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Faculty Member Since

1994

Select Courses Taught

Acts and Paul
Gospels (esp. Mark/Luke)
New Testament Theology
Advanced Hermeneutics

Education

Wuppertal, Germany

Post-doctoral research (1990–94); topic: "Der Bußprediger in Jerusalem: theologische und historische Studien zu den Petrusreden in Apg. 2 und 3"

University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Scotland

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) (1984)

Thesis Supervisor: Prof. R. S. Barbour; Advisors: Prof. I. H. Marshall and Dr. P. Ellingworth

Thesis title: "Synoptic Predictions of the Vindication and Resurrection of Jesus: Their Provenance, Meaning, and Correlation"

Ashland Theological Seminary, Ashland, OH

Master of Arts (MA) in Religion (1977). Major: Old Testament

Master of Divinity (MDiv) (1979). Major: Pastoral Counseling; Thesis in NT Exegesis

Ministry Experience

Northern Illinois Presbytery, Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)

Ordained teaching elder (1997–2005) newly formed Chicago Metro Presbytery, PCA

Ordained teaching elder (2005–present)

Freie evangelische Gemeinde, Wetzlar, Germany

Co-founding elder (1988–94)

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Freie evangelische Gemeinde, Giessen, Germany
Deacon (1985–87)

Teaching Experience

Covenant Theological Seminary, St. Louis, MO
Professor of New Testament (2007–present)
Chair of NT Department (2003–present)
Director of ThM Program (1996–2004)
Associate Professor of New Testament (1994–2006)

Ashland Theological Seminary, Ashland, OH
Teacher of German (1977–78)

Richland Newhope Industries, Mansfield, OH (a facility for mentally and physically challenged adults)
Department Coordinator (1979–81)
Teacher (1978–79)

Freie Theologische Akademie/German Theological Seminary (GTS), Giessen, Germany.
Head of NT Department (1986–94)
Lecturer in New Testament Exegesis (1984–94)

Selected Lectures Given or Courses Taught at Other Institutions

Akademie für Weltmission, Stuttgart, Germany (=German branch of Columbia International University); national leaders' conference of SMD (=IFES Germany)
Baltic Reformed Theological Seminary, Riga, Latvia (frequently)
Bible and Culture Seminar in Berlin, Germany
Bible and Culture Seminar at Schloss Mittersill, Austria
European Leadership Forum, Eger, Hungary
German Theological Seminary (Freie Theologische Akademie, now: Freie Theologische Hochschule), Giessen, Germany
Inter-Religious Dialogue in Tehran, Iran (with Moslem and Jewish clerics and politicians)
Latvia University, Riga, Latvia
Presbyterian Seminary, Belo Horizonte, Brazil
Rutherford House, Edinburgh
Studikon 2011 Conference, Aschaffenburg, Germany (national SMD=German branch of IFES)
Summer School of Discipleship, Arbroath, Scotland (for Scottish UCCF/IFES and Navigator student-leaders)
Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL
Tyndale Theological Seminary, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Ukraine Biblical Seminary, Kiev, Ukraine (annually since 1998)

Professional Societies and Memberships

Ohio State Chaplains Association (certified 1979)
Ohio Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation for Habilitation Services (1979–83)
Tyndale Fellowship, Cambridge, UK (1983–present)
Arbeitskreis für evangelikale Theologie (AfeT); German branch of FEET (Fellowship of European Evangelical Theologians) (1985–present)
Society of Biblical Literature (SBL) and Evangelical Theological Society (ETS) (1985–present)
Fellow, Institute of Biblical Research (IBR) (2001–present)
Board Member, Presbyterian Missions International (PMI) (2001–present)
Who's Who Among American Teachers, 7th edition (2002) and 9th edition (2004)

United Who's Who Registry of Executives and Professionals (2003–04)

Monographs

The Gospel of Mark. ESV Bible Expository Commentary (BEC). Wheaton, IL: Crossway, forthcoming, 2019.

