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### **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. Theology and Historical Studies** Jan 1997—June 2005  
University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

Thesis: Nature and dynamics of Evangelical-Sandinista relations in revolutionary Nicaragua. Supervisors: Professor Denys Turner (then Cambridge, now at Yale) and Professor Hugh McLeod (former President, Ecclesiastical History Society). Examiners: David Martin (Emeritus Professor of Sociology, London School of Economics), and Professor Antoni Kapcia, University of Nottingham.

**M.A. History and Politics (with European Studies)** Sept 1994—June 1996  
University of Wolverhampton, United Kingdom

Dissertation: British Imperialist Attitudes and Juvenile Literature, 1919-1939.  
Supervisor: Dr Paul Henderson

**B.Ed. Modern Languages** Sept 1991—June 1994  
University of Wolverhampton, United Kingdom

**Diploma in Biblical Studies and Theology** Sept 1986—June 1988  
Birmingham Christian College, United Kingdom

### **ACADEMIC POSTS AND EXPERIENCE**

Principal, Director of Research and Tutor of Theology 1995—  
King's Evangelical Divinity School, United Kingdom

Approved Tutor (Undergraduate and Postgraduate) July 2010—  
University of Chester, United Kingdom

Postgraduate distance-learning Tutor in Theology 2008—2010  
London School of Theology and Middlesex University, United Kingdom

Validation panelist (subject specialist in Theology) 2009  
Middlesex University, United Kingdom

Postgraduate Tutor of Theology University of Wales, Lampeter, United Kingdom	2006—2009
Part-time lecturer in Pentecostal Studies Department of Theology, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom	2005
Associate Tutor of Theology (Undergraduate) University of Wales, Lampeter	2005—2010
Divinity and Religious Studies Examiner University of Cambridge International Examinations (including Principal Examiner, 2000, 2004—5, and National Chief Examiner and Trainer, Zimbabwe 1999—2001).	1996—2006
Tutor of Theology (Undergraduate) Midlands Bible College, United Kingdom	1991—1995

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books and Edited Volumes

- Pentecostal Power: Expressions, Impact and Faith of Latin American Pentecostalism*, editor. *Global Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies*. Vol 6 (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2011). By invitation.
- The Jews, Modern Israel and the New Supercessionism: Revised and Expanded Edition*, editor (Broadstairs, Kent: Centre for Jewish-Christian Studies & King's Divinity Press, 2013).
- The Jews, Modern Israel and the New Supercessionism: Resources for Christians*, editor (Lampeter: King's Divinity Press, 2009).
- Revolution, Revival and Religious Conflict in Sandinista Nicaragua*. Religion in the Americas series. Vol 6 (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2007).

### Book Chapters and Dictionary Entries

- “History, Nature and Challenges of Spanish Pentecostalism” in Vinson Synan, Amos Yong & Miguel Alvarez, eds., *Global Renewal Christianity: Spirit-Empowered Movements Past, Present, and Future*, vol. III: *Latin America* (Lake Mary, Fla.: Charisma House Publishers, forthcoming 2016).
- “Revivalism as Revolutionary, Reactionary or Remote? Political Heterogeneity Among Sandinista Nicaragua’s Pentecostals” in Néstor Medina & Sammy Alfaro, eds., *Pentecostals and Charismatics in Latin America and Latino Communities* (London & New York: Palgrave MacMillan, forthcoming 2015)
- “Cuba’s New Revolution: From Religious Apathy to Pentecostal Revival” in Vinson Synan, Amos Yong & Miguel Alvarez, eds., *Global Renewal Christianity: Spirit-Empowered Movements Past, Present, and Future*, vol. II: *Latin America* (Lake Mary, Fla.: Charisma House Publishers, 2015).

