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**Educational Experience:**

Ph.D., University of Virginia, Department of Religious Studies 8.99—5.09

Dissertation “Zinzendorfs’ Utopia: Discovering the Radical Roots of the Eighteenth Century *Brüdergemeine* in Wachovia,” addresses the theological formulations found in the liturgies, personal and burial references and the sociological constructs regarding race and gender that formed the foundations of the Moravian congregations in North Carolina from 1753 to 1818

M.Div., Duke Divinity School, 8.96—8.00

Coursework focused on Church History, Historical Theology and Theology

Clinical Pastoral Education at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, 6.90—8.90

B.A. UNC-Chapel Hill, 8.83—5.88

Majors in History and Economics with Honors in Economics

**Academic Honors and Prizes:**

University of Virginia Presidential Fellowship 1999, 2007-9

Duke Divinity School Exchange Student at the University of Bonn, 1998-1999

UNC-Chapel Hill

Dean’s List every semester

Richard Levin Band Award for Outstanding Senior Leadership, 1987

ΦBK, 1986

ΦHΣ (Freshman Honor Society), 1984

**Writing Projects in Process:**

“The Moravian Church in North Carolina” chapter in a forthcoming book religion in North Carolina, published by the North Caroliniana Society, Glenn Jonas, editor

“Moravian Worship” chapter in a forthcoming resource book on the history, theology, polity, and practices of the worldwide Moravian Church published through the desk of the Unity Administrator, Craig Atwood and Peter Vogt, editors

“Moravian Women in Ministry: Our Views on the Authority of Particular Scriptures Influence How Our Sisters in Christ Can Use their Gifts” chapter in a forthcoming book on Violence Against Women, Moravian Women’s Desk, Deborah Appler and Patty Garner, editors

## **Published Articles**

- Moravian History that isn't ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ.** Online resource for teaching Moravian Church history to youth. <http://www.moravianboardofce.org/youth/> (October 14, 2010)  
“Blood and Righteousness, Blood and Wounds: The Development of Zinzendorf’s Theology and Its Relevance for Today” *The Hinge: A Journal of Christian Thought for the Moravian Church* (Vol. 8, No. 3., Summer 2001), 2-8.

## **Book Reviews:**

- Respondent to Peter Vogt, “How Moravian Are the Moravian? The Paradox of Moravian Identity.” in *The Hinge: International Dialog for the Moravian Church*, Vol. 19, No. 3, 2013-14  
Review of Jeffrey A. Johnson, *Got Style?: Personality-Based Evangelism* in *Witness: Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education* Number 27, 2013, 138-140.  
Review of Leland Ferguson, *God's Fields*, in *Journal of Southern Religion* 14 (2012).  
Review of Peter Zimmerling. *Ein Leben für die Kirche: Zinzendorf als praktischer Theologe*, in *Journal of Moravian History*, ISSUE 12/2, FALL 2012

## **Conference Papers and Presentations:**

- “Statistics Related to the Pastorates of Ordained Women in the Moravian Church Southern Province” (October 2016) 5<sup>th</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music, Bethlehem, PA  
Guest Presenter and Panelist, Moravian Church Southern Province Forum on Human Sexuality, (October, 2015)  
“Statements Regarding Biblical Authority and the Use of Scripture by the Moravian Church in America in Addressing Social Issues” (October 2014) 4<sup>th</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music, Bethlehem, PA  
“Stirring the Pot: Questions of Economics and Justice Related to Vice Laws” Second Tuesday Moravian Lunch, (March, 2014) sponsored by the Center For Moravian Studies, Bethlehem, PA  
“The Reintroduction of the Ordination of Women to the Moravian Ministry in the Southern Province in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century” (October 2012) co-written with Carol A. Foltz, 3<sup>rd</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music, Bethlehem, PA  
“Signs of Life” Second Tuesday Moravian Lunch, (September, 2012) sponsored by the Center For Moravian Studies, Bethlehem, PA  
“Wachovia’s Women: Broadening Understandings of Women’s Ordination in the 18th Century Moravian Church” (November, 2011) The Moravian Archives, Bethlehem, PA  
““European-eyesing’ 18<sup>th</sup> Century North American Moravians: Problems With Applying European Understandings to North American Experience” (October 2011) The Moravian Historical Society, Lititz, PA  
““Some Of Our Women Amazed Us:’ The Witness of Wachovia’s Women Regarding a Zinzendorffian Utopia” (October 2010) 2<sup>nd</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music, Bethlehem, PA  
“Herrnhaag Remembered: Transatlantic Influences of Wetteravia on Wachovia” (October 2008) Conference on Moravian History and Music, Bethlehem, PA