Apostolic Bedrock: Christology, Identity, and Character Formation According to Peter's Canonical Testimony. Paternoster Biblical Monographs. Crownhill, Milton Keynes, UK: Paternoster Press, 2016,

A Theology of Mark: The Dynamic Between Christology and Authentic Discipleship. Phillipsburg, NJ: P & R Publishing, 2012. Also translated into Korean by Kyeil Kwak. Seoul, Korea: P& R Publishing, 2013.

Das Evangelium des Markus. (Historisch-Theologische Auslegung - HTA). Wuppertal: R. Brockhaus/Giessen: Brunnen, 2008. Second edition, 2013. Third edition, 2018.

Jesus' Predictions of Vindication and Resurrection: Their Provenance, Meaning, and Correlation. WUNT 2/20 (O. Hofius, M. Hengel). Tübingen: J. C. B. Mohr (Paul Siebeck), 1986.

Essays and Articles

"Embracing the Significance of 'Scripture Alone' (*sola scriptura*) Amidst 21st-Century Challenges," ELF 2017 (forthcoming).

Comments on Mark. *ESV Gospel Transformation Bible*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2013.

„Machtkampf der Geschlechter oder Jesus-Nachfolge?“ Weißes Kreuz. Zeitschrift für Lebensfragen. Nr. 56/4, 2013, 4–6. http://www.weisses-kreuz.de/media/filer_public/49/5f/495fe992-b445-4339-95b3-d1396330a4ca/wk56_4-13_web.pdf.

"Predictions of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection," in: *Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels*. Second edition. Edited by Joel B. Green, J. K. Brown, N. Perrin, Downers Grove, IL / Nottingham: IVP, 2013, 692–696.

„Das Hauptmotiv der südphönizischen und ostjordanischen Reisen Jesu bei Markus,“ In: *Sprache lieben – Gottes Wort verstehen. Beiträge zur biblischen Exegese*. Festschrift für Heinrich von Siebenthal unter Mitarbeit von Carsten Ziegert, herausgegeben von Walter Hilbrands. Gießen: Brunnen Verlag, 2011, 205–15.

"Building Bridges, Not Walls," *Covenant* (Fall–Winter 2011): 8–10.

Comments on the Gospel of Mark. *ESV Study Bible*. Crossway, 2008.

"Christ-Centered Eschatology in Acts 3:12b–26," in: *All For Jesus*. Eds. Robert A. Peterson and S. M. Lucas. Fearn, Tain, Great Britain: Christian Focus, 2006, 103-116 (= originally, Bayer, H.F., "Christ-Centered Eschatology in Acts 3:17–26" in: J. B. Green / M. Turner, Eds., *Jesus of Nazareth, Lord and Christ. Essays on the Historical Jesus and New Testament Christology*. Grand Rapids/Carlisle 1996, 236–50).

"Surrendering Self," in: *Covenant* 19/3 (Fall 2004): 6–9.

"Redeeming Inter-Gender Relationships," in: *Worldview* (Spring 2001): 1–4.

"The Eschatological Prospect in the Context of Mark," in: D. W. Baker, ed., *Looking into the Future. Evangelical Studies in Eschatology*. ETS Studies. Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 2001, 74–84.

"Have You Moved Any Mountains Lately?" in: *Covenant* 17/3 (Oct.–Nov. 2002): 2–5.

"Confessing Church", "German Christians," "Kulturkampf" in: *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*. Revised Edition. W. Elwell, Grand Rapids: Baker, 2001, 284–85; 481–82; 666.

"The Preaching of Peter in Acts," in: I. H. Marshall / D. Peterson (eds.), *Witness to the Gospel: The Theology of Acts*. Grand Rapids/Cambridge: W. B. Eerdmans / The Paternoster Press, 1998; Part II, Chapter 13, 257–74.

Various articles in: *Theologisches Begriffslexikon zum Neuen Testament*. Eds. L. Coenen and K. Haacker, Revised Edition. Vol. I. Wuppertal: R. Brockhaus, 1997, 531–32. pp. 727–729; Vol. II., Wuppertal: R. Brockhaus, 2000, 1391–92; 1497–99; 1648–52; 1652–54; 1719–20; 1952–1954.

