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Education:

- 1997 **Doctor of Theology (Dr. theol.)**
University of Hamburg, Germany
Magna cum laude
- 1991 **Master of Theology (M.Th)**
Federated Faculty for Research in Religion and Culture, Kottayam
First class.
Prize: Master's Prize of the Senate of Serampore College for the highest grade in all branches of M.Th. Studies
- 1984 **Bachelor of Divinity (B.D.)**
United Theological College, Bangalore
First class.
Prize: Senate of Serampore College Prize for highest grade in the B.D. Examination (Autonomous Colleges)
- 1980 **Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.)**
Bangalore University, St. Joseph's College of Arts and Science,
Bangalore
First class

Positions held:

The United Lutheran Seminary (Gettysburg + Philadelphia)

Dean of the Seminary (January 2018 – onward);
Co-Dean of the Seminary (July 2017 – December 2017);
H. George Anderson Professor of Mission and Cultures (July 2007 – onward)

The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA. (July 2007 – June 2017)

Dean of the Seminary (July 2012 – June 2017);

H. George Anderson Professor of Mission and Cultures;
Director, Multicultural Mission Resource Center;
Seminary Chaplain (from July 2009 – June 2012)

United Theological College, Bangalore, India. (June 1988 – August 2009)

Positions held include: Professor of Theology and Ethics; Chairperson, Department of Theology and Ethics; Dean, Doctoral Division; Secretary of the Governing Council; and Editor, *Bangalore Theological Forum*.

Minister of the Church of South India (1984 onward)

Parish Ministry, full-time in rural and urban parishes of the Karnataka Central Diocese, and as an honorary Associate Presbyter;
Currently regular preaching and presiding/celebrating at churches in the greater Philadelphia area.

Professional Memberships and Guild Responsibilities:

North American Patristics Society

International Association for Mission Studies

Presently: Contributing Editor, *Mission Studies* after having served as the Associate Editor

International Association for Patristic Studies

Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, USA

Resident Member from August 2003 – May 2004

American Academy of Religion

Advisory Board, *Currents of Encounter: Studies on the Contact between Christianity and Other Religions, Beliefs, and Cultures*, Free University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Co-editor (with Joseph Duggan) of the series "Postcolonialism and Religions" for Palgrave Macmillan. Fourteen volumes published thus far

(<https://www.palgrave.com/gp/series/14535>)

Board Member and Evaluator, The John Templeton Award for Theological Promise, 2007 – 2011, renamed as the Manfred Lautenschlaeger Award for Theological Promise from 2013.

Member, International Advisory Board of the Tantur Ecumenical Institute, University of Notre Dame.

Lectureships:

M. A. Thomas Memorial Lecture, Ecumenical Christian Centre, Whitefield, India, via ZOOM on October 30th, 2020, on the theme: "Ecumenism and the Pandemic: Seven Challenges and Seven Opportunities Today."

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t0hdqfzJjA>)

Teape Lecturer, Universities of Cambridge and Edinburgh, UK, on the theme: "Converting Death: Continuity and Transformation in the Understanding of Death in Indian-Christian Communities." Lectures at Cambridge on October 15th, 16th and 19th, lecture at New College, Edinburgh on October 23rd and lecture at St. Philip's Centre for Study and Engagement in a Multi-faith Society, Leicester on 18th October 2007.

Abraham Malpan Memorial Lecturer, two lectures on the theme: "Search for the Human in Contemporary India," Mar Thoma Seminary, Kottayam, 8th and 9th November 2006.

Select List of Publications:

Books:

Enlivening the Past: An Asian Theologian's Engagement with the Early Teachers of Faith (Piscataway, NJ: Gorgias Press, 2009)

"... *baptisma unum in sancta ecclesia*...": *A Theological Appraisal of the Baptismal Controversy in the Work and Writings of Cyprian of Carthage* (Ammesbek bei Hamburg: Verlag an der Lottbek (Peter Jensen), 1997). [Also published by ISPCK, Delhi, 1997].

