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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. The University of Chicago, 1986 (Religion and Literature)
Doctoral Thesis: "The Restless Reader: Johann Gottfried Herder's Interpretation of the New Testament."
Brian Gerrish, Michael Murrin (Advisers); David Tracy (Reader)
- M.A. The University of Chicago, 1979 (Divinity)
- B.A. St. Olaf College, 1976 (English, Music)

STUDIES AND RESEARCH ABROAD

Franckesche Stiftungen, Halle, Germany, 2000 (Research)
University of Bonn, West Germany, 1986 (Research)
Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel, West Germany, 1984 (Research)
University of Tübingen, West Germany, 1979-81 (Graduate Studies in Philosophy and Theology)
Cambridge University, England, 1975 (Undergraduate Studies in Romantic Poetry and Music)

HONORS, RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND PROJECTS, AND INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS

- Director, "The Child in Religion and Ethics" (\$538,000 project funded by the Lilly Endowment, 2004-2007)
- Co-Director, National Meeting of Representatives from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and from Lutheran Institutions that received grants for "Theological Exploration of Vocation," "Theological Programs for High School Youth," or "Programs to Enhance Theological Schools' Capacities to Prepare Candidates for Congregational Ministries" (\$20,000 grant funded by the Programs for the Theological Exploration of Vocation, 2003)
- Co-Director, Campus Grant for Project on "Renewable Energy, Social Justice, and Vocation" (2003-2004)
- Wheat Ridge Grant for Faculty Research in the Healing Arts and Sciences (2002-2004)
- Faculty Development Award (funded by the Valparaiso University Alumni Association, 2002)
- Nominee, Distinguished Teaching Award (Valparaiso University Alumni Association, 2002)
- Christian Faith and Life Sabbatical Grant (funded by the Louisville Institute, 2000-2001)
- Director, Planning Grant, "Project on Theological Exploration of Vocation at Valparaiso University" (1999-2000); (\$1,965,150 project funded by the Lilly Endowment, 2000-2005)
- Summer Research Grant for Study in Halle, Germany (funded by Valparaiso University, 1999)
- Director, Project on "The Child in Christian Thought" (\$127,501 grant funded by the Lilly Endowment, 1998-2000)
- Director, Institutional Renewal Grant for Faculty Orientation at Valparaiso University (funded by the Rhodes Consultation on the Future of the Church-Related College, 2000)
- Co-Director, Campus Recycling Grant (funded by the Porter County Solid Waste Management District, 1998-1999)
- Regional Director, "Rhodes Consultation on the Future of the Church-Related College" (1998-1999)
- Fellow for "Rhodes Consultation on the Future of the Church-Related College" (1996-97)
- Fellow for "Project on Risk, Institutions, Science and Knowledge" (FIPSE Grant, University of Iowa, 1993)
- Scholar-in-Residence through the Joyce Foundation Award (Luther College 1993)
- Sears Foundation Grant (1991)
- Overseas Fellowship (Division for Global Missions, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America 1989)
- Award for Theological Scholarship and Research (Association of Theological Schools, 1986)
- Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (1984-85)
- Overseas Fellowship (The University of Chicago, 1984)
- Research Assistant: The University of Chicago; area assistant for Bible, History of Christianity, Religion and Literature (1983-84).
- World Council of Churches Fellowship for Study Abroad (1979-81)
- Ellen Johnson Music Award (St. Olaf, 1975-76)
- Drama Scholarship (Colorado Women's College, 1972-73)
- Magna cum laude (1976)
- Phi Beta Kappa (elected 1976)

