David Mahfood, Ph.D.

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Seeking a position incorporating teaching, preaching, and nurturing spiritual growth in a congregational or college context.

MINISTRY OBJECTIVES

- To nurture spiritual and theological maturity among believers through teaching, preaching, and mentoring
- To present a healthy vision of the Gospel to those outside the Church
- To cultivate spiritual growth among believers through practicing disciplines such as contemplative prayer
- To promote unity among Christians of diverse denominational backgrounds

Personal ministry goals: My personal vocation includes especially the ministry of teaching, inviting Christians into the rich spiritual and intellectual resources of the Christian faith, inviting them above all to delight in the God made known to us in Jesus Christ and to discern and participate in the work God is doing in the present through the Holy Spirit. As a preacher, I hope to model faithful reading of scripture in all its facets in order to know God, in conversation with the best wisdom available through the Church throughout time and space. I aim to help believers find the joy that is available through such reading set in the context of the core practices of communal worship, baptism, and the Lord's supper. Through these practices and a communal life centered on them, the Church is built up into the Body of Christ, joined together through mutual love poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Religious Studies (Major Area: Systematic Theology) Southern Methodist University, May 2017

M.A., History and Theology

Abilene Christian University, May 2010.

B.A., Physics, with a Minor in Secondary Education University of Florida, May 2006

TEACHING & MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor of Theology (online), Harding School of Theology Fall 2024

• Teaching "Introduction to Systematic Theology"

Adjunct Professor of Theology (online) Abilene Christian University May 2017-present

• Courses taught: "Systematic Theology I"; "Philosophy of Religion" and "Contemporary Religious Thought"

Associate Professor of Theology, Johnson University, Kissimmee, FL January 2018-June 2024

- Began as an Adjunct Professor in 2018, became full-time Assistant Professor in Jan. 2019; promoted to Associate Professor in June 2022
- Taught & designed courses in Theology and Philosophy at all undergraduate levels; led a chapel group focused on contemplative prayer; preached regularly in chapel

Adult Education & Supply Preaching, St. Nicholas Anglican Church, Kissimmee, FL Summer 2019-Present

- Supply preaching 3-4 times per year
- Regular classes during Advent & Lent

Adult Education & Supply Preaching (occasional), Plymouth Park Church of Christ, Irving, TX

August 2011-May 2017

STATEMENT OF FAITH & REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST