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““To Heal and to Harm: Metaphor and Trauma in the Book of Nahum.” *Biblische Notizen*, forthcoming

“Trauma and Metaphor,” *Oxford Handbook Metaphor and Trauma*, ed. Danilo Verde et al (Oxford University Press), forthcoming.

“Bodies that Speak: On Gender and Intertextuality in the Hebrew Bible and Beyond,” OTS conference volume

“The Making of an Enemy: Hate in the Hebrew Bible,” *The Bible and Emotions* (ed. Katherine M. Hockey and Ari Mermelstein TT Clark), forthcoming.

“The Struggle to Express Pain in Poetry: The Elusive Nature of Pain in Nahum 2:10[MT11]” in *Unheard Voices: Cultural Anthropological Approaches to Physical Suffering in the Hebrew Bible and Ancient Near East* (ed. Régine Hunziker-Rodewald, Andrei C. Aioanei; AOAT series 2024

Finding an Unlikely Community: Zuko in *Avatar: The Last Airbender* and Moses in the Book of Exodus Read Through the Lens of Trauma (with Tristan D. Krüger and Hans C.T. Lange) in *Avatar the Last Airbender and Theology* (ed Michael Riggins and Anthony G. Cirilla; McFarland, forthcoming)

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PRESENTATIONS

“The Fall of the Empire? Shifting Constructions of Nineveh in the Book of Nahum and Beyond,” ISBL June 2025, Uppsala

“The Narrative is Crumbling: (Female) Agency in The Prophet’s Song (Paul Lynch) and Nahum 2,” ISBL June 2025, Uppsala

“Glad Tidings of Divine Fury? The Value of Trauma Theory for Reading Nahum 1,” IOSOT August 2025, Berlin

“Rehumanizing the Enemy: Nahum’s Nineveh in Conversation with *There Are Rivers in the Sky* (Elif Shafak),” Rekindling Humanity Gender Unit Conference, Stellenbosch University, 12-14 March, 2025.

“The Making of an Enemy: The Language of Enmity in the Book of Nahum,” SBL San Diego, November 2024

“Postcolonial Portrayals of Foreign Kings: Comic Relief in Jonah 3 and *Hamilton*,” SBL San Diego, November 2024

“Panel Discussion, Anthea Portier Young, *Prophetic Body* (Oxford University Press, 2024). Hosted by Catholic Biblical Association, 9 October 2024”

“A Prophet from Your Midst (Deut 18:15): Embodying Biblical Prophecy in Jeremiah and Jonah.” Propropheet, September 2024 Pretoria

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“History Does Not Repeat Itself, But It Rhymes’: On Gender and Intertextuality in the Hebrew Bible,” Joint OTSSA/OTW/SOTS conference ‘Den Bosch, 24-26 July 2024

“The Struggle to Express Pain in Poetry: The Elusive Nature of Pain in Nahum 2:10[MT11]” ISBL Amsterdam July 28-31, 2024

- Jonah's Enduring Influence: Bonhoeffer's "Jonah" and the Wounded Prophet "ISBL Amsterdam, July 28-31, 2024
- 'History Does Not Repeat Itself, But It Rhymes': Exploring Literary Representations of Violence in Bible in/and Literature in *The Bible and Violence*, Online Conference 25-27 March 2024
- "The Narrative is Crumbling: (Female) Agency in The Prophet's Song (Paul Lynch) and Nahum 2," Claiming Space Gender Unit Conference, Stellenbosch University, 13-15 March, 2024
- "On Poets and Prophets," Theological Day 2024 Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University, 12 February, 2024
- "Bonhoeffer as a Wounded Prophet: "Jonah" and Jonah Read Through a Queer and Postcolonial Lens" International Dietrich Bonhoeffer conference, Sydney Australia, January, 14-16, 2024
- "Women Resisting the Violence of War: Daughter Zion joining Rizpah in Lament," International Conference of the European Society of Women in Theological Research, Imperial Powers and Women: Trauma, Resistance, and Resilience August 31st – September 2nd 2023, Ukrainian Catholic University (Lviv, Ukraine (online)
- "Narrating Reproductive Loss: The Story of Rachel," Trauma, Religion and Gender," Online Seminar, Side-by-Side/Brot fur die Welt, 14 July, 2023
- "You Strike a Woman, You Strike a Rock:" Delving into the Rich Legacy of Feminist Biblical Interpretation in South Africa," ISBL Pretoria July 3-7, 2023
- "On Writing 'Feminist Biblical Interpretation' for St Andrews Encyclopedia," St Andrews, June 20, 2023
- "Recovering from Rape? *Lacuna* (Fiona Snyckers) in conversation with Daughter Zion in Deutero-Isaiah," Narrating Rape Conference, March 2023, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University/ WG: 2. Sozietät Feministische Theologie und Gender Studies, Augustana Hochschule, Neuendettelsau, 30 May 2023, online.
- "'Sometimes I Feel like a Motherless Child:' Considering the Metaphor of Divine Adoption in the Context of Trauma," SBL Denver, Co, 17-22 Nov 2022
- "When the World No Longer Appears the Right Way Up:" Queering Time, Space, and the Prophetic Body in Jonah 2," SBL Denver, Co, 17-22 Nov 2022
- "Eating (with) You: Exploring Slow Intimacy in Song of Songs and Written on *the Body* (Jeannette Winterson) Through the Lens of Food," SARCHI Chair Gender Politics Lecture September 27, 2022, Stellenbosch University/ Slow Intimacy Conference, STIAS, October 13-15, 2022
- "Opening Up Contexts: The Role of Popular Culture in Expanding the Meaning of Contextual Bible Study," OTSSA conference, September 9, 2022, Stellenbosch University.
- "Resilience in the Book of Jonah: Surviving the Unsurvivable," Propropheet, University of Pretoria, September 2, 2022
- "On Bible and Women Prophecy and Gender in Hebrew Bible," IOSOT Zurich, August 9, 2022
- "Entertaining Contradictions: Continuing the Conversation on Irony in the Book of Jonah," IOSOT Zurich, August 11, 2022
- "Drowning Bodies: Reading Jonah 2 Through the Lens of Trauma," ISBL Salzburg, July 19, 2022
- "Facing the Colonizer that Remains: Jonah as a Symbolic Trauma Narrative," ISBL Salzburg, July 19, 2022
- "But a Promise is a Promise": Trauma and Recognition in the Sarah and Hagar Narrative (Genesis 16, 21) and Damon Galgut's *The Promise*," Public Lecture, Theological Faculty Philips Marburg University, June 2022 (together with Robert Vosloo)
- "Opening Up Contexts: The Role of Popular Culture in Expanding the Meaning of Contextual Bible Study," Old Testament seminar, Theological Faculty Philips Marburg University, June 2022
- "From a Split Self to Narrative Repair: The Value of Trauma Hermeneutics for Reading the Portrayal of Personified Zion (Lamentations 1) in Conversation with Disgrace (J.M. Coetzee)" Healing & Harm: Intersections of Trauma, Justice, and Scripture conference hosted by Centre for the Study of Bible and Violence, Bristol Baptist College, 23-25 May 2022

- “Vulnerable Bodies: The Rape of Dinah (Genesis 34) and the Stalking of Middle Sister (Milkman, Anna Burns)” Paper presented at the “Readings of Trauma: Hermeneutical Perspectives on Biblical and Modern Trauma Narratives” Conference, Phillips-Universität, Marburg 5-7 April, 2022.
- “When the World No Longer Appears the Right Way Up:” Queering Time, Space, and the Prophetic Body in Jonah 2,” Queering the Prophet Conference, March 16-18, 2022
- “Finding God in an Infinite Present: Theology in a Time of Covid19,” South African Spiritualities conference 2021, Wellington November 24, 2021
- “The Ethical Obligation to Disrupt: Facing the Bloody City in Nahum 3:1-7.” Joint Feminist Hermeneutics/Hebrew Bible Poetry group SBL, San Antonio, November 2021 (virtual participation)
- “Symbolic Retellings of Imperial Violence: The Destruction of Vegetation in Jonah 4 and Jeremiah 14 San Antonio,” November 2021 (virtual participation)
- “Sometimes I Feel like a Motherless Child:” Considering the Metaphor of Divine Adoption in the Context of Trauma,” We are Family Gender Unit conference, November 2, 2021
- “To Drink Deeply with Delight from Her Glorious Bosom” (Isa 66:11): Envisioning Food Security in a Famished City,” PTHU-SU-UWC consultation, October 28, 2021
- “Vulnerable Bodies: The Rape of Dinah (Genesis 34) and the Stalking of Middle Sister (Milkman, Anna Burns),” Gender Unit Writing Retreat, 23 September, 2021, Stellenbosch University
- “Channeling Unresolved Trauma: Contemplating the Value of Postcolonial Trauma Theory for Reading the Book of Jonah,” OTSSA Annual Meeting - Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of the Free State (Bloemfontein Campus), September 2-3, 2021
- “Casting Lots and Making Sacrifices: Reading Jonah 1 Against the Backdrop of Leviticus,” ePro-seminar - Old Testament – University of Pretoria 25-27 August 2021: Theme: Leviticus -- ritual, sacrifice and priestly motifs in the Hebrew Bible and related literature
- “Narrative Possibility in the Context of Traumatic Discordance: Reading Biblical and Contemporary Trauma Narratives,” Winter School, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University, 22 June, 2021
- “Righteous Anger, Prophetic Rage, and Holy Indignation: Contemplating Divine and Human Anger in Jonah 4 in a Context of Injustice,” Gender Unit Conference 15-17 March 2021.
- “An Infinite Present: Theology as Resistance amidst Pandemics,” eDare Webinar Series, Theology in a Time of COVID October 30, 2020
- “Haunted by the Past: Trauma and Recovery in the Stories of Moabite and Ammonite Mothers (Genesis 19/ Ruth) and *The Bookshop* (Penelope Fitzgerald),” Paper presented Stellenbosch-PTHU Moving Identities: Migration, Racism, xenophobia and memories of colonialization consultation, October 2020
- “Entertaining Contradictions: Continuing the Conversation on Irony in the Book of Jonah,” Exodus Motifs in the Old Testament and Hebrew Literature eCONFERENCE, University of Pretoria, September 20, 2020
- “Stories that Ring True: Biblical and Contemporary Trauma Narratives in the Lives of Women in the 21st century,” Keynote Speaker 2020 Women in Ministry Conference, Bible Society 27 August 2020.
- “O Bloody City: Perversion and Disgust in Nahum 3:1-7,” Power to Discriminate Webinar Series, July 29, 2020
- “Facing the Colonizer: Jonah as Postcolonial Trauma Fiction,” ISBL, Adelaide, Australia July 4-9, 2020/ OTSSA University of Western Cape, July 1-3, 2020 (CANCELLED due to COVID)
- “Recounting Resistance: Intersectional Perspectives on Violence and Resistance in Jeremiah 38-39,” SBL San Diego, CA, 2019, 23-26 November 2019.
- “Interrogating White Supremacy and Feminist Biblical Hermeneutics” SBL San Diego, CA, 2019, 23-26 November 2019.
- “The Suffering of One and the Suffering of All: Individual and Collective Trauma in Lamentations 1,” “Trauma, Turmoil and Tenacity in Early Jewish Literature, Hungaro-South African Study Group 3rd International Conference, Károli Gáspár Református Egyetem (Károli Gáspár Reformed University) in Budapest, Hungary 18th – 20th September 2019.
- “Being a Feminist Public Theologian in South Africa Today: On Wounds, Scars and Healing in the Book of Jeremiah and Beyond,” Keynote speaker at the Leipzig University Summer Academy on the theme of