CONSULTATIONS, COMMITTEES, AND BOARDS

Co-Chair, Consultation on Childhood Studies and Religion, the American Academy of Religion (2003-).
Co-Director, Child Theology Movement (2004-).
Theological Advisor, Center for Spiritual Development in Childhood and Adolescence of the Search Institute (2006-).
Director of Theological Inquiry, Center for the Theology of Childhood (2002-).
Member of the National Planning Team, "Children's Spirituality Conference: Christian Perspectives" (2002-).
Member of the General Advisory Board, *The Cresset* (2002-).
Leader for Course Development, Project on Theological Exploration of Vocation at Valparaiso University (2003-2006).
Member of the National Task Force on Education for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (2003-2007), which helped to draft the ELCA's social statement, "Our Calling in Education."
Participant, "The Best Love of the Child" Consultation, directed by Timothy Jackson and held at Emory University (September 2006, September 2007).
Participant, "The Vocation of the Child" Consultation, directed by Patrick Brennan and held at Emory University (August 2005).
Consultant, Children's Environmental Health Network in Washington DC, directed by Daniel Swartz (2002-04).
Consultant, Project on Developing Child Specific Practices of Faith within Family Small Groups, Ada Bible Church in Ada, MI (2002-04).
Consultant, Enhancing the Literature on the Theological Exploration of Vocation, directed by Kim Maphis Early (2002).
Steering Committee, Project on Theological Exploration of Vocation at Valparaiso University (2000-2006).
Member of the Planning Committee for an international conference on "Children's Spirituality: Christian Perspectives," funded in part by the Louisville Institute and held June 8-11, Chicago (2001-2003).
Participant, "Consultation on Religion and Children," directed by Robert Orsi (1999-2000)
Member of the Editorial Board, *Dialog* (1992-2001).
Network Editor, *Religious Studies Review* (1994-1998).
Member of the Steering Committee, Nineteenth Century Theology Working Group of the AAR (1991-95).
Member of the Editorial Board, *Word and World* (1987-1988, 1989-1990).
Member of the Executive Board, International Herder Society (1985-1990).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professor of Theology and Humanities: Christ College, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN (2003-).
Visiting Professor for a "Compact Seminar" on "Theologies of Childhood": Heidelberg University in Germany (February 2006, January 2007, February 2008).
Associate Professor of Theology and Humanities: Christ College, Valparaiso University (1997-2003)
Associate Professor, Dept. of Religion: Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, MN (1995-1997).
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Religion and Philosophy: Luther College, Decorah, IA (1990-95). (Tenured 1994.)
Visiting Professor of Systematic Theology: Theologisches Seminar Leipzig, Leipzig, East Germany (Fall, 1989).
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Systematic Theology: Luther Seminary, St. Paul, MN (1985-1990).
Visiting Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, Dept. of Philosophy and Religion: Knox College, Galesburg, IL (Spring, 1985).
Organist: Bond Chapel of The University of Chicago (1982-84), United Church of Hyde Park (1983-84), University Church (1982).
English Teacher: Laurentius Gymnasium, Neuendettelsau, West Germany (1976-77).

AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

History of Christian Thought; Systematic Theology; Hermeneutics; Religious Understandings of Children and Childhood; 19th Century Religious Thought; Martin Luther; the Reformation; Environmental Ethics; Undergraduate Courses on "Great Books" in World Literature

PUBLICATIONS

Published Books

The Child in Christian Thought. Edited and introduced by Marcia Bunge. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2001.
Against Pure Reason: Writings on History, Language, and Religion by J. G. Herder. Edited, translated, and introduced by Marcia Bunge. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1993.

Forthcoming Books

The Child in the Bible. General Editor: Marcia J. Bunge. Co-editors: Terence Fretheim and Beverly Roberts Gaventa. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2008.

Children, Childhood, and Religious Ethics: Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Perspectives. Edited by Marcia J. Bunge.

Children and Childhood in World Religions. Edited by Don Browning and Marcia J. Bunge. Rutgers University Press: 2008.

The Vocations of Parents and Children: Sacred Vision and Practical Guidelines.

Edited Conference Papers

Views of God and Nature in 19th Century Theology and Literature in Papers of The Nineteenth Century Theology Working Group (1994). Edited by Marcia Bunge and Sheila Briggs. Published at the Graduate Theological Union (Berkeley, CA).

Religion and Gender in 19th Century Literature in Papers of the Nineteenth Century Theology Working Group (1990). Edited by Marcia Bunge and Gerda Schmidt. Published at the Graduate Theological Union (Berkeley, CA).

Edited International Booklets on Child Theology:

Experimenting Together: One Way of Doing Child Theology by Haddon Willmer. Edited by Marcia J. Bunge. London: The Child Theology Movement Limited, 2007.

Child Theology for the Churches in Asia: An Invitation by Sunny Tan. Edited by Marcia J. Bunge. London: The Child Theology Movement Limited, 2007.

An Introduction to Child Theology by Keith J. White and Haddon Willmer. Edited by Marcia J. Bunge. London: The Child Theology Movement Limited, 2006.

Articles

"The Vocation of Children and Parents: Sacred Vision and Spiritual Practices," in *Children's Voices. Children's Perspectives in Ethics, Theology and Religious Education*, edited by Annemie Dillen (Forthcoming).

