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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Religious Studies), McMaster University, 2016

Major: Second Temple Judaism; **Minor:** Early Christianity

Comprehensive exams: Hebrew Bible, Second Temple Judaism, and New Testament

Dissertation: “Angels Associated with Israel in the Dead Sea Scrolls”

Advisors: Eileen Schuller (chair), Daniel Machiela, and Stephen Westerholm

M.A.(Th) (Biblical Studies), Acadia University, 2006

M.Div., Acadia University, 2005

B.Sc., Mount Saint Vincent University, 2001

PUBLICATIONS

Monograph

Angels Associated with Israel in the Dead Sea Scrolls: Angelology and Sectarian Identity at Qumran.
Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen zum Neuen Testament 2/509. Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2019.

Journal Articles

“What Angel or Prince Is Like Your Redemptive Help? Revisiting the Assistance of 1QM 13:14.” *Dead Sea Discoveries* 32 (2025): 231–61.

“Divine Wisdom and Knowledge on Steroids: גבורה in Biblical Tradition and at Qumran.” *Journal of Ancient Judaism* 15 (2024): 65–97.

Essays in Edited Volumes

“Little Ones, Angels, and the Face of the Father: Matthew 18:10 in the Context of Second Temple Period Judaism.” Pages 219–35 in *The Cradle of Christianity: Judaism, Jesus, and the New Testament: Essays in Honor of Craig A. Evans*. Edited by Thomas R. Hatina and Stanley E. Porter. Texts and Editions for New Testament Study 18. Leiden: Brill, 2024 (co-authored with H. Daniel Zacharias).

“With God (and the Angels) on Our Side: A Comparison of Celestial Assistance in the War Scroll and 2 Maccabees.” Pages 141–75 in *The Dead Sea Scrolls in the Context of Hellenistic Judea: Proceedings of the Tenth Meeting of the International Organization for Qumran Studies (Aberdeen, 5–8 August 2019)*. Edited by Pieter B. Hartog and Andrew B. Perrin. Studies on the Texts of the Desert of Judah 142. Leiden: Brill, 2022.

“Sectarian Identity and Angels Associated with Israel: A Comparison of Daniel 7–12 with 1QS, 11QMelchizedek, and 1QM.” Pages 169–98 in *The Dead Sea Scrolls, Revise and Repeat: New Methods and Perspectives*. Edited by Carmen Palmer, Andrew R. Krause, Eileen Schuller, and John Srenock. *Early Judaism and its Literature* 52. Atlanta: SBL Press, 2020.

Entries in Reference Works

“Angels.” *Brill’s Online Encyclopedia of the Dead Sea Scrolls: A New Research Tool for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls*. Edited by James C. VanderKam, Lawrence H. Schiffman, and Sidnie White Crawford. Leiden: Brill, forthcoming.

“Angels.” *Oxford Bibliographies in Biblical Studies*. Edited by Christopher Matthews. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019 (co-authored with Joseph L. Angel), <https://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/display/document/obo-9780195393361/obo-9780195393361-0079.xml>.

“Josiah.” Pages 264–65 in *The Dictionary of the Bible and Western Culture: A Guide for Students*. Edited by M. A. Beavis and M. Gilmour. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2012.

“Judah, Kingdom of.” Pages 266–67 in *The Dictionary of the Bible and Western Culture: A Guide for Students*. Edited by M. A. Beavis and M. Gilmour. Sheffield: Sheffield Phoenix Press, 2012.

“Dead Sea Scrolls: Son of God Text (4Q246).” Pages 141–43 in *The Encyclopedia of the Historical Jesus*. Edited by Craig A. Evans. New York: Routledge Press, 2008.

“The Pseudepigrapha (English).” *Accordance Bible Software*. Edited by Craig A. Evans. Altamonte Springs: Oak Tree Software, 2005 (co-assisted with H. Daniel Zacharias and Scott A. Kohler).

Book Reviews

“*Son of Man*” *Volume One: Early Jewish Literature*, by Richard Bauckham. *Bulletin for Biblical Research* 34 (2024): 266–68.

Demons, Angels, and Writing in Ancient Judaism, by Annette Yoshiko Reed. *Review of Biblical Literature* (2021).

Popular-Level Essays

“I Am Your Shield: Divine Protection, Provision, and Compassion in the Abraham Narrative.” Pages 1–9 in *Pandemic, Public Health, and the People of God*. Edited by Melody Maxwell. East Coast Theology 1. Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2023.

