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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Birthdate: May 1, 1973

Anniversary: October 2, 1999

Hometown: Yakima, Washington

Spouse: Dr. Jill J. Stevenson (Griswold) – Clinical Pharmacist

Children: Sadie (born 2004), Theron (born 2007)

StrengthsFinder – Empathy, Developer, Adaptability, Strategic, Learner

Myers-Briggs Type – INFP (Introvert – Intuitive – Feeling – Perceiving)

Enneagram Type – 9 wing 1 (Peacemaker, Negotiator)

Ordained Elder, Church of the Nazarene, Kansas City District (August 2006)



EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Student)

Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, Leadership Studies, Advisor: Dr. Shann Ferch

Anticipated
Completion
2022

Clinical Pastoral Education (2 CPE Units)

Shawnee Mission Medical Center – St. Luke's Health System (Kansas City area)

Chaplain Intern. Pastoral care and crisis counseling training in a diverse healthcare setting

Summer 2006
Fall 2006

Master of Divinity

Christian Education Emphasis, Cum Laude

Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO

May 2004

Bachelor of Science in Biology Education

Washington State University, Pullman, WA

Graduated with Washington State Initial Teaching Certificate

August 1996

TEACHING MINISTRY

Adjunct Instructor

Whitworth University, College of Arts & Sciences, Spokane, WA

Supervisor: Dr. Josh Leim

Adjunct instructor serving as teaching assistant/discussion group leader for *Core 150*:

Ancient and Modern Worldviews in Christian Perspective

Fall 2019 to
present

Adjunct Instructor

Gonzaga University, School of Education, Dept. of Teacher Education, Spokane, WA

Supervisor: Dr. Deborah Nieding

Adjunct instructor covering for professor on emergency leave. Invited by department chair

to continue as adjunct for Spring 2019. Course taught: *EDTE 304 Concepts of Science*

Fall 2018 and
Spring 2019

Pastoral Training Instructor

South Asia Nazarene Bible College

Taught at campus extensions in Sri Lanka and Bangladesh

Ordination Preparation Coursework.

Course taught: *Wesleyan Theology*

May/June 2018

Course of Study Instructor

Northwest District Church of the Nazarene

Ministers in Training, Ordination Preparation Coursework. Courses taught in hybrid format combining face-to-face and online components.

Courses taught:

Communicating the Gospel in Pluralistic World

Leading the People God

Winter 2014

Fall 2014

Coordinator for Online Education and Course Design

Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO – Supervisor: Dr. Keith Schwanz

Responsible for the coordination and development of NTS online course offerings. Staff member of the Academic Dean's office. Coordinated and reviewed online course syllabus development. Worked with faculty to transition face-to-face courses into online courses. Developed and implemented updated syllabus template for all online courses. Assisted in facilitation of post-course assessment for online courses and suggested revisions. Primary campus Blackboard and Moodle trainer. Hired and supervised instructional technology teaching assistant. Coordinated campus transition from Blackboard LMS to Moodle LMS.

January 2007 to

June 2010

Guest Lecturer

Topic: Alternative Screens, Nazarene Theological Seminary course CED605 "Mediated Religion" Invitation by Dr. Dean Blevins

Spring 2006

Guest Lecturer

Topic: Sacred Space, Nazarene Theological Seminary course CHM610 "Music and Worship" Invitation by Dr. Keith Schwanz

Spring 2005

Guest Lecturer

Topic: Use of Media in Ministry, Nazarene Theological Seminary course CHM610 "Music and Worship" Invitation by Dr. Keith Schwanz

Spring 2003

Teaching Assistant

Course taught: *Communication Skills and Conflict Resolution*
Washington State University (EdAd 499)

Spring 1994

SECONDARY TEACHING MINISTRY

Middle and High School Teacher and District Technology Director

Highland School District, Cowiche, WA

Supervisor: Dr. Louise Kleinstiver, District Superintendent

Combined position, part time teacher - part time technology director. Taught Middle School technology courses and High School Algebra. Responsible for the coordination of all technology related activities in school district of 1,100 students and 75 staff.

Administered district computer network, servers, and websites. Gave oversight to paid district Technology Resource Persons. Coordinated maintenance of 200 computers.

Managed annual budget of approximately \$75,000.

August 1997 to

July 2000

Lead Summer Science Camp Teacher

Heritage College (now University), Toppenish, WA – Supervisor: Virginia Brown

Lead teacher for multi-session two-week middle school age summer camp focused on science and technology. Prepared lesson plans and coordinated daily activities. Grant funded program targeted ethnic minorities and aimed to peak interest in science at an early age.