"Children, the Image of God, and Christology: Theological Anthropology in Solidarity with Children," in *Who is Jesus Christ for Us Today?*, edited by Andreas Schuele and Günter Thomas (Forthcoming: Westminster John Knox, 2008).

"The Vocation of the Child: Theological Perspectives on the Particular and Paradoxical Roles and Responsibilities of Children," in *Vocation of the Child*, edited by Patrick McKinley Brennan (Forthcoming: Eerdmans, 2008).

"The Vocation of Parenting: A Biblically and Theologically Informed Perspective," in *Understanding God's Heart for Children: Toward a Biblical Framework*, edited by Douglas McConnell, Jennifer Orona, and Paul Stockley (World Vision: 2007): 53-65.

"Beyond Children as Agents or Victims: Reexamining Children's Paradoxical Strengths and Vulnerabilities with Resources from Christian Theologies of Childhood and Child Theologies," in *The Given Child: The Religions' Contribution to Children's Citizenship*, edited by Trygve Wyller and Usha S. Nayar (Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, 2007): 27-50.

"The Dignity and Complexity of Children: Constructing Christian Theologies of Childhood," in *Nurturing Child and Adolescent Spirituality*, edited by Karen Marie Yust, Aostre N. Johnson, Sandy Eisenberg Sasso, and Eugene C. Roehlkepartain (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2006): 53-68.

"The Child, Religion, and the Academy: Developing Robust Theological and Religious Understandings of Children and Childhood," *Journal of Religion* 86.4 (October 2006): 549-578.

"Our Calling in Education: Working Together to Generate a Strong Social Statement on Public Schools, Lutheran Schools and College, and the Faith Formation of Children and Young People," *Intersections* (Summer 2006): 6-14.

"Historical Perspectives on Children in the Church: Resources for Spiritual Formation and a Theology of Childhood Today," *Children's Spirituality: Christian Perspectives, Research, and Applications*, edited by Donald Ratcliff (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books: 2004): 42-53.

"A More Vibrant Theology of Children," *Christian Reflection: A Series in Faith and Ethics* 8 (Summer, 2003):11-19. Versions of this article also appear in the following: "Retrieving a Biblically Informed View of Children: Implications for Religious Education, a Theology of Childhood, and Social Justice," *Lutheran Education* (Winter 2003): 72-87; *Journal of Lutheran Ethics* (online journal, 2004); and "Rediscovering the Dignity and Complexity of Children: Resources from the Christian Tradition," in *Sewanee Theological Review* 48 (Christmas, 2004):51-64.

"Childhood," *Encyclopedia of Protestantism*, published by Routledge and edited by Hans Hillerbrand (forthcoming).

"Theological and Biblical Perspectives on Children: Rediscovering the Value of Children and Renewing Our Commitment to Them," *The Complete Guide to Godly Play*, volume 5 (forthcoming).