Gender Studies 1989–2019 “Bilanzen und Perspektiven im transnationalen und transdisziplinären Vergleich., 19 July, 2019

“Reading Trauma Narratives: Exploring the Intersection of Gender and Trauma in the Hebrew Bible,” FB Evangelische Theologie, Philips-Universität Marburg, 10 July, 2019

“Jeremiah: The Traumatized Prophet” International SBL meeting Rome, 2 July 2019

“Daughter Zion Violated, Daughter Zion Vindicated: Exploring the Intersection of Gender and Trauma in the Hebrew Bible,” Faculty of Theology, Leipzig University, 26 June, 2019

“The Hidden Wounds of Structural Violence: Exploring an Intersectional Understanding of Violence in Jeremiah 4-6,” Recognition Reparation Reconciliation – The Light and Shadow of Historical Trauma Conference in Stellenbosch, South Africa, 5-8 December, 2018

“From Traumatic to Narrative Memories: The Rhetorical Function of Birth Metaphors in Micah 4-5,” Consultation UOFS Bloemfontein in honor of Fanie Snyman Festschrift, December 3, 2018.

“The Hidden Wounds of Structural Violence: Exploring an Intersectional Understanding of Violence in Jeremiah 4-6,” SBL Denver, CO, 2018, 17-20 November 2018.

“*Nolite te bastardes carborundorum*: Insidious Trauma in the Story of Rachel, Leah, Bilhah and Zilpah, and Margaret Atwood’s *The Handmaid’s Tale*,” SBL Denver, CO, 2018, 17-20 November 2018.

“Going Home? Exiles, Inciles, and Refugees in the Book of Jeremiah,” at the “Homecoming? Interdisciplinary explorations on longing and belonging in a migrating world” PTHU-SU consultation, Groningen, The Netherlands, September 20-21, 2018

“Sex, Disgust and Abjection: The Role of Lot’s Daughters in Israel’s Identity Formation,” Propent Bass Lake, Pretoria, September 1-2, 2018

“Jeremiah as Traumatized Prophet,” ProProphet consultation, University of Pretoria, August 30-31, 2018

“The Case of the Trafficked Princesses (Jer 41-44): Trauma Hermeneutics as Pedagogical Tool for Teaching on Gender-Based Violence,” Morpeth Lecture hosted by the Anglican Diocese and the University of Newcastle, Newcastle, Australia, June 5, 2018

“Towards a Feminist Public Theology: On Wounds, Scars and Healing in Jeremiah and Beyond,” Bonhoeffer and Public Theology conference, Sydney, Australia, June 7-8, 2018

“*Nolite te bastardes carborundorum*: Insidious Trauma in the Story of Rachel, Leah, Bilhah and Zilpah, and Margaret Atwood’s *The Handmaid’s Tale*,” Teaching Gender and Health Conference, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University, 22 March, 2018/ Religion, Gender, Sexuality Conference, UZKN, May 23, 2018

“Between Excruciating Pain and the Promise of New Life: Birth Imagery in the Prophets and Trauma Hermeneutics” Graduate Seminar, Princeton Theological Seminar, December 6, 2017

“The Case of the Trafficked Princesses (Jer 41-44): Trauma Hermeneutics as Pedagogical Tool for Teaching on Gender-Based Violence,” Centre of Theology, Women and Gender, Princeton Theological Seminary, November 15, 2017

“Preaching the Pentateuch: Cultural Trauma and the Rhetorical Function of Jeremiah’s Sermons,” Guest Lecturer, Union Theological Seminary, November 14, 2017

“Preaching the Pentateuch: Cultural Trauma and the Rhetorical Function of Jeremiah’s Sermons,” Storyteller and Sage: Celebrating the Legacy of Hendrik Bosman Colloquium, November 7-8, 2017

“Abigail se Gasvryheid: Reformasie in ‘n Konteks van Geweld,” 500 year Reformation celebration, UOFS, 19 October, 2017

“Discovering New Layers of Meaning in Jeremiah 40-44: The Value of Gender, Postcolonial and Trauma Hermeneutics for the Study of Jeremiah,” OTSSA University of Pretoria, September 2017

“Not Being Content With God: Contestation and Contradiction in Communities under Duress,” New Quests for God: Contributions of Theology to a Resilient Society Conference, Groningen, Netherlands 24-27 April, 2017.

“The Case of the Trafficked Princesses (Jer 41-44): Trauma Hermeneutics as Pedagogical Tool for Teaching on Gender-Based Violence,” Cultivating Change Agents: Mainstreaming Gender and Health in Africa, Gender Unit of the Faculty of Theology, 29 March, 2017, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University

- “Beyond Revenge: Responsible Bible Reading Practices in a Traumatized Land,” Key note speaker Theological Day, UOFS, 6 February, 2017.
- “Agency, Complexity and Hope: Female Resistance in the Old Testament, *SBL*, San Antonio, TX, 19 Nov, 2016
- “Love’s Lyrics Redeemed?:” Nuut Gedink oor Seksualiteit in die Ou Testament,” ATLAS/SKLAS conference on SEKS: Teologiese, Etiese en Bybelse Perspektiewe, 16 August, 2016. Faculty of Theology Stellenbosch University
- “Resisting the Violence of Rape: The Role of Biblical Rape Narratives in Transforming a Rape Culture.” Valkenburg Hospital, 19 July 2016
- “Agency, Complexity and Hope: Female Resistance in the Old Testament, *Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians Conference*, Pretoria, 11-15 July, 2016
- “Abigail’s Hospitality,” co-presented with Charlene van der Walt as part of Hospitality in the Bible series, Winter School, Faculty of Theology, June 2, 2016
- “Thursdays in Black,” co-presented with Renate van der Westhuizen, Winter School, Faculty of Theology, June 2, 2016
- “Response to Charlene van der Walt, “To the Wonder”: Finding God in the Most Unexpected Places,” PTHU-SU consultation, on the theme of “Compassion? Global Ethics, Human Dignity and the Compassionate God,” Groningen, 25-26 May, 2016
- “Agency, Complexity and Hope: Female Resistance in the Old Testament, *Gender and Resistance Conference, Stellenbosch and UWC Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians Chapter Meeting*, Stellenbosch, May 5-6, 2016
- “Resisting the Violence of Rape: The Role of Biblical Rape Narratives in Transforming a Rape Culture” Psychology Department, 4 April 2016
- “Tragic Laughter: Laughter as Resistance in the Book of Job.” Trauma and Hope: From the OT to our Congregational Context VBO consultation together with Louis Stulman, March 10, 2016
- “An Abigail Optic: Agency, Resistance and Discernment in 1 Samuel 25,” Yale Divinity School, New Haven, CT, November 17, 2015
- “Abigail’s Hospitality: Breaking the “Frames of War” in 1 Samuel 25,” Society of Biblical Literature, Atlanta, GA, November 2015
- “From Fear’s Narcissism to Participatory Imagination: Disrupting Disgust and Overcoming the Fear of Israel’s *herem* Laws,” Society of Biblical Literature, Atlanta, GA, November 2015
- “Abigail’s Hospitality: Breaking the “Frames of War” in 1 Samuel 25,” Colloquium on "Social Diagnostics in Biblical Texts," 26-27 October, 2015, STIAS, Stellenbosch
- “Repentant Cows and a Vomiting Whale: Tragic Laughter in the Book of Jonah,” OTSSA 2-4 September, UNISA, Pretoria, September 2015
- “Disrupting Disgust: Rahab as Example of Participatory Imagination,” ProPent 29-31 August, 2015 Bass Lake, Pretoria.
- “Abigail’s Hospitality: Breaking the “Frames of War” in 1 Samuel 25,” Guest Lecture Evangelische Fakultät Muenster University, July 2015
- “From Fear’s Narcissism to Participatory Imagination: Martha Nussbaum on Religion, Law, and Justice,” Humboldt Summer school, June 10-14, 2015, Humboldt University, Berlin
- “Unlearning Disgust: The Importance of Telling Stories,” Panel Discussion as part of the Talking Back Conference, 20-22 May, 2015 Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University.
- “Cultivating Compassion?: Abigail’s Story (1 Samuel 25) as Space for Teaching Concern for Others,” at the Protestant Theological University–Stellenbosch University Consultation of 6-7 May 2015 on the theme of “Compassion? Global Ethics, Human Dignity and the Compassionate God.”
- “Conversation on the Bible: Reading for the Dignity of All,” Biblica Consultation, 24 -25 March, 2015, STIAS, Stellenbosch
- “Blessed are those who have found freedom, for they will be free for others,” Panel Discussion in honor of Denise Ackermann’s 80th Birthday Celebration, 13 March 2015, UWC