- "The Politics and Economics of Global Pentecostalism: A Global Survey" in Amos Yong & Cecil M. Robeck Jr, eds., *The Cambridge Companion to Pentecostalism* (Cambridge University Press, 2014).
- "Biblical Theology, Israel and the Alien" in *The Jews, Modern Israel and the New Supercessionism: Revised and Expanded Edition*, editor (Broadstairs, Kent: Centre for Jewish-Christian Studies & King's Divinity Press, 2013).
- "Latin American Pentecostalism" in Adam Stewart, ed., *Handbook of Pentecostal Christianity* (DeKalb, ILL: Northern Illinois University Press, 2012).
- "Televangelism" in Adam Stewart, ed., *Handbook of Pentecostal Christianity* (DeKalb, ILL: Northern Illinois University Press, 2012).
- "Pneumapraxis and Eschatological Urgency: A Survey of Latin American Pentecostal Theology and Its Outworking" in Calvin L. Smith, ed., *Pentecostal Power: Expressions, Impact and Faith of Latin American Pentecostalism*. Global Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2011).
- "Latin American Pentecostalism and the Academy" in Calvin L. Smith, ed., *Pentecostal Power: Expressions, Impact and Faith of Latin American Pentecostalism*. Global Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2011).
- "Faith and Politics in the Holy Land Today" in Calvin L. Smith, ed., *The Jews, Modern Israel and the New Supercessionism: Resources for Christians* (Lampeter: King's Divinity Press, 2009).
- "Biblical Theology and the Modern State of Israel" in Calvin L. Smith, ed., *The Jews, Modern Israel and the New Supercessionism: Resources for Christians* (Lampeter: King's Divinity Press, 2009).

## Journal Articles

- "The Coming Kingdom and the Hope of Israel" in *Journal of Messianic Studies* vol 1 (2015), 17-29.
- "Pentecostal Presence, Power and Politics in Latin America" in *Journal of Beliefs and Values* 30.3 (2009), 219-229. By invitation.
- "Biblical Theology and the Modern State of Israel" in *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 3.1 (2009), 51-65.
- "Revolutionaries and Revivalists: Pentecostal Eschatology, Politics and the Nicaraguan Revolution" in *Pneuma: The Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 30.1 (Spring 2008), 55-82.
- "The De-Privatisation of Evangelicalism and the Public Square" in *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 1.1 (2007), 1-20.

## Other

- "A Christian View of Israel" in *British Churches and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*. Concordis Papers VIII, by Concordis International, Cambridge (Feb 2010).
- "Looking Back Over Three Years of ERSP" in *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 3.2 (2009), 1-2.
- "Glorifying God While Keeping Secret Believers Safe", *Pneuma Informer* (Jan 2009).
- "Theology for World-Changing", review article of Ondina E. Gonzalez and Justo L. Gonzalez, *Christianity in Latin America: A History* (Cambridge University Press, 2008) and Mario Aguilar, *The History and Politics of Latin American Theology* Vol 3 (London: SCM, 2008) in *Church Times* 7605 (26 Dec 2008).

“Concerning Timothy Steigenga’s Review of *Revolution, Revival, and Religious Conflict*” in *Pneuma: The Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 30.2 (2008), 371-2.  
“Preferential Option for the Poor”, review article of Mario Aguilar’s *The History and Politics of Latin American Theology*, Vols 1 and 2. SCM, 2007, 2008, in *Church Times* 7577 (6 June 2008).

Various short popular articles in numerous Christian publications.

