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OBJECTIVE

My purpose in ministry is to understand, practice, and teach a mission-centered ministry paradigm that advances the work of Christ in human lives. I will do this through parish ministry, ministry mentorship, teaching, and whatever else God leads me to.

EDUCATION

2007 – Present Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI

Doctor of Ministry

- Concentration: Leadership
- Dissertation topic: Lay pastor development
- Projected completion: August, 2010

2002 - 2004 Andrews University, Berrien Springs, MI

Master of Divinity

- Minor: Biblical and cognate languages

1995 - 2000 Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, TN

Bachelor of Arts

- Major: Theology
- Minor: Biblical Languages

1994 - 1995 Southern College, Collegedale TN

Certificate of Auto Body Repair

WORK EXPERIENCE

2008 – Present Lay Ministry Training Course Director

Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventist

- Developer and teacher of curriculum for lay pastors, elders, and other church leaders.

2005 – Present District Pastor

Lansdale, Souderton, PA

- Employed by the Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.
- Pastor of two congregations, comprised of 200 members.
- Mentor of two neighboring churches and their pastoral intern.
- Spiritual leader and guest teacher at Huntingdon Valley Christian Academy.
- Leader of PA Conference Philadelphia area ministerium.

2000 - 2002 District Pastor

Brockway, Clearfield, Corry, Distant, Seneca, Warren, PA

- Employed by the Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.
- Sole pastor of an experimental six-church district.
- Trainer and mentor to volunteer ministers and task force workers.

1999 - 2000 Assistant Pastor

Floral Crest, Higdon, AL

- Employed by the local churches.

1998 - 1999 Assistant Pastor

Shelton, Elma, WA

- Employed by the local churches.

SKILLS

Excellence in biblical, expository preaching.

Conflict management (for my own district and neighboring ones).

Leadership strength in developing functional structures.

Teaching, through curriculum formation and delivery to lay pastors, preaching seminars, and guest-teaching academy students.

Proficiency in biblical and cognate languages: Akkadian, Middle Egyptian, Aramaic, Hebrew, and Greek.

Both academic and popular writing.

PUBLICATIONS

Preaching Module of *NAD Curriculum Resource* (Center for Creative Ministry, 2009).

“Teaching Preaching,” *Ministry* (August 2007): 26-27.

Sabbath Reflections: A Weekly Devotional (Big Fish Publishing, 2006).

Learn to Preach Before Next Weekend (Big Fish Publishing, 2006).

Research Assistant for *NIV Application Commentary: Leviticus-Numbers* (Zondervan, 2004).

Numerous newspaper articles for a popular audience, 2005 – Present.

MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Biblical Literature, 2005 – Present.

Adventist Society for Religious Studies, 2005 – Present.

Adventist Theological Society, 2008 – Present.