Chapters in Books:

"Revitalizing the Fading Ecumenical Memory and Reenergizing the Promise of our Ecumenical Future: Can Ecumenism be Taught?" in Peter Casarella and Gabriel Said Reynolds, eds., *The Whole Is Greater Than Its Parts: Encountering the Interreligious and Ecumenical Other in the Age of Pope Francis* (New York: The Crossroad Publishing Company/Herder & Herder, 2020), pp. 141 – 156.

"Estranging the Stranger? Revisions and Re-visioning Ecumenical Missiology," in Michael Biehl et al., *Witnessing Christ: Contextual and Interconfessional Perspectives on Christology* (Stuttgart: Kohlhammer, 2020), pp. 63 – 69.

"Evoking the Bible at a Funeral in an Indian-Christian Community," in Tat-Siong Benny Liew and Fernando F. Segovia, eds., *Colonialism and the Bible: Contemporary Reflections from the Global South* (Lanham: Lexington Books, 2018), pp. 187 – 197.

"Celebrating the Dynamic Legacy of the Reformation – An Indian Perspective," in Philip D. W. Krey, ed., *Reformation Observances: 1517 – 2017* (Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2017), pp. 43 – 68.

"Only Christ and No Formulation of Christ Can Determine the Frontier': J. Russell Chandran's Ongoing Challenges to Christian Ecumenism," in Jesudas M. Athyal, ed., *A Light to the Nations: The Indian Presence in the Ecumenical Movement in the Twentieth Century* (Geneva: World Council of Churches, 2016), pp. 143 - 152, notes pp. 238 - 240.

- “Contributions of Indian Christian Theology Towards the Ongoing Theologizing in the Indian Context,” in Samuel George and P. Mohan Larbeer, eds., *Christian Theology: Indian Conversations* (Bangalore: Board of Theological Education of the Senate of Serampore College, 2016), pp. 41 – 59.
- “He, who wants to hear God talking, shall read the Holy Writ’: Response to the paper by Jan-Dirk Döhling,” in Jan Hermelink and Alexander Deeg, eds., *Viva Vox Evangelii: Reforming Preaching*, *Studia Homiletica* 9 (Leipzig: Evangelische Verlagsanstalt, 2013), pp. 104 – 109.
- “Should the Pedal Point Always Bring Dissonance Back into Harmony? Interrogating *missio Dei* from an Asian American Perspective,” in Eleazar S. Fernandez, ed., *New Overtures - Asian American Theology in the 21st Century: Essays in Honor of Fumitaka Matsuoka* (Upland, CA: Sopher Press, 2012), pp. 269 – 287. [Also in *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Religion*, Vol. 3, Issue 2.13 (January 2012), 19 pages.]
- “Pierced by the curved end of a rainbow’: Decolonizing the Body of the Martyr,” in David Joy and Joseph F. Duggan, eds., *Decolonizing the Body of Christ: Theology and Theory after Empire?* (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012), pp. 35 – 51.
- “Intertwined Interaction: Reading Gregory of Nazianzus Amidst Inter-religious Realities in India,” in William F. Storrar, Peter J. Casarella, and Paul Louis Metzger, eds., *A World for All? Global Civil Society in Political Theory and Trinitarian Theology* (Grand Rapids, MI and Cambridge, U.K.: Eerdmans, 2011), pp. 162 – 177.
- “The Guide Who Stands Aside: Confessing Christ in India Today,” in *Asian and Oceanic Christianities in Conversation: Exploring Theological Identities at Home and in Diaspora*, eds., Heup Young Kim, Fumitaka Matsuoka and Anri Morimoto, *Studies in World Christianity and Interreligious Relations* 47 (Amsterdam and New York: Rodopi, 2011), pp. 135 – 148.
- “Interrogating Christian Practices: Popular Religiosity Across the Ocean,” in Thomas F. Best, ed., *Baptism Today: Understanding, Practice, Ecumenical Implications* (Collegeville, Minnesota: Liturgical Press/ Geneva: World Council of Churches Publications, 2008), pp. 255 - 266.
- “Jud(as)signing Blame,” in R. S. Sugirtharajah, ed., *Still at the Margins: Biblical Scholarship Fifteen Years after the ‘Voices from the Margin’* (London: T & T Clark, 2008), pp. 98 – 103.
- “Interrogating *missio dei*: From the mission of God toward appreciating our mission to God in India today,” in Max L. Stackhouse and Lalsangkima Pachuau, eds., *News of Boundless Riches: Interrogating, Comparing, and Restructuring Mission in a Global Era*, Vol. I (Delhi: ISPCK/UTC/CTI, 2007), pp. 26 – 44. Also in Rolv Olsen, ed. *Mission and Postmodernities*, *Regnum Edinburgh 2010 Series* (Oxford: Oxford Centre for Mission Studies, 2011), pp. 204 – 221.