- “An Abigail Optic: Reading the Old Testament at the Intersections,” Inaugural Lecture and Keynote address at Feminist Frameworks Conference, Faculty of Theology Stellenbosch University, 10 March, 2015.
- “Gender and Human Flourishing: Reading Proverbs 31 through the Lens of Martha Nussbaum’s Capabilities Approach,” Guest lecturer at Humboldt University, 8 December, 2014, Berlin
- “Violent Texts and their Violent Readers: God and Violence in the Prophets,” Guest lecturer at Humboldt University, 9 December, 2014, Berlin .
- “From Esther to Kwezi: Sexual Violence in South Africa Twenty Years after Democracy,” Paper presented September 2014 at OTSSA, University of Johannesburg
- “Violent Texts and their Violent Readers: God and Violence in the Prophets,” Guest lecturer at University of KwaZulu-Natal, 6 August, 2014, Pietermaritzburg.
- “Prof Mercy Oduyoye’s Life and Work,” paper presented 9 May 2014, at the Pan African conference of the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Stellenbosch University
- “God and Violence in Old Testament Prophetic Literature and Public Discourse: Tracing the Legacy of “The Battle Hymn of the Republic,” paper to be presented May 2014 at the International PThU “God in the Public Domain” Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- “The Vulnerability of Human Dignity,” Symposium PThU, with Klaas Spronk, Frits de Lange and Petruschka Schaafsma. Skype connection with Julie Claassens of Stellenbosch University, 16 January 2014
- “Mourning and Resistance: Trauma Perspectives on the Rape of Tamar (2 Samuel 13),” paper presented November 2013, Society of Biblical Literature, (Baltimore, MD)
- “The Rhetorical Function of the Woman in Labor Metaphor in Jeremiah 30-31: Perspectives on Creation and the Land,” Keynote address at OTSSA (The Old Testament Professional Society in South Africa), September 2013, University of UOFS, Bloemfontein, South Africa.
- “Violence, Mourning, Politics: Rizpah’s Lament in Conversation with Judith Butler,” paper presented at the Restorative Readings: Old Testament, Ethics and Human Dignity Conference, Stellenbosch University, September 5, 2013
- “Transforming God-Language: The Metaphor of God as Abusive Spouse (Ezekiel 16) in Conversation with the Portrayal of God in The Color Purple” paper presented at the Women and Leadership: Reflections on Gender, Religion and Education conference, hosted by UWC and Stellenbosch University Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, UWC, August 16, 2013
- “Female Resistance In Spite of Injustice: Human Dignity and the Daughter of Jephthah,” paper presented at the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Pan African Conference, August 8, 2013, Johannesburg, South Africa
- “Like a Woman in Labor: Gender, Queer, Postcolonial and Trauma Perspectives on Jeremiah,” paper presented at International Society of Biblical Literature, St Andrews University, Scotland, July 2013
- “Like a Woman in Labor: Gender, Queer, Postcolonial and Trauma Perspectives on Jeremiah,” paper presented at Humboldt University Summer School, Berlin, May 31, 2013
- “Like a Woman in Labor: Gender, Queer, Postcolonial and Trauma Perspectives on Jeremiah,” paper presented at Faculty of Theology, Leipzig, April 30, 2013
- “Give us a Portion among our Father’s Brothers: The Daughters of Zelophehad, Land, and the Quest for Human Dignity,” paper presented at research seminar University of Muenster, December 13, 2012
- “Just Emotions: Reading the Sarah and Hagar Narrative (Genesis 16, 21) Through the Lens of Human Dignity,” paper presented at the Crossing Borders conference of the Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University and the PthU of the Netherlands, Groningen, Netherlands, October 29-30, 2012
- “Searching for Dignity: Human Dignity in the Old Testament and Beyond,” Annual Wittenberg Lecture, Department of Religion, Philosophy and Classics, University of KwaZulu Natal, Pietermaritzburg, 23 April 2012
- “Towards a Logic of Dignity: Educating Against Gender-Based Violence,” paper presented May 4, 2012 at the Gender and Education Conference of the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Stellenbosch and UWC Chapters, Stellenbosch, South Africa

- “Girl with the Dragon Tattoo: Teaching Gender, Leviticus and Other Difficult Topics,” paper presented November 2011, Society of Biblical Literature, (San Francisco, CA).
- “Transforming God-Language: The Metaphor of God as Abusive Spouse (Ezekiel 16) in Conversation with the Portrayal of God in The Color Purple” paper presented at the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Southern African Regional Conference, September, 2011, Johannesburg, South Africa
- “Give us a Portion among our Father’s Brothers:” The Daughters of Zelophehad, Land and Human Dignity,” paper presented at OTWSA (The Old Testament Professional Society in South Africa), September 2011, University of Western-Cape, South Africa.
- “Gender, Culture and Scripture: Teaching Gender at Stellenbosch University,” paper presented August 1, 2011 at the Teaching Gender in Africa conference, Stellenbosch, South Africa
- “Job, Theology and Disability: Moving Towards a New Kind of Speech,” paper presented May 2011, Theology, Disability and Human Dignity conference, Stellenbosch, South Africa
- “Teach To Your Daughters a Dirge:” The Image of the Wailing Woman (Jer 9:17-20) and the Task of the Feminist Biblical Theologian in South Africa Today,” Paper presented at Charles Sturt University, Canberra, Australia, April 2011.
- “Human Dignity in the Prophetic Traditions: Upholding Human Worth in a Context of Dehumanization,” paper presented November 2010, Society of Biblical Literature, (Atlanta, GA).
- “Resisting Dehumanization: Ruth, Tamar and the Quest for Human Dignity” paper presented November 2010, Society of Biblical Literature, (Atlanta, GA).
- “Sabbath Reconsidered: Human Dignity and the Fourth Commandment,” Human Dignity Conference, Department Old and New Testament, November 2010, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- “A True Disgrace? The Representation of Violence against Women in the Book of Lamentations as well as in JM Coetzee’s Novel *Disgrace*,” Paper to be presented at Human Dignity Conference hosted by Faculty of Theology, University of Stellenbosch and University of Kampen, Kampen, October 2010,.
- “The Bible and Human Rights,” Lecture to be given at the Seminar für Exegese des Alten Testaments, University of Muenster, Germany, October 2010
- “Redeeming Memories: The Image of God as Midwife in Psalm 71,” Paper presented at ProPsalms, August 2010, University of Pretoria
- “Memories of Midwives (Exodus 1) and the Metaphor of God as Midwife in Psalm 22 Paper presented at ProPent, August 2010, University of Pretoria.
- Response Makhosi Nzimande, Historiography and Identity Formation conference, STIAS August 13, 2010
- “Calling the Keeners: The Image of the Wailing Woman (Jer 9:17-20) as Symbol of Survival in a Traumatized World,” paper presented at Regional AAR/SBL, March 2010, New Brunswick, NJ
- “Resisting Dehumanization: Acts of Relational Care in Exodus 1-2 as Image of God’s Liberating Presence,” Human Dignity Conference, Department Old and New Testament, October 2009, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- “Panel Discussion in honor of Denise Ackermann’s honorary doctorate, University of Stellenbosch, September 3, 2009”
- “Teach To Your Daughters a Dirge: The Image of the Wailing Woman (Jer 9:17-20) and the Task of the Feminist Biblical Theologian,” paper presented at OTWSA (The Old Testament Professional Society in South Africa), June 2009, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- “Respondent to Douglas Lawrie, Quo Vadis – conference, 10 June 2009, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa”
- “Putting a (Gendered) Face on Poverty: With special attention to Jesus’ Foremothers in Matthew 1,” paper presented at the Gender Justice conference, January 2009, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa
- Panel Review on Julia O’Brien, *Challenging Prophetic Metaphor* (Westminster John Knox), invited panel member, November 2008, Society of Biblical Literature, (Boston, MA).
- “To the Captives Come Out and to Those in Darkness be Free...”: Using the Book Isaiah in Politics?” paper presented in the “Bible and Politics” section of the European Association of Biblical Studies, August 2008 University of Lisbon, Portugal.

- “Interrupting God-language: Rethinking the Image of God as Liberator in Isaiah 42,” paper presented at OTWSA (The Old Testament Professional Society in South Africa), August 2007, University of Pretoria, South Africa.
- “A Theological Introduction to Isaiah,” paper presented 9 June, 2007 at the ProProphet conference, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa.
- “Interrupting God-language: Rethinking the Image of God as Liberator in Isaiah 42,” paper presented at Union-PSCE Theological Seminary, 10 April, 2007 in Richmond, VA.
- “Interrupting God-language: Rethinking the Image of God as Liberator in Isaiah 42,” paper presented at the Washington Theological Consortium, 23 February, 2007 in Washington DC.
- “Reading as Tearing and Mending: The Future of Theology of Hebrew Scriptures,” invited panel member, November 2006, Society of Biblical Literature, (Washington, DC).
- Panel Discussion on Alan Boesak, *Die Vlug van Gods Verbeelding (The Flight of God’s Imagination)*; Sun Media 2005) hosted by the Beyers Naudé Centre, University of Stellenbosch
- “A Dialogue of Voices: Job, Socrates and the quest for understanding” One day workshop on “Socrates and the Bible” that presents different biblical voices on the question what is Wisdom, with special attention to the book of Job, 24 March, 2006, Villanova University
- “Rupturing God-language: Feminist Dialogics and the Metaphor of God as Midwife in Psalm 22,” presented November 2005, Society of Biblical Literature, (Philadelphia, PA).
- “When a Metaphor Becomes a Sacrament: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment in Worship,” presented April 2005, Worship and Preaching Conference, Baptist Theological Seminary Richmond.
- “The Mountains Shall Drip Sweet Wine: God’s Provision of Food as Image of Restoration,” presented November 2004, Society of Biblical Literature, (San Antonio, TX).
- “When God does not Feed,” presented April 2003, Upper Midwest Regional Meeting of Society of Biblical Literature (Minneapolis, MN)
- “Reimagining the Metaphor of the God who Feeds,” presented November 2001, Society of Biblical Literature, (Denver, CO).
- “A Rhetoric of Subversion: Deconstruction in Ecclesiastes 3:2-15,” presented July 2000, Society of Biblical Literature, (Cape Town, South Africa).
- “The Character of God in Judges 6-8: Towards the Shaping of Moral Behavior,” presented November 1999 Society of Biblical Literature (Boston, MA).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Stellenbosch University

