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Michael J. Christensen is National Director of the Shalom Initiative for Prophetic Leadership and Community Development at Drew University where he teaches practical theology. Formerly Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program (1996-2007), he was responsible for the development and oversight of six academic concentrations over a period of 12 years, including: Congregational Growth and Development; Worship, Spirituality and Preaching; Hispanic Leadership and Ministry Development, Ecological Ministries and Interfaith Dialogue; Pastoral Care and Counseling; and the Global/Online DMIN in Postmodern Leadership Development. Working at the intersection of psychology, spirituality and social justice, his academic and professional interests are in pastoral theology, spiritual formation, mental health education, community development and social transformation. He is certified as a Field Traumatologist with professional experience in community mental health promotion and training. His administrative competencies are in communications, program design and management, fiscal oversight, and leadership development in theological education. Ordained in the Church of the Nazarene, he is a clergy member of the California Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

EDUCATION

2002	CFT	International Traumatology Institute, University of South Florida Professional Certification in Field Traumatology
1997	Ph.D	Graduate School, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey Graduated with Distinction in Theological and Religious Studies. Dissertation Topic: "Apocalyptic Interpretations of Chernobyl".
1995	M.Phil	Graduate School, Drew University Comprehensive Exams passed with distinction in Patristic Period, Problem of Theosis, John Wesley and C. S. Lewis
1985-1991		Franciscan School of Theology (GTU), Berkeley, CA. Course work in theology, faith development and urban ministry
1981	M.A.R.	Philosophical Theology and Spiritual Formation Yale University Divinity School, New Haven, CT.
1977	B.A.	Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, CA., B.A. "Graduation with Distinction" Major: English Literature Minor: Psychology

CURRENT POSITION

National Director of the Shalom Initiative for Prophetic Leadership and Community Development, and Affiliate Associate Professor of Spirituality, Drew University

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Affiliate Associate Professor of Spirituality, Caspersen School of Graduate Studies (2001-present)

Affiliate Assistant Professor of Spirituality, Caspersen School of Graduate Studies, Drew University (1997-2001)

Adjunct Instructor in Pastoral Theology, Drew Theological School (1993-present)

Adjunct Instructor in Religious Studies, Drew College of Liberal Arts (1993-present)

Visiting Instructor in Practical Theology and Urban Ministry, Point Loma College (1988)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1996-2007 Director, Doctor of Ministry Program, Drew Theological School, New Jersey

2006-2007 Africa Regional Director, CitiHope International (during sabbatical)

1994-1995 Special Representative of the President, CitiHope International (for medical sponsorships and fund development), New York

1991-1995 Special Projects Consultant, World Vision US Programs; International Coordinator, Chernobyl Mental Health Project, World Vision International (Belarus)

1990-1992 Director, San Francisco United Methodist AIDS Project, California Nevada Annual Conference (San Francisco)

1990-1992 Associate Pastor, Hamilton United Methodist Church (San Francisco)

1981-1986 Founding Pastor, Golden Gate Community Church of the Nazarene (San Francisco)

1981-1990 Founding Executive Director, Golden Gate Community, Inc. (San Francisco)

1977-1981 Assistant Minister and Director of Communications, The Lamb's Church of the Nazarene (Manhattan); Associate Pastor (1978-1980); Interim Pastor (1981), NY

ORDINATION

Ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament, May 19, 1982,
Northern California District Assembly, Church of the Nazarene
Recognition of Orders, May 15, 1996, California Nevada Annual Conference of The United Methodist
Church.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion

Associate, Center for Millennial Studies, Boston University (1998-2001)

Phi Delta Lambda Honor Society, Point Loma Nazarene University

COMMUNITY SERVICE

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| 2008-present | Founder and Chairman of the Board, WorldHope Corps, Inc. |
| 2000-present | Trustee and Member of Executive Committee, Board of Trustees, Ocean Grove
Camp Meeting Association, Ocean Grove, New Jersey |
| 1999-2007 | Member, Board of Directors, The Henri Nouwen Society, Toronto |
| 1997-2006 | Chairman of the Board, CitiHope International, New York |
| 1992-1999 | Board of Directors, Amistad Mission and Orphanage, Bolivia |
| 1988-1993 | Member of Board of Ministerial Guidance, San Francisco Leadership
Foundation |
| 1989-1992 | District Director, Point Loma Nazarene College Alumni Board, San Diego |
| 1989-1991 | Volunteer Chaplain, AIDS Unit, San Francisco General Hospital, supervised by
the Episcopal Chaplaincy Office |
| 1990-1992 | Board Member, San Francisco Interreligious Coalition on AIDS |
| 1987-1990 | Founding President and Chairman of the Board, Hamilton Family Center (San
Francisco's first emergency family shelter) |
| 1983-84 | Founding Board Member, Haight Ashbury Food Program (San Francisco) |

