

**Curriculum Vitae
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Education

- 2001-2003 University of Georgia, Athens, GA
M.Ed. Adult Education
- 1982-1984 Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ
Secondary School Teacher Certification
- 1979-1981 Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, GA
B.A. History
- 1977 University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL
Engineering
- 1975-1977 University of Vermont, Burlington, VT
Engineering/Business

Undergraduate Teaching Experience

Sept. 2004 – Present Covenant College, Lookout Mtn., GA

Assistant professor

- Lead instructor
 - Principles and Practices of Community Development
 - Living and Working in a Multicultural Context
 - Global Trends for the Twenty-First Century
 - US Economic Development interventions
 - US Research Internships
- Co-Instructor
 - Theory of Community Development
 - Senior Seminar-Community Development majors
- Various Service
 - Member of the Intercultural Competence Committee
 - Member of the Multicultural Committee

Related Work Experience

**2007-2017 Chalmers Center for Economic Development
Covenant College, Lookout Mtn., GA**

Community Development Specialist

- Presenter at various conferences/events. These vary from full day seminars to 1-hour workshops.
- Create podcasts, webinars and find articles, manuals and other relevant material for the Helping Without Hurting Network.
- Various writing projects including *When Helping Hurts* (2009, revised 2012), *When Helping Hurts: The Small Group Experience* (2013), *Helping Without Hurting in Short-term Missions* (2014) and *Helping Without Hurting in Church Benevolence* (2015).

2003 – 2007

**Chalmers Center for Economic Development
Covenant College, Lookout Mtn., GA**

Director of US Programs

- Research microeconomic development interventions appropriate for churches and Christian community development organizations in the US.
- Design the learning processes to be utilized to equip church leaders/laypeople and staff of Christian community development organizations to carry out various microeconomic development interventions.
- Identify and recruit top thinkers and practitioners in the various microeconomic development interventions to lead or assist in courses for the Christian Economic Development Institute
- Oversee and/or develop the training materials needed for these courses
- Serve as lead and/or co-instructor at the annual Christian Economic Development Institute, which trains people to be able to implement various economic development interventions.
 - Lead instructor for 3-day course on Individual Development Accounts.
 - Lead instructor for ½-day course on Financial Literacy.
 - Lead instructor for 2-day course on Trainers that Make a Difference.
 - Co-instructor 2 day course on Theological Foundations and Principles of Holistic Ministry.
 - Co-instructor for 2-day course on Mobilizing the Church for Cross-Cultural Holistic Ministry.
- Taught 4-week distance course entitled Foundations and Principles of Holistic Ministry. This course was conducted 3 times each year.
- Presenter at various conferences/events
 - Establishing a Financial Literacy Ministry, Establishing an Individual Account Ministry, Designing and Implementing Effective Training, workshops for Mission to North America's Mercy Ministries Conference, Atlanta, GA, April 2003 & 2005
 - Principles and Practices of Transformational Ministry, Creating Effective Benevolence policies for your Church, Designing and Conducting a Church Assessment, Designing and Conducting Community Assessments, workshops for Knoxville Compassion Coalition, Knoxville,

- TN, February, March, July, November 2005 and February, May, September 2006.
- Helping the Poor Acquire Assets through Individual Development Accounts, workshop at Christian Community Development Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, October 2004.
 - Mercy Ministry, consultation for Grace Fellowship PCA, Gulf Shores, AL, May 2004
 - Ministering across Cultures, 6 week course for St Elmo Presbyterian Church, Chattanooga, TN, January-February 2004.
 - Church Assessment, consultation and training for Grace Fellowship PCA, Gulf Shores, AL, August 2003.
 - Foundations of Mercy Ministry, workshops for urban work teams of Hope for Chattanooga, Chattanooga, TN, May-June 2003
 - Mercy Ministry, workshop for Red Mountain PCA, Birmingham, AL, April 2003.
 - Designing a Financial Literacy Ministry, workshop at Mission to North America's Mercy Ministries Conference, Atlanta, GA, April 2003.
 - Church Assessment, consultation and training for Pinewood PCA, Middleburg, FL, 2002.

2001-2004

**Chalmers Center for Economic Development
Covenant College, Lookout Mtn., GA**

Director of Field Operations and Training

- Oversee the design, testing and evaluation of microfinance/microenterprise development interventions for use by churches and Christian institutions in their communities
- Design the learning processes to be utilized to equip church leaders/laypeople, missionaries and staff of Christian community development organizations to carry out various microeconomic development interventions.
- Identify and recruit top thinkers and practitioners in the various microeconomic development interventions to lead or assist in courses for the Christian Economic Development Institute
- Oversee and/or develop the training materials needed for these courses
- Serve as lead and/or co-instructor at the annual Christian Economic Development Institute which trains people to be able to implement various economic development interventions
 - Lead instructor for 2-day course on Trainers that Make a Difference.
 - Co-instructor 2-day course on Theological Foundations and Principles of Holistic Ministry
 - Co-Instructor for 3-day course on Promoting Church-Centered Savings and Credit Associations
- Presenter at various conferences/events
 - The Gospel of the Kingdom and Experiential Learning, workshop at the Presbyterian Church in America Global Missions Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2004.