- Gender, Culture and Scripture July 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
- Introduction to the Bible 114 (February-March 2011; 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)
- Gender in the Bible ONT 234/ ONT354 Old Testament Focus (February-May 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2023)
- Kritiek en Resepsie van die Ou Testament (Gender and Postcolonial Criticism OT452 (July-October 2015, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2023, 2024)
- Introduction to the Prophets 252 (July-October 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2020, 2021, 2023, 2024)
- Introduction to the Lyrical Literature 312 (February-May 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Images for God 144 (August-October, 2011)
- Introduction to the Major Prophets 322 (February-May 2011; 2012, 2013)
- Old Testament 444 Wisdom Literature (Proverbs)(September 2010, July-October 2013)
- Theological Hermeneutics 344 with a focus on human dignity (July/August 2010, 2011)

Princeton Theological Seminary

Gender, Postcolonial and Queer Approaches to the Hebrew Bible J Term, 2023

Davidson College, North Carolina

Female Resistance in the Old Testament, Fall 2016

Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington DC

“Introduction to Hebrew Bible Online, Fall 2009

“Introduction to Hebrew Bible Online II, Spring 2010

“Women in the Old Testament: Hearing Different Voices,” Spring 2010

“Reading the Bible in a Global Context,” Spring 2010

“Practicum in Biblical Interpretation,” Spring 2009

Lancaster Theological Seminary, Lancaster PA

“Introduction to Old Testament II,” Spring 2009

Baptist Theological Seminary Richmond, Richmond, VA

“Hebrew 1,” Fall 2004, 2005, 2006

“Searching for God in the Old Testament,” Fall 2004

“Hebrew II,” Spring 2005, 2006, 2007

“Introduction to the Old Testament I (online),” Spring 2005, 2006

“Introduction to the Old Testament II (online),” Summer 2005, 2006

“The Old Testament and Beyond, Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Spring 2008

“The Old Testament and Beyond (online), Fall 2007,

“Preaching Isaiah,” Fall 2005

“Women in the Old Testament: Hearing Different Voices,” Fall 2006, Spring 2008

“Biblical Interpretation of the Church,” Fall 2007

St Norbert College, Green Bay, WI

“Introduction to the Bible,” 2 sections each semester

“Women in the Bible,” Fall 2002

“Introduction to the Pentateuch,” Spring 2003

“Searching for God in Scripture,” Fall 2003, Spring 2004

Guest Lecturer in “History of South Africa” (Bob Kramer), October 2003

“The Role of Religion during the Apartheid Years in South Africa”

University of Stellenbosch, South Africa

Reading the Bible in a Global Context, July –October 2009

Class offered through the International Office (IPSU)

Guest Lecturer, May–October 2009

OT representative for MDIV Class Sermons

Old Testament 444 Wisdom Literature

Proverbs, Ecclesiastes

Religion & Gender module of M Phil in Religion and Culture 2008; co-taught together with Elna Mouton

Part-time Lecturer, August–October 2008

“Calling the Keeners: The Image of the Wailing Woman (Jer 9:17-20) as Symbol of Survival in a Traumatized World”

“A Counterimperial Rhetoric in Deutero-Isaiah?: The Metaphor of Divine Love in Isaiah 49”

Old Testament 444 Wisdom Literature

Seven lectures on Proverbs and Job, September-October 2008

Guest Lecturer, May–August 2007

OT representative for MDIV Class Sermons

“A Dialogue of Voices: Job, Socrates and the Quest for Understanding,”

“Interrupting God-language: Rethinking the Image of God as Liberator in Isaiah 42,”

Gender, Culture and Scripture in the Life of the Church

6-12 June, 2006

Guest Lecturer, July- August 2006

”And the Moon Spoke Up: Genesis 1 and Feminist Theology”

“Laughter and Tears: Sarah and Hagar and Feminist Theology”

“Come, Eat of My Bread and Drink of the Wine I Have Mixed”: The Relation of Woman Wisdom as Nourisher to the God Who Feeds”

Guest Lecturer, July 2005

“Expecting Grapes: God, Justice and Righteousness in the Song of the Vineyard (Isaiah 5)”

Guest Lecturer, May 2005, 2006, 2007

“My Journey with Feminist Theology”

Guest Lecturer, July 2004

“Rupturing God-language: The Metaphor of God as Midwife in Psalm 22”

“Divine Nourishment Imagery in the Psalms”

Guest Lecturer, May and July 2003

“Reimagining the Metaphor of the God who Feeds: Applying Feminist Biblical Hermeneutics”

“When God does not Feed: Dealing with the Abusive Bible in Feminist Biblical Hermeneutics”

“Mikhail Bakhtin and Intertextuality”

“Deconstructive Criticism: The Ethical Obligation to Read Otherwise”

“Women in Mark: Fallible Followers or Faithful Disciples”

Guest Lecturer, August 2000

“Isaiah 42: God Language, Metaphor and Gender-matched Parallelism,”

Teaching Fellow, “Introductory Biblical Hebrew,” 1995-1997 (Ferdinand E. Deist, Christo H. J. van der Merwe)

Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, PA

“History and Content of the Old Testament,” Fall 2001

“Introduction to Old Testament Exegesis,” Spring 2002

Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ

Teaching Fellow and Guest Lecturer, “Women: Biblical Interpretation, Cultural and Ecclesial Diversity,” 1999, 2001 (Katharine D. Sakenfeld)

Teaching Fellow “Introductory Biblical Hebrew,” 1998, (Ph.D candidate, Rolf Jacobson)

Teaching Fellow, “Introduction to Hebrew Exegesis,” 1999 (Dennis T. Olson)

“Orientation to the Old Testament,” 1998, (Katharine D. Sakenfeld and Patrick D. Miller)

Teaching Colloquium (Kenda Dean): Participant in a yearlong colloquium, introducing teaching fellows to the most recent developments in teaching philosophy, as well as new methods in teaching with a special focus on multiple intelligences.

POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISION:

PhD

- Dorcas Chebet Juma [Encountering the Female Voice in Song Of Songs: Reading the Song of Songs for the Dignity of Kenyan Women, Graduate December 2014]
- Lisa le Roux (Co-Supervisor Lindy Heineken of Sociology on The role of African Christian churches in dealing with sexual violence against women: The case of the DRC, Rwanda and Liberia, Graduate December 2014).
- Brigitte Amenyedzi (Co-Supervisor Xolile Simon on Equity and Access for Persons with Disability in Theological Education, Ghana, Graduate December 2016)
- Nicodemus Daniel, Narratives As Preaching Technique Toward Reconciliation In The Middle Belt Region Of Nigeria: A Study Of The Narratives Of Joseph And His Brothers In Genesis 37-50 (Co-Supervisor with Johan Cilliers, Graduate March 2017)
- Marius Gertzen (For King and Country: An Ideological Critical Study of Covenant in Jeremiah 11:1-17 and Kingship in Jeremiah 22:1-23:8 as examples of Cultural Violence, Graduate December 2019)
- Alexania Fry (The Sin of Gibeah?: Reading Judges 19 and Hosea 9-10 in the Context of Migration and Trauma , Graduate December 2021)
- Mwawi Nyirenda Chilongozi (Co-supervisor Nadine Bowers-Du Toit, Microfinance as a tool of socio-economic empowerment of rural women in Northern Malawi: A Practical Theological Reflection, , Graduate March 2022)
- Mary O'Malley (Unmanned and Unmade: A Study of Violence, Emasculation and Shame in Nahum 3) Graduate December 2023
- Christiaan Faul, "From Babylon to Pretoria: Trauma-Forged Exilic Identity and Afrikaner Nationalism" (Outside Reader for PhD Dissertation (Union Theological Seminary. Director. David Carr. Defense July 2024).
- Sheurl Davis, (Interrogating Female Leadership: Winnie Madikizela-Mandela in the Film Long Walk to Freedom in conversation with Miriam (Numbers 12), Jael (Judges 4), and Jezebel (1 Kings 16) (Graduate April 2025)
- Rineke van Ginkel (Co-Supervisor Peter Ben Smit, VU, Towards A People's Theology Of Land Contextual readings of 1 Kings 21:1-19 in Bishop Lavis, South Africa)
- Jesse Nelson, A Grounded Theory Analysis of African American Expository Sermons of the Baptist Tradition in the Twenty-First Century" (co-supervisor Cas Wepener)]
- Crispen Batsirai Marasha, ""The Children Beg for Food, But There is Nothing for Them" (Lam 4:4): A Childist Analysis of the (Lack) of Food in the Book of Lamentations"
- Zandré Marais, "Towards Queer Flourishing in the Song of Songs: Exploring the Value of Martha Nussbaum's Politics of Emotions for Queer Biblical Interpretation"

MTh

- Marius Gertzen ("Geweld en Patriargie in Esegël 16 en 23 in die Suid-Afrikaanse konteks van Geweld teen Vroue en Kinders." MTh Gender, Health, Graduate March 2014)
- Mawethu Ncaca, (Co-Supervisor Xolie Simon on "Yithi Uyindoda! (Co-Supervisor Xolie Simon. Say, You are a man!): Evaluation of the patriarchal system and its meaning on the role of Xhosa initiation school in shaping Langa township masculinities," Graduate March 2014)
- Renatha van der Westhuizen (13446622) "Rape as Torture: Re-reading the Rape of the Levite's Concubine in Judges 19" (MTh Gender and Health, Graduate March 2016)
- Slindile Thabede (16889134) Tamar as Victim of Levirate Marriage? Reading Genesis 38 within a Zulu Cultural Context of Marriage (MTh Gender, Health, Graduate March 2017)