“Claiming Israel’s Angels as their Own: The Angelic Realm and the Religious Identity of the Qumran Sect.” *The Bible and Interpretation*, July 2019, <https://bibleinterp.arizona.edu/articles/claiming-israels-angels-their-own-angelic-realm-and-religious-identity-qumran-sect>.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

“What Angel or Prince is Like Your Effectual Help? Reevaluating the Assistance Envisioned in 1QM 13:14.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, Second Temple Judaism session (online), Jun. 1, 2021.

“Is it ‘The Same Old Song’ or ‘Just My Imagination Running Away with Me’? Charting the Interpretive Spectrum of the Use of Canaanite Imagery in Daniel 7.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Book of Daniel program unit, San Diego, CA, Nov. 24, 2019.

- “‘With God (and the Angels) on Our Side’: A Comparison of Celestial Assistance in 1QM and 2 Maccabees.” Presented at the triennial meeting of the International Organization of Qumran Studies, University of Aberdeen, Scotland, Aug. 6, 2019.
- “In a Common Lot with the Angels of the Presence: Angelic Fellowship and Sectarian Identity at Qumran.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, Pseudepigrapha program unit, Denver, CO, Nov. 17, 2018.
- “‘Holy Ones’ as a Christian Self-Designation: A Comparison of Religious Identity in the Pauline Corpus and in the Dead Sea Scrolls.” Presented (in absentia) at the annual meeting of the Institute for Biblical Research, Identity Formation in the New Testament research group, Denver, CO, Nov. 16, 2018.
- “One Nation Under God – or God and an Angel? Comparing Sirach 17:17 and Jubilees 15:30–32 with Other Second Temple Period Texts.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, Prophets and Second Temple Period session, University of Regina, SK, May 28, 2018.
- “The Guardianships of God and Principal Angels in the Second Temple Period: A Point of Contention or Potent Pairing?” Presented at the annual meeting of the New England and Eastern Canada Region of the Society of Biblical Literature, Ancient Judaism session, Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT, Apr. 20, 2018.
- “Sectarian Identity and ‘Angels Associated with Israel’: Angelic Warrior-Guardians.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, Qumran session, Ryerson University, Toronto, ON, May 27, 2017.

FUNDING, SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AND AWARDS

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship (\$60,000), McMaster University, 2011–14
- Nominee, K. Leppmann Teaching Assistant Excellence Award, McMaster University, 2013–14
- Abby Goldblatt Memorial Scholarship, Excellence in the Study of Second Temple Period Judaism (\$1,200), McMaster University, 2012–13
- Ashbaugh Graduate Scholarship (\$11,000), McMaster University, 2010–11
- Entrance Scholarship, McMaster University (\$2,500), 2010–11
- Acadia Divinity College Tuition Scholarship, Acadia University, 2004–05
- Gibson Memorial Scholarship and Brehaut Memorial Prize, Best Work in Biblical Studies, Acadia University, 2004–05
- Acadia Divinity College Tuition Scholarship, Acadia University, 2002–03
- Saunders Awards, Highest Mark in BIBL 5023 Old Testament Introduction 2, Acadia Divinity College, 2001–02
- Saunders Awards, Highest Mark in PRAC 5013 Homiletics, Acadia Divinity College, 2001–02
- Wilbur Prize for Best Paper on the Reformation in CHUR 5023 Church History 2, Acadia University, 2001–02

