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Education

1979-1983 Bachelor of Arts (cum laude), Social Work, Eastern Nazarene College
1987-1990 Master of Divinity, Boston University, School of Theology
2002-2003 Doctorate of Ministry, Asbury Theological Seminary, Beeson Program, Biblical Preaching and Leadership, DMin awarded in Spring 2005

Academic Work

Systematic Theology: Dr. Gabriel Fackre, Andover Newton
History of Christian Thought, Luther and the Radicals: Dr. Carter Lindbergh, Boston University
Theology of Ministry: Stephen Seamands, Asbury Seminary
Pauline Epistles, Dr. Paul Sampley, Boston University
Pastoral Care, Dr. Carole Bohn, Boston University
Leadership, Dr. Dale Galloway, Asbury Seminary
Preaching Intensives, Dr. Haddon Robinson, Dr. Calvin Miller, Asbury Seminary

Publications

Dissertation: An Exploratory Study of Common Leadership Qualities among Nazarene Women Pastors Who Have Led Churches from Good to Great.

“Servant Evangelism”, The Pastor’s Guide to Growing a Christlike Church, Beacon Hill Press, Kansas City 2004.

“For Every Knock”, I Am Not Ashamed: Sermons by Wesleyan-Holiness Women, Point Loma Press, San Diego 2005.

Women Who Lead: The Call of Women in Ministry, Beacon Hill Press, Kansas City 2011

“Equal Opportunity Kitchen: A Dual-Career Family in Christian Ministry”, Results May Vary, ed: Linda Beail and Sylvia Cortez Masyuk, Point Loma Press, 2013.

Various Articles in “Holiness Today”

Courses Taught

Christian Formation: An introduction class for all freshmen. The class was split into four sections covering in scripture, theology, salvation, spiritual formation.

Spiritual Formation: A course designed to enhance the personal spiritual growth of the minister. Attention was given to classical practices of spiritual formation.

Fundamentals of Christian Ministry: An introduction class for all ministry majors. This class explored the dynamics of a call, the diversity of ministries available and healthy practices for living out that call.

Advanced Homiletics: A senior level preaching course which addressed homiletics within the

larger context of Christian worship. Emphasis is given to preaching the various literary genres of Scripture.

Scriptures II: A junior level general education course. Introduces students to an overview of the New Testament and teaches them to engage in rudimentary exegetical work.

Pastor as Priest: Graduate class for Olivet Nazarene University. The content of the class focused on exploring ways through which Pastors mediate Christ.

Employment

2007- Present *Vice President of Spiritual Development, Point Loma Nazarene University*

2005-2007 *Associate Professor of Christian Ministry, Olivet Nazarene University.*

2003-2005 *Co-Pastor, St. Paul's Church of the Nazarene, Duxbury, Massachusetts.* Shared senior pastorate with husband Bruce. Served in all aspects of pastoral ministry including; preaching, teaching, outreach, administration, visitation, community relations and counseling. We led the church through a period of transition and re-focus.

1995-2002 *Senior Pastor, Bethel Church of the Nazarene, Quincy, Massachusetts.* Served in all aspects of pastoral ministry including preaching, teaching, outreach, administration, visitation, community relations and counseling. Sunday morning duties included leading two distinct worship services (one liturgical the other contemporary). The church was able to reclaim its identity as a grace filled church and became committed to sharing that grace with the surrounding community. During my tenure the church grew from a morning worship average of 116 to 175.

1991-1995 *Senior Pastor, First Church of the Nazarene, Lynn, Massachusetts.* Served in all aspects of pastoral ministry with a special emphasis on restoring the spirit of a congregation who had experienced a long period of decline. The church experienced a great time of healing and growth. Sunday morning worship grew from the low 20's to 70.

1987-1991 *Associate Pastor, Bethel Church of the Nazarene, Quincy, Massachusetts.* Primary responsibilities were outreach and assimilation. Served as the church liaison to the Church's Day School. Preached on a regular basis.

Urban Experience

1985-1987 *Milieu Therapist, South Shore Mental Health*
Coordinator of day program for mentally ill. Responsible for oversight of budget and program development.

1984-1985 *Director of Day Program, Upper East Side Coalition for the Homeless.*
Oversight of a day shelter for homeless women. Responsible for oversight of

volunteers, enrichment programs, lunch services, resource and referral services.

1983-1984 *Intern, Lamb's Manhattan Church of the Nazarene.*
Served as a social worker in the Crisis Care Center. The program provided meals, clothing and counseling to the homeless of the Times Square area.

District Leadership Positions

Co-creator of the New England District Assessment Center. The center was a weekend retreat in which relationships were forged, testing regarding strengths, personality and spiritual gifts was administered, and evaluations for District license were made.

Served on (at different times) the Studies Board, The Credentials Board and the Advisory Board. Presently serve on the Ministerial Board for the Southern California District of the Church of the Nazarene.

Personal

Married to Bruce Paul on September 1, 1984.

Mother of two young adult sons, Wesley and Jonathan.

Ordained as an Elder in the Church of the Nazarene in 1991 on the New England District.

Awards

2001 Preacher of the Year by the Nazarene Bible College

2002 Servant Award New England District Church of the Nazarene