- Bonsam Koo (17783267) "Exploring the Reversal Theme in 1 Samuel: The Song of Hannah as Hermeneutical Framework." Graduate March 2017)
- Donnie Koordom (Uitbuiting van vroue: 'n Genderkritiese lees van Genesis 16 en 21 en Genesis 29-30 in die konteks van Suid-Afrikaanse plaaswerkers) (MTh Gender, Health, Graduate March 2017)
- Mwawi Nyirenda Chilongozi (Co-Supervisor Nadine Bowers-du Toit. "The Role of the Church with regards to Maternal Health: A Case Study of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (C.C.A.P) Synod of Livingstonia," MTh Gender and Health, Graduate March 2017)
- Elmarie van Huysteen (co supervisor Johan Cilliers, "Unmasking Violations Against Human Dignity: The Perception Of Afrikaans Films In South Africa 1960-1976), Graduate December 2017).
- Alberto Alberto (Amos 5 in a Discourse on Social Ethics in Post-War Angola) Graduate March 2018.
- Odile Joubert, ("Embodied Desire: Song of Songs and Body Theology," MTh Gender, Health, Theology) Graduate March 2018.
- Elmarie Derksen, Peace Talks: Towards an Intercultural Bible Study on 1 Samuel 25" MTh Gender and Health) Graduate March 2018.
- Natalia Strydom, Infertility a Female Problem? Engaging with Narrative Theory and Biblical Narratives in Pastoral Counselling for Infertile Couples MTh Gender and Health. Co-supervisor Nobuntu Penxa-Matholeni, Graduate December 2019)
- Tatende Garande MTh ("Trampling on the Poor: Poverty as Violence in Amos 2:6-8, 5:10-13 and 8:4-6."), Graduate March 2020.
- Sheurl Davis MTh ("Viewing Krotoa Through a Rahab Prism: A Postcolonial Feminist Encounter" Graduate December 2020.
- Keletso Yende, "An Exploratory Study of Women Leadership in the South African Charismatic Church Through an African Women Practical Theology Lens," Co-Supervisor Ian Nell (Graduate December 2022)
- Hermiene Ferreira MTh ("Esther, a Queen in Drag? Reading the Book of Esther through the Lens of a Queer Biblical Hermeneutic") Graduate April 2023.
- Zukisa Fumba (Co-supervisor with Sipho Mahokoto),"A Gender-Critical Study on Masculinity Constructions within Xhosa Initiation Schools as Portrayed in *Inxeba- The Wound*) (Graduate April 2023)
- Misize Msibi, "Facing a Masculine God: Towards a pastoral care response in the context of Gender-based violence" (Co-supervisor Dawid Mouton) (Graduate April 2023)
- Brandina Mbaya, "Beyond Handouts: A Gendered Analysis of Faith-Based Organizations Response to Homelessness" (co-supervisor Nadine Bowers-du Toit) (Graduate April 2023)
- Antoinette Erasmus (co-supervisor Nadia Marais), "The Kindness of God? A critical analysis of Janet Soskice's metaphorical theology" (Graduate December 2024)
- Jan Coetzer, "'n God-Wat-Straf in 'n Plattelandse Gemeente konteks? Die Klaaglied van Dogter Sion (Klaagliedere 2) Gelees deur 'n Trauma Lens" (Graduate April 2025)
- Kara Hutten, "Reading Ezekiel 4 and 37 Through a Lens of Trauma and Migration in the Context of the Dutch Reformed Church" (Graduate April 2025)
- Madre Arendse, "Reclaiming Biblical and South African Slave Narratives: Reading Hagar (Genesis 16 & 21) and Susanna (Een Oor) Van Bengalen (Slave Woman in the Cape Colony) Through a Womanist Hermeneutic" (Graduate April 2025)

MDiv

- Donnie Koordom, "Manlike Reaksies op Geweld teenoor Vroue: Fokus op Rigters 19 en II Samuel 13," (Graduate December 2013)
- Odile Joubert, "'Liefde as die onverganklike seël van seks en seksualiteit: Die rol van Hooglied op weg na 'n verantwoordelike benadering tot seks en seksualiteit in die Afrikaner gemeenskap," (Graduate December 2014).

Dewald Hoffman, "Vroue Krygers in Brave en Rigers 4: 'n Kritiese Ondersoek van Gender Rolle in Disney en Pixar Animasie Films en die Ou Testament," (Graduate March 2016)

Nathania Hendriks, "The Age of Wonder Women: A Gender Critical Reading of Judith and Wonder Woman," (Graduate December 2018)

Marizanne Pfeil, "The brokenness of my people breaks me": Body and Embodiment in Lamentations 1 and Jeremiah 8:18-22," (Graduate December 2018)

Jan Coetzer, "Die Digotomie tussen Bybelse Geweld en Troos deur die Lens van *Kanarie*," (Graduate December 2019)

Mareli Engelbrecht, "Acquaintance Rape in Jeremiah 13:22-27: Resisting Gender-based Violence." (Graduate December 2020)

Ntsika Tytyti, "Vashti's Right to say NO!" Female Resistance in an African Feminist -Interpretation of Esther 1&2" (Graduate December 2021)

Zandré Marais, The "Unmanliest" Prophet: Reading Moses through a Gender-Critical and Queer Lens" (Graduate December 2022)

Jonathan Wahl, "Between complicity and allyship: Unfolding the ambiguity of allyship through the story of Tamar in 2 Sam 13" (Graduate December 2022)

Kara Hutten, new student

BDiv

Ruan Etsebet, "Reading the Violent Reversal of Esther 9 through the Lens of Trauma Theory," (Graduate December 2016)

Stefan de Klerk, "Eva as Sondaar x' of Pionier? 'n Feministiese Teologiese interpretasie van Genesis 2-3 in die lig van die karakter Maeve in WestWorld (Graduate December 2018)

Sheurl Davis, "Womanist Biblical Interpretation and Female Coloured Identity: Towards a Hermeneutical Framework," (Graduate December 2018)

Jan Coetzer "'n Lied vir Kinders? Gesprekke oor Hooglied in 'n Posing om verby Heteronormatiewiteit te Beweeg?" (Graduate December 2018)

Hermiene Ferreira, "Lamentations 4 as Meaning-Making Art: Reading the Bible Through the Lens of Trauma," (Graduate March 2019)

Mareli Engelbrecht, "Betrayal by a loved one: Re-reading Judges 19 in light of domestic violence and insidious trauma," (Graduate December 2019)

Chané Crafford, "Gomer as die Hoofkarakter van Hosea 1-2?" (Graduate December 2020)

Ntsika Tytyti. "Black But/and Beautiful: Re-Reading Song of Songs 1:5-6" (Graduate December 2020)

Zandre Marais, "Queering Desire in Song of Songs: in conversation with Carey Walsh's "Exquisite Desire" (Graduate December 2021)

Madre Arendse, "Silence and Being Silenced: Exploring the intersection between the slave women in Colonial South African and the 1000 virgins in the book of Esther" (Graduate December 2021)

Hanel Thesnaar, "Psalm 88, Covid-19 en Geslag gebaseerde Geweld (GBV): 'n Trauma Hermeneutiese ondersoek" (Graduate December 2022)

Kara Hutton, "Hope for Refugees: Reading Miriam from a Migration Theology Perspective" (Graduate December 2022)

Tristan Kruger, "Traumatised prophets? The significance of individual and collective trauma in the narratives of Moses (Exodus 1-5) and Zuko (Avatar: The Last Airbender)" (Graduate December 2022)

Lisa Struwig, "Is the Lord still my Shepherd? The relevance of Psalm 23 in the context of South Africa." (Graduate December 2023)

Rutendo Gora, "Exploring the significance of MadipoaneMasenya's Bosadi Approach for Black African Zimbabwean women." (Graduate December 2023)

Innè van Zyl, “Reclaiming Lion Stories: Investigating the Link between Trauma and Metaphor in Daniel 6” (Graduate December 2024)

Dian Keyter, “Mark Heathcliff van *Mandela Catalogue* in gesprek met Jeremia 20: Geestelike Worsteling deur die Lens van Trauma” (Graduate December 2024)

Ernesto Coenraad, “Samson as Anti-hero? The Portrayal of Samson in Judges 13-16 in conversation with The Hulk”

COORDINATOR HUMAN DIGNITY PROJECT (THE FORMER HOPE PROJECT)

Organize the Feminist Frameworks Conference on the theme of Feminist Frameworks: Reading the Old Testament at the Intersections, March 2015

Keynote speakers: Carolyn Sharp, Yale Divinity School, New Haven CT

Katharine Sakenfeld, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ

Musa Dube, University of Botswana

Marie-Theres Wacker, the Katholisch-Theologische Fakultät, Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster.

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration together with Carolyn Sharp *Feminist Frameworks: Power, Ambiguity and Intersectionality* (ed. L. Juliana Claassens and Carolyn Sharp; Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2017)

Organize the Restorative Readings Conference on the theme of the Old Testament, Ethics and Human Dignity, September 2013

Keynote speaker: Bruce Birch, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington DC

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration together with Bruce Birch (*Restorative Readings: The Old Testament, Ethics and Human Dignity* (co-editor with Bruce Birch; Eugene, Oregon; Wipf and Stock, 2015)

Organize the international, interdisciplinary Theology, Disability, Human Dignity conference, May 2011.

Keynote speakers: Hans Reinders, VU, Netherlands,

Tom Reynolds, Emmanuel College, University of Toronto, Canada

Organize the international collaboration between PThU and the Faculty of Theology on themes related to human dignity.

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration together with Klaas Spronk, *Fragile Dignity: Intercontextual Conversations on Scriptures, Family and Violence. Semeia* (Atlanta, GA: SBL, 2013)

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration together with Frits de Lange, *Considering Compassion: Global Ethics, Human Dignity, and the Compassionate God* (Eugene, Oregon; Wipf and Stock, forthcoming)

Coordinator Stellenbosch Chapter of Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians. Host yearly conference in collaboration with the UWC Chapter. 2014 Conference on Gender and Human Flourishing followed by the Pan-African celebration of the life and work of Mercy Amba Oduyoye who 25 years ago founded the *Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians* in Accra, Ghana.

