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Profile

- **Associate Professor of Pastoral Care** – Calvin Theological Seminary, *Grand Rapids, MI*
- **Licensed Psychotherapist (LLPC)** – State of Michigan

Current and past teaching experience

- **Associate Professor of Pastoral Care – Calvin Theological Seminary (2014 - present)**
 - Sample of courses taught include:
 - Foundations for Pastoral Care
 - Counseling
 - Pastoral Care and the Urban Context
 - Pastoral Theology/Care and the Encounter with Trauma and Radical Evil
 - Human Suffering and Pastoral Theology/Care
- **Calvin Theological Seminary Handlon Prison Program (Spring 2015) – *Introduction to Pastoral Care***
- **Adjunct Professor – Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary**
 - Psychology of Religion – spring 2014
 - Thirteen-week semester / course reflects on the intersection of religious and psychological discourses across various cultures and examine various issues such as conversion experience, god-images, mysticism, etc., and the impact on church and ministry, and personal/community subjectivity
- **Adjunct Professor – Loyola University Chicago (Institute of Pastoral Studies)**
 - Ethics for Pastoral Counseling & Spiritual Direction – spring 2014
 - Fourteen-week semester / course reflects on methodologies and canons of professional ethics for counselors and spiritual directors
- **Part-time Instructor – DePaul University**
 - Religion and Psychology – Fall 2013, Winter 2014, Spring 2014
 - Ten-week quarter / course objectives include introducing students to various discourses in psychology and religion and how such discourses intersect and converse with each other to enhance understanding
- **Adjunct Professor – North Park Theological Seminary**
 - Introduction to Pastoral Care & Counseling - Spring 2013

- Fourteen-week semester / course objectives included preparing students to construct a theological, theoretical, and contextual framework for reflecting upon and implementing pastoral care and counseling across various cultural settings

Publications

- *The economies of Pentecost: postcolonial reflections on pastoral care, healing, and Christian worship*. Calvin Institute of Christian Worship, March 2017
- “Does God care about Flint, Michigan? a brief reflection on trauma and community.” *Institute for Congregational Trauma and Growth*, March 2016: <http://www.ictg.org/blog/-does-god-care-about-flint-michigan-a-brief-reflection-on-trauma-and-community>
- “Trauma: suffering in silence.” *Calvin Theological Seminary Forum*, (Fall 2016), pp. 11-13.
- “Trauma of the heart: augmenting the family paradigm to stem the spread of HIV/AIDS and to facilitate healing and recovery in the wake of HIV/AIDS.” *Journal of Pastoral Theology*(Spring 2015), 46-55.
- “The Beauty of Intentional Multiplicity.” *KERUX—A Calvin Theological Seminary Student Publication*, Spring 2015
- Review, Acolatse, E. E. (2014). *For freedom or bondage?: a critique of African pastoral practices*. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., for *Journal of Pastoral Theology*, 25. I, Spring 2015
- Review, Crumpton, S. M. (2014). *A womanist pastoral theology against intimate and cultural violence*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, for *Journal of Pastoral Theology*, 25. III, Winter 2015

Papers & Presentations

- *Caring for your Neighbor Who Suffers from Trauma*. Loving your Neighbor Today Conference, Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, June 2016
- *Depression and the African American Community*. Visionary Care: Black Mental Health and Economic Justice Conference, Chicago, September 12, 2015
- *Depth Psychology as a Tertiary Hermeneutical/Epistemological Lens to address Ecclesial Conflict and Dysfunction*. American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, San Diego, November 2014

- *Hidden in Plain View: Natural Therapy in Black Religious Experience*. Embodiment Study Group—Society for Pastoral Theology Annual Conference, Denver, June 2011

Education background

- **Doctor of Philosophy** (*Pastoral Theology, Personality, & Culture - clinical track*) – Garret Evangelical Theological Seminary (May 2014)
- **Masters of Arts in Christian Studies** – Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (December 2011)
- **Masters of Arts in Urban Ministry** – Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (2009)
- **Masters of Business Administration (MBA)** – DePaul University (2001)
- **Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration (Finance)** - Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia (1995)
- **Advanced Certificate in Psychotherapy & Religion** - Center for Religion and Psychotherapy of Chicago (2013)
- **Urban Clinical Pastoral Education** – 1 unit / Spring 2009

Professional work experience

- **Associate Professor of Pastoral Care** – Calvin Theological Seminary (present)
- **Psychotherapist (present)**
 - Psychotherapist, LLPC – State of Michigan (present)
 - Resident – Center for Religion and Psychotherapy of Chicago (2013-2014)
 - Fellowship – Center for Religion and Psychotherapy of Chicago (2012-2013)
 - Internship – Center for Religion and Psychotherapy of Chicago (2010-2012)
 - Internship – Access Community Health Infectious Disease Clinic (2010-2012)
- **Senior Pastor - Zion Faith Center Bible Church (16.5 years, February 1999 to September 2015)**
 - Senior Pastor / urban inner-city non-denominational Christian faith community / +120 membership
 - Engaged in traditional pastoral responsibilities including counseling, pastoral care, church administration, crisis intervention, teaching, preaching, strategic planning, leadership development, spiritual formation, Christian education, visitation, administering of sacraments, etc.

- Ministries within faith community consist of Christian education, mentoring, pastoral counseling, men's ministry, women's ministry, youth ministry, etc.

- **Harris Bank / Bank of Montreal - Vice President (12 years, 1997 – 2009)**
 - Vice President, Commercial Banker - Commercial & Industrial middle market sector.
 - Banking and finance responsibilities included portfolio management, underwriting loans, and cross-selling corporate and investment banking products
 - Responsibilities included portfolio management of several middle-market sized companies (*revenues between \$50 million and \$1 billion*) with a combined loan volume of \$135 million.

- **Chubb Insurance Company- Property & Casualty Underwriter (2 years, 1995-1997)**
 - Underwrote property and casualty insurance for middle market sized companies with revenues between \$50MM and \$600MM.