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Partakers of the Divine Nature: Deification in the Christian Traditions, Michael J. Christensen and Jeffery Wittung, eds. Fairleigh Dickinson University Press, 2007. Paperback edition: Baker Academic, 2008

Spiritual Direction: Wisdom for the Long Walk of Faith by Henri Nouwen with Michael Christensen and Rebecca Laird, HarperCollins, 2006.

The Heart of Henri Nouwen: Words of Blessing, ed., with Rebecca Laird. Crossroad, 2003.

The World After Chernobyl: Social Impact and Christian Response. Crossroads Monograph Series on Faith and Public Policy (1997, 2001).

Equipping the Saints: Mobilizing Laity for Ministry, ed. Abingdon, 2000.

Children of Chernobyl: Raising Hope From the Ashes, with Michele Carter. Augsburg Fortress Press, 1993-winner of First Place Book Award, California Press Women (1994); Russian edition (1995); Japanese edition (1996).

The Samaritan's Imperative: Compassionate Ministry to People Living With AIDS. Abingdon, 1991.

City Streets, City People: A Call to Compassion. Abingdon, 1989.

C S. Lewis on Scripture --first published by Word Books in 1979 (over 25,000 hardbacks sold); reissued in paperback by Abingdon Press and Hodder & Stoughton, 1988); reprinted by Parthenon Press (1996); reprinted by Abingdon (2002).

Contributions to Reference Books and Edited Volumes

Excerpt of the Japanese translation of Children of Chernobyl: Raising Hope from the Ashes in the National Database of The National Institute for Japanese Language Research, Tokyo, Japan (2008).

“The Great Transformation In The Crucible Of Our Times: What Is Theosis For The Church And The World In The 21st Century?” In *Becoming Divine: Essays On Theosis In Honor Of Father Alexander Men*, Bishop Seraphim Sigrist, Editor. Morrisville, NC: Lulu Press, 2007)

Chapter on “Global Youth Culture in Russia and Ukraine” in *Youth, Religion and Globalization: New Research in Practical Theology*. International Practical Theology Vol. 3. Richard R. Osmer and Kenda Creasy Dean, eds. (Berlin: LIT Verlag 2006)

“Extravagant Love: How Jerry Came Home after Hurricane Katrina” in *Katrina: Stories of heroism and faith in the midst of natural disaster*. Fetcher L. Tink and Oliver R. Phillips, eds. Beacon Hill Press, 2005

“Community in Disaster” and “Chernobyl” in *Encyclopedia of Community: From the Village to the Virtual World*, Karen Christensen and David Levinson, ed. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2003.

“How Big is God?” in *Befriending Life: Encounters with Henri Nouwen*, Beth Porter, ed. Doubleday: June 2001.

Associate Editor and Contributor: *Routledge Encyclopedia of Millennialism and Millennial Movements*, Richard Landes, General Editor (Routledge 2000); Contributed essays on “Chernobyl”, “Russian Millennialism” and “Marking Millennial Moments.”

“Calcutta” and “Street Youth” in *Encyclopedia of Homelessness (Two Volumes)* David Levinson, General Editor. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2004.

Thematic essays and in-text notes on “Heart”, “Fasting”, and “City” in *The Everyday Study Bible*. Word, 1996.

Articles

“Is AIDS a Judgment of God?” in *Circuit Rider* (July/August, 2007)

“A Faith-Based Response to the AIDS Crisis in Malawi” in *The Living Pulpit* (July-September 2007)

“The Shrewdness in Stewardship” in *The Living Pulpit* (July-September 2006)

“Teaching from the Center: Spirituality of the Heart in the Theology of Henri Nouwen” *Journal of Christian Education and Information Technology* (April 2006, Vol 9)

“Partakers of the Divine Nature: The Problem, Promise and Process of Theosis” in *Journal of Christian Education and Information Technology* (October 2005, Vol 8)

“The Outsider Inside the Upside-down Kingdom: A Biblical Basis for Ministries of Mercy and Justice” in *The Living Pulpit* (October 2004).

