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EDUCATION

The Divinity School,
The University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Ph.D. in history of religions, 2001
Dissertation: Making Catholics: Slave
Evangelization and the Origins of the
Catholic Church in 19th-century East Africa
Director: Frank Reynolds

University of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, Indiana

M.Div., 1990

Hekima College
Nairobi, Kenya

Non-degree student, 1987-1988

University of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, Indiana

B.A. in theology and history, 1984

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Theology **University of Notre Dame** **Notre Dame, Indiana**
Fall 2001–
Courses taught: Foundations of Christian Faith (as a University Seminar); Christianity in Africa;
Missionary Encounters; Christian Conversion in Modernity
Directed readings offered: The theology and politics of Julius Nyerere.

Lecturer **Catholic Theological Union** **Chicago, Illinois**
Spring 2000. Taught a course entitled “Missionaries and Colonialism in Africa” to M.Div. and
D.Min students.

Lecturer **Queen of Apostles Philosophy Centre** **Jinja, Uganda**
Fall 1996 to Spring 1998. Taught social science courses [anthropology, sociology, and
seminars in 1.) politics and religion in Africa, and 2.) colonialism and missionaries] to university-level
African seminarians and candidates for religious orders.

Instructor **University of Notre Dame** **Notre Dame, Indiana**
Spring semester, 1989 to 1991. Assisted in the team-teaching of the course “Theology and
Community Service” for thirty undergraduates each semester.

HONORS

Awarded \$3000 summer travel grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, Notre Dame, April 2002

Ph.D. dissertation approved with distinction, June 2001.

Erasmus Dissertation Fellow, University of Notre Dame, 2000-2001.

Lilly Fellow for Theological Education, University of Chicago Divinity School, 1999-2000.

Fellow in the Martin Marty Center for the Study of Religion, University of Chicago, 1998-99.

Passed Qualifying Examinations with distinction, University of Chicago, 1996.

Foreign Language Area Studies grant recipient for Swahili language study, Tanzania, 1995.

Fellowship recipient upon admission to doctoral studies, University of Chicago, 1993.

Cavanaugh Award winner as outstanding theology major, University of Notre Dame, 1984.

PUBLICATIONS

Evangelizing Slaves: Making Catholics and Creating the Church in 19th-Century East Africa
book manuscript in process.

“Early Catholic lay ministry in eastern Africa,” forthcoming in edited volume.

“*Theologie als Stütze menschlichen Gedeihens: Befreiungstheologie als gute Theologie* (“Theology in support of human flourishing: liberation theology as good theology”). In Clemens Sedmak, ed., Was ist gute Theologie? [Salzburger Theologische Studien 21]. Innsbruck-Wien: Tyrolia 2003.

“Suema, fact or fiction? Reexamining an icon in African historiography” Article forthcoming

Review of Pagan Kennedy, *The Black Livingstone*. Mission Studies, Fall, 2002.

Review of David Maxwell, *Christianity and the African Imagination: Essays in Honour of Adrian Hastings*. African Studies, forthcoming.

Review of David Maxwell, *Christians and Chiefs in Zimbabwe*. Journal of Religion, July 2000.

Review of Malcolm Ruel, *Belief, Ritual, and the Transmission of Life: Essays on Bantu Religion*. Journal of Religion, July 1998.

“Tribalism and Justice.” African Christian Studies, Spring 1988.

PAPERS AND INVITED LECTURES

Panel organizer, “Translations and Conversions in Africa and South Asia,” American Academy of Religion meeting, History of Christianity section, Toronto, November 2002. Will deliver paper entitled “Laboring to civilize, civilizing for labor: work in the evangelization of slaves in East Africa.”

Panel organizer, “Making the Church Local in Africa,” at a conference entitled “Christianity and Native Cultures,” St. Mary’s College, Notre Dame, September 2002. Paper entitled “Early Catholic lay ministry in East Africa: freed slaves as catechists and baptizers.”