Collaboration Columbia Theological Seminary, Atlanta, GA and UWC around the theme of Resilience in Theological Education. Organize joined Faculty book discussion of John de Gruchy's book, *Led into Mystery*, 5 May, 2014. CTS will be joining us via SKYPE

OWNER GENDER, HEALTH, THEOLOGY MTH PROGRAM

Responsibility for the development and ongoing oversight of the Gender, Health, Theology MTh Program sponsored by the Church of Sweden. 2012-2018

Liaisoning with Donors

Supervising Coordinator

HEAD GENDER UNIT

In 2016 I have been appointed to be the Head of the Gender Unit of the Faculty of Theology that will fall under the Beyers Naude Center of Public Theology. The Gender Unit is a direct outflow from the work we have done in the MTH Gender and Health, and through this Gender Unit, we will seek to find new avenues for effecting change in perceptions with regard to gender, race, poverty, sexual orientation by means of education and research.

Organize the Rekindling Humanity conference March 12-14, 2025

Keynote speakers:

Steed Davidson (Executive Director, SBL)

Christl Maier (Philips University Marburg),

Rhiannon Graybill, (University of Richmond),

David Tombs (University of Otago)

Knut Holter, NLA University College (Norway) / Stellenbosch University

Andre Musskopf, Federal University of Juiz de Fora (Brazil)

Alexiana Fry, University of Copenhagen

Charlene van der Walt (Church of Sweden/UKZN),

Organize the Claiming Space conference March 13-16, 2024

Keynote speakers:

Monica Melancton (Pilgrim Theological College, University of Divinity, Victoria, Australia)

Jione Havea (Trinity Methodist Theological College, Aotearoa New Zealand/ Charles Sturt University, Sydney, Australia)

Tat-Siong Bennie Liew (College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, USA)

Gerald West (UKZN) Sithembiso Zwane (UKZN), Helder Luis Carlos (UKZN)

Charlene van der Walt (Church of Sweden/UKZN),

Jeremy Punt (Stellenbosch University)

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration:

Claiming Space: Exploring Gender, Sexuality, and Economics in the Bible and Beyond (ed. L Juliana Claassens, Gerald West, Sithembiso Zwane; London: Lexington Books/ Bloomsbury, forthcoming).

Organize the Narrating Rape conference March 15-17, 2023

Keynote speakers:

Steed Davidson (McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL)

Christl Maier (Philips University Marburg),

Rhiannon Graybill, (Rhodes College, Memphis, TN),

Madré Arendse (Stellenbosch University),

Funlola Olojede (Stellenbosch University),

Charlene van der Walt (UKZN),

Stella Viljoen (Stellenbosch University),

Amanda Gouws (Stellenbosch University)

Louise du Toit (Stellenbosch University).

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration:

Narrating Rape: Lacunae and Shifting Perspectives in (Biblical) Literature and Popular Culture (ed. L Juliana Claassens, Rhiannon Graybill, Christl Maier; London: SCM Press), forthcoming.

Organize the Queering the Prophet conference March 16-18, 2022

Keynote speakers:

Steed Davidson, McCormick Theological Seminary

Jione Havea, Trinity Methodist Theological College (Aotearoa New Zealand)/ Public and Contextual Theology Research Centre of Charles Sturt University (Sydney, Australia)

Charlene van der Walt, School of Religion, Philosophy and Classics, University of KwaZulu-Natal

Rhiannon Graybill, Rhodes College

Lena-Sofia Tiemeyer, Örebro School of Theology

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration:

Queering the Prophet: On Jonah, and Other Activists (ed. L Juliana Claassens, Steed Davidson, Charlene van der Walt & Ashwin Thyssen; London: SCM Press, 2023)

Organize the Writing the Wrongs of the World Writing Retreat 20-23 September, 2021 that included the launch of the official website of the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians

Keynote speakers:

Musa Dube, Emory University

Sophia Chirongoma, Midlands State University, Zimbabwe

Funlola Olojede, Stellenbosch University

Organize The Power to Discriminate Conference 18-20 March 2020 (Cancelled due to COVID 19 – Series of Webinars July 29-September 2, 2020)

Keynote speakers:

Andreas Schuele, Leipzig University

Jeremy Schipper, Temple University

Nyasha Junior, Temple University

Johanna Stiebert, University of Leeds

Organize the Transgression and Transformation Conference 13-15 March 2019

Keynote speakers:

Jacqueline E. Lapsley, Princeton Theological Seminary

Linda E. Thomas, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago

Dora Rudo Mbuwayesango, Hood Theological Seminary

Christl M. Maier, Philipps-University Marburg

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration *Transgression and Transformation: Feminist, Postcolonial and Queer Biblical Interpretation as Creative Interventions* (LBHOT series; ed L Juliana Claassens, Christl Maier, Funlola Olojede; Bloomsbury TT Clark, 2021).

Organize the Teaching Gender and Health Conference 22-23 March 2018

Keynote speakers:

Musa Dube, (University of Botswana), Honorary Doctorate from Stellenbosch University, March 20, 2018

Nontando Hadebe, (St Augustine College of South Africa), Convener Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians in Southern Africa

Organize the Cultivating Change Agents Conference on the theme of Cultivating Change Agents: Mainstreaming Gender and Health in Africa, March 2017

Keynote speakers: Cheryl Anderson, Garret Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL

Beverly Hadad, UKZN

Gerald West, UKZN

Edit book that grew out of this collaboration *Teaching for Change: Essays on Pedagogy, Gender, Health and Theology in Africa* (co-editor with Charlene van der Walt and Funlola Olojede, SunMedia, 2019)

CHAIR DEPARTMENT OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT

20 April 2017- May 31, 2019

CHAIR OF OTSSA

Elected September 9, 2022 for a three year term

CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, INTERNET MEDIA AND POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

16 Days of activism: Hanging our dignity at half-mast, News24, 27 November 2024

[OPINION | 16 Days of activism: Hanging our dignity at half-mast | News24](#)

The Alchemy of food and justice on Women's Day News24, 9 August 2024

<https://www.news24.com/life/food/cooking/opinion-the-alchemy-of-food-and-justice-on-womens-day-20240809>

Crying the names of each of our sisters in the grips of war News24, 8 March 2024

<https://www.news24.com/news24/opinions/columnists/guestcolumn/opinion-juliana-claassens-crying-the-names-of-each-of-our-sisters-in-the-grips-of-war-20240308>

Wolves aren't our problem: Probing violent tales told in a violent world during 16 Days of Activism. News24,

28 November, 2023 https://www.news24.com/life/relationships/love/her_story/wolves-arent-our-problem-probing-violent-tales-told-in-a-violent-world-during-16-days-of-activism-20231127

Struggle, solidarity, and statues: Let's answer Millicent Fawcett's call to courage,' News24, 9 August, 2023

<https://www.news24.com/news24/opinions/columnists/guestcolumn/opinion-struggle-solidarity-and-statues-lets-answer-millicent-fawcetts-call-to-courage-20230809>

'Nevertheless, she persisted': The power of feminist memes," News24, 8 March, 2023

<https://www.news24.com/news24/opinions/columnists/guestcolumn/opinion-juliana-claassens-nevertheless-she-persisted-the-power-of-feminist-memes-20230308>

"We are taught to look away when GBV happens. We shouldn't anymore," News24, 5 Nov 2022

<https://www.news24.com/news24/opinions/columnists/guestcolumn/opinion-juliana-claassens-we-are-taught-to-look-away-when-gbv-happens-we-shouldnt-anymore-20221125>

"Women's day: Time for leisure is not a luxury. It's a basic human right," News24, Women's Day 9 August

2022, <https://www.news24.com/news24/opinions/columnists/guestcolumn/opinion-womens-day-time-for-leisure-is-not-a-luxury-its-a-basic-human-right-20220809>

"Se 'nee' op die dag vir vroue," *Burger, Die Saturday* (Metropool), 05 Mar 2022 (11)

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9/28/2025	Time after Pentecost - Proper 21	(Ord. 26	Amos 6:1a, 4-7
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SOCIAL IMPACT

Chapel August 26, 2024 Nah 2:7-10: Listening to Their Voices

Chapel February 2024 on "Eve: Mother of All Living"

Chapel August 2023 "Crying our Sisters' Names"

Chapel March 2023 "The Prophet's Wounds and Our Own"

Chapel March 2022 "Drowning Bodies"

Woordfees 2023 Ongehoord Diskoers reeks Conversation with Melanie Verwoerd on her book *How not to Waste a Good Hysterectomy*

Woordfees 2022 Ongehoord Diskoersreeks Turksvy: Feminisme in Afrikaans Conversation with Azille Coetzee en Bibi Burger

"Session 1: The Creating God," Video recording in *Disciple Bible Study: Fast Track to the new BeADisciple App* (editor Bruce Birch), August 2022

Woordfees 2021 Panel discussion on Covid Diaries with Amanda Gouws WoordfeesTV

Chapel May 2021 On Mothersday

Chapel May 2020 On Loneliness

Woordfees 2020 "Boeke as Terapie?" Juliana Claassens in gesprek met Nadia Sanger, March 10, 2020

Winter School June, 2020 (CANCELLED due to COVID19)

ONT parallel session: "Narrative Possibility in the Context of Traumatic Discordance: Reading Biblical and Contemporary Trauma Narratives"

Morning Devotion, June 4, 2020

URCSA *Ring van Tulbagh*

"On Homosexuality and the Bible," 13 April, 2019, Prince Albert Hamlet

Woordfees 2019

"FEMINISME IN 'N DISTOPIESE WÊRELD - THE HANDMAID'S TALE AS VERTREKpunt: Conversation with Prof Amanda Gouws and as part of Ongehoord Feminist discourse series," WoordFees, March 4, 2019

HE/SHE SAID - JOERNALISTIEK IN 'N POSTFEIT, POSTWAARHEID #METOO WÊRELD Conversation with Prof Lizette Rabe, Departement Joernalistiek, SU, 7 March, 2019

Book Launch, *Nasty Women Talk Back* (ed Joy Watson and Amanda Gouws; Imbali Academic Publishers, 2018), 5 March 2019

Radio Sonder Grense

Radio interview with Martelize Brink, Woordfees, 3March, 2019, Conversation on Human Dignity

