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Ministry, Community Service, Seminary Service

Church Membership

- Memorial Baptist Church, Grapevine TX
- Calvary Baptist Church, member 2001-present
 - Supply Sunday School Teacher
 - The World of the Old Testament, Discipleship course Fall 2002, Calvary Baptist Church
- Casas Adobes Baptist Church (SBC), Tucson, AZ, member (1989-1992, 1998-00)
 - Adult Bible Fellowship (Sunday School), supply teacher
 - Singles Ministry, Preschool Ministry, Sunday School Teacher
- Narkiss Street Baptist Church (SBC), Jerusalem, Israel, member 1986–1989
 - Music Ministry, 1987–89
 - Music Ministry, Jerusalem Christian Assembly, 1986–1989
- Church on Brady (SBC), East Los Angeles, CA, member 1974–86
 - Music Ministry, 1980–1986
 - Cell Group Leader, 1985-1986

Preaching

- Supply Preaching—2005
 - Community Bible Fellowship, East Los Angeles December 25
 - Beacon Bible Church, West Peoria, AZ, November 27
 - Baptist Church, Laurel, MS, March 20
 - Immanuel Baptist Church, Hammond, LA February 27
 - First Baptist Church, Gulfport, MS, February 20
 - First Baptist Fairhope, Fairhope, AL, January 23
 - Community Bible Fellowship, East Los Angeles January 16
- Supply Preaching—2004
 - North McComb Baptist Church, August 1
- Supply Preaching- 2003
 - Community Bible Fellowship, East Los Angeles June 29
 - Antioch Baptist Church, Mississippi April 27

- First Baptist Church of Roseland, Louisiana March 30
- Supply Preaching 2001-2002
 - Community Bible Fellowship, East Los Angeles, January 2002
 - Central Baptist Mission, New Orleans
 - Monroe Street Baptist Church, Monroe
 - First Baptist Church of Avondale
 - Gentilly Presbyterian Church

Ministry Experience / Conferences

- Youth Ministries Institute Conference, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, January 2005
 - Led Wednesday Devotions
- St. Tammany's Parish (New Orleans) Minister's Conference
 - Keynote Speaker; Slidell, LA, August 11, 2003
- Tell Me the Truth Fall Conference, Boston, MA October 31-November 2, 2003.
 - "Archaeology and the Bible: Archaeology of the United Monarchy," Break out Sessions
- King David and Solomon: Fact or Fable, Coalition of Christian Business men and local ministries, Baton Rouge, April 22, 2002
- Winter Bible Study: Genesis 1-11
 - First Baptist Church of Poydras, LA, January 2002
- EDGE 3 Conference (Mission conference), Tucson, AZ, March 2000. Workshop presenter
Postmodern Trends in Biblical Studies: Pitfalls and Prospects and *Israelite Settlement and Conquest: A Biblical Model for Missions and Church Growth in the New Millennium—New Evidence from Biblical Archaeology.*

Consultations

- Student Life Publishing
 - Consultant and Scholar for development of historical and biblical timelines for Student Life Bible Study, Volumes 1-3. January 31, 2005

Community Service

- *An Introduction to the Dead Sea Scrolls*, Crescent City Baptist School, New Orleans, LA March 1, 2005.
- "Ethnic, Religious, and Political Boundaries: Hispanic Political Party Affiliation," Republican Orleans Parish Executive Committee, August 4, 2004
- *Introduction to Archaeology*. Seminar presented to the New Orleans Home School Association, March 31, 2003.

- *The World of the Old Testament*, Guest lecturer for Greene County High School. Lectured in classroom and was keynote speaker for the FCS, April 28, 2003.
- *The World of the Old Testament*, Discipleship course Fall 2002, Calvary Baptist Church

Public Lectures, Talks, Devotions, etc.

- “Pottery Analysis and Insights for Christian Living,” New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Faculty Devotions, May 3-6, 2005.
- “The Dead Sea Scrolls,” Calvary Baptist Church, New Orleans, April 3, 2005
- “The Bible in its Context,” Immanuel Baptist Church Men’s Breakfast, Hammond, LA February 27, 2005.
- “The Dead Sea Scrolls—The Oldest biblical text in the World,” Women’s event, Immanuel Baptist Church, Hammond, LA, February 27, 2005.
- “*The Dead Sea Scrolls*,” Valentine’s Banquet, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, February 17, 2005.
- “The Dead Sea Scrolls,” Fairhope Baptist Church, Fairhope, AL, January 23, 2005.
- “*The Archaeology of David and Solomon*,” North McComb Baptist Church Banquet, July 31, 2004
- *The Ark of the Covenant and the Presence of God*. Student Recreation Center, NOBTS Indiana Jones Film Festival, October 21, 2003.
- “*Understanding God’s Call*,” Preview Weekend, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, November 2, 2002.
- “*King David and Solomon: Fact or Fable*,” Presentation before the Coalition of Christian Business men and local ministries (Life Saving Ministries), Baton Rouge, April 22, 2002.
- “*On the Jericho Road*,” New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Faculty Devotions, March 11-14, 2003.
- “*Marketplace, Mars Hill, Mission Field—Goals for Training Seminary Students*,” Testimony and Prayer for Afternoon Plenary Session, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Trustee Meeting March 12, 2003.
- *On the Jerusalem Road*,” New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Faculty Devotions, May, 2002.

Newspaper and Radio: Articles and Interviews

1. Quoted in “New archaeological finds stir Baptist scholars’ interest” In Baptist Press, by Brent Thompson, November 17, 2005.
2. Quoted in “Siloam pool found?” In *The Baptist Record* Vol. 5, Issue 6, August 18, 2005.
3. Radio Interview, “Front-Page Broadcast” by Chad Bresson, WCDR (Columbus, OH) 88.1 and 101.9 FM; 5:00 PM, August 22, 2005.
4. Interviewed for “Pool of Siloam, where Jesus healed blind man uncovered,” by Erin Curry *Baptist Press* August 11, 2005.

5. "Seeing is believing: Archaeologists use finds to support reliability of Scriptures," *The Alabama Baptist* Vol. 170, No. 13, March 31, 2005.
6. "Questions remain about Dead Sea Scrolls community," *Baptist Message* Vol. 120, No. 15, pg. 3, April 21, 2005.
7. "Scholar: Archaeology evidence rebuffs revisionist efforts to erase biblical Israel," by Michael McCormack, pg. 14, April 4, 2005.
8. "Scholar: biblical history battle heating up," *The Baptist Record* Vol. 129, No. 10, March 10, 2005.
9. "Prof on a mission to protect ancient artifacts at Temple Mount site in Jerusalem," *Baptist Message* Vol. 120, No. 9, pg. 10, March 3, 2005.
10. Quoted in "Temple Mount destruction stirred Tel Aviv archaeologist to action," by Michael McCormack *Southern Baptist Texan* pg. 15, February 28, 2005.
11. Interviewed for "From Dead Sea to Gulf Coast: Ancient biblical scrolls displayed at museum in Mobile, by Bruce Nolan, *The Times-Picayune*, February 6, 2005.
12. Interviewed for "Seminary artifacts featured in Dead Sea Scroll exhibit," by Gary Myers *Gatekeeper* Vol. 34.21, February 15, 2005.
13. Interviewed for "Temple Mount destruction stirred archaeologist to action," by Michael McCormack *Baptist Press* February 8, 2005.
14. "Biblical proportions' Dad Sea Scrolls exhibit brings Scriptures to life," by Linda Holloway *The Alabama Baptist* Vol. 170, No. 6, pg. 5, February 10, 2005.
15. "Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit on display in Mobile, Ala. *Baptist & Reflector* Vol. 171/No. 4, pg. 10, February 2, 2005.
16. Quoted in "NOBTS Artifacts Displayed With Dead Sea Scrolls," by Gary D. Myers *Baptist New Mexican* p. 6, cont. pg. 4, January 22, 2005.
17. Quoted in "Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit opening in Mobile," *The Baptist Record* Vol. 129, No. 3, pg. 5, January 20, 2005.
18. Dead Sea Scrolls arrive in Mobile Jan. 20, *The Alabama Baptist* Vol. 170, No. 3, pg. 1, January 20, 2005.
19. Quoted in "A rare opportunity- historic Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit to open this week" *Baptist Message* Vol. 120, No. 3, pg. 5, January 20, 2005.
20. Quoted in "Still unknown—is it the burial box of the brother of Jesus or not?" *Baptist Message* Vol. 120, No. 3, pg. 10, January 20, 2005.
21. "Events," announcement of DSS exhibit, *Baptist & Reflector* Vol 171/No. 2, p. 16, January 19, 2005.
22. Quoted in "James ossuary needs further investigation NOBTS prof says," *Southern Baptist Texan* pg. 14, January 17, 2005.
23. Quoted in "Temple Mount treasures likely lost forever," *The Baptist Record* Vol. 129, No. 7, pg. 12, January 17, 2005.
24. "Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit opens in Mobile, Ala. *Baptist Message* January 20, 2005.
25. Quoted in "Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit brings Bible history to Bible Belt," by Garry Mitchell (Associated Press) *Ledger-Enquirer.com*, January 16, 2005.
26. Quoted in "James Ossuary: real item or just another fake?" *The Baptist Record* Vol 129, No. 2, pg. 4, January 13, 2005.
27. Quoted in "NOBTS Displays Items Alongside Dead Sea Scroll Exhibit," by Edwin C. Tsuei, *The Christian Post*, January 10, 2005.