"Christ-Centered Eschatology in Acts 3:17–26," in: J. B. Green / M. Turner (eds.), *Jesus of Nazareth, Lord and Christ. Essays on the Historical Jesus and New Testament Christology*. Grand Rapids / Carlisle: Eerdmans / Paternoster, 1996, 236–50.

"Reich Gottes, a) biblisch," in *Lexikon für Theologie und Gemeinde (LthG)*. Eds. H. Burkhardt, U. Swarat et al. Wuppertal: Brockhaus, 1994, 1676b, 1677a.

"Predictions of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection," in: *Dictionary of Jesus and the Gospels*. Ed. J.B. Green, S. McKnight; Consult. Ed. I.H. Marshall, Downers Grove, IL/ Leicester: IVP, 1992, 630–33.

"Jesus - Interpretationen in der Sachliteratur: Franz Alts 'Jesus – der erste neue Mann'" in: *Christlicher Glaube und Literatur 5*. Ed. C.P. Thiede. Wuppertal: R. Brockhaus, 1991, 55–71.

"Die Vindikations- und Auferstehungsvoraussagen Jesu," *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie*, 4, 1990, 9–28.

Various articles in: *Das Grosse Bibellexikon, Vol. 3*. Ed. H. Burkhardt, G. Maier, F. Grünzweig, F. Laubach. Wuppertal/Giessen: Brockhaus/Brunnen, 1989, p. 1641, col. 1–3; p. 1645, col. 1–3; p. 1681, col. 3; and p. 1682, col. 1–3.

"Macht zu Jüngern alle Völker (Mt 28, 18–20) – Das Ziel der Mission nach dem Sendungsbefehl Jesu," in *Evangelikale Missiologie* (Korntal), 10 (2), 1987, 21–29.

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Reviews

L. Stutzman, *With Paul at Sea: Learning from the Apostle Who Took the Gospel from Land to Sea*. Eugene, Oregon: Cascade Books, 2012. Pp. xviii+170. \$22. In: *International Bulletin of Missionary Research (IBMR)* 37/1 (January 2013): 51.

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McKim, D., Ed., *Historical Handbook of Major Biblical Interpreters*. Downers Grove, IL / Leicester: Inter Varsity Press, 1998. Pp. xxiii+ 643. In: *Presbyterion* (Spring 2002): 55–56.

G. Bray, *Biblical Interpretation: Past and Present*. Downers Grove, IL / Leicester: Inter Varsity Press, 1996. Pp. 608 in: *Presbyterion* (Spring 2002): 55–56.

W. E. Mills, and R.F. Wilson, Eds. *Acts and Pauline Writings*. (Mercer Commentary on the Bible, Vol. 7). Macon, GA: Mercer University Press, 1987. Lxxx + 291 pp. \$ 18.95. *Ashland Theological Journal* (1999): 137–38.

