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DEGREES

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Hermeneutics and Biblical Interpretation. Westminster Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. (1996).

Dissertation: "Towards a Latin American Hermeneutics: A critical examination of the hermeneutics of the Latin American Theological Fraternity."

Doctor in Social Sciences (Ph.D.) Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana, Xochimilco, México D.F. México. (2006).

Dissertation: "Political attitudes of Evangelical leaders since the Constitutional reforms in 1991."

ACADEMIC AND MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCE

1975-1978 Professor and President of the Instituto Biblico Abierto Reformado

1981-1987 Professor of Bible at the Seminario Teologico Presbiteriano de Mexico (STPM)

1983-1985 Academic Dean STPM

1986 Interim President of STPM

1986-1987 Coordinator Urban Ministries World Vision, Mexico

1991-1993 Academic Dean of Facultad Latinoamericana de Estudios Teologicos

1993-1996 Old and New Testament Professor in several Seminaries in México.

1994-1998 Translator for the United Bible Societies of the *Traducción en Lenguaje Actual*.

(Contemporary English Version). From the original languages (Daniel and Ezra, Leviticus, Numbers, 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Ezekiel, Minor Prophets, Deuterocanonical Books, James and Jude.

1996-1998 Member of the Bible Translation Committee in the International Bible Society of the Spanish New International Version: *Nueva Versión Internacional*.

1996-2003 Reviewer of the Nueva Biblia al Día (New Living Translation), OT books:

Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Song of Songs,

Ecclesiastes, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezequiel, Daniel, Minor Prophets, and all the NT.

2000– 2002 Contributor of the notes for 20 OT books for the *Biblia de Estudio* (Study Bible), of the *Nueva Versión Internacional*.

August 2000- May 2001 Lecturer at Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

March 2001-present. Founding member of the Academic Council of Prodola (Ph. D. program for Latin America and Brazil).

Since 2004 Professor of Biblical and Social Hermeneutics in Prodola.

Since 1991 Visiting Professor of Biblical and Social studies in different seminaries in USA, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, Bolivia, Argentina, Chile and Indonesia.

August 2001- present Professor of New Testament at Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

PASTORAL EXPERIENCE

1972-1975 Pastor of Iglesia Presbiteriana “Jesucristo”, Jojutla, Morelos, Mexico.

1976-1978 Pastor of Congregation “Ojo de Agua,” Mexico

1978-1980 Voluntary pastoral assistant, Iglesia Hispana CRC, Wyoming, Michigan.

1980-1983 Pastor of Iglesia Presbiteriana “Berith,” Coyoacán, Mexico.

1983-1986 Pastor of Iglesia Presbiteriana “Eben Ezer,” Mexico

1991-1993 Pastor of congregation “Jesucristo Viene,” Mexico

1993-1997 Pastor of Iglesia Presbiteriana “Puerta de Salvación,” Mexico

1999-2000 Pastor of Iglesia Presbiteriana “El Redentor,” (PCA), Miami, Florida.

PUBLICATIONS:

Historia Social y Política de la Iglesia Evangélica en México. Kyrios: México, 1991.

La Comunidad en que Vivo. A Biblical Theological Study on Urban Ministry. FLET. Miami, 1992.

Análisis Exegético de los Evangelios. FLET, Universidad: Miami, 2000.

Principios de Exposición Bíblica. FLET, Universidad: Miami, 2002

Entre Dios y el Cesar: Líderes evangélicos y política en México. Grand Rapids/México, 2007

Carta a los Efesios. Comentario para exégesis y traducción. UBS, Miami, 2008.

REPRESENTATIVE ARTICLES:

“El salmo 46: Canto de Absoluta Confianza en Dios.” *Revista Teológica*, (Año VI, 1974,

- Número 21:16-22, 46).
- “El Reino del Ungido de Yahveh.” *Revista Teológica*, (Vol. IX, 1978, Número 31-32:68-76).
- “Desarrollo de temas teológicos en el Evangelio de Mateo: La internacionalización del pueblo de Dios: Particularismo-rechazo-universalismo.” *Oikodomein Comunidad Teológica de México*, 1996, Año 2, 3:33-47.
- “La vocación profética: Un acercamiento misionológico.” In *Bases Bíblicas de la Misión. Perspectivas Latinoamericanas*. Nueva Creación: Buenos Aires y Grand Rapids, 1998.
- “Misión Integral. A Christological paradigm for Missionary Work in the Third Millenium.” in *For God so loved the World*. Ed. Arie Leder. Essence Publishing, 2006.
- “Liberation.” in *Dictionary of Mission Theology*. Ed. John Corrie. England. InterVarsity Press, 2007.
- “La vigencia de la cosmovisión calvinista para la iglesia y el mundo hoy.” España, CLIE, 2010.

MEMBERSHIP

- Fraternidad Teológica Latinoamericana FTL (Latin American Theological Fraternity) (Since 1990).
- President of the Mexican chapter of the FTL (1994-1995).
- Institute of Biblical Research (IBR) (Since 2001).
- Society of Biblical Literature (Since 2001).
- MidWest Political Science Association (Since 2009)