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### **ACADEMIC EDUCATION**

- 2000 PhD in New Testament, Yale University  
Dissertation, under the direction of Wayne A. Meeks: *Scripture Cannot Be Broken: The Social Function of the Use of Scripture in the Fourth Gospel*
- 1993 M.Div., Yale Divinity School, *summa cum laude*
- 1992 Archaeological Dig at Tel Beth Shean, Hebrew University, Jerusalem
- 1989 B.A. Stetson University, *magna cum laude*; Phi Beta Kappa  
Major: Philosophy; Minor: Russian Studies

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

- 2016–present Professor of New Testament, Perkins School of Theology  
2018–present Director, Baptist House of Studies, Perkins School of Theology
- 2007–2016 Associate Professor of New Testament, Perkins School of Theology
- 2001–2007 Assistant Professor of New Testament, Perkins School of Theology
- 1999–2000 Instructor, Yale Divinity School
- 1995–1998 Teaching Fellow, Yale Divinity School and Yale College

### **RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS**

- 2024–present Affiliated Researcher, Harvard Law School Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics; Project on Psychedelics Law and Regulation
- 2023–present Field Scholar, Emory University Center for Psychedelics and Spirituality

### **LEADERSHIP EDUCATION**

- 2022 HERS Leadership Institute, Philadelphia
- 2020 Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, The Fund Raising School
- 2018 ATS Women in Leadership Program
- 2013 SMU Emerging Leaders Program

### **CERTIFICATION**

- 2024 Certificate in Psychedelic-Assisted Therapies and Research, California Institute of Integral Studies

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books, Single Author**

- Psychedelics and Soul Care: What Christians Need to Know* (Eerdmans, under contract).
- The Agony, the Ecstasy, and the Ordinary: Experiencing God in the New Testament*. In process.
- 1 Corinthians: Searching the Depths of God*. Nashville: Abingdon, 2021.

*Women in the Bible*. Interpretation: Resources for the Use of Scripture in the Church. Edited by Samuel Balentine, Brent Strawn, and Susan Hulen. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2020.

*Reading John for Dear Life: A Spiritual Walk with the Fourth Gospel*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2016.

*Engaging the Word: The New Testament and the Christian Believer*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2010.

*Death and the Afterlife in the New Testament*. London: T&T Clark, 2006.

*Scripture Cannot Be Broken: The Social Function of the Use of Scripture in the Fourth Gospel*. Leiden: Brill, 2003.

### **Edited Volumes**

Charles Aaron and Jaime Clark-Soles, eds. *Shouting Above the Noisy Crowd: Biblical Wisdom and the Urgency of Preaching*. Wipf & Stock Publishers, 2021.

*Perspectives in Religious Studies: Essays in Honor of Mitchell Reddish*. Summer 2018. Volume editor and author of the introductory essay.

*The CEB Women's Bible*. Nashville: Common English Bible/Abingdon, 2016. Edited by Jaime Clark-Soles (New Testament), Judy Fentress-Williams, Ginger Gaines-Cirelli, Christine Chakoian, and Rachel Baughman. Author of introductory essays and chapter commentaries on the Gospel of John; 1 John; 2 John; and 3 John. Author of entries on death, disability, Samaritan woman, servant woman, wedding, and the woman accused of adultery.

### **Journal Articles**

“Psychedelics, the Bible, and the Divine.” In the Special Issue of *Religions* devoted to “Theology and Science: Loving Science, Discovering the Divine.” *Religions*. 15, no. 5 (May 2024). <https://doi.org/10.3390/rel15050582>

“Experiencing God in the Gospel of John.” *Interpretation*. 77, no. 4 (October 2023): 346-357.

“The Gospel of Mark and Disability.” *Interpretation*. 70, no. 2 (April 2016): 159–171.

“The Afterlife: Considering Heaven and Hell.” *Word and World* 31, no. 1 (2011): 65–74.

### **Article Commentary**

Winkleman, Michael J., G. William Barnard . . . **Jaime Clark-Soles**, et al. “Psychedelic Christianity: Commentary and Reply.” *Journal of Psychedelic Studies* (19 July 2024): <https://doi.org/10.1556/2054.2024.01356>

### **Articles and Chapters: General**

“Israel’s Scriptures in John.” In *The Old Testament in the New: Israel’s Scriptures in the New Testament and other Early Christian Writings*. Edited by Matthias Henze and David Lincicum. Eerdmans, 2023.

“Love Embodied in Action—Ethics and Incarnation.” Pages 91–116 in *Johannine Ethics: The Moral World of the Gospel and Epistles of John*. Edited by Sherri Brown and Christopher Skinner. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2017.