### **Book Reviews in Scholarly Journals**

- Kevin Lewis O’Neill, *City of God: Christian Citizenship in Postwar Guatemala* (University of California Press, 2010) in *Pneuma: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 34 (2012), 39-40.
- Theron Corse, *Protestants, Revolution, and the Cuba-US Bond* (University Press of Florida, 2007) in *Bulletin of Latin American Research* 28.4 (2009), 561-2.
- D. Christopher Spinks, *The Bible and the Crisis of Meaning: Debates on the Theological Interpretation of Scripture* (Continuum, 2007) in *Evangelical Quarterly* 81.1 (2009), 81-2.
- Christopher J. H. Wright, *The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible’s Grand Narrative* (Intervarsity Press, 2006) in *Mission Studies: Journal of the International Association for Mission Studies* 26.1 (2009), 131-2.
- Dan Cohn-Sherbok, *The Politics of Apocalypse: The History and Influence of Christian Zionism* (Oneworld, 2006) in *The Pneuma Review* 12.1 (2009), 51-3.
- David W. Torrance and George Taylor, *Israel, God’s Servant* (Paternoster, 2007) in *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 2.1 (2008), 66-8.
- William Kay, *Apostolic Networks in Britain: New Ways of Being Church* (Paternoster, 2007) in *Pneuma: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 30.2 (2008), 361-2.
- Gary Burge, *Whose Land? Whose Promise? What Christians Are Not Being Told About Israel and the Palestinians* (Pilgrim, 2003) in *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 1.2 (2007), 62-4; also reviewed in *The Pneuma Review* 11.3 (2008), 69-71.
- Stephen Sizer, *Christian Zionism: Road-map to Armageddon?* (IVP, 2004) in *Pneuma: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 30.1 (2008), 172-3; also reviewed in *The Pneuma Review* 11.2 (2008), 79-83.
- Pierre Grelot, *The Language of Symbolism: Biblical Theology, Semantics, and Exegesis* (Hendrickson, 2006) in *Evangelical Quarterly* 80.1 (2008), 74-6.
- Daniel Wallace and M. Sawyer, *Who’s Afraid of the Holy Spirit? An Investigation into the Ministry of the Spirit of God Today* (Biblical Studies Press, 2005) in *Pneuma: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 29.1 (2007), 162-3.
- Timothy Steigenga, *The Politics of the Spirit: The Political Implications of Pentecostalized Religion in Costa Rica and Guatemala* (Lexington, 2001) in *Pneuma: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 28.2 (2006), 374-6.
- Craig Bartholomew et al, *Out of Egypt: Biblical Theology and Biblical Interpretation*, Scripture and Hermeneutics Series. Vol 5 (Paternoster, Zondervan, 2004) in *Evangelical Quarterly* 78.3 (2006), 274-6.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

- “The Coming Kingdom and the Hope of Israel”, *Thy Kingdom Come: A Conference on the Bible, Theology and the Future* (Emmanuel Centre, Westminster, London, 17—18 October 2014).
- “Revivalism as Revolutionary, Reactionary or Remote? Political Heterogeneity Among Sandinista Nicaragua’s Pentecostals”, *Renewal across the Americas: Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements in Latin America and among Latinas/os* (Regent University, Virginia Beach, USA, 28 Feb—1 Mar 2014).
- “Pentecostalism, Zionism and the Middle East Conflict: Reconciling Inherent Philosemitism and Calls for Social Justice”, *41st Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* (29 Feb—3 March 2012, Regent University, Virginia Beach).
- “Challenging the Current Narrative” *Israel and the Church: A Common Heritage and Uncertain Future* conference (London School of Theology, 8—9 October 2010).
- “A Christian View of Israel”, *The British Churches and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict* (Concordis International consultation, Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, 19 Sept 2009).
- “Sons of Abraham: The Politics of Christian Faith in Israel and the Palestinian Territories”, Tyndale Fellowship yearly conference (Cambridge, 10 July 2008).
- “Biblical Theology and the Modern State of Israel”, Tyndale Fellowship yearly conference (Cambridge, 5 July 2007).
- “Revolution vs Revival: Protestant-Sandinista Relations in Revolutionary Nicaragua”, *Religion and Politics in Nicaragua*, Centrum IIMO, Utrecht University (8 May 2007). Main speaker. By invitation.
- “A Re-examination of the Biblical View of Homosexuality in Light of the Current Climate”, Tyndale Fellowship triennial conference (Nantwich, 5 July 2006).
- The Bible in the 21st Century: Relevant or Extraneous?* Universities and Colleges Christian Fellowship event, University of Birmingham, 11 February 2004. By invitation.
- To What Extent Were Sandinista-Pentecostal Relations Shaped by Eschatological Considerations?* The Whitefield Institute, Oxford (now Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics, Cambridge), 9 Nov 1999.

## REVIEWS OF MY WORK

- Journal of the European Pentecostal Theological Association* (forthcoming).
- Canadian Journal of Pentecostal-Charismatic Theology* 4.1 (2013), 80-1, by Michael Wilkinson, Trinity Western University.
- Pneuma: The Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 34.2 (2012), 132-3, by Stephen Offutt, Asbury Theological Seminary.
- Expressions, Impact and Faith of Latin American Pentecostalism: A Review and Critique of Calvin Smith’s Pentecostal Power*. Ecumenical Studies Symposium, 41st Annual Meeting of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, 1 March 2012, Regent University, Virginia Beach.
- Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 5.1 (2011), 63, by Brian N. Brewer, King’s Evangelical Divinity School.
- Pneuma Review* 15.4 (2012), by Tony Richie, Pentecostal Theological Seminary and Lee University.