“John Wesley and the Poor: The Wesleyan Heritage in Nazarene Compassionate Ministries” in the Wesley Tercentennial Issue, *Holiness Today* (June 2003).

“Spiritual Brothers: Thomas Merton and Henri Nouwen” *Sacred Journey* (April 2002).

“After the Year of Jubilee” The Living Pulpit (Vol. 10 No. 2 April/June 2001).

“Huston Smith on the Universal Truths in the World Religions” Sacred Journey (August 2001).

Guest Editor, Circuit Rider, “Are You Wired?” technology and ministry issue published by United Methodist Publishing Company (May/June 2000).

“Merton and Nouwen as Brothers” Henri Nouwen Stitching Newsletter (Dutch, Jan. 2001).

“Time and Calendars in Russian Apocalyptic Eschatology” in Journal of Christian Education and Information Technology (April 2004, Vol 5)

“The Psychosocial Impact of Chernobyl: Thirteen Years After” The Journal of Intergroup Relations (Vol. XXVI, No. 1, Spring 1999).

“The Chernobyl Prophecy in Russian Apocalyptic Eschatology” The Living Pulpit (Vol. 8, No. 1, January 1999).

“Believers Without Borders: Bringing Hope to Kosovo Refugees” The Covenant Companion, (July 1999).

“The Russian Idea of Apocalypse: Nikolai Berdyaev’s Theory of Russian Cultural Apocalyptic” The Journal of Millennial Studies, Online @www.mille.org/journal.html (December 1998)

"Theosis and Sanctification: John Wesley's Reformulation of a Patristic Doctrine" Wesleyan Theological Journal (Vol. 31, No. 2, Fall, 1996).

"Evangelical-Orthodox Dialogue in Russia" The Journal of Ecumenical Studies (Spring 96).

"Evangelism, Ecumenism and Mission" Religion in Eastern Europe (Volume XVI, No.3, 1996).

“AIDS Ministry and the Article of Death: A Wesleyan Pastoral Theological Perspective” Catalyst (March 1995).

Feature Book Review of Thomas Oden’s Classical Pastoral Care, in Baker Books’ four-volume edition. Christian Counseling Resource Review (Summer 1995).

“Practical Divinity: Our Theological Task in Urban Ministry” Catalyst- - the quarterly publication of A Foundation for Theological Education (Vol. 20, No. 4, April 1994).

“People With AIDS” Christian Counseling Today (Spring 1994).

“C. S. Lewis on Love, Sex and Remarriage” The First Hour (Spring 1994).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught At Drew University 1993 - present

College of Liberal Arts:

Modern Lay Theologians: C. S. Lewis and his Circle (1993, 1996, 2002, 2004)
Eastern Christianity (1997)
Religion(s) in America (Fall, 1999)
Merton and Mysticism (2004)
Topics in Religious Studies: Apocalyptic Eschatology (2005)
Religion and Social Justice: Faith-Based Approaches to AIDS (2007)

The Theological School (M.Div. program)

Ministry to Urban Youth (1993)
Advanced Pastoral Care: Crisis Intervention (1994)
Introduction to Pastoral Care (1995)
Figures in Contemplative Spirituality: Henri J. M. Nouwen (Summer 1999, 2003, 2007)
Cross-cultural seminar: Crisis Intervention in Ukraine (2000)
The Spiritual Quest (2003)

The Theological School (DMIN program)

Theology for Christian Education (1995)
Evangelism as Spiritual Care (1996)
Historical and Theological Foundations for Ministry (1997)
Technology, Eschatology and Ministry (1998, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007)
Themes in Ministry: Holiness in the Third Millennium (Summer 1999)
Themes in Ministry: Proclaim Jubilee (Summer 2000)
Travel Study Seminar: Exploring Celtic Sites with Christian Faith (Summer 2000, 2003)
Pastoral Theology: Equipping Laity for Ministry (Korean Program) (2001)
Pastoral Theology: Spirituality and Community (2001, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006)
New Urbanism: Social Engineering, Shaping Tradition and Community Building (2002)
Faith in Film: The Gospel in Popular Culture (2005)

Creation Spirituality and Community (2006)
Prophetic Leadership in Congregation and Community (2008)

