"The Visible in Service of the Invisible"	November 2005
<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	Nazarene General Assembly
Association of Nazarene Technologists	July 2005
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	Leonard Sweet Preaching Conference
"Sonograms of the Future"	February 2005
<b>Keynote Speaker &amp; Workshop Presenter</b>	PowerPoint & Beyond Conference
"Bringing the Pieces Together"	January 2005
<b>Keynote Speaker &amp; Workshop Presenter</b>	Association of Nazarene Technologists
"Wising Up About Dumbing Down the Gospel"	September 2004
<b>Workshop Presenter</b>	Nazarene Pastors & Leaders Conference
"The Graphic Gospel: Media & Ministry"	June 2004
<b>Conference Presenter</b>	Beeson Church Planters' Exchange
"Innovations in Church Planting"	April 2002
<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	Worship Technologies Conference
"Broadening Your Bandwidth"	January 2001

## Conference Administration

<b>Conference Director</b> "Holiness As Furtherness: Orienting in Changing Times"	Wesley Center Conference February 2008
<b>Conference Director</b>	Creative Worship Seminar February 2007
<b>Director</b>	NNU Student Preaching Mission March 2006
<b>Conference Director</b> "The Visible in Service of the Invisible"	Worship, Media & the Arts Conference November 2005
<b>Conference Director</b> "Sonograms of the Future"	Leonard Sweet Preaching Conference February 2005
<b>Conference Director</b>	Digital Storytellers Conference November 2004

## Grants

<b>2007 Idaho Humanities Council</b>	\$3,000
"Picturing Faith: Religious Imagery of America & the Church of the Nazarene"	Under Review
<b>2007 Northwest Nazarene University Professional Development II Grant</b>	\$3,000
"Picturing Faith: Religious Imagery of America & the Church of the Nazarene"	+ \$7,000 Other Sources
<b>2006 Northwest Nazarene University Riley-Woodward Faculty Research Grant</b>	\$1,000
"Running To and Fro: A Study of Responses to Vocational Ministry Calls"	Unfunded
<b>2006 Lilly Endowment</b>	\$180,000
"Allelon Missional Schools Project"	Partially Funded

## Teaching Interests

Preaching  
Spiritual Formation  
Missional Leadership  
Media In Ministry  
Postmodernism  
Church Planting  
Pastoral Ministry  
Online Education

## Qualifications

Personality profile characterized by warm, enthusiastic, creative participation that is motivating and visionary.  
Experienced pioneer in breakthrough leadership and turn-around performance.  
Recognized communicator in both Christian and non-religious venues.  
Known for building relationships with those who are exploring questions of faith.  
Personality inventory types: DISC - IC/I; MBTI – ISTJ.

## Creative Portfolio

"Picturing Faith" Centennial Art Exhibition	2008	NNU Friesen Art Gallery
Producer, "Creative Worship Seminar" DVD	2007	Midnight Oil Productions
Producer, "Make the Shift" Marketing DVD	2007	NNU Graduate Theological Online Education
"Cloud of Witnesses" 12'x42' Graphic Backdrop	2007	NNU Wesley Center
WPS Call for Papers Poster	2007	Wesleyan Philosophical Society
"Secret Message of Jesus" Poster	2007	NNU Campus Book Discussion Group
SPS Call for Papers Poster	2007	Society for Pentecostal Studies
Electronic Banner Marketing Pieces	2006	Society for the Study of Psychology & Wesleyan Theology
<i>Good &amp; Mad</i> Cover Design	2006	Dr. Ray Burwick
Multiple Brochures	2005-present	NNU Office of Church Resource Services
Nazarene General Assembly Marketing DVD	2005	NNU Graduate Theological Online Education
Multiple Brochures & Print Marketing Pieces	2004-present	NNU School of Theology & Christian Ministries
Weekly Worship Media Designs	2004-2006	EarlyChurch
Weekly Worship Media Designs	2002-2003	New Hope Community Church of the Nazarene

## Memberships & Associations

Alban Institute  
Allelon Missional Schools Project  
American Academy of Religion  
American Society for Church Growth  
Arrow Leadership Program  
Association of Nazarene Sociologists & Researchers  
Association of Nazarene Technologists  
Beeson Institute  
Boise Art Museum  
Emergent Village  
Leadership Network  
Off The Map  
*Phi Delta Lambda* Honor Society  
Society for the Arts in Religious & Theological Studies  
Society for Pastoral Theology  
Society for the Study of Christian Spirituality  
Wesleyan Theological Society  
Wesleyans in Theological Dialogue  
*Who's Who in American Education*  
Willow Creek Academic Network  
Young Leader Network

