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I. Faculty Appointments

- 1976 – 88 Lecturer in Christian Theology and Church History, Nazarene Theological College, Manchester
1988 – 96 Senior Lecturer in Christian Theology and Church History, NTC
1996 -- Professor of Theology, Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City
1996 --2008 Visiting Lecturer and PhD Research Supervisor, Nazarene Theological College
2008-- Senior Research Fellow in Theology, Nazarene Theological College

II. Post-Secondary Education

<u>Date Awarded</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Degree, Diploma</u>
1969	The University of Glasgow	Master of Arts (Honours in History and Politics)
1971	Jordanhill College of Education	Teaching Certificate (Secondary) with Glasgow University DipEd classes in Education and Psychology
1976	The University of Edinburgh	Bachelor of Divinity (Honours in Christian Dogmatics) Prizewinner in Ecclesiastical History Dissertation on the Epistemology of Augustine's <i>De Trinitate</i>
1989	The University of Edinburgh Thesis Title:	Doctor of Philosophy <u><i>The Deity of the Holy Spirit according To Gregory of Nazianzus</i></u>

III. Other Professional Experience

- 1970 – 73 Cathkin High School, Lanarkshire, Teacher of History
1993 – 96 External Examiner in Religious Studies, University of Glamorgan
1995 – 96 Review Editor, The European Journal of Theology
2008 External PhD Examiner for University of Wales
2011 External PhD Examiner for the University of St Andrews

IV. Publications

A. Books and Articles

1. Academic
'Our Knowledge of God According to John Calvin,' *Evangelical Quarterly* 54 (1982), pp. 2-13.
'Augustinianism,' *Beacon Dictionary of Theology*, Kansas City: Beacon

- Hill, 1983.
- 'Gregory Nazianzen's Use of Scripture in Defence of the Deity of the Spirit,' *Tyndale Bulletin* 39 (1988), pp. 101-124.
- Several articles for *New Dictionary of Theology*, Leicester: IVP, 1988.
- Several articles for *Dictionary of Scottish Church History and Theology*, Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1993.
- 'Paradox in Gregory Nazianzen's Doctrine of the Trinity,' *Studia Patristica* XXVII, ed E A Livingstone, Leuven: Peeters, 1993.
- 'Scripture and Experience,' *A Pathway into the Holy Scriptures* (ed. Philip E. Satterthwaite and David F. Wright), Eerdmans, 1994, 277-295
- 'The Spirit World: A Theological Approach,' *The Unseen World. Christian Reflections on Angels, Demons and the Heavenly Realm* (ed. Anthony N.S. Lane), Baker, 1996, 185-223
- 'Scripture and Experience' [abbreviated version], *Themelios*, 23 (1997), 30-39
- 'Gregory Nazianzen's Biblical Christology,' *Interpreting the Bible. Historical and Theological Studies in Honour of David F. Wright* (ed. A.N.S. Lane), Apollos, 1997, 1-28
- 'The Knowledge of the Glory of God,' *The Tower*, 1 (1997), 9-23
- 'Sermons on Christian Holiness,' *The Tower*, 2 (1998),
- 'Prolegomena for a Conference on Original Sin,' *European Explorations in Christian Holiness*, 2 (2001), 6-18.
- 'The Doctrine of Original Sin in the Evangelical Reformers,' *European Explorations in Christian Holiness*, 2 (2001), 70-87.
- 'The Epicureans,' *The Tower*, 4 (2001)
- 'Why the Church of the Nazarene?' *The Tower*, 5 (2002)
- 'East and West in the Theology of John Wesley' [paper from the 2003 Tercentenary Conference, 'John Wesley, Life, Legacy and Legend'], *Bulletin of the John Rylands University Library of Manchester*, Vol. 85, 2 & 3, (2003), 359-372
- Tyndale House and Fellowship: The First Sixty Years*, Leicester: IVP, 2006
- Called to be Saints: A Centenary History of the Church of the Nazarene in the British Isles, 1906-2006*, Manchester: Didsbury Press, 2006
- Several articles for *New Dictionary of Christian Apologetics* (Leicester/Downers Grove: IVP, 2006)
- 'Eschatology in the Church Fathers,' *What Are We Waiting For?*, (ed, Russell Rook and Stephen Holmes), Paternoster, 2008
- Editor (with R.J. Berry), *Darwin, Creation and the Fall: Theological Challenges*, IVP: Nottingham, 2009
- 'Original Sin and the Fall: Definitions and a Proposal' (Chapter 5 of *Darwin, Creation and the Fall*)
- 'A White Paper on Article X', with Paul M. Bassett *et al*, in *Didache: Faithful Teaching* (on-line journal), Vol.10:1 9 (June, 2010)
- 'John Wesley as a Theologian: An Introduction', *Evangelical Quarterly*, Vol. 82:3 (July, 2010), 238-257
- 'To Serve the Present Age: Authentic Wesleyan Theology Today,' The 2010 WTS Presidential Address,' *Wesleyan Theological Journal*, 46:1 (2011), 73-89
- 'The Mission of the Holy Trinity,' *Missio Dei, A Wesleyan Understanding*, ed. K. Schwanz & J. Coleson, Kansas City: Beacon Hill, 2011, 77-84