Radio Sonder Grense

Radio interview with Lynette Francis Praat Saam oor 16 Days Activism Violence Against Women and Children, November 30, 2018

Radio Sonder Grense

Radio interview with Jean Oosthuizen, Uit 'n Ander Hoek, Conversation on Patriarchy and Religion, November 25, 2018

Ring van Stellenbosch V GK, Vrouebediening

"On Homosexuality and the Bible," September 8, 2018

The Ordained Women in Ministry (WIM), Methodist Church of Southern Africa

"Towards a Feminist Public Theology: On Wounds, Scars and Healing in the Book of Jeremiah and Beyond," 28 August, 2018, Simon's Town

Woordfees 2018

“Hoe moreel is die kerk? (“How Moral is the Church?”) WoordFees, March 8, 2018

“Om Anders te Kyk: Conversation with Marlene le Roux, Artscape as part of Ongehoord Feminist discourse series,” WoordFees, March 7, 2018

URCSA Rondebosch

Preacher October 29, 2017

Dutch Reformed Church, Welgelegen

Preacher September 2017

Respondent Women’s Leadership and the Crisis of Gender Oppression and Violence Panel hosted by Studies in Historical Trauma and Transformation, August 30, 2017

Rynse congregation URCSA,

“On Homosexuality and the Bible,” August 26, 2017

Women’s Forum, Stellenbosch University

Women resisting violence: From the Women's March to #EndRapeCulture, August 17, 2017

Radio Sonder Grense

Radio interview with Martelize Brink on Claiming Her Dignity: Female Resistance in the Old Testament (Liturgical Press, 2016), August 9, 2017

Urban Transformation, Centre for Contextual Ministry, University of Pretoria,

“Female Resistance in the Old Testament: From the Old Testament to Cape Town.” July 2017

Dutch Reformed Church, Welgelegen

Preacher January 2017

Berry College,

Preacher November 2016

Davidson College Presbyterian Church

Speaker Adult Education, September 2016

Urban Transformation, Centre for Contextual Ministry, University of Pretoria,

“Female Resistance in the Old Testament: From the Old Testament to Cape Town.” July 2016

Dutch Reformed Church, Gansbaai

Preacher at Lisel Joubert’s ordination service April 8, 2016

Coordinator Winter School in June, 2016

“A home for us all – the future of Christianity and our youth in Africa

ONT parallel session: Hospitality in the Bible”

Season of Human Dignity: (Embodying living with the Other)

Woordfees 2016

“Wat is Bly aan die Blye Boodskap? (“What is Good about the Good News of the Gospel?”) WoordFees, March 10, 2016

Ringsitting Kaap die Goeie Hoop, Cape Town

Guest Speaker, Season of Human Dignity, 15 September 2015

Chair of the DRC Synod Team Season of Human Dignity

VBO

Coordinator Dirkie’s Smit VBO course on a Theology of Human Dignity, July 20-21

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Speaker Bybelnagte, October, 2015

“A Kairos for Human Dignity”

Homily AnglicanMediaSA

Eucharist readings for the Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost, August 16, 2015.

Woordfees 2015

“God en Gender,” Paneelbespreking by Woordfees, 10 Maart, 2015

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Speaker Bybelnagte October 29, 2014:

“Om Ontmensliking Teen Te Staen: Ou Testament Vroue bied weerstand teen Armoede, Onreg en Geweld”

Dutch Reformed Church Gordensbaai, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 12 October 2014

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 31 Augustus 2014

Winterskool, Junie 2014

Organize HOPE IN THE MIDST OF DESPAIR: EXPLORING HOPE IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT Session

Lecture on Day 2: ‘Faith at the Null point:’ Hope in the Midst of Despair in the Prophetic Imagination

Unitarians Universalists Congregation Cape Town

Preacher, May 11, 2014

Faculty of Theology, Opening Service

Preacher, February 2, 2014

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 3 November 2013

Moraviese Kerk, Distrik 2 (Kaapstad Noord). Mamre

Workshop, “Gender & Religion,” Saturday, 10 August 2013

Old Testament and Diaconia –Gender and Human Dignity

Module taught in the MA Diaconic Management, Institute of Diakoniewissenschaft und Diakonie Management, Kirchliche Hochschule Wuppertal/Bethel, Monday 2 September

Leer en Leef Huis (Gender)

March 2013, Invited speaker on the topic of Gender, Culture and Violence

SAM (National Radio station)

Interview regarding my book, *Mourner, Mother, Midwife: Reimagining God's Liberating Presence*, 1 March, 2013

Radio Sonder Grense (Radio without Borders – National Radio station)

Panel discussion on Gender and Culture 2 March, 2013

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, September 3, 2012

Chai FM

Guest speaker on Humanitarian Day, 21 August 2012

Faculty of Theology, Winter School

Om plek te maak by die tafel: Gender in die Ou Testament en vandag / Making room at the table: Gender in the Old Testament and today, 6 June, 2012

Dutch Reformed Church Welgemoed

Panel Discussion, “Kan ons die geweldadige patriargale God van die Ou Testament as Vader van Jesus aanbid?” 2 June 2012

Dutch Reformed Church Skuikrands, Pretoria, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 31 July 2011

United Presbyterian Church, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 26 June 2011

Radio Sonder Grense (Radio without Borders – National Radio station)

Panel discussion on Theology, Disability and Human Dignity Conference, 2 June, 2011

SAFM (National Radio station)

Interview regarding Theology, Disability and Human Dignity Conference, 20 May, 2011

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 6 February 2011

Radio Sonder Grense (Radio without Borders – National Radio station)

Seven Evening meditations November 2010

Dutch Reformed Church Pinelands, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 3 October 2010

United Presbyterian Church, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 26 September 2010

Women and Men Alliance: 16 Days of No Violence Against Women and Children, Worcester, South Africa

Presenter at one day workshop for pastors “Empowering the Church” with a presentation on “Spirituality: Scripture and the protection of women and children,” 8 December 2009

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Presenter at Bybelnagte (Bible nights) with presentation on the sovereignty of God in the Hebrew Bible (“My God is so groot ... daar’s niks wat my God nie kan doen?”), 21 October 2009

Radio Sonder Grense (Radio without Borders – National Radio station)

Panel discussion on metaphors for God, 9 August 2009

Helderberg Reformed Church, Somerset-West, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 9 August 2009

Dutch Reformed Church Sonstraal, South Africa

Parish Associate which includes four to six preaching opportunities per year; one Bible school/ adult education event that last more or less four weeks; Small group ministry, Bible study and pastoral duties as determined, December 2005- till December 2008

Bible School May-June 2006: 5 week series on “Imaging and Reimaging God,” including topics such as God-language, God’s Pathos, God as Creator, Liberator, Provider

Bible School May-June 2007: 4 week series on “Wrestling with God,” including topics such as God as Mighty Warrior, The Abusive God, Does God send Tsunamis?, The Hiddenness of God.

Dutch Reformed Church Welgelegen, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher, 14 September 2008

Second Presbyterian Church Richmond

Leading a lectionary based adult education class together with Ron Bryant of Union-PSCE, September 2007-April 2008.

Presenter Adult Education, October - November 2005, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment”

Ashland Presbyterian Church

Guest Preacher October, November 2007

Presenter Adult Education, March 2007, “When the Only Thing One Can Do is to Lament”
March 2008 “Expanding our Vocabulary for God”

Trinity Presbyterian Church, Richmond

Guest Preacher 16 September 2007

Dutch Reformed Church Central, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher 22 July 2007

United Presbyterian Church, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Guest Preacher 1, 8 July 2007

Acts of Faith

Panel discussion after musical “Smoke on the Mountain,” Barksdale Theater at Hanover Tavern,” March 18, 2007

Baptist Church Midlothian

Presenter Adult Education, October 2006, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment”

Stellenbosch Reading Group

Presenter Forum May 20 2006, “Do Women Read the Bible Differently?”

Richmond Mennonite Fellowship Richmond

Presenter Adult Education, October 2005, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment”

Durbanville, South Africa Literary Circle

Speaker on the book by Antjie Krog, *A Change of Tongue* (Random House Pty Ltd South Africa, 2003), July 2005

Dutch Reformed Church Sonstraal, South Africa

Guest Preacher July-August 2005

Hulls Memorial Baptist Church, Fredericksburg

Presenter Winter Bible Study, February -March 2005, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine

Nourishment”

River Road Baptist Church, Richmond

Presenter Pastor’s Forum, March 2005, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment”

Ginterpark Baptist Church, Richmond

Presenter Adult Education, April 2005, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment”

First Presbyterian Church Richmond

Presenter Adult Education, October 2004, “The God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment”

Dutch Reformed Church Durbanville, South Africa

Guest Preacher and Presenter Adult Education, 2003-2005

First Presbyterian Church Green Bay, WI

Guest Preacher and Presenter Adult Education, 2002-2004

St Norbert College

Member of Panel in the 2 year Remembrance of September 11, September 11, 2003

Member of Panel on “The Passion” movie by Mel Gibson, March 8, 2004

Presbyterian Women, Winnebago Presbytery

Presenter, “Women in South Africa: Challenges and Opportunities,” April 2004

Moedergemeente, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Presenter Women’s Bible Study, Summer 2003

Diocese of Green Bay

Continuing Education, January 2003

Trinity Presbyterian Church East Brunswick, NJ

Pastor Intern, June 2001-May 2002

Responsible for Christian Education, Adult Education, Youth Ministry

Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ

Research Assistant:

D. T. Olson, Spring and Fall 2000, Research History of Interpretation of the Pentateuch

C. L. Seow, Fall 1997

Hebrew Learning Project 2000

University of Stellenbosch, South Africa

Research Assistant:

F. E. Deist, 1993-1994

C. H. J. van der Merwe, 1995-1997.

Theological Student Council Chairperson 1996-1997, Faculty of Theology

Seminary Intern, Dutch Reformed Church, Moeder Gemeente Stellenbosch, Dr. Clifford Heys, 1996.