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- T. Dwyer, *The Motif of Wonder in the Gospel of Mark*. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1996. 243pp., \$ 58,50. *Ashland Theological Journal* (1999): 126–28.
- C. S. Keener, *The Spirit in the Gospels and Acts. Divine Purity and Power*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson, 1997. 282 pp. \$ 24,95 in: *Trinity Journal* 19 NS (1998): 235–61.
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- J. Goldingay, *Models for Interpretation of Scripture*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1995 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1996): 218–20.
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- C. Hemer, *The Book of Acts in the Setting of Hellenistic History*. Ed., C.H. Gempf, Tübingen: Mohr, 1989, in: *Presbyterion* 22/1 (1996): 62–64.
- F. S. Spencer, *The Portrait of Philip in Acts. A Study of Roles and Relations*. Sheffield: JSOT Press, 1992 in: *Themelios* (1996): 22–23.
- D. A. Carson, D. J. Moo, L. Morris, *An Introduction to the New Testament*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1992 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1993): 145–48.
- M. D. Hooker, *The Gospel According to Mark*. London: A. & C. Black, 1991 in: *Evangelical Quarterly* (1993): 259–62.
- G. Maier, *Lukas-Evangelium*. 1. Teil (Edition C. - *Bibelkommentar zum NT Bd. 4*). Neuhausen: Hänssler, (1991?) in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1992): 179.
- C.-J. Thornton, *Der Zeuge des Zeugen*. Tübingen: Mohr/ Siebeck, 1991 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1992): 156–61.
- B. Blackburn, *Theios Anêr and the Markan Miracle Tradition*. Tübingen: Mohr, 1991 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1992): 171–73.
- F. Delitzsch, *Der Hebräerbrief. Mit einem Geleitwort von O. Michel*. Nachdruck der 1. Aufl. von 1857. Gießen: Brunnen, 1989 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1991): 171–72.
- G. Maier Ed., *Der Kanon der Bibel*. Gießen/Wuppertal: Brunnen/Brockhaus, 1990 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1991): 165–68.
- G. Hörster, *Markenzeichen 'bibeltreu'. Die Bibel richtig verstehen, auslegen, anwenden*. Gießen/Witten: Brunnen/Bundesverlag, 1990 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1991): 152.
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- J. van Oorschot, *Hoffnung für Israel. Eine Studie zu Römer 11, 25–32*. Gießen: Brunnen, 1988 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1990): 155–56.
- J. B. Green, *The Death of Jesus. Tradition and Interpretation in the Passion Narrative*. Tübingen: Mohr, 1988 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1990): 152–54.
- K.-H. Schlaudraff, *Heil als Geschichte? Die Frage nach dem heilsgeschichtlichen Denken, dargestellt anhand der Konzeption Oscar Cullmanns*. Tübingen: Mohr, 1988 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1989): 196–99.
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- I. Baldermann, G. Stemberger u.a. Ed., *Jahrbuch für Biblische Theologie Bd. 3: Zum Problem des biblischen Kanons*. Neukirchen-Vluyn: Neukirchener, 1988 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1989): 172–75.
- D. A. Carson, J. D. Woodbridge Ed., *Hermeneutics, Authority and Canon*. Leicester: InterVarsity, 1986 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1989): 158–63.
- R. Feldmeier, *Die Krisis des Gottessohnes: Die Gethsemaneerzählung als Schlüssel der Markuspasion*. Tübingen: Mohr, 1987 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1988): 132–34.
- I. H. Marshall, *Biblische Inspiration*. Giessen: Brunnen, 1986 and E.J. Schnabel, *Inspiration und Offenbarung. Die Lehre vom Ursprung und Wesen der Bibel*. Wuppertal: Brockhaus, 1986 in: *Jahrbuch für Evangelikale Theologie* (1987): 136–40.
- A. F. Holmes, *Contours of a World View*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1983 in: *Evangelical Quarterly* 58 (1986): 370–72.
- L. Morris, *The Atonement. Its Meaning and Significance*. Leicester/Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1983 in: *Evangelical Quarterly* 58 (1986): 182–83.
- G. Bray, *Creeds, Councils and Christ*. Leicester/Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1984 in: *Evangelical Quarterly* 58 (1986): 180–81.

Translations/Editorial Work/Educational Audio and Video/Sermons

Various audio lectures, sermons, radio/online broadcasts, and downloadable documents accessible on the Resources section of the Covenant Theological Seminary website.

R. Deines, "The Pharisees," 25% of (his) chapter 15 in *Justification and Variegated Nomism*, vol. 1, ed. D. A. Carson, P. O'Brien, and M. Seifrid. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2001. Translation from German into English.

Translation Review Scholar for the Gospel of Mark in *The Holy Bible. English Standard Version*. Wheaton, IL: Good News Publishers/Crossway, 2001. Revision of Bible translation/rendering of Greek grammar/editing of fourth generation ESV (RSV revision) for Crossway (David W. Jones) in conjunction with Drs. Bill and Robert Mounce.

Life and Letters of Paul, 40-hour audio/video-course on the Book of Acts and the Pauline Epistles, with a 200 page lecture outline/handbook. St. Louis, MO: Covenant Theological Seminary, 1998. Used as a distance-learning course; additional worldwide distribution through the Covenant Seminary website (not for academic credit).