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**Senior Professor of Historical Theology**  
**Gateway Seminary**  
***Curriculum Vita***  
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**Contact Information**

After 32 years, retired from full-time teaching on July 31, 2022 from Gateway Seminary of the SBC, 3210 East Guasti, Ontario, CA

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**Educational History**

- University of California, Riverside 1971-1972 President's Scholarship  
California Baptist University 1972-1975 BA *magna cum laude* (Campus Ministries President, 73-74; Student Government President, 74-75)
- Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Mill Valley CA M.Div. 1978 (Received the Baker Book House Award for Theology)
- Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Ph.D. *Historical Theology* 1988 (Dissertation: *The Christian Anthropology of Wayne Oates*)

**Courses Taught (graduate and doctoral levels)**

- Christian Theology I & II
- Church History I & II
- Ecclesiology and Missiology (masters and doctoral levels)
- Providence, Prayer and Evil
- Trinity and Ecclesiology
- Faith and Film
- Spiritual Formation
- Models of Church Leadership
- Doctrine of Salvation (masters and doctoral levels)
- Philosophy of Religion
- History of the Baptists
- Modern Theology

**Courses Taught (undergraduate level)**

- The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit
- Systematic Theology (ATI course in Abidjan)
- Church History (ATI courses in Abidjan and Paris)

**Publications:**

- *Reordering the Trinity: Six Movements of God in the New Testament* (Kregel, 2015)
- *ChurchFails: 100 Blunders in Church History and What We Can Learn from Them* (B&H Publishing, 2016)- 25 of the essays.
- *Ministering in the New Marriage Culture, "A Robust Ecclesiology"* (B&H Publishing, 2015)
- Review of *Strangers and Sojourners: The Doctrine of the Church* by Gregg Allison in online *Journal of Biblical Studies*, vol. 6, 2014
- Review of *True North: Christ, the Gospel, and Creation Care* by Mark Liederbach and Seth Bible, in online *Journal of Biblical Studies*, vol. 5, 2013, p. 109.
- "Ecclesiology as Stewardship of the Gospel of Grace," *The South African Baptist Journal of Theology*, vol. 16, 2007. Republished in online *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry*.
- "To Answer or Not to Answer: A Case Study on the Emergence of the Stone-Campbell Movement Amongst the Baptist Churches of Kentucky in the 1820s," *Journal for Baptist Theology and Ministry*, Vol. 3 No. 1 (Spring 2005): 81-97.
- "How Community Baptist Church, Santa Rosa, CA Integrated the SBC," *The Journal of African American Southern Baptist History*, vol. II, June 2004:3-15.
- *The Ministers Manual 2004* (Jossey-Bass, 2003) four lectionary sermons on 2 Kings, Amos and Hosea: "Ministry from the Margins," 145-147; "Building Inspection Failure," 150-152; "The Fruit of Injustice," 155-157; "The Three Little Sermons of Hosea," 160-162.
- *The Ministers Manual 2001* (Jossey-Bass, 2000) five lectionary sermons on Luke: "How to Miss Heaven," 156-158; "The Missionary Methods of Jesus," 161-163; "The Conspiracy of Kindness," 167-169; "Christianity in the Kitchen," 173-175; "Living to Pray," 179-180.
- *The Ministers Manual 2000* (Jossey-Bass, 1999) five lectionary messages on Acts: "How He Became Whole," 108-109; "The Politics of Jesus," 113-115; "Hindrances to Baptism," 119-120; "The Day the Church Grew Up (or The Gentile Pentecost)," 124-126.
- *The Ministers Manual 1999* (Jossey-Bass, 1998) four lectionary sermons on John: "The Disciplined Heart," 96-98; "The Way of Obedience," 101-102; "Preparing for a Pentecost," 105-107; "Pentecost is the Norm," 110-112. *The Ministers Manual 1998* (Jossey-Bass, 1997): four lectionary sermons on Luke: "Choices Free God to Work," 31-33; "Fishing for Men," 36-37; "The Level Truth," 42-43; "Love Your Enemies," 46-48; "Temptation in the Wilderness," 51-53.
- *The Ministers Manual 1997* (HarperCollins, 1996) four lectionary sermons on Mark: "How to Seize the Day," 184-186; "Finding Our Mission," 189-190; "God Is Our Audience," 193-194; "Three Hoping Skills," 198-199.

