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EDUCATION:

PhD Psychology and Counseling, 2008
Minor in Foundations of Education
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Fort Worth, Texas

Master of Arts in Marriage and Family Counseling, 2002
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Fort Worth, Texas

Master of Arts in Education, 2002
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Fort Worth, Texas

Bachelor of Arts English, 1992
Athens State University
Athens, Alabama

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Associate Director of Counseling Programs
Professor of Psychology and Counseling
B. H. Carroll Theological Seminary, 2016 – Present
Arlington, Texas

Teach psychology and counseling courses to master and doctoral level students. Assist in the creation of policy and decision making for the counseling program. Create syllabi, select text, and develop lesson plans. Offer academic advisement, serve on university committees, and develop course curricula.

Professor of Master of Arts in Counseling
Dallas Baptist University, 2008 - 2016
Dallas, Texas

Taught psychology and counseling courses to master's level students. Created syllabi, selected text, and developed lesson plans. Offered academic advisement, served on university committees, and developed course curricula.

Increased rank from Associate Professor to Full Professor.

Teaching Fellow

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2003-2008
Fort Worth, Texas

Taught psychology and counseling courses to master's level students.
Responsibilities included curriculum development, creation of syllabi, text selection, and lesson plan construction.

Adjunct Faculty

Dallas Baptist University, 2007 – 2008
Dallas, Texas

Taught psychology and counseling courses to master's level students.
Responsibilities included curriculum development, creation of syllabi, text selection, and lesson plan construction.

Clinical Intern Supervisor

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2004-2008
Fort Worth, Texas

Directed supervision of counselors-in-training at the Baptist Marriage and Family Counseling Center and interacted with outside agencies in coordination of supervision of externs.

Graduate Assistant

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2002-2006
Fort Worth, Texas

Assisted Dr. Dana Wicker in conducting research and instructing master level students, managed on-line grade book, and graded master's level assignments.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

Director of Counseling Center

Southcliff Christian Counseling Center, 2003-2023
Fort Worth, Texas

Provide counseling services to the community, offer consultation services for church staff members concerning counseling matters, provide mental health seminars for congregation and community, and manage counseling personnel and resources.

Missionary

International Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention

International Baptist Theological Academy, 1995-1997
Budapest, Hungary
Taught English translation to church leaders from Eastern Europe and Northern Africa, mentored Christians, taught English as a foreign language to the community, and conducted relationship evangelism

Church Planter, 1997-1999
Banja Luka, Bosnia
Planted an indigenous evangelical church, mentored new Christians, and taught a Business English class at the University of Serbia.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCES:

Licensure/Certifications

Licensed Professional Counselor, Texas, Since 2003

Licensed Professional Counselor Approved Supervisor, Texas, Since 2009

International Critical Incident Stress Management Certification, Since 2002
Approved CISM Instructor, Since 2016

Advanced International Critical Incident Stress Management Certification,
2010

Suicide Prevention, Intervention, Postvention Certification, 2010

Taylor Johnson Temperament Analysis Trainer, Since 2008

Prepare/Enrich, Since 2001

Protection of Human Subjects in Research Certification, Since 2012
Through Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative, Miami University

Professional Affiliations

American Association of Christian Counselors, Since 2000
Faculty advisor for BH Carroll Theological Institute's student chapter of American Association of Christian Counselors, 2016-Present
Track Coordinator for World Conferences, 2013 - Present

Frequent Contributor to the AACC Daily Blog

Society for Christian Psychology, Since 2005

Executive Director of the Society, 2015 - 2022
Clinical Advisory Board, Since 2009
Editor of the Society's quarterly newsletter, Since 2015
Frequent Contributor to Society's Online Journal

American Psychological Association, 2017 - 2023

Christian Association of Psychological Studies, Since 2009
Regional Board of Directors, 2011 - 2014
Track Coordinator for the 2013 International Conference

Journal of Christian Psychology, Associate Editor Since 2014

Journal of Theology and Psychology, Peer Reviewer Since 2012

Journal of Psychology and Christianity, Peer Reviewer Since 2013

Sage Publications, Psychology and Counseling Textbook Reviewer, Since 2014

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS:

Presentations

"Ministering to Survivors of Human Trafficking"
First Baptist Church of Granbury
Granbury, TX, May 2024

"Understanding the Wounds of Human Trafficking"
American Association of Christian Counselors
World Conference
Nashville, TN, September 2023

"Counseling Survivors of Human Trafficking"
BH Carroll Theological Seminary
Irvin, Texas, March 2023

"Understanding Human Trafficking"
Christian Counselors of Texas Annual Conference
Austin, Texas, February 2023

"The Nature of Trauma and Complex Trauma"
Addressing Crisis, Trauma, and Grief: A Conference for Counselors,
Chaplains, and Ministers
BH Carroll Theological Seminary
Fort Worth, Texas, January 2023

“Counseling Survivors of Human Trafficking”
Addressing Crisis, Trauma, and Grief: A Conference for Counselors,
Chaplains, and Ministers
BH Carroll Theological Seminary
Fort Worth, Texas, January 2023

“Understanding and Treating Complex Trauma”
Pre-Conference Seminar
American Association of Christian Counselors National Conference
Dallas, Texas, September 2022

“Healing the Wounds of Trafficking”
American Association of Christian Counselors National Conference
Dallas, Texas, September 2022

“Working with Victims of Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking”
5 Stones Taskforce
Fort Worth, Texas, July 2022

“Counseling Victims of Human Trafficking”
Metamorphosis Conference
Texas Association of Addiction Professionals
Fort Worth, Texas, Spring 2022

“Complex Trauma: The Healing Gateway to New Life and New Relationships”
Pre-Conference Seminar
American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Orlando, Florida, September 2021

The Trauma Safe Church
A video produced for training church leaders.
American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Orlando, Florida, September 2021

“The Destructive Web of Human Trafficking”
American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Orlando, Florida, September 2021

“The Nature of Trauma”
Intensive Training with Certification
Topics Include Trauma, Complex Trauma, and Secondary Trauma
American Association of Christian Counselors
Summer 2020

“Working with Victims of Sex Trafficking”
Identifying and Responding to Human Trafficking and Intimate Partner Violence
in Healthcare Symposium
Tarrant County Public Health
Fort Worth, Texas, November 14, 2019

“Healing the Wounds of Trafficking”
American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, October 12, 2019

“Using Psychodrama with Christian Clients: An Experiential Workshop for
Therapists”
Pre-Conference Workshop
American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, October 9, 2019

“Understanding Victims of Human Trafficking”
ESC Region 11 – Conference for School Counselors
Fort Worth, Texas, September 12, 2019

“From Surviving to Thriving: Counseling Survivors of Human Trafficking”
Webinar for American Association of Christian Counselors
Lynchburg, Virginia, September 3, 2019

“Counseling Survivors of Human Trafficking”
B H Carroll Christian Counseling Series
Irving, Texas, April 3, 2019

“Human Trafficking: Keeping Students Safe:
ESC Region 11 – Conference for School Counselors
Fort Worth, Texas, November 2018

“The Sandwich Generation”
Living Well Conference, Travis Avenue Baptist Church
Fort Worth, Texas, October 6, 2018

“Rethinking Depression:
A Christian Psychology Approach to Healing Emotional Disorders”
American Association of Christian Counselors National Conference
Dallas, Texas, September 27, 2018

“Treating Survivors of Human Trafficking”
American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, September 2017

“The Issue of Trauma Bonds in Sex Trafficking”

North Texas Anti-Trafficking Team – Human Trafficking Institute
Arlington, Texas, December 14, 2016

“Understanding Trauma Bonds in Victims of Sex Trafficking”

American Association of Christian Counselors Regional Conference
Dallas, Texas, September 2016

“Self-Care: Protecting Yourself from Compassion Fatigue and Burnout”

Anti-Trafficking Workshop
Fort Worth, Texas, May 21, 2016

“Trauma Bonds in Domestic Victims of Sex Trafficking”

American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, September 2015

“The Development of Trauma Bonds in Victims of Human Trafficking”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference Denver,
Colorado, April 8, 2015

“Exploring Professional Therapists’ Worldviews through the Lens of Christian
Psychology”

13th Symposium of European Movement for Christian Anthropology, Psychology
and Psychotherapy
Rome Italy, October 3, 2014

“Understanding the Connection between Trauma Bonds and Personal Identity in
Victims of Sex Trafficking”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference
Atlanta, Georgia, April 5, 2014.

“Understanding the Connection between Trauma Bonds and Personal Identity in
Victims of Sex Trafficking”

38th Annual Adolescent Symposium of Texas
Garland, Texas, February 5, 2014.

“Developmental Approach to Counselor Education”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies Regional Meeting
Dallas, Texas, September 27, 2013.

“Ethics: The Uses and Misuses of Technology in Counseling”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies Regional Meeting
Dallas, Texas, September 27, 2013.

“Understanding the Connection Between Trauma Bonds and Personal Identity in Victims of Sex Trafficking”

American Association for Christian Counseling World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, September 13, 2013.

“Where Did That Come From?! Understanding the Importance of Worldviews”

Association for Early Childhood Education
Fort Worth, Texas, July 27, 2013.

“Counselor Supervision: The Process of Developing a Professional”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference
Portland, Oregon, April 6, 2013.

“Avoiding Secondary Trauma and Burn-Out”

Homeland Security Task Force on Human Trafficking
Plano, Texas, February 22, 2013.

“A Christian Psychology Approach to Neuropsychology, Psychopathology, and Psychotherapy”

American Association of Christian Counselors National Conference
Branson, Missouri, September 27, 2012

“Issues and Ethics in Counselor Supervision”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies
Plano, Texas, June 1, 2012

“Logos-Centered Supervision: A Worldview Approach to Training Counselors”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference
Washington D.C., March 31, 2012

“A Little Too Close to Home: Human Trafficking in Texas”

Dallas Baptist University Symposium
Dallas, Texas, February 3, 2012

“After the Rescue: Counseling Children and Teens in the Aftermath of Sex Trafficking” Christian Association for Psychological Studies

Dallas, Texas, November, 2011

“International Crisis Counseling”

American Association of Christian Counselors 2011 World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, September, 2011

“Nothing Natural about Naturalism (or How did that get in the classroom??)”

Dallas Baptist University Symposium
Dallas, Texas, September, 2011

“Created in the Image of God”

Key Note Speaker Women’s Retreat: South Hills Baptist Church
Glen Rose, Texas, June 25, 2011

“Loving God’s Way”

Key Note Speaker Marriage Conference: First Baptist Grapeview
Grapeview, Texas, April 2011

“Taking Hope and Healing to the World: Global Crisis Counseling”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference
Indianapolis, Indiana, April 2011

“After the Assault: Helping Families Overcome Trauma”

Christian Counselors of Texas State Conference
Dallas, Texas, February 2011

“International Crisis Counseling: Taking Hope and Healing to the World”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies
Dallas, Texas, September 2010

“Healing Communities: A Great Need in the 21st Century”

Christian Association for Psychological Studies International Conference
Kansas City, Missouri, April 2010

“Strengthening Your Emotional and Spiritual Health”

Women of Excellence Retreat, Dallas Baptist University
Dallas, Texas, February 2010

“Dating 101”

Marriage Conference, South Hills Baptist Church
Fort Worth, Texas, October 2009

“Counseling Families of the Sexually Assaulted”

American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference
Nashville, Tennessee, September 2009

“Basic Techniques for Counseling Traumatized Children”

Seminar Series for Educators, Pastors, and Orphanage Administrators Xela,
Guatemala, May 2009

“Aftermath of Sexual Assault: Helping Individuals and Families Heal from Rape”

Dallas Baptist University Symposium
Dallas, Texas, February 2009

“Sex and the City of God”

Dallas Baptist University Symposium
Dallas, Texas, November 2008

“Building Intimate Marriages”

International Baptist Convention
Interlaken, Switzerland, June 2006.

“Men 101”
Women’s Conference
Wedgwood Baptist Church
Fort Worth, Texas, March 2006

“The Emotional You”
Women’s Conference
Southern Oaks Baptist Church
Tyler, Texas, February 2006

“Co-Dependency in Parenting”
The Healing Place, Southcliff Baptist Church
Fort Worth, Texas 2006

“Ministering to People in Crisis”
Hurricane Katrina Aid Workers, North Richland Hills Baptist Church
North Richland Hills, Texas, 2005

“Suicidal Teens”
The Healing Place, Southcliff Baptist Church
Fort Worth, Texas, 2004

Research

“Understanding the Nature of Trauma Bonds in Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking Victims: A Grounded Theory” (2014). Irving, Texas.

“A Study of the Differences in Trauma Related Symptoms in Adult Female Rape Victims across Levels of Support Systems,” (2008). Ph.D. Dissertation, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary: Fort Worth, Texas.

Published Works

“Not Easily Broken: Trauma Bonds and the Road to Healing.” (2021.) *Christian Counseling Today*. 24: no. 4: 47-49.

“Human Trafficking.” (2017.) Treating trauma in Christian counseling. (Gingrich, H. & Gingrich, F. Ed.) Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press.

“Comment on “On Christian Psychology: An Interview with Russ Kosits.” (July,

2015). Christian Psychology Around the World, no. 7: 24-25.

"The Framework for Counseling from an Evangelical Perspective," (March, 2014). Christian Psychology Around the World, no. 5: 89.

"The Counsel of Heaven on Earth: A Book Review." (2013). Christian Psychology Around the World, no. 4.

"A Book Review of Integrative Approaches to Psychology and Christianity: An Introduction to Worldview Issues, Philosophical Foundations, and Models of Integration." (2013), Edification. 6, no. 2: 153-155.

"Comment on Marina Truganova's essay, "A practical investigation of the image of Mother of God in Christian psychotherapy of trauma." (2012), Christian Psychology Around the World, no. 3: 169.

"The Shaping of a Professional Worldview in the Classroom: A Christian Psychology Project" (Winter 2011). Journal of Psychology & Christianity.30, no. 4: 329-338.

"Renting Lacy: A Book Review." "Soul and Spirit E-Newsletter" Society for Christian Psychology January, 2012.

"Child Abuse". (2011). Popular encyclopedia of Christian counseling (Clinton, T. and Hawkins, R. Ed). Irvine, CA: Harvest House.

"Dependent Personality Disorder". (2011). Popular encyclopedia of Christian counseling (Clinton, T. and Hawkins, R. Ed). Irvine, CA: Harvest House.

"A Journey Through Suffering." "Soul and Spirit E-Newsletter" Society for Christian Psychology June 24, 2011, http://christianpsych.org/wp_scp/a-journey-through-suffering/

"A Study of the Differences in Trauma Related Symptoms in Adult Female Rape Victims across Levels of Support Systems," (2008). Ph.D. Dissertation, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary: Fort Worth, Texas.

Supportive Relationship Inventory. (2008). Assessment Inventory. Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary: Fort Worth, Texas.

Wicker, Dana, and Shannon Wolf, Counseling Center Handbook. (2004). Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary: Fort Worth, Texas.

This manual was used as a required text for all practicum students at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. It includes policy and procedure for the Baptist Marriage and Family Counseling Center at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary from 2004 - 2010.

Frequent contributor to Society for Christian Psychology's online journal.
Frequent contributor to American Association of Christian Counselors' online

Newsletter.

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Community and International Involvement

Unbound. Fort Worth, Texas, 2019 – 2025

North Texas Advisory Council.

Unbound, a nonprofit organization, activates local communities to combat human trafficking through prevention, awareness, professional training, and survivor advocacy.

Fort Worth Critical Incident Stress Management. 2004 – 2020

Coordinator for CISM team in providing emergency mental first aid, or debriefings, following critical incidents to any agency or group of individuals requesting assistance. The focus of this service is to minimize the harmful effects of emotional stress, particularly crisis, following and emergency situations.

Expert Witness in Human Trafficking Court Cases 2016- Present.

Offer expert testimony in human trafficking cases in federal court and for the State of Texas.

Texas Attorney General Task Force, Texas, 2012 – 2017

Serve on a task force for Research and Development of minimum standards of care for organizations providing safe homes and/or services for trafficked individuals in the state of Texas.

Assist Local Churches in Developing Counseling Ministries, 2008 – Present

Consult with and provide guidance to local church leaders in developing Christian counseling ministries in their churches.

Traffick911 Consultant, Fort Worth, Texas, 2010 – 2013

Developed a counseling model and continue to serve in an advisory capacity for Traffick911, a nonprofit organization, that works towards preventing, rescuing, and restoring child victims of sexual trafficking.

Consultant for Homeland Security Task Force for Human Trafficking (North Texas Office), 2013 - 2015

Serve as a consultant for developing methods of interviewing child victims of human trafficking as well as assisting the team in the development of strategies for preventing burn-out and secondary trauma.

Crisis Counseling, Port au Prince, Haiti, March 2010

Led team of crisis counselors to work with individuals in Haiti. Provided trauma

counseling for Haitian nationals, humanitarian aid workers, and expatriates in the wake of the January 2010 earthquake.

Lecturer and Trainer for Educators, Orphanage Administration, Community Leaders and Pastors, in Working with Traumatized Children, Xela, Guatemala, May, 2009

Provided training to community leaders and social agencies who worked with traumatized and at-risk children in a rural area of Guatemala.