- The Gospel of the Kingdom and Classroom Instruction, workshop at the Presbyterian Church in America Global Missions Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2004.
- Foundations of Transformational Development, workshop for Grace Brethren World Missions board, Winona Lake, IN, 2002.

**2000-2001 Food for the Hungry International, Scottsdale, AZ
Regional Director for Central and South America**

- Provided strategic leadership and managerial oversight for 6 countries in Latin America which had over 300 staff. Community development programs included work in microenterprise development, health, water and sanitation, agriculture, education and church strengthening. These programs directly benefited over 150,000 poor people annually.

**1995-2000 Food for the Hungry International, Scottsdale, AZ
Director of Staff Training**

- Created the strategic plan, designed and helped deliver the orientation and training for 1500 staff in 25 2/3rds countries and 7 support countries. 90-95% of these staff was nationals.
 - Conceptualized and produced training material to be used by all Food for the Hungry staff.
 - Was lead instructor for 3 day workshops on Principles of Christian Community Development held at the country level in Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Kenya, Uganda, Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Bolivia, Peru, Korea, Canada and the US.
 - Was lead instructor for 2 day workshop on Principles and Practices of Christian Community Development at 5 regional conferences (Africa: staff from Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Rwanda, Uganda; Asia: staff from Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Laos, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Tajikistan, Thailand, and Vietnam; Latin America (3x): Staff from Bolivia, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Peru.
 - Conducted workshops as part of semi-annual FHI worldwide corporate conferences
 - Was lead instructor for 1-day workshop on Principles of Christian Community Development for international board held in Geneva, Switzerland.
 - Was lead instructor for 3 week Training of Trainers conference for over 30 national level trainers.
 - Directed and was the lead instructor for a 4-5 week Pre-field Training that was held 2 times per year. Content focus was principles and practices of living cross-culturally and designing, implementing and evaluating Christian Relief and Development programs

**1992-1995 Food for the Hungry International, Scottsdale AZ
Director of International Hunger Corps Training**

- Created the strategic plan, designed and delivered the orientation and training for American, Canadian, Japanese, Korean and British staff preparing to work 3 years with Food for the Hungry International in community development programs in the 2/3rds World.
 - Directed and was typically the lead instructor for 1-2 week Perspective on World Hunger Orientations held 4-6 times a year in various countries. Content focus was level and causes of poverty, biblical responses to poverty and introduction to principles of Christian Relief and Community Development
 - Directed and was the lead instructor for a 4-5 week Pre-field Training that was held 2 times per year. Content focus was principles and practices of living cross-culturally and designing, implementing and evaluating Christian Relief and Development programs
 - Directed and was lead instructor in Training of the Trainers process that equipped Korean, Canadian, Japanese, and British staff to conduct Hunger Corp Orientation in their own countries.

1986-1992

**Northwest Community Christian High School,
Phoenix, AZ**

Teacher/Dept. Chairman

- Taught US and World History, Economics and Government – Grades 10-12
- Coached varsity baseball

1984-1986

Food for the Hungry International, Mexico

Country Director/Community Development Field Staff

- Implemented and managed community development programs in small mountain communities in the Mexican state of Morales. These included microenterprise development, health, water and sanitation, agricultural education and church strengthening interventions.
- Implemented and managed 6-month \$850,000 relief operations in Mexico City in response to the destruction created by the September 1985 earthquake.

Related Written Work

- Lead the research and writing off *Helping without Hurting in Church Benevolence*. Published in Oct 2015.
- Lead the research and writing off *Helping without Hurting in Short Term Missions*. Published in Oct 2014.
- Collaborated on the creation and production of *When Helping Hurts: The Small Group Experience*. This is a 6 part series with video and study guide. Published February 2014.
- Co Authored *When Helping Hurts*, Moody Press, 2009 and revised edition released in April 2012.
- Foundations and Principles of Holistic Ministry self study edition, 2008.

- “Relief and Development: Ideas and Issues to Consider” with Brian Fikkert. Mandate, Winter 2005.
- Principles and Practices of Christian Microfinance and Microenterprise Development: A Video/DVD-Based Course, with Mask, Donthamsetty, Smedes and Warren, Chalmers Center for Economic Development at Covenant College, 2004.
- Individual Development Accounts: A Ministry Handbook for the Local Church, with Fikkert, Nikkel and Norwood, Chalmers Center for Economic Development, 2003.
- Promoting Church-Centered Savings and Credit Associations: A Handbook, with Mask, Donthamsetty and Trimiew, Chalmers Center for Economic Development, 2002.
- Serving God on a Trip of a Lifetime: Short-Term Teams Training Manual, with Miller, Henry and Collins, Food for the Hungry, 2001.
- Food for the Hungry Corporate Identity Orientation: An Overview, Food for the Hungry International, 1999
- Food for the Hungry Corporate Identity Orientation: A Self Study, with Connor, Food for the Hungry International, 1997

Conferences Attended

- Christian Community Development Association Annual Conference, 2004, 2006, 2008-2010, 2012
- National Associations of Christian Social Workers Annual Conference, November 2012
- Individual Development Account Learning Conference, September 2004.

Professional Organizations

- Member of the Christian Community Development Association
- Member of the National Association of Christian Social Workers