The Caspersen School of Graduate Studies, Drew University (Ph.D. and D.Litt. Programs)

Eastern Christianity (1997)
Studies in Spirituality: The Life and Works of Henri J. M. Nouwen (1999, 2000, 2002)
Christian Mysticism and Contemplative Practice (2001)
The Romantic Theology of C. S. Lewis and the Inklings (2002)
Tutorial: American Mystics (2002)
Tutorial: Thomas Merton (2002)
Studies in Spirituality: Merton and Mysticism (2004)
Tutorial: Henri Nouwen (2005)

Courses Taught at New Brunswick Theological Seminary

Urban Anthropology: Theology and Practice of Shalom (2008-09)

Courses Taught at Point Loma College as Visiting Instructor (1988)

Introduction to Pastoral Theology

Introduction to the New Testament

Seminar in Urban Ministry

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION PRESENTATIONS

“Social Conflict and Communities of Shalom”, Presidential Leadership Summit on Conflict Resolution (Bacone College, (October, 2008).

“The Great Transformation in the Crucible of our Times: What is theosis for the Church and the World in the 21st century?”--keynote lecture for the Russian Orthodox international conference on the Eschatological Vision of Alexander Men. Church of St. Mary Magdalene, NY (2007).

“Teaching from the Center: Spirituality of the Heart in the Theology of Henri Nouwen” at Korean Society for Christian Education and Information Technology, Torch Trinity Divinity School, Seoul, Korea (2006)

“Lessons of Chernobyl--20 Years After: A Case Study of Community Trauma” at Forum on Domestic Disaster Ministry sponsored by Church World Service at Princeton Theological Seminary (2006)

“Apocalyptic Interpretations of 9/11” at the Center for Millennial Studies Seventh International Academic Conference on Millennialism, Boston University (2002)

“The Fifth Trumpet: Apocalyptic Interpretations of 9/11” in the Millennialism Studies Group of National American Academy of Religion (2002)

"The Meaning of Chernobyl: Assessing the Psychosocial Impact of the World's Worst Nuclear Accident" in the Religion and Ecology section of American Academy of Religion (1994)

“CCCP: Screening, Referral and Treatment of Thyroid and Psychological Pathologies in Adolescents in Ukraine” Chernobyl Round Table, Russian, Eastern Europe and Central Asia Studies Center (REECAS), University of Washington (2001)

“Nuclear Doomsday: Global Apocalypse Averted” at the Center for Millennial Studies Fifth International Academic Conference, Boston University (2000)

“Time and Calendars in Russian Apocalyptic Eschatology” in the Millennialism Studies Group of National American Academy of Religion (1999)

“The Romantic Theology of C. S. Lewis” at the Wheaton Theology Conference: Returning Theology to the Masses: A Reappraisal of C. S. Lewis. Wheaton, IL (1998)

“The Russian Idea of Apocalypse: Nikolai Berdyaev’s Theory of Russian Cultural Apocalyptic” at the Center for Millennial Studies Third International Academic Conference, Boston University (1998)

“Theosis and Perfection: What Happens to Persons in a Postmodern Era” at the Wesleyan Center for Twenty-First Century Studies, Point Loma Nazarene College (1997)

“The World After Chernobyl: Social Impact and Christian Response” at the 5th Crossroads Conference on Faith and Public Policy, Eastern College, PA (1997)

"Chernobyl Community Trauma: A new diagnosis for technological disaster" in the Socio-Psychological Problems of the Chernobyl Disaster Section of the Third International Congress: The World After Chernobyl, Minsk, Belarus (1996)

"Apocalyptic Interpretations of Chernobyl" at the Religious Round Table, hosted by Metropolitan Philaret of Minsk, Third International Congress: The World After Chernobyl, Minsk, Belarus (1996)

“The Chernobyl Prophecy” in the Millennialism Studies Group, American Academy of Religion (1996)

"Individuation and Theosis: Jung's Reconstruction of an Ancient Christian Theme" at the Religion, Person and Culture area of 1995 American Academy of Religion (1995)

"Theosis and Sanctification: John Wesley's Reformulation of a Patristic Doctrine" at the Wesleyan Theological Society Annual Meeting (1995).