'Kenosis,' *Missio Dei, A Wesleyan Understanding*, ed. K. Schwanz & J. Coleson, Kansas City: Beacon Hill, 2011, 85-91
'Justification', 'Person', 'Systematic Theology', 'Trinity' (four articles for the forthcoming *Global Wesleyan Dictionary of Theology* (NPH)).

Numerous book reviews.

2. Professional
"Humanity and Full Salvation," The Preacher's Magazine 56.2 (1981), 34-37.
"The Holy Spirit," Illustrated Bible Life, 1994, Kansas City, Wordaction Publishing Company, 1994.
"Why Did Jesus Die? Understanding Theories of the Atonement," Illustrated Bible Life, March-May, 1996, Kansas City: Wordaction Publishing Company, 1996, 12-14.
"Atonement: Two 'At One'", Holiness Today, March, 2004, republished in *Articles of Faith: What Nazarenes Believe and Why*, Kansas City: Beacon Hill, 2007, 38-42
"Astonishing," Holiness Today, October, 2010
"Advent", Holiness Today, November 2011
- B. Current Areas of Research
1. Volume 1 of a three-volume Systematic Theology for the Nazarene Publishing House
 2. The Didsbury Lectures at Nazarene Theological College, Manchester, to be given in October, 2012: "Christian Holiness and the Holy Trinity"
 3. A Biography of the pioneer medical missionary to Swaziland, Dr David Hynd, CBE.
 4. Editing team for the second edition of the *New Dictionary of Theology* (IVP).
- C. Research Supervision (NTC, University of Manchester)
- Current students writing theses on The Cappadocians, The Theology of Colin Gunton, the Humanity of Christ, Wesley's Doctrine of God, The Implications of T.F. Torrance's Theology for Christian Worship, The Theology of Mildred Bangs Wynkoop, Wesley's Theology of Works of Mercy, The Theology of Catherine Booth.
 - Recent PhD theses completed (2011) on Wesley and T.F. Torrance
 - Earlier completed theses for PhD included work on Wolfhart Pannenberg, Lesslie Newbigin and J.I Packer

V. Administrative Experience

1976 – 88 Dean, Nazarene Theological College
1976 -- 96 Secretary, British Isles Selection Panel for the Ministry, Church of the Nazarene
1989 -- 95 Secretary, Tyndale Fellowship for Biblical and Theological Research
1989 – 96 Secretary, Administrative Council and Executive, Nazarene Theological College
1992 – 96 Chairman, Research Degrees Committee, Nazarene Theological College
2003 - 08 Director of the Master of Divinity studies, Nazarene Theological

Seminary

As secretary of the Tyndale Fellowship, organizing the plenary conferences of 1991 (on Religious Pluralism) and of 1994 (The Jubilee Conference, 'A Pathway into the Holy Scriptures')