Delivered a paper entitled, “The Church in Africa Today—and Tomorrow.” Cincinnati chapter of Legatus, May 14, 2002, Cincinnati, Ohio

Delivered an address entitled, “Holiness and Wholeness” at retreat for Master of Divinity students, Notre Dame, January 19, 2002

“Africa’s Missionary Past and the Culture of Life.” Culture of Life Conference, Notre Dame, Indiana, December 1, 2001

“Reading slave agency in a 19th-century missionary archive.” African Studies Association, Houston, Texas, November 16, 2001

“Can mission be redeemed? What critical historiography has to tell us about Christian mission history.” Midwest Fellowship of Missiology, Chicago, November 3, 2001

“Is there such a thing as missionary discourse?” Symposium on Religion and Slavery, Department of English, University of Notre Dame, March 2001

“‘Let no interval arise:’ crisis and the developing logic of labor in Spiritan slave evangelization.” Erasmus Institute, University of Notre Dame, October 2000.

“Anthropological foundations of the Spiritan mission.” Lilly Fellows presentation, January 2000.

“Seeing Like a Mission: considerations of space in slave evangelization in 19th century East Africa.” Martin E. Marty Center for the Study of Religion, May 1999.

“Laboring to civilize, civilizing for labor: work in the evangelization of slaves in East Africa.” African Studies Workshop, University of Chicago, May 1999.

“*Missio* and Missiology: the roots and consequences of religious discursive change.” Religion and Social Theory Workshop, University of Chicago Divinity School, April 1996.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Book Review Editor,

Mission Studies (journal of the International Association of Mission Studies)

President, Midwest Fellowship of Professors of Mission

Theological consultant, Center for Social Concerns international programs, Fall 2002—

Faculty Coordinator, Africa Working Group, Kellogg Institute, Fall 2002—

Faculty Fellow, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Notre Dame

Faculty Fellow, Kroc Institute for Peace Studies, Notre Dame

Faculty Fellow, Nanovic Institute for European Studies, Notre Dame

Assistant Director, Undergraduate Studies, Department of Theology, Notre Dame. Fall 2002—

Organized and led educational tours to eastern Africa for Notre Dame faculty and staff through the Center for Social Concerns, May-June 1999 and 2002

MINISTERIAL SERVICE

Staff member, Candidate House Andre House of Formation Jinja, Uganda

Fall 1996 to Spring 1998. Assisted in the formation and discernment of African candidates for religious life in the Congregation of Holy Cross. Supervised ministerial experiences, evaluated candidates, offered spiritual direction, coordinated catechetical input.

Resident and assisting priest St. Thomas the Apostle Church Chicago, Illinois

Fall 1994 to Spring 1996. Presided at liturgical celebration, served as on-call hospital chaplain, other sacramental assistance.

Deacon and Associate Pastor St. Joseph Parish South Bend, Indiana

Summer 1990 to Fall 1993. Responsibilities included regular preaching and presiding at liturgical celebrations, serving as coordinator of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, youth ministry, weekend religious education, sacramental preparation, elementary school religious education, and visiting the sick.

Pastoral associate Holy Cross Parish, Dandora Nairobi, Kenya

1988. Coordinated outreach and continuing education to married couples and catechesis for those preparing for marriage.

Pastoral visitor **Hospice of St. Joseph County** **South Bend, Indiana**
1986-87. Visited dying people in their homes and offered physical and pastoral care.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Participant, Seminar for Newly Appointed Faculty, Association of Theological Schools,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
October 25-27, 2002

Lecturer, Around the World Tour, TCS Expeditions, Seattle, Washington

December 2001 --January 2002. Lecturer in comparative religions.

December 1999 --January 2000. Lecturer in comparative religions

REFERENCES

Frank Reynolds, Professor Emeritus, History of Religions and South Asian Studies, past director of the Institute for the Advanced Study of Religion, University of Chicago

-- (773) 288-1731 (H), 702-8231 (O)

Wendy Doniger, Mircea Eliade Professor of the History of Religions and Professor of South Asian Studies

-- (773) 955-3238 (H)

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Martin Riesebrodt, Professor of Sociology and the Sociology of Religion, University of Chicago

-- (773) 702-8227 (O)

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