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## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Religious Studies. Marquette University. Milwaukee, WI. 2009.

M.A. in Theological Studies. Lee University. Cleveland, TN. 2002.

B.A. in Pastoral Ministry. Summa Cum Laude. Lee University. Cleveland, TN. 2001.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology. Lee University. Cleveland, TN. 2012-.

Part-time Faculty in Theology. Lee University. Cleveland, TN. 2008-2012.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

*Types of Pentecostal Theology: Method, System, Spirit.* Academy Series. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013.

*The Work of Jesus Christ.* Guides to Theology. Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., under contract.

*Redeeming Rituals: Baptism and Lord's Supper in Pneumatological Perspective.* Oxford: Oxford University Press, under contract.

### **Articles**

“Should Pentecostal Theology be Analytic Theology?” *PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies*, 36, no. 2 (2014): 246-64.

“Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith Together: Toward Greater Common Witness Between Pentecostals and Roman Catholics on the Lord's Supper.” *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 48, no. 1 (2013): 85-96.

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“The Rule of Spirituality and the Rule of Doctrine: A Necessary Relationship in Theological Method.” *Journal of Pentecostal Theology* 15, no. 1 (2006): 83-105.

## **Essays**

“Verification and Speculation: Understanding and Affection in Jonathan Edwards and Pentecostal Theology.” In *From Northhampton to Azusa: Pentecostals and the Theology of Jonathan Edwards*. Edited by Amos Yong and Steven M. Studebaker, in progress.

“Rethinking the Relationship of Pneumatology to Christology.” In *Christian Unity and Pentecostal Faith*. Edited by Peter Hocken, Tony Richie, and Christopher A. Stephenson. Leiden: E. J. Brill, in progress.

“Reality, Knowledge, and Life in Community: The Metaphysical, Epistemological, and Hermeneutical Bases of Amos Yong’s Theology.” In *The Theology of Amos Yong and the New Face of Pentecostal Scholarship: Passion for the Spirit*. Edited by Wolfgang Vondey and Martin Mittelstadt. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2013, 63-81.

## **Edited Volumes**

*Amos Yong: Collected Readings*, in progress.

With Peter Hocken and Tony Richie, *Christian Unity and Pentecostal Faith*. Leiden: E. J. Brill, in progress.

## **Book Reviews**

Nathan Crawford, *Theology As Improvisation: A Study in the Musical Nature of Theological Thinking*. Leiden: E. J. Brill, 2013. *International Journal of Public Theology*, forthcoming.

Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, *A Constructive Christian Theology for the Pluralistic World: Vol. 3, Creation and Humanity*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2014. *The Pentecostal Educator*, forthcoming.

Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, *A Constructive Christian Theology for the Pluralistic World: Vol. 2, Trinity and Revelation*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2014. *The Pentecostal Educator*, forthcoming.

Veli-Matti Kärkkäinen, *A Constructive Christian Theology for the Pluralistic World: Vol. 1,*

- Christ and Reconciliation*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2013. *The Pentecostal Educator*, forthcoming.
- Nimi Wariboko, *The Pentecostal Principle: Ethical Methodology in New Spirit*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2012. *PentecoStudies* 14, no. 1 (2015): 136-37.
- Anne Elvey et al., eds., *Reinterpreting the Eucharist: Explorations in Feminist Theology and Ethics*. Sheffield: Equinox, 2013. *International Journal of Public Theology* 7, no. 4 (2013): 493-94.
- Steven M. Studebaker, *From Pentecost to the Triune God: A Pentecostal Trinitarian Theology*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2012. *Renewal Dynamics*, 20 August 2013. <http://renewaldynamics.com/2013/08/20/from-pentecost-to-the-triune-god/>
- Chris E. W. Green, *Toward a Pentecostal Theology of the Lord's Supper: Foretasting the Kingdom*. Cleveland, TN: CPT Press, 2012. *Religious Studies Review* 39, no. 2 (2013): 82-83.
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- Simon Chan, *Pentecostal Ecclesiology: An Essay on the Development of Doctrine*. Blandford Forum: Deo Publishing, 2011. *PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 35, no. 1 (2013): 143-44.
- Ivor J. Davidson and Murray A. Rae, eds, *God of Salvation: Soteriology in Theological Perspective*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate, 2011. *International Journal of Public Theology* 7, no. 2 (2013): 220-21.
- Walter Brueggemann, *Journey to the Common Good*. Lexington, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2010. *International Journal of Public Theology* 7, no. 1 (2013): 117-18.
- Keith E. Johnson, *Rethinking the Trinity and Religious Pluralism: An Augustinian Assessment*. Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic, 2011. *Religious Studies Review* 38, no. 3 (2012): 149.
- Daniel Tomberlin, *Pentecostal Sacraments: Encountering God at the Altar*. Cleveland, TN: Center for Pentecostal Leadership & Care, 2010. *PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 33, no. 3 (2011): 457-58.
- Henry I. Lederle, *Theology with Spirit: The Future of the Pentecostal-Charismatic Movements in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. Tulsa, OK: Word & Spirit Press, 2010. *PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 33, no. 2 (2011): 312-13.
- Todd L. Miles, *A God of Many Understandings?: The Gospel and a Theology of Religions*. Nashville, TN: B & H Publishing, 2010. *Religious Studies Review* 37, no. 1 (2011): 34.

