

Curriculum Vitae
Alan Doyle Myatt, Ph.D.

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Education:

Ph.D. - Religious and Theological Studies 1995
Denver University/Illiff School of Theology, Joint Ph.D. Program
2201 S. University Blvd., Denver, CO 80210

M.Div. with honors 1984
Denver Seminary
6399 South Santa Fe Drive, Littleton, Colorado 80120

B.A., cum laude - History and Psychology double major 1979
Vanderbilt University
2201 West End Ave., Nashville, TN 37235

Professional Experience

Guest Professor of Theology (2008 - present)
Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary – Charlotte
14542 Choate Circle
Charlotte, NC 28273

Courses: Theology Survey I & II, Contemporary (Global) Theology, Classics of Christian Thought, Christianity and the Postmodern World, Introduction to Apologetics, Urban Ministry and Ethnic Reality, Cultural Apologetics, Introduction to World Missions. Coordinator of the Urban Ministries Certificate Program,

Missionary 1995 - 2008
Appointed career missionary to Brazil, October 14, 1994
International Mission Board
Southern Baptist Convention
P.O. Box 6767
Richmond, VA 23230-0767

Positions and responsibilities included:

- ◆ **Professor** 2001-2006
Faculdade Teológica Batista de São Paulo (Baptist Theological College of São Paulo)

Rua João Ramalho, 466 – Perdizes, São Paulo, SP Brazil - 05008-001
<http://teologica.com.br/>

Courses: Systematic Theology, Contemporary Theology and areas of apologetics.
Courses taught on both undergraduate and graduate levels.

- ◆ **Professor** 1996-2001
Seminário Teológico Batista do Sul do Brasil (South Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary), Rua José Higino, 416 - Tijuca - Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil - 20510-412
<http://www.stbsb.org.br/>

Chaired the Theology and Philosophy of Religion area. Undergraduate and graduate level courses in Systematic Theology, Philosophy of Religion, Sociology of Religion, Apologetics, Religious Studies (world religions, cults and new religions), and Ethics; supervision of theses for graduate students and mentoring students in ministry practicums.

- ◆ **Visiting Professor**
Centro Presbiteriana de Pós-graduação Andrew Jumper, Universidade Presbiteriana MacKenzie, São Paulo (Andrew Jumper Presbyterian Graduate Center, MacKenzie Presbyterian University) Rua Maria Borba, 15 - Vila Buarque, São Paulo, SP Brazil - 01221-040 <http://www.mackenzie.com.br/teologia>

Courses: God and Metaphysics, and The Theological and Philosophical Project of Herman Dooyeweerd. Both courses are graduate level.

- ◆ **Visiting Professor**
Seminário Teológico Escola de Pastores (School of Pastors Theological Seminary)
Rua Major Froes, 59 - São Francisco, Niterói, RJ Brazil
<http://www.escoladepastores.org.br/>

Courses: Christian Apologetics

- ◆ **Strategic Ministries Facilitator** 2005 - 2006

Served as assistant to Strategy Associate for Brazil (the SA is the supervisor and coordinator for all IMB work in Brazil). Responsibilities included coordination of missionary training and programs, working with mission budget preparation and evaluation, analysis of church planting and evangelism data, tracking monthly reports of missionary staff, evaluation and direction for use of mission volunteers, overseeing publishing and distribution of training materials for missionaries and national partners, working with human needs and disaster relief projects, participation in strategy development and implementation.

◆ **Regional Research Coordinator** 2001-2004
member of Regional Support Team for Eastern South America

Conducted and directed both quantitative and qualitative research in the religious profile and world views of Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. Trained missionaries in missiology, including cultural anthropology, and social and cultural issues of world views. Assisted and supervised missionaries as they researched target populations for evangelism and church planting within the region. Participated as member of the Regional Urban Strategy Team in the development of strategies for urban church planting, evangelism and related ministries. Served as liaison between the Eastern South America region and the International Mission Board Global Research Department in Richmond. Collected, compiled and interpreted regional statistical data for the IMB's annual global report on world evangelism.

◆ **Pastor** 1998-2001 (with one year leave for furlough).

Pastor of the mission church, Congregação Batista da Praça, in the Tijuca area of Rio de Janeiro.

◆ **Other**

Developed and taught courses in apologetics, cults and new religions, and Christianity and culture for laity in Brazilian churches. Participated in various evangelism projects, working with volunteer teams as translator/evangelist, including street evangelism and door to door witnessing.

Adjunct professor 2007-2008
Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary – Center for Urban Ministerial Education
90 Warren Street, Roxbury, MA 02119 (617) 427-7293

Courses: Systematic Theology, Contemporary Theology, and World Religions and Cults.
Courses taught in Portuguese.

Associate Pastor 1994
Dickerson Road Baptist Church
3601 Dickerson Rd., Nashville, TN 37207

Directed youth ministry and occasionally preached. This was a temporary position as the church was aware that I was a candidate for missionary appointment.

Adjunct professor 1987, 1990-1992
Denver Seminary
6399 South Santa Fe Drive, Littleton, Colorado 80120
Courses: Systematic Theology, Theology of the Cults, Issues in Social and Political Ethics, Christianity and Humanism, Christianity and Liberation Theology, Christianity and Science, History and Theology of Mormonism, Sociology of Religion and Cults.

Drug and Alcohol Addictions Counselor, 1986-1990
Program Manager for “Cross Purposes” treatment program for ritual occult behavior
Lost and Found, Inc.
9189 S. Turkey Creek Rd., Morrison, CO 80465

Served as addictions counselor for teenage boys involved in drug and occult activities and lectured on the same in numerous churches and conferences. Developed a treatment and education program for adolescents involved in ritual occult and cultic behaviors. Achieved Level II certification as alcohol and drug addictions counselor in the state of Colorado. Appeared on various radio-talk shows in the Denver area as an expert on cults and the occult.

Director - Shield of Faith 1984-1988
Bear Valley Ministries
Bear Valley Baptist Church
10001 W Jewell Ave., Lakewood, CO 80232-6270

Shield of Faith was a church based ministry to cults and new religions that engaged in apologetic, educational, evangelistic and counseling activities.

Short Term Missionary - Bangalore, India Summer 1978
Student Missionary Program
International Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention

Served 10 weeks in student ministry, evangelism and discipleship targeting primarily Hindu college students.

Ph.D. Studies and Specialization

Major area of study - Religion and Social Change, an interdisciplinary program combining Ethics, History and Sociology of Religion with the theological disciplines. The program covered many areas important for both missiology and theology, including issues in anthropology, sociology, world religions, international studies, cross-cultural studies, historical theology, philosophy of religion, post-modernism, as well as global and systematic theology.

Dissertation title - *The Movimento Negro in the Roman Catholic Church in Brazil*. Approved without revisions. The dissertation was based on field research conducted in Brazil using methods of ethnography as well as theological, historical and cultural analysis. It analyzed the convergence of Roman Catholicism, liberation theology and Afro-Brazilian spiritism in this controversial religious movement.

Comprehensive qualifying exams were taken in the areas of Sociology of Religion, American Religious History and Historiography, and Christian Social Ethics (with special reference to liberation theology and recent Brazilian reality).

Languages

Fluent in English and Portuguese, reading knowledge of Spanish
Completed M.Div. with biblical Greek and Hebrew exegesis

Professional Society Memberships

American Academy of Religion
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

Evangelical Theological Society
Evangelical Philosophical Society

Publications

Book:

Teologia Sistemática: uma análise histórica, bíblica e apologetica para o contexto atual.
[Systematic Theology: an historical, biblical and apologetic analysis for today's context].
with Franklin Ferreira (São Paulo: Edições Vida Nova, 2007), 1230 pp. The book is
currently in its second printing.

Articles and chapters:

"On The Compatibility of Ontological Equality, Hierarchy and Functional Distinctions." *The Deception of Eve and the Ontology of Women*. Christians for Biblical Equality, 2010.

"Livres Arbitrio nas Seitas e na Apologética Reformada." [Free Will in the Cults and Reformed Apologetics] *Fides Reformata*. vol. 8, no. 2, 2003.

"Religion, Race, and Community Organizing: The *Movimento Negro* in the Roman Catholic Church in Brazil." in *Religion and Social Policy*. Paula D. Nesbitt, ed. (Walnut Creek, CA: Altamira Press, 2001).

"As Bem-Aventuranças: O Alicerce da Vida Cristã." [The Beatitudes: the Foundation of the Christian Life] *Vida Acadêmica*, ano xvii, no 67, 1998.

"Os Valores Têm Valor?" [Do Values Have Value?] *Vida Acadêmica*, ano xvi, no 64, 1998.

Presentations and Papers

"On The Compatibility of Ontological Equality, Hierarchy and Functional Distinctions."
Evangelical Theological Society annual meeting, New Orleans, November, 2009

"Is Pluralism Tolerante? An assessment of the pluralist interpretation of world religions in light of charges of Evangelical 'hinduphobia'." Evangelical Theological Society annual meeting, Providence, RI, November, 2008.

“Can Joseph Smith Save Us From The Evils of Modernity? A critical assessment of the post-modernist turn in Mormon apologetics.” Society for the Study of Alternative Religions study group of the Evangelical Theological Society annual meeting, San Antonio, TX, November, 2004.

“A Missionary Looks at Evangelicals and Catholics Together.” Evangelical Ministries to New Religions Conference, Denver, CO, Feb. 20, 2000.

“Black Religion and Social Justice in Brazil: The *Movimento Negro* in the Roman Catholic Church.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion annual meeting, Albuquerque, NM, November, 1994.

“Recent Trends in Liberation Theology: Black Liberation Theology in Latin America.” Evangelical Theological Society annual meeting, November, 1993.

“New Age Nursing: Religion and Empowerment in a Traditionally Female Profession.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion annual meeting, Arlington, Virginia, November, 1992.

“Liberation Theology and the Kingdom of God.” Evangelical Theological Society annual meeting, November, 1991.

Awards

The 2008 Arete Prize for Best Book (national) in theology and the 2008 Arete Prize for Best Author of a national work for *Teologia Sistemática - uma análise histórica, bíblica e apologética para o contexto atual*. Arete Prizes are awarded by the *Associação de Editoras Cristãs* (Association of Christian Publishers) in Brazil. Winning books are chosen by a panel of 150 specialists from among evangelical books published the previous year. “National” works refers to books originally written in Portuguese.

Elected class sponsor by the graduating class of 1999 of the South Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary. This is a Brazilian tradition in which the class members select a professor whose character and teaching were especially influential during their seminary years and names the graduating class after that individual.

1993 Oliver Whitney Reed Memorial award for dissertation proposal. The award was established in 1978 by Oliver Read Whitley, former Iliff School of Theology professor, to support a doctoral student with demonstrated academic excellence. The prize from the award was used to pay for air fare to Brazil where research was conducted for the dissertation during 1993.

Personal

Spouse: Kathy Roush, since 1982. Kathy is a registered nurse and a board certified Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner. Her missionary experience includes teaching in a Bible institute, discipleship, counseling, evangelism and church planting.

Children: Carrie, b. 1986. - graduate of Gordon College and currently a student at Gordon-Conwell, Charlotte.

Personal interests and hobbies: music (have frequently played electric guitar for church worship and praise bands), fishing, science-fiction, and travel.