“Disability in the Johannine Literature (Gospel of John, 1–3 John, Apocalypse).” Pages 333–378 in *The Bible and Disability: A Commentary*. Edited by Sarah J. Melcher, Mikeal C. Parsons, and Amos Yong. Waco: Baylor University Press, 2017.

“1, 2, 3 John.” Pages 691–710 in *Hebrews, the General Epistles, and Revelation: Fortress Commentary on the Bible Study Edition*. Edited by Margaret Aymer, Cynthia Briggs Kittredge, and David Sanchez. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2016.

Co-authored with Paul Anderson. “Introduction and Overview.” Pages 1–25 in *Glimpses of Jesus through the Johannine Lens: John, Jesus, and History, Vol. 3*. Early Christianity and its Literature. Edited by Paul N. Anderson, Felix Just, and Tom Thatcher. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2016.

“‘The Jews’ in the Fourth Gospel.” Pages xi–xiv in *Feasting on the Gospels—John, Volume 1: A Feasting on the Word Commentary*. Edited by Cynthia A. Jarvis and E. Elizabeth Johnson. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2015. Reproduced in Volume 2, pp. xi–xiv.

“Scripture Cannot Be Broken: The Social Function of the Use of Scripture in the Fourth Gospel.” Pages 95–117 in *Abiding Words: The Use of Scripture in the Gospel of John*. Society of Biblical Literature Resources for Biblical Studies Series. Edited by Alicia Myers and Bruce Schuchard. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2015.

“1, 2, 3 John.” Pages 691–710 in the *Fortress Commentary on the Bible: The New Testament*. Edited by Margaret Aymer, Cynthia Briggs Kittredge, and David Sanchez. Minneapolis: Fortress, 2014.

“Characters Who Count: The Case of Nicodemus.” Pages 126–145 in *Engaging with C. H. Dodd on the Gospel of John: Sixty Years of Tradition and Interpretation*. Edited by Tom Thatcher and Catrin Williams. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013.

“Mary Magdalene: Beginning at the End.” Pages 626–640 in *Character Studies in the Fourth Gospel: Narrative Approaches to Seventy Figures in John*. Edited by Steven A. Hunt, D. Francois Tolmie, and Ruben Zimmermann. *Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament*. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2013.

“Jesus Christ Superstar.” Pages 140–45 in *Bible and Cinema: Fifty Key Films*. Edited by Adele Reinhartz. Oxford, UK: Routledge, 2012.

“Afterlife, Judaism and Christianity.” Pages 156–161 in *Wiley-Blackwell's Encyclopedia of Ancient History*. Edited by Roger S. Bagnall, Kai Broderson, Craig B. Champion, Andrew Erskine, and Sabine R. Huebner. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2012. This article appears as “Afterlife, Judaism and Christianity,” pages 1–5 in the online, subscription-only, edition of *Encyclopedia of Ancient History* (Wiley-Blackwell, 2012).

“John 13: Of Footwashing and History.” Pages 255–269 in *John, Jesus, and History, Vol. 2: Aspects of Historicity in the Gospel of John*. Edited by Paul N. Anderson, Felix Just, and Tom Thatcher. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2009.

“‘I Will Raise [Whom?] Up on the Last Day’: Anthropology as a Feature of Johannine Eschatology.” Pages 29–53 in *New Currents Through John: A Global Perspective*. Edited by Francisco Lozada and Tom Thatcher. Leiden: Brill, 2006. (Paperback: Atlanta: SBL Press, 2006.)

“Landing That Perfect Job: It Takes A Village.” *Religious Studies News* 21, no. 3 (May 2006): 17–18.

### Articles and Chapters: On Pedagogy

“Teaching Bible Study Skills in a Seminary Setting: A Disciplined Knowledge for the Shared Life of Faith.” *Circuit Rider* (May/June/July 2014): 15–18. Also appears on the website Ministry Matters. May 14, 2014. <http://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4976/teaching-bible-study-skills-in-a-seminary-setting-a-disciplined-knowledge-for-the-shared-life-of-faith>.

Co-authored with Carolyn Sharp. “Conversation: Helping Students Navigate Faith Challenges in the Biblical Studies Classroom.” *Teaching Theology and Religion* 15, no. 4 (October 2012): 357–371.

“Introducing the Real Mary Magdalene.” In *Teaching the Bible*. The Society of Biblical Literature (November 2010). [http://www.SocietyofBiblicalLiterature.org/assets/pdfs/TBv2i8\\_ClarkSolesMagdalene.pdf](http://www.SocietyofBiblicalLiterature.org/assets/pdfs/TBv2i8_ClarkSolesMagdalene.pdf).

“‘Evil, Suffering, and Death in the New Testament’ Syllabus.” *ChrCent* 124, no. 4 (February 20, 2007): 33.