- “Facing Technology: Challenges for the Pastoral Ministry,” in Samuel W. Meshack, ed., *Mission with the Marginalized: Life and Witness of Rev. Dr. Prasanna K. Samuel* (Tiruvalla: Christava Sahitya Samithi, 2007), pp. 523 – 532.
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- “Interconnections, Interventions, Intersections, Interpretations: A Methodological Journey through Global Christianity.” *Bangalore Theological Forum*, Vol. L, No. 2 (December 2018), pp. 88 – 94.
- “Neither Fellowship or Patience, nor Toleration or Acceptance: Believing, Belonging, Luther, the Jews, and Questions on Contemporary Nationalism,” in *Seminary Ridge Review*, Vol. 20, No. 1 (Autumn 2017), pp. 3 – 14.
- “Wandering Arameans?": Interrogating Identity in a Diasporic Society: Dalitness In Indian Hyphenated Americans,” in *Exchange: Journal of Missiological and Ecumenical Research*, Vol. 45 (2016), pp. 1 – 17. Also published in *Bangalore Theological Forum*, Vol. XLVIII, No. 2 (December 2016), pp. 95 – 109.
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- “... not hurrying on to a receding future, nor hankering after an imagined past’: Edinburgh 1910, T. S. Eliot, Postcolonial Missiology, and Our Mission to God,” in *Bangalore Theological Forum*, Vol. XLVI, No. 1 (June 2014), pp. 79 – 92. [Earlier version previously published in the now defunct online *Journal of Postcolonial Theory and Theology*, Volume 2, Issue 1.4 (March 2011), pp. 1 – 22.]
- “Engaging Multiculturalism as Public Theologians,” in *International Journal of Public Theology*, Vol. 8, No. 3 (2014), pp. 335 – 343.
- “Fragmented Selves, Fragments of the New Story: Panikkar and Dalit Christology,” in *Exchange: Journal of Missiological and Ecumenical Research*, Vol. 41 (2012), pp. 245 – 253.
- “Evoking the Bible at a Funeral in an Indian-Christian Community,” in *Asia Journal of Theology*, Vol. 26, No. 1 (April 2012), pp. 124 – 130.
- “The Baptism of Death: Rereading the Life and Death of Lakshmi Kaundinya,” *Mission Studies*, Vol. 28, No. 1 (2011), pp. 26 – 53. [Earlier abridged version published as “The Baptism of Death: Reading, Today, the Life and Death of Lakshmi Kaundinya,” *Journal of Dharma*, Vol. XXIII, No. 1 (Jan. - March 1998), pp. 113 - 132.]
- “The Sand Around Lake Geneva’: Reformed Legacy in Another Land, Another Time,” in *Reformed World*, Vol. 58, No. 4 (December 2008), pp. 257 – 262.
- “Can We Now Bypass That Truth?” – Interrogating the Methodology of Dalit Theology,” in *Transformation: An International Journal of Holistic Mission Studies*, issue on ‘Methodologies,’ Vol. 25, No. 2 – 3 (April/July 2008), pp. 80 – 91. [Also published in James Massey and Indukur John Mohan Razu, eds., *Revisiting and Resignifying Methodology for Dalit Theology* (New Delhi: Centre for Dalit/Subaltern Studies and Bangalore: United

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Engagements (October 2007 to present):

Resource Person, School for New Deans, Association of Theological Schools, October 16th, 2020 via ZOOM.