#### Recent Presentations:

- Hallowed be your Name: The Missiological Framework of the Lord's Prayer (Meeting of the United Prayer Conference November 2022)
- Strategic Recruiting for Schools of Theology (Advance Program- @50 attending this Zoom delivered slide presentation) January 15, 2021
- Discipling the Next Generation: Five New Norms (For the Gateway Enduring Faith Conference) January, 2021
- Find your Shout: Interpreting Psalm 47 (Global International Missions Joint Service via Zoom) Nov. 21. 2020
- "Futuring Models for Viable Baptist Associations in California" Oct. 2019 (presented the associational directors of missions meeting at their annual gathering for the CSBC (San Diego)
- "Discipleship in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," East Bay Baptist Association, Oct. Annual Meeting, 2017
- "10 Aftershocks for the Protestant Reformation," Redwood Empire Baptist Association, Oct. 2017 Annual Meeting
- "The Process of Implementing Online Education Programs" to the faculty of Union Biblical Seminary, Pune, India on Jan. 13, 2014
- "From Noah's Ark to the Life of Pi: How the Gospel is Heard and Scripture Read in Pre-Modernity, Modernity and Post-Modernity" to the students and faculty of Union Biblical Seminary, Pune India, Jan. 14, 2014
- Developed and offered a webinar "Promising Practices for Adult Retention and Replication in Intensive Training Venues" to fifty-two IMB personnel (Oct. 2011)
- Presentations at annual meetings of the Evangelical Theological Society on "The Trinitarian Matrix of the New Testament" (San Diego, CA 2007); "Hebrew Roots of the Trinity" (Providence, Rhode Island 2008)
- Inaugural Conference on Baptist Theology and Ministry, "How Baptist Ecclesiology Acts During Awakenings and Church Planting Movements" (New Orleans, February 2004)
- Third Annual Dialog Between the Disciples of Christ and Baptists, "To answer or not to answer: A Case Study on the Emergence of the Stone-Campbell Movement amongst the Baptist Churches of Kentucky in the 1820s" (Abilene, January 2004)
- Diversity Workshop, ATS, Pittsburgh, 2002 "A Case of Cross-Cultural Conflict" IMB SBC Seminary Consortium May 2001 at SEBTS: "Good Telling Stories: Narrative Baptist Ecclesiology"
- Taught "Christology" course at the undergraduate level October 1998 and Global Theology, June 2001 at Bible Seminary Bonn
- Leadership Network "New Church for a New Century," San Antonio, TX, Sept. 26-27, 1999: "Listening to God's Voice" Workshop Leader
- CSBC Student Winter Retreat, keynote speaker, Feb. 26-28, Mar. 5-7, 1999: "Becoming and Being Wounded Healers"
- Commencement Speaker, Malaysia Baptist Seminary, Penang, 1998 Faculty Retreat Speaker, Joint retreat with Malaysia Baptist Seminary, Thailand Baptist Seminary and Singapore Baptist Seminary, Bangkok, Thailand, Dec. 1-2, 1998: "Ministerial Leadership Training for the Next

Generation" (three lectures- "A History of Leadership Training at Golden Gate Seminary 1944-1998"; "A Baptist View of the Image of God in Humanity as a Theology of Leadership"; and "Curricular Models for Leadership Development.")

- CSBC Pastors Conference Bible Teacher, April 1994
- PNWBC Pastors Conference Bible Teacher, Nov. 1994
- Calvary Arrowhead Annual Meeting Doctrinal Message, 1992: "The Doctrine of the Church"

### **Work History**

2020 November 2020	Became Interim Pastor at Church in the Valley, Alhambra Relocated to the Ontario Campus of Gateway and became the Chair of the History/Theology Department
2018	Interim Pastor, Petaluma Valley Baptist Church, Petaluma
2016-2019	Director of the San Francisco Campus, Gateway Seminary
2015	Interim Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Livermore, CA
2013-2015	Professor of Historical Theology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair the director of library services search committee (new librarian successfully appointed Dec. 2013)</li> <li>• Chair the Faculty Development and Promotion Committee</li> <li>• International Consultation on Online Education with Union Biblical Seminary, Pune, India, Jan. 2014</li> </ul>
2005-2013	Director of Online Education/Professor of Historical Theology

