

Curriculum Vitae

*Dr. Page Matthew Brooks
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Present Academic and Ministry Experience:

Founding and Lead Pastor, Canal Street Church: A Mosaic Community Mosaic Community, a multi-ethnic church plant in Mid-City New Orleans. 2011- Present.

President, The Restoration Initiative for Culture and Community, a community development non-profit. 2012-Present.

Chair of Theology Department, School of Urban Missions, El Dorado Hills, CA, 2016-Present (Part-Time).

Education:

Ph. D. Theology and Islamic Studies, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary: Theology major, Preaching minor, May, 2008. Supervisor: Dr. Robert Stewart. Dissertation Topic/Title: A Comparison of Christian and Islamic Reactions to Postmodernity as Examined in the Thought of Alistair McGrath and Seyyed Hossein Nasr.

Ph.D. Candidate (second Ph.D.), Free University of Amsterdam, Philosophy of Religion and Ethics, Dr. Willie van der Merwe, supervisor. Dissertation title: A Cross-cultural Hermeneutic of Contemporary Just War Defenses in Western and Islamic Philosophy.

M.Th. Missiology (focus Islam), University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2009.

Additional Studies, Oxford University, Summer Studies, Wycliffe Hall, England, July, 2004. Dr. Alistair McGrath (lecturer).

M. Div., Theology and Preaching, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2002.

B.S.B.A. Economics, Auburn University Montgomery, 2000, ranked first in departmental

graduating class.

Research Areas:

Systematic Theology
Islam, especially its interaction with Christianity
Urban theology and apologetics
Pastoral Theology
Postmodernity
Philosophy of Religion

Ministry Experience:

Lead Pastor, Canal Street Church: A Mosaic Community, 2011- Present. New Orleans, LA

President, The Restoration Initiative for Culture and Community, 2012- Present, New Orleans, LA

Chaplain, Army National Guard and Reserves, 2003-Present. Current Rank: Lieutenant Colonel, Brigade Chaplain for 256 Infantry Brigade.

Pastor for Preaching and Strategy, Vintage Church, New Orleans, LA., 2007-2009.

Associate Minister for Adult Ministries, First Baptist Church Spartanburg, SC., 2005 to 2007.

- Evangelism/Outreach
- New Member Assimilation
- Preaching/Teaching
- Research assistant of Pastor

Rio Vista Baptist Church, Senior Pastor, 2001-2005, Jefferson, LA.

Edgewater Baptist Church, Minister of Worship, 2000-2001. New Orleans, LA.

University of New Orleans, Baptist Campus Ministries, Campus Ministry Associate, 2000-2001, New Orleans, LA.

McGehee Road Baptist Church, Minister of Education and Students, 1996-2000.

McGehee Road Baptist Church, Associate to Pastor, 1993-1996.

Long term and short term missions: New York state, Texas, Georgia, Florida, Mexico, Spain, England, North Africa, South Africa, and Middle East.

Past Academic Experience

Associate Professor of Theology and Culture, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Ministry-Based Faculty, 2015-Present. Teach adjunctively.

Assistant Professor, Theology and Islamic Studies, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2007-2015.

Instructor, Christian Studies, North Greenville University, August 2005 to May 2007.

Adjunct Faculty- New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Graduate and Undergraduate classes, January 2003 to 2007, New Orleans, LA

Graduate Fellow for Dr. Steve Lemke, Provost, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2005-2006.

Director of Student Life, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2004/2005.

Graduate Fellow for Dr. Ken Keathley, formerly Assistant Dean of Graduate Studies, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 2001-2005, New Orleans, LA, for the

Committee Experience:

- Subcommittee for accreditation for Association of Theological Schools accreditation review
- Subcommittee for accreditation for Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accreditation review

Books:

Small Church, Excellent Ministry, "The Multi-Ethnic Church," Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock publishers, 2018.

Mergers and More: A Guide for Churches Who Don't Want to Die. Rowman and Littlefield Publishers in Cooperation with the Alban Institute of Duke University, 2017.

Facing the Change Study Guide, "Part 2: Who Do We Think We Are? Culture and Change," 32-65. Mustang, OK: Tate Publishing: 2014.

Don't Ask, Don't Tell: Homosexuality, the Chaplaincy, and the Military. Co-edited with Dr. John Laing, Eugene: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2013.

Manuscripts in Preparation:

The Cross, the Crescent, and Postmodernity: A Comparison of Islamic and Christian Reactions to Postmodernity

It's a Mosaic: Multi-cultural Church Planting in a Multi-cultural World

Languages:

Read: Greek (advanced)
Hebrew (advanced)
German (intermediate)
Spanish (intermediate)
Arabic (beginning)

Spoken: Spanish (intermediate)
Arabic (beginning)

Professional Memberships:

Evangelical Theological Society
Evangelical Philosophical Society
Society of Christian Philosophers

Professional Presentations:

"Rehashing Hash Tags: A Evangelical Approach To Social Justice," Evangelical Theological Society, Denver, CO, Nov. 2018.

"Islam 101," "Islam 201," and "Why Are They Coming to America?" Loving Your Muslim Neighbor Conference, North American Mission Board, Spartanburg, SC, March 2016.

"Understanding Islam in the Current World." Annual Chaplains Training, Louisiana National Guard, February 2016.

"CovTalk: Who Is My Neighbor?" Midwinter Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church, Chicago, IL, January 2016.

"A Soul-Change Model for Discipleship and Counseling." Southwest Regional Meeting of the Evangelical Theological Society, April 2015.

"God, Allah, and Creation Care: Can American Muslims and Evangelical Christians Have a Common Environmental Ethic?" Evangelical Theological Society, 2012.