Dutch Neck Presbyterian Church, Princeton Junction, NJ

Presenter in Adult Education 2000-2001

BOARD MEMBER

Perspectives in Religious Studies, October 2018-

COMMITTEE INVOLVEMENT

University of Stellenbosch

Faculty Committee	2017-
Research	2010-
OSP/Hope Project	
(Overhead Strategic Project – Human Dignity)	2010-2014
Human Dignity Project	2015-2017
Appointment Committee Senate	2018-

Baptist Theological Seminary, Richmond

Admissions	2007-2008
Lecture	2006-2008
Worship	2006-2008
Distance Education	2005-2006
Nominating Committee (chair)	2004-2006

Co-writer and presenter of final project summary for the Lexington seminar, April 21-23, 2006, Lexington, KY

BTSR goes to Church, together with Mark Biddle and Tracy Hartman, visiting and writing case study about Fredericksburg Baptist Church, March 2007

Richmond Theological Consortium

Service	2007-2008
Executive	2006-2007
Library (chair)	2005-2006
Bookstore	2004-2005

St Norbert College

Committee Killeen Chair Committee	2003-2004
Women and Gender Studies Exploration Group	2002-2004

PEER REVIEWS

14 External Examiner Reports

40 Peer Reviews (Articles Accredited Journals)

8 NRF Peer Reviews

HONORS AND AWARDS

Alexander Von Humboldt Research Award 2025-2029

- Research project “Reading the Book of Nahum in a Violent World”
Research Visits to Phillips University of Marburg, Germany, 12 months from July 2025- July 2029

Deans’ Award for Exceptional Achievement (Stellenbosch University, November 2021)

Research Award for Exceptional Achievement (Stellenbosch University, November 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022)

Catholic Book Award:

Claiming Her Dignity: Female Resistance in the Old Testament (Liturgical Press, 2016), 3rd Place category Gender, June 2017

Von Humboldt Fellowship (2012-2015)

- Research project “Resisting Dehumanization: Gender and Human Dignity in the Biblical Traditions”

Research Visits to University of Münster, Germany, October 2012 –January 2013/April –July 2013/
April – July 2015

- Research project “Reading Trauma Narratives: Exploring the Intersection of Gender and Trauma in the Hebrew Bible”
Research Visit to University of Marburg, Germany, July-August 2019/Transdisciplinary Gender Institute, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, September-November 2019
- Research project “Reading Jonah as Postcolonial Trauma Narrative (Jonah Old Testament Library Commentary; Westminster John Knox, due January 2023)
Research Visit to University of Marburg, Germany, June-August 2022

HB and MJ Thom scholarship

Research Visit to Transdisciplinary Gender Institute, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany,
October-November 2019

Teaching Award

Twice recognized by Stellenbosch University as the lecturer acknowledged by one of the top performing first-year students of 2011 (April 2012) and 2014 (April 2015).

Rectors Award for Research (Stellenbosch University, November 2013).

National Research Foundation

B2 Rated Scholar 2024-2029
C1 Rated Scholar 2018-2024
C2 Rated Scholar, 2011-2017

University of Stellenbosch, South Africa

Extraordinary Visiting Associate Professor December 2005-December 2009

St Norbert College

Faculty Development Grant, Summer 2003
Project: Completion of book with Abingdon Press *God who Provides: Biblical Images of Divine Nourishment*.

Princeton Theological Seminary

Doctoral Fellowship, 1997-2001

Commonwealth Scholarship

Received and declined, 1997

University of Stellenbosch

Honor Student Award 1997
University of Stellenbosch Merit scholarship, 1996, 1995, 1993, 1992
SWO (Center for Science Development) Scholarship 1994
Standard Bank Merit Scholarship 1995, 1994
Stellenbosch 2000 Scholarship 1996, 1995.

TEACHING INTERESTS

- Feminist Biblical Interpretation
- Postcolonial Biblical Interpretation
- Trauma Hermeneutics

- Prophetic Literature
- Metaphor and God-language
- Ethics and Biblical Interpretation
- Gender, Culture and Religion

DENOMINATION

Minister of Word and Sacrament, Dutch Reformed Church
Ordained at Stellenbosch Moedergemeente, 27 February 2011

Minister of Word and Sacrament, Presbyterian Church (USA)
Ordained at Dutch Neck Presbyterian Church, Princeton Junction, NJ, 16 March 2003.

LANGUAGES

- Biblical and Rabbinic Hebrew • Aramaic • Biblical Greek • Ugaritic
- Afrikaans • English • Dutch • German • French

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, OFFICES HELD AND RECENT MEETINGS ATTENDED

Status of Women in the Profession, Society of Biblical Literature Committee, January 2023 for 3 year term

Member of Society of Biblical Literature

Member of Old Testament Society of South Africa

Convener Stellenbosch Chapter Circle of Concerned Women Theologians, 2010-2020

Co-chair Reading/Writing Jeremiah, Society of Biblical Literature, November 2016 for 6 year term

Steering Committee Trauma and the Hebrew Bible, Society of Biblical Literature, 2013 -2018

Co-chair of the Theology of Hebrew Scriptures, Society of Biblical Literature, November 2005-2010

Steering Committee Bakhtin and Biblical Imagination Group, Society of Biblical Literature, November 2005 for 3 year term

Co-editor Oud Testamentische Studien / Old Testament Studies, Brill, 2025-

Perspectives of Religious Studies Board 2018- 2022

Horizons in Biblical Theology Editorial Board, 2024-

Semeia Studies Editorial Board January 1, 2019-2024

Review and Expositor Board, 2005-2008

Co-Editor "Faith Facing Trauma" issue of *Review and Expositor*, 105/2 (Spring 2008) together with Dave Garber, McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University.

CONFERENCES ATTENDED:

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Diego, CA), Nov 2024

International Society of Biblical Literature Conference, (Amsterdam), July 2024

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Antonio, TX), Nov 2023

International Society of Biblical Literature Conference, (Pretoria), July 2023

EuARe Conference St Andrews, June 2023

Society of Biblical Literature, (Denver, CO), Nov 2022

IOSOT, Zurich, August 2022

International Society of Biblical Literature, Salzburg, July 2022

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Antonio, TX), Nov 2021 (Virtual)

Society of Biblical Literature, (Boston MA), Nov 2020 (Virtual)

International Society of Biblical Literature, (Adelaide, Australia) July 2020 (Cancelled due to COVID)

Ordinary Biblical Readers in Switzerland (Bern, Switzerland), February 2020

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Diego, CA), Nov 2019

International Society of Biblical Literature, (Rome) July 2019

Society of Biblical Literature, (Denver, CO), Nov 2018

“Homecoming? Interdisciplinary explorations on longing and belonging in a migrating world,” 20-21 September 2018, Groningen, the Netherlands

PROPENT, Bass Lake, Pretoria, September 2018

ProProphet, University of Pretoria, September 2018

Bonhoeffer and Public Theology conference, Sydney, Australia, June 7-8, 2018

“Teaching Gender And Health In Africa: Hearing From Our Change Agents,” March 2018

Society of Biblical Literature, (Boston, MA), Nov 2017

Research Colloquium at the University of Graz, 8.-10 June 2017

New Quests for God: Contributions of Theology to a Resilient Society Conference, Groningen, Netherlands 24-27 April, 2017.

Cultivating Change Agents: Mainstreaming Gender and Health in Africa/Launch of Gender Unit of the Faculty of Theology, 29 March, 2017, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Antonio, TX), Nov 2016

Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians Conference, Pretoria, 11-15 July, 2016

Society of Biblical Literature, (Atlanta, GA), Nov 2015

Old Testament Society South Africa (University of Johannesburg, South Africa), September 2015

PROPENT, Bass Lake, Pretoria, September 2015

Feminist Frameworks Conference, Faculty of Theology, Stellenbosch University, 10 March, 2015

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Diego), Nov 2014

“God in the Public Domain” International PTHU Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands, May 2014

Society of Biblical Literature, (Baltimore, MD), Nov 2013

Restorative Readings: Old Testament, Ethics and Human Dignity Conference, Stellenbosch University, September 5, 2013

Old Testament Society South Africa (University of Free State, South Africa), September 2013

Gender, Religion and Education conference, hosted by UWC and Stellenbosch University Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, UWC, August 16, 2013

Pan African Conference, Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, August, 2013

International Society of Biblical Literature, (St Andrews, Scotland), July 2013

Gender and Education Conference of the Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Stellenbosch and UWC Chapters, Stellenbosch, South Africa, May 2012

Society of Biblical Literature, (Chicago, IL), Nov 2012

Society of Biblical Literature, (San Francisco, CA), Nov 2011

Circle of Concerned African Women Theologians, Southern African Regional Conference, September, 2011, Johannesburg, South Africa

Old Testament Society South Africa (University of Western Cape, South Africa), September 2011

Theology, Disability and Human Dignity conference, Stellenbosch, South Africa, May 2011
 Society of Biblical Literature, (Atlanta, GA), Nov 2010
 Old Testament Working Group of South Africa (Stellenbosch, South Africa), June 2009
 Society of Biblical Literature, (Boston, MA), November 2008
 European Association of Biblical Scholars (Lisabon, Portugal), August 2008
 Old Testament Working group of South Africa (Pretoria, South Africa), August 2007
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (San Diego, CA), Nov 2007
 Engaging the Bible: Politics, Media, Human Rights and Family, 26-27 February, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington DC
 Educating Clergy, Wabash, Chicago, March 2006
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Washington DC), Nov 2006
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Philadelphia, PA), Nov 2005
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (San Antonio, TX), Nov 2004
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Atlanta, GA), Nov 2003
 Upper Midwest Regional Meeting of Society of Biblical Literature (Minneapolis, MN), April 2003
 Bible and Ethics, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa (June, 2003)
 30 year celebration of University of Western Cape, Cape Town, South Africa (June 2003)
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Toronto, Canada), November 2002,
 50 Year Celebration of Women Studies Program, (Harvard, Mass), October 2002.
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Denver, CO), Nov 2001
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Nashville, TN), Nov 2000
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Boston, MA), Nov 1999
 Annual American Association of Religion/ Society of Biblical Literature, (Orlando, FL), Nov 1998

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 Graybill, Rhiannon (rhannon.graybill@richmond.edu)
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