The following titles in *Teaching the Bible Through Popular Culture and the Arts*. Edited by Mark Roncace and Patrick Gray. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2007.

“Introduction: Teaching the Bible with Literature.” Pages 241–247.

“Prose: Fiction and Non-fiction.” With Patrick Gray and Brent Strawn. Pages 297–322.

“Poetry and Exegesis.” Pages 8–9 in *Teaching the Bible: Practical Strategies for Classroom Instruction*. Edited by Patrick Gray and Mark Roncace. Leiden: Brill, 2005.

The following titles in *Teaching the Bible: Practical Strategies for Classroom Instruction*. Edited by Patrick Gray and Mark Roncace. Leiden: Brill, 2005.

“Simone Weil and Biblical Studies Courses.” Pages 20–22.

“Short Stories as Exegetical Tools.” Pages 49–51.

“The Synoptic Problem.” Pages 259–260.

“Christology Slideshow.” Pages 282–284.

“Forgiveness.” Pages 292–293.

### Select Book Reviews

Review of *Disability and the Way of Jesus: Holistic Healing in the Gospels and the Church*, by Bethany McKinney Fox. *Journal of Disability and Religion*, 26:1 (January 2022).

Review of *Rape Culture on Campus*, by Meredith Minister. *The Wabash Center Journal on Teaching*. Volume 1, no. 3 (August 2020): 134-5.

Review of *Death and Afterlife: A Theological Introduction*, by Terence Nichols. *RelSRev* 39, no. 2 (June 2013): 86–87.

### Popular Essays in Books

“Letter 82.” In *American Values, Religious Voices: 100 Days. 100 Letters*. Edited by Andrea L. Weiss and Lisa M. Weinberger. University of Cincinnati Press, 2023.

“Can Faithful Christians Disagree on Hell?” Pages 57–62 in *Hellrazed?* Edited by Kevin Miller. CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2017.

The following titles in *Feasting on the Gospels—John, Volume 2: A Feasting on the Word Commentary*. Edited by Cynthia A. Jarvis and E. Elizabeth Johnson. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2015.

“John 14:1–7.” Pages 140–145.

“John 14:8–14.” Pages 146–151.

“John 14:15–17.” Pages 152–157.

“Gospel of John; 1–3 John.” Pages 9–19 in *Covenant Bible Study*. Nashville: Abingdon, 2013.

The following titles in *Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary, Year B, Volume 3*. Edited by David Bartlett and Barbara Brown Taylor. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2009.

“Exegetical Essay, Proper 13 (Sunday between July 31–Aug. 6), Ephesians 4:1–16.” Pages 302–307.

“Exegetical Essay, Proper 14 (Sunday between Aug. 7–13), Ephesians 4:25–5:2.” Pages 327–331.

“Exegetical Essay, Proper 15 (Sunday between Aug. 14–20), Ephesians 5:15–20.” Pages 351–355.

### Popular Essays in Other Venues

“Disability and the Bible.” *The Christian Citizen*. February 21, 2018.

<https://medium.com/christian-citizen/disability-and-the-bible-343f4f788744>

The following titles at Workingpreacher.org, the Center for Biblical Preaching. Luther Seminary.

- “Commentary on John 7:37-52.” Narrative Lectionary. Feb. 20, 2022.  
<https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/narrative-lectionary/living-water/commentary-on-john-737-52-2>
- “Commentary on John 6:35-59.” Narrative Lectionary. Feb. 13, 2022.  
<https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/narrative-lectionary/bread-of-life/commentary-on-john-635-59-2>
- “Commentary on John 4:46-54.” Narrative Lectionary. Feb. 6, 2022.  
<https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/narrative-lectionary/healing-stories/commentary-on-john-446-54-2>

- “Commentary on John 4:1-42.” Narrative Lectionary. Jan. 30, 2022. <https://www.workingpreacher.org/commentaries/narrative-lectionary/the-woman-at-the-well/commentary-on-john-41-42-3>
- “Commentary on John 20:19–31.” April 23, 2017. [https://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=3222](https://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=3222)
- “Christ the King: John 18:33–37.” November 25, 2012. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=1490](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=1490).
- “All Saints Day: John 11:32–44.” November 4, 2012. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=1457](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=1457).
- “Reformation Sunday: John 8:31–36.” October 28, 2012. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=1475](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=1475).
- “Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost: John 6:56–69.” August 26, 2012. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=1440](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=1440).
- “Second Sunday after Epiphany: John 1:29–42.” January 16, 2011. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect\\_date=1/16/2011](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect_date=1/16/2011).
- “Second Sunday of Christmas: John 1: [1–9], 10–18.” January 2, 2011. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect\\_date=1/2/2011](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect_date=1/2/2011).
- “Third Sunday after Pentecost: Galatians 2:15–21.” June 13, 2010. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=603](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=603).
- “Second Sunday after Pentecost: Galatians 1:11–24.” June 6, 2010. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary\\_id=602](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?commentary_id=602).
- “Seventh Sunday of Easter: John 17:1–11.” May 4, 2008. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect\\_date=5/4/2008](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect_date=5/4/2008).
- “Sixth Sunday of Easter: John 14:15–21.” April 27, 2008. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect\\_date=4/27/2008](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect_date=4/27/2008).
- “Fifth Sunday of Easter: John 14:1–14.” April 20, 2008. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect\\_date=4/20/2008](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect_date=4/20/2008).
- “Fourth Sunday of Easter: John 10:1–10.” April 13, 2008. [http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect\\_date=4/13/2008](http://www.workingpreacher.org/preaching.aspx?lect_date=4/13/2008).