Participant and Panelist, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November 23rd – 26th, 2019. Panel presentation on the theme: “The Annotated and Global Luther: Producing and Using the Volumes (In Classroom and Beyond),” in the program unit: Martin Luther and the Global Lutheran Traditions.

Participant and presented at the Intercontinental Mission Conference: “Towards an Ecumenical Missiology – Witnessing Christ,” organized by Missio Aachen and Evangelisches Missionswerk in Deutschland, in Mainz, Germany, July 15th – 18th, 2019. Presented a paper entitled “Estranging the Stranger? Revisions and Re-visioning Ecumenical Missiology.”

Seminar Leader (along with Dr Mrinalini Sebastian) “A Connected History of Mission: Complex People; Conjoined Places; Composite Projects,” at the Overseas Ministries Study Center, New Haven, CT, November 27th – 30th, 2018.

Participant and presenter at the International Workshop on the Historiography of Christianity held at the Theological Faculty of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany, June 1st – 2nd, 2018. Presented a paper entitled: “Interconnections, Interventions, Intersections, Interpretations: A Methodological Journey through Global Christianity.”

Participant, Association of Theological Schools 2018 School for Peer Reviewers, Pittsburg, PA, January 18th – 19th, 2018.

Participant and presenter at the International “World Religions World Church Conference” organized by Notre Dame University at its Rome Global Gateway, January 8th – 10th, 2018, on the theme “The Whole is Greater than Its Parts’: Christian Unity and Interreligious Encounter Today,” Presented a paper entitled “Revitalizing the Fading Ecumenical Memory and Reenergizing the Promise of our Ecumenical Future: Can Ecumenism be Taught?”

Participant, Association of Theological Schools, Biennial Meeting, St. Louis, MO, June 28th – 30th, 2016, and Academic Officers Preconference to the Biennial Meeting, June 27th – 28th, 2016.

Participant, Inter-Seminary Initiative Retreat: “Encounters in Learning: Preparing Tomorrow’s Religious Leaders for Interfaith Engagement,” June 9th, 2016, Cranaleith Spiritual Center, Philadelphia.

Resource Person, Association of Theological Schools 2015 Roundtable Seminar for Newly Appointed Faculty, Chicago, IL, October 9th – 11th, 2015. Presentation on “The Importance of New Faculty for the Mission of a School.”

Participant and Resource Person at an international conference organized by the Department of Theology and Ethics at the United Theological College, Bangalore, and the Board of Theological Education of the Senate of Serampore College, “Revisiting Reformation: Explorations on Church-State Relations Then and Now” at the United Theological College, Bangalore, India, August 4th – 7th, 2015. Presented a paper entitled: “Neither fellowship or patience, nor toleration or acceptance: Believing, belonging, Luther, the Jews, and questions on contemporary nationalism.”

Participant and Panelist at an international conference organized by the University of Notre Dame, “Tantur and the Future of Ecumenical and Interreligious Dialogue: Expanding the Horizons,” at Tantur Ecumenical Institute, Jerusalem, Israel, January 8th – 11th, 2015.

Participant and Presenter, “Wandering Arameans? Interrogating identity in a diasporic society: Dalitness in Indian hyphenated Americans,” at the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature’s Asian and Asian-American Hermeneutics Seminar and the Postcolonial Studies and Biblical Studies Section on November 23rd, 2014 in San Diego, CA.

Participant, Association of Theological Schools, Biennial Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, June 25th – 27th, 2014.

Participant and Panelist, Symposium on Spiritual Progress Honoring the Centenary of the Birth of Sir John Templeton, Benjamin Franklin Hall, American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia, PA, 15th – 17th October 2012. Responded to the book, Robert N. Bellah, *Religion in Human Evolution: From the Paleolithic to the Axial Age* (Cambridge, MA: The Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 2011).