"Just War Theory in Christian and Islamic Thought." Evangelical Theological Society, New Orleans, LA, November, 2009.

"The Word on the Word: Islamic and Christian Apologetic Methodology," Evangelical Theological Society, Providence, RI, November, 2008.

"Teaching Them to Obey WHAT? Comparison Islamic and Christian Approaches to

Doctrinal.” Evangelical Theological Society, San Diego, CA, Nov. 2007.

“A Comparison of Islam and Christian Definitions of Postmodernity.” Evangelical Theological Society Meeting, Washington, D.C., Nov. 2006.

“An Example of Islamic Pluralism: A Critical Examination of the Thought of Seyyed Hossein Nasr.” Evangelical Theological Society National Meeting, November, 2005, Pittsburgh, PA.

Moderator for “Jesus and the Gospels.” ETS Southwest Regional Meeting, March, 2005.

“An Example of Islamic Pluralism: A Critical Examination of the Thought of Seyyed Hossein Nasr.” Evangelical Theological Society Southwest Regional Meeting, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. March, 2005.

“Mark(ing) How Talyor ‘C’s God: A Examination of the Postmodern A/theology of Mark C. Taylor.” Evangelical Theological Society Southwest Regional Meeting, Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, TX. March, 2004.

“The Parabolic Hermeneutics of J.D. Crossan.” Student Theological Fellowship, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA. November, 2003.

Journal Publications:

“The Mosaic: A White Pastor’s Role in a Multi-Cultural World.” *Conversations Journal*. Spring 2016. Available online at <http://conversationsjournal.com>. (Forthcoming)

“What’s Next After Chapel Next?” *Journal of the Army Chaplaincy*, Spring 2016 (Forthcoming)

Guest Editor, *Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry Journal, The Chaplaincy and the Public Square*. Fall, 2012.

“In Support of Cooperation Without Compromise.” *Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry Journal*, Fall 2012.

“Righteousness,” “Evil,” and “Eschatology,” in *The Lexham Bible Dictionary*, Logos Bible Software, publication in Fall 2011.

Review of *Southern Baptist Consensus and Renewal* by David Dockery, *Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry Journal*, Spring 2009.

Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry Journal, “A Response to Ed Stetzer Concerning the Emerging and Emergent Churches,” Spring 2008.

Baptist Center for Theology and Ministry, in conjunction with *Lifeway of the Southern*

Baptist Convention, Online Dictionary (www.baptistcenter.org):
"Election," "Offices of Christ," "Bible and Scripture," and "Jesus Christ."

Blog Posts at www.pagebrooks.org (Sample titles):

Why You Don't Want to Use Liturgy at Your Church
Sin, Suicide, and Salvation: In Honor of John Gibson
Who Is My Neighbor?
Why I Wouldn't Celebrate July 4th at My Church

Non-Academic Publications:

Review of Center Church, by Timothy Keller, On Mission Magazine vol. 17 no. 1. (Spring 2014): 53.

Review of God in the Whirlwind, by David F. Wells, On Mission Magazine Vol. 17 no. 2 (Summer 2014): 52.

Interview on Rob Bell's book, Love Wins, for the "John and Kathy Show" on WORD-FM, Pittsburg, PA. <http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-John-Kathy-Show-on-WORD-fm/156826998581>. March, 2011.

Comments on Rob Bell's book, Love Wins, for Associated Press, March 2011. <http://topstories.foxnews.mobi/quickPage.html?page=17224&external=810154.proteus.fma&pageNum=-1>; and http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/42248810/ns/us_news-life/.

Comments Rob Bell's Book, Love Wins, for Baptist Press, March, 2011. <http://www.bpnews.net/bpnews.asp?id=34843>

"Evangelism," in The Leader's Study Bible, due for publication in Fall 2011.

"Our Adoption Story," written with Ashley Brooks, in Orphanology, edited by Tony Merida and Rick Morton. Birmingham: New Hope Publishers, 2011.

"Preaching to the Postmodern Audience," Web Journal of the Army College of Preachers, February, 2011.

"Religious Freedom and the NYC Mosque," First-Person Article, Baptist Press, Oct 13, 2010.

Louisiana Baptist Message, "It Depends on What 'Is' Is: Doing Evangelism in a Postmodern Age," March, 2009.

University of New Orleans History Department, consulting narrator, "Conducting an Oral History of the Washington Artillery of the Louisiana National Guard, March 2009.

“What Can We Learn from Mark Driscoll?”, First-Person article, Baptist Press, July 2009

GateKeeper, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, contributing writer, 2005:
“Integrating Theology and Psychology”
“The Historical Jesus”

Vision Magazine, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary:
December 2003, “A Pastoral Perspective on Christmas.”

Church-Related Presentations and Ministry (Selected):

The Unity and Authority of the Bible. Ponchartrain Baptist Church Apologetics Conference, New Orleans, LA, February, 2005.

Understanding and Ministering to Muslims. Ponchartrain Baptist Church Apologetics Conference, New Orleans, LA, February, 2005.

Muslim Evangelism, Lifeway Discipleship Week, July 2007.

Marriage Precept Weekend Marriage Retreat, Cold Springs Baptist Church, Collins, MS., October, 2008.

Engaging Muslims, Calvary Baptist Church, March, 2009, Prattville, AL.

Understanding the Postmodern Generation, Youth Evangelism Rally, Picayune, MS, May, 2009.

Pastors’ Training in Understanding the West, Tete, Mozambique, July, 2009.

Reaching the Culture for Christ, McGehee Road Baptist Church, Montgomery, AL, August, 2009.

Reaching Your Muslim Neighbors, Autauga Baptist Association Discipleship Conference, November, 2009.

Note: References available upon request