Respondent, Eastern Europe and Former USSR Concerns consultation, American Academy of Religion (1994)

SELECTED LECTURES AT DREW UNIVERSITY

“Cracking the Da Vinci Code: Separating Fact, Fiction and Supposition”, sponsored by Drew University Book Store (2005)

"Thomas C. Oden: A Retrospective" delivered at his Retirement Colloquium, Drew Theological School (2004)

"Theosis and Sanctification: John Wesley's Reformulation of a Patristic Idea” at the International Academic Conference on Theosis sponsored by the Caspersen School of Graduate Studies (2004)

“Insights from World’s Worst Nuclear Accident and Implications for Next Radiological Disaster” Chernobyl Symposium (2003)

“Questions from Below and Answers from Above: The Prophetic Vision of Henri Nouwen”, The Inaugural Lecture of The Henri J. M. Nouwen Lectures in Classical Christian Spirituality, Caspersen School of Graduate Studies (2001)

“The Wormwood Star as Apocalyptic Marker of the End of an Age” Aquinas Seminar (2000)

Tipple-Vosburgh Lectures on “The Life and Work of Henri J. M. Nouwen” Drew University (1997)

"Global Youth Culture" Drew Summer Lecture Series (1997)

"Chernobyl Update--10th Anniversary" university lecture sponsored by Russian Studies Program, College of Liberal Arts (1996).

SELECTED LECTURES AT OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

“Theology and Practice of Shalom” at School of Officer Training, Salvation Army (2008)

“The Spirituality of the Heart" for the Windows on the World series at Eastern University, Philadelphia (2004)

“C. S. Lewis on Scripture: A Challenge to Biblical Inerrancy” at Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina (2002)

”The Effulgence, Confluence and Effluence of the River of God Reflected in the Ganges” Guest lecturer, Hoseo University, Korea (2001)

“Commemorating Chernobyl: What Have We Learned, How Shall We Live?” Seattle Pacific University (2001)

“Circuit Riding in the 21st Century: New Technology for Christian Education” at the Second International Conference of the Korean Society for Christian Education and Information Technology, Yonsei University, South Korea (2001)

“Eschatological Time: The Mystery of Kairos” Hoseo University, Korea (1999)

"Exegesis of Russian Youth Culture" Princeton Youth Forum, Princeton Theological Seminary, School of Christian Education (1997)

"Relief Work in Byelorussia" at the Chernobyl Symposium, sponsored by California Committee to Aid Ukraine and University of California at Berkeley (1991)

Guest Lecturer at Colleges and Universities

Pacific School of Religion	Simpson College
Azusa Pacific University	Nazarene Theological Seminary
Regent College (Vancouver)	Westmont College
San Francisco State	U.C. Berkeley
Point Loma Nazarene University	Northwest Nazarene College
Southern Nazarene University	Olivet Nazarene College
Mid America Nazarene College	Mount Vernon Nazarene College
Canadian Nazarene College	Eastern Nazarene College
Seattle Pacific University	Drew University
Wheaton College	Princeton Theological Seminary
University of Washington	Hoseo University (Korea)
Furman University	Eastern University

CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINARS IN CHURCHES, CONFERENCES AND RETREATS

“Henri Nouwen on Spiritual Formation: Moving From the House of Fear to the House of Love” at Interweave Center for Renewal (2008)

“Beyond the Da Vinci Code: The Search for Lost Christianity” at Kirkridge Retreat and Study Center, Bangor, PA (2006)

“Give Me that Primordial Time Religion: The Spirituality of the Heart” at Interweave Center for Holistic Living, Summit, NJ (2006)

“The Da Vinci Code: Separating Fact, Fiction and Supposition at 14th Annual Convocation, Center for Theological and Spiritual Development at College of Saint Elizabeth, Morristown, NJ (2006)

"Beyond Belief to Religion of the Heart" at Interweave Center for Wellness, Summit, NJ (2004)

“Charles Williams and the Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn” at Interweave Center for Renewal (2004)

“Return of the Prodigal Son: A Study in Reconciliation” at Neshaminy-Warwick Presbyterian Church, Hartsville, PA (2003)

“The Theology of C. S. Lewis and the Inklings” at Ocean Grove (2002, 2003, 2004)

“Mornings with Leonardo: The Artist, the Book and the Da Vinci Code”—a 5-week mini-course co-sponsored by Drew Office of Continuing Education and Madison Public Library (2004)