## Board & Committee Experience

<b>Northwest Nazarene University</b>	Member, Graduate & Continuing Studies Council Founding Member, Scholars' Guild Steering Committee Member, Instructional Resources Council Chair, Graduate Website Committee Member, Graduate Marketing Committee Webmaster, School of Theology & Christian Ministries Chair, Music Department Program Review Team Founding Sponsor, Campus Book Discussion Group
<b>Arizona District Church of the Nazarene</b>	Member, Ministerial Studies Board Member, Online Education Committee Secretary, Camp Pinerock Operations Board
<b>Intermountain District Church of the Nazarene</b>	Member, Nazarene Youth International Council Member, Nazarene Missions International Council
<b>International Church of the Nazarene</b>	Founding Member, "Digital Nazarene" Steering Committee International Co-Chair, Association of Nazarene Technologists NNU Region Co-Chair, Association of Nazarene Technologists NNU Campus Representative, Association of Nazarene Sociologists & Researchers Book Cover Art Consultant, Nazarene Publishing House Missional Ministries Book Reviewer, Nazarene Publishing House
<b>Nazarene Theological Seminary</b>	Intermountain District Alumni Ambassador
<b>Treasure Valley Science &amp; Religion Institute</b>	Member
<b>Washington Pacific District Church of the Nazarene</b>	Director, Continuing Lay Training Member, Sunday School Ministries Board
<b>Zondervan Publishing Company</b>	Book Cover Art Consultant

## Academic Support

<b>Internal Reader</b>	Northwest Nazarene University Faucette, Karen. "ScrumPy Modeling Utility." Senior Honors Thesis. NIH Grant #P20 RR016454, 2007.
<b>External Reader</b>	Andrews University Ellis, Dirk. "The Relationship Between Liturgical Practice and Spirituality in the Church of the Nazarene with Special Reference to John Wesley's Doctrine of Christian Perfection." Ph.D. Dissertation, 2006-present.
<b>Congregational Reflection Team Member</b>	Asbury Theological Seminary Hicks, Dana R. "The Core Value of Evangelism In Effective Churches." D.Min. Dissertation, 2006-present.
<b>Proctor</b>	Fuller Theological Seminary Kipp, Michael A. D.Min Studies, 2006-present.
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Nazarene Theological Seminary Assisted Dr. Rob Staples from 1991-1992.
<b>Peer Tutor</b>	Northwest Nazarene University Religion and Greek Tutor in the Academic Support Center from 1988-1989.
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	Northwest Nazarene University Assisted Dr. C.S. Cowles from 1987-1989.

## Ministry Experience

- Founding Leader**                      2005-present      The Table: A Missional Order of Faith, Hope & Love – Nampa, Idaho  
One of three members of a postmodern leadership team who have launched a missional order under the auspices of College Church of the Nazarene with ministry practices including a monthly worship encounter, friendship, service, and collegiality as outlined at [www.fourlegsofatable.com](http://www.fourlegsofatable.com).
- Founding Leader**                      2004-present                                      EarlyChurch – Nampa, Idaho  
Led in the formation and development of a new worshipping community within First Church of the Nazarene utilizing relational ministry, innovative worship, and media; this worship service now averages more than 300 adults each week.
- Lead Pastor**                              1999-2003                      New Hope Community Church of the Nazarene – Chandler, Arizona  
Appointed third pastor of a denominational flagship church plant at its lowest ebb.  
Led the church from fifty remaining attenders to an average of 150 in morning worship.  
Developed a multiple staff of five ministry team members and a healthy network of small groups.  
Managed the acquisition, design, and construction of tenant improvements in 8,000 square feet of commercial space.
- Beeson Pastor-in-Residence**      1998-1999                                      Beeson Center for Biblical Preaching & Church Leadership  
Asbury Theological Seminary – Wilmore, Kentucky
- Correctional Chaplain**              1995-1998                                      Washington Corrections Center – Shelton, Washington
- Fire Service Chaplain**              1994-1998                                      Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue – Silverdale, Washington  
Awarded Meritorious Service Citation by the Bremerton City Council for support on the Kona Village disaster, a multiple alarm, mutual aid career fire resulting in four fatalities, twelve injuries, and \$7.5 million in property damage as referenced in FEMA/U.S. Fire Administration Technical Report 121 of the Major Fires Investigation Project.
- Pastor**                                      1994-1998                                      Central Kitsap Church of the Nazarene – Silverdale, Washington  
Appointed second pastor of a struggling church plant with no facility, no resources, and twenty remaining attenders.  
Led the church to four years of financial stability and growth to an average of seventy-seven in morning worship.  
Relocated the church to larger rented facilities and mentored a young man and woman to district licensure.  
Ordained as an elder on the Washington Pacific District in April 1995.
- General Church Assignment**      1992-1994                                      International Center, Church of the Nazarene – Kansas City, Missouri
- Intern Pastor**                              1992      Overland Park Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) – Overland Park, Kansas
- Associate Pastor**                      1987-1990                                      Karcher Church of the Nazarene – Nampa, Idaho  
Awarded 1989 Intermountain District Sunday School Teacher of the Year.