- “Religion and the Curriculum at Church-Related Colleges,” *Professing in the Postmodern Academy: Faculty and the Future of Church-Related Colleges*, edited by Stephen R. Haynes (Waco: Baylor University Press, 2002): 247-266.
- “Renewing a Sense of Vocation at Lutheran Colleges and Universities: Insights from a Project at Valparaiso University,” *Intersections* (Summer 2002): 11-18.
- “Children, the Church, and the Domestic Church: Supporting Parents in the Task of Nurturing the Moral and Spiritual Lives of Children,” *New Theology Review* (August 2001).
- “Nurturing the Moral and Spiritual Lives of Children: Resources From the Christian Tradition,” *The Cresset* (Easter 2001).
- “Education and the Child in 18th Century German Pietism: Perspectives from the Work of A. H. Francke,” *The Child in Christian Thought*, edited and introduced by Marcia Bunge. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans (2001).
- Introductory editorial for issue on “Faith and Learning,” *Dialog* (Spring 1997).
- “J. G. Herder’s View of Religion,” *Religionsgeschichte und Gnosisforschung*, edited by Holger Preißler and Hubert Seiwert (Marburg: Diagonal, 1994). A similar version of this article is in *THEION: Jahrbuch für Religionskultur/Annual for Religious Culture* (1995).
- “Christian Faith and Environmental Ethics: Martin Luther’s *The Freedom of a Christian* and Aldo Leopold’s *Sand County Almanac*,” *AGORA* (Spring 1994).
- “Herder’s View of the Gospels and the Quest of the Historical Jesus,” *Johann Gottfried Herder: Geschichte und Kultur*, edited by Martin Bollacher. Würzburg: Verlag Königshausen and Neumann GmbH, 1994.
- “Biblical Views of Nature: Foundations for an Environmental Ethic,” *Care of the Earth*, edited by Tina B. Krause (Chicago: The Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, 1994).
- “Herder and the Origins of a Historical View of Religion: An Informative Perspective for Historical Theology Today,” *Revisioning the Past: Prospects in Historical Theology*, edited by Mary Potter Engel and Walter E. Wyman, Jr. (Minneapolis: Fortress, 1992): 171-190.
- Materials for “Care of Creation,” *Our Children at Risk: Hope for Our Future Together*—an educational resource for the ELCA (Minneapolis: Augsburg-Fortress Press, 1991).
- “Modelle feministischer Bibelauslegung,” *Jahrbuch für biblische Theologie* 6 (1991): 285-297.
- “Human Language of the Divine: Herder on Ways of Speaking about God,” *Herder Today: Contributions from the International Herder Conference at Stanford, California*, edited by Kurt Müller-Voller (Berlin/New York: Walter de Gruyter, 1990): 304-318.
- “The Church and the Cry for Freedom,” *Story* (Spring, 1990).
- “Text and Reader in Herder’s Interpretations of the New Testament,” *Johann Gottfried Herder: Language, History and the Enlightenment*, edited by Wulf Koepke (Columbia: Camden House, 1990): 138-150.
- “The Church’s Key Role in East German Changes,” *The Metro Lutheran* (March, 1990).
- “Früchte des Mutes: Beobachtungen am Leipziger Ring,” *Evangelische Kommentare* (January, 1990).
- “Ethical and Theological Arguments for Peace: An Examination of the Roman Catholic and Methodist Statements of Peace,” *Peace and Justice: Toward an Ecumenical Peace Ethic*, edited by Götz Planer-Friedrich (Geneva: LWF Studies, 1990). Parallel issue in German: *Frieden und Gerechtigkeit: Auf dem Weg zu einer ökumenischen Friedensethik*, (München: Kaiser, 1989).
- “Feminism in Different Voices: Resources for the Church,” *Word & World* (Fall, 1988).
- “Johann Gottfried Herder’s Auslegung des Neuen Testaments,” *Historische Kritik und biblischer Kanon in der deutschen Aufklärung*, edited by Henning Graf Reventlow, Walter Sparr, and John Woodbridge (Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 1988), *Wolfenbütteler Forschungen*, 41.
- Two devotions for Advent in *The Better Part* (Lutheran Women’s Caucus, 1986).
- “Sisters in Germany,” *The Well Woman* (Winter/Spring, 1985).
- “Classification of Religions,” *Encyclopedia Britannica Micropedia*, 1985.
- “J.G. Herder’s Affirmation of Biblical Diversity and His Reassessment of Biblical Authority,” *Papers of the 19th Century Theology Working Group*, Vol. 10 (1984). Published at the Graduate Theological Union (Berkeley, CA).

Reviews

- Lisa Sowle Cahill’s *Family: A Christian Social Perspective* (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2000) in *Dialog* (Summer, 2001).
- Catharina J. M. Halkes’s *New Creation: Christian Feminism and the Renewal of the Earth* (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 1991) in *Word and World* (Fall, 1993).
- Karl Morrison’s *I Am You: The Hermeneutics of Empathy in Western Literature, Theology, and Art* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1988) in the *Journal of Religion* (April, 1990).
- Anne Carr’s *Transforming Grace* (New York: Harper and Row, 1988) in *Interpretation* (January, 1990).
- Friedrich Hölderlin: *Essays and Letters on Theory*, translated and edited by Thomas Pfau (New York: State University of New York Press, 1988) in *Religious Studies Review* (January, 1990).
- Claude Welch’s *Protestant Thought in the Nineteenth Century*, Volume 2, 1870-1914 (New Haven: Yale University Press) in *Church History* (September, 1988).

Michael Ferber's *The Social Vision of William Blake* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1985) in *The Journal of Religion* (July 1987).

J.G. O'Flaherty's *Johann Georg Hamann* (Boston: Twayne, 1979) in *The Journal of Religion* (June, 1983).