Summer 1996

Summer 1997

Substitute Teacher 1996-1997
 Substitute teacher for various courses in Middle School, Junior High and High School, for School Year
 both Highland School District (Coviche, WA) and West Valley School District (Yakima, WA).

Student Teacher - Eighth Grade Science Spring 1996
 Harrison Middle School, Sunnyside School District, Sunnyside, WA - Supervisor: Joyce Stark
 Responsible for teaching six periods of eighth grade science. Responsibilities included
 teaching, grading, discipline, and parent involvement.

Team Science Teacher Fall 1995
 Pullman Alternative High School Program – Washington State University, Pullman, WA
 Team taught high school life science course as a part of WSU course (BioSci 430).

Practicum Teacher – Seventh Grade Life Science Spring 1995
 Lincoln Middle School, Pullman School District, Pullman, WA
 Washington State University, Pullman, WA (degree requirement)
 Assistant to teacher in seventh grade life science course. Responsibilities included lesson
 development, lesson presentation, and grading.

Lifetime Substitute Teaching Certificate Granted 2014
 Washington State

PASTORAL MINISTRY

Ordained Elder August 2006
 Church of the Nazarene, Kansas City District Assembly

Pastor of Student Ministries and Discipleship May 2017
 Spokane First Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Rev. Bill Vaughn, Senior Pastor to present
 9004 N Country Homes Blvd, Spokane, WA
 Lead all aspects of ministry to students (grade 7 through college age) and their families.
 Coordinate Wednesday night meetings, Sunday School, special events and mission trips.
 Lead teacher and curriculum designer for all student ministries. Assist with Sunday morning
 worship services including periodic leading of music and preaching. Help coordinate and
 develop adult discipleship programs. During COVID-19 quarantine managed all live
 streamed services and streaming tech. Serve as staff liaison to church technology team.

Lead Pastor July 2009 to
 Spokane Crestline Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Dr. Randy Craker, Dist. Superintendent September 2014
 4520 N Crestline St, (PO Box 7398) Spokane, WA
 As solo pastor coordinated all aspects of church ministry. Responsibilities included
 preaching, leading music, and pastoral care and counseling. Led ministry to neighborhood
 children called KidsZone. Helped congregation launch (with outside help) a non-profit
 compassionate ministry center now known as NorthwestConnect.

Associate Pastor of Spiritual Formation June 2005 to
 Overland Park Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Rev. Philip Hamner, Senior Pastor June 2009
 9030 Lamar Ave., Overland Park, KS
 Organized and developed ongoing church-wide small groups program called Covenant Life
 Groups. Wrote and produced church-wide small group curriculum. Assisted in Sunday
 morning worship services including periodic leading of music and preaching. Co-taught
 College Sunday School class. Taught various adult Wednesday night classes and Bible
 studies.

Associate Pastor of Youth and College

Overland Park Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Rev. Philip Hamner, Senior Pastor
9030 Lamar Ave., Overland Park, KS

Led worship and teaching for Wednesday and Sunday night youth meetings. Coordinated Jr/Sr High School and College Sunday School classes. Provided pastoral care to students and their families. Organized retreats and special youth activities.

June 2003 to
May 2005

Volunteer Youth Worker

Central Church of the Nazarene, Lenexa, KS – Supervisor: Dave Hazel, Youth Pastor
High School small group leader. Mission trip adult leader. Built youth group website.

January 2002
to June 2003

Junior High Ministry Intern

West Valley Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Dr. Holland Lewis, Senior Pastor
7109 W. Nob Hill Blvd., Yakima, WA

Served as director of Junior High Ministry during interim period between youth pastors. Coordinated Wednesday services and special events, including a junior and senior high river float trip. Co-leader of combined summer work and witness trip with youth and senior adults. Preached during Wednesday night services and taught Junior High Sunday School class.

Summer 2000

Assistant Director for College Ministries

West Valley Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Rev. James Payton, Youth Pastor
7109 W. Nob Hill Blvd., Yakima, WA

Initiator and leader of College-Career weekly evening Bible study. Repeat retreat speaker.

Fall 1996 to
Spring 1999

Campus Ministry Student Worship Leader and Student Small Group Leader

Campus Crusade for Christ, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164

Academic years
1992 to 1993
1993 to 1994

NON-PROFIT LEADERSHIP

Executive Director

Life Services of Spokane, 2659 N Ash St, Spokane, WA

Provided overall strategic and operational responsibility for staff, volunteers, programs, expansion and execution of Life Service's mission. Annual budget of over \$800K and 18 staff members. Co-led board through Murdock Trust Leadership Training cohort.