“The Nasty Woman Who Persisted: The Samaritan Woman of John 4 (John 4:5–42).” ON Scripture. Odyssey Networks. March 13, 2017. <http://day1.org/7784-on-scripture-the-nasty-woman-who-persisted-the-samaritan-woman-of-john-4-john-4542-by-jaime-clarksoles>.

“To Build Coalitions, Follow the Example of the Samaritan Woman and Jesus.” Sojourners. March 13, 2017. <https://sojo.net/articles/build-coalitions-follow-example-samaritan-woman-and-jesus>.

“What to Do When Words Fail.” Sojourners. March 23, 2016. <https://sojo.net/articles/what-do-when-words-fail>

“Is My Religion Better Than Yours? (Hebrews 7:23–28).” ON Scripture. Odyssey Networks. October 19, 2015. <https://www.onscripture.com/my-religion-better-yours>.

“More than Conquerors: (Romans 8:26–39).” HuffPost. Sept. 20, 2014. [https://www.huffpost.com/entry/more-than-conquerors\\_b\\_5607078](https://www.huffpost.com/entry/more-than-conquerors_b_5607078)

“Rev. Dr. Jaime Clark-Soles on Radical Ministry.” Patheos. March 20, 2014.

<http://www.patheos.com/blogs/generousochristianity/2014/03/rev-dr-jaime-clark-soles-on-radical-ministry>.

“Standing Against Ignorance: When Justin Lookadoo Came to Richardson High School.”

HuffPost. November 15, 2013. [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-dr-jaime-clarksoles/justin-lookadoo-girls\\_b\\_4281587.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-dr-jaime-clarksoles/justin-lookadoo-girls_b_4281587.html).

“Mark 10:46–52: The Wizard Is In – or Is He?” HuffPost. Oct. 10, 2012.

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-dr-jaime-clarksoles/mark-10-43-45-the-wizard-is-in-or-is-he\\_b\\_1955029.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-dr-jaime-clarksoles/mark-10-43-45-the-wizard-is-in-or-is-he_b_1955029.html). Also posted on the website ON Scripture.

“Matthew 22:34–36: On Loving God, Neighbor and #OWS.” HuffPost. Oct. 19, 2011.

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-dr-jaime-clarksoles/matthew-22-loving-god-and-ows\\_b\\_1018599.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-dr-jaime-clarksoles/matthew-22-loving-god-and-ows_b_1018599.html). Also posted on the website ON Scripture.

## SELECT SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

### Invited Lectures and Presentations

- 2024 "Psychedelics, the Bible, and the Divine." Toronto School of Theology. June 1.
- 2024 "Psychedelics, the Brain, and Soul Care: At the Intersection of Health Care and Religious Faith." The Center for Integrative Counseling and Psychology." Dallas. August 16.
- 2023 "Psychedelics and Soul Care." Cleveland Clinic Psychedelic Science Group. Dec. 14.
- 2023 "Psychedelagic Perspectives of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam." Psychedelic Science Conference. Denver. June 22.
- 2023 "Disability and the Gospel of John." "Johannine Literature Section" of the Society of Biblical Literature. San Antonio, Nov. 20.
- 2023 "Christianity and Psychedelics: Responding to Theological and Institutional Promises and Challenges." American Academy of Religion. San Antonio. Nov. 19.
- 2023 "Sacramental Plants and Fungi: Historical and Scientific Insights for the Religious Life." Parliament of the World's Religions. Chicago. August 16.
- 2023 "Paul and the Corinthians." Plenary Speaker daily June 12-14. Hanshin Theological Symposium. Seoul, South Korea.
- 2023 "Scripture in the Christian Life: A Source of Inspiration and Conversation." Lumen et Vita Spring Conference. Boston College. Boston, MA. March 18.
- 2022 "Christians and the Psychedelic Renaissance." Chacruna Religion and Psychedelics Forum. April 24.
- 2021 "Women in the Bible: The State of the Question." Plenary Address, Catholic Biblical Association. August 1.