### **Workshop and Church Presentations:**

- Planning Team for MCSP, BCM Moravian Leadership Network, 2012-present  
offer presentations on Moravian history, theology, polity at one weekend retreat each year
- “Moravian in America: Original Visions, Long-Term Costs” Comenius Learning Series of the Board of Cooperative Ministries, Winston-Salem, NC (November 2016)
- “Congregations: Treasures or Only a Source of Pain and Discouragement” (October 2016)  
Moravian Ministries Association, Laurel Ridge Camp and Conference Center, NC
- “How Has Place Shaped the Ethos of the Moravian Church” panelist with presentation by Alice Mann, (July 2015) Eastern District Gathering, Bethlehem, PA
- “The Lebenslauf: Its History and Current Possibilities” (July 2015) workshops at Eastern District Gathering, Bethlehem, PA
- “Fearless Conversations for Healthy Sexuality” (Series April, May 2015) Wesley Memorial UMC, Bethlehem, PA
- “Features of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century Moravian Church and Contemporary Social Action” and “Anxiety and Church Systems” presentations at the Board of Cooperative Ministries Leadership Focus (February 2015), Winston-Salem, NC
- ““Love” in the Music of the Who Interpreted Through Moravian Lenses” (Series July, August 2014) Home Moravian Church, Winston-Salem, NC
- “What Does It Mean When We Say What We Mean?” lecture presented at Salemtowne for MTS Office of Advancement (June 2014) Winston-Salem, NC
- “What’s For Supper: Comparative Bible Study and Asset Mapping” presentation at the Board of Cooperative Ministries Leadership Focus (February 2014), Winston-Salem, NC
- “From Fear to Hope: Where God Is Calling the Church” (November 2013) with Bill Leonard, Board of Cooperative Ministries, Comenius Learning Series, Winston-Salem, NC
- “Moravian Identity: Preserving The Past, Forging The Future” Board of Cooperative Ministries, Leadership in Focus Series, Winston-Salem, NC (March, 2013)
- ““Can’t Explain:” Moravian Identity and the Music of the Who” Board of Cooperative Ministries, Leadership in Focus Series, Winston-Salem, NC (March, 2013); Fries Memorial Moravian Church, Winston-Salem, NC, (May, 2013); King Moravian, King, NC, (June 2013); Calvary Moravian, Allentown, PA (January 2015); Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem, PA ((February, 2015)
- “The Josephs and the Amazing HD Dream Codes” (June 2012) Raleigh Moravian Church Retreat, Laurel Springs, NC
- “Congregational Care: Is Caring for One Another Central to Central?” (March, 2012) presentation at Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem, PA
- “The Church and the World in the 20-teens: What Looks Different Around the Corner and What Does the Church Bring to the Party?” (January, 2012) Home Moravian Church, Winston-Salem, NC
- “18<sup>th</sup> Century Moravian Johannine Devotional Themes” (September, 2011) lectures and worships at the Moravian Ministries Association Retreat, Laurel Springs, NC
- “The Josephs and the Amazing HD Dream Codes” (July 2011) Lay Seminary for the Moravian Church, Southern Province, Laurel Springs, NC
- “Evangelism Through Repentance: Rethinking Our Pasts and Presents with Hopes for our Futures” (October, 2009) Living Invitations Evangelism Workshop, Winston-Salem, NC

“The Zinzendorfs and a Living Faith: A Family Affair” (November 2008) presented with Julie Tomberlin Weber, Lay Seminary for the Board of Christian Education, Moravian Church, Southern Province, Winston-Salem, NC

**Panel Moderator or Conferences Attended Without Presentations:**

11<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Conference on Medieval and Early Modern Studies (December 2016), Moravian College, Moderator of the “Female Religious Practice” Panel  
5<sup>th</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music (October 2016) Moderator of the “Moravian Music and History Through Revolution and Civil War” Panel  
4<sup>th</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music (October 2014) Moderator of the “Abolition and the Civil War” Panel  
Moravian Church, Southern Province Synod, (April 2014)  
8<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Conference on Medieval and Early Modern Studies (December 2013), Moravian College, Moderator of the “Strategies of Characterization” Panel  
3<sup>rd</sup> Bethlehem Conference on Moravian History and Music (October 2012) Moderator of the “The Unity of the Brethren and Confessional Communication” Panel  
6<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Conference on Medieval and Early Modern Studies (December 2011), Moravian College, Moderator of the "Conversion and Division" Panel  
Consultation of Moravian Theological Institutes (October 2010), Paramaribo, Suriname  
Member of Conference Steering Committee, Secretary for the Theology and Society Working Group  
Moravian Church, Southern Province Synod, (April 2010)