October 2014
to May 2017

Executive Director

NorthwestConnect, 4520 N Crestline St, (PO Box 7398) Spokane, WA

Founding director of non-profit compassionate ministry center with the goal of mobilizing area churches to "Connect community resources with community needs." Coordinated formation of 501c3. Assumed leadership of neighborhood Second Harvest food outlet operation. Started monthly non-food pantry called "A Hand Up." Worked with several area Nazarene churches to support and staff this shared Northwest District ministry effort.

July 2009 to
September 2014

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Secretary Nazarene Youth International Council, Northwest District, USA	March 2020 to present
Vice-President Nazarene Youth International Council, Northwest District, USA	March 2018 to March 2020
Vice-Chair – Board of Directors naomi (Women and children’s transitional housing) – Formerly known as Hearth Homes Spokane Valley, WA naomicommunity.org	April 2015 to July 2018
Leadership Council Member National Maternity Home Coalition An organization under the umbrella of Heartbeat International working to unify and strengthen the efforts of Maternity Homes in the US. natlhousingcoalition.org	June 2015 to May 2017

OVERSEAS INTERCULTURAL MINISTRY

Bangladesh Teaching ministry and construction labor near Dinajpur, Bangladesh. Taught through an interpreter who translated my lecture into the Bangla language. Course taught <i>Wesleyan Theology</i> .	June 2018
Sri Lanka Teaching ministry and building maintenance work near Badulla, Sri Lanka. Taught through an interpreter who was simultaneously translating my lecture into both the Tamil and Sinhalese languages. Course taught <i>Wesleyan Theology</i> .	May 2018
Haiti Construction labor on school building near Des Granges in northwest Haiti.	November 2012

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY

District Technology Coordinator Northwest District Church of the Nazarene – Supervisor: Randy Craker, District Superintendent Coordinated all technology for central denominational office. Purchase, setup, and support staff computers. Support for website. Support for VOIP phone system. Support for web/phone conferencing software MegaMeeting. Coordinated upgrade of district owned video production equipment. Served as chair of Technology Task Force of Northwest District Advisory Board (2011-2013).	July 2009 to May 2014
Website Consultant/Online Journal Webmaster International Board of Education (IBOE) – Supervisor: Dr. Dean Blevins Contractor for the International Board of Education (IBOE), Church of the Nazarene. Responsible for website management of the online journal Didache – Faithful Teaching (http://didache.nazarene.org/), along with website development consultation services for IBOE.	Spring 2007 to Summer 2011
Online Course and Program Development Consultant Mid-America Nazarene University Worked with department chair responsible for launch of new online courses at MNU.	Summer 2007

Instructional Technology Specialist

Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO – Supervisor: Jeff Sykes

Primary administrator of the NTS Blackboard Online Learning System. Coordinated maintenance of Blackboard server. Provided Blackboard training to staff and students. Staff liaison and technology resource for Faculty Online Learning Committee.

June 2005 to
May 2006

Media Director / Associate Network Administrator

Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, MO – Supervisor: Jeff Sykes

Responsible for the coordination of audiovisual equipment for seminary staff and faculty. Shared responsibility of maintaining computer network, servers, website, firewall, and approximately 75 user computers. Made recommendations for new technology purchases. Co-Administrator of the NTS Blackboard Learning System.

August 2000 to
June 2003

WORKSHOPS PRESENTED

What I Wish I Knew: If I Could Talk to Myself as a Younger Youth Pastor

Lead Retreat, Northwest District, Post Falls, ID

May 2019

Moving from How to Who: Integrating Faith & Science

Breakthrough Conference, Northwest District NYI, Spokane, WA

March 2019

Teaching Through Questions

"The Mix" Northwest District SDMI Gathering, Othello, WA

October 2018

Recognizing and Leading from Your Strengths

Heartbeat International Conference, Chicago, IL

April 2017

Exploring Servant Leadership

Heartbeat International Conference, Atlanta, GA

March 2016

Finding Your Place in the Puzzle

Breakthrough Conference, Northwest District NYI, Spokane Valley, WA

March 2016

iMission: Mapping Your Individual Ministry

Celebrating Generations, Northwest District Church of the Nazarene, Kennewick, WA