28. Interviewed for “Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit opens Jan. 20 in Mobile, Ala.” By Gary Myers, *Baptist Press*, January 10, 2005.
29. Interviewed for “James Ossuary needs further investigation, professor says,” by Jeff Robinson *Baptist Press* January 6, 2005.
30. Interviewed for “Mobile Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit offers unique study experience,” by Linda Holloway in *The Alabama Baptist* Vol. 169, No. 43, pgs. 1, 5, October 28, 2004.
31. Quoted in “Archaeologists debate significance of cave linked to John the Baptist,” *Hawaii Pacific Baptist* Vol. 34, No. 10, pg. 1, October 2004.
32. Quoted in “Archaeologist skeptical of ‘John the Baptist cave’,” by Gary D. Myers, *The Montana Baptist* Vol 18, Number 7, pg. 6, September 2004.
33. Quoted in “Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit Links Up With NOBTS Archaeological Center,” by Gary D. Myers, *Baptist New Mexican*, page 11, September 11, 2004.
34. Quoted in “Some Skeptical of ‘John the Baptist Cave’,” by Gary D. Myers, *Baptist New Mexican*, pages 10-11, September 11, 2004.
35. Quoted in “Archaeologist skeptical of ‘John the Baptist cave’,” *Baptist Messenger* pg. 14, September 2, 2004.
36. Radio interview Baltimore, August 29, 2004
37. Quoted in “Baptist archaeologist skeptical of ‘John the Baptist cave’,” by Gary Myers *The Baptist Courier* Vol 136, No. 18, pg. 2, August 26, 2004.
38. Quoted in “Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit links up with NOBTS archaeological center,” *The Christian Index* August 26, 2004.
39. Quoted in “Seminary archaeologist skeptical of ‘John the Baptist cave’ discovery,” in *World & Way* August 26, 2004, p. 10 (Missouri Baptist).
40. Quoted in “NOBTS researcher skeptical of cave,” in *Baptist & Reflector* Vol 17/NO. 32, Aug. 25, 2004.
41. Quoted in “Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit links up with New Orleans Seminary archaeological center,” by Gary D. Myers *Southern Baptist Texan* pg. 10, August 23, 2004.
42. Interviewed for “Ortiz Skeptical of ‘John the Baptist Cave,’” by Gary D. Myers, *Gatekeeper*, August 23, 2004.
43. Quoted in “Area Pastors unsure on discovery of John the Baptist’s Cave, by Scott Whipple, *The Herald Press*, August 22, 2004.
44. Interviewed for “Archaeologist skeptical of ‘John the Baptist cave’,” by Gary Myers, *Baptist Press*, August 18, 2004.
45. John the Baptist’s cave: speculation and sensation, *Baptist Press*, August 18, 2004.
46. Quoted in “Dead Sea Scrolls link up with NOBTS archaeological center,” by Gary D. Myers in *Illinois Baptist* Vol. 98, Number 17, p. 6, Wednesday, August 18, 2004.
47. *The Baptist Courier* (S. Carolina) Vol. 136, No. 17, p. 6; August 12, 2004. SBC News Dateline announcing DSS exhibit.
48. Quoted in “Dead Sea Scrolls to appear in Mobile,” *The Baptist Record* Vol. 128, No. 32, pg. 1, August 12, 2004.
49. “Dead Sea Scrolls link up with NOBTS center. *Florida Baptist Witness* Vol. 121, No. 28, p. 11, August 5, 2004.