LANGUAGES

German, French, Latin, Greek (Koine)

MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion, 19th Century Theology Working Group of the AAR, International Herder Society, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Society of Christian Ethics

PUBLIC LECTURES (selected)

Invitations to speak at and participate in several international consultations on "Child Theology," including consultations in Australia (2007), Malaysia (2004, 2006), Ethiopia (2006), and Houston, TX (2004).

The Sacred Callings of Parents and Children. Plenary lecture for the EVOKE Summer Institute at Loyola University of Chicago (May 2007).

The Vocation of Children and Parents. Sacred Vision and Spiritual Practices. Presented at an international conference entitled "Children's Voices. Children's Perspectives in Ethics, Theology and Religious Education" held at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Leuven, Belgium (January 2007).

Theological Perspectives on Children in the Church: A Lutheran Understanding of the Vocation of the Child. Workshop for the Children's Spirituality Conference held in Chicago, IL (June 2006).

Vocations of Children and Parents: Sacred Vision and Practical Guidelines; and *Work, Faith, and Love: Blessings and Challenges of a Lutheran Theology of Vocation*. Plenary lectures for the Southwest Minnesota Synod Theological Conference (October 2006).

The Vocation of Parenting: A Biblically and Theologically Informed Perspective. Plenary address for the International Cutting Edge Conference held in Cirencester, England (September 2005).

Our Calling in Education: Working Together to Generate a Strong Social Statement on Public Schools, Lutheran Schools and Colleges, and the Faith Formation of Children and Young People. Plenary lecture for "The Vocation of a Lutheran College," held at Capital University (July 2005).

Perspectives on the Child from the History of Christianity: Resources for Spiritual Formation, Theologies of Childhood, and Children's Rights Today. Workshop paper for a session on "Religion and Spirituality of Children" at "Childhoods 2005: Children and Youth in Emerging and Transforming Societies" (an international and interdisciplinary conference attended by 1,000 participants from 92 countries around the world), held at the University of Oslo in Oslo, Norway (June 2005).

Work, Faith, and Love: Blessings and Challenges of a Lutheran Theology of Vocation. Plenary lecture for a joint meeting of the Conference of all ELCA Bishops and selected members of the Association of Teaching Theologians in Chicago, IL (January 8, 2005).

Work, Faith, and Love: Lutheran Perspectives on Vocation and Higher Education. Public lecture scheduled within a special lecture series on Lutheranism and Higher Education, held at Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, NC (March 22, 2004).

Theological Perspectives on Children and Childhood. Plenary lecture for a regional conference on Religious Education, sponsored by the Parish of All Saints Church and the Center for the Theology of Childhood and held at the Parish of All Saints Church, Belmont, MA (November 15, 2003).

The Child in Christian Thought. Plenary lecture for the annual gathering of Godly Play Trainers, held at Waycross Episcopal Camp and Conference Center (June 28-July 2, 2003).

Historical Perspectives on Children in the Church: Resources for Spiritual Formation and a Theology of Childhood Today. Plenary lecture for an international conference on "Children's Spirituality: Christian Perspectives," sponsored in part by the Louisville Institute and held in Chicago, IL (June 8-11, 2003).

Let the Children Come: Rediscovering the Value of Children and Renewing Our Commitment to Them; John Wesley on Children and Education: Implications for Our Treatment of Children Today; and Nurturing the Moral and Spiritual Lives of Children in Contemporary Culture. Three public lectures sponsored by the Nassau Methodist Church and the National Department of Education of the Bahamas and held in Nassau, Bahamas (March 7 and 8, 2003).

Practicing Our Faith at Home: How the Church Can Help Parents in Their Task of Nurturing the Moral and Spiritual Lives of Children. Plenary lecture for a conference entitled "Practicing Our Faith" at the Vancouver School of Theology (February 22, 2003).

Nurturing the Moral and Spiritual Lives of Children. A week-long series of lectures held at Holden Village in Washington State (August 5-9, 2002).

The Vocation of Parenting. A week-long series of lectures held at Holden Village in Washington State (July 29-August 2, 2002).

Vocation, Liberal Arts, and Civic Responsibility. Presented at a national conference on *Vocation and Liberal Arts Education*, organized by Transylvania University and the National Division of Higher Education of the Christian Church and funded by the Lilly Endowment, Milwaukee, WI (June 13-15, 2002).

