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Education:

Ph.D., 1982; D.Min., 1974; M.Div., 1973 Vanderbilt University

B.S., 1970 Ball State University

Academic Employment:

Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Professor of Religious Education, 1988-present. (Director, Ph.D. program 2009-2012; Academic Dean and Vice-President for Academic Affairs, 1996-2006; and Director of the Joint Garrett-Evangelical/Northwestern University Ph.D. Program, 1992-1997)

Editor, *Religious Education*; 2005-present. Series Editor, *Horizons* in Religious Education; 2011-present. For Religious Education Association.

Scarritt Graduate School, Professor of Christian Education, 1986-88; Associate Professor, 1982-86; and Assistant Professor, 1981-82. (Acting Dean, Fall 1984)

Chicago Theological Seminary, Director of Field Education and Instructor in Christian Education, 1978-81

Vanderbilt University, Associate Director of Field Education and Assistant Professor of Church and Ministry, 1977-78; and Assistant Director of Field Education and Instructor, 1974-77

Summer school teaching at Claremont School of Theology, Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, McCormick Theological Seminary, St. Meinrad School of Theology

Books:

Teaching the Way of Jesus: Educating Christians for Faithful Living. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2014.

Yearning for God: Reflections of Faithful Lives. With Margaret Ann Crain. Nashville: Upper Room Press, 2003.

A Deacon's Heart: The New United Methodist Diaconate. With Margaret Ann Crain. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2001.

Mapping Christian Education: Approaches to Congregational Learning. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1997.

Educating Christians: The Intersection of Meaning, Learning, and Vocation. With Margaret Ann Crain and Joseph Crockett. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1993.

Theological Approaches to Christian Education. Edited with Donald Miller. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1990. (This book was translated into Korean in 1993.)

Praying the Gospel of Mark: On Faith and Blindness. Nashville: Upper Room Books, 1988.

The Church and the Education of the Public: Refocusing the Task of Religious Education. With Robert T. O’Gorman and Charles R. Foster. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1984.

From Sunday School to Church School: Continuities in Protestant Church Education, 1860-1929. Washington, DC: University Press of America, 1982.

Contemporary Approaches to Christian Education. Edited with Donald Miller. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1982. (This book was translated into Korean in 1982 and Japanese in 1987.)

Articles in Books and Scholarly Journals:

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"Religious Education among Friends and Strangers: Contributions of Revisionist Educational History to Public Living." *On the Edge: (Auto)biography and Pedagogical Theories on Religious Education*. Ed. by Ina ter Avest. Pps. 175-185. Rotterdam: Sense Publishers, 2012.

"Characteristics of Religious Education." *Religious Education* 107 (October-December, 2012): 439-441.

"Theology, Education, and Social Science." *Religious Education* 107 (July-September, 2012): 321-322.

"Preparing for the 2012 REA Conference: Religious Education at the Intersection of Social Justice, Liberation, and Civil/Human Rights." *Religious Education* 107 (May-June, 2012): 217-218.

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http://www2.talbot.edu/ce20/educators/view.cfm?n=charles_foster

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"Constructive, Critical, and Mutual Interfaith Religious Education for Public Living: A Christian View." *Commitment, Character, and Citizenship: Religious Education in Liberal Democracy* (Routledge Research in Education). Ed. by Hanan A. Alexander and Ayman K. Agbaria. Pps. 226-244. Routledge, 2012. (For web version of first draft, see <http://jewed.haifa.ac.il>.)

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"Ethnicity and Racism: Response to Grant Shockley." *Ethnicity in the Education of the Church*. Edited by Charles R. Foster. Scarritt Press, 1987.

"The Future of the Past: History and Policy-making in Religious Education." *Religious Education* 81 (Winter 1986): 113-133.

"A Reforming Movement: The Story of Protestant Sunday Schools." In *Renewing the Sunday School and CCD*. Pp. 3-25. Edited by D. Campbell Wyckoff. Religious Education Press, 1985.

