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Education

Doctor of Philosophy, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary;
Wake Forest, North Carolina (Dissertation Title: *Hermeneutics and Homiletics: A Case for the Necessity and Nature of Contextual-Theological Application in the Expository Sermon* (December 2007).

Master of Divinity, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary;
Wake Forest, North Carolina (December 2002).

Bachelor of Science, North Carolina State University; Raleigh,
North Carolina (December 1997). Major in Accounting.

Academic Experience

2018 – Present: Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC. President, Jim Shaddix Chair of Expository Preaching/Professor of Preaching and Pastoral Ministry

** Elected President, April 2026

** Appointed Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies, June 2023

** Appointed VP of Undergraduate Studies and Dean of the College, June 2019

** Elected to the faculty, April 2019

** Director of Timothy Scholars Program, 2018-2023

** Director of the Center for Preaching and Pastoral Leadership, Spring 2019 semester/
Associate Director Fall 2018 semester

2009 – 2018: Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, OK. Chair of Christian and Cross-Cultural Ministry Department/ Hughes Chair of Christian Ministry/ Associate Professor of Christian Ministry

** Received promotion to Associate Professor in the Spring 2015 semester

** Granted Senior Faculty Status in the Spring 2015 semester

** Awarded “Promising Teacher Award” in academic year 2013-2014 for excellence and demonstrated potential, the highest honor a junior faculty member can receive

** Awarded “Seven Who Care” award in academic year 2010-2011 for service and teaching excellence

Served as adjunct professor for The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Liberty Theological Seminary, Grand Canyon University

Pastoral Ministry Experience

2023-2024: Englewood Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, NC, Interim Pastor

2020: Beach Road Baptist Church, Southport, NC, Interim Pastor

2018: First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, OK, Interim Pastor

2016 – 2017: Sunnyside Southern Baptist Church, Del City, OK, Interim Pastor

2015 – 2016: South Tulsa Baptist Church, Tulsa, OK, Interim Pastor

2013: First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, OK, Interim Pastor

2013: Bethel Baptist Church, Norman, OK, Interim Pastor

2011 – 2012: First Baptist Church, Edmond, OK, Interim Pastor

2006 – 2009: First Baptist Church, Daytona Beach, FL, Teaching Pastor/Administrator

2000 – 2006: Richland Creek Community Church, Wake Forest, NC, Associate Pastor of Doctrine/Students

Projects and Publications

The Sermon Invitation: Leading People to Respond to God's Word. Nashville, B&H, scheduled publication March 1, 2028.

Pastoral Essentials from the Pastoral Epistles: An Expositional Handbook for Pastoral Ministry. Nashville: B&H, scheduled publication April 1, 2027.

Equipped to Serve: How Seminary Strengthens You for Ministry, co-editor and contributing author, Chapter on: Consider Your Calling; Nashville. Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2025.

Fulfilling the Great Commission: Essays in Honor of Daniel L. Akin, contributing author, Chapter on: Pastoral Ministry and the Great Commission; edited by Nathan A. Finn and Keith S. Whitfield. Nashville: B&H, 2024.

Expositional Leadership, co-author with Jim Shaddix. Wheaton: Crossway, 2024.

Handbook of Contemporary Preaching, contributing author, Chapter on: Methods of Preparation; edited by Michael Duduit. Nashville: B&H, scheduled date of publication, Spring, 2024.

Calling Out the Called, co-author with Shane Pruitt. Nashville: B&H, 2022.

Navigating Student Ministry, contributing author, Chapter on: Youth Ministry and Discipleship; edited by Tim McKnight. Nashville: B&H, 2022.

Colossians and Philemon: Christ-Centered Exposition Commentary Series, co-author with Daniel L. Akin. Nashville: B&H, 2021.

Embracing Our Calling, Culture, and Commission, co-author with David A. Wheeler. Nashville: B&H, 2020.

Answering God's Call: Finding, Following, and Fulfilling God's Will for Your Life. Nashville: B&H, 2020.

Student Ministry by the Book, co-author with Ed Newton. Nashville: B&H, 2019.

A Legacy of Preaching: Historical and Theological Introductions, 2 Vols., contributing author, Chapter on: Alexander Maclaren; edited by Benjamin Forrest, Kevin King, Bill Curtis, and Dwayne Milioni. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2018.

Preaching by the Book: Developing and Delivering Text-Driven Sermons. Nashville: B&H, 2018.

Pastoral Theology: Theological Foundations for Who a Pastor is and What a Pastor does, co-author with Daniel L. Akin. Nashville: B&H, 2017.