VI. Membership in Professional Societies, Honours

1974	First Prize in Ecclesiastical History (University of Edinburgh)
1979 --	Wesleyan Theological Society
1980 --	Tyndale Fellowship
1981 --	Manson Society
1985 --	Rutherford House Fellowship
1987	Tyndale Christian Doctrine Lecturer
1988	Collins Lecturer, Canadian Nazarene College, Winnipeg
1992	Plenary Session Paper at Nazarene/Wesleyan Theological Conference, 1992
1994	Wesley Gilpin Lecturer, Regents Park College, Nantwich, Cheshire
1995	Rothwell Lecturer, Southern Nazarene University, Bethany, Oklahoma
1996-	Association of American Religion
1997	Collins Lecturer, Canadian Nazarene College, Calgary
2002	Plenary Session End-note Paper at Global Nazarene Theology Conference, Guatemala City
2004	Plenary Session Paper, 'Holy Persons' at the North American Nazarene Theology Conference, NTS, Kansas City, December, 2004
2006-	Chair, Christian Doctrine Study Group, Tyndale Fellowship, Cambridge
2008-9	Vice-President, Wesleyan Theological Society
2009-10	President, Wesleyan Theological Society
2012	Didsbury Lecturer

Annual participation in Tyndale Fellowship Study Groups, and more recently in the annual conferences of the Wesleyan Theological Society and AAR-SBL : participation in the biennial Edinburgh Conference in Dogmatics, the triennial Tyndale Fellowship Theology Conferences and the quadrennial Oxford Conference on Patristics. Other occasional conferences, including: Colloquium on Origen, Manchester, 1981; Colloquium on P.T. Forsyth, Aberdeen, 1993; Science and Theology, King's College, London, 1996; Consultation on Science and Religion at Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, 1998; Conference on Original Sin at Nazarene Theological College, Manchester, 2000; Conference on 'Hebrews and Christian Theology', St Andrews, 2006; Chair, Programme Committee for WTS Conference, 'All the Treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge': The Centrality of Christ, March, 2009.

VII. NTS Faculty Committee Assignments

1996	Chapel, Lectures, MA Admissions & Continuation
	Chapel, Lectures, MA Admissions & Continuation, Faculty Retreat
1998	Chapel, MA (Theological Studies), Institutional Assessment, Faculty Retreat, Ad Hoc Committee for M.Div. Middler Assessment
1999-2000	Curriculum & Library, MA (Theological Studies), Faculty Advisory, Faculty Retreat, Ad Hoc Committee for Study of Non-Resident Distance Coursework, Self-Study Sub-committee on Instruction and Faculty
2000-2001	Curriculum & Library, MA (Theological Studies), Faculty Advisory
2001-2002	Curriculum & Library, MA (Theological Studies), Faculty Advisory

2002-2003 Curriculum & Library, MA (Theological Studies), Strategic Planning
2003-2004 Curriculum & Library, Faculty Advisory, Strategic Planning, Lectures, Supervised Ministry
2004-2005 Curriculum & Library, Faculty Advisory, Lectures, Supervised Ministry
2005-2006 Curriculum & Library, Faculty Advisory, Lectures, Supervised Ministry
2006- MA/PhD Committee

VIII. Church and Community Service

1963-73 Council Member, NYPS District Council, British Isles North District, Church of the Nazarene (successively teen member-at-large, evangelism convenor, Glasgow Zone President)
1966 -- 70 Church Organist, Rutherglen Congregational Church, Lanarkshire
1970 – 73 President, NYPS, Sharpe Memorial Church of the Nazarene, Glasgow, Church Board Member
1972 – 76 Member, Board of Governors, Nazarene Theological College, Manchester
1975 – 76 Church Organist, St. Andrew's Parish Church, North Berwick, East Lothian
1984 -- 96 Church Organist, Didsbury Church of the Nazarene, Manchester
1984 -- 96 Church Board Member, Didsbury Church of the Nazarene, Manchester
1988 – 90 Chairman, Church Board, Didsbury Church of the Nazarene, Manchester
1995 Chairman, Church Board, Didsbury Church of the Nazarene, Manchester
2000 - 02 Member, Nazarene Theological Conference Planning Committee
2001 - Adult Class Sunday School Teacher, Kansas City First Church of the Nazarene