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## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2014-present	Evangelist/Elder, Bakersfield, CA Highland church of Christ
2020-2023	The Harbinger Institute, Nashville, TN Adjunct Instructor of Religion and Apologetics
2010-2014	Missionary/Evangelist, Livingston, CA Livingston church of Christ
2006-2006	Weston Christian College, Ripon, CA Adjunct Instructor of Bible

## EDUCATION

2023-Present	Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, TN MDIV Student Anticipated to graduate, Spring 2026
2020-2023	Biola University, La Mirada, CA MA, Christian Apologetics
2002-2004	Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, TN BA, Bible

## OTHER CREDENTIALS

December 2007    California Basic Educational Skills Test

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harbinger Institute (online only)

<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Term</u>
Historicity of the Resurrection	Trinity 2022

Art of Storytelling                      Summer 2021  
In Evangelism

The Jew and Gentile                      Spring 2021  
Problem (Romans 1-4  
and Galatians)

Religion in American                      Fall 2020  
Media and Pop Culture

Weston Christian College (Defunct), a satellite of Heritage Christian University

<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Term</u>	
The Book of Acts of the Apostles	Spring 2006	Ripon, CA, Campus

## **OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2011-2013                      Hughson Christian Elementary School, Hughson, CA  
6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher of Bible and Apologetics

2005-2005                      Chester County School District, Henderson, TN  
Elementary to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Substitute Teacher

## **PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING ACTIVITIES**

University Conference Presentations

2024                      *Invited:* “Extending Grace to Each Other,” “Grace to Overcome,” 80<sup>th</sup>  
Faulkner University Bible Lectureship, Montgomery, AL, October 2024

“He is Preparing a Place (Revelation 20–21),” Freed-Hardeman  
University’s 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Bible Lectureship, Henderson, TN, February  
2024

2023                      “ReConnect with the Lost,” “ReConnect with Each Other,” 79<sup>th</sup> Faulkner  
University Bible Lectureship, Montgomery, AL, October 2023

2023                      “A Time for Self-Defense (Esther 8),” Freed-Hardeman University’s 87<sup>th</sup>  
Annual Bible Lectureship, Henderson, TN, February 2023

2022                      “What the Church can Learn from a Former Street Gangster” (three  
sessions), Faulkner University’s LeadersConnect, Montgomery, AL, June  
2022

- 2021 “Gospel and Culture: My Journey of Faith from Gangs to God” (two sessions) Harding University Bible Lectureship, Searcy, AR, September 2021
- 2020 “Grace Greater Than Past Associations (1 Tim 2:12-14),” Freed-Hardeman University’s 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Bible Lectureship, Henderson, TN, February 2020
- 2016 “Leaders Stand Up for the Weak (Mark 10:14),” Freed-Hardeman University’s 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Bible Lectureship, Henderson, TN, February 2016

#### Regional Church Conferences

- 2024 Discussant: Racial Reconciliation, Reseda, CA, West Coast Preachers and Leaders Forum, March 21, 2024
- 2021 “Principles for Unity in the Body from Ephesians 4:1–3” (three sessions), “The Word at the Heart of Unity (Eph 4:11–16; John 17:14–21),” FaithBuilders of the Northwest, Puyallup, WA, July 2021
- 2020 “Presenting Truth: Compassion without Compromise,” “Ethical Issues in the Old Testament: Does the Old Testament Reveal a Morally Unjust God?,” Defending the Faith Conference, Anaheim, CA, October 2020
- 2019 “Can We Have a More Human Bible? No.,” Tahoe Family Encampment, Lake Tahoe, CA, July 2019  
  
“The Challenge of Manhood,” Male Spiritual Leadership at Woodward Park church of Christ, Fresno, CA May 2019
- 2018 “Conversion of a Gang Member,” Affirming the Faith, Oklahoma City, OK, March 2018
- 2014 “Short-Term Mission Campaigns,” Recharge Excellence Conference, Anaheim, CA, March 2014
- 2012 “How to be a Better Teacher,” Recharge Excellence Conference, Monterrey, CA, March 2012
- 2011 “Working in California/West Coast Culture,” Recharge Excellence Conference, Monterrey, CA, March 2011

## Public Engagement Talks

- 2022 “Marxism and Critical Race Theory: Can a Christian Believe and Support Such Things?,” “Is Social Justice the Same as Biblical Justice?,” “What is Forgiveness?,” Buckeyes for Christ Presents 12 Questions Columbus at Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, October 2022
- 2016 “Why Am I Here?,” “Is the Bible Truth and Worth Following?,” “What Do Angels Do?,” “Why Can’t I Come Home Now?,” “Why is There Evil?,” “Who is the Holy Spirit and What Does He do?,” Fishing church of Christ Presents 12 Questions Columbus, Columbus, OH, July 2016

## Youth/Young Adult Conferences

- 1999–present I speak on a variety of biblical and apologetics topics at conferences, youth rallies, and forums and camps for teens and college age in mostly in California (Visalia, South San Francisco, Yosemite Bible Camp in Oakhurst [Summer/Winter], Turlock), and West Virginia (Bridgeport).