#### Major responsibilities:

- Led in the implementation of the GGBTS online education program (2007) to be dually accredited (ATS and WASC) to offer masters level theological education fully online (MDiv and MTS)
- Enlist, train and supervise distance education faculty offering thirty-seven hours of course credit annually
- Acquire accreditation approval for three, blended masters degrees utilizing online education courses with intensive on campus courses in inter-terms
- Chair the Evaluation Team Visit for Association Theological Schools (USA & Canada) for an extension site to offer three masters programs for Fuller Seminary in Houston, TX (March 2008); chaired Comprehensive Visit Team for ATS to a Southern CA seminary (Feb. 2012)
- Chaired the Degree Program Assessment Committee in its implementation as part of the ongoing life of the learning community

- Served as team member of the Intersect Conference and provided theme interpretations five years running and chaired the Conference in 2011
- Developed and delivered intensive training content for East Asian local leaders in theology, history and leadership formation- 2007, summers 2009 and 2010

1994-2005

Vice President of Academic Affairs/ Academic Dean/  
Professor of Christian Theology at Golden Gate Baptist  
Theological Seminary (GGBTS)

Major responsibilities:

- Chief academic officer and accreditation liaison officer
- Leadership and supervision of the faculty (currently 31 trustee elected and 100 plus adjuncts system wide) and academic programs (currently 12)
- Supervision of library services and the office of the registrar
- Relate to the Board of Trustees through its Instruction Committee and for faculty election and promotion, and for academic program approval or changes
- Total budgetary oversight \$2 million plus

Major achievements:

- Project manager for the implementation and accreditation of four new regional campuses (Arizona, 1995; Colorado, 1996; New Mexico, 1996, subsequently closed 1998)
- Supervisory oversight for computerization of the library and development of the seminary website
- Instrumental in searches resulting in Trustee election of 22 new faculty members
- Initiated a comprehensive annual process for faculty performance evaluation and development
- Brought academic oversight to six major accreditation reports and subsequent visits. GGBTS currently enjoys full accreditation status without notation from ATS and WASC
- Served with the faculty team which won \$310,000 in grant money for educational technology from the Lilly Foundation
- Instrumental in the development and approval of innovative academic programs: MA (Worship Leadership); MA (Theological Studies); MA (Intercultural Studies/Ministries); a dual degree Global Studies Program with Union University, Jackson, TN; and an 81-hour leadership-aimed MDiv. Program.

- Board member (01-04) and president of the Association for Case Teaching, 03-04
- Development team leader for MATS partnership with Bible Seminary, Bonn, Germany
- Accreditation visit for ATS to Oakland, Indiana for approval of a Doctor of Ministry Program at Oakland City University, Indiana (2004)
- Interim pastor, Foxworthy Baptist Church, 1999
- Interim pastor, BayMarin Community Church, 2001

1991-1994

Director of the Southern California Campus, GGBTS (Brea)

Major achievements

- Reorganization the course schedule with block teaching and intensive formatting to access diverse student markets resulting in enrollment growth from 86 (1991) to 186 (1994)
- With faculty and area constituency developed a Korean Bilingual Track for the MDIV degree to access a major new market (36 students in 1994)
- Developed leadership case teaching methodology for the Church History Course, developed a Models of Church Leadership course involving lecturing and dialog between students and area pastors (mega; seeker; Black; Chinese; medium and small church)
- Interim Pastor, First Baptist, Barstow, CA 1994

1984-1991

Senior Pastor, Castlewood Baptist Church, Vallejo, CA

Major achievements

- Supervised three full time ministry staff; 1.5 support staff, and a medium sized weekday child care center
- Led church to start, re-start and/or constitute four churches (Benicia, Cordelia, Forestville, and Crockett)
- Church worship & Sunday School attendance grew from 128 to 360
- Built a 23,000 sq. ft. worship center built using a \$750,000 giving campaign and an equal-sized church bond issue. Phase 1 of a two-phase project. Eleven ministry committees were used to develop the Program statement to guide the architectural plans.
- Completed my dissertation (1988) and began teaching as an adjunct for GGBTS (NCC 88-89 and PNC 89-90)

- Served as Stewardship Chair for the Redwood Empire Baptist Association, 88-90, and served on the CSBC Executive Board 88-90