- 2019 *Faith and Culture Symposium*. Belmont University. Nashville, TN. February 4. “Mary Magdalene: Apostle to the Apostles” and “Of Canaanites and Canines: Matthew 15:21-28.”
- 2018 George Knight Lectures. Hardin-Simmons University. Abilene, TX. November 6. “Dying to Live” and “From Death to Life: The Gospel of John.”
- 2017 “Abundant Life: The Gospel of John and Disability.” 2017 Andrews Lectures in Christian Spirituality. Spring Arbor University. Spring Arbor, Michigan. February.
- 2017 “The Lamb of God on the Cross.” Crosstalk: Preaching, Teaching, Praying at the Foot of the Cross. Perkins School of Theology. Dallas, Texas. February.
- 2017 “Preaching and Teaching John.” Conference on Judaism and Israel in American Christian Discourse. Sponsored by the Shalom Hartman Institute of Jerusalem and the AJC. Atlanta, Georgia. January.
- 2014 Plenary Speaker. “Disability and the Johannine Literature.” Institute for Theology and Disability. June.
- 2012 “Scripture Cannot Be Broken: The Social Function of the Use of Scripture in the Fourth Gospel.” Johannine Literature Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. November.
- 2011 Respondent. “Paul, Jewishness, and Otherness after the Holocaust.” The Center for Jewish Studies at Baylor University. April 14–17.
- 2010 “Helping Students Navigate Faith Challenges in the Biblical Studies Classroom.” Joint Session sponsored by the Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section and the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Atlanta, Georgia. November.
- 2010 “The Characterization of Nicodemus in John’s Gospel.” Task Force Meeting of John’s Gospel and the Old Testament. Seventy-Third International Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association of America. Los Angeles, California. August 2.
- 2009 “Packaging the Word of God: Hermeneutical Habits in Current Bible Products.” Honorary Degree Symposium for Harold W. Attridge. Dallas, Texas. May.
- 2008 “Characterization in John 3.” The Johannine Writings Seminar. *Studiosorum Novi Testamenti Societas*. Lund, Sweden. July.
- 2007 “John 13: Of Foot Washing and History.” John, Jesus, and History Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November.
- 2006 “Words That Endure: Using Poetry and Fiction in Teaching the Bible.” Academic Teaching and Biblical Studies Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C. November.
- 2005 “‘Christ Overcame Through Scripture’: Scripture and the Branch Davidians.” Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. Rochester, New York. November.
- 2005 “That to Philosophize Is to Learn to Die.” Hellenistic Moral Philosophy and Early Christianity Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. November.
- 2005 “Do Not Be Conformed To This World, But Be Transformed By The Renewing Of Your Minds.” Psychology and Biblical Studies Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. November 2005.



- 2004 “Death and Afterlife in the Fourth Gospel.” Johannine Literature Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. San Antonio, Texas. November.
- 2004 ““I Will Raise [Whom?] Up on the Last Day:’ Anthropology as a Feature of Johannine Eschatology.” Johannine Literature Section. International Society of Biblical Literature Meeting. Groningen, The Netherlands. July.
- 2003 “Death and Afterlife in the Fourth Gospel.” New Testament Section. Regional Society of Biblical Literature Meeting. Dallas, Texas. March.
- 2001 “The Word Became Flesh: The Use of Scripture in Sectarian Communities.” Social Scientific Criticism of the New Testament Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Denver, Colorado. November.
- 2001 “The Word(s) of the Word in the Fourth Gospel.” Johannine Literature Section. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. Denver, Colorado. November.

### Invited Panelist

- 2024 "Dying to Know: Ram Dass and Timothy Leary." Santa Fe, NM. July 20.
- 2022 “Voices Long Silenced.” Panelist. National Society of Biblical Literature meeting. Denver, CO. November 20.
- 2022 “Translation Matters: Translation as a Womanist Biblical Interpretive Practice: Engaging the Scholarship of Wilda Gafney.” Panelist. Southwest Regional Conference of the Society of Biblical Literature. March 5.
- 2017 Special Session Honoring the Scholarship of Nancy Ammerman. Religion and the Social Sciences Unit. American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting. Boston, Massachusetts. November.
- 2013 Raymond Brown in Relation to Dodd and Questions of Historical Tradition. Engaging the Legacies of C.H. Dodd and Raymond E. Brown. A Pre-Society of Biblical Literature Conference at Saint Mary’s Seminary & University. Baltimore, Maryland. November.
- 2011 The Fourth Gospel and First-Century Media Culture. Joint Session sponsored by the Bible in Ancient and Modern Media Section and the John, Jesus, and History Group. Society of Biblical Literature Annual Meeting. San Francisco, California. November.
- 2010 Session Discussion on *Scripture Cannot Be Broken: The Social Function of the Use of Scripture in the Fourth Gospel* (Brill, 2003). Task Force Meeting of John’s Gospel and the Old Testament. Seventy-Third International Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association of America. Los Angeles, California. August 3.

### SELECT PRESENTATIONS IN OTHER MEDIA

- 2024 "Go to Hell? Alternatives to Eternal Damnation." The Bible for Normal People webinar. July 25.
- 2024 ["Psychedelics and Faith" webinar. Baptist News Global. June 4.](#)
- 2024 "John 12-17." Armchair Theology podcast.
- 2024 “Psychedelics and the Church.” Good Faith Media podcast. April 19.
- 2024 "The Body in John 12-13." Conversations in the Gospel of John podcast. Episodes 9 and 10. March 15, 2024. Conversations on the Gospel of John podcast. March 15, 2024.
- 2023 “Psychedelic Chaplaincy.” NPR Weekend Edition.

- 2022 “Alternate States of Consciousness in Hebrew and Christian Scriptures.”  
Ligare.org Forum. August 31.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qG64HgfYxps&feature=youtu.be>
- 2014 Video Presenter on the Gospel of John. *Covenant Bible Study*. Abingdon Press.  
DVD. See boxed collection.
- 2014 “Dying to Live.” TEDxSMU. Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.  
April 11. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gcHNqv0mR44>.
- 2012 Interviewee in the documentary film *Hellbound?* Directed by Kevin Miller.  
Produced by David Rempel. September. <http://www.hellboundthemovie.com>.
- 2007 Video Presenter on “Invitation to John.” *Disciple Bible Study*. Abingdon Press.
- 2005 Video Presenter on “Disciple I: Becoming Disciples through Bible Study.”  
*Disciple Bible Study*. Abingdon Press.
- 2003 Video Presenter on “Jesus in the Gospels.” *Disciple Bible Study*. Abingdon Press.

## SERVICE TO THE ACADEMY

### Editorial Boards

- 2023-2025 Perspectives on Baptist Identity Series, Mercer University Press
- 2014–present *Journal of Disability and Religion*
- 2019–2020 *The Wabash Center Journal on Teaching*
- 2015–2019 *Teaching in Theology and Religion*
- 2016–2017 Associate Editor, Review of Biblical Literature
- 2012–2014 New Testament Editor, *Covenant Bible Study*, Abingdon Press
- 2012–2015 *Feasting on the Gospels* series, Westminster/John Knox
- 2012–2016 *Perspectives in Religious Studies*
- 2008–2011 *Journal of Biblical Literature*
- 2006–2010 Book Review Editor, Johannine Literature, *Religious Studies Review*

### Other Service to the Academy

- 2022-present Transforming Chaplaincy Network Psychedelic Chaplaincy Competencies  
Subcommittee
- 2021; 2024 Louisville Institute Winter Seminar Small Group Leader
- 2020 Louisville Institute Dissertation Fellowship selection committee
- 2010–2017 Member of the Society of Biblical Literature “Ethics and Biblical Interpretation”  
Steering Committee
- 2007–2013 Co-Chair of the Society of Biblical Literature “John, Jesus, and History” Steering  
Committee
- 2005–2010 Member of the Society of Biblical Literature “Johannine Literature” Steering  
Committee
- 2002–2007 Member of the Society of Biblical Literature “John, Jesus, and History” Steering  
Committee

### Select Service to Southern Methodist University

- 2001–present Teaching Faculty, Graduate Program in Religious Studies
- 2020-2023 Provost’s Advisory Committee on Promotion and Tenure
- 2019 Provost’s Working Group for Colonial Group Faculty Survey
- 2014–2016 Member, Academy of Distinguished Teachers, CTE

- 2014 TEDxSMU speaker, “Dying to Live”
- 2012 Member, Steering Committee of the Graduate Program in Religious Studies
- 2008–2011 University Admissions Council
- 2007–2010 Member, President’s Commission on the Status of Women
- 2009–2010 Member, Steering Committee of the Graduate Program in Religious Studies
- 2008–2010 Faculty Senator
- 2009–2010 GPRS Steering Committee
- 2008–2009 Member, Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate
- 2008–2009 Member, President’s Commission on the Status of Women Subcommittee on Parenting and Childcare
- 2005–2007 Member, Graduate Program in Religious Studies Task Force