April 2011

Moving from In to Out

Celebrating Generations, Northwest District Church of the Nazarene, Kennewick, WA

April 2010

Making Websites Work for You: I Can Joomla and so Can You

M7 Conference on Mission and Evangelism, Kansas City, MO

February 2007

Making Websites Work for You: Making Joomla Dance

M7 Conference on Mission and Evangelism, Kansas City, MO

February 2007

Getting a "Byte" on Technology: Learning the Lingo

Para Educator Inservice, Highland School District, Cowiche, WA

February 2000

Teaching in the One Computer Classroom

Teacher Inservice, Highland School District, Cowiche, WA

Spring 1999

Bits and Bytes: Basic Introduction to Computer Use

Para Educator Inservice, Highland School District, Cowiche, WA

Spring 1998

ACTIVITIES AND HONORS

Life Services of Spokane

- Servant Leadership Award Recipient (2017)

Nazarene Theological Seminary

- Senior Interpretation Award Recipient (2004)
- Corlett Senior Sermon Finalist (2004)
- Student Body (NTSSA) President (2002-03)
- Student Representative on President's Strategic Planning Committee (2002-03)
- Nazarene Student Leadership Association (NSLA)
Leadership committee member (2002-03)
- NTSSA Administrative Board, Associate for Compassion and Outreach (Spring 2002)

Washington State University

- Hall Director Assistant (Front Desk Manager) (1994-95)
- Resident Advisor (1992-93, 1993-94)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MINISTRY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Theological Leadership Conference

Olivet Nazarene University, Bourbonnais, IL (September 5-7, 2019)

Keynote Speaker: Dr. N.T. Wright

Nazarene Youth Conference (NYC)

Phoenix, NV (July 10-14, 2019)

M19 – Mid-Quadrennial Mission & Evangelism Conference

USA/Canada Church of the Nazarene - Theme: The Gospel Unleashed

Bartle Hall, Kansas City, MO (February 2019)

Wesley Center Conference (Conference Title - Preaching: New & Now)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (February 1-2, 2018)

Conference theme: How to proclaim the great news of the gospel in fresh, new ways

Church of the Nazarene General Assembly

Indianapolis, IN (June 22-28, 2017)

Murdock Trust Board Leadership Cohort

Vancouver, WA (2016)

Privileged to experience a year-long cohort training for non-profit boards and directors from one of the premiere non-profit funding organizations in the Pacific Northwest.

StrengthFinders Training (Level 301 – Strengths Based Leadership)

Nazarene Strengths Institute (NSI)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (May 19-20, 2016)

Two-day advanced course designed to help team leaders further understand the role of strengths in their personal leadership style, become a transformation leader, and explore how to more effectively manage their team.

MINISTRY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Prepare-Enrich Update Training Seminar

Life Center Church, Spokane, WA (December 9, 2015)

Refresher and updated training on Prepare-Enrich premarital counseling and marriage enrichment tools. Original training received April 2008.

Murdock Trust Christian Leadership Advance Conference

Understanding the New Millennium: Reexamining the Cultural Narratives

Vancouver, WA (December 2015)

StrengthFinders Training (Level 201 – Strengths Advisor)

Nazarene Strengths Institute (NSI)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (September 19-20, 2014)

Received training in one-on-one coaching in Gallup's StrengthFinders assessment tool leading to certification as an NSI strengths advisor.

Wesleyan Theological Society Meeting/Wesley Center Conference

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (March 6-8, 2014)

49th Annual Meetings of the Wesleyan Theological Society – Theme: Atonement

Wesleyan Theological Society Meeting

Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA (March 21-23, 2013)

48th Annual Meetings of the Wesleyan Theological Society – Theme: Holiness

Wesley Center Conference (Conference title: Leadership in the Reign of God's Love)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (February 7-8, 2013)

The conference title, "Leadership in God's Reign of Love," describes the event's goal to consider what leadership might best look like in the ongoing establishment of God's kingdom.

Wesley Center Conference (Conference title: A Cup of Cold Water)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (February 9-10, 2012)

Conference theme "Christians in Compassionate Service."

Q Conference

Portland, OR (April 27-29, 2011)

Q was a Christian conference "...about helping the average disciple see themselves as sent into the city and to help them imagine they can shape the place God has sent them for a kingdom good." Quote from Rick McKinley

Wesley Center Conference (Conference title: The Bible Tells Me So)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (February 10-12, 2011)

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Randy Maddox

PALCON 2010 (Pastors and Leaders Conference)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (July 27-29, 2010)

Conference theme "Rooted in Missional Passion". Participated in workshops aiming to prepare clergy for ministry for the second decade of the 21st century, and address ways to reach our postmodern culture.