Participant, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Conference for Graduate School Program Directors and Deans, Indianapolis, 30th September – 2nd October 2012.

Participant and Panelist, Summary Conference on “Christian Hospitality and Pastoral Practices in a Multifaith Society” project, The Association of Theological Schools, Hyatt Regency Pittsburgh Airport Hotel, 28th – 30th September 2012.

Panelist, “The Next Generation of Ecumenical and Interreligious Work,” 2012 Annual Gathering of the National Association of Ecumenical and Interreligious Staff, Pendle Hill, Wallingford, PA, 20th March 2012.

Participant and Panelist, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 18th – 21st November 2011. Panel Papers entitled: “Fragmented Selves, Fragments of the New Story: Panikkar and Dalit Christology,” in the Society for Hindu-Christian Studies Panel – “Raimundo Panikkar’s Christological Contribution”; and “Postsecularism and Public Theology – Learning from the Indian Discourse on Secularism,” in the Panel – “Public Theology and the ‘Postsecular’ Condition: Politics, Plurality, and Public Discourse.”

Participant and Panelist, World Catholicism Week, “The Discourse of Catholicity,” DePaul University, Chicago, IL, 13th April 2011. Panel Presentation entitled “Interrogating Relevance – Reaching Back in order to Move Forward,” at a panel on “Catholicity in the Fathers of the Church,” and Panel Presentation entitled “Public Theology in a Multicultural Context,” at the Book Presentation – “A World For All? Global Civil Society in Political Theory and Trinitarian Theology.”

Participant, “Christian Hospitality and Pastoral Practices in a Multifaith Society,” organized by The Association of Theological Schools, Hyatt Regency Pittsburgh Airport Hotel, 11th – 12th April 2011.

Resource Person, “Troubling the Water,” Theological Education with Youth, Atonement Lutheran Church, Wyomissing, PA, 12th March 2011.

Faculty Leader, Project Connect, Annual Gathering of Pre-Seminary Young Adults, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, 11th – 13th February 2011. Presentation on “Blessed be the tie that binds – a global and theological perspective on Christian community.”

Presenter, Adult Forum at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Telford, PA, 12th December 2010, on the theme: “Fullness of Life: Learning from a Village Congregation in India.”

Participant and Panelist, American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 30th October – 1st November 2010. Panel Papers entitled: “Engaging Multiculturalism as Public Theologians,” in the Panel – “Engaging Global Issues as Public Theologians”; and “Evoking the Bible at a Funeral in an Indian-Christian Community,” in the Panel – “Bible and Colonization: Asia/Oceania.”

Participant and Paper Presenter, Society of Anglican and Lutheran Theologians (SALT) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA, St. Luke’s Church, 28th – 29th October 2010. Paper entitled: “... not hurrying on to a receding future, nor hankering after an imagined past’: Edinburgh 1910, postcolonial missiology, and our mission to God.”

Participant, “Christian Hospitality and Pastoral Practices in a Multifaith Society,” organized by The Association of Theological Schools, Hyatt Regency Pittsburgh Airport Hotel, 24th – 26th September 2010.

Participant and Bible Study leader, SANGAM 2010, South Asian Network Gathering in America, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, 22nd – 24th September 2010.

Presenter, Adult Forum, The Church of St. John, Lower Merion, Bala Cynwyd, PA, 17th March 2010, on the theme: “Martyrs and Heretics: Women in the Early Christian Tradition.”

Participant, Network of Asian Theological Educators, Planning Meeting, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, 5th – 7th June 2010.

Participant and Paper Presenter: “Envisioning Postcolonial Theologies to Decolonize the Body of Christ,” United Theological College, Bangalore, India, 21st – 23rd January 2010. Paper entitled: “Pierced by the curved end of a rainbow’: Decolonizing the Body of the Martyr.”

