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OBJECTIVE

To Glorify God by faithfully teaching His Word, training leaders for God's Church.



SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

I have over 30 years of experience in pastoral ministries and theological education, 10 in the USA, 20 in Latin America. I have a global perspective, having lived and served in Latin America for 16 years, and having traveled to a variety of countries where I was privileged to interact with a variety of cultures, and various socio-economic levels.

I speak Spanish fluently and have served in both inner city and suburban contexts. I have served among highly educated people and among those with little or no education. I love the church of Christ, and have a deep burden for the training of men and women for God's Church among all people.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1980 - 1983 Evangelistic Sports Ministry

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Sports Ambassadors Summer Ministry Team
Travelled to Panama, Chile, and Colombia using basketball as a way to evangelize.

1981

Sports Ambassadors Summer Ministry Team
Travelled to Spain, France, Egypt, and Greece using basketball as a way to evangelize.

1982 - 1983

Athletes in Action Basketball Team

Christian Missionary basketball team that used basketball at the highest level playing major colleges and universities to evangelize around the world. Traveled to Mexico and England as well as throughout the USA. Shared testimonies, vangelized, taught Bible studies, etc.

1998 - Present **Interim Pastor, Church of the Alcoholic**
Grand Rapids, MI USA

Pastor responsible for preaching, leading worship, Bible Studies and all aspects of church life for a church designed to minister to alcoholics and their family members.

1986 - 1987 **Resident Director, Cornerstone University**
Grand Rapids, MI USA

Oversight of a men's university dormitory, responsible for administration, discipleship, supervision of 90 male students and a team of 5 resident assistants.

1988 - 1995 **Church Planter and Pastor, Grace Evangelical Free Church**
Rochester, NY USA

Planted church and served as pastor. Responsible for oversight of all ministry areas of church life including preaching, teaching, administration, pastoral care, leadership, etc.

1998 - Present **Missionary with ReachGlobal Mission**
(Evangelical Free Church Mission), (Served in Lima, Perú SA.
from 1998-2013; Serve all of Latin America 2016-present)

Involved in a variety of ministries in a cross-cultural context. These ministries included theological education, church planting, pastoral mentoring, leadership development.

2000 - 2008

Team Leader responsible for leadership of missionary team in every aspect. Served as liaison between missionary team and national Peruvian church, liaison between Peru field team and mission's regional leadership, etc. Responsible for mentoring missionary team, leading in ministry initiatives, and working with National Churches.

1999 - 2013

Professor at Evangelical Free Church Bible Institute. Served on planning team, served on educational oversight committee, taught classes including, Systematic Theology I, II, III; Hermeneutics I and II: Homiletics; and Spiritual Formation.

2004

Developed courses for Church-based training modules (Panorama of the Old Testament, Inductive Bible Study, and Spiritual Formation) for the Evangelical Free Churches of Perú.

2012 - 2017

Professor with Latin American Training Network (Prometa). Taught online master's courses to Spanish speaking students in more than 22 countries. Developed and taught courses such as The Book of Acts, New Testament Leadership, and Authority and Leadership in the Contemporary Church.

2004 - 2020

Professor at Universidad SEL (The University of the Evangelical Seminary of Lima, Peru). Taught classes including, Pauline Epistles, Romans, 1 Corinthians, Jesus and the Gospels, Pastoral Theology, Gospel of John, Hermeneutics, Advanced Exegesis of New Testament; and Exegesis of New Testament Letters. Taught on the university level, graduate level, master's level.

2020

Professor with Baptist Theological Center (Centros Teológicos Bautistas). Taught online course on Hermeneutics to Spanish speaking students from all over Perú.

2004 - 2013

Church Planting. Leader of church planting team in a poor area of the city of Lima. Responsible for oversight of all ministry areas including preaching, teaching, administration, etc. Heavily involved in discipling of believers, mentoring of leaders, counseling, preaching, teaching Bible Studies, etc.

2016 - present

Theological Educator, Pastoral Mentor in Latin America. Travel extensively to a variety of countries in Latin America and the Caribbean teaching theological education and providing pastoral mentoring. These countries include: Nicaragua, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Perú and Cuba. I have taught at the following seminaries throughout Latin America and the Caribbean:

- Escuela de Estudios Pastorales (ESEPA) in Costa Rica.
- Seminario de Los Andes (SELA) in Ayacucho, Perú.
- Instituto Superior de Teología (ISTA) in Arequipa, Perú.
- Seminario Los Pinos Nuevos in Santa Clara, Holguin, and Havana Cuba.

Courses taught include, Transformation in Paul's letters, Hermeneutics, Homiletics, a variety of New Testament books, Apocalyptic Literature, and a variety of theological issues.

2016 Adjunct Professor at Grand Rapids Theological Seminary

Taught New Testament Biblical Theology, Spring Semester 2016.

2000 - present

Mentoring of Pastors. Served as pastoral mentor to the pastors of the Evangelical Free Church of Peru for 15 years. Met individually and in group with each of the pastors seeking to guide them in the exercise of their pastoral responsibilities. Engaged in Pastoral mentoring with Pastors in Juigalpa, Nicaragua.

2016 Adjunct Professor at Cornerstone University PGS

Taught Principles of Bible Studies, Winter 2015.

EDUCATION

1977 - 1979 Dartmouth College
Hanover, NH USA

1979 - 1982 Providence College
Providence, RI USA
Obtained a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature.
Graduated Magna Cum Laude.

1984 - 1988 Grand Rapids Theological Seminary
Grand Rapids, MI
Obtained a Masters of Divinity in Pastoral Ministries. Graduated with Suma Cum Laude.

1995 - 2004 Grand Rapids Theological Seminary
Grand Rapids, MI
Obtained a Masters of Theology in New Testament.
Graduated with honors.

2013 - 2016 University of Pretoria
Pretoria, South Africa
Obtained a PhD in New Testament Studies.
Dissertation title: Paul and spiritual transformation: Evaluating the Contemporary Contemplative Tradition in Light of Paul's $\mu\omicron\rho\phi$ Texts.

PUBLICATIONS

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Was Paul among
the contemplatives ?

HTS Theological Studies,
Vol 72, No 3 (2016).

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FAMILY

Married to **Kay Marie Vanderwest** since 1983. We have five children and seven grandchildren.

REFERENCES
