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## EDUCATION

9/2004 - 5/2015 **M.Div. (Summa Cum Laude) from Harding Graduate School of Theology**

- ♦ Authored a paper published in the peer-reviewed Restoration Quarterly journal

8/2002 - 8/2004 **B.Min. (Summa Cum Laude) from Harding University's School of Biblical Studies**

- ♦ Served as class president both years

8/1993 - 5/1998 **B.A. in History Education (Magna Cum Laude) from Lipscomb University**

- ♦ Resident Assistant of the Year in 1998
- ♦ Dean's List all ten semesters

## MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

1/2016 – 8/2023 **Senior Minister at the Manchester Church of Christ (Manchester, CT)**

- ♦ Responsible for preaching, teaching, visiting, counseling, discipleship, office management, and much more for this congregation of approximately 300 members
- ♦ Began new ministries including GriefShare and our Orphans & At-Risk Kids (OAKs) Ministry
- ♦ Transitioned congregation from a traditional full-time youth minister to a parent-led youth ministry
- ♦ Working extensively with youth group. Involvement includes planning and chaperoning events, mentoring many of the young men, teaching classes, and collaborating with our new Family Life Minister to build a cohesive vision for the youth ministry
- ♦ Working with the shepherds and deacons to create more collaboration, communication, and mutual encouragement throughout our ministries
- ♦ Led our transition into online preaching, teaching, and more during Covid-19 restrictions
- ♦ Organizes and leads the Southern New England Monthly Ministers' Meetings
- ♦ Serving on the Inspire New England committee which plans and hosts an annual regional conference
- ♦ Led weekend discipleship workshops at the Brattleboro Church of Christ in Vermont the last three years
- ♦ Serves on the local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

2/2011 - 12/2015 **Preaching Minister at the East Point Church of Christ (Wichita, KS)**

- ♦ Responsible for preaching, teaching, visiting, counseling, discipleship, and office management for this congregation of approximately 400 members
- ♦ Coordinated all aspects of our small groups ministry including writing curriculum, developing group facilitators, and recruiting members
- ♦ Worked to provide more effective means of accountability and communication amongst ministers, shepherds, and deacons
- ♦ Coordinated central Kansas monthly ministers' meetings in 2012, 2013, and 2014
- ♦ Coordinated annual Kansas Ministry Retreat in 2013 and 2014
- ♦ Served as a volunteer chaplain for the Andover Police Department
- ♦ Served on a local elementary school's Community Site Council

8/2004 - 2/2011 **Minister of Education & Involvement for the West Side Church of Christ (Searcy, AR)**

- ♦ Responsible for the educational program including development of an adult education plan, curriculum schedule, and new adult classes for this congregation of 800 people
- ♦ Coordinated all aspects of the small groups ministry
- ♦ Served as volunteer chaplain at the local hospital
- ♦ Mentored ministry students from Harding University
- ♦ Produced various Bible Class, Children's Ministry, and Facility Map brochures
- ♦ Coordinated congregational involvement ministry

3/2003 - present **Short-term Missionary**

- ♦ Working with the Nhowe Mission hospital, school, orphanage, and church in Zimbabwe for two weeks annually since 2014
- ♦ Served churches for three weeks in Ghana, West Africa, in May 2007
- ♦ Organized and led a domestic campaign in March 2004 to O'Fallon, Missouri
- ♦ Served on a two-week international campaign in May 2003 to Belo Horizonte, Brazil

RELATED EXPERIENCE & ACTIVITIES

8/2010 - 2011 **Adjunct Professor of Bible at Harding University**

- ♦ Taught "The Life of Christ" online course for the Distance Delivery Bible Department

8/1998 - 6/2002 **History Teacher and Coach at Newark, AR, Public School District**

- ♦ Taught 9th grade Civics, 10th grade World History, 11-12th grade A.P. European History
- ♦ Coached 7th grade boys and girls basketball, 9th-12th grade tennis
- ♦ Served as president of the school district's Personnel Policy Committee
- ♦ 1999 Sallie Mae National First-Year Teaching Award Nominee

8/1993 - 5/1998 **Student Assistant Basketball Coach at David Lipscomb University**

- ♦ Mentored by Coach Don Meyer
- ♦ Led all Student Assistant Coaches from 1994-1998
- ♦ Helped organize and coordinate summer basketball camps from 1994-1998 with over 4000 campers each summer
- ♦ National Finalist for the 1998 Sears Post-Graduate Scholarship Award for scholar-athletes

REFERENCES

- ♦ Dr. Randy Willingham, randy.willingham@lipscomb.edu, 501-230-2732
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