**Service to Perkins School of Theology**

- 2024-present Member, Perkins Rank and Tenure Committee
- 2024-2025 Chair, Student Development Committee
- 2021-2022 Member, Community Life Committee
- 2020-2023 Member, Curriculum Review Committee
- 2018–present Founding Director, Baptist House of Studies
- 2018-2020 Convocation Advisory Committee
- 2016–2019 Member, Rank and Tenure Committee
- 2106–2019 Member, Student Development Committee
- 2018 Search Committee, Director of Bridwell Library
- 2014–2017 Executive Board Member, The Perkins Center for Preaching Excellence
- 2014–2015 Member, Search Committee for Homiletics Position
- 2014–2015 Member, Student Development Committee
- 2011–2015 Executive Board Member, the Center for Evangelism and Missional Church Studies
- 2013–2014 Member, Committee on Academic Programs
- 2011–2012 Member, Student Development Committee
- 2010–2011 Chair, Search Committee for Christian Theology Position
- 2008–2011 Member, Rank and Tenure Committee
- 2009–2010 Member, Long Range Planning Committee
- 2009–2010 Chair, Division I
- 2008–2010 Member, Perkins Scholarly Outreach Committee
- 2008–2009 Member, Community Life Committee
- 2007–2008 Chair, Division I
- 2006–2008 Chair, Community Life Committee
- 2006–2007 Search Committee Member, New Testament position
- 2005–2006 Chair, Faculty Symposium
- 2005–2006 Search Committee Member, Church History position
- 2001–2006 Member, Committee on Academic Programs

**Service to the Dallas Community**

- 2022-present Pastoral Advisory Council, UT Southwestern Medical School
- 2021 Moderator, YPO Interfaith Panel with Imam Omar Suleiman, Rabbi David Stern, Rev. Christopher D. Girata.

2020 Moderator, YPO Gold Interfaith Panel with Imam Omar Suleiman, Rabbi David Stern, Rev. Christopher D. Girata.

### **Southern Methodist University Ph.D. Dissertation Directed**

Michelle J. Morris, "Rejoice? O Barren Woman: Infertility in the New Testament." Graduate Program in Religious Studies. Southern Methodist University. 2014.

### **Professional Memberships**

*Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas (SNTS)*  
Society of Biblical Literature  
Catholic Biblical Association

### **Other Memberships**

2019-present Yale Club of Dallas

## **ECCLESIASTICAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Ecclesiastical Standing/Pastoral Experience**

1996–present Preaching and teaching for various churches  
2005–2008 Scholar-in-Residence, CityChurch, Dallas, Texas  
2003–2008 Disciple Bible Study consultant, author, and video presenter; United Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tennessee  
1996 Interim Minister, First Baptist Church, New London, Connecticut  
1996 Ordained, American Baptist Churches, USA  
1992–1995 Pastoral Care Department, Connecticut Hospice, Branford, Connecticut

### **Select Ecclesiastical Presentations**

2024 "The Agony, the Ecstasy, and the Ordinary: Experiencing God in the New Testament." Alaska Conference of the United Methodist Church. Anchorage, AK. June 27-30.  
2024 "Moving Forward With Hope." Daily plenary speaker. Louisiana Conference of the United Methodist Church, Baton Rouge, LA. June 11-14.  
2024 "The Gospel of John" Lenten Series. St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Annapolis, MD. March.  
2023 Sermon for the Installation of Rev. Victoria Robb Powers, first Baptist female BIPOC Senior Minister in the Metroplex. Feb. 26.  
2023 "1 Corinthians." Good Shepherd Episcopal Church. Dallas, TX. Feb. 12  
2023 "Belonging and Beloved: The Gospel of John." All Saints' Episcopal Church. Austin, TX. Feb. 3-5.  
2023 "Her Journey." Led 100 women on a 10-day trip to the Holy Land. Lecturer.  
2022 "The Legacy of Lois and Eunice." Wilshire Baptist Church, Dallas. Oct. 23.  
2022 "1 Corinthians." Kerygma. HPUMC, Dallas. Oct. 2 and 9.  
2022 Plenary Speaker each day for the American Baptist Women in Ministry Conference "Radical. Redeemed. Ready." Green Lake, WI. June 15-18.  
2022 "The Agony and the Ecstasy: Experiencing God in the New Testament." Perkins Summit for Faith and Learning. Dallas. March 25.  
2021 "Gospel of John." St. Paul Lutheran Church, Davenport IA. Dec. 23.

- 2021 “Matthew 15.” Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, Georgia Clergy Group. Oct. 18.  
 2021 “1 Corinthians.” Broadmoor UMC. Baton Rouge, LA. Oct. 2-3.  
 2021 “Experiencing God.” Covenant Presbyterian Church. Charlotte, NC. Sept. 12.  
 2021 “Conversations that Matter: Women in the Bible.” Ardmore Baptist Church.  
 Winston Salem, NC. July 19.  
 2021 “Ethics, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology.” Presbyterian Mission Agency Board.  
 April 5.  
 2021 “God Made Manifest.” Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration. Dallas, TX. Feb.  
 7, 14.  
 2019 “Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles.” Made for This: Women in Ministry  
 Conference. Dallas, TX. March 4.  
 2019 Speaker, “Symposium on Gender Equality.” Annual Leader and Learner Event for  
 the North Texas Area Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Dallas, TX. January  
 26.  
 2018 “Mary and Martha: Sisters Beyond Compare (-ison).” Nevertheless She Preached  
 Conference. Waco, TX. November 25.  
 2017 “Reading John for Dear Life.” Pastors Conference on John. Gordon College.  
 Wenham, Massachusetts. November 16.  
 2017 Sole Speaker. Texas Annual Conference Clergywomen Retreat. Camp Allen.  
 Navasota, Texas. November 6–7.  
 2017 “Church Unity.” Susquehanna, Pennsylvania Annual Conference of the UMC.  
 Hershey, Pennsylvania. May 4–6.  
 2017 “Heaven and Hell: Jewish and Christian Perspectives.” Northridge Presbyterian  
 Church. Dallas, Texas. January.  
 2016 “Called to Action: From Words to Deeds: The Book of Acts,” and “Who is She?  
 Who are We?” Alaska School for the Laity. Anchorage, Alaska. September.  
 2016 “In Spirit and Truth: Worship and the Community of Love in John.” Rochester  
 College, Rochester, Michigan. October.  
 2016 “A Taste of Seminary.” North Texas Conference, Summer Internship in Ministry.  
 June.  
 2016 “Disability and the Bible.” Freeport United Methodist Church. Freeport, Texas.  
 April.  
 2016 “Reading for Dear Life: The Gospel of John.” Capstone Program. First  
 Presbyterian Church. Ft. Smith, Arizona. February.  
 2016 “Reading for Dear Life: The Gospel of John.” Clergy Leadership Conference. The  
 Mississippi Conference of the United Methodist Church. Brandon, Mississippi.  
 January.  
 2015 “The Gospel of John.” Perkins School for the Laity. Dallas, Texas. March.

## **AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, PRIZES, CONSULTATIONS**

### **External Grants, Fellowships, Prizes, and Consultations**

- 2019-2020 Sam Taylor Fellowship, *1 Corinthians* project  
 2018-2019 Sam Taylor Fellowship, “Israel’s Scriptures in the Gospel of John” project  
 2016–17 Christian Leadership Initiative Fellowship. Co-sponsored by the AJC and the  
 Shalom Hartman Institute in Israel. Fellows study the intellectual foundations of

- religious pluralism and interreligious studies, the central ideas of Jewish ethics and faith, and the diverse ideologies and practices within contemporary Jewry.
- 2014–2016 Contexticon of New Testament Language Grant, Lead Researcher.
- 2005–2007 Wabash Center grant for “Teaching Biblical Exegesis in Theological Schools.” A collaborative project involving twelve participants from North American seminaries and divinity schools.
- 2004–2005 Louisville Institute Christian Faith and Life Sabbatical Grant
- 2004 Catholic Biblical Association Post-Doctoral Fellowship
- 2003–2004 Wabash Center Workshop on Teaching and Learning for Theological School Faculty
- 2003 Regional Scholar Nominee, Southwestern Region of the Society of Biblical Literature
- 2002 Women in Leadership in Theological Education conference
- 1999–2000 Doctoral Grant, American Baptist Churches, USA
- 1998–1999 Yale University Dissertation Fellowship
- 1993–1997 Yale University Fellowship
- 1993 Dwight Fellowship, Yale Divinity School
- 1990–1993 William C. Wilson Scholar, Yale Divinity School
- 1992 Edward Ashley Walker Scholarship Prize, Yale Divinity School
- 1992 Two Brothers Fellowship for Study in Israel, Yale Divinity School

#### **SMU Grants, Awards, Fellowships, and Prizes**

- 2014–present SMU Academy of Distinguished Teaching Professors
- 2023 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award: “Psychedelics, the Bible, and the Divine”
- 2022 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award: “The Mystical Jesus in John”
- 2021 Information Literacy Stipend
- 2019 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award: *I Corinthians*
- 2018 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award: “Israel’s Scriptures in John”
- 2018 Association of Theological Schools Women in Leadership Mentoring Program
- 2016 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award, *Women in the Bible*
- 2014–16 SMU Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor Award
- 2012 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award
- 2010 Ford Senior Research Fellowship Recipient
- 2009 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award
- 2008 University Research Council Travel Grant
- 2005–2006 Teaching Fellow, Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility
- 2003 Instructional Technology in Extension Programs Grant
- 2003 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award
- 2002 University Research Council Research Grant
- 2001 Perkins Scholarly Outreach Award