

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

**David Paul Nystrom**

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

Born April 27, 1959; married Kristina Louise Pruitt, August 28, 1982; a daughter, Annika Elizabeth, born October 13, 1998.

### **EDUCATION:**

Ph.D. University of California, Davis, 1992. Research Fields: New Testament, Roman Social History; Major Field: The Ancient World, Rome; Teaching Field: Renaissance and Reformation, Early Modern Europe. Director of Research: Professor Lincoln D. Hurst.

M.Div. Fuller Theological Seminary, 1986.

B.A. University of California, Davis, 1981, History.

### **HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS:**

Zenos Hawkinson Award for Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership, North Park University, 1994.

Outstanding Graduate Student Award, University of California, Davis, 1990.

Departmental Citation in History, University of California, Davis, 1981.

Phi Beta Kappa, University of California, Davis, 1981.

### **ORDINATION:**

The Evangelical Covenant Church, June 23, 1989.

## **ACADEMIC POSITIONS:**

Western Seminary 2016 – Present  
Professor of Biblical Studies, Sacramento Campus.

Biola University 2010 – 2015.  
Provost and Senior Vice President.  
Managed a multi-million dollar budget, responsible for leading an academic endeavor comprised of six schools and nearly 300 faculty.

William Jessup University, 2006-2010.  
Vice President for Academic Affairs.  
Led an academic unit comprised of multiple departments and 30 faculty.

North Park Theological Seminary, 2004-2006.  
Professor of Biblical Literature.

North Park University, 1992-2004  
Professor of Biblical and Theological Studies, North Park University, 1999-2004;  
Associate Professor of Biblical and Theological Studies, North Park University, 1995-1999;  
Assistant Professor of Theology and History, North Park University, 1992-1995.

Chair, Biblical and Theological Studies, North Park University, 1993-2001, 2003-2004.

Director, the Institute for Christian Studies, North Park University, 1992-1999.

Fuller Theological Seminary, 1997-2010.  
Adjunct Professor.

The University of California, Davis, 1987-1992  
Associate In History, 1990-1992.  
Associate In Religious Studies, 1990-1992.  
Teaching Assistant in History, 1987-1990.  
Teaching Assistant in Religious Studies, 1987-1990.

## **MINISTRY POSITIONS:**

Theologian in Residence, The Pacific Southwest Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church, 2004-2010.

*Ex-officio* member, Council of Administrators, The Evangelical Covenant Church of America, 1999-2004.

Dean of the Chapel (Interim), North Park University, 1998-1999.

University Pastor, University Covenant Church, Davis, California, 1987-1992.

Minister to Students, Peninsula Covenant Church, Redwood City, California, 1986-1987.

Resident in Ministry, Peninsula Covenant Church, Redwood City, California, 1981-1984.

### **DISSERTATION:**

*Not Many Wise, Powerful, or Noble: The Sociology of Primitive Christianity.*

Supervisor: Professor Lincoln D. Hurst.

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

#### **Books and Monographs:**

*A Youth Worker's Commentary on James*, Grand Rapids, Zondervan. 2013. Co-authored with Les Christie.

*A Youth Worker's Commentary on John, Volume Two*, Grand Rapids, Zondervan, 2012. Co-authored with Les Christie.

*A Youth Worker's Commentary on John, Volume One*, Grand Rapids, Zondervan. 2011. Co-authored with Les Christie.

*Covenant Affirmations*, Chicago, Covenant Publications, 2005. Member of the writing team.

*The History of Christianity: An Introduction*, San Francisco, McGraw-Hill, 2004. Co-authored with Bradley P. Nystrom.

*Called and Gifted*, Chicago, Covenant Publications, 2004. Sharon Cairns Mann, principal author, David P. Nystrom, secondary author.

*James: A Commentary*, NIV Application Commentary, Grand Rapids, Zondervan, 1997.

#### **Articles:**

"We have No King But Caesar: Roman Imperial Ideology and the Imperial Cult," Scot McKnight and Joseph B. Modica (eds.), *Jesus is Lord, Caesar is Not*, Dowers Grove, Inter-Varsity Press. 2013.

James the Greater," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"James the Brother of Jesus," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"John the Baptist," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"John the Evangelist," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"Martha," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"Mary," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"Paul," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"Thomas," *Holy People of the World: A Cross-Cultural Encyclopedia*, ed. Phyllis Jestice, ABC-CLIO, Oxford & Santa Barbara, 2004.

"Josephus," *The Dictionary of the Later New Testament and its Developments*, eds. Ralph P. Martin and Peter H. Davids, IVP, 1997.

"Where Is It Written And Do We Care?" *The Covenant Companion*, December, 1995.

"The Covenant Commission on Christian Action," *The Covenant Quarterly*, February, 1987.

### **Selected Reviews:**

Review of *The Historical Reliability of the New Testament*, by Craig Blomberg, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, vol. 61, June 2018.

Review of *James*, by Dan G. McCartney, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, vol. 54, March 2011.

Review of *Flavius Josephus, Translation and Commentary. Vol. 10: Against Apion*, by John M.G. Barclay, *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society*, vol.51, March 2008.

Review of *Jesus and the Rise of Christianity* by Paul Barnett, *Journal of Evangelical Theological Studies*, vol. 44, June 2001.

Review of *New Documents Illustrating Early Christianity*, v. 8, ed. S. R. Llewelyn. *Journal of Evangelical Theological Studies*, vol. 43, March 2000.

Review of *The Language and Imagery of the Bible* by G. B. Caird. *The Covenant Quarterly*, August, 1998.

### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS:**

"Jesus, the Gospels and Discipleship," plenary addresses to the leadership of Crestmont College, the officer training institution for the western region of the Salvation Army, August 5-7, 2015

"Neither Jew nor Greek, Slave nor Free, Male nor Female: Race, Class, Gender and the Gospel," three plenary lectures, the Covenant Midwinter Conference, Chicago, Illinois, February 5-7, 2002.

"Women, Culture and the New Testament," plenary address, Covenant Midwinter Conference, Chicago, Illinois, January 27, 2001.

"The Heart of John's Theology," plenary address, Covenant Midwinter Conference, Chicago, Illinois, January 30, 2000.

"Hebrews, Hermeneutics and Post modernity: A Response to Anthony C. Thistleton," The Symposium on the Theological Interpretation of Scripture, Chicago, Illinois, October 18, 1997.

"The Letter to Pergamum and Contemporary Culture: Where Does Satan Dwell?" The Quadrennial Theological Conference of The International Federation of Free Evangelical Churches, Kusadasi, Turkey, August 23-28, 1996.

"The New Testament View of Signs and Wonders," The Covenant Consultation on the New Testament and the Miraculous, 1986.

### **SOCIETIES:**

Society of Biblical Literature 1991-present.

Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies 1994-present.

North American Patristic Society, 2006-present.

Evangelical Theological Society, 2010-present.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

Content Review Expert, California State Department of Education, 2005. Member, Curriculum Content Review Panel, responsible to review textbook and related materials submitted for adoption by California Public Schools in the following areas: ancient history, Christianity, early modern history, Renaissance and Reformation.

Board Member, Crestmont College, 2012-present.

Chair of the Board of Governance, Crestmont College, 2020-present.

Board Member, The William Carey Heritage Foundation, 2013-present.

President and Chair, The William Carey Heritage Foundation, 2018-present.

Board Member, Sound Reasoning Ministries, 2017-present.

Board Member, Truthseekers, 2017-present.