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POSITION: Provost/Dean; Professor of New Testament, Denver Seminary, Littleton, CO.
Adjunct Lecturer, Ridley College, Melbourne, Australia.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., New Testament/Christian Origins, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, 1996
B.A., Bible and Religion: *summa cum laude*, Messiah College, Grantham, PA, 1984

EXPERIENCE

2018- Provost/Dean, Professor of New Testament, Denver Seminary
2017-18 Interim Dean, Humanities and Theological Studies; Professor NT, Wheaton College.
2016-17 Chair, Biblical and Theological Studies department; Professor NT, Wheaton College.
2015-17 Faculty Vice Chair; Professor of New Testament, Wheaton College
2012 Professor of New Testament, Wheaton College
2007 Received Tenure at Wheaton College
2004 Associate Professor of New Testament, Wheaton College
2000 Assistant Professor of New Testament, Wheaton College

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Christian Women in the Patristic World: Their Influence, Authority, and Legacy in the Second Through Fifth Centuries. Co-authored with Amy Hughes. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2017.

Philippians in Story of God Commentary. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2013.

Ephesians in New Covenant Commentary. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2010.

Women in the World of the Earliest Christians. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2009.

Cohick, Lynn H., Gary M. Burge, and Gene L. Green. *The New Testament in Antiquity.* Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2009.

The Peri Pascha Attributed to Melito of Sardis: Setting, Purpose and Sources. Brown Judaic Studies, 327. Providence, RI: Brown University Press, 2000.

Book Chapters

“Poverty and its Causes in the Early Church,” pages xyz in *Poverty in the Early Church and Today*. Steve Walton and Hannah Swithinbank, eds. London: T&T Clark, forthcoming.

“Women in the Jewish, Greco-Roman, and Early Christian World,” pages xyz in *The State of New Testament Studies*. Scot McKnight and Nijay Gupta, eds. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, forthcoming.

“The ‘Woman at the Well’: Was the Samaritan Woman Really an Adulteress?” pages 249–53 in *Vindicating the Vixens: Revisiting Sexualized, Vilified, and Marginalized Women on the Bible*. Sandra Glahn, ed. Wheaton, IL: Kregel, 2017.

“The New Perspective and the Christian Life in Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians,” pages 19–46 in *The Apostle Paul and the Christian Life: Ethical and Missional Implications of the New Perspective*. Edited by Scot McKnight and Joseph Modica. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2016.

“Intertextuality in Melito of Sardis,” pages 126–149 in *Intertextuality in the Second Century*. Edited by Jeffrey Bingham and Clayton Jefford. Leiden: Brill, 2016.

“Afterword,” pages 178–186 in *Neither Complementarian Nor Egalitarian: A Kingdom Corrective to the Evangelical Gender Debate*, Michelle Lee-Barnewall. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2016.

“Foreword,” pages xiii – xvi in *Making Sense of Motherhood: Biblical and Theological Perspectives*. Edited by Beth M. Stovell. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2016.

“Foreword,” pages xi – xiv in *Raised from Obscurity: A Narratival and Theological Study of the Characterization of Women in Luke-Acts*, Greg W. Forbes and Scott Harrower. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2015.

“Mothers, Martyrs, and Manly Courage: The Female Martyr in 2 Maccabees, 4 Maccabees, and the Acts of Paul and Thecla” pages 123–132 in *A Most Reliable Witness: Essays in Honor of Ross Shepard Kraemer*. Edited by N. DesRosiers and Shira L. Lander. *Brown Judaic Studies* 358. Providence: Brown University, 2015.

“Women, Children, and Families in the Roman World” pages 179–88 in *The World of the New Testament: Cultural, Social, and Historical Contexts*. Edited by Joel B. Green and Lee Martin McDonald. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2013.

- “Paul’s Letter to the Philippians,” pages 166–182 in *Jesus is Lord: Not Caesar: Evaluating Empire Studies Today*. Edited by Scot McKnight and Joseph B. Modica. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2013.
- “Colossians” pages 1395–1412 in *Baker Illustrated Bible Commentary*. Edited by Gary M. Burge and Andrew E. Hill. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2012.
- “Jews and Christians” pages 68–83 in *The Routledge Companion to Early Christian Thought*. Edited by D. Jeffrey Bingham. NY: Routledge, 2010.
- “Jesus, King of the Jews” pages 111–132 in *Who Do My Opponents Say that I Am?* Edited by Scot McKnight and Joseph B. Modica. London: T & T Clark, 2008.
- “Prophecy, Women Leadership and the Body of Christ,” pages 81–97 in *Women, Ministry and the Gospel, Exploring New Paradigms*. Edited by Mark A. Husbands and Timothy T. Larsen. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2007.
- “Melito’s *Peri Pascha*, its Relationship to Judaism and Sardis in Recent Scholarly Discussion,” pages 123–140 in *Evolution of the Synagogue*. Edited by Howard Clark Kee and Lynn H. Cohick, Valley Forge, PA: Trinity Press International, 1999.

Articles in Peer Review Journals

- “Cultivating Shalom: A Response to John Stackhouse’s Epistemology,” *Journal of Analytical Theology* 4 (2016): 193–197.
- “The Gospel as God’s Gift: Good News from Ephesians 1:1–3:12,” Bingham Colloquium, McMaster Divinity School, Hamilton, ON, Canada, June 2015.
- “Tyranny, Authority, Service: Leadership and Headship in the New Testament,” *Ex Auditu* 28 (2012): 74–90.
- “Citizenship and Empire: Paul’s Letter to the Philippians and Eric Liddell’s Work in China,” *Journal for the Study of Paul and His Letters* 1.2 (2012): 137–52.
- “Marriage, Divorce, and Discipleship: Jesus’ Encounter with the Samaritan Woman,” *IBR Library Review* 8 (2010): 20–37.
- “Virginité Unveiled: Tertullian’s *Veiling of Virgins* and Historical Women in the First Three Centuries A.D.,” *Andrews University Seminary Studies* 45.1 (2007): 19–34.
- “Why Women followed Jesus: A Discussion of Female Piety,” *Scottish Bulletin of Evangelical Theology* 25.2 (2007): 172–193.
- “News from the Annual Meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Washington, DC, USA,

November 17-21 (a) Early Jewish Christian Relations Section” *Henoch* 29,2 (2007): 414–416.

“Melito of Sardis’s *Peri Pascha* and Its ‘Israel’,” *Harvard Theological Review* 91:4 (1998): 351–72.

Articles and Popular Writing

“Shaking the Foundations: Paul’s Message Brings a Seismic Cultural Shift,” *Bible Study Magazine, Faithlife* (March/April, 2018), 28–30.

“The ‘Feminine’ Trait Every Christian Needs to Learn,” *Christianity Today*, March, 2017.
Awarded 5th place in “Biblical Exposition” by the Evangelical Press Association Higher Goals.

“Women’s Work” and “Priscilla and Aquila” in *Bible Odyssey* (on-line resource published by the *Society of Biblical Literature*).

Ephesians in God’s Justice: The Holy Bible. Colorado Springs: Biblica US, Inc., 2016.

“The Samaritan Woman and Florence the Vegetable Lady from Kenya – Lessons on Life and Love,” *Christianity Today*, October 2015.

“Render Unto Caesar”: The Christian’s Call to Action or Retreat,” *Comment Magazine*, Fall 2012, 62–69.

“Philippians 2:5b-11” and “Philippians 3:20-21,” pages 91–93 and 96–98 in *Devotions on the Greek New Testament*. Edited by Scott Duvall and Verlyn Verbrugge. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2012.

“Romans” booklet, pages 9–95 in *Immersion Bible Studies* series. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2011.

“Women with the Self-Doubt Syndrome,” *Christianity Today*, June 2010.

“The Real Problem with Mary’s Baby Bump,” *Christianity Today*, December 2009.

“The Joys of a False Positive,” *Christianity Today*, December 2009.

“Met with Dancing: The Changing Faces of African Christian Women,” *Priscilla Papers* 21.3 (2007): 16–24.

“Romans,” pages 628–645 in *InterVarsity Press Women’s Bible Commentary*. Edited by Catherine Clark Kroeger and Mary Evans. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2002. Reprint, 2009 by Oxford University Press.

“NT Use of OT Scripture Quotations Concerning Women,” pages 514–517 in *InterVarsity Press Women’s Bible Commentary*. Edited by Catherine Clark Kroeger and Mary Evans. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2002.

Dictionary Articles

“Melito of Sardis,” pages 534–35 in *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*. Daniel J. Treier and Walter A. Elwell, eds. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2017.

“The Fruit of the Spirit,” pages 332–333 in *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*. Daniel J. Treier and Walter A. Elwell, eds. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2017.

“The Trial of Jesus,” pages 972–79 in *Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2013.

“Pharisees,” pages 673–79 in *Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2013.

“Common Judaism,” pages 452–58 in *Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2013.

“Headship” pages 349–350 in *Dictionary of Scripture and Ethics*. Edited by Joel B. Green. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2011.