1978-1984

Pastor, Coddington Baptist Church, Santa Rosa, CA

Major achievements

- Developed and refined my pastoral, preaching and leadership development skills
- Commenced the new Ph.D. Program at Golden Gate (1981)
- Served as the Redwood Empire Baptist Association representative on the Board of the Cazadero Baptist Encampment (met quarterly with a board on which three area directors of missions also served- a significant source of mentoring and modeling for me- especially, Al Barnes, Jimmy Warren and Bill Ryan)
- Preached and led services at the Santa Rosa Rescue Mission
- Served on the Board of Directors for a local Carpenters Union-owned low income housing project

1978

Interim Pastor, Coddington Baptist Church, Santa Rosa

1976-1978

Youth Pastor, Coddington Baptist Church, Santa Rosa, CA

### Major Presentations:

#### Professional Memberships

- Evangelical Theological Society
- American Academy of Religion (not current)
- Southern Baptist Historical Society (not current)
- Executive Committee, California Baptist Historical Society (not current)

#### International Teaching Experience

- Bibel Seminar Bonn, Bornheim, Germany 1998
- Cape Town Baptist Seminary, Cape Town, South Africa 2007
- Training workshops in five East Asian mega cities- @30 days in 2009 & 2010
- Pastoral training seminar Seoul, South Korea, October 2013
- Theological Formation Seminars in Mumbai, Pune and Gurgaon, India, Dec. 14, 2013-Jan. 16, 2014
- Theological course for pastors at American Theological Institute, Abidjan, Cote D'Ivoire, May 25-June 3, 2014, returned May 2016 for part 2;
- Church History 1 for pastors and church leaders at the American Theological Institute start-up in Paris, France, Nov. 2017 and delivered a lecture to the Evangelical Federation of France

### Present Areas of Research and Writing

***Grave Mistakes and Exit Wounds: Finding Happier Endings*** (working title). The book unpacks theological, psychological, physical and sociological milestones and decision making relative to the last quarter of life.

***Prayer and Guidance: The Great Omission in Christian Discipleship*** (working title). Uses six benchmark prayers to shape Christian discipleship and looks into the muting or neglecting of divine guidance can and must be overcome to accelerate disciple-making and restore the priesthood of believers. Includes new insights into the missiological framework of the Lord's Prayer and proposes a solution to the prayer's brevity.

***Help My Unbelief: Four Dimensions of Functional Faith*** (working title). Uses the Markan story of the healing of the demonized, epileptic boy at the bottom of the Mount of Transfiguration. Examines the four depths of the iceberg of unbelief and how each issue can receive effective ministry.

### Personal History

- Born: January 6, 1954 Bryan Texas
- Born again: July 29, 1969 Associational Youth Missions Camp, baptized at Magnolia Ave. Baptist, Riverside with my two brothers
- Licensed for Gospel Ministry: 1975, Magnolia Ave. Baptist Church, Riverside
- Ordained: Coddington Baptist Church, Santa Rosa, CA 1978
- Married: August 6, 1978 Kristina Kaye Giddens
- Children: Matthew (b1981); Lindsay (b1984); Leesa (b1989)
- Church membership: Saddleback Church (SBC), Lake Forest, CA

### Social Media

Face Book: rick.durst

YouTubes: Rick Durst 62 videos

Twitter: @DocDurst

Website: rodrickdurst.com (currently under revision)

### Podcast available sermons:

**2021 Start Up Series: Journey to a Better Country (1.3), Read Like Jesus (1.10), and Take Your Next Step (1.17) [Dr. Durst Messages](#)**

“Hospitality: Entertaining Strangers” Hillside Church of Marin, Oct. 8, 2017

<http://subspla.sh/pnhpd88>

### Links to Videos available online:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DazfpPFhFmQ&feature=youtu.be> Theological

Template: Isaiah 6

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w11PHjrXQg0> Presuppositions for Christian Theology

