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Personal Information:

Wife: Donna Ann
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Higher Education:

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.), 1975, upgraded from
Doctor of Theology (Th. D.), 1973
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary
Louisville, Kentucky

Master of Divinity (M. Div.), 1969, upgraded from
Bachelor of Divinity (B. D.), 1967
Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary
Mill Valley, California

Graduate Work not resulting in Degrees
College of William and Mary, Richmond, Virginia
George Washington University, Hampton, Virginia Campus

Artis Baccalaureus (A. B.), 1957
John B. Stetson University
DeLand, Florida

Professional Experience

Professor of Semitic Languages and Old Testament, 1974 - present
Talbot School of Theology / Biola University
La Mirada, California

Adjunct Professor of Biblical Studies, 1990 - present
Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Brea Campus
Brea, California

Part-time Senior Pastor, 1986 - present
Bell Gardens Baptist Church
Bell Gardens, California

Part-time Senior Pastor, 1982 - 1986
Calvary Baptist Church
Whittier, California

Pastor (second term), 1977 - 1982
First Baptist Church of Hollywood
Hollywood, California

Interim Pastor, 1976 - 1977
Greenleaf Avenue Southern Baptist Church
Whittier, California

Interim Pastor (first term), 1975 - 1976
First Baptist Church of Hollywood
Hollywood, California

Associate Professor of Old Testament, 1973 - 1975
Simpson College
San Francisco, California

Co-Pastor, 1973 - 1975
Westlake Southern Baptist Church
Daly City, California

Senior Pastor, 1971 - 1972
Brooksville Southern Baptist Church
Brooksville, Kentucky

Senior Pastor, 1969 - 1971
Sulphur Southern Baptist Church
Sulphur, Kentucky

Senior Pastor, 1967 - 1969
First Southern Baptist Church
Pleasanton, California

Senior Pastor, 1965 - 1967
East Oakland Southern Baptist Church
Oakland, California

Assistant Pastor, 1961 - 1965
Twin Peaks Southern Baptist Church
San Francisco, California

Music Pastor, 1959 - 1961
Buckroe Southern Baptist Church
Hampton, Virginia

Founding Pastor, 1956 - 1959

Fox Hill Road Southern Baptist Church, which began as a mission of the Phoebus Southern Baptist Church of Hampton, Virginia
Hampton, Virginia

Army Intelligence Analyst, 1956 - 1959

Various Army Bases

Publications:

The Open Bible (NASB) [Not the Expanded Edition]

Chronological Chart

Introduction to the Old Testament

Introduction to the Pentateuch

39 Introductions to the Old Testament Books

The New King James Version of the Bible

He translated the Book of Job and formatted it to reflect the Hebrew parallelism.

He also translated the entire books of Ezra and Nehemiah, as well as portions of other books. My contribution amounted to over 10% of the translation of the Old Testament.

Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary

He contributed five articles.

Institute of Theological Studies

The Post-Exilic Prophets Course.

He recorded 40 hours of lectures.

He also composed notes of the lectures, course requirements, tests, grading keys, etc.

Sundoulos Articles

This grew out of my faculty lecture series on the subject of Revival in the Church.

A second article grew out of a series on Stewardship of Money.

Recovery Workshop

Made two joint presentations during this workshop. Some of these insights are reflected in the Life Recovery Bible.

"The Chiastic Structure of Ruth 2"

Jointly written with Dr. Luter, he [solo] presented this as a paper at ETS Far West Regional Meeting.

The Anchor Bible Dictionary

He did the article on "Firstfruits."

The Life Recovery Bible

He wrote the Introduction and Notes for Genesis, Deuteronomy, I Chronicles, II Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, and Malachi. I also wrote several of the "Character Studies" in the Old Testament. These amounted to about 273 pages in an Old Testament of 999 pages; my contributions amounted to over 25% of the LRB Old Testament.

The Holman Bible Handbook, for which he contributed several articles.

Dictionary of the Old Testament—Pentateuch. He contributed several articles.

Honors and Memberships:

He received the Marks Religion Essay Prize in 1956.

He is a member of

- Society of Biblical Literature
- National Association of Professors of Hebrew
- Society of Biblical Literature
- Evangelical Theological Society
- Biblical Archaeology Society
- Los Angeles Board for Jews for Jesus
- Board Member of Resort Ministries Mission
- American Academy of Religion
- The Phi Society
- Theta Alpha Phi
- Sigma Phi Epsilon
- Omicron Delta Kappa..

He has done considerable lecturing and Bible conferences.

He is listed in

Who's Who in Religion, 1978

Dictionary of International Biography, 1977

Men of Achievement, 1977

He has had opportunity for many other such listings.