"Faith as the Agenda of Practical Hermeneutics." *Pastoral Sciences/Sciences pastorales* 4 (Fall 1985): 171-182.

"Review Essay: Lawrence Kohlberg, *The Philosophy of Moral Development*." *Zygon* 18 (December 1983): 470-474.

"Teaching as Religious Leadership: Rethinking the Pastoral Role." *Quarterly Review* 3 (Fall 1983): 6-17.

"Practical Hermeneutics and Religious Leadership: Implications for Theological Education." With Robert Moore. In *Pastoral Theology and Ministry: Theological Field Education, Key Resources, Vol. IV*. Pp. 105-119. Edited by Donald Beisswenger and Doran McCarty. Association for Theological Field Education, 1983.

"The Untried Curriculum: The Story of Curriculum Development for Protestant America." In *Confrontation: Curriculum*. Pp. 11-26. Edited by Marion Brown and R. Harold Hipps. Christian Educators Fellowship, 1982.

"Theological Models for Field Education." In Association for Theological Field Education. *Report of Proceedings of Sixteenth Biennial Consultation*. Pp. 214-224. Association for Theological Field Education, 1981.

"Placement Design: Defining the Context for Field Education." In *Theological Field Education, Vol. III*. Pp. 215-221. Edited by Donald Beisswenger, Doran McCarty, and Tjaard Hommes. Association for Theological Field Education, 1980.

"Education for the Kingdom: Leadership in Tomorrow's Church." *Chicago Theological Seminary Register* 69 (Fall 1979): 11-21.

"Towards a Theory Base for Theological Field Education." In Association for Theological Field Education. *Proceedings of Fifteenth Biennial Consultation*. Pp. 123-129. Association for Theological Field Education, 1979.

Book Reviews for *Chicago Theological Seminary Register*, *Christians in Education*, *Church School*, *Religious Education*, *Religious Studies Review*, *Teaching Theology and Religion*, and *Weavings*.

Select Articles in Church Publications:

"Teaching the Way of Jesus." *Christians in Education* 17 (Spring 2011).

"Teaching Jesus: Education for Discipleship." *Christians in Education* 12 (Spring 2006): 4-7.

"Christian Education into the Future." With Margaret Ann Crain. *Christians in Education* 8 (Fall 2002): 4-6.

"Helping People Reflect on Life Experience." *Christians in Education* 3 (Winter 1996-97): 1-6.

"Metaphors for Youth Ministry." *FAYM (UMC Fellowship of Adults in Youth Ministry) Resource Packet* (Fall 1994).

"When Culture Is Falling Apart." In *Generation X Workbook and Video*. UMC Board of Discipleship, 1994.

"Come, Emmanuel." In *The Upper Room Disciplines 1995*. Upper Room Books, 1994.

"Vocation: Living God's Grace." In *The Upper Room Disciplines 1992*. Upper Room Books, 1991.

"The Authority of the Bible in Christian Education." *Biblical Literacy* 5 (Spring 1991): 14-15.

"Living Out a Vision." With Duane Ewers. In *Christian Education: Planning Handbook*. Pp. 1-4. Edited by Roy Ryan. Discipleship Resources, 1988.

"Family Worship: Enlarging Our Horizons." *Christian Home* 17 (Winter and Spring 1984-85).

"What Do We Mean by Evaluation: Faithfulness in Educational Ministry." With Robert O'Gorman. *Church School Today* 1 (Spring 1983): 5-7.

"Centerquest." In *Guide to Curriculum Choice*. Pp. 56-62. Edited by Carol Wehrheim. Brethren Press for Joint Educational Development, 1981.

Select Papers for Academic Societies, Consultations, Lectures, and Workshops:

"Teaching the Way of Jesus: A Christology for Christian Education." International Academy of Practical Theology, Toronto, Canada. April 13, 2013.

"Rethink Christian Education." National Conference of Christian Educators Fellowship. October 24, 2010.