**Educational Travel Leadership**

Helped to plan and lead the Hus Memorial Tour offered by MTS, July 2015  
Helped to plan and lead the Moravian Young Adult Convocation, July 2015  
Tour guide Moravian High School Convocation, July 2013  
Planning team and staff of CONVO 94, Bethlehem PA  
Planning team and staff of CONVO 91, Los Angeles, CA

**Service to the Church**

Supply Pastor, Bethabara Moravian Church, Summer 2012  
Supply Pastor, King Moravian Church, Summer 2013  
Numerous guest preaching opportunities  
Delegate to Southern Province Synods: 2014, 2010, 2009, 2006, 2002, 1995, 1992  
Served on the editorial committee for *Sing to the Lord A New Song*, published 2013

**Employment Experience:**

Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, Moravian Theological Seminary, 1.10—Present  
Chaplain (2013—Present)  
Director of Supervised Ministry (2010-2013)  
Teach courses on Moravian theology and worship, theory and practice of worship, church administration, and congregational leadership  
Coordinate and lead opening and closing worship services, weekly chapel services  
Direct Supervised Ministry program and place Moravian students in their settings  
Serve as advisor or reader for MATS theses as appropriate

MTS Faculty Representative on the Educational Technology Task Force  
MTS Faculty Representative on the MTS Alumni Association Board

Pastor, Fairview Moravian Church, Winston-Salem, NC, 4.02—12.09

Plan and lead all worship services

Education Tasks

Teach classes for Adult Sunday School, Senior High Sunday School, New Members, catechism

Mid-week Bible study

Write monthly newsletter articles

Pastoral Care and Visitation

Management and Leadership Tasks

Chair Joint Board (Elders and Trustees)

Serve *ex officio* on Music and Worship, Outreach and Communications, Stewardship, and Personnel Committees, and on Preschool Board

Actively participated in the recruitment of professional and ministerial staff including Treasurer, Pastoral Assistant, Director of Music and Divinity School interns

Worked to start Preschool Program

Developed and led evening worship services using multi-media format

Assist in preparation of annual budget

Coordinate and present biennial congregational reports

Served on HVAC task force to replace 40 year old heating and air conditioning systems

Instructor, Salem College, 8.07—12.09

Teach “Moravian Experience” an introductory level undergraduate course addressing the history, theology, and social structures of the Moravian Church, paying particular attention to the role of women in education and leadership

Technology Specialist, Moravian Theological Seminary, 9.00—4.03

Coordinated audio and video components of video-conference learning center for Moravian Theological Seminary Distance Learning Center located at Salem College

Trained students in use of classroom technology

Recruited students for distance learning program

Served as Adjunct Professor for Pastoral Awareness Seminar, Spring 2002

Pastoral Assistant, Fairview Moravian Church, 6.00-4.02

Taught Adult Sunday School, assisted in worship leadership, preached monthly, pastoral visitation

Intern, Christ the King Moravian Church, 8.96—8.97

Worked with high school and college youth groups, coordinated youth leadership team, taught Sunday School, preached monthly

Director of College Age Ministry, Moravian Church, Southern Province, 1.90—8.96

Coordinated events of campus student groups throughout North Carolina

Led student Bible studies

Participated in interdenominational and interfaith campus ministry associations

Counseled students, especially regarding vocational concerns

Planned retreats and conferences, many of which focused on developing critical thinking skills and applying them to issues of religion and culture

Served on planning teams and counseling staff for youth camps and international youth gatherings for high school and college youth

Edited newsletters

Maintained mailing lists and databases

Preached and offered special presentations

Served *ex officio* on Board of Christian Education

Research Analyst, Performance Dynamics, Inc., 1.88-4.89

Gathered and analyzed data regarding customer service provided by food services and financial institutions

Prepared quarterly and annual reports for clients

Assistant to Personal Financial Planner, Ameriprise Financial Services, 5.85-12.87

Maintained computer and file records, assisted in gathering client information for financial profiles, general office work

**Technology Skills:**

Microsoft Word, Excel, WordPerfect, Powerpoint, Blackboard, Moodle,  
Videoconferencing with GoToMeeting and Bluejeans