<http://youtu.be/O1X--sSGoa0> Five Theological Tasks



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZNEA6-U8Q4E> Eight Characteristics of Authentic Christian Theology  
<http://youtu.be/UASOXYM0oxs> Dangers of Doing Theology  
<http://youtu.be/RoSG9eV2yOw> Five Kinds of Theology(Bishop)  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QN64G-8bnjg&feature=c4-overview&list=UUgzwyzkurpTBmcATNKnRbIA> Modernity and post modernity  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jcj3QcJqbj4&list=UUgzwyzkurpTBmcATNKnRbIA> Nine Universal Spiritual Questions  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6dn1FN4AIGg> Credo  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nXfUV3EdiNk> Biblical Inspiration and Ministry  
 Perspiration  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9WmahT5g7b0> Both Eyes Wide Open  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hzifPANgJHM> 3 Modes of Special Revelation  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vHcvNQfhYy0> The depth of Sin- Jeremiah 17  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BPI8MUX8zA> Gauging the depths of sin  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wUmc8Iz71eI> Johari Window Model of Pastoral Anthropology  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j741XAKsstA> Four Movements in Biblical Anthropology  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BcfZ709sliw> House Model of Trichotomist/Dichotomist  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ge0r\\_zL-G7o](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ge0r_zL-G7o) Biblical Anthropology in 5 Questions  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IhhdRO5OaRI> Three Dimensions of God's Will pt 1  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4gdu1ePV6uM> Three Dimensions of God's Will pt 2:  
 COUNSEL  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QNaAt6T6zmA> The Worlds of Performance and Grace  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PjWPn0yrRYQ> Creation: Science and Scripture #1  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I8ZHI47XPkk> Creation: Science and Scripture #2: 5 Views  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCP0a9honQs> Creation: Science and Scripture #3: 5 Views  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q90P59ljnvs&feature=related> Structure of God's Being #1  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BWlyhIKb8v0> Structure of God's Being #2  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tZDUrhX5dJA> Structure of God's Being #3  
 Trinity  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kGZIAe3k4OY> Theology Happens  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lKoE0hlo3dY> 9 Steps to Doctrinal Truths  
 Durst Thinking Christologically L1212 5 minutes  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOG9JqtIAZQ>  
 1.28.2011  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1hoQo\\_dJ68Q](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1hoQo_dJ68Q) Spelling Church  
<http://youtu.be/UXhbSRu17GQ> Church Discipline  
[http://youtu.be/XTv\\_kueT4G0](http://youtu.be/XTv_kueT4G0) Spiritual Administration of the Church  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sd2ZILCB7YE> Church: Pillar Bible Passages  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HsPVdRIS\\_FY](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HsPVdRIS_FY) Dynamics of the Spirit

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iFobZzM2WDE> Practical Pneumatology: 3 works of the Spirit  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7U9qJHyyP1o> The Spirit's Administration of the Church 1 Cor 12  
<http://youtu.be/ITGqfr6vcx8> Three Pillars of Salvation  
<http://youtu.be/LHrjMgwMEHg> Salvation Pie  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-SKjXCvXo54> 8 Big Verbs on Salvation  
<http://youtu.be/78STA5RyIZs> Conversion Pt 1  
<http://youtu.be/O8cuJFBvIxM> Conversion Pt 2  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zONnfjAYX1c> Synthesizing Christ's Titles  
<http://youtu.be/K4Wm3uPZ1MM> Person of Christ- incarnation: 3 Pillar Passages on  
<http://youtu.be/U6nsuKJBnjU> Atonement: 3 Pillar passages  
<http://youtu.be/E9PUjNMHd4Q> Implications of the Incarnation of Christ  
<http://youtu.be/2uNaTan-Les> Messianic Promise and Fulfillment: Is. 53 and Ps. 22  
 Theology Intro [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhIEM\\_85hhE](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhIEM_85hhE)  
 Predestination and Foreknowledge <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eik2csLNDGU>  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aAqjBsfdb00> Working Out Salvation with Tulips and Pearls  
 Apostasy <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vwDtcAkV2Oc>  
 Age of Accountability <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=anVgYEwyUs>

#### Eschatology

[http://youtu.be/7B\\_x2g8X8kg](http://youtu.be/7B_x2g8X8kg) Eschatology: three pillar passages  
<http://youtu.be/J2u7NRrxZxw> Intro. eschatology as two clocks and four watches  
<http://youtu.be/gWAscq16upQ> Eschatology: three contemporary options  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=23pYEGnY7Uw> Books will be opened  
<http://youtu.be/7msoPO9lkxw> Three Ways to Air Condition Hell  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jeGBn067GhU> Evangelicals and Emergents part 1/3  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=06oW6g9yyrQ&feature=related> Evangelicals and Emergents part 2 of 3  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QLctod9xvxxw> Evangelicals and Emergents part 3 of 3  
 Five Ways in Giving  
<http://youtu.be/b9DMDExf97E>