"Teaching the Way of Jesus." Ruben E. Speaks Lecture Series. (Three lectures: 1. Teaching the Way: The People of God as Theologians;" "Teaching the Way of Jesus in an Interfaith World;" and "Teaching for Public Life: Living the Way of Jesus."): Hood Theological Seminary. October 7-8, 2010.

"Living the Way of Jesus in an Interfaith World." National Conference of Christian Educators Fellowship, October 27, 2008.

"Congregations and Inter-Religious Education." Invited paper for Conference on "Character, Commitment, and Citizenship: Religious Schooling in Liberal Democracies." Sponsored by Center of Jewish Education at the University of Haifa and Von Hugel Institute of St. Edmund's College, Cambridge University. February, 2007.

"Teaching Jesus: Teaching for Discipleship in an Interfaith World." National Conference of Christian Educators Fellowship, October, 6 2006.

"Leadership: The Character of Theological Teaching." Keynote for ATS Conference on Teaching and Learning in Theological Education." March 9, 2001.

"Hearing the Yearnings of All God's People." With Margaret Ann Crain. 1998 Convocation for United Methodist Deacons and Diaconal Ministers, October 23-24, 1998.

"Theology at Sunset: Educating for Public Life." Jones Lectures. Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, February 1-3, 1993.

Resource Leader. "Japan and the United States: A Global Future for Christian Education." Conference sponsored by Seiwa College, Japan, January 1991.

"Schooling: Paradigm for Church Education." Education for Christian Life and Mission Division, National Council of Churches, May 15, 1986.

"From Sunday School to Church School" and "Pilgrimage of Faith as a Paradigm for Christian Education." Wertsch Lectures. St. Paul School of Theology, October 3-4, 1979.

Consultations:

- Consultations led on theological curriculum, accreditation, assessment, religious education, and/or theological teaching at the following seminaries or universities: Andover-Newton Theological Seminary, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Brigham Young University, Brigham Young University-Idaho, Brite Divinity School, Campbell University Divinity School, Denver Seminary, Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education of Fordham University, Hartford Seminary, Institute of Pastoral Studies of Loyola University Chicago, Luther Seminary, Meadville-Lombard Theological School, Memphis Theological Seminary, Pacific School of Religion, Phillips Theological Seminary, Simpson College, St. Peter's Seminary, Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Union Theological Seminary & Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Unification Theological Seminary, United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities.
- Consultant, Association of Theological Schools, "Preparing for 2040: Education and Ministry in a Multiracial World" (March, 2011 and March 2013).
- Consultant, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion; Director of the 2001 and 1999 summer workshops on Teaching and Learning for Theological School Faculty

Work in Progress: Working on essay on interfaith religious education with Deborah Court of Bar Ilan University in Israel.

Teaching Interests:

- Theological teaching and education in congregations and seminaries.
- Ethnography and ministry, particularly theology among the people of God.
- Interfaith religious education.
- The role of Christian education in the education of the U.S. public.

Membership and Service in Academic and Professional Societies:

- The Association of Theological Schools. (Offices held: chair of faculty development advisory committee, 2000-2006; chair, advisory committee for teaching and learning grant program, 1996-2000).
- Christian Education in the 20th Century (An online historical directory). Member of editorial board and reviewer.
- Christian Educators Fellowship.
- Encyclopedia of Christian Education. Member of advisory board 2012-2013.
- International Academy of Practical Theology. Elected member since 1999.
- Religious Education Association: An Association of Professors, Practitioners, and Researchers in Religious Education. Editor, *Religious Education*, 2005 – present. Series Editor, *Horizons in Christian Religious Education*, 2011 – present. (Other offices held in REA: vice-president, consulting editor, member of editorial board; offices held in APRRE: president; vice-president; chair, papers selection committee.)
- United Methodist Association of Scholars in Christian Education. (Offices held: chair, research committee).

Current Church Involvement: Ordained Elder, Northern Illinois Conference, United Methodist Church. Active at First United Methodist Church, Evanston, IL. Member of Northern Illinois Annual Conference Committee on Christian Unity and Inter-Religious Concerns 2007- 2010.