*Religious Studies Review* 37.3 (2011), 197-8, by Timothy Wadkins, Canasius College.  
*Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 46.2 (2011), 284, by Jeffrey Gros, Lewis University and Catholic Theological Union.  
*Bulletin of Latin American Research* 29.4 (2010), 554-6, by Stephen F. Diamond, Santa Clara University.  
*Mission Studies: Journal of the International Association for Mission Studies* 26.1 (2009), 135-6, by Stephen M. Vantassel, University of Nebraska and King's Evangelical Divinity School.  
*Journal of the European Pentecostal Theological Association* 29.1 (2009), 92, by William K. Kay, Glyndwr University.  
*Hispanic American Historical Review* 88.3 (2008), 545-6, by Mark A Redinger, Montana State University Billings.  
*Pneuma: The Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 30.1 (2008), 176-77, by Timothy J. Steigenga  
*Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 2.1 (2008), 57-60, by Douglas Petersen, Vanguard University.  
*Religious Studies Review* 33.4 (2007), 329, by Amos Yong, Regent University.  
*Exchange* 36.2 (2007), 226-8, by Henri Gooren, Oakland University, Michigan.

### EDITORIAL ACTIVITY AND POSITIONS

- Peer-review of manuscripts for Cambridge University Press and Brill (Leiden and Boston)
- Editorial Committee member, *Pneuma: The Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies*. 2010—
- Consulting Editor, *Global Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies*, Koninklijke Brill (Leiden and Boston). 2008—
- Founding Editor, *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics*. 2006—

### Manuscripts Reviewed (as acknowledged by author)

Amos Yong, *In the Days of Caesar: Pentecostalism and Political Theology* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2010).  
 Stephen M. Vantassel, *Dominion Over Wildlife? An Environmental Theology of Human-Wildlife Relations* (Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock, 2009).  
 William K. Kay, *Pentecostalism* (London: SCM, 2009).  
 Stephen M. Vantassel, "Should Wildlife Trapping Have a Place in a Christian Environmental Ethic?" in *Evangelical Review of Society and Politics* 1.2 (2007), 20-41.  
 David Stoll, "The Nicaraguan Contras: Were they Indios?" in *Latin American Politics and Society* 47 No. 3 (2005), 145-57.  
 Stephen M. Vantassel, "A Biblical Assessment of Andrew Linzey's View of Animal Rights" in *Emmaus Journal* 12 (2003), pp 177-195.

## CURRENT RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

Continuing research for a volume exploring the nature of Christian-state relations (both Messianic and Arab Christian) in Israel and the Palestinian Territories. Tentatively entitled *Sons of Abraham: The Politics of Christian Faith in the Holy Land*.

Researching for a new monograph on history, politics and economics of Spanish Pentecostalism.

Continuing research into the dynamics of Evangelical-state relations in revolutionary Cuba to accompany my monograph on Protestant-Sandinista relations in revolutionary Nicaragua. Contracted to Brill for their Religion in the Americas series.

## OTHER

Media experience: Various recorded and live programming exploring a range of theological issues (chat and debate formats, live and recorded), on radio and television (secular and religious), and comment in printed media and online.

IT knowledge/skills: Particularly in the development of e-study/courseware packs, web content management, CRM, e-learning course delivery.

Consultancy: Offering e-learning consultancy to three theological colleges in the UK and US, editorial consultancy, church ministry.

Church ministry experience: Pastoring, itinerant speaking and teaching, visiting speaker, seminars, Christian media, ministry board memberships, speaker at various conferences. Substantial experience both in UK and overseas.

Languages: Spanish (advanced), Italian (lower intermediate), German (beginner).

Voluntary/charity work: Management, organising and leading overseas trips, transport and logistic, education (mainly in Eastern Europe and Africa.) Also tour organiser to several overseas destinations for educational purposes, including regular trips to the Holy Land focusing on how topography, geography, culture and history aid the biblical exegete (also focuses on the current political situation).

Professional associations and academic memberships include the Association of Bible College Principals (since 2004) and Tyndale Fellowship, Cambridge (since 2005).

Ph.D. Grantee, Whitefield Institute, Oxford (now Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics), 1998—2000.