John A. Studebaker, Jr. *The Lord is the Spirit: The Authority of the Holy Spirit in Contemporary Theology and Church Practice*. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2008. *PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 31, no. 1 (2009): 144-45.

Steven M. Studebaker, (ed.). *Defining Issues in Pentecostalism: Classical and Emergent*. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2008. *H-Pentecostalism, H-Net Reviews Online*, December 2008.

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, vols. 1 and 2. Translated by John Vriend. Edited by John Bolt. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2003. *The Sixteenth Century Journal: The Journal of Early Modern Studies* 38, no. 1 (2007): 155-56.

Bernard Cooke, *Power and the Spirit of God: Toward an Experience-Based Pneumatology*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2004. *PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies* 27, no. 2 (2005): 409-10.

Stanley J. Grenz, *Rediscovering the Triune God: The Trinity in Contemporary Theology*. Minneapolis, MN: Fortress Press, 2004. *Religious Studies Review* 31, nos. 1 and 2 (2005): 68.

## **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS AND RESPONSES**

### **Presentations and Lectures**

“The Ecumenical Significance of the Contemporary Evangelical-Pentecostal Hermeneutic.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2015.

“The Life and Work of Ralph Del Colle (1954-2012).” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2015.

“What is in a Name?: Trinitarian Confession and Pentecostal Ecumenical Activity.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2014.

“Speaking to Another, Speaking for Another: *Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi* and the Problem of Authority in Pentecostal-Roman Catholic Ecumenical Dialogue.” American Academy of Religion, National Meeting, Christian Systematic Theology, November 2013.

“Pentecostal Discourse in Analytic Key: Pentecostal Theology and Analytic Philosophy of Religion.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2013.

“Discussion of Nimi Wariboko’s *The Pentecostal Principle*” (Panelist). Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2013.

- “The Ecumenical Potential of Eucharistic Spirituality: Towards Greater Common Witness Between Pentecostals and Roman Catholics.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2012.
- “Aspects of a Pneumatological Theology: Doctrine, Liturgy, and Lord’s Supper.” Pentecostal Theological Seminary, January 2012.
- “Types of Pentecostal Theology: An Introduction to Pentecostal Theological Method.” Assemblies of God Theological Seminary, December 2011.
- “Types of Pentecostal Theology: Four Methodologies of Pentecostal Systematic Theologians.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2011.
- “‘Aware How Ill I Was, Unaware How Well I Was Soon To Be’: The Rhetoric of Medicine and Healing in Augustine’s Soteriology.” American Academy of Religion, National Meeting, Augustine and Augustinianisms, November 2010.
- “Theological Hermeneutics: A Conversation with Ken Archer and Amos Yong” (Panelist). Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2009.
- “Symbol, Sacrament, and Spirit(s): Paul Tillich in Recent Pentecostal Theology.” North American Paul Tillich Society, November 2008.
- “The Role of Epistemology in Pentecostal Systematic Theology.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2007.
- “‘The Way’ of Jürgen Moltmann’s Christology: The Development of a Messianic Doctrine.” American Academy of Religion, Upper Midwest Region, April 2006.
- “Memorial and Remembrance in Calvin’s Doctrine of the Lord’s Supper.” Sixteenth Century Society and Conference, October 2005.
- “‘To Tear Down and to Build Up’: Walter Brueggemann as Political Theologian.” American Academy of Religion, Upper Midwest Region, April 2005.
- “The Law of Spirituality and the Law of Doctrine: Pentecostals and Theological Method.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2005.

## **Response**

To Frederick L. Ware. “Emergentist Panentheism as a Metaphysical Framework for Pneumatological Theism.” Society for Pentecostal Studies, March 2009.

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Peter Lang, *Ecumenical Studies*, Series Editor (2014-)

Palgrave-Macmillan Publishers (2014)  
PNEUMA: Journal of the Society for Pentecostal Studies (2014, 2012)  
Online International Journal of Arts and Humanities (2012)

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Louisville Institute Dissertation Fellowship. Louisville, KY. 2007-2008.

Smith Family Fellowship (Honorary). Marquette University. Milwaukee, WI. 2007-2008.

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Academy of Religion

Society for Pentecostal Studies  
Ecumenical Studies Interest Group Leader, 2014-.

Catholic Theological Society of America

Centre of Theology and Philosophy