Workshop Leader, *Children, Sexuality, and the Church.* Presented at the annual Leadership Conference of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (February 5, 2002). The theme of the conference was "A More Excellent Way: Addressing Sexuality in the Church."

Panelist, Session on "Children, Marriage, and the Family," for the Marriage and the Family Interest Group of the Society of Christian Ethics (January 11-13, 2002).

Chair, Session on "Children and Childhood in the History of Christianity," held at the American Society of Church History (January 3-6, 2002).

Panelist, conference sponsored by the Lilly Endowment for those institutions that received grants for the project on "The Theological Exploration of Vocation" (September, 2001).

Renewing a Sense of Vocation at Lutheran Colleges and Universities. Plenary lecture for the *Vocation of a Lutheran College* (the national conference for colleges and universities of the ELCA), Valparaiso University (August 2001).

Nurturing the Moral and Spiritual Lives of Children: Resources from the Christian Tradition. Presented at the Conference entitled *Forming Life/Forming Youth*, Valparaiso University (September 22-23, 2000).

Lutheran Theology and Environmental Responsibility. Presented at the Conference entitled *Luther for the Twenty-first Century*, St. Olaf College (July 15-19, 1996).

Christian Faith and Environmental Ethics: Martin Luther's The Freedom of a Christian and Aldo Leopold's Sand County Almanac. Presented in the Seminal Text Lecture Series, Luther College (March 1, 1994).

Participant in a panel on *Theology and Ecology* at the Regional AAR/SBL in St. Paul, MN (April 16-17, 1993).

Feminism and Lutheranism. Presented at Decorah Lutheran Church (1991), at St. Olaf Lutheran Church (February 9, 1992), and for Luther College's Women's Club (February, 1992).

The Church and Environmental Responsibility and Lutheranism and Feminism: Perspectives from the First International Consultation of Lutheran Women Theologians. Presented at the Northwestern Minnesota Synod Retreat (September 23-24, 1991).

Theological Grounds for Environmental Responsibility. Presented at the Northeast Iowa Synod Convention of Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (April 22, 1991).

Feminist Perspectives: Resources for the Church and Changes in East Germany and the Role of the Church: An Eyewitness Account. Presented at the Southeastern Minnesota Synod Retreat (April 30-May 2, 1990).

Herder and the Historical Study of Religion. Presented at a conference on the rise of disciplines in the nineteenth century sponsored by the University of Virginia (April 12-15, 1990).

Five lectures on *Theology and the Arts.* Presented for a *Theoprobe* Conference for Lutheran Clergy in Winter Park, CO (February 21-27, 1990).

Changes in East Germany and the Church's Involvement in Them. Presented at several churches and conferences, including Southwood Lutheran (Lincoln, NE), Westminster Presbyterian Church (Minneapolis, MN), Our Savior's Lutheran (Jackson, MN), and the Crosstown Conference Council (Minneapolis, MN).

An American Professor in Leipzig, Fall 1989. Presented for Mid-Winter Convocation at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, MN (January 2-3, 1990).

Aspekte feministischer Hermeneutik. Presented at the *Sprachkonvikt* in East Berlin and at the Martin Luther University in Halle, East Germany (Fall, 1989).

Two lectures on *Feminism and the Church.* Presented at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN (April 2 and 9, 1989).

Theological Reflection on Ways of Speaking About God. Presented at a conference on spirituality, College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN (April 21-23, 1989).

Four Lectures on Arts and Theology: *Theology and Literature, Theology and Music, Theology and Painting, Theological Criteria for Judging the Use of the Arts in Worship.* Presented at a conference entitled *Suffering, Hope, and Praise*, Pacific Lutheran University. The other two speakers were Johan Christiaan Beker and Jose Miguez-Bonino (July 11-15, 1988).

The Ethical and Theological Argumentation of the Documents on Peace Written by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and by the United Methodist Council of Bishops. Presented at a conference entitled *Theology of Just Peace*, sponsored by the Lutheran World Federation, Bad-Boll, West Germany (December 14-18, 1987).

Human Language of the Divine: Herder on Ways of Speaking about God. Presented at an international, interdisciplinary conference entitled *Herder Today*, Stanford University (November 5-8, 1987).

Religion and Literature: The Rise and Dispersion of a Field of Study. Presented at a conference entitled *Faith, Imagination, and the Arts*, Central Missouri State University (April 17-18, 1986).