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Acadia Divinity College, Jul. 2016–present
 - Associate Professor of Biblical Studies (with tenure), Jul. 2021–present
 - Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies (tenure-track), Nov. 2017–Jun. 2021
 - Lecturer in Biblical Studies, Jul. 2016–Nov. 2017
 - Courses taught:
 - BIBL 2013 Interpreting the Bible
 - BIBL 3013 Old Testament Introduction I
 - BIBL 3023 Old Testament Introduction II
 - BIBL 5013 & 2023 Survey of the Bible
 - BIBL 5023 Interpreting the Old Testament
 - BIBL 6033 Chronicles & Ezra-Nehemiah
 - BIBL 6053 Amos & Isaiah
 - BIBL 6063 Psalms
 - GREE 5013 & 3013 Foundations of New Testament Greek I
 - GREE 5023 & 3023 Foundations of New Testament Greek II
 - GREE 6013 Intermediate Greek
 - HEBR 5013 & 3013 Foundations of Biblical Hebrew I
 - HEBR 5023 & 3023 Foundations of Biblical Hebrew II
 - HEBR 6013 Intermediate Hebrew
 - HEBR 7753 Translation of Amos & Isaiah
- McMaster University, 2010–2014
 - Teaching Assistant & Tutorial Instructor for:
 - RS 1B06 World Religions (Fall-Winter 2011–12 & 2013–14)
 - RS 2DD3 Five Books of Moses (Pentateuch) (Winter 2013)
 - RS 2GG3 Earliest Portraits of Jesus (Synoptic Gospels) (Winter 2011)
 - RS 2HH3 Paul and Christian Origins (Pauline Epistles) (Fall 2012)
 - RS 3DD3 The Jewish World at the Time of Jesus (Fall 2010)
- Sessional Lecturer of Old Testament, Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2008–Apr. 2011
- Grammatical Tagging, Septuagint & Josephus Inter-Linear Projects, Logos Bible Software, May 2006–April 2007
- Guest Lecturer for Craig A. Evans, BIBL 6013 Introduction to the Four Gospels & BIBL 6023 Introduction to the Apostolic Age, Acadia Divinity College, Feb & Nov. 2006
- Teaching Assistant to Ken Penner, Lecturer in Biblical Studies, and Tutorial Instructor for GREE 6006 New Testament Greek Grammar, Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2005–Apr. 2006
- Teaching Assistant to Robert Wilson, Professor of Church History, Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2004–Apr. 2005

***THESIS COMMITTEE WORK**

Supervisor, M.A. thesis of Nathanael Jones, “The Supremacy of Yahweh in the Asaph Psalms: Problematizing the Alleged Subordination of God in Psalm 82,” Acadia Divinity College, in progress.

Supervisor, M.A. thesis of Christine Merrill, “In Accordance with All That I Show You’: Exploring the Notion of a Celestial Temple in the Hebrew Bible,” Acadia Divinity College, in progress.

External examiner, M.A. thesis of Isaac Ampong, “The Portrayal of Children in the Gospel of Matthew: A Close Reading of Matthew 11:25–27 & 21:14–17,” Atlantic School of Theology, Apr. 2024.

Internal examiner, M.A. thesis defence of Joshua Keliher, “Warfare in the Service of Cosmic Order,” Acadia Divinity College, Mar. 2024.

Supervisor, M.A. thesis of Benjamin Pass, “The Commander of Yahweh’s Host (Josh 5:13–15): Angels as Executors of God’s Judgement and War,” Acadia Divinity College, May 2022.

Internal examiner, M.A. thesis defence of Daniel C. Mansvelt, “John 20:19–23: Its Theology and Relationship to the Synoptics and Acts,” Acadia Divinity College, Apr. 2018.

Internal examiner, M.A. thesis defence of Nael Abd El-Rahaman, “A Comparison of Satan in the Bible and the Qur’an,” Acadia Divinity College, Apr. 2017.

Internal examiner, M.A. thesis defence of Jennifer Nicole Bass, “The Rhetoric of New Conquest and its Use in Exilic and Post-Exilic Books,” Acadia Divinity College, Dec. 2016.

***I have also served as an examiner for several Doctor of Ministry candidacy and thesis defences.**

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Angelology and Apocalyptic Literature

Dead Sea Scrolls

Hebrew Bible/Old Testament

New Testament and Christian Origins

Second Temple Judaism and Religious Identity

Use of the Old Testament in the New Testament

STUDY OF ANCIENT AND MODERN LANGUAGES

Biblical, Qumran, and Rabbinic Hebrew

Biblical and Qumran Aramaic

Hellenistic Greek

Modern French

Modern German

SCHOLARLY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITY

Canadian Society of Biblical Studies

International Organization of Qumran Studies

Society of Biblical Literature

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

Dean of Students, Acadia Divinity College, Aug. 2018–present

Admissions Committee, Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2018–present

Admissions & Academic Standing Committee, Acadia University, Sept. 2022–present

Curriculum Committee, Acadia Divinity College, Sept 2023–present

Senate (Faculty Representative), Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2021–present

Scholarship Committee, Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2018–present

Gladstone Chair Faculty Search Committee, Acadia Divinity College, Dec. 2024–Mar 2025

Board of Trustees (Faculty Representative), Acadia Divinity College, Sept. 2021–Apr. 2022