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Educational Qualifications

Doctor of Philosophy (Biblical Studies), *University of London*Master of Theology (New Testament), *United Theological College, India*Bachelor of Divinity, Leonard Theological College, India

Denomination

Methodist

Areas of Interest: Research / Teaching

New Testament
Religion and Philosophy
Literary studies
Luke-Acts
Hermeneutics
Contextual Theologies

Experience

Academic

Associate Professor, School of Theology English, TCA College, (2010 – current) Academic Dean, South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies, Bangalore (2007-2010)

Professor of New Testament, South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies, Bangalore (2005-2010)

Ministry

Attached Minister, Short Street Methodist Church, (2013 - current)

Deacon, Emmanuel Tamil Annual Conference, Methodist Church in Singapore, (2013 – current)

Membership / Professional Affiliation

Fellowship of Langham Scholars (FLS)

Grants and Awards

Award for Excellence in General Proficiency in BTh (1987), Senate of Serampore College Professor Moulton Award for Excellence in New Testament Greek in MTh from UTC, Bangalore (1996).

Publications

Monograph

1) Repent and Turn to God: Recounting Acts. Reprint. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2011. First Edition, Perth, Australia: HIM International Ministries Inc., 2004.

Other Publications

- 1) "Conversion: Some Insights from the Book of Acts," *Theological Book Trust Journal* 6.1 (2004): 24-39.
- 2) "Conversion in the Context of First Century Globalization: Some Insights from the Graeco-Roman Milieu," *Journal of Asian Evangelical Theology* 12 (2004): 35-48.
- 3) "The Parable of the Good Samaritan!: An Interlocutory Analysis," in Siga Arles, Ashish Chrispal and Paul Mohan Raj (Eds.), *Theology and Missiological Education in Asia: Essays in Honour of the Rev Dr Brian C. Wintle*, (India: Asia Theological Association/Bangalore: Centre for Contemporary Christianity/Theological Book Trust, 2005), 112-24.
- 4) "Religio-Theological Issues in the Book of Acts", *Theological Book Trust Journal*, 7.2 (2005), 35-43
- 5) "Jesus' Cross, Conflicts and the New Testament," Transformation 23.1 (January 2006): 24-29. Also in David E. Singh (Ed.) Jesus and the Cross: Reflections by Christians from Islamic Contexts (Oxford: Regnum International, 2008).
- 6) "The Human Face of Eco-Justice: An Exposition of Romans 8:18-23" in Essays in Honour of the Rt. Rev Dr Narendra John, Ed. Dr Sigamony Arles, (Bangalore: Asia Theological Association, 2007), 329-345.
- 7) "Scapegoating and Lynching in Luke-Acts: A Mimetic Analysis." Pages 99-128 in Violence and Peace: *Creating A Culture of Peace in the Contemporary Context of Violence*. Edited by Frampton F. Fox. CMS Papers: UBS: Pune and Bangalore: Asian Trading Corporation, 2010).
- 8) "The Pedagogue and Pedagogy: Parenthood and Sociality." Pages 56-62 in *True Parenthood: Essays in Honour of C. Jebaraj.* Edited by P. Joseph Ramanathan. Bangalore: Centre for Contemporary Christianity, 2010.
- 9) "Sacralisation and Desecration of Identity in Hellenistic-Jewish Literature: Towards a Deconstructive Reading," *Torch Trinity Journal* 14.2 (2011): 142-64.
- 10). "Jesus the Christ as an Ideological Construct in John's Gospel," *Bangalore Theological Forum* XLVI.1 (2014): 14-32.

- 11) "New Testament World." Pages 1449-1450 in *South Asia Bible Commentary: A One-Volume Commentary on the Whole Bible*. Edited by Brian Wintle. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2015.
- 12) "Acts." Pages 1451-1509 in *South Asia Bible Commentary: A One-Volume Commentary on the Whole Bible*. Edited by Brian Wintle. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 2015.
- 13) "Nesting A Parable in a Dialogue: The Case of the 'Parable of the Good Samaritan' (Luke 10:25-37)." *Masihi Sevak Journal of Christian Ministry* 39, no. 3(2015): 1-13.
- 14) "Justice in Luke's Gospel: Short Notes," *God's Justice: The Holy Bible*. Colorado Springs, CO: Biblica, 2016.
- 15) Acts of the Apostles: An Exegetical and Contextual Commentary (India Commentary on the New Testament. Bangalore, India: Primalogue, 2016, Forthcoming).
- 16) "If you don't have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one: A Girardian Reading of Violence in Luke-Acts." Unpublished. *TCA College Faculty Research Seminar*, 28 January, 2016. Review Article

Reviewed Brian Wintle & Ken Gnanakan, *Ephesians* (Bangalore: Theological Book Trust, 2004). The Review was published in TBT Journal.

Current Project:

The Gospel of Luke: An Exegetical and Contextual Commentary. India Commentary on the New Testament. Bangalore, India: Primalogue.