

# Curriculum Vita

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## EDUCATION

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Education**

Talbot School of Theology (1999)  
Biola University  
La Mirada, CA  
(Original Ed.D. granted 1995)

### **Master of Divinity**

Talbot Theological Seminary (1979)  
La Mirada, CA  
Emphasis in Practical Theology  
Graduated with High Honors

### **Bachelor of Business Administration**

University of Texas at Austin (1970)  
Austin, TX  
Emphasis in Finance

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Talbot School of Theology**

Department Chair (Fall 1997-Present)  
Undergraduate Coordinator (1993-Present)  
M.A. Coordinator (2001-2006)  
Department of Christian Education

### **Biola University**

BOLD Program  
Part-Time Teaching in Adult Development/Education (1995-2006)

### **Talbot School of Theology (1989-Present)**

Associate Professor, Department of Christian Education

### **Los Angeles Baptist High School (1987-1989)**

Sepulveda, CA  
Guidance Counselor

### **Los Angeles Baptist High School (1979-1989)**

Sepulveda, CA

Teacher of English and Religion

**Harvard School (1981-1984)**

North Hollywood, CA

Wilderness Skills Instructor, Senior High Level (Part-time)

**Summit Bound, Ltd. (1975-1979)**

Los Alamitos, CA

Camping Ministry Guide/Assistant Director & Director

**United States Air Force (1971-1974)**

Commissioned Officer, Hill Air Force Base, Ogden, UT  
Administration Officer

**PROFESSIONAL  
ASSOCIATIONS**

North American Professors of Christian Education

Association of Theological Field Educators

**PROFESSIONAL  
PRESENTATIONS**

“Twentieth Century Women in CE: Dr. Henrietta C. Mears”

A current research paper presentation/panel discussion

North American Professors of Christian Education

Annual Conference, San Diego, California, October 2002

“Excellence in Teaching.” Lecture and PowerPoint Presentation  
to Faculty, Talbot School of Theology, Faculty Retreat,  
Pine Springs Ranch, California, September 22, 2001.

"A Coaching Model of Christian Education"

A current research paper presentation with Dr. Kevin Lawson

North American Professors of Christian Education

Annual Conference, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, October 2000

"How to Study and Teach the Bible Topically"

Workshop presentation for Adult Educators

First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood

Hollywood, CA, Spring 2000

“A Covenant Learning Model of Theological Field Education”

Paper presented to Evangelical Association of Theological

Field Educators, Seventh Biennium

Arrowhead Springs, CA, January 1998

“Multidimensional Self-Esteem and Spiritual Well-  
Being of Evangelical Christian University Students  
from Selected Academic Majors”

Presentation of Research Findings

North American Professors of Christian Education

Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, October 1995

“Journey on the River of Adult Development”  
Powerpoint Media Presentation  
Board of Trustees, Biola University  
Spring 1997

“Mission, Meaning, Method”  
Presentation on Adult Learning  
Greater Los Angeles Sunday School Convention  
November 1992

**PEER REVIEWER**

Conduct Blind Reviews of Academic Journal Articles,  
*Christian Education Journal*,  
2004 to Present

**PUBLICATIONS**

“Developing Leaders.” In Michael J. Anthony and James Estep, Jr. (Eds.)  
*Management Essentials for Christian Ministry*. Nashville, TN: Broadman &  
Holman, 2004.

“Henrietta C. Mears, Evangelical Entrepreneur.” *Christian Education  
Journal*. Fall 2003.

Book Review of Reed, James E. and Prevost, Ronnie F. *A History  
of Christian Education*. Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman, 1993,  
in *Christian Education Journal*, Fall 2003, pp. 196-199.

“Dr. Henrietta C. Mears.” *Christian Educators of the Twentieth Century*  
(Web-Based Project) Kevin Lawson (Ed.), October 2002.

"The Ministry of Christian Camping." In Michael J. Anthony (Ed.)  
*Introducing Christian Education: Foundations for the Twenty-first Century*.  
Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic, 2001.

“John Dewey,” “David Hume,” “Henrietta Mears,” and  
“Deferred Gratification (co-author).” In Michael J. Anthony (Ed.).  
*Evangelical Dictionary of Christian Education*. Grand Rapids, MI:  
Baker Books, 2001.

"Exploring a 'Coaching' Model for Promoting Spiritual Formation."  
*Christian Education Journal*. Fall, 2000. Lead writer in co-authored  
article.

“Assessment Of Multidimensional Self-Esteem: Gender Effects  
Within A Christian University.” *Research on Christian Higher  
Education*. Volume 5, 1998.

*Multidimensional Self-esteem and Spiritual Well-being in  
Evangelical Christian University Students from Selected*

*Academic Majors*. Doctoral Dissertation, Talbot School of Theology, Biola University, 1995.

“Parachurch Ministries” and “The Ministry of Christian Camping.” In Michael J. Anthony (Ed.) *Foundations of Ministry*. Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1992.

“Journey on the River of Faith: Faith Development from Adolescence into Young Adulthood.” *Christian Education Journal*. Autumn, 1989.

“Letters from Prison”, Contributing Writer for Adult Sunday School Curriculum, *Highlights of the Bible-New Testament*, (Teacher’s Manual), Gospel Light Publications, 1980.

**CHURCH AND  
MINISTRY  
INVOLVEMENT**

Chairman - Pastors of Christian Education and Adult Ministries Nominating Committee

Member - Senior Pastor Nominating Committee

Board of Deacons - Vice President

Member - Church Nominating Committee

Elective/Substitute Teacher - Adult Education Program

Member, Adult Education Advisory Group

First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood, Hollywood, CA

(Served in these and other capacities from 1979 to the present)

Teacher to Single Adults and Volunteer Youth Group Director, Calvary Baptist Church, Ogden, UT (1971 - 1974)

Campus Crusade for Christ (1967-68)

Headed "Collegians Speak" Program

Young Life, Austin, TX, (1968-1969) Youth ministry counselor

**CORPORATE  
BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS**

Lost Valley Ranch Corporation, Sedalia, Colorado (1994 - Present)

Past Chairman, Corporate Board of Directors

Past Compensation Committee Chairman

Current Member, Corporate Board of Directors

**HONORS  
AND  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

Selected to *Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers*, for the Fourth (1996), Fifth (1998), Ninth (2005) & Tenth (2006) Editions

Scholarship Award Recipient of the “Dr. Bill Bynum Memorial Award” in 1994-5 for significant achievement by a doctoral student in the Christian Education Department, Talbot School of Theology

Outstanding Young Men of America (1978)

Distinguished Graduate, USAF Administration Officers School  
Keesler AFB, Biloxi, Mississippi (1972)

Awards at University of Texas at Austin:  
Distinguished Military Graduate/R.O.T.C. Scholarship (1968-70)  
Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society (1966-67)  
Full Athletic Scholarship (Football - 1966-1969)

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