MINISTRY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Wesley Center Conference (Conference title: 99 Parts Perspiration)

Northwest Nazarene University, Nampa, ID (February 4-6, 2010)

Keynote speaker Philip Yancey. Conference theme: God and the Creative Process.

Exploring what it means to write, preach, lead, perform and create while keeping in step with the Spirit of God.

Church of the Nazarene General Assembly

Orlando, FL (June 29 – July 3, 2009)

Quadrennial gathering of the International Church of the Nazarene. Participated in workshops and listened to speakers focusing on leadership and missional identity.

Intuitive Leadership Conference

Jacobs Well Church, Kansas City, MO (April 23-25, 2008)

Conference theme the book: Intuitive Leadership: Embracing a Paradigm of Narrative, Metaphor, and Chaos, by Tim Keel

Prepare/Enrich Initial Training One-Day Seminar

Olathe College Church of the Nazarene, Olathe, KS (April 19, 2008)

Training for administering and understanding the Prepare/Enrich premarital and marriage enrichment inventories

Postmodern Youth Ministry Conference

Mid-America Nazarene University/Olathe College Church

Olathe, KS (Sept 2007)

M7 – Mid-Quadrennial Mission & Evangelism Conference

USA/Canada Church of the Nazarene

Workshop Co-Presenter

Bartle Hall, Kansas City, MO (Feb 2007)

Christian Storytelling Continuing Education Seminar - Making Stories Unforgettable

Nazarene Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Missouri (April 18, 2006)

Speaker: Master Storyteller John Walsh

“Walking the Way Together” Spiritual Formation Conference

Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church

Leawood, KS (January 6-7, 2006)

Theme: The Promise and Power of Small Group Discipleship

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Dallas Willard author of The Divine Conspiracy

COR Leadership Institute 2005

Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church

Leawood, KS (October 2005)

Conference Theme: Selling Swimsuits in the Arctic, Rev. Adam Hamilton addressed the basic principles of attracting the unchurched to the Christian message.

PALCON 2004 (Pastors and Leaders Conference)

Mid-America Nazarene University/Olathe College Church

Olathe, KS (Summer 2004)

MINISTRY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Purpose Driven Small Groups Workshop

Shawnee, KS (Spring 2004)

Conference Theme: Hut 2 Hut – A Small Groups Survival Guide

Marva Dawn Symposium

Mid-America Nazarene University

Olathe, KS (Winter 2003)

National Youth Workers Conference - Youth Specialties

St. Louis, MO (Fall 2003)

Conference theme: Renovatus

Nazarene Youth Conference (NYC)

Houston, TX (July 22-27, 2003)

M3 – Mid-Quadrennial Mission & Evangelism Conference

USA/Canada Church of the Nazarene

Opryland Hotel, Nashville, TN (Feb 2003)

Renovare Regional Conference on Spiritual Renewal

Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church

Leawood, KS (April 27-28, 2001)

St. John's Abbey, NTS Student Learning Retreat

Collegeville, MN (Fall 2000)

Extended weekend retreat with fellow seminary students and Professor Don Whitlock to visit monasteries of Benedictine Roman Catholic men and women

National Resource for Youth Workers

Youth Specialties Seminar

Seattle, WA (1998)

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Blackboard Regional Training Workshop

"Designing Exemplary Courses"

Bellevue University, Bellevue, NE (April 21, 2008)

Association of Theological Schools (ATS) Educational Technology Meeting

Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay, Tampa, FL (March 28-29, 2008)

Association of Nazarene Technologists Conference

Aurora Church of the Nazarene, Shoreline, WA (Sept 17-18, 2004)

Microsoft Certified Course 2152

Supporting Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional and Server

Overland Park, KS, (July 16, 2001)

Northwest Council for Computer Education Conference

Title: Bridging Distances

Portland, OR (April 19-22, 2000)

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Northwest Council for Computer Education Conference

Title: Electroglyphs: Communication with Tomorrow
Seattle, WA (March 17 - 19, 1999)

Northwest Council for Computer Education Conference

Title: Rendezvous in River City
Spokane, WA (March 11-13, 1998)

Basic Ethernet Networking Course

Washington State Education Service District 105
Yakima, WA (Spring 1997)

REFERENCES

Dr. Ron Benefiel

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