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### **ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS**

Ph.D. (Curriculum and Instruction) – Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI; 1986

M.A. (Christian Education & Bible) - Wheaton Graduate School, Wheaton, IL; 1980

M.Div. (Church History) - Evangelical School of Theology, Myerstown, PA; 1982

M.Th. (Christian Education) – Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ; 1983

B.A. (Christian Education; Bible & Religion) – Huntington College, Huntington, IN; 1977

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Associate Minister of Christian Education and Youth - Heart O' the Lakes Church, Brooklyn, MI; 1977-1980

Pastor - Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church, Reading, PA; 1982-1983

Instructor of Christian Education - Evangelical School of Theology, Myerstown, PA; 1982-1983

Pastor - Free Methodist Church, Corunna, MI; 1983-1985

Assistant Professor of Christian Education and Bible - Spring Arbor University, Spring Arbor, MI; 1983-1985

Professor of Youth Ministries, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor, Department Chair- Gordon College, Wenham, MA; 1985-1994

Adjunct Professor of Bible and Educational Ministries - Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, South Hamilton, MA; 1987-1994

International Lecturer/Teaching – Schools in Sierra Leone, Kenya, Ghana, Oxford, Australia, Scotland, Wales, Germany, The Netherlands, The Philippines, Belgium, Portugal; 1990-Present

Professor of Educational Ministries - Huntington College and Co-Director - Link Institute, Huntington, IN; 1994-2000

Professor of Educational Ministries & Assistant to the Dean - Grand Rapids Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI; 2000-2006

*Theological education consultant/course designer* - Institute of Theological Studies, Grand Rapids (MI) and Greater Europe Mission, European Headquarters (Kandern, Germany); 2006-Present; 2008-Present

*Online graduate school professor* - Spring Arbor University (MI) & Liberty University (VA); 2006-Present

### **PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

Article: "Stealing Sacraments: What Sneaky Protestant Educators Should Blatantly Kidnap from Other Religious Traditions", *Asbury Theological Journal*, in press.

Article: "All the Rage: How Small Groups Are Really Educating Christian Adults" -- *Part 3: Anchoring Small Group Ministry Practice: Biblical Insights and Leadership Development*, Mary Rynsburger & Mark A. Lamport, *Christian Education Journal*, Spring 2009.

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Chapter: "Juxtapositions of Religious Belief and Faith-Formed Practice & the Renewed Case for the Educational Mission of the Church" in yet unnamed book to be published in The Netherlands, 2008, in press.

- Article: "All the Rage: How Small Groups Are Really Educating Christian Adults" -- *Part 1: Assessing Small Group Ministry Practice: A Review of the Literature*, Mark A. Lamport & Mary Rynsburger, *Christian Education Journal*, Spring 2008.
- Article: "All the Rage: How Small Groups Are Really Educating Christian Adults" -- *Part 2: Augmenting Small Group Ministry Practice: Developing Small Group Leadership Skills Through Insights from Cognate Theoretical Disciplines*, Mark A. Lamport & Mary Rynsburger, *Christian Education Journal*, Fall 2008.
- Article: "Three Mysterious Cases to Crack, Three Small Bones to Pick: A Good-Natured Rejoinder to Gary Parrett's Nurturing our Faith in The Faith: A Grateful Response to Mark A. Lamport & Darrell Yoder", *Christian Education Journal*, Spring 2007, 126-131.
- Essay Reprint: "Irrationality, Secularization & Stubbornness: Why Old-Time Religion Just Won't Go Away" *Grand Rapids Press*, 6 January 2007.
- Article: "Faithful Gestures: Rebooting the Educational Mission of the Church", *Christian Education Journal*, Spring 2006, 58-78. Response by Gary Parrett, "Nurturing Our Faith in The Faith: A Grateful Response to Mark Lamport and Darrel Yoder, *CEJ*, Fall 2006, 362-364.
- Essay: "Irrationality, Secularization & Stubbornness: Why Old-Time Religion Just Won't Go Away" *Holland Sentinel*, 17 December 2006.
- Article: "The Rise of Youth Churches: What the American Church Can Learn From This Latest British Invasion", *Evangelical Missions Quarterly*, January 2005, 12-21.
- Article Reprint: "The Rise of English Youth Churches: What the Global Church Can Learn From This Latest British Invention", *Journal of Youth and Theology* (England), Vol. 4, No. 2, November 2005, 86-100.
- Article: "The American Jesus: A Savior Who Looks & Acts & Thinks Like Me", *Grand Rapids Press*, 28 February 2004.
- Article: "Hefner, Beer Commercials, and Immortality: The Questionable Future of Hell", *Evangelical Journal*, Spring 2003.
- Article: "Identity, Chosenness and Significance", *The Herald*, 5 February 2003, 5.
- Article: "The Rise of Youth Churches: What the American Church Can Learn From This Latest British Invasion", *Grand Rapids Press*, 8 March 2003 (abstract version).

## **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

- National Association of Professors of Christian Education; 1985-2000 (Board of Directors 1988-1992; Secretary 1991-1992)
- Association of Youth Ministry Educators; 1994-2000 (Board of Directors 1996-1999; President 1997-1998)
- Association of Professors and Researchers in Religious Education; 1995-1998
- Religious Education Association; 1996-1998
- RiverTree Community Church, Byron Center, MI