50. Quoted in “NOBTS links up with Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit,” *Baptist & Reflector* Vol 170/No. 29, pg. 2, August 4, 2004.
51. Quoted in “*Dead Sea Scrolls link up with NOBTS archaeological center*, by Gary D. Myers, *Baptist Press*, July 29, 2004.
52. NOBTS archaeology prof cited as ‘prominent evangelical scholar,’ by Gary D. Myers, *Baptist Press*, May 5, 2004.
53. “Revisionsim Takes on ‘The Passion,’” *Baptist Press*, March 4, 2004.
54. Quoted in “‘Silver scrolls’ are oldest O.T. scripture, archaeologist say,” by Gary D. Myers, *Baptist Press*, February 27, 2004.
55. Quoted in “Archaeologist hit Holy Pay Dirt,” by Bruce Nolan, *The Times-Picayune*, February 21, 2004
56. Ortiz uncovers the Past, Trains Ministers for the Future, *Gatekeeper* Vol 33:20, January 26, 2004.
57. Uncovering the Past, Training Ministers for the Future: Ortiz Leads New Archaeology Research Center at NOBTS,” *VISION Magazine* Holiday Edition 2003
58. Quoted in “Much-publicized ancient burial box apparently a forgery.” *Baptist Message* Vol 118/No. 31, August 14, 2003.
59. “Ortiz on David,” Newsletter: Institute of Archaeology Horn Archaeological Museum Vol. 24.3, pp. 2-3 (summer) 2003.
60. “Fakes and Faith Amid Archaeological Finds,” *Baptist Press* July 28, 2003.
61. Interviewed by Michael Foust, “A Fake? James Ossuary Dealer Arrested, Suspected of Forgery,”
62. Quoted in “Discoveries Could Rank with Biggest Biblical Finds,” by Richard N. Ostling. *Associated Press*, February 1, 2003 p.B09.
63. Quoted in “Are two Bible discoveries within three months too good to be true?” by Richard N. Ostling, *NWtimes.com*, Thursday 30, 2003.
64. Quoted in “Is recent archaeological find real—or not?” *Baptist Message* Vol 118, No. 4, January 23, 2003, p. 9.
65. Quoted in “Seminary Prof urges caution on temple tablet.” *Baptist & Reflector* Vol 169/No. 3, January 22, 2003, p. 2.
66. Interviewed for: “Tablet touted as temple confirmation; NOBTS archaeology prof voices caution,” by Erin Curry. *Baptist Press*, January 15, 2003.
67. Interviewed for “Earliest-ever reference to Jesus found on first century box. *Baptist Message* Vol 117/No. 43, October 31, 2002, p. 3.
68. Interviewed for “Earliest reference to Jesus reported on limestone bone box from 63 A.D.” by Art Toalston. *Baptist Press* October 22, 2002.

Professional Development: Teaching Workshops/Training

- Developing Your Teaching Portfolio: A Workshop for Teachers of Bible, Religion, Philosophy, and Theology in the Southwest Region. March 14-15, 2003.
- Using Case Studies in Theological Education. August 16, 2003. In conjunction with NOBTS Faculty Retreat.

- Teaching Middle Eastern Studies in the Classroom. Teaching Workshop sponsored by the Middle Eastern Studies Program, University of Arizona. 1994

Supervision of Graduate Students

- 3rd Chair, Jay A. Alvaro, *An Interpersonal Forgiveness and Reconciliation Intervention: The Effect on Marital Intimacy*. Doctoral Dissertation, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2001.
- 3rd Chair, Edwon D. Campbell, Jr., *A Content Analysis of the Intentional Metaphors in the Judgment and Encouragement Sermons of Robert Greene Lee*. Doctoral Dissertation, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2002.
- Reader, Lulrick Balzora, *Equipping Haitian Leaders to Teach Bible Studies in a Trilingual Setting*. Final Project Report, Doctor of Ministry (Professional Doctorate), New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2002.
- Reader, James P. Cook, Jr., *Training a Select Group of Toomsaba Baptist Church Members to Understand the Biblical View of Spiritual Gifts and to Identify Their Own Spiritual Gifts*. Final Project Report, Doctor of Ministry, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2002.
- Reader, Mike Keown, *To Develop and Begin Initial Implementation of a Strategy to Reach Unchurched People in the First Newark Baptist Church Community*. Final Project Report, Doctor of Ministry, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2003.
- Reader, Steve Caudle, *A Strategy for Evangelizing African American Men at The Harmony Missionary Baptist Church Lakeland, Florida*. Final Project Report, Doctor of Ministry, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2003.
- 3rd Chair, Timothy P. Levert, *Effects of Family Recreational Interaction in Adolescent Faith Development*. Doctoral Dissertation, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2005.
- Committee Member, Jeff Rankin, PhD Old Testament.
- Mentor, Richard Blanton, DMin in Leadership
- Committee Member, Lee Castello, PhD Old Testament