Johann Gottfried Herders Auslegung des Neuen Testaments. Presented at a conference entitled *Historische Kritik und biblischer Kanon in Deutschland im 18. Jahrhundert*, Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel, West Germany (December 10-14, 1985).

Textual Criticism in Herder's Interpretation of the New Testament. Presented at the *First National Conference on Johann Gottfried Herder*, sponsored by the Herder Study Group and held at the Monterey Institute of International Studies, Monterey, CA (November 7-10, 1985).

J.G. Herder's Affirmation of Biblical Diversity and His Reassessment of Biblical Authority. Discussed at a session of the 19th Century Theology Working Group at the Annual Meeting of the AAR (December, 1984).

Lecture on Herder. Presented in Brian Gerrish's course on 18th and 19th century Christian thought, The University of Chicago (Spring, 1984).

Kairos Seminars (for Continuing Education), Luther Seminary: *Feminist Perspective on Interpretation and Theological Grounds for Peace: Toward an Ecumenical Consultation* (at a seminar entitled *Issues in Systematic Theology*, February, 1988); *Worship and the Arts and Recital with Reflections from Selected Theologians* (at a seminar entitled *Theology and the Arts*, November, 1987); *Religion and Literature: Tracing the Interfaces* (at a seminar entitled *The Interface of Literature and the Arts for Preaching*, February, 1987); *Currents in the Field of Religion and Literature* (at a seminar entitled *Across Disciplines: Issues and Update in Contemporary Theology*, January, 1986).

SPECIAL INVITATIONS TO CONFERENCES (selected)

Participant in a special joint meeting of the Conference of all ELCA Bishops and selected members of the Association of Teaching Theologians. Sponsored by the ELCA and held in Chicago, IL (2005 and 2008).

Participant in series of discussions on "Nature, Polis, Ethics," sponsored by the Hastings Center (1999F-2003).

Participant in the ELCA's *Conference of Teaching Theologians*. Sponsored by the ELCA and held at Carthage College (August, 2001).

Respondent to Parchman Endowed Lecture by Jürgen Moltmann. Conference sponsored by the George W. Truett Theological Seminary and held at Baylor University (March 2000).

Participant in Conference on *Vocation of a Lutheran College*. Sponsored by the ELCA and held at Wittenberg College (August 1998).

Participant in Conference on *Vocation of a Lutheran College*. Sponsored by the ELCA and held at Augsburg College (August 1996).

Participant in the ELCA's *Conference of Teaching Theologians*. Sponsored by the ELCA and held in Chicago (August, 1996).

Participant in a conference on *Bible and Theology*. Sponsored by Princeton Theological Seminary, funded by a Lilly Grant, and held in Chicago (October 7-9, 1994).

Participant in a conference on J.G. Herder. Sponsored by the *Stiftung Weimarer Klassik* and the International Herder Society and held in Weimar, Germany (August 24-28, 1994).

Participant in the ELCA's Conference of Teaching Theologians. Sponsored by the ELCA and held in Chicago (August, 1992).

LWF Representative at the *Global Assembly of Women and the Environment: Partners in Life*. Organized in preparation for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, sponsored by the Senior Women's Advisory Group to the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, and held in Miami, FL (November, 1991).

Participant in the first *International Conference of Lutheran Women Theologians*. Sponsored by the Lutheran World Federation and held in Helsinki (August 18-24, 1991).

Participant in conference on *Caring for Creation* sponsored by the North American Conference on Religion and Ecology in Washington, D.C. (May 16-19, 1990). Speakers included Langdon Gilkey, Jürgen Moltmann, and Carl Sagan.

Participant and respondent in the international *LWF Working Group on Other Faiths*. Sponsored by the Lutheran World Federation and Dr. J. Paul Rajashekar (May 7-11, 1990).

Participant in Conference on *Peace and Politics* sponsored by Emory University and by the Carter Library in Atlanta, Georgia (April 21-24, 1988). Speakers included Jimmy Carter, Jürgen Moltmann, and Jose Mignez-Bonino.

REFERENCES

Brian Gerrish, Langdon Gilkey, Martin Marty, David Tracy, Don Browning (The University of Chicago)
 Terence Fretheim, James Limburg (Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary)
 Brad Hanson, James Martin-Schramm (Luther College)
 Garret Paul, Brian Johnson (Gustavus Adolphus College)
 Jürgen Moltmann, Michael Welker (Germany)