Presenter, Adult Forum at the Saint John’s Lutheran Church, Summit, NJ, 28th February 2010, on the theme: “Affirming Life in the Midst of Death: Learning from a Village Congregation in India.”

Keynote Address, World Day of Prayer, The Ecumenical Fellowship of Indian Churches in Philadelphia, at the St. Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Philadelphia, PA, 6th March 2010, on the theme: “Let everything that has breath praise God.”

Resource Person and Preacher, 23rd Church of South India Family and Youth Conference, 25th – 28th June 2009, Somerset, NJ.

Retreat Leader, Asian Indian Christian Church, Mensch Mill Conference and Retreat Center, Alburtis, PA, 8th August 2009. Theme: “Reconciliation and Discipleship.”

Evaluator and Participant, John Templeton Award for Theological Promise 2009 and Colloquium at the Internationales Wissenschaftsforum Heidelberg, Germany. May 22nd – 25th 2009.

Resource Person, District Resource Day of the Raritan Valley District of the Greater New Jersey Conference of the United Methodist Church, at the United Methodist Church of Bound Brook, NJ, on 14th May 2009. Theme: “The Bible in Context – Learning from the World Church.”

Resource Person, District Resource Day of the GateWay North District of the Greater New Jersey Conference of the United Methodist Church, at the Emanuel Methodist Church, Springfield, NJ, on 12th March 2009. Theme: “Mission and Ministry in a Global Society.”

Keynote Speaker, Ecumenical Christian Fellowship of New Jersey, 2009 World Day of Prayer, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ, on 7th March 2009. Theme: “In Christ there are many members yet one body.”

Participant, Multicultural Planning Group Meeting, Project Connect, LTSP, December 11th, 2008.

Organizer, Session on “Global Youth Collaborative on Peace and Security,” along with the EastWest Institute, New York, at LTSP, Multicultural Mission Resource Center, November 18th, 2008.

Resource Person, Theological Education with Youth Affirmation of Baptism Festival, LTSP, November 15th 2008. Presentation on “Water of Life – Water of Baptism.”

Bible Study: “Importance of (Lay) Leadership in Mission Development,” at the South Asian Pastors Round Table organized by the ELCA Asian and Pacific Islanders Ministries, at Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, October 14th – 15th 2008.

Participant, Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion Conference for Graduate School Deans and Program Directors, IUPUI Conference Place Hotel, Indianapolis, IN, 3rd – 5th October 2008.

Presentation entitled: “Continuing to Search for Ecumenical Understanding: Remembering the Legacy of William H. Lazareth,” at “A Day of Remembrance and Celebration: Remembering Prof. William Lazareth and Celebrating 100 years of the Krauth Memorial Library,” Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, 27th September 2008.

Faculty Mentor, Asian Theological Summer Institute, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, 27th – 31st May 2008. This program continued and I have served this role up to and including the 13th iteration of this in May 2019.

Participant, North American Patristics Society, Annual Meeting, Holiday Inn Mart Plaza, Chicago, IL, 22nd – 24th May 2008. Presented a paper entitled: “The Joy of Almsgiving: Reading Cyprian Today.”

Participant and Respondent, The 2008 Luce Hall Conversations: “Thirty Years On ...? – The Founding Vision and Global Future of Theological Inquiry at CTI,” Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, 10th – 11th April 2008.

Participant, Special Program in Public Theology – North American Consultation and Luce Hall Seminar, Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, NJ, 9th – 10th March, 2008.

Participant, 2008 Joint Convocation of ELCA/ELCIC Bishops and Theologians on the theme “Accompaniment in Theology and Practice,” Eaglewood Resort and Spa, Itasca, IL, 11th – 13th January 2008.

Participant, Consultation for Asians/Asian North Americans on the theme “Effective Theological Education for Asian/Asian North American Seminarians,” The Association of Theological Schools (ATS), Commission on Accrediting, Dallas/Fort Worth, TX, 7th – 9th December 2007.

Preached at Evensong at Jesus College, Cambridge on 14th October and at Selwyn College, Cambridge on 21st October 2007.