## PUBLICATIONS

### Journal Articles

- “Understanding that I Cannot Live at Peace with Everyone,” *The Preaching & Ministry Journal* (August 2023)
- “The Hallucination Theory of the Resurrection Appearances of Jesus Christ,” *Sufficient Evidence* 11 (2021): 137-146.

### Book Chapters

- In development*, “Appendix: God and the Problem of Human Grief” in *A Church Leaders Guide to Depression*
- “He is Preparing a Place (Revelation 20–21)” in *Triumph of the Lamb: The Battle with Evil in Revelation*, ed. Douglas Burleson (Freed-Hardeman University, 2024)
- “A Time for Self-Defense (Esther 8)” in *For Such a Time as This: Restoring God’s People in Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther*, ed. Douglas Burleson (Freed-Hardeman University, 2023)
- “A Peculiar People” in *His Family: Sermon Guide* (Jenkins Institute, 2022)

“Grace Greater Than Past Associations (1 Tim 2:12-14)” in *Our Place in His Story: Remembering the Past, Anticipating the Future*, ed. Douglas Burleson (Freed-Hardeman University, 2020)

“The Church” in *One Word: A 52 Week Word Study Devotional*, eds. Chad Landman, et al. (Jenkins Institute, 2016)

“Leaders Stand Up for the Weak (Mark 10:14)” in *In My Place: The Servant Savior in Mark*, ed. Douglas Burleson (Freed-Hardeman University, 2016)

#### Publications for Popular Audiences (Sample)

*In preparation*: “Jesus and the Christian Worldview,” *The Apologist* (2024)

“Does God Exist?” *Carolina Messenger* (March 2024)

“Mind Your Business,” *Gospel Advocate* (June 2018)

“The Word of God Among Denominations,” *Gospel Advocate* (February 2018)

“The Gospel of Luke,” *Gospel Advocate* (July 2017),

“The Public Reading of Scripture: Six Practical Suggestions,” *Gospel Advocate* (March 2017)

“The Widows church of Christ,” *Gospel Advocate* (December 2015)

“Leaving a Street Gang for Christ,” *Gospel Advocate* (April 2015)

### RESEARCH PROJECTS

#### Master of Divinity Project:

2024      *Current*: Curriculum project focused on helping the average church-going Bible reader to understand how to assess and understand the differences among contemporary English translations (theories, variant) with a focus on demonstrating the reliability of the transmission of the Bible using a hands-on approach. Supervising Professor: Dr. Doug Burleson, Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, TN, Spring 2024 to Fall 2024

#### Curriculum/Book:

2024–2025      *Current*: Working Title: Apologetics in the City: Christians are called on to explain and defend their faith and this happens at a highspeed rate in our urban cities which are often centers of contemporary progressive moral agendas. The goal of this project is to provide help the average

church goer (Teen-Young Adult) with an understanding of these current moral agendas so that the believer can offer well-reasoned critiques and responses to commend the Christian faith to others.

## **SERVICE**

### Regional Church Conferences/Workshops

2015-Present      Director, Male Spiritual Leadership Workshop

2011-2014        Director, Recharge Excellence Conference

### Institutional

2011-2014        Hughson Christian Elementary School  
Fundraiser (Golf-and-Walk, Fun Run, Harvest Banquet-and-Auction)  
Bible Curriculum Advisor (K-8<sup>th</sup> Grades)

2006              Academic Advisor, Weston Christian College

2006              Student Recruitment, Weston Christian College

### Youth Related Events

2020-Present    Co-Director, West Visalia Yosemite Bible Camp (Summer/Winter)  
Director, Teacher, Dean of Boys

### Volunteer

2012-2013        Board Member, Hughson Christian Elementary School  
New Hires Committee Member

## **LANGUAGES AND SKILLS**

### Speaking/Reading

English (primary language)

Spanish (intermediate)

### Research Languages

Ancient *Koine* Greek (intermediate to skilled)

Hebrew (beginner)

### Learning Management Systems

Canvas

Blackboard

Web Conferencing

Zoom

Google

Podcasting