“The Journey of Henri Nouwen” keynote address for Henri Nouwen Day at St. Luke’s UMC, Indianapolis, Indiana (2002)

“Pneumatology: The Role of the Spirit in the Book of Revelation” Center for Christian Studies, The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church (2002)

“Forgiveness 101: A Lenten Retreat” at Ocean Grove (2002)

“The Samaritan’s Imperative Today: Combining Charity with Justice” with William Sloane Coffin at the Center for Scriptural Studies, Manchester, VT (2002)

“Three Streams in the River of God: A Theology of Renewal”, The Russell King Lectures, Bay View Chautauqua, Bay View, Michigan (2001)

“Apocalyptic Options: Millennialism in Preaching and Practical Theology” Fellowship of Learning, the Annual Pastors’ School of the Nebraska United Methodist Annual Conference, (2000)

“Praying with Icons” workshop at Companions on the Sacred Journey Conference, Princeton University (2000)

“Equipping the Saints: Mobilizing Laity for Ministry” workshops at Morristown UMC; and at The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Center for Christian Studies, New York. (2000)

Nouwen Series (spiritual retreats or continuing education events focused on the Spirituality of Henri Nouwen at the following host sites: Morristown UMC; Northern New Jersey Annual Conference “Ministry to Ministers” Retreat; Corpus Christi (R.C.) Church in Manhattan; United Church of Christ of Dudley, MA; St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, Morristown; Community Congregational Church, Short Hills, NJ; Kirkridge Retreat and Study Center, Bangor, PA; Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, NJ; St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Gladstone, NJ. (2000)

Respondent to John Eudes Bamberger: “Living with God in Modern America” Annual Thomas Merton Conference, sponsored by Corpus Christi Church, the Archdiocesan Center for Spiritual Development and the Henri Nouwen Society, New York (2000)

“The Silent Life: Merton and Nouwen as Brothers” Annual Merton Conference, sponsored by Corpus Christi Church, the Archdiocesan Center for Spiritual Development and the Henri Nouwen Society, New York (2001)

"Developing Retreats for the Laity," The 4th Harry Emerson Fosdick Preaching and Worship Convocation, The Riverside Church, New York (1997)

“C. S. Lewis on Scripture” Pastors School, California/Nevada Annual Conference, United Methodist Church (1992)

“The Samaritans’ Imperative: AIDS Ministry” Pastors’ School, California/Nevada Annual Conference, United Methodist Church (1992)

“City Streets, City People: Ministry with the Homeless” Missions School, California/Nevada Annual Conference, United Methodist Church (1992)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE COORDINATION

Planned, hosted and facilitated annual Drew@National Conferences on Faith Facing the Future and TheNextChurch, including: Mobilizing Laity for Ministry, The New Face of Urban Ministry, Church-Based Community Development, Community and Congregational Revitalization Through Change Leadership, Holiness in the Third Millennium, The Year of Jubilee, and Revivalism in American History, War and Peace in the Wesleyan Tradition, Women’s Preaching and Social Reform, Faith in Film in Popular Culture, and Native American Spirituality: Cherokee Land, Culture, History and Religion.

SPECIAL AWARDS AND HONORS

Recipient of the Distinguished Achievement Award for significant and outstanding lifetime accomplishments in a profession or in service to a charitable or non-profit organization, Point Loma Nazarene University (2006)

Recipient of the Martin Luther King, Jr. and Abraham Joshua Heschel Humanitarian Award for Spirituality and Social Justice, Drew University (1998)

Recipient of The Helen LePage and William Hale Chamberlain Prize awarded for the Ph.D. dissertation that is singularly distinguished by creative thought and excellent prose style, Drew University (1997)

Elected to "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" (Point Loma College, 1977 and Drew University, 1995)

Alumnus of Point Loma Award, Point Loma Nazarene University (1984)

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Training grant, CitiHope International—for design and implementation of the Pastoral and Congregational Care Training (PACCT) program related to HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and pastoral care in Malawi, Africa (2006-2007)

Participant in the Oral History Project of the Henri Nouwen Society--focused on Nouwen's academic career at Yale and Harvard, funded by the Louisville Institute (2004-2005)

Subgrant, UMCOR Family Coping Seminars curriculum development and professional trainings, Greater New Jersey Annual Conference (2002)—in response to mental health needs in the aftermath of September 11.