“Roman Citizenship” page 728 in *Baker Illustrated Bible Handbook*. Edited by J. Daniel Hays and J. Scott Duvall. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2011.

“The City of Rome” pages 744–745 in *Baker Illustrated Bible Handbook*. Edited by J. Daniel Hays and J. Scott Duvall. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2011.

Reviews

Philippians, Colossians, Philemon in *Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture* by Dennis Hamm, SJ. (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2013) in *Review of Biblical Literature* 07/2016 (on-line).

Cicero and the Rise of Deification by Spencer Cole (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014) in *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 25:3 (2015): 426–28.

Paul and the Miraculous: A Historical Reconstruction by Graham H. Twelftree (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2013) in *Trinity Journal* 35.2 (2014): 332–334.

Contextualizing Gender in Early Christian Discourse: Thinking Beyond Thecla by Caroline Vander Stichele and Todd Penner (London: T&T Clark, London, 2009) in *Interpretation: A Journal of Bible and Theology* 66.2 (2012): 229–30.

The Drama of Ephesians: Participating in the Triumph of God by Timothy Gombis (Grand Rapids: InterVarsity Press, 2010) in *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 54.3 (2011): 638-39.

Among the Gentiles: Greco-Roman Religion and Christianity in *The Anchor Yale Bible Reference Library* by Luke Timothy Johnson (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2009) in *Bulletin of Biblical Research* 21.3 (2011): 433.

Christ and Caesar: The Gospel and the Roman Empire in the Writings of Paul and Luke by Seyoon Kim (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2008) in *Scottish Bulletin of Evangelical Theology*, 29.1 (Spring 2011): 129.

Mark in *Baker Exegetical Commentary* by Robert H. Stein (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2008) in *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 20.2 (2010): 269–271.

The Letter to the Philippians in *Pillar New Testament Commentary*, by G. Walter Hansen (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2009) in *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 53.4 (2010): 844–46.

Dictionary of Jewish-Christian Relations edited by Edward Kessler and Neil Wenborn (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005) in *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 53.1 (2010): 204–7.

Ancient Jewish and Christian Perceptions of Crucifixion by David W. Chapman (Tubingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2008) in *Bulletin for Biblical Research*, 19.4 (2009): 261–2.

Holiness and Ecclesiology in the New Testament by Kent E. Brower and Andy Johnson (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2007) in *Bulletin for Biblical Research*, 19.1 (2009): 142–43.

From the Lost Teachings of Polycarp, by Charles E. Hill (Tubingen: Möhr Siebeck, 2006) in *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 18.2 (2008): 359–60.

Constantine's Bible: Politics and the Making of the New Testament by David L. Dungan (Minn., MN: Fortress Press, 2007) in *Journal of Church and State*, 49.1 (2007): 141–43.

Junia the First Woman Apostle, by Eldon Jay Epp. *Themelios* 32.1 (2006): 68–9.

Melito und das Judentum: Dissertation zur Erlangung des Doktorgrades der Katholisch-Theologischen Fakultät der Universität Regensburg, by Ingeborg Angerstorfer (Regensburg, 1986) in *The Second Century* 9,3 (1992): 188–89.

Under Contract

Ephesians in the *New International Commentary of the New Testament*. Edited by Joel Green. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, forthcoming.

SPEAKING AND TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

Invited Teaching, Intensive Courses

“Women in the New Testament and Early Church,” (BIBL 542) Regent College, Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 23–27, 2018.

“Philippians,” DVD and On-line Course, Zondervan, June 12–13, 2018.

“Philippians,” Intensive Course in the Sydney School of Theology, Culture and Public Engagement, The Anglican Deaconess Ministries. January 22-25, 2018.

“Ephesians,” (BIBL 675) Regent College, Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 13–24, 2015.

“Introduction to Paul and his Thought,” “Ephesians,” and “Philippians,” On-line MA courses, Ridley College, Melbourne, Australia, January 19–30, 2015.

“Families in the Biblical World” M.Div. Course at Palm Beach Atlantic University, West Palm Beach, FL, January 5–7, 2015

“Philippians,” (BIBL 676), Regent College, Vancouver, BC, Canada, July 1–12, 2013.

“Ephesians” and “New Testament Survey” and “The Apostle Paul and his Letters” for LOGOS Bible Software/FaithLife, August 20-25 & December 1–5, 2014

“Ephesians” MA Course at Brisbane School of Theology (formerly Crossway Bible College), Brisbane, Australia, July 4–8, 2011.

Public Address and Invited Lecturer

Public Lecture, “Motherhood and Martyrdom: Women’s Witness in the Early Church.” Distinguished Lecturer series, Bethel Seminary San Diego, April 20, 2018.

Public Lecture, “Character and Leadership: The Martyr’s Influence in Church Life.” Distinguished Lecturer series, Bethel Seminary San Diego, April 20, 2018.

Public Lecture, “Inheritance and Worthiness: What Children in First Century Families Reveal about the Message of the Gospel,” Hobbes Faculty Lecture, Oklahoma Baptist University, February 26, 2018.

Plenary Lectures, “Women as Teachers and Learners in the First Century World,” and “Evangelical Women in Academia,” Evangelical Women in Academia Conference, Ridley College, Melbourne, Australia, July 22, 2017.

- Public Lecture, “Christ our Peace: Redemption, Reconciliation, and Radical Community in the Letter to the Ephesians,” Annual Leon Morris Lecture, Ridley College, Melbourne, Australia, July 21, 2017.
- Public Lecture, “Inside the Mind of a Misogynist: Inside the Mind of Paul?” Tabor College of Higher Education, Millswood, South Australia, July 13, 2017.
- Invited Speaker, “Biblical Hermeneutic for the Full Participation of Women in Ministry,” No Barriers: Women in Pastoral Leadership Symposium, sponsored by the Baptist Churches of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia, July 13, 2017.
- Plenary Lectures, “‘What’s Love Got to Do with It?’ Marriage in First Century Families” and “Inheritance and Worthiness: What Children in First Century Families Reveal about the Message of the Gospel,” Australia and New Zealand Association of Theological Schools Annual Conference on “Kinship and Family,” Adelaide, Australia, July 9–12, 2017. Both papers will be published.
- Keynote Speaker, “‘You Were Called to One Hope’ (Eph 4:4): Calling and the Christian Life,” and “‘In this Hope We Were Saved’ (Rom 8:24): Endurance and the Christian Life,” Women Physicians in Christ Annual Conference, Hilton Head, SC, September 22–26, 2016.
- Invited Speaker, “Poverty and Its Causes in the Early Church,” St. Mary’s University Twickenham, Centre for the Social-Scientific Study of the Bible Conference on *Engaging with Poverty in the Early Church and Today*, December 4–5, 2015. [Accepted for publication by Bloomsbury T & T Clark, edited by Steven Walton, forthcoming]
- Invited Speaker, “Birthing the Virtues: Endurance, Romans 8, and the Acts of Paul and Thecla,” Chicago Society of Biblical Research, October 24, 2015.
- Plenary Lecture, “We are the Circumcision: Philippians 3 and the Christian Life,” *Lanier Theological Library*, Houston, TX, September 12, 2015.
- Invited Speaker, “Steadfast in Faith: Women Martyrs in Jewish and Christian Tradition,” Regent College, Vancouver, BC, July 15, 2015.
- Plenary Lecture, “The Gospel as God’s Gift: Good News from Ephesians 1:1–3:12,” Bingham Colloquium, McMaster Divinity School, Hamilton, Ontario, June 5, 2015.
- Plenary Speaker, *Faith Forum 2015* at Eastern University, St. Davids, PA, March 18–20, 2015.
- Invited Speaker, *IBR Unscripted* presentation, “Birthing the Virtues,” Annual Meeting of the Institute for Biblical Research, San Diego, November 22, 2014.

Plenary Speaker, Kermit Zarley Lectures: “May It Be to Me as You Have Said: The Discipleship of Mary Mother of Jesus and Mary Magdalene” and “Marriage and Ministry: the Samaritan Woman and Marriage”, North Park University, Chicago, IL, November 5-6, 2014.

Invited Colloquist, *Duquesne University Eight Annual Holy Spirit Lecture*, January 31 – February 1, 2014. One of eight invited Colloquists discussing “How Does the Holy Spirit Assist the Church in Its Teaching?”

Keynote Speaker, “Jesus the King,” Pastorum Conference, Sponsored by *Logos Bible Software* Chicago, IL, April 11–12, 2013.

Invited Participant, *Genesis 1–4 Discussion*, Sponsored by the John Templeton Foundation, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, February 21-23, 2013

Keynote Address, *Speech Night 2012 Presbyterian Ladies College*, Sydney, Australia, held at the Concert Hall, Sydney Opera House, December 4, 2012.

Invited Speaker, “Jesus and Judaism” for the “*Jesus: Faith in the Facts*” Word Conference 2012 at Grace Chapel in Englewood, CO, Sponsored by Shepherd Project Ministries, November 2-3, 2012.

Chapel Speaker, “Discipleship and Philippians 3,” and Lecture, “Jesus King of the Jews” in the School of Theology, Campbellsville University, Campbellsville, KY, September 12, 2012.

Plenary Speaker, Eric Liddell Inaugural Lecture Address, Brisbane School of Theology (formerly Crossway Bible College), Brisbane, Australia, July 15, 2011.

Keynote Speaker, “Patronage, Power and Women of Influence in Early Christianity,” Wackerlin Center for Faith and Action, Aurora University Chaplain’s Forum, January 24, 2011.

Invited Keynote Speaker and Lecturer, “Ephesians,” InterVarsity Leadership Institute, Cedar Campus MI, July 4-9, 2010.

Papers Presented

Invited paper, “ ‘The Kingdom of Christ and of God’ (Eph 5:5): Kingdom in Ephesians and Philippians,” Scripture and Hermeneutics Seminar, Society of Biblical Literature, November, 2017.

Invited panelist to discuss *The Day the Revolution Began* by N.T. Wright (San Francisco: HarperOne, 2016) at the Lanier Theological Library, Houston, TX, March 24, 2017.

Invited presenter at the “Theology of Joy and the Good Life” consultation, Yale Center for Faith and Culture, New Haven, CT, December 9–10.

Invited Panelist to review *Need to Know: Vocation as the Heart of Christian Epistemology* by John Stackhouse (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013) at “Author Meets Critics” session of the American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, November 22, 2015.

Panelist review *The Power of Children: The Construction of Christian Families in the Greco-Roman World* (Waco: Baylor University Press, 2014), Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting, November 19, 2015.

Invited presenter, “Motherhood and Martyrdom in the *Passion of Perpetua and Felicitas*,” and “Response to Papers Presented at the Patristics and Medieval History Session,” Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting, November 18, 2015

“Thecla’s Baptism and Falconilla’s Resurrection: Daughters and Their Mothers in the Acts of Paul and Thecla,” XVII. International Conference on Patristic Studies Oxford, August 11, 2015.

“The Samaritan Woman of John 4 in Light of the Babatha and Salome Komäise Archives: Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting, November, 2010.

“Marriage, Divorce, and Discipleship: Jesus’ Encounter with the Samaritan Woman.” International Reference Library of Biblical Research Annual Meeting, March, 2010.

Invited Panelist to review *A Dictionary of Jewish-Christian Relations*, edited by Kessler and Wenborn (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005). Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, November, 2008.

“Virginity Unveiled: Tertullian’s *Veiling of Virgins* and Historical Women in the First Three Centuries A.D. and its Impact on Christian Women.” Evangelical Theological Society Annual Meeting, November, 2005.

“Prophecy, Women in Leadership and the Body of Christ.” Wheaton Theology Conference, April, 2005.

Church-Related Conferences

Chapel Speaker, “Passion Week,” Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids, MI, March 21, 2016.

Keynote Speaker for the 2016 Noroton Annual Lecture Series, Noroton Presbyterian Church, Darien, CT, February 6–7, 2016.

Doxa Worship Speaker, Harvard Christian Union, Cambridge, MA, November 14, 2014.

Keynote Speaker, “How Does a Woman Fulfill Her Unique Purpose in the World?” *Trinity Women’s Conference* at Trinity International University, February 15, 2014.

Invited Speaker, “Ephesians 5 and Marriage,” Women’s Bible Study, Irving Bible Church, Dallas, TX, November 4–6, 2013.

Invited Speaker, “Jesus and Judaism” for the “Jesus: Faith in the Facts” Word Conference 2012, Sponsored by Shepherd Project Ministries, November 2–3, 2012

Invited Speaker, “Ephesians” Willow Creek Midweek Class, May 11 & 18, 2011.

Invited Panelist, Faith and Sexuality Conference, Gary United Methodist Church, January 15, 2011.

Memberships in Professional Organizations:

Member, *Institute for Biblical Research*.

Member, *Society of Biblical Literature*.

Member, *Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas*

Member, *North American Patristics Society*.

Member, *Evangelical Theological Society*

Professional Committees

Associate Editor, *Story of God Commentary* series, Zondervan Publishers.

Associate Editor, *Dictionary of Paul and His Letters*, 2nd ed. InterVarsity Press.

Member of Editorial Board, *Journal for the Study of Paul and His Letters*.

Member of Editorial Board, *Library of New Testament Studies*.

Member of the Editorial Board, *Bulletin of Biblical Research*.

DISSERTATION EXAMINER

Erin Heim, “Mining the Metaphors: A Robust Reading of the Υιοθεσία Metaphors in Romans and Galatians,” University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand (2014).