Subgrant, USAID Chernobyl Childhood Illness Program--a four million dollar USAID cooperative agreement to support medical and mental health training in Ukraine (1998-2001)

Senior Research Scholar for Russia, Ukraine and Belarus, The Princeton Project on Youth, Globalization and the Church, Princeton Theological Seminary Institute on Youth Ministry (1998-2001)

Research Fellowship, Newark Project--two-year stipend for research and analysis of urban models of community development in Newark's Central Ward (Drew University, 1994-1995)

Crossroads Scholar's Program (sponsored by Evangelicals for Social Action and the Center for Public Justice)--research stipend for writing public policy monograph on nuclear issues in former Soviet Union (1994-1996)

Will Herberg Merit Scholarship--full tuition scholarship and living stipend for four years (Drew University, 1993-1996)

John Wesley Fellowship--living stipend for four years (A Foundation for Theological Education, 1993-97)

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Director of Shalom Initiative at Drew University, responsible for training program in Asset-Based Community Development and coordination of Communities of Shalom international network in partnership with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church

Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program, Drew Theological School, responsible for program design, curricular development and administration of six DMIN concentrations over 12 year period: Global/Online Leadership Development; Congregational Growth and Development; Pastoral Care and Counseling; Hispanic Leadership and Ministry Development; Worship, Spirituality and Preaching; and Ecological Ministries. Additional academic and administrative functions:

- Senior administrative staff responsible to Vice President/Dean of The Theological School for budget management, regular and adjunct faculty assignments, multiple staff supervision, and program oversight
- Representative of the VP/Dean at Annual Conferences, Alumni events and for special occasions. Liaison for negotiation and management of educational partnership agreements between Drew University and Hoseo University (South Korea) and other extension sites
- First Year Academic Advisor to over 100 ministerial leaders enrolled in the three-year D.Min. program. Doctoral Dissertation committee chair or reader for Ph.D., DLITT and DMIN students
- Chair of Doctor of Ministry Committee and member of Curriculum Committee
- Host and program coordinator for annual Drew@ national conferences on various topics of leadership and ministry (see National Conference Coordination listing below)

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Served as Africa Regional Director for new program development in Malawi, for CitiHope International during sabbatical from Drew University. Made four trips to Malawi to oversee food and medical aid programs and launch new AIDS education initiative called PACCT.

Missions: short-term visits for relief and development work in 30+ countries, including: China, Taiwan, Haiti, Nicaragua, Bolivia, Europe, Belarus, Ukraine (17 trips to Chernobyl region), Azerbaijan, Macedonia, Kosovo, India, and Malawi.

Public Policy Advocacy: invited to testify before the Human Rights Caucus of the United States Congress during the 8th anniversary of Chernobyl (1994), eventually resulting in a four-million dollar USAID relief project for Ukraine. Served as Senior Consultant, Chernobyl Childhood Illness Recovery Program, and Project Manager, Chernobyl Mental Health Project-Ukraine, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)--a three-year, four-million dollar Congressionally-mandated, cooperative agreement (1998-2001).

Cross-cultural travel/study: Asian religions in Korea, Singapore, India, Nepal and Tibet.

CONSULTING WORK WITH NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Here's Life Innercity	Organizational development	1984-87
CitiHope Radio Ministry	Program Development	1987-90
Amistad Bolivian orphanage	Financial Development	1990-91
United Methodist AIDS Project	Program Development	1991-92
CitiHope International	Project Coordination	1990-
World Vision US Programs	Program Development	1991-96
Shepherd Community Inc	Organizational Development	1991-92
Sunset District Community Development	Organizational Development	1992-93
SER-Jobs for Progress National	Organizational Assessment	1995
World Vision Relief and Development	Program Development	1997-99
Duncan Associates	Financial Development	2003-
Faith and Values Media Group	Television Programming	2004-05
The Hallmark Channel	America at Worship	2004-06

HOBBIES AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Writing, wine-making, photography and multimedia presentations

Commissioned Children's Chernobyl Artwork in Belarus, exhibited at Capital National Children's Museum, Johnson & Johnson World Headquarters and Drew University

Sold photographs which appeared in books published by HarperCollins, Thomas Nelson Books, Sacred Journey, and various periodicals

Produced and promoted a number of special events, benefit concerts, rallies, fund raising banquets, seminars and retreats in New York and San Francisco, including a major fund-